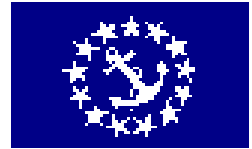




Channel Marker

APRIL 2022



April, 2022

Ahoy, SYC ...

Spring is off to a roaring start and we've already had a fun filled one!

We kicked March off with our Spring Membership meeting at the beginning of the month. There was a lot of updates to pass along and the quick business of a minor bylaw change to take care of. But, all-in-all, the club is running along smoothly. Mo Olason, along with her amazing crew, pulled off one of THE BEST Irish dinners I have ever had! Corned beef and cabbage, authentic colcannon, and homemade Irish soda bread. The evening was capped off with master mixologists, Rod and Kara Moore with their green & gold shots.



The following weekend a bunch of us headed up to Oak Harbor for the Spring Bowling Extravaganza. Jeff and I hosted this one and I have to tell you, we have hosted lots of events during our years in the club but I have never felt more welcomed than we did up there. I had to do some scrambling because Friday Harbor's Bowling Alley wasn't open and Anacortes dozed theirs down. I found Oak Bowl and Mario's pizza in Oak Harbor who put on a big spread for us. The pizza was delicious, along with their famous garlic knots and we had plenty of hydration from the bar to keep us going. The staff at the Oak Harbor marina were beyond accommodating by making sure the fuel price didn't change on us until all who needed fuel were filled up. There was one hurdle that I needed to overcome ... how to get from the marina to the bowling alley. Never fear, Nick Green at Nick's Limo & Shuttle service came to our rescue ... in a brand new Lincoln MKZ stretch limousine! Oh so fancy!!! Saturday ended at the Oak Harbor yacht club with dinner and drinks with their members. We had a great time getting to know our Whidbey Island neighbors and they really rolled out the red carpet. If you didn't make it this year, rumor has it that this is next year's Spring Bowling Extravaganza location.

I do have one plea ... we are in need of hosts for a few of our upcoming events. Please check your calendars and consider volunteering. We can't have the fun we do without our creative hosts!

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Upcoming Events:

Clubhouse Clean-up/Cruise	April 9-10
Opening Day	May 7
Boating Safety & Inspection	May 14
Memorial Wknd Anchor Out	May 27-30
Steak Fry & Golf Tournament	June 1-19
Kid's Cruise	July 8-10
Wine & Dine	July 22-24



Commodore's Log Continued:

Date	Event	Location
July 8-10	Kid's Cruise Host for Games	Roche Harbor
Nov. 5	Fall Membership Meeting	Clubhouse
Nov. 18	Reindeer Romp	LaConner
Dec. 4-5	Christmas Decorating Party	Clubhouse

Our next event will be the **Clubhouse Clean-up and Shakedown Cruise** on April 9th. Rear Commodore Greg & Brenda Lenke will be our hosts for this event and they are looking for willing, hardworking hands to make light work of the clean-up. This is when we get the clubhouse ship shape for Opening Day and the coming season. Working together is one of the best ways to build the camaraderie that we enjoy in this club!

Speaking of **Opening Day** ... make sure you come out on May 7th. Vice Commodore, Jerry Carr has a great day planned for us to celebrate a new year of cruising and to bless the fleet. This year's theme is Jungle Cruise ... so get out your safari gear and plan to join the fun!

There are lots of fun events coming up very quickly and space is limited so be sure to check the calendar on the website and the SYC Dingy Dock FaceBook group for the latest event information and whom to contact for your RSVP. We look forward to seeing you out on the water!!

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Commodore
DownEasy





Hello from your Vice Commodore,

Here are some things I've been working on! Upcoming events for April and May 2022!

April 23rd—1st of many fireside chats, boater training

This course will be lead by Dick Spink, a local licensed boat captain. Dick works with the sheriffs department to train folks on basic boat handling. On completion of this class, Dick will give you a completion certificate that you can send to the state w/\$10.00 for your boaters safety card required by the state to operate a vessel in state waters. This would be great for new boaters or 1st mates that don't have their cards! Or.... Everyone that just wants to join in an evening of fellowship at the club.

If you are interested in this course or just want to attend for a refresher please contact me so we can get an approximate count. Start time social hour 5:00 please bring light snacks to share. Class starts at 6:00 (class lasts apprx 1-1 ½ hrs).

May 7th—Opening day boating festivities and parade.

Start time 1:00 raising of the flag presentation at the club house.

3:30 boat parade begins!

The theme is Jungle Cruise! Break out your palm trees and dress up your boats!

SYC has the port transient dock for the weekend so bring your boats over and let the decorating begin!

5:30 Food- Tracy and I will provide the pulled pork (A-L salads, M-Z sides), and bring your favorite dessert.

May14th—Boat inspection conducted by Coast Guard Auxiliary out of Everett.

