

# RHYC

## *anchor watch*

### Cruise Report - Colors Cruise

The annual Colors Cruise was a huge success! The theme of "Indiana Jones and the Lost Burgee" was embraced by all. Friday night, we had some amazing themed potluck appetizers - including such memorable treats as Jewels of the Lost Mushroom, Orangutan Tongue, Mummy Dogs, and Snake Pit Salmon. Amy Sherwood won the appetizer contest with her "Skullyosis to the Mat" liverwurst and cream cheese concoction in the shape of a skull. Saturday morning opened with Larry Cronin's amazing cooking. He prepared scrambled eggs, sausages, and hash browns for 40 people on the dock-side BBQs; it was amazing to watch. We had the afternoon geocache in which participants traveled all over Roche Harbor by foot and by dinghy to recover six tokens (printed by Jon and Holly Edwards on their 3-D printer). The first team back with all tokens included Sally Cronin (Irish Ayes) and Richard Firth (The Merry Genie). Second place went to Fred & Diana Power (Sunrise) and Brian & Linda Scott (Goin' Coastal). Honorable mention to Frank Sherwood (Halcyon), our fearless Commodore, for getting one token. Everyone got prizes including several Crystal Skulls filled with an invisible liquid of some type. Thanks to an amazing cruise team, including Ken & Julie Hammerquist, Larry & Sally Cronin. As you may know, Larry and Sally traveled to Roche by multiple modes of transportation over long hours due to a malfunctioning boat back home. Larry also manned the grills for our Steak dinner. Julie was instrumental in designing the decorations, and Ken, Sally, Orit, and Matt worked their tails off to give everyone a good experience. Saturday night was the traditional colors ceremony including Roche Harbor staff and our Bridge members. Four staff members took the annual plunge, along with our Treasurer, Matt Hickman, who is finishing his two-year term at the Change of Bridge later this year. The Sunday morning send-off included the famous Lime Kiln Cafe doughnuts and coffee. Thanks to everyone for making it a great RHYC event!





## Commodore's Report

We just returned from two weeks in the San Juan's and we had a fantastic time. The weather was just about perfect and the crabbing was great. We reloaded our freezer with frozen crab for another year and really enjoyed the experience. No dragging anchors this year and everything stayed in place, where it belonged. It was really tough to come home.

The Colors Cruise at Roche Harbor was put on by Matt and Orit Hickman with their crew and had a theme of "Raider of The Lost Burgee". The food was delicious and the cruise participants were entertained with many games and other activities that kept everyone involved and tested their abilities in navigating by GPS coordinates. It was a fantastic time and many, many thanks to Matt, Orit and their crew for making this a memorable cruise.

The RHYC Board of Officers had the honor of marching out with the Roche Harbor staff to participate in their colors ceremony. It was truly inspiring and appreciated by the board to be included in this event. It is always looked forward to and enjoyed.

It's hard to believe that we only have two more official on the water cruises left this year. The next cruise is a wagon wheel to be held in Gig Harbor over the Labor Day weekend. Gig Harbor is always a great destination with many things to do and places to eat in town. This cruise is being hosted by Chris and Willow Williamson. This will be a fun event and we hope to see everyone there. The final on the water cruise of the year will be at Dock Street in Tacoma over the Columbus Day weekend in October. The cruise captains for this cruise are Bill Faulk and Nancy Williams. Tacoma is another great venue and a great place to close out the 2016 on the water cruising season.

Let's keep working on getting those new member applications in and keep our membership growing.

Thank you for all of your hard work and let's continue to make our club great!!!! Larry Cronin spearheaded putting together an updated brochure for prospective members that more accurately describes our club along with current pictures depicting recent activities. Thank you Larry for going the extra mile and helping to keep this club the great organization that it is. See you on the Water and at our outstations.

