

RHYC

anchor watch




Cruise Report – New Year’s Eve

This 9th Annual RHYC "New Year's Eve Party" was the Best One Ever, even though our club turnout was low, with 20 of our members attending.

The food was even better than in previous years, the band and entertainment was also better. Many EYC members stopped by to say Hi and asked if everything was OK, (it surely was) or if we needed anything. Everyone who attended would agree.

We were also surprised and entertained by our very own Frank Sherwood who sang many songs on stage with the band and lead singer gal. What a Hoot that was, and the EYC folks were impressed as well. Way to Go Frank...Good Job and Well Done.

All of our boats were moored together on the Port’s new Guest "J" Dock and we were nice and cozy. The weather cooperated the whole time and providing us good water conditions for our cruising. We thank Jim Matheson for helping me in arranging for our club moorage block. This year all who attended were RHYC members with no non-member Guests. The "Port Gardner Inn" was full to the top, sold out, resulting in a few of our members unable to join us.

In attendance were our club’s **Commodore, Fleet Captain, Secretary, Past Secretary, and three Past Commodores**. All of you contributed to the Great Success of this event and I thank everyone of you who attended: Neil & Noreen Millen; Bob & Verna Maruska; Frank & Amy Sherwood; Greg & Carol French; Don & Carolyn Whatmore; Steve & Sandy Driscoll; Jeff & Angie Kroeller; Gordy & Barb Helgeson; Paul & Brenda Norris; and also others who came for our New Year's Day Party on "Emerald 1" including Dave Mehlum and Peter &

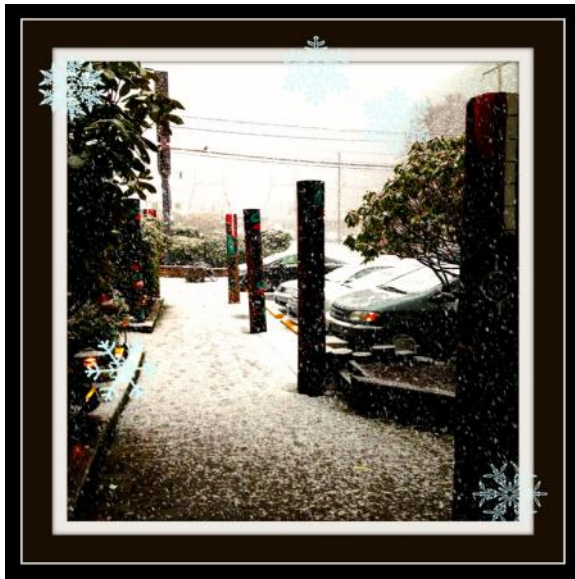
Linda Jung, in addition to all the others listed above. We thank Paul Norris for taking our Event Pictures. Thanks also goes to Carolyn Whatmore and Carol French for all their effort, and providing, for our New Year's Day Boat Party.

It was delightful to bring in the New Year with our boating friends and to enjoy good food, entertainment and dancing.

We dearly missed Richard & Sharla Freese, and hope for a complete recovery due to his serious medical issue.

Don & Carolyn Whatmore
Cruise Captains

Cruise Report – Ice Breaker 2012



Well I guess it is called the Ice Breaker for a reason! Our first cruise of the year turned out to be a snowy one. Sunday, January 15th, 51 attendees gathered at Ivar's Salmon House on Lake Union for a delightful brunch while watching the snow fly over the lake. It was a beautiful sight to see, until you had to drive home in it. The food was

excellent as usual and not one person went home hungry.

Verna and Deb had the ship store open with great new items from Christine Alexander along with the more traditional coats, sweat shirts, hats and many other items they will be carrying this year.