These folks came up last year and were great to work with. They have 4 folks that come up and can get through quite a few boats in a few hours time.

This does take some coordination so if you are interested please let me know so we can get you on the list.

They tie up to the port dock and will work within the LaConner marina vicinity.

And that's a wrap for me until Steak Fry in June.... More to come on that from Brad Reading Esq. and yours truly.

Jerry



Jerry Carr, Vice Commodore



Gregory Lenke, Rear Commodore

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Membership

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Dockmaster

Dick Hunter
Reciprocity

Our club was formed to promote safe boating and sponsor marine events to stimulate interest and family involvement in boating






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Attend General Meetings:

March 5 & November 5

Recipes!

Submit your recipes for the SYC Cookbook.

See page 11 For details.

Swinomish
Yacht Club



2022 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Come join the fun - you won't be disappointed!

New Year's Cruise	December 31 – Jan. 2	No Host	Lopez Island
Commodore's Ball	January 29	Outgoing Commodore Lowe	Clubhouse
Seattle Boat Show	February 4-12	No Host	Century Link Field Seattle
Sweetheart's Pub Crawl	February 11-13	Commodore Toycen/Beam	La Conner
Friday Fun Night	February 19-20	Sisk	Clubhouse
New Membership Breakfast	March 5	SYC Board	Clubhouse
Spring Membership Meeting	March 5	Mo Olasen	Clubhouse
Spring Bowling Extravaganza	March 11-13	No Host	Oak Harbor Marina
Clubhouse Clean up & Shakedown Cruise	April 9-10	Rear Commodore Lenke	Clubhouse& Guest/Recip. Dock
Opening Day Parade Theme: Jungle Cruise	May 7	Vice Commodore Carr	Clubhouse/Recip. Dock
Boating Safety Day & USCG Auxiliary Vessel Inspections	May 14	Vice Commodore Carr	
Memorial Weekend Anchor Out	May 27-30	No Host	Prevost Harbor, Stuart Island
Steak Fry & Golf Tournament	June 17-19	Dick Hunter Golf: Jerry Carr/Brad Reading	Lopez Island
Kid's Cruise	July 8-10	HOST NEEDED	Roche Harbor
Wine & Dine/Shipwreck Days	July 15-27	Greg & Brenda Lenke Josh & Jessica Sweeney	Cap Sante Marina
Clam Bake	August 5-7	Keith & Leslie Christensen	Sucia Island
Past Commodore's Breakfast	August 27	Past Commodore Pep Lowe	Shawn O'Donnell's—Anacortes
Labor Day Weekend Cruise	September 3-5	No Host	Garrison Bay, San Juan Island
Past Commodore's Salmon BBQ	September 17	Past Commodores	Clubhouse
Stich 'n' Bitch (craft/project day) & Football Potluck	October 14-16	Commodore Toycen	Clubhouse
Oktoberfest/Halloween	October 29	Ray & Lisa Graham Glen & Linda Bean	Clubhouse
Fall General Membership Meeting	November 5	HOST NEEDED	Clubhouse
Reindeer Romp	November 18	HOST NEEDED	La Conner
Christmas Decorating Party	December 4-5	HOST NEEDED	Clubhouse
Lighted Christmas Boat Parade	December 10	Rear Commodore Lenke	Clubhouse
Commodore's Ball	January 21	Past Commodore Toycen	Clubhouse

Event Planning - Helpful Hints and Resources: <http://www.swinomishyachtclub.org/members/events/>

- Provide event information to the Newsletter Director at least two months prior to the event
- *Review past Channel Markers for inspiration on your event*
- *Send an email to the club about your event at least one month prior*
- *If the event requires reservations at the marina, the hosts should send out a mass email to club members asking for RSVP's at least 3 weeks prior to the event*
- *At least 1 week prior to the event, send an email out as a reminder and showing those who have RSVP'd and provide slip assignments, if applicable*

Attention to all SYC members!!

Daylight savings time goes into effect this Sunday, March 13. Don't forget to change your clocks, watches, and computers! Our spring cleanup is just a month away (April 9th) and we're hoping that we will have a large turnout to make the cleanup go quickly. There will be a continental breakfast served Saturday morning, April 9, to get you motivated and inspired for the cleanup.

The plan is to start around 9 AM and hopefully finish by 1 PM or 2 PM at the latest. Obviously, the greater our numbers, the faster the job will get done.



We will be cleaning the outside and inside of the clubhouse. I will be bringing my pressure washer and if we could have one or two more pressure washers to work on the driveway, that would be terrific. We also need a couple of electric leaf blowers to get up on the flat roof and blow off any debris. We also need some rakes, shovels, and maybe a wheelbarrow or two, to do some housekeeping outside. The club will provide the cleaning supplies for the inside.