Respectfully Submitted,

Frank Sherwood  
Commodore  
See you in the "Yard"



## Vice Commodore's Report

We are posting more New Applicants again this month, 5 more couples and their boats! Add that to the ones published last month we will be inducting 10 more new couples very soon. Why so many coming in all of a sudden? The website! No, not just the website it's you, our amazing members who are jumping in and bringing on your friends. But, the website is making the process so much faster than ever before. Once I receive the application and check it over, approve it, the website then send out an email asking them to go back on and make their application fee payment. Most of the time, this all takes place in just one week. In the past letters were sent out waiting for replies, now it is the simple push of a button. So for any possible nay sayers that may still be out there the website is doing exactly what we wanted it to do, help grow our fabulous yacht club.

If you have not been on the website, get on it. Once you move around in it and get to know it, it's easy to use. If you are a Cruise Captain that is still finding problems making things happen, please call Jon Edwards or one of the previous Cruise Captains for help. I admit that part is a bit more difficult but with help it can happen.

Thank you to all of my sponsors who have brought in new people; you are hands down even better than the website because you are talking to people. So keep talking, we are so grateful for all your efforts in growing this great club. You are the BEST!!

Respectfully submitted,  
Lynn Sipkens  
Vice Commodore

## New Applicants

In accordance with RHYC Bylaws the following applicants for Active Membership are being published to initiate the application process. The applicants are as follows:

Scott & Pam Cameron  
Emily Lynn  
Sponsors: George Austin & Lynn Sipkens

Donald & Stacie Croft  
Giggle  
Sponsors: Jon & Holly Edwards & Lynn Sipkens

Rick & Cindy Mitchell  
Next Chapter  
Sponsors: Rich Firth & Lynn Sipkens

Bob & Judy Hollenbeck  
Encore  
Sponsors: David Silver & Jon Edwards

Dr. Oliver (Jerry) & Carol Whitfield  
Osprey  
Sponsors: Lynn Sipkens & Jon Edwards

“Effective with this notification, applicants 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 our new applicants when they attend their qualifying cruise. Also, sponsors please assist the applicants to complete their qualifying cruise ASAP.

### **ODDS & ENDS**

#### **Burgees and Handbooks:**

We have burgees of 3 sizes available. Take a look at your burgee and make sure it's not too sun or wind worn. If it is, let me know and I'll bring some burgees with me at the next event. The smaller Burgee is \$25 and the Large is \$35. If your burgee is too small for your boat, now is the time to move up. We also have a few Dinghy burgees as well. Remember to write the new members into the blank pages at the back of the member section.



## **Rear Commodore's Report**

We just left the outstation at Roche where we shared the slip for two days with Tom and Mary Ann Liebert on Friendship II. Unfortunately, due to work schedules Holly and I were not able to attend the RHYC cruise to Roche from the week before. While we were there in Roche, we ran into George Austin on the Grey Goose who took over the slip from us as we left the harbor on our way to Sucia.

We also ran into the McDonnell's and the Driscoll's while we were walking the dock. Steve Driscoll reported to me that he had cleaned green slime build up from off the Lopez outstation. Thanks Steve!

As I reported in the last newsletter, the Roche outstation sign in station needed to be

replaced. While we were in the harbor, I was able to replace the sign in station with a new fiberglass box. The pictures below show you the condition of the old box and what the new box looks like. A big thank you to Larry Cronin for the replacement box suggestion.

Good boating and enjoy your Summer!  
Jon Edwards  
Rear Commodore



## Treasurer's Report

No Report this month



## Secretary's Report

The Colors Cruise was great this year as always. In keeping with the theme of the cruise we ate well, with Steak and Cous Cous, Julie Hammerquist's recipe for Carthaginian Flank Steak, which is an old North African favorite. The recipes are found later in the newsletter. Our weather was great but I think when Matt Hickman took a dive into the water at Colors, he might have felt it was not warm enough. Orit and the team did a fantastic job on the decorations and the games. Roche Harbor is a great place to have cruises and the dock hands helped make our stay easy.