Thank you everyone that supported our first cruise of the year. Attendees included Steve & Carie Ackerman, Chris & Sandra Benson, John Branch, Pete Clark, Nat & Linda Collier, Larry & Sally Cronin, Glen & Liz Dodge, Steve & Sandy Driscoll, Gil & Diane Fetzner, Phil & Deb Freund, Warren & Inga Geri, Jack & Therese Gordon, Harry & Chris Hovey, Jeff & Angie Kroeller, Roger Martindill & Karen Hanenburg with granddaughter Aisha, Bob & Verna Maruska, Dave & Mary Mehlum, Neil & Noreen Millen, Phil, Ann Marie & Josie Reunert, Doug & Merrie Rody, Frank Sherwood, Doug & Gail Stewart, Art & Noreen Stipen, Raye Lohse, Lew & Judy Townsend, Don & Carolyn Whatmore, Jim & Cheryl Matheson.

Your Cruise Team:
Harry & Chris Hovey
Gil & Diane Fetzner

C Commodores Report

I hope everyone had fun over the holidays. The New Year's Eve party at Everett was the best



one Neil & I have attended. The food and music were outstanding. It was a treat to see Peter and Linda Jung who dropped by to visit on New Year's Day. Thank you to Don & Carolyn Whatmore for hosting this event.



The Ice Breaker lived up to its name with members facing snow and ice on the roads. It was warm and toasty at Ivar's where we once again enjoyed their incredible buffet. The

ship's store gave us a preview of their new items. I am sure that most members will be wearing the new RHYC gear. Thank you to Debi Freund and Verna Maruska for taking on the ship's store and to Gil & Diane Fetzner and Harry and Chris Hovey for being cruise captains for the Ice Breaker.

As the bridge plans for 2012 we plan to take into consideration the results of the member survey. Liz Dodge is compiling the results and we will be reviewing them. Next month we will publish some of the results. Thank you to all who participated in the survey.

The cruise schedule is set for this year but Frank Sherwood still needs people to help with March, May and the Colors cruise in Aug. It would be a shame if we had to cancel any cruises because of lack of cruise teams. Being on a team is a good way to meet other members and have a good time. The same people seem to work on cruises every year and for the health of the club we need more of you to step up. If you can help on any of these cruises please let Frank know at frankdiver at Comcast dot net.

Renewals are coming in but we still haven't heard from many of you. We need to have all the renewals in no later than Jan. 31st so we can get the roster book out by the middle of March. Please send in your renewal if you haven't already done so.

At the Poulsbo Business Meeting cruise in April Harry Johnson has volunteered to do Power Squadron vessel safety inspections. The Power Squadron inspection is just like the Aux. Coast guard inspection and you will receive a 2012 inspection decal for your boat. He needs to know in advance how many members want to have one so he can have additional inspectors if needed. He plans to do the inspections on Sat. morning.

An inspection can save you from a Coast Guard boarding. On the way home from Everett we were stopped by the Coast Guard. Because we had a Coast Guard Aux. inspection within the last year and had the paper work, they did not board us. When you RSVP for the April Cruise please indicate if you would like an inspection. Harry will send those who sign up for the inspection a list

of what is required on board for successful results.

I look forward to seeing you at the Sweetheart cruise. Jim Matheson and his team are working hard planning an outstanding cruise.

Noreen Millen
Commodore

Vice Commodore

Report

The ICE BREAKER was a fun event for those that ventured to Ivar's in spite of the



threatening ice and snow conditions. The food was great and we got a chance to catch up on the fun cruise events planned for the New Year.

It really was nice to see the regulars, members that had not made a cruise event in a while, those for whom it was their first official outing as members (Larry & Sally Cronin, Lew & Judy Townsend, and John Branch) and prospective members who while wait listed attended at least their third event (Stephen & Carie Ackerman). Good on you!

Ship's Store got off to an early start with a "Grand Opening" with many new items including hats, jackets, sweaters and hooded sweatshirts that will come in handy as well as help you look good in RHYC logo apparel. Judging from the survey comments, this Ship's Store is positioned to please. See Verna Maruska or Debi Freund for Ship's Store information.

