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The BYC Jib Sheet

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Commodore's Comments...

Opening Day is only a few days away, May 6th is the date of this year's event. The event is themed *Brazilian Carnival*, so get out your decorations and fix up your boat for the parade. If you've never been to opening day before or have friends that would like to come down for the festivities, here is what is planned. At 11:00 AM there will be a members and invited guests social in Emerald Bay, the officers and trustees will be serving champagne and sparkling cider and there will be a few appetizers. At 12 noon the formal opening day ceremonies begin in the parking lot just outside of the club. When 1:00 rolls around the boats away signal is sounded and the entire harbor will gather up on the bay for a parade. If you don't have a boat, there are opportunities to ride with some of the other club members, just show up at the club before 1:00. After the parade the docks come alive with activity, everyone shows off their boats, their appetizers, and friendship. This is a fun event for all ages, so don't miss it.

April 15th, was the date of the spring club scrub. Bob Kehoe our building and house chairman was there with a long list of items to take care of. The event was extremely successful with almost 30 volunteers showing up to participate. If you haven't been in to the club, take time to stop by and have a look. After this winter's modifications and the spring cleaning, the club looks great.

On the same day as the club scrub, the BYC was participating in the Whatcom Outdoor Expo. The event was held indoors at Bloedel Donovan park and featured over 30 booths. Several of our members had booths including San Juan Sailing and West Coast Marine Services, both member businesses.

The Juniors held their own event the following weekend at Bloedel. Ashley Hamilton our Junior sailing coach organized the event. There were several Byte's and Opti's available

for sailing, and a few of the dinghy fleet members brought up their Lasers to sail around the park. The weather was perfect with sunny skies and wind!

If you haven't heard yet, the new point of sale system is now running in the club. You will need to update your membership cards with the new bar codes. The bar codes are available for your existing cards in the lounge, so make sure to pick one up and place it on your card to ensure speedy delivery of your BYC purchases.

The water continues to get busier, the PHRF and Etchell fleets started their Wednesday night races this month. Soon the Dinghy Fleet will start racing on Tuesdays and the Casual fleet will be racing on Thursdays. Come down to the club on any of those nights to socialize with the racers, or come early and ride on the committee boat, members are always welcome!

Last but not least this weekend is the Past Commodores Cruise. This event is open to ALL members and Rich Veach our immediate Past Commodore has some fun planned. The cruise is to Laconner which can be reached by Land or Sea so don't miss this event. Saturday night dinner is planned in the original BYC club house and a trivia contest will be held! See you at these upcoming events,

---Commodore Ray Poorman

Board Report

The Board approved the financial report for Jan-March 2006. Bob Kehoe reported that there was great participation and accomplishment at the Club Scrub (see article elsewhere in Jib Sheet). The new POS system appears to be working well. Michele Hurst and Steve Ross will investigate the possibility of creating a Membership database application that draws data from both Quickbooks and the AccuPOS database.

--Steve Ross

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Fleet Captain Report

The weather is getting warmer (and dryer) as the summer boating season has finally arrived. All fleets are becoming active as this season gets under way.

Opening Day-

Get ready to decorate your boat for "Carnaval". This year's Opening day will be a lot of fun. Events and schedule will be similar to last year's event so make sure you bring your invitation or membership card when you come to the club.

Junior Fleet-

Our Junior summer sailing program had their first event with volunteers from the Hamilton, Ashton and Grimshaw families bringing Junior Sailing to Bloedel Donovan Park last Saturday. We had 4 dinghies sailing in Lake Whatcom with the parents in the pavilion answering questions about BYC and Junior sailing. Our training season is soon to begin with Ashley Hamilton instructing Juniors from our club and the community. Looking forward to some competitive racing on Tuesday nights from our Junior sailors this year.

Dinghy Fleet-

This rambunctious group will be underway on Tuesday nights beginning early May. Mike Poulos captaining the dinghy fleet has done a wonderful job getting this program going. Thanks to these sailors we will be hosting a major Laser points regatta June 10 and 11.

Wednesday Racing-

The season is underway with springlike conditions so far. We will be supporting our race committee with at least one seasoned racer aboard for the rest of the season. Racers, begin thinking now of what you can bring to the racing program next year. Sail fleet captain nominations will be accepted toward the end of the season with a Sail fleet captain selected from qualified candidates before this season ends. If you feel strongly about the quality of racing at BYC, and I know many of you do, then now is the time to show your talent. I wouldn't mind seeing co-captains in the position. What do you think?