I was looking forward to the boat ride up to the San Juan Islands for the cruise but I caught a net the last time out. The good news is I got the net untangled the bad news is I fried the transmission and have not been able to get our boat out. Sally and I ended up driving up to Roche without the dogs. I would have been happy to sleep on the dock but we were able to stay on Noreen and Neil's boat.

Respectfully

Larry Cronin

Secretary and Anchor Watch Editor



## Fleet Captain's Report

Remember if you are coming to a cruise, you need to sign upon the website or by calling the cruise team. Unexpected members and guests make it very hard for the cruise team to plan the event, especially meals.

The July 3 cruise in Poulsbo, Liberty Bay turned into an action packed event. Thanks to Phil and Debbie!

Colors was lead by Matt and Orit Hickman. Colors are always a great cruise. Sorry, we had a visit from Lynn's Daughter and Son in-law that week. It was great to visit with them, but we did miss Colors this year.

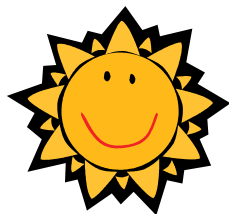
### **Upcoming events are:**

Labor Day weekend in Gig Harbor as a raft up or wagon wheel. Chris and Willow Williamson are leading this cruise and teaching some of the newest members how to lead a cruise! Thanks for stepping up. You can sign up on the website.

Columbus Day Weekend at Dock Street. A fun filled event led by Bill Foulk and Mate Nancy Williams. Website sign up will be open soon.

If you have not led a cruise you need to as it is a requirement of membership. Maybe you cannot do it this year but surely, you can do something next year. Locations and dates of the 2017 cruises are being planned now so forward your ideas to John Sipkens @ [fleetcaptain@rhyc.org](mailto:fleetcaptain@rhyc.org) or Orit Hickman 2017 Fleet Captain.

See you cruising,  
John Sipkens  
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## **S**unshine Report

No report this month

Noreen Millen  
Sunshine Lady

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## **CALLING ALL RHYC ARIZONA SUNBIRDS**

I am trying to make sure I have all your contact information if you have a residence in Arizona. Please contact Kim Nance at [knance1956@gmail.com](mailto:knance1956@gmail.com) with your address/email/phone numbers. I want to keep the list current so all can be notified when we plan and schedule a "Flybridge in the Desert Cruise". Also, if you are down in Arizona just for a week or two or three, let us know. We would be happy to plan a gathering when our members are in town.



## FOR SALE



*Stephens*

*1969*

*Aluminum Hull*

*57' Overall*

*A True Classic*

*A Proven Long*

*Range Cruiser*

*With Stabilizers*

*\$199,500*

## ***LAST MANGO***

***2008 New Galley with 24.7cu Stainless Steel refrigerator***

***Full size Jenn-air propane stove top and oven***

***Dishwasher***

***Custom Cherry colored Maple Cabinetry***

***2014 Red Oak flooring through Salon & Pilot House***

***Custom cabinetry matching Galley in Salon & Pilot House***

***A GREAT LIVE A BOARD!!***





## **Couscous with Apricots and Almonds**

serves 4 - 6

1 c. couscous  
3/4 c. water  
3/4 c. chicken stock/broth (low sodium)  
10 dried apricots, chopped  
1/3 c. slivered almonds, toasted  
2 T. lemon juice  
3 green onions, chopped  
1/3 C. chopped parsley  
2 T. olive oil  
2 T. butter  
salt to taste

In a pot, bring water and stock to a boil. Place couscous in a heat-proof medium bowl; pour boiling water over it and stir with a fork to combine. Cover and let stand for 10 to 15 minutes, then uncover and fluff with a fork. In a large bowl, mix apricots, almonds, lemon juice, green onions, parsley. Add couscous, olive oil, butter and salt to taste. Toss gently to combine.