We have immediate Membership Openings! The timing is perfect right now to submit applications for new membership. If you have friends that you believe would enjoy the benefits of RHYC, enjoy cruising with us and would be welcome additions to our organization, avoid having them being wait-listed. Apply now and improve their chances to immediately take part in the fast approaching RHYC boating season events. Membership application forms are available from any officer,

by mail or online at [Membership Application](#). Active Membership is open to individuals 21 years or older who are owners of a power boat with a regularly installed engine or sails on a fixed mast. Non-boat owners, or those in-between boat ownership are welcome to Associate Member status at reduced dues.

If you haven't sent in your 2012 membership dues by now, make sure to do it right now and contact a board member immediately to advise of your payment status. Bylaws state that membership dues must be paid in full no later than January 31. Don't delay which could jeopardize your membership renewal chances.

RHYC is recruiting our next Fleet Captain. If you are interested or know someone who is, please let me know. Remember, you get out of an organization proportionately what you put into it. This is an excellent opportunity to really get to know and enjoy the friendships of some really great people. Those who step up to being Cruise Captains and Cruise Team Members are the cream of the crop in RHYC. This is your chance to work with and support these really fine people and I am confident you will find it a rewarding experience.

Thanks for supporting RHYC.

Phil Freund
Vice Commodore

New Applicants Published

We are pleased to report that the Bridge has taken action and the following new applicants have progressed to the Published List for Membership. They now start their 90 day window to attend a cruise or club event, after which the Bridge will vote on their membership. Please make a point to meet, greet and get to know them when they attend their qualifying cruise.



Stephen & Carie Ackerman
Gig Harbor
"ALWAYS SATURDAY"
Sponsors: Chris & Willow Williamson and
Steve & Deanna Keller

Dave & Mary Meisinger
Anacortes
"WALLOWA"
Sponsors: Jeff Kroeller & Liz Dodge

William & Judy Buller
Anacortes
"SUMMER BREEZE"
Sponsors: Dave Krows and Ken Klett

Allen & Sue Boudreaux
Gig Harbor
"BIG EASY"
Sponsors: Steve Nelson and Tom Miner

Congratulations!

Rear Commodore

Report



Happy New Year! As this year begins, I am just learning how to do this new set of duties. As you know, the Rear Commodore is in charge of Outstations and Reciprocal. I will be sending a letter to our "corresponding" yacht clubs verifying the offerings and letting them know about our reciprocal offering in Bremerton.

I plan to monitor the Outstation usage during the year. To do this effectively, since it is difficult to actually visit these areas frequently, I will accept any help that members who do use these can give in getting copies of the sign-in sheets to me. If you will be heading up to Roche or Lopez at any time, please give me a call. This effort will be very much appreciated. While you are using the outstations, if you notice that there are issues that need to be dealt with, please contact me. My mobile number is the best for doing this.

I want to acknowledge the fine work that my predecessors, Noreen and Phil, and Liz have done the past years

and hope that I will keep up with their example. If you have questions or other issues you want to discuss with me, please call. You can also email me. Let's all have a great, enjoyable 2012.

Dave Mehlum,
Rear Commodore

Secretary

Report

We are off to a fantastic start in 2012. I want to take this opportunity to encourage all members



to take an active role in making the Anchor Watch a better publication. As our primary means of communicating with members, this is a wonderful opportunity to share with others. The AW is our publication and the more we all contribute, the better it will be (also more interesting and informative.) We also encourage members to provide comments on the publication.

If there is anything you would like to share, please email it to me at either of the club email addresses listed in the Bridge Contact Information section. If possible, please send a word document as this is easiest to work with but I can also work with email text.

We are also in need of your favorite recipes and general information for the Dock Talk section. If you find something interesting send it our way and I will do my best at getting it published in the next issue.

I know that there are many accomplished photographers out there saving their boating memories to share with others. We always need pictures from cruise events as well as those from our personal cruising adventures. Please email the photos (in a JPG format) with a little note describing where they were taken. Who knows, maybe we can start a new section showing slices of life in RHYC.