I am really looking forward to some peaceful weekends on the hook this summer at Inati Bay and in the San Juans. My new 1956 auxiliary power sailboat "Naniloa" is pulling at her dock lines as I am writing this. See you on the water!

--Terry Robertson
Fleet Captain

Cruising Calendar

May 26-29 will be the Memorial Day Cruise to Port Sidney, B.C.

According to cruisemaster **Joe Coons**, this marina, perhaps the most beautiful in the Northwest with its hanging baskets and broad docks, is pulling out all the stops to make the visit a really fun time. Among other events, they are promising a tent for our Saturday afternoon dock party, and Joe assures us that he has "great prizes" for the usual drawing. He says he is assuming that boaters will arrive Saturday and leave Monday, so there will be dinners out organized for Saturday and Sunday evenings at Sidney's fine bistros. **You need to make reservations NOW!** For details before May 8, contact **Chuck McCord** who's helping Joe out (Coons is away) at (360) 384-0110 or email saltychuck@aol.com. **After May 8, reach Joe at joejudyc@comcast.net, 739-1528.**

June 24-25: Point Roberts Cruise & Sailor Hosting, contact **Quinn Selsor**.

July 1-5: Deer Harbor Fourth of July cruise. Contact **Chuck McCord**, saltychuck@aol.com.

August 4-6: Poets Cove Cruise, John Gargett is the cruisemaster. The gathering will feature a patio dinner for all the cruisers served at this gorgeous resort on Saturday night. Reach John at john@gargett.com or call 734-3499.

September 1-4: Reid Harbor Labor Day Cruise, Teresa & John Van Haalen, Cruisemasters.

Please sign up early for cruises so we can arrange moorage, especially difficult on holiday weekends!

See pages 10 and 11 in the new Yearbook/Roster to learn the rest of the schedule. ---Joe Coons

New POS in Bar

BYC's new POS system now has a User's Manual on the BYC website. Steve Ross has done a great job putting the manual together. Those of you tending bar in the next few weeks should download the manual from www.byc.org and get acquainted with the system before you report for duty!

---from the BYC website

RBAW Report

The RBAW website has been updated with important boating news spanning from Olympia to Canada. Editors, Delegates and interested boaters, please share this information with your boating clubs and fellow Northwest boaters. The updated website includes:

-Boating information about the Tacoma Narrows Bridge; Summer 2006 guidelines for transiting the Narrows.

-The 2006 Boaters Legislative Report from Olympia

-Boating in Canada information from our March 4th meeting with the B.C. Council of Yacht Clubs in Vancouver, B.C.

-New mooring buoys in the San Juans to enhance eel grass. For more information, questions or comments: Please contact www.rbaw.org

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--BJ Ursin

Inati Bay update

We didn't need to contact FEMA but Inati Bay took some real big storms last winter. Many large logs littered our shore, the tidal debris line was halfway through our grassy area, fallen tree branches (almost trees) were in abundance.

Thanks to our Pirates efforts, Inati Bay is ready for visitors. Dick, Rich, Al, Jason and Tyler spent a dry evening recently doing the spruce-up, cutting the grass, replenishing the TP. They also planned for the Pirates to return. More effort is required to continue the proper placement of all the new logs (seating areas) (really!!! these logs are big and there are many, many of em), to rebuild the storm damaged fire pits and the ever needed brush control.

Inati Bay is ready for your visit but be mindful of the log boom in place. The owners are logging up above our site and are using a sizeable area of the bay for boomed log storage. We were assured that the logging will end sometime soon (???).

So enjoy your visits to our outstation and if you see something that needs attention – fix it. Or at least, say something to a pirate.

--Al Callery
Vice Commodore

Club Scrub Thanks

The CLUB SCRUB went very well. When you see Steve Moore, Al Callery, Karen Callery, Steve Johnson, Bob & Marsha Riek, Wayne Kelsoe, Don & Pat Dangelmaier, Judy Kehoe, Loraine Boland, Joe & Judy Coons, Dick Johnson, Terry Tavelli, Bill Apt, Tom Purdy, Dick Grimshaw, Ray Nelson, Hal Rogers, Jane Sylvester, Michele & Bart Bodtke, Bob & Carol Snowball, Terry Robertson, Phil Dyer, Chuck & Roberta McCord, Bill Heward, **you need to thank them for an excellent job.** (names in order to where they signed the sheet, not of importance).

Most of the list was completed with the exception of the painting out side, and replacing ceiling tiles.