As many of you have noticed we have had to do some juggling of schedules this year. After last year's pandemic nothing seems to be off the table. Our original plan was to have a shakedown cruise to Anacortes; however, as many of you are aware; however, Cap Sante Marina is undergoing major repairs. They are being forced to move long-term tenants onto the guest dock to make repairs on the various piers.

Because of this situation, we have decided to limit the shakedown cruise to utilizing the South guest dock at the LaConner Marina. For those of you who wish to bring your boat over and incorporate a gathering with the clubhouse cleanup, we have made the moorage available.

If you decide to bring your boat, please send me an RSVP, then we can make sure we have enough space. We have a total of 530 lineal feet reserved at present. Those that bring their boats will have to pay SYC for that night's moorage, since SYC is renting the inside of the guest dock. Your payment will be to reimburse SYC. The rate is \$1.75 per lineal foot.

We will start the happy hour at around 5 PM Saturday, followed by dinner. If some of you would be willing to bring a small appetizer that would add to the happy hour. The event will be BYOB.

We will be serving burgers, brauts, and baked beans for dinner. We would request that those with last names A through L bring a salad and those with last names M through Z bring a dessert.

There will not be a breakfast served on Sunday morning.

If anyone has any questions, please feel free to call me at 206-399-9986.

Greg Lenke
Rear Commodore

2022 SYC Steak Fry & Golf Tournament

June 17th – 19th at Lopez Islander Resort

If you plan to attend you will need to contact Lopez Islander Resort by calling 360-468-2233. They will need the usual data: Name, boat LOA, power needs, etc. Additionally, to get your boat's name on record, you need to remind your contact to put the name in the "Remarks" section of their customer file.

If you are going to join the golf outing, please RSVP to Brad Reading at 425-754-2209 or brad.reading@gmail.com

Friday

5:30pm BYOB Happy hour and potluck appetizers on the dock

8:00pm Music and drinks in the bar and boats

Saturday

7:30-9:00am Breakfast and eye-openers on the dock (provided)

9:00am Golfers catch a ride in the Islander Resort van to the golf course

10:00am Golf Tournament, Lopez Island Golf Club (drinks available)

Mid-afternoon Van back to the Islander – Hosted by Brad Reading

4:30 PM Tournament awards, auction and raffle

6:30 PM Steak Fry, Islander Club House

Bring your own steak, plate, utensils plus BBQ tools (tongs, etc.)

Gas BBQ's will be provided

(drinks must be purchased at the bar) Please bring a side dish /dessert to share: A-K: sides/salads

L-Z: desserts

8:00pm Music and drinks in the bar and boats

Sunday

7:30am: Breakfast and eye-openers on the dock (provided)

Depart docks by Noon: tide at 1200 will be +3.6 feet and rising

Host: Dick Hunter

richard@anam-cara.fun

Lopez Islander Resort 360-468-2233

Monitors VHF 78A

Golf Coordinators

Brad Reading & Jerry Carr

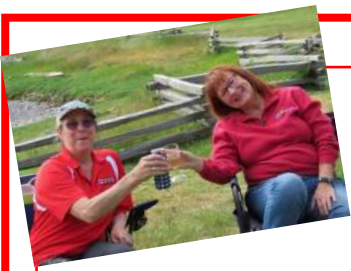
Beverage Golf cart

Jeff/Jeanne Saether

IMPORTANT: On arrival, make two radio calls

1. Lopez Islander Resort on VHF 78A to confirm slip assignment

2. SYC greeting crew on VHF 9 for docking assistance



SYC Ship's Store



Custom Ordering Now Available!

The Swinomish Yacht Club has a close relationship with SignMart in Mt. Vernon and they have kindly created a website just for us

At any time you may order online at this website:

<https://www.companycasuals.com/SYClub/start.jsp>



- Shop clothing or accessories
- 2 logo options
- Boat name (optional)
- Bring in your own article of clothing to have embroidered

Club embroidered logo options are similar to these:



Welcome to our Newest Members

Share the fun and comradery with
your friends and family

From the Interim Harbormaster, Jenn Dumas:

****Rates for visitor moorage changed January 1****

May - September: \$1.25 per foot/night

October - April: \$1.00 per foot/night

\$5.00 per night for electricity



I.C.E.

In Case of Emergency, A.E.D. defibrillators can be located on:

-  **Paradiso - Mitch & Jill Ruth**
-  **Fish Tales - Brent & Gretchen Malone**
-  **Too Nuts - Be & Peter Riesselman**



SYC Cookbook

Think you missed the deadline for submitting recipes?

Absolutely not!

Your committee is cookin' right along with collecting recipes. It doesn't matter whether you use the recipe collection sheet. So,

send them by email, snail mail, and Pony Express to:

Email: R3adventures@msn.com

Snail Mail: Katie Reading

154 Nootka Pl

La Conner, WA 98257

Pony Express: Bring to any event

Wendy Britt: 425-239-7587

Katie Reading: 425-238-5431

