

# RHYC

## *anchor watch*



### **C**ruise Report - Oktoberfest



With a cool, rainy October weekend, the club celebrated Oktoberfest in Tacoma at Dock Street. We did not let the weather dampen the spirits. There were twenty boats and over fifty people enjoying the festivities including a few new member prospects! The group enjoyed Brats and Pretzels on the dock with our own keg to cheer in the last cruise of the year! We even had a few who took on the challenge to “Pass the Pretzel” with one winning team! We wrapped up the night with Karaoke on the dock sharing some new and undiscovered talent!

Saturday began with Bill’s famous German Apple Pancakes along with French Toast, Bacon and Sausage for a nice warm way to start the day. Many folks toured the museums, watched some football or enjoyed some of the local breweries in Tacoma. Finishing out the night with BBQ on the dock while dodging some serious rain. There were a few brave ones wearing costumes and sharing their vocal talents for another round of karaoke on the dock.

Sunday departures were sent off with a tasty French Vietnamese donut and OJ from our favorite local bakery. Dock Street Marina was fabulous with their support and providing mimosas on Saturday morning for the group. We appreciate everyone braving the weather and spending a fun weekend in Tacoma with us! A wonderful group and fantastic to see new and old faces!



## Commodore's Report

One would like to think it's fall out there, but the Thursday night before the Oktoberfest cruise, it felt like the dead of winter in the Bering Sea. In Bremerton we had sustained winds of 28 knots gusting to 62 as the night wore on. Wow, what a ride. The good news was that it calmed down by noon on Friday and made for a pleasant cruise to Dock Street in Tacoma. We had a great turn out joined by our Alaska cruisers and hosted by Bill Foulk and Nancy Williams. The German food was plentiful, the lederhosen was plentiful (some dudes can wear this and look good, me, not so much) and everyone had a fantastic time. The weather was good for October and held off until late Sunday making for a pleasant run back to everyone's home port. As mentioned last month, it will soon be time to start planning your cruise schedule for 2017 and once the RHYC schedule is published, looking for an opportunity to be a cruise captain or part of a cruise team. This is a great experience and offers you an opportunity to meet new people and have fun in the process. Check out the cruise schedule for 2017 on the web site and next month's anchor watch.

Our next event is the Change of Bridge and Business Meeting on November 5<sup>th</sup> at Queen City Yacht Club in Seattle. We have a fun evening planned for this event and still some reservations available. Please take this opportunity to sign up on line on our web site (go to [rhyc.clubexpress.com](http://rhyc.clubexpress.com)), sign in, click on the event in the calendar and click register, or send your check to Amy as indicated in your invitation. We need to get a final count to the caterer so please complete your reservation by 10/23/16. Call Amy at 503-709-0745 if you have any questions.

As my year as your commodore comes to an end, I have taken the opportunity to reflect on the prior year just completed. I would like to thank the membership for the tremendous support that has been given to the Bridge in our efforts to provide great events and to move the club forward. Thanks to everyone for your contributions. I also want to express my gratitude to the membership in support of the club's efforts in membership recruitment by allowing us to have a presence at the 2017 Seattle Boat Show. We, as your bridge, feel this is an excellent opportunity to recruit new members and offer added exposure for the club to the boating community. Amy and I have signed up to take a shift and I encourage everyone to look at the schedule and take a turn. Free boat show tickets and reduced parking rates. This should be a great investment for the club and a great opportunity to spread the word about our great club.

Lastly, I could not have completed my duties as your commodore without the strength and support of my wife, Amy. She is a trooper. It has truly been an honor to serve the club and I thank you all for your support. I hope to see all of you at the Change of Bridge event.

Respectfully Submitted,

Frank Sherwood  
Commodore  
See you in the "Yard"



## **V**ice Commodore's Report

The end of this year of being your Vice Commodore is quickly coming to an end. In fact there are only about two and a half weeks left. It has been an honor acting as your Vice Commodore and Membership Chairman.