There was a cost over run in the women's down stairs rest room; I was told John broke the plumbing, I was also told Tom broke the plumbing, who knows with those two. Some blood was spilt. Tom took John shopping for about 2 hours, using all of Johns allotted time. So some reserve help was mustered up and the job did get completed. You didn't want to walk by and hear what was coming out of the rest room, you would think there were several sailors in there. Thanks for tackling that job.

The Girls behind the bar and the back storage area really made a big difference. We now have Venetian blinds in the Commodore's room, so the brides and maids won't be seen when changing.

The paint room in the basement was cleaned for the first time in several years. The junior sailing room was cleaned out A Major job.

PacRim plaques were moved to the entrance hall, and the trophy wall was re-arranged.

Thanks again,

---Bob Kehoe

Bartender Schedule

Thanks for volunteering to help with our bartending. Below is a schedule that – I hope -- has each of you scheduled once, and only once. Most of the new bartenders are paired with an experienced person.

If you cannot tend at the time scheduled, please attempt to arrange a substitute. If you're having trouble finding one, contact the Captain of the Watch for your week as early as possible. Please do not contact Dick Johnson or me unless you're really desperate. In mid-May I will start working on the Summer and Fall Schedule. I'll send out a request for any "no schedule" times and try to meet your preferences. With all the new bartenders, I expect that we'll only need to be on duty once every four months instead of once every three months as it is now. Thanks again for your help.

--Steve Ross

Every Wed: Char Malseed, Steve Moore, Bob Kehoe

Week Capt.: Jason Watson

5/04 Th S. Corcoran, J. Raasch

5/05 Fr F@5: J. Gerity, J. Watson

5/06 Sat **OPENING DAY: HIRED**

Week Capt.: Terry Tavelli

5/11 Th M. Bolster

5/12 Fr S. & H. Hanson

5/13 Sat Tavelli, M. Lawrence

Week Capt: Michele Hurst

5/18 Th Coones

5/19 Fr F@5: Tarios

5/20 Sa M. Hurst, N. Bennett

Week Capt.: Jamie Foti

5/25 Th J. Foti

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5/27 Sat Hewards

Week Capt.:Rich Veach

6/01 Th M. Johnson, C. Cooper

6/02 Fr F@5: Veaches

6/03 Sat Selsors

Week Capt.: Bob Snowball

6/08 Th B. Snowball

6/09 Fr H. Shropshire

6/10 Sat Kelsoes

Week Capt.: Dick Grimshaw

6/15 Th R. Schjelderup

6/16 Fr F@5: D. Grimshaw, Brocks

6/17 Sat Steffens

Week Capt.: Ray Poorman

6/22 Th P. Beich, Wagners

6/23 Fr Poormans

6/24 Sat Bartlett & Durand

Week Capt.: Geoff Chamness

6/29 Th R. Erickson, Bodtkes

6/30 Fr J. Delay, M. Poulos

7/01 Sat G. Chamness

Friday's @ 5

Be sure to check your calendar so you don't miss the events in May (every 1st and 3rd Friday). The first F@5 for June will include a presentation from the BYC members who participated in the PacRim'06 Regatta in New Zealand. Some of them are shown below:



Member Cruising...

We'd like to keep a list in every issue of the Jib Sheet of Members' upcoming cruising schedules, so that folks can co-schedule cruises in case they are inexperienced or just want the security of having another boat somewhere in the "neighborhood". Of course, listing your schedule **does not** mean you want company, just that you'll be around.

Joe and Judy Coons/Skylark II will be in the Broughton Island area leaving around July 7 and returning about July 19. *Call (360) 739-1528* after May 8.

BYC Q&A

What is the BYC "Receiving Line"?

If the Officers and Board of the Club continue the tradition, the Opening Day Reception on the 6th of this month will include a receiving line at the door. As Members and guests enter, the Fleet Captain will greet them, get their name, and introduce them to the next officer or board member in line; that person, in turn, will introduce them to the next, and so on. Typically the line works its way up by rank, with the Commodore last to greet the guests. It is one of the two times a year (the other is at the Commodore's Ball) when every Member can meet every leader in the Club. It is also a time when the Officers and Board should be in their "Summer Dress" colors, with white pants or skirts and blue jackets, with ties for the men.

--Joe Coons writes these items representing the BYC Past Commodores

Captain Homie

We're getting the CAROLINE ready for the Summer Cruise. I had the Boat up on the Hard at Delta for 2.5 weeks. Painted the bottom, changed Zincs, and put in the New Hoser as Patty calls it (a deck wash down system). I'm also in the process of re-finishing the transom and putting on new lettering. I was playing around too much the last 2-3 years and it kinda got away from me. But it will look nice when it's all finished. I now have all the new Electronics installed that I bought while I was in Bellingham. They seem to have made things better on CAROLINE.

