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IN THE NEWS THIS MONTH

TOP STORIES:

- Sailing Rules Adopted
- Club Scrub Report
- Junior Sailing News
- Junior Ski to Sea Race Coming
- Fleet Captain's Column

- Commodore's Column
- Sailing/Racing Crew School Report
- Club Calendars
- Featured Advertisers
- Captain Homie's Column

NEW MEMBER REPORT

The Board is pleased to welcome the following new and returning members to the BYC:

- Roger and Donna Bedell, former long time members, rejoined the club as non-resident members.
 They have a 40 foot Sea Ray named Baby Doll.
- Matt Ursin, son of members Bjarne and Mary Ursin, has joined as an active member. He is a teacher in the Bellingham area and currently does not own a boat.
- Park Densmore has joined the club as an active member. Park is also a member of the Sloop Tavern Yacht Club. He has an 18 foot Mercury sailboat named Rain Man.

 Alan and Gretchen Taylor have rejoined the club as active members. Alan is currently sailing a 27 foot Santa Cruz named Shock.

Please join us in welcoming them all into our Club!

Michele Bodke, Membership Secretary

"RETAIL" HELP WANTED

Anyone who would like to help with Ship's Store sales please call Michele Bodtke at 360.720.4155 or send an email to Michele@nwecological.com

JUNIOR SAILING NEWS:

May has been a busy month for the BYC's youth sailing program. The BYC's 2008 **Junior Ski-To-Sea race** was held on Bellingham Bay Mother's Day weekend. Sailors from as far away as Gig Harbor attended the regatta. Thanks to Gary Baker and his Race Committee team plus all of the other volunteers for running five races in one day.

Two sailing instructors were hired in May to teach the BYC's classes for 2008. Katie Bury will be the BYC's head sailing instructor. Katie is a US Sailing certified instructor with three years sailing instruction experience. Most recently, she worked as the lead instructor at WWU's Lakewood facility. Katie is the commodore of the WWU sailing team. She also has participated in a variety of BYC activities including the WOW and PITCH regattas, and she crewed last year for Bill Apt on Ta2. Calla Ward also will be teaching the BYC's summer sailing classes. Calla grew-up in a sailing family. She is a US Sailing certified instructor, and has raced for WWU's sailing team for two years. Calla is a recreation major at Western, and a certified lifeguard with experience working with disabled kids at the Arne Hana aquatic center. Katie and Calla should make a great instructor team for the BYC's summer youth sailing program. Welcome aboard Katie and Calla!

Spread the Word: the BYC's summer youth sailing classes start June 16th and run until Labor Day weekend. Classes are one week long and provide students with 30 hours of instruction time. Each class is Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Beginning and intermediate level classes are available and cost \$169. Classes can be combined to create a multi-week learning experience for students. Contact Steven Kersey at 360-671-7275 for additional information on the BYC's summer youth sailing program.

Basic Small Boat Sailing:

Session 1: June 16 - 20.

Session 2: June 23-27

Session 3: July 7 - 11

Session 4: July 14 - 18

Session 5: July 28 - August 1

Session 6: August 4 - 8

Session 7: August 18 - 22

Intermediate Sailing:

Session 1: June 30 - July 4

Session 2: July 21 - 25

Session 3: August 11 - 15

Session 4: August 25 - 29

Note: the prerequisite for basic sailing

is intermediate sailing or similar experience.

Thanks to the following volunteers for helping the BYC's youth sailing program in May: Brennan Ashton, Terry Tavelli, Gary Baker, Gerri Rea Kersey, Arne Ahlen, Michelle Bodtke, Michelle Hurst, Neil

Bennett, Ralph Nehr and the Sea Scouts, Steve and Monica Hayward, Hal and Nancy Rogers, Dick Grimshaw, Dick Johnson, Geoff Chamness, Andy and Kathy Brown, Jane Sylvester, Randy Nulle, Steve Raasch, Terry and Sally Hilman, Dale Green, and Pete Ambrose.

Steve Kersey, Jr. Sailing Fleet Captain

COMMODORE'S COLUMN...