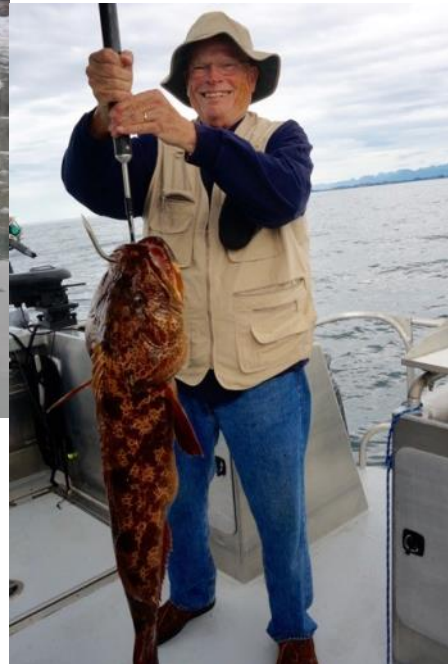
## **Carthaginian Flank Steak (North African)**

Marinade for one 2 pound flank:

1 cup onion chopped  
2 T. garlic diced  
1/2 cup olive oil  
1/2 cup lemon juice  
3 Tablespoons soy sauce  
2 Tablespoons dry sherry  
1/4 cup fresh oregano ( or 2 Tablespoons dried oregano)  
2 teaspoons chili sauce with garlic (found in Asian section of grocery store)  
1 teaspoon turmeric  
Salt and pepper

# Alaska Flotilla

The RHYC members traveling together up in Alaska are having quite an adventure. Sunny weather, rainy weather, windy weather, foggy etc. Lots of wild life, fishing, bugs and beautiful scenery.



Steve Driscoll with nice ling cod

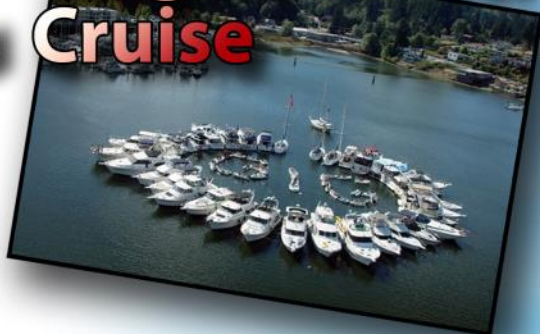


Jim Matheson and Steve Driscoll, with Jim's deck hand Brian in Elfin Cove, standing proudly over a good day's work out in the ocean. The result was 75 pounds of halibut, Coho, ling cod, and yellow eye filets, plus three two gallon freezer bags of pinks filets which went into the smoker.



# **RHYC** Labor Day Wagon Wheel Cruise

**Friday 9/2  
through  
Monday 9/5**



**Welcome to beautiful Gig Harbor!**

**Your host: Chris and Willow Williamson,**  
Chuck and Beth Irwin, Kevin and Toni Kohler, Dick and Eva Bennison,  
Rick Evans and Denise Lovgren, Willard and Diane Thomas,  
Steve and Jen Schultz, & Steve and Carrie Ackerman

**Friday, 9/2:**

**Establish the wheel, 4 Corner boats in place by 1700**

**Cost: \$25 per adult and \$20 for kids 11 and under**  
**Includes Saturday Lunch/Dinner, Sunday Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner,**  
**Monday Continental Breakfast, and all Entertainment.**

**Register Online at [rhec.org](http://rhec.org) by Aug. 21st.**

**If mailing in your payment, send it to**

**Willow Williamson, P.O. Box 552,**

**Gig Harbor, WA. 98335**



## **RHYC Labor Day at the Gig**

Cost: \$25 per person for RHYC members, new member applicants, and guests; \$20 for kids under 11. Please register on-line and/or contact Chris and Willow Williamson at [c.g.williamson@comcast.net](mailto:c.g.williamson@comcast.net) or 253-219-6455.