Something to share with you is that by putting one of those 2-inch external-speakers that Radio Shack sells (\$25) on my new VHF radio it sure makes it easier to hear when underway. I have a fair amount of engine noise and the ageing process has taken some of my hearing away...but the additional speaker really helps and they don't take up much room. Oh! The new Hoser puts out 80psi, so I should be able to scale fish with it, eh?

Also am reglvanizing 275' of chain and my anchor. Seven years of daily boating and anchoring out an average of 80 times a year pretty much wore all of the galvinizing off of everything. Which reminds me, I better paint the Chain Locker before I put the Chain back aboard, eh...

Patty will be taking inventory of what we need to have on the boat, and she'll discover I got a great deal on beef! We are allowed 20 lbs. per person going into Canada. I've never had them check, but you can count on Murphy telling the Canadian Customs if you're over the limit. He's such a BLAB!!! Imagine this scene. As I'm watching CAROLINE being hauled-out I notice that I've left the engine running. I was going to change the impeller anyway, but to my surprise, the impeller was still intact as it hadn't been running very long.

We have moorage for 6 weeks at the Duwamish YC, and we will try to get moorage next winter here as we have some land-cruises planned after the Summer Cruise. We hope to see some of youse as we are cruising this summer!

Too bad about these fuel prices, but I still think they are pushing the envelope and prices will be coming down as people start cutting back on consumption. We are a bit more in control of this situation than we think??? See you all on the water.

---Captain Homie & Patty

"Captain Homie" is our Member Frank Richardson from Kent who cruises extensively in his Hardin trawler, Caroline, all over the Pacific Northwest. He does his best to get free reciprocal moorage so he can spend more money entertaining his new wife, Patty, a sports enthusiast. You can send your emails to him (no photos or attachments, please) to: capt.homie@pocketmail.com

New Members

Welcome to the following new members, approved at the April Board meeting:

Jonathan and Constance Bauman, The Woodlands, Texas (Nordhavn 43, "Rejoice")

John and Maureen De Lair, Bellingham (Tollycraft 27, "Shoki")

Jim Langei, Bellingham (Uniflite, "Abbie Jean")

Todd Simmons and Kelly Lewis, Bellingham (Santana 30, "Karen's Ring")

--Michele Hurst

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	MAY 2006
	1	2 Pitchpole #1 - 6PM	3 Spring 1 6PM	4 Spring Casual 1	5 ☺ F@5	6 Opening Day!	<u>SIGNIFICANT DATES THIS MONTH</u> 6th: OPENING DAY! 5th, 19th, Fridays at 5 18th: Board Meeting Racing: 3,10,17,24,31: Spring Races 4,11,18: Casual Races 2, 9, 16, 23: Pitchpoles 20-21: Ski to Sea Regatta 26-28: Swiftsure 26-29 Port Sidney Cruise Please read e-mail updates for additional BYC events as they come up.
7	8	9 Pitchpole #2 - 6PM	10 Spring 2 6PM	11 Spring Casual 2 Famous Dead Person Night	12	13 Round Lummi 10AM	
14	15	16 Pitchpole #3 - 6PM	17 Spring 3 6PM	18 Spring Casual 3 Board Mtg 6PM	19 ☺ F@5	20 Ski-to-Sea Youth Regatta	
21 Ski-to-Sea Youth Regatta	22	23 Pitchpole #4 - 6PM	24 Spring 4 6PM	25	26 (Swiftsure) Port Sidney Cruise	27 (Swiftsure) Port Sidney Cruise	
28	29	30	31				
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4	5	6 Wavriders #1 - 6PM	7 Summer 1 6PM	8 Summer Casual 2	9	10 Laser Grand Prix/ Anacort. Winderm.	
11 LGP/ Anacort. Winderm.	12	13 Wavriders #2 - 6PM	14 Summer 2 6PM	15 Summer Casual 3 Board Mtg 6PM	16 ☺ F@5	17 Ski-to-Sea Youth Regatta	
18 Ski-to-Sea Youth Regatta	19	20 Wavriders #3 - 6PM	21 Summer 3 4 6PM	22 Summer Casual 4	23	24 Pt. Roberts Race & Cruise	
25	26	27	28	29	30	July 1	
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