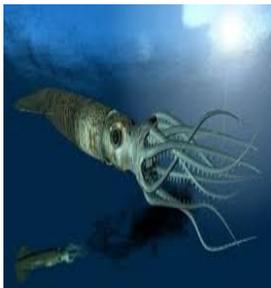


REMINDER: Next general meeting March 14th



	3/10	Pier Peer 7-8:30 pm
	3/14	General meeting 7 pm
	3/23	Executive board meeting 7 pm
	3/24-3/26	March Madness cruise, Port of Poulsbo
	4/11	General meeting 7 pm
	4/27	Executive board meeting 7 pm
	4/28-4/30	Seattle Special cruise, Bell Harbor



Pier Peer

Washington State University Kitsap County Extension, Washington Sea Grant, and Brownsville Yacht Club will be hosting "Pier Peer" on Friday, March 10th, from 7 to 8:30 pm. Kitsap Beach Naturalists and divers will be showcasing all kinds of interesting sea life. Bring a flashlight, yourself, and the kids in your life to experience this FREE event. Contact Commodore Carolyn to volunteer.



March General Meeting

On Tuesday, March 14th, our next general meeting will be held at 7 pm. Prior to the meeting, there will be social time, starting at 6:30 pm. Bring along a beverage to celebrate St. Paddy's Day!



Commodore's Report

No input this month from our commodore, but here is an interesting tidbit from one of our members:

A sailor meets a pirate in a bar, and they take turns recounting their adventures at sea. Noting the pirate's peg-leg, hook, and eye patch, the sailor asked, "So, how did you end up with the peg-leg?"

The pirate replied, "We was caught in a monster storm off the cape and a giant wave swept me overboard. Just as they were pullin' me out, a school of sharks appeared and one of 'em bit me leg off."

"Blimey!" said the sailor, "What about the hook"?

"Ahhhh..." mused the pirate, "We were boardin' a trader ship, pistols blastin' and swords swingin' this way and that. In the fracas me hand got chopped off."

"Zounds!" remarked the sailor, "And how came ye by the eye patch"?

"A seagull droppin' fell into me eye!" answered the pirate.

"You lost your eye to a seagull dropping?" the sailor asked incredulously.

"Well..." said the pirate, "it was me first day with the hook."



Vice Commodore's Report

Hello everyone. It's only a little over 2 weeks before Spring arrives and shortly afterwards we have our first official cruise of 2017... all the way to the Port of Poulsbo Marina. I have been so busy with family and business matters that I'm afraid that my boat is not getting the attention needed to ready it for the new season. I can't wait for the weather to improve and the sunshine to return... good weather always motivates me!

We have received a membership application for two new prospects, which we will be reading at the general meeting on March 14th. I won't go into any details here but I do hope that we have a good membership turnout to listen to the reading of the application and to consider the prospects for membership. There is also a very good possibility that we will be holding a new member induction for a previously approved applicant.

January and February were quiet months, and we only had to pay moorage fees for a couple of visiting reciprocal club vessels. The moorage fees that we paid only amounted to \$57.80 for both months. The remainder of the \$200 per month we have budgeted for reciprocal moorage fees was rolled over into March and we currently have a total of \$533.70 available. As you may recall, for each month any unused portion is carried over and allowed to accumulate for use in following months when demand is greater.

NAUTICAL LINES

Thanks to this, our club is able to offer additional moorage opportunities for visiting reciprocal vessels in the summer, during the high cruising season.

Before signing off, I want to give a shout out to Steve Voyce for volunteering to take on the job of club treasurer. He will be learning the ropes over the next few weeks so when you see him, please give him a nice pat on the back for volunteering! Thank you very much, Steve!

That's it for this month. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the next meeting, and at the cruise to Poulsbo. Happy Saint Patty's day!

★ ★ Robert Bale, Vice Commodore



Rear Commodore's Report

I can start this month off with a recap of February. What a strange month. The Valentine's dinner was nicely attended and there was much food. I think that Carolyn called all attending and said bring real food not just dessert. Well, the food was again great but guess what, no desserts! We had a good meeting and I think not much over one hour long. Boy, do we miss those Snow Birds!

The next Saturday was the clubhouse and grounds clean up. I would love to thank Carolyn Thomas as she brought the little sheet of paper with possible jobs on them. Mary Johnson was there to add a hand when needed, and finally Paul Jones appeared as the guy who can fix it all. They got good things done and the club looks like it might be ready for Spring. I know that I am! As you read on, it was a sad turn-out and I know that those who use the club throughout the week were missed.

I sort-of saw a trend, though, as the board meeting was attended by only myself, Mary, and Diane. We felt like college again and gave the instructor 15 minutes to show up, but then we gave up the ghost and headed home.

I guess that I personally am sort of glad that the "Short Month" of February is gone and put to bed. Now it is March, and we at Brownsville Yacht Club are eyeing our first sanctioned cruise to Poulsbo Marina. That would be the 24th, 25th, and 26th of March. After I replace my starter and hot water tank, I think that the Johnsons will be ready to cruise. Oh yea, it must be Spring because, along with rats on the dock, we here at Port Orchard Marina have crocuses and daffodils springing up. Now if the snow would stop I would be welcoming nicer weather.