Bob Maruska,
Secretary

Treasurer

Report



Happy New Years to all. I hope you all stayed safe and warm during our recent storm. What a trip home from Ice Breaker! Snow, rain, hail, and then finally the snow really hit our house. Josie certainly has had fun sledding down our driveway!

The Bridge plans to approve a tentative budget in February, although planned income won't be known until the membership renewal process is complete.

I'm excited when I check the mail each day and find dues payments. We are currently at about 65% renewal. If you haven't sent yours in - please do so before January 31st. After that date you are considered delinquent! For those that have sent their renewals, thank you. Your membership cards will be sent shortly.

Anne Marie Reunert
Treasurer

Fleet Captain

Report



The Seattle Boat Show will begin soon. It starts on January 27th. I am looking forward to attending this non-club event and hope to see some of you there as well.

In February we have the Sweetheart's Cruise which will again be at the Space Needle. This is captained by Jim and Cheryl Matheson and their team. We expect great views and a fun time for all. The raffle to be held has Awesome Goodies. Please see the Flyer in this Anchor Watch or the one sent

out by Kim Nance earlier this month. Get your reservation in soon to Jim at Jim dot k dot ml at gmail dot com.

The March Cruise will be to Arabella's Marina in Gig Harbor. Your cruise captains for this cruise will be Steve and Kim Oberto. Please see the attached flyer. The cruise dates are March 9th through 11th and will feature a pig roast. This will be a great way to shake off the winter blues, get out on the water and to socialize with friends. Please contact Steve and Kim to make your reservations at ohhkym at aol dot com.

April will bring the Annual Meeting in Poulsbo. The cruise captains for this cruise are the Spouses of the 2012 RHYC Bridge. It is always enjoyable to explore downtown Poulsbo and check out the shops and restaurants. The cruise dates for this event are April 13th through April 15th. A flyer with detailed information as to events and costs is included with this publication.

I am still looking for a cruise captain for the Colors Cruise at Roche Harbor August 3rd through 5th. This is a really fun cruise to undertake. The Millen's and Sherwood's co-captained this one last year and had an absolute blast doing it. Please let me know if you would be willing to take this one on. It is fun and a great way to GET INVOLVED WITH THE CLUB.

We also are looking for a cruise team captain for the Labor Day Cruise to Long Branch. The cruise team is in place but the original cruise captain had to step down for personal reasons. This will be a wagon wheel and again should be a lot of fun.

See you at the Sweetheart's Cruise in February.

Frank Sherwood
Fleet Captain



Past Commodore/Trustee Report



The holidays are over, the snow is falling, and winter is really here. We even had snow for

the Ice Breaker, nice work Frank. So I wonder what he has planned weather wise for our next event - the Sweetheart cruise?

A big THANK YOU to the 115 members who completed the club survey. 57% is not as high as the last survey (two years ago) but it is still worthwhile. Percentage of each member type who responded: Active = 63%, Senior 76%, Associate 22%, Honorary 0. The raw data has been presented to the bridge and in the weeks and months to come we will be using the information received in our discussions.

Glen and I wish everyone the best for 2012 and look forward to cruising season and seeing many of you.

Liz Dodge,
Past Commodore/Trustee

VESSEL INSPECTIONS

2012 Safety Inspections Offered

Have you had a vessel safety inspection lately? Here is your chance to get them done while at a cruise. We will be offering Power Squadron Vessel Safety Inspections on Saturday April 14th at the Poulsbo Cruise.

If you are interested in having one please let Harry Johnson know so he can send you a check list. He can be reached at formrtiger at msn dot com.

Dock Talk

Orion issues recall notice for hand-launched aerial signals.

Dec. 8, 2011 notice in Currents by Deborah Bach

Orion Safety Products has issued a recall for two models of its hand-launched aerial signals, citing problems with the devices failing to launch and/or ignite.

The recall applies to older Orion XLT and 12-gauge signals made with orange ABS plastic. XLTs are self-contained, hand-launched signals, while 12-gauge signals have a pistol-style launch and a plastic shell.