It started out pretty busy with a new way of sending out renewal notices that had confused everyone including yours truly and our webmaster. We are now very aware that on December 2<sup>nd</sup> or closely there about, you will be receiving your renewal again, online. Please be sure to open every correspondence you get from rhyc.org. This is also the time to go onto your profile in the website and make sure your address, phone numbers, and email addresses are correct. If you have sold and bought a new boat be sure to have the right information as far as name, boat length, beam, and type updated. The problems we ran across most were address changes that had not been made with Liz Dodge. This year you can put in your own changes and be more in charge of your own profile. With correct addresses we will be better able to get your 2017 annual out to you sooner.

We have also added some wonderful new members this year. If you have not met them, please make sure to introduce yourself and make them feel welcome. We still have a few out there that have not been inducted yet so we'll be starting out the New Year with more to come.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Vice Commodore & Membership Chairman.

## **N**ew Members

No new members this month

## **N**ew Applicants

No new applicants this month



## **R**ear Commodore's Report

No Report this month



## Treasurer's Report

With the Change of Bridge next month, my two years as Treasurer will come to an end and I will be handing off the books to Sally Cronin. It has been an absolute pleasure to serve the club in this capacity, and I strongly encourage others who have not yet served on the Bridge to consider this role in the future. Handling the money is a great way to learn about club operations, from our outstations and reciprocal, to our cruises, membership, equipment, rentals, events, and much more. Please consider volunteering for next year's Bridge!

Matt Hickman  
Treasurer



## Secretary's Report

Well this is my last issue of the Anchor Watch as the RHYC Secretary. It has been fun putting this together every month. The Anchor Watch is a great opportunity for all members to share the fun things they did during the month like; the cruise, selling a boat, sharing a recipe or talking about an event. One of the things that will make it more enjoyable is the many photos people take. I know you take them but don't let those photos stay on our phones or cameras, send them in and many will be shared.

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This coming January the RHYC will have a booth at the boat show. This is exciting as it gives us an opportunity to meet new people who like boating and want to cruise. Ten other yacht clubs have booths at the boat show and in talking to them they feel this is a great recruiting venue. I feel we have something for the right boater, those that like to cruise. The show will be

January 27<sup>th</sup> through February 4<sup>th</sup>. If you can spare some time on one of the days to tell people how great our club is, we will end up being a stronger club. There is a sign-up page on our web site under the Volunteering section. We are asking for two people to sign up for either the morning shift 11:00 -3:00 or the afternoon shift 3:00 – 8:00. You will get free tickets to the boat show. We have new brochures for you to give away and a beautiful booth to showcase who we are.

Respectfully,

Larry Cronin  
Secretary and Anchor Watch Editor



## **F**leet Captain's Report

Thanks to all the Cruise Captains, Team Leaders and their helpers that worked hard to bring RHYC more than a dozen grand events this year. Not many Yacht Clubs have as many events.

It is time to get next year's events planned, so look at what we have done in the past and think about next year. Where do you want to go? What event can you lead? Suggestions for making our Cruising better.

Orit Hickman is the Fleet Captain for 2017. Please contact her to volunteer for next year's cruises at [fleetcaptain@rhyc.org](mailto:fleetcaptain@rhyc.org).

Upcoming events are;

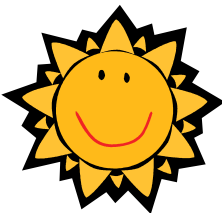
Change of Bridge November 5<sup>th</sup>; a great dinner, music, dancing, and a business meeting of the club.

After Thanksgiving Cruise to Edmonds, Friday through Sunday after Thanksgiving Glen Dodge is the contact person. Come by boat or land.

See you cruising,

John Sipkens

[fleetcaptain@rhyc.org](mailto:fleetcaptain@rhyc.org)



## **S**unshine Report

No report this month









# 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	<b>Need Cruise Captains Before or after Colors</b>
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



## 2016 RHYC BRIDGE CONTACT INFORMATION



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Changing of the Bridge  
November 5  
Queen City Yacht Club

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