Boating season is upon us and last weekend the weather finally gave a hint of warmer days and sunny skies. Members are busy working on their boats and planning their summer getaways.

From all accounts that I heard, although the weather was not very cooperative, this year's Opening Day ceremonies went very well and the inclement weather didn't dampen the parade or the festivities. I want to thank Michele Hurst for all the hard work that she did organizing this year's event and Terry Robertson for doing an excellent job standing in for me. I also would like to thank Father Kevin Allen for blessing the fleet, Jenny Roberts for singing the anthems, the Bellingham High School Alumni Marching Band for providing the festive entertainment and Kim Alfreds for providing the VIP boat again this year. I also want to thank all the numerous volunteers for their help in making the event a success. It was a pleasure to know that I could leave the event in such capable hands.

Our trip to Tateyama, Japan provided a unique insight into the "Sister City" organization and how the relationship has impacted the lives of the people of Tateyama. Our relationship with them is highly treasured by the Japanese and has made a positive impact, literally changing the lives of many of their young people. For several years (including this year), the City of Tateyama has sent a team to participate in the Ski to Sea Race. This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Bellingham/Tateyama Sister City relationship. In July, Bellingham will be hosting a group of Japanese people representing Tateyama and has numerous events planned. I encourage you to contact the Bellingham Sister Cities organization and volunteer to host a representative or help with the events. For those of you who haven't checked it out, our trip to Tateyama was well documented by Past Commodore John Gargett and can be found on the BYC website. Thank you John for doing such a fantastic job taking pictures and posting them along with a narrative on the website.

Steve Kersey took the lead this year in planning and organizing the Ski to Sea Regatta. Unfortunately, due to scheduling issues, the event was very lightly attended this year. The regatta was shortened to just Saturday as the Sunday was Mother's Day and we unable to get enough volunteers for that day. Regardless, Steve did an excellent job and deserves our thanks for stepping up and making the event happen. Thanks also go to Gary Baker and the Etchells fleet for providing the race committee and to all the other volunteers for their help with the event. Next year, we plan to schedule the regatta in June in order to encourage more participation.

Check the schedule on the BYC website as we have numerous cruises, regattas and events coming up including a fun Wine Tasting Party on Friday, June 13^{th} .

Terry Tavelli, BYC 2007-2008 Commodore

SAILING FLEET ANNOUNCEMENT

The following policy and fee structure changes have been implemented:

- 1) Race packet fees for non-BYC members will be the same as those fees charged to BYC members. A non-BYC member will be allowed to participate at this rate for one season only. BYC membership will be required for participation into a second season.
- 2) An entry level division and start will be created for all Novice, Cruiser or No-flying-sails boats. The fee for this race packet will be \$ 40.00 for all races including long distance races but excluding PITCH. BYC membership will not be required at any point for participation in this division. For scoring purposes a current PHRF certificate will be required.
- 3) Participation in all long distance races will be open to any non-BYC member. For scoring purposes a current PHRF certificate will be required.

Commodore Terry Tavelli, Fleet Captain Michele Hurst, Racing Fleet Co-Captains Jeff Vernon & Bill Apt

RACING CREW SCHOOL

A series of classes are now being planned by Bill Apt to start in the first week of May. The classes will be directed toward any newer crew or crew hopefuls and will be geared to provide a basic knowledge of the terminology associated with the hardware, sail handling, and boat maneuvers aboard a racing sail boat. At times a new comer to racing must think that sailors speak a foreign language. We do, and in the beginning much of the rough edges of crew work during a race is caused by a terminology gap.

An attempt will be made to find boats for all attendees that do not currently have a crew spot. Any interested person will be welcome to come and have some fun and learn why "fall off" does not mean "fall in the water". There are be no prerequisites and no fee and the classes will be open to all. Just bring a desire to learn. For times and place please contact Bill directly at billapt@yahoo.com or 360 961-0242

PC STEVE MOORE NEEDS YOUR HELP AT FRIDAYS AT FIVE

Steve needs help getting the Friday at 5 host scheduling in place. As a F@5 host, one, two, or more Members provide a theme and key dishes for a Friday at Five. Some folks do it simply, with modest offerings, others do more elaborate serving, but everyone always appreciates what is served and the hosts can have some fun reciprocating for all the nice times Fridays at Five bring us and our guests.