In 2008, Orion switched from orange ABS to red-colored, glass-filled polyethylene for its better strength, durability and resistance to moisture. The last XLTs that used orange ABS in the launch tube body expire this month, while the last 12-gauge shells using the orange ABS plastic expire in March 2012.

If you have an XLT signal with an orange launch tube that has an expiration date between November 2011 and December 2011, or an orange 12-gauge shell that has an expiration date between November 2011 and March 2012, you are eligible to receive a free, four-pack replacement at no cost.

To obtain a replacement pack, submit the following information by email to customerservice@orionsignals.com subject "SIGNAL REPLACEMENT," or by mail to Orion Safety Products, Attn. Signal Replacement Program, P.O. Box 1047, Easton, MD, 21601:

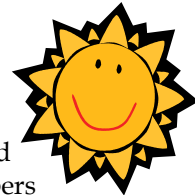
- ◆ Name
- ◆ Address
- ◆ Daytime phone number
- ◆ Signal quantity
- ◆ Lot number
- ◆ Expiration date



Customers are also asked to submit a photo of their signals, clearly showing the expiration date and lot number. Do not ship any signals back to Orion.

Replacement packs cannot be shipped to a P.O. Box.

Sunshine



Get well wishes and continued support go out to our members who are under the weather. Please keep all of our members in your thoughts and prayers. That is always a good thing. Cards and letters are welcomed and encouraged.

News from our Sick Bay list-

Warren Geri & Ralph Newell - Both are doing well and request to be off this list.

Peter Jung - He is still waiting for his transplant. Hopefully the next tests will give him the green light.

Jeff Sharp - Had successful pancreatic surgery in Oct. but now is going to meet with a liver surgeon in Portland on Jan. 23rd. He hopes to have the surgery soon after. He has changed his diet to a modified vegetarian diet and is feeling better than before this all started. Fran had shoulder surgery and is doing well. They are looking forward to being out on the water this summer.

Dick Hampton - Had successful lung surgery and is home recuperating. He is still very tired and will start chemo in a couple of weeks.

Pat Moroney - He is doing better and has an appointment in Feb. to find out if he is clear or not.

Kenny Spiker - Had surgery to remove some lymph nodes in his neck. The surgery went well and he is already back at work.

Richard Freese – He was in the hospital over the holidays because he developed a blood clot in his leg that traveled to his lung. The clot was caused from an earlier hernia operation. Richard is home and doing well.

Nat Collier – Was diagnosed with prostate/ bone cancer. He is undergoing hormone therapy. He has been accepted into a new drug trial but has learned that he will be in the control group so will not get the new drug. He learns Jan. 31st how he is responding to the hormone therapy. If he is, it will greatly improve his survival longevity.

Our sympathy goes out to Richard Freese and Cindy Sleighter who both lost their mothers over the holidays. Richard’s mother passed on Dec. 29th at the age of 98 and Cindy’s mother passed on Dec. 21st at the age of 94.

If you hear of club members needing a bit of sunshine or encouragement or you know of special occasions which should be recognized please let me know.

Neil Millen
Captain Sunshine

Ship’s Store

The ship’s store began the year in Style and Warmth.



The Ship’s Store had a great variety of new items to sell at the Ice Breaker and both the men and women seemed very happy as the sales proved that.

We are looking forward to seeing all of you at cruises and providing RHYC clothing, accessories and miscellaneous items throughout this coming year. If the Ice Breaker is an indication of what’s

ahead, then you won’t want to miss any cruises and opportunities for Ship’s Store goodies.

Hopefully we see all of you at the March Cruise in Gig Harbor. We will be there for you with lots of new items.

We are very excited to be serving you with great looking styles of clothing that represent our wonderful yacht club.

Your Ship’s Store Team
Debi & Verna

Galley Gourmet



PLEASE SHARE YOUR RECIPIES

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Classifieds



Post your Classified adds here! A great place to share those items that have been taking up boat storage space.



NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATION





Ice Breaker Cruise





SWEETHEART CRUISE
Bell Harbor Marina

Sunday Brunch at the Space Needle

FEBRUARY 10TH, 11TH & 12TH, 2012!

Friday evening 2/10 - for the Hearty Boaters, we have 14 slips reserved at Bell Harbor Marina. Boat to Boat cocktails await you the first evening. Boaters need to contact Bell Harbor directly to confirm their slip. Their number is (206) 787-3952

Saturday 2/11 - shop the Presidents Day Sales in Downtown Seattle or pick up fresh flowers at Pike Street Market, then join us for a no-host dinner atAnthony's on the waterfront!

Sunday Morning 2/12 - at 10:00 am, *Brunch at the Sky Level of the Space Needle!* We have negotiated Valet Parking at a reduced rate of \$8.00 (normally \$15)!

Last year was so popular; we had to turn away members because we ran out of room in the restaurant. This year, we will have our own private room to hold 100 attendees on the Sky Level with our own private bar and elevator to the observation level. This will be much better for socializing, dining and running the auction and raffle.

Raffle Prizes are again promised to be awesome - here is a sampling...Free haul out and return at La Conner Maritime Services for up to \$1100.00, One free night moorage at Bell Harbor Marina, Two Free Nights moorage at Port of Everett Marina and a 5 Days Free Moorage, including the 4th of July on an end tie, on Lake Union right next to the awesome 4th of July fireworks! Remember, this is just a sampling; more fabulous raffles will be available.

This is a full weekend of boating fun. For those who want to just enjoy the wonderful Brunch, you can come by Auto, Yacht, Dinghy, Horseback, Harley, Broom or Bus to the Space Needle.

The Cost for the Brunch Cruise is \$46.00 per person.

Your Sweetheart Cruise Team is Jim & Cheryl Matheson, Gary and Lenore Timm, Robert & Janey Rath, Patrick & Miriam Gill, Steve & Deanna Keller and Dick & Marilyn Hampton. Contact Jim Matheson at 206-295-1339 or email at jim.k.m1@gmail.com with questions. Send your checks made out to RHYC to Jim Matheson, 4917 #340 Evergreen Way, Everett, WA 98203.

Please make your reservations soon as the club must pre-pay for this event.



ST. PATRICK'S WEEKEND HOG ROAST
MARCH 9TH-11TH 2012
ARABELLA'S MARINA IN GIG HARBOR

PRIZE FOR BEST IRISH OUTFIT
PRIZE FOR BEST CUSTOM GREEN DRINK

FRIDAY, 3/9 5PM CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE ON MAXIMO
BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS



SATURDAY, 3/10 1 PM LET THE GAMES BEGIN
NERF GUN CHALLENGE,
GAMES
PIG ROAST BEGINS

5PM APPETIZERS ON MAXIMO
BEST GREEN DRINK CONTEST
BEST SHOW OF GREEN
RAFFLE



SUNDAY, 3/11 10AM CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST ON MAXIMO