### **Friday, 9/2:**

Establish the wheel, 4 Corner boats in place by 1200

1200 – 1800 Boat arrival; please contact RHYC on Channel 68

Happy Hour @ 1800

Each boat put out appetizers to share

Colors at dusk

### **Saturday, 9/3:**

0930 – 1100 Breakfast at the Wheel

Breakfast casseroles, bacon, fruit, non-alcoholic juices, Bloody Mary's and Mimosa's provided by cruise team

1200 – 1600 RHYC-GO! Scavenger Hunt. Enjoy the Harbor, grab a bite to eat, and participate in the game:

We are strongly encouraging EVERYONE to participate!

1700 Dinner in the Wheel

Pig Roast w/Sides provided by cruise team: Baked Beans, Cole Slaw

1800 Announce Scavenger Hunt Winners

1900 - 2100 Entertainment (Karaoke/Dancing on Boat

Colors at dusk (Music break)

### **Sunday, 9/4:**

0930 - 1100 Breakfast at the Wheel

Omelet Bar (eggs/ham/veggies/cheese), Toasted English Muffins, non-alcoholic juices, Bloody Mary's and Mimosas provided by cruise team

1200 Game Time! Ring Toss (or some sort of game) with prizes for winners

1300 Lunch at the Wheel

Hot Dogs w/buns, condiments, Potato chips, macaroni salad

1400 Dinghy Parade through Harbor

1800 Dinner on your own in the Harbor

Colors at dusk

### **Monday, 9/5:**

0900 Breakfast

Granola, Oatmeal, Fruit, Pastries, non-alcoholic juices

Boats depart

# Roche Harbor Yacht Club

We have some great cruises planned and hope that you join the fun!

We need Cruise Captains and helpers. If you have not been a cruise captain in the past 2 years, please look at the schedule below and see where you can help out.

To volunteer, Please contact Fleet Captain, John Sipkens at [fleetcaptain@rhyc.org](mailto:fleetcaptain@rhyc.org)



## 2016 CRUISE SCHEDULE

Date	Destination	Activity	Cruise Captains
Dec 31 - Jan 3	Bremerton Marina	New Years Cruise	Robin Haley and Mike Goodman
Jan 10	Tulalip Casino Marysville	Ice Breaker Brunch	Pete and Linda Jung
Feb 12 - 14	Bell Harbor	Sweetheart Brunch	Bill Foulk & Nancy Williams
Mar 18 - 20	Des Moines Marina	St. Patricks Cruise	Chris and Sandy Benson
April 15 - 17	12th St (north) Marina, Everett	RHYC Business Meeting	Chuck and Michael Turback
May 4 - 8	Montlake Cut	Opening Day	Paul Bennett
May 27 - 30	Bremerton Marina	Memorial Day Cruise	Noreen & Neil Millen and Frank & Amy Sherwood
June 17 - 19	Brownsville Marina	Fathers Day Cruise	Debi and Phil Freund
TBD	TBD	On The Move Cruise	
July 1-4	Liberty Bay	3rd of July Cruise	Debi and Phil Freund
Aug 5 - 7	Roche Harbor Marina	Colors Cruise	Matt and Orit Hickman
Sep 2 - 5	Gig Harbor Wagon Wheel	Labor Day Cruise	Chris and Willow Williamson
Oct 7 - 9	Dockstreet, Tacoma	Columbus Day Cruise	Bill Foulk & Nancy Williams
Nov 5	Queen City Yacht Club	Change of Bridge	Frank and Amy Sherwood
Nov 25 - 27	Edmonds Marina	Thanksgiving Cruise	Glen and Liz Dodge



# Upcoming Cruises



Labor Day Cruise  
Sept. 2-5  
Gig Harbor

Columbus Day Cruise  
Oct 7-9  
Dockstreet, Tacoma

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