Past Commodore Steve urges you to pick a first or third (or fifth, when there is one) Friday and volunteer to be a host. Call him at 201-8999 or email steve@mooreandcompany.com for more details and ideas...and take your turn providing the fun. THANKS!

CREW SCHOOL

The first class in attendance at <u>Crew University</u> TM all graduated with honors Tuesday May 13 during a brief ceremony. Valedictorian **Carrie Kennan** said this about the class. "Wow ", "Bill is totally amazing .He really presents this material in a very clear and understandable way." "Now I know that the pointy end is called the bow, and fall off doesn't mean 'jump in the water'."

Scott Farnes said, "Holly gollywobler, what a great class!"

Ten people completed the fun filled classes and were certified as Racing Sail boat crew.

HI. BYC'ERS. NEED CARIBBEAN CHARTS?

I recently purchased a motorsailer that spent time on the US East Coast and much of the Caribbean. There are a bunch of Maptech chart books and pilot-guides of the area on board I don't need. I would like to give them to someone who might use them - otherwise the material will be 'deep sixed' in the local recycle. Anyone want them? Call me! Cheers...

Dave Yell, Cell 360-220-4552

BOTTOM PAINT SPECIAL - \$22/FT.

To celebrate the opening of **Seaview Yacht Service** in Fairhaven both Bellingham Seaview locations are offering a Bottom Paint Special. For \$22.00 per foot on boats 50' and less you'll get a haul out, pressure wash, labor, and all materials except bottom paint. They will match any locally advertised price, just bring in the ad! Call them for details; number at top of this *Jib Sheet*.

THOUGHTS FROM A PAST COMMODORE

You're probably aware that Past Commodores automatically become Life Members upon completion of their year as Commodore. They don't pay any "dues", and this benefit became a rule many years ago, before my time.

In recent years, however, the Past Commodores started their own group and affiliated themselves with Blue Gavel, an international association of PC's. At the same time, the organizers determined that the PC's should do something specific to help the Club, for when the early gatherings took place, the Club was having some very hard times. They implemented a program where PC's would voluntarily, if able, contribute to a "Past Commodores' Fund" an amount equal to the current year's dues, thus giving the Club the funds they would have gotten had the "Life Membership" not been awarded to them!

Over the years, this has been a bundle of money! The PC's donated the big TV, the mirrors on the lounge walls, and more. But most important, they have contributed, every year, the funds for the Inati Bay lease and the cost of the BYC website (which is also supported by Ray Poorman's company, CSS Integration and Communications). This year at Opening Day, the PC's gave their check to the Club for \$4,900 to cover the \$2,500 Inati Bay lease, \$2,100 for Inati Bay improvements, and \$300 toward the web site.

All of us owe thanks to **PC Bud Peterson** and his officers **Steve Ross** and **Dick Johnson** who are key leaders of the group, especially Bud who has been leadling it as President since its inception.

They make me a better Past Commodore!

Joe Coons

NAME BADGES... DO YOU HAVE YOURS?

The Club would like all members to own (and wear!) their name badges at all Club functions. If you do not yet have one, and are interested, please send an e-mail to Roberta McCord (saltychuck@aol.com). Thank you!

HAVE A HEART FOR THE HEART OF SAILING...

Sarah Tario is coordinating a sailing event for children with special needs and their families which the Bellingham Yacht Club will be hosting. The Heart of Sailing Foundation is an established and successful international program, and their Sail-A-Thon event is on Sunday June 29th from 10am - 4pm. The day starts with a short meeting and class instruction where we will assign families to boats, both motor and sail. Participants will then head out on the water for a few hours. After the boating, they will again meet at the Bellingham Yacht Club to enjoy a picnic-type lunch (hosted by our local Dead Pirate's Society), have an awards ceremony and then the Irish music band, *Maggies Fury*, will entertain from about 3-4pm.