COST PER PERSON \$25.00 PER PERSON
CONTACT FRANK SHERWOOD SHERWOODF@WCB.COM
1144 NW 120TH PL, PORTLAND, OR. 97229



DEADLINE: MARCH 4, 2012

RHYC Italian Cuisine and Annual Business Meeting Weekend

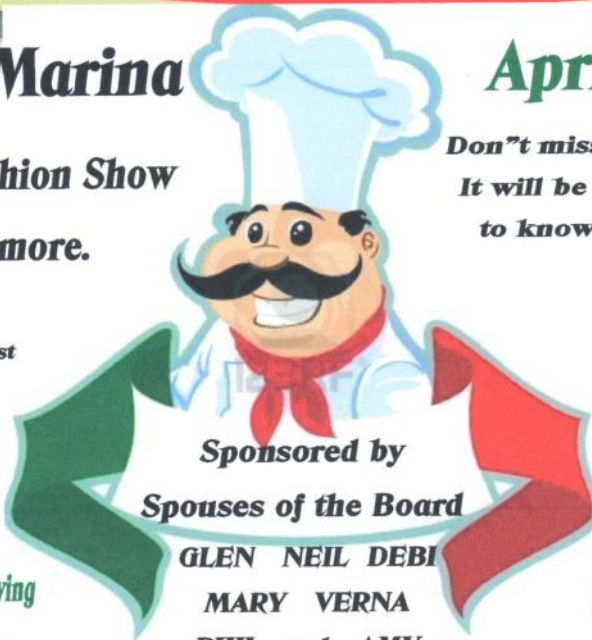
Poulsbo Marina

April 13-15

**Ship Store Fashion Show
And Lots more.**

**Don't miss this fun weekend .
It will be a great time to get
to know the RHYC Board.**

**Any question or request
please call
Debi Freund
360-275-4721
d-freund@live.com**



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Spouses of the Board**

**GLEN NEIL DEBI
MARY VERNA
PHIL and AMY**

We are here to serve YOU.

**Please bring a Bottle of Wine
and Heavy Appetizers
for the RHYC Progressive
Wine Tasting**



Party on Friday Night !

**Please send your Boats Name, length, beam
And your Preference for star or port tie to:**

**Frank and Amy Sherwood
with your check by April 8th**

**1144 NW 120 th Place
Portland OR 97229
\$35.00 per person**

Make checks to RHYS



**Breakfast on
Saturday Morning
will be Mimosas
Apple Toffee French Toast
with Apple Syrup
And
That's Somekinda
Egg Casserole
Sunday
Coffee, Juice and
Sluys' Bakery Treats**

**For Dinner we will be serving
Momma's Homemade
Spaghetti and Meatballs
French Bread
Tuscan Bread Salad
And Chocolate Chip Tiramisu**

No host bar!!!



NEIL



**RBAW URGENT ACTION ALERT!!
PLEASE TAKE ACTION TO OPPOSE
HOUSE BILL 2444 & SENATE BILL 6264**

Call or email your State Representatives and Senator

House Bill 2444, sponsored by Rep. Jeff Morris (D-Anacortes) takes \$150,000 from the Recreation Resource Account (RRA). The RRA is the un-refunded gas tax money boaters pay and funds grants for boating infrastructure around the state such as launch ramp expansion and repair. The \$150,000 would be used to study development of a Marine Innovation Center at Skagit Valley College.

Senate Bill 6264, sponsored by Sen. Kevin Ranker (D-Anacortes) adds \$1 to various types of vessel registration fees to develop a Marine Innovation Center at Skagit Valley College.

Tell your lawmakers that:

- Recreational boaters were never consulted on HB 2244 – Rep. Morris simply targeted your money, drafted it, and introduced it – without ever saying a word to boaters. SB 6264 also targets registrations paid by boaters for the common good of boating, and adds to the cost of those for one specific purpose in one part of the state.
- The House Bill would raid a dedicated capital account for infrastructure that drives jobs, and utilize it toward a work group and a study in one part of NW Washington;
- The Senate Bill adds a new fee to boater registration when it's already documented by the Legislature's own study that boaters already pay over \$30 million more in fees and taxes than boaters receive in services.
- The Recreation Resource Account, created through a voter-passed initiative, was put in place to take unclaimed non-highway gas tax purchases that are technically eligible for a refund, and contribute them toward the infrastructure for recreational boating. The voters of this state created it for capital purposes – not an operating budget study;
- Boaters already pay special add-on registration fees for derelict vessel removal and invasive species study.
- The Marine Innovation Center would be housed at an institute of higher education (Skagit Valley College) – if this is a worthy idea, the Legislature should take the funding to study it or develop it from their higher education budget, or seek grants – not raid a capital account or add a fee on boaters;

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- The boating industry does not see this as a priority and is steadfast that it opposes HB 2444 and SB 6264;
- If this precedent is allowed to stand, what stops the next legislature from taking dedicated account funds or adding a new fee for other pet purposes?
- Boaters already pay \$35 million a biennium into the state general fund in the form of a "Watercraft Excise Tax" - no other recreational group has paid this excise tax since the passage of Initiative 695 over a decade ago. Legislators have general fund money, paid into them by boaters, if they consider the Center for Marine Innovation to be a priority use funds from the General Fund;
- If we want to improve recreational boating, let's take steps to make it more accessible and to invest in boating infrastructure and thus jobs - instead of spending boaters' money on a study / develop a facility in Skagit County.