So not a bunch from the rear commodore at this time. Let's face March and Spring time at WOT.

★ Rich Johnson, Rear Commodore

Wonder why Christopher Columbus and his crew felt constantly on edge?



Fleet Report

Join in the Fun!! We still need hosts!

Not all of you were able to come to the last Valentine's club meeting, but don't worry, the sign-up sheets will be out at all the meetings for you to sign up. I hope you all put your names on the list to attend, as the more people the more fun, and you get to know some of the members you don't get to visit with very often.

The first cruise will be March 24-26 at Port of Poulsbo Marina. Call to make reservations under Brownsville Yacht Club. We don't have hosts for this one yet so I have put together an impromptu list of events. Still time if someone would like to host this cruise.

If you have questions email me at: fleetcommittee@brownsvilleyachtclub.org



Jill Jones, Fleet Chair



"March Madness" Cruise

Coming up this month is our "March Madness" cruise to Poulsbo, from March 24 to March 26. Call the Port of Poulsbo to make your reservations under Brownsville Yacht Club (we have several slips that are currently being held for the club).

Unless we have someone step forward to host the cruise this will be the impromptu schedule:

Friday night: 6 pm Slippery Pig Brewery for cocktails and appetizers.

Saturday night: 6 pm That's A Some Italian Restaurant for dinner.

Sunday: 10 am Brass Kraken Pub for breakfast.

The Port of Poulsbo has reserved their floating meeting room for BVYC's use this weekend... plan on gathering here for socializing.

So far there are three boats and one person by land who have signed up. I have heard scuttlebutt that some may be coming that haven't been at this year's meetings to sign up. If you are coming and have not signed up yet, send me an email at fleetcommittee@brownsvilleyachtclub.org so I know how many to expect.

Thanks,
Jill

April "Seattle Special" Cruise

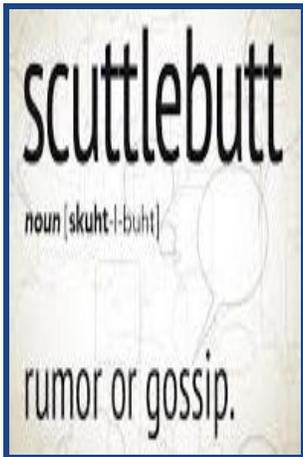


April's cruise is being held at Bell Harbor Marina. This "Seattle Special" cruise will be from Friday, April 28th to Sunday, April 30th. Please call in to the marina for your moorage spots. Ask to be in BVYC's group, which will be on "C" Dock. Two out of ten spots have already been taken. Bell Harbor Marina's number is: (206) 787 3952. Contact Sue and Carl at (206) 953 4370 for more information.



Did You Know?!?...

Past Commodore J.T. will be looking for volunteers for upcoming officer positions?!? Recruitment officially starts in March with voting into office in June. Please consider donating your time and talent to helping our club grow.



The four leaf clover is one of the most widely recognized good luck symbols of the Western world.

The most shared belief is that the four leaves represent hope, faith, love, and luck. Others say the four leaves represent fame, wealth, love, and health.

Most boaters believe the leaves stand for cleaning, repairing, and expenditures... if one is lucky enough to find a FOUR leaf clover, the fourth leaf would represent FUN.



Please consider donating items for the food bank... there is a donation container conveniently located right inside our clubhouse



RECIPE
of the
MONTH



First place winner of BVYC Cocktail Challenge 2016.....

JB's Majestic

from the files of JB Morrison

Put into shaker cup:

- 1 palmful fresh basil
- 1/3 palmful fresh mint
- 1/2 palmful cucumber (cut in 1/4" slices)
- 5 ice cubes
- Squirt of lime juice
- 1 1/2 oz gin
- 3 oz ginger ale

Shake together. Strain into cocktail glasses. Enjoy.

JB also notes that you can play with the mint and cuke... less mint and more cuke isn't as overpowering, yet still refreshing.



Upcoming Events

Don't forget about this month's cruise to Poulsbo! March 24-26, 2017. If you can't make it by boat, please come on over by car and join in the fun!



LET'S



BVYC's Marine Shop and Swap

Wanted: 40 to 50 amp 12vdc marine battery charger, with float setting to both charge and to maintain bank of batteries. Please call or text Bob (360) 271-0146.



2017 Cruising Calendar

March	3/24 - 3/26	March Madness
April	4/28 - 4/30	Seattle Special
May	5/26 - 5/29	Everett Epic
June	6/23 - 6/25	Fathoms O' Fun
July	7/21 - 7/23	Brinnon Blast
August	8/11 - 8/13	Shilshole Slam
September	9/01 - 9/04	Tacoma Twist
October	10/06 - 10/08	Kingston Kruiise



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All members are encouraged to submit write-ups for the newsletter. Items of interest are: photos, articles, scuttlebutt, marine items for sale or trade, etc. Deadline is the 28th of each month.