Right now, Sarah is looking for help to organize this event, plus more boats and more families. Please email or call her for more information or to help in any way.

Sarah Tario, 739-0090 or skeatingd@comcast.net or www.heartofsailing.org.

POET'S COVE CRUISE, SEPTEMBER 19-21

While it seems far, far away, our Poet's Cove Cruise is set up with Poet's Cove and again, by popular demand, it is the same weekend as the Saturna Island Wine Festival. One of the great things about this cruise is that the hotel is a great place to stay if you do not have a boat. But if you want to stay in the Lodge this year, you should make reservations now because there are only a few rooms left! Either call 1-888-512-7638 or email reservations@poetscove.com

For boaters, the marina has set aside 12 slips but you need to call them directly to make a reservation. Tell them you are coming with the BYC. You may call toll free at 1-866-888 2683 or email marina@poetscove.com.

John Gargett

CAPTAIN HOMIE'S LOG...

Frank Richardson, Captain Homie, is the BYC's cruising reciprocal fanatic aboard his single-prop 42' Hardin Trawler, Caroline, with his wife Patti aboard much of the time. His missives arrive mysteriously from time to time from capt.homie@comcast.net.

After spending 2 months on the Hard at Delta Marine, and going on a land cruise thru the Southwest with Mrs. Homie after she had skied her brains out in the month of February, it was time to go back in the water. As chance would have it I managed to spill one gallon of dirty Diesel oil in the bilge while changing the crankcase oil. I've not done that little trick for awhile, and it was right after I had spent a bit of time getting the bilge nice and clean!

The price of fuel will not keep Homie from doing what he loves to do, but thrift stores, and not real stores, will be seeing me for sure this summer. Actually in my lifetime I probably couldn't wear out all the clothes I own. But I did find some treasures at the thrift store in Friday Harbor, but I won't bore you with that...

Had a chance to take in the Grand Banks rendezvous in Roche Harbor. The raffle was spectacular, and I was terribly disappointed that I didn't win the John Deere bicycle. Maybe next year? Then it was off to Point Roberts, then on up to Vancouver. Both very nice passages, and lots of help from the tides.

I love Vancouver!!! I anchored in False Creek the first night, then spent 2 nights at the Burrard Yacht Club visiting with boating buddies. Another night was at The Deep Cove Yacht Club, and got invited up to their out station at the top of Indian Arm. Patty came aboard in Vancouver and will be with me for one week, then she has to bug off, but she'll be back at Campbell River in early June and go on up to the Broughtons with me and spend the next five weeks in the Broughtons. Then she jumps ship and I head on up to Bella Bella/Shearwater to do some serious Hunter-Gathering.

Keep your ears on Channel #16 for the M/V Caroline. I/We would love to have Happy Hour with youse in our Travels.

Capt. Homie & Patty

RBAW REPORT

The BYC is a supporting member of the Recreational Boating Association of Washington [as every individual member should be as well...Ed] and member **BJ Ursin** represents us at its meetings, and files the following report...



Coast Guard Reminder...

The Coast Guard would like to remind all boaters of the regulatory requirements for waste management on vessels over 26 feet in length. All vessels 26 feet or larger are required to display a garbage dumping restrictions placard are displayed in a prominent location so that it can be read by all persons on board the vessel. All vessels over 40 feet in length equipped with a galley or berthing area must also have on board a written waste management plan.

Waste management placards can be purchased at any marine dealer or from your local Coast Guard Auxiliary. A sample plan can be found at: http://www.boatus.com/cleanwater/Archive/wastemanagement.htm
2008 Reporting Requirements for all Private Boat Operators in Puget Sound, WA

Pleasure boaters arriving in the U.S. must report to *U.S. Customs and Border Protection* (**CBP**) immediately upon arrival. These procedures require physical reporting to a designated CBP office, unless enrolled in a Registered Traveler Program that would allow arrival reporting by phone. Boaters are strongly encouraged to apply for participation under one of the Registered Traveler Programs to expedite clearance after arrival (Participation in any of the Registered Traveler Programs does not preclude the requirement for a physical report upon request by CBP).

