

Brownsville Yacht Club

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UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER

- 5** ~ Christmas Tree Decorating & Social
- 8** ~ General Meeting - 7pm-
Social 6:30pm
- 9** ~ Port Commissioners Mtg - 6pm
- 18-19** ~ Lighted Boat Parade
- ___** ~ EXB Meeting - 7pm
- 28** ~ Newsletter Input Due
- 31** ~ BVYC New Year's Eve Celebration

JANUARY

- 1** ~ Brownsville Marina Polar Plunge
- 12** ~ General Meeting - 7pm-
Social 6:30pm
- 13** ~ Port Commissioners Mtg - 6pm
- 25** ~ Newsletter Input due
- 28** ~ EXB Meeting - 7pm
- 29 - Feb 6** ~ Seattle Boat Show

COMMODORE'S REPORT



November was a fabulous month with our wonderful delicious Thanksgiving pot-luck and well attended general meeting. Thank you to JR and Tina for the yummy fried turkeys. Then BVYC's successful Staycation and Commodore Carolyn's Chowder Cook-off. Which is now an annual event!

December brings much activity, so mark your calendars because you don't want to miss this great club's fun and enthusiasm. The Christmas Tree Decorating and White Elephant Party, Christmas Angles, General Meeting, New Member Inductions, Sunday Night Seahawks Football, Lighted Boat Parade, Executive Board Meeting, New Year's Eve Party, and of course the Annual Brownsville Marina Polar Plunge. I look forward to seeing you all at one of these events. Check the Monthly Happenings Calendar.

December is a bountiful month with lots of celebrations occurring. No matter what holiday you and your family celebrate, I wish you a wonderful season of celebrating.

Many Blessings and wishes to you, your family and loved ones for a Happy, Safe, and Wonderful Holiday Season.

Commodore Carolyn  s/v Absolutely



VICE COMMODORE



BVYC is growing at a very fast rate. We have received More applications and the next two months general meeting will consist of new inductions. We are a healthy and prosperous club. Please take the time to introduce yourself to someone you haven't met before. If you have new membership questions please contact Commodore Carolyn or Rear Commodore Bob B.

REAR COMMODORE



Sure hope that everyone had a great Thanksgiving holiday! We certainly did at my house. Starting with our club's thanksgiving feast last month, it seems as if great tasting food was constantly in front of my face, and finding its way into my mouth! Strangely too, I've noticed that my belt seems to have shrunk or something and is so much tighter on me now. OMG...Christmas is up next! On the upside though, I think I have a pretty good idea of what one of my New Year resolutions will be!

We still have some nice open dates in December for renting or using the club house. As usual, members are always welcome to use it for their own enjoyment when it's not being rented or used for a club function but be sure to keep it ship shape. To paraphrase something that my excellent and tactful predecessor Carolyn posted a couple years ago: How wonderful it is that our members take advantage of the comforts and availability of our club house. Please remember that this is a busy time for rentals. Your assistance is much appreciated when after enjoying the clubhouse, before you leave, you remember to: put furniture back in place, fill out a work order if needed, turn off electronic equipment, remove or label personal refrigerator items, verify that both of the doors are locked, lock all cabinets, sweep or vacuum floors, take trash and recycling to the dumpsters, close all windows and open all blinds, and reset the thermostat to what it was when you came in. Doing all this really helps keep the place looking good and avoids any last minute surprises for folks (and the rear Commodore) that rent our place out.

Soon after the New Year, we should have a bathroom fan purchased and installed in our clubhouse bathroom. This will make the use of our bathroom much more pleasant, and more useful than for just checking makeup and washing hands. We may soon be able to say farewell, most of the time, to the need for running downstairs to use the port bathrooms when nature calls. You're welcome!

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Robert Bale, Rear Commodore

FLEET CAPTAIN



Holiday Greetings,

The November Clubhouse Cruise at our own little Brownsville homeport was just the best. Commodore Carolyn's Chowder Cook-off was well attended and such fun too. How great was all that good food and partying?

Many thanks to the Commodore for all her hospitality and the great prizes for the participants. She was definitely the hostess with the most-est for the three day event. Sometimes there really is no place like home.

The next cruise will be approaching springtime of 2016, March 18-20. A short cruise to nearby Kingston Marina with loads of activity options will be here before you know it. The remaining cruises of the 2015-2016 season all have lovely hosts with the exception of our Memorial Day Cruise to Bell Harbor Marina, May 27-30 and the July Cruise to Port Ludlow Marina July 22-24. The Memorial Day 4 day cruise is usually well attended and loads of fun, bloody marys served by the bridge and a wreath laying ceremony. This is a good cruise for co-hosts, so please consider teaming up and hosting this. The July Cruise is a bit north to accommodate those in our club heading out for their summer cruises to northerly waters. This would be easy and enjoyable to host. Please contact me for any information about the hosting opportunities.

Best wishes for a joyful holiday season to all of our members and their families. Thanks for your participation and for bringing the fun.

Charlene Holmes

P/C Miss Marlene



We need your help to spread Holiday Spirit & Cheer!

Join us in the

Lighted Boat Parade

**Friday, December 18th – Illahee Side
Starts at Keyport at 6:30 pm and ends in Illahee**

**Saturday, December 19th – Bainbridge Island Side
Starts at the Fishpens in Rich Passage at 6:30 pm and ends at Battle Point**

Gathering Saturday night at the clubhouse after the parade

Only necessary to decorate the starboard side of your boat

Volunteers Needed!

Decorated boats, a Lead boat, Security boat and Santa are needed for each night

Questions? Contact Noreen LeBlanc, Ron Smith, Bob Bale or Nancy Bale

Staycation and Commodore Carolyn's Chowder Cook-off Weekend



What a Great, Fun and Fabulous time was had by all who attended the staycation. Motor homes settled in, cars arrived and boat lines secured. Friday evening was a fun social with plenty to eat, music, games and much chatting, spending time together and getting to know each other. Saturday's Chowder Cook-off was a Huge hit. Much tasting, voting and eating. Thank you to Bob K, Charlene, Noreen, Laurie B, Sabrina and JR the wonderful winning contestants. They all sported their new aprons with fashion. Sunday morning brought us a wonderful pancake breakfast with the fixings made by more talented chefs Bob B and Paul J. What a Fantastic Weekend!

Christmas Angels

Please remember to bring your gifts to the club by Saturday the 5th and include the child's ID # and name.

Thanks for your help and generosity.

Sue Pedersen [360-613-1888](tel:360-613-1888)

Brownsville Marina 2016



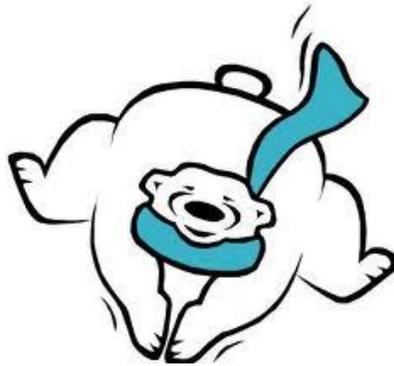
‘Wild Plunge’

Fundraiser for Wild Society

Friday

January 1, 2016

12:00pm / NOON



Wild Society, a 501 (c) (3) non-profit based out of the North Kitsap area. Wild Society offers summer camps and community workshops with the mission of "cultivating attitudes of wonder and belonging in the natural world."

Sponsor a Wild Plunger

Diving in from beach area going to pavilion

Meet in front of Deli

Participants are encouraged, bystanders are welcome.