Please call the Legislative Hotline at 1-800-562-6000 or email your legislators that you are adamantly opposed to these bills.

You can contact your Representatives and your Senator via email by using this format: First-name.Lastname@leg.wa.gov - (example: Marcie.Maxwell@leg.wa.gov)

When contacting to oppose HB 2444, please give particular priority to contacting all the members of the House Community & Economic Development & Housing Committee:

<http://www.leg.wa.gov/House/Committees/CDH/Pages/MembersStaff.aspx>

When contacting to oppose SB 6264, please give particular priority to contacting all the members of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources & Marine Waters Committee:

<http://www.leg.wa.gov/Senate/Committees/ENRM/Pages/MembersStaff.aspx>

A link to House Bill 2444 is:

<http://apps.leg.wa.gov/documents/billdocs/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House%20Bills/2444.pdf>

A link to Senate Bill 6264 is:

<http://apps.leg.wa.gov/documents/billdocs/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/Senate%20Bills/6264.pdf>

A first public hearing on SB 6462 is at 9am on Wednesday, January 18

A first public hearing on HB 2444 is at 10 a.m. Thursday, January 19

Help Us Help You. Please act right away!

Thanks,

Your Legislative Committee at the Recreational Boating Association of Washington

www.rbaw.org



We need Cruise Captains and assistants.
 If you have not been a cruise captain in the past 2-3 years, contact
 Fleet Captain 2012 Frank Sherwood at frankdiver@comcast.net to volunteer



Roche Harbor Yacht Club 2012 Cruise Schedule



<i>Date</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Cruise Captains</i>
Nov 12	SYC - Portage Bay	Change of Bridge and Commodores Ball	Liz and Glen Dodge
December 31	Everett Yacht Club Everett	New Year's Eve Party	Don and Carolyn Whatmore
January 15	Ivar's Salmon House Seattle	Ice Breaker Brunch	Gil and Diane Fetzner Harry and Chris Hovey
February 10-12	Bell Harbor Marina Space Needle	Sweetheart Brunch	Jim and Cheryl Matheson Patrick and Miriam Gill
March 9-11	Arabella's Landing Gig Harbor	St. Patrick's Cruise Hog Roast	Steve & Kim Oberto
April 13-15	Poulsbo	Business Meeting Cruise	Spouses of 2012 RHYC Bridge
May 4-6	Montlake Cut	Opening Day	Tom Miner
May 25-28	Bremerton Marina	Memorial Day	Tim & Nadeane Rutledge
June 15-17	Everett	Let's Go To The Races	Anne Marie & Phil Reunert Paula & Shauna Bennett
June 30 - July 4	Liberty Bay Poulsbo	4th of July Wagon Wheel	Phil and Debi Freund
July 28 - Aug 3	San Juan Islands	On the Move/Progressive Cruise	Glen and Liz Dodge
Aug 3-5	Roche Harbor	Colors	Need Cruise Team
Aug 31 - Sept 3	Long Branch	Labor Day Cruise - Wagon Wheel	Need Cruise Captain
Oct 5-7	Dock Street, Tacoma	OctoberFest	Chris & Willow Williamson Willard & Diane Thomas
Nov 10	Seattle Yacht Club	Change of Bridge/Commodores Ball	Noreen and Neil Millen

Upcoming Cruises



Sweetheart Cruise
Bell Harbor Marina
Seattle



Sunday Brunch at the
Space Needle

February 10-12

St. Patrick's Cruise
Arabella's Landing
Gig Harbor



March 9-11

Annual Business
Meeting
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Sneek Peek

April 13-15

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