Who Reports? All U.S. citizens and aliens seeking entry to the U.S. must report their arrival. When do I Report and when is reporting required?

- · After having been at any foreign port or place;
- · After having had contact with any hovering vessel.

Note: Small pleasure vessels leaving a United States port into international or foreign waters, without a call at a foreign port, are not considered to have made a departure for the purposes of CBP reporting requirements. Therefore, certain fishing vessels or any vessel that leaves from a United States port and returns without calling a foreign port or place, have not departed the United States, and are not required to report their arrival to CBP; i.e. a fishing trip into Canadian waters and return to the U.S. without landing in Canada.

If arrival occurs after the normal business hours of a port, boaters must utilize the 1-800 number to report the arrival. A CBP Officer will provide further instructions regarding reporting and entry processing.

Where Do I Report? Boaters entering the U.S. via Puget Sound are required to go to one of the following Ports of Entry immediately upon arrival:

Point Roberts (360) 945-2314 Friday Harbor (360) 378-2080 Anacortes (360) 293-2331

Roche Harbor (360) 378-2080 Port Angeles (360) 457-4311

Regular hours of service at the above locations are 8AM-5PM. Extended summer hours are from 8AM-8PM commencing May 10, 2008.

The Clean Boating Act

The Clean Boating Act was passed unanimously by the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee.

This follows on the heels of the passage of the same legislation by the House Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure last week.

Thank you to everyone who took the time to contact their Congressional delegations - your efforts helped tremendously. But our work is not yet done.

Now that the Clean Boating Act has passed both House and Senate Committees, both bodies must now vote on the legislation. If you have not done so yet, please take a few moments to call or email your Congressional delegation and urge them to support this legislation. For more information on the issue, as well as to contact your Members of Congress, please go to www.boatblue.org. In addition, the NASBLA policy brief on the Clean Boating Act is attached to this email.

NASBLA urges Congressional leaders to capitalize on the bill's momentum, expediting its movement through the full House of Representatives and Senate and quickly sending it to the President for his signature into law well in advance of the September 2008 deadline.

BARTENDING SCHEDULE

Date	Event	Bartender(s)	Captain of the Watch	
Th, 05/29/08		Sarah Tario skeatingd@comcast.net	Al Callery catspaw@cssnw.net	
Fr, 05/30/08		Al/Karen Callery catspaw@cssnw.net & Larry Jones jshari2@aol.com		
Sat, 05/31/08		Chuck/Roberta McCord saltychuck@aol.com		
Th, 06/05/08		Geoff Chamness geoff@performance-yachts.com		
Fr, 06/06/08	F@5	Jerry Writer jerry@sanjuanelectronics.com & Wayne/Trudy Kelsoe ssilverbirdwa@comcast.net	Geoff Chamness geoff@performance-yachts.com	
Sat, 06/07/08		Steve/Hope Hanson steven.hanson@comcast.net		
Th, 06/12/08		John Gargett john@gargett.com & Patti Gargett pattiwhite@mac.com	Michele Hurst micheleh@spie.org	
Fr, 06/13/08		Neil Bennett neil@osc-voc.com		
Sat, 06/14/08		John/Teresa VanHaalen vhaalen@comcast.net		
Th, 06/19/08		Richard Veach tooweather@comcast.net		
Fr, 06/20/08		Jane Sylvester SailingADream@yahoo.com & Gerri Kersey gerrirea@yahoo.com	Carol Veach cooweather@comcast.net	
Sat, 06/21/08		Joe Bartlett jamocajoe@hotmail.com & Dawn Durand dawn@dawndurand.com		
Th, 06/26/08		Jack Delay jack.07@island-reflections.com		
Fr, 06/27/08		Mark Johnson mjhighrisk@yahoo.com	Michelle Bodtke mb3.nw@comcast.net	
Sat, 06/28/08		Roger Schjelderup toptobottom2@qwest.net		
Th, 07/03/08		John Raasch john@mindfly.com		
Fr, 07/04/08	F@5		Randy Nulle rnulle@samsonrope.com	
Sat, 07/05/08		Bob Snowball b.snowball@comcast.net		
Th, 07/10/08		Ron Erickson ronerickson@comcast.net	Troy Curran troy@tdcurran.com	
Fr, 07/11/08		Dave/Missy Steffen dmsteff@aol.com		
Sat, 07/12/08		{new schedule will be out}		
Th, 07/17/08		{new schedule will be out}		
Fr, 07/18/08		≛	Terry Tavelli terry.tavelli@metavante.com	
Sat, 07/19/08		{new schedule will be out}		

THIS MONTH'S CALENDARS

JUNE Business, Social & Cruising				
6/2, 6/16, 6/30	Fri	Fridays at Five	Steve Moore, 201-8999	
6/9	Thurs	Board Meeting	6PM at Club. Terry Tavelli 305-2452	
6/20-6/22	Fri-Sun	Cruise to N. Pender Isl.	Bill Thomas 758-7409	
Cruising	Various	SEE BYC.ORG CALENDAR		
6/3, 10, 17, 24	Tues	Wave Rider Races		
JUNE Sailing Races & Events				
6/4, 11, 18, 25	Weds	Summer Series 1-4	Jeff Vernon 739-4888	
6/6 - 6/8	Fri-Sun	Etchells Regatta	Jeff Vernon 739-4888	
6/10	Sat	Around Lummi Race	Jeff Vernon 739-4888	
6/21-6/22	Sat-Sun	Point Roberts O'night Race	Jeff Vernon 739-4888	
Non-BYC races not shown: See the Yearbook/Roster Section 1B-10				

JULY Business, Social & Cruising					
7/4, 7/18	Fri	Fridays at Five	Steve Moore, 201-8999		
7/17	Thurs	Board Meeting	6PM at Club. Terry Tavelli 305-2452		
7/18-7/20	Fri-Sun	Oak Harbor Cruise			
JULY Sailing Races	& Events				
7/1,7/8,7/15,7/29	Tues	Mid-Summer #2,3,4,5	Jeff Vernon 739-4888		
7/2,7/9,7/16	Weds	Doldrums #2,3,4	Jeff Vernon 739-4888		
7/5	Sat	Jack & Jill Race	Jeff Vernon 739-4888		
7/12	Sat	Women on the Water	Jeff Vernon 739-4888		
7/23	Weds	Moore Invitational	Jeff Vernon 739-4888		
7/30	Weds	Hot August Nights #1	Jeff Vernon 739-4888		
Non	-BYC races i	not shown: See the Yearboo	ok/Roster Section 1B-10		

2007-2008 BYC Officers and Board

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The BYC Jib Sheet

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THIS MONTH'S FEATURED ADVERTISERS

Chuck McCord, Realtor, is an excellent choice when you want to buy or sell your home! Serving customers throughout the region since 1981, he'll make things happen, and tell you "what's up" without playing games. Since 1992 with RE/MAX of Bellingham, Chuck has the resources (including assistant Roberta) to give you accurate, reliable advice as you ponder the biggest personal transactions you're likely to make in your life: You'll be ahead in worry-free decisions getting your money's worth. It's easy: Just call 647-1313 days, 384-0110 nights, or 739-3640 (cell) anytime.

Top to Bottom Inc.: The most qualified in the harbor at what they do! The crew of hardworking divers, detailers, and other pros reporting to BYC Member Roger Schjelderup will buff, wax, dive, bottom paint, varnish, scrub, paint and make repairs to your cherished boat, and (Heaven forbid) even salvage it if it sinks, or tow it, if needed. Unlike "transients" claiming to do the same work, Top to Bottom gets it done right honestly and completely and they stand behind each and every job. Call Roger at Top to Bottom, 671-7022; they're in the Harbor Mall.

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