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Spring is in the Air!

ISSUE 3

Let the Boating Season Begin.



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Slips for Events

It appears that more and more folks are getting into boating.

Slips are filling up faster than before.

If you are planning to attend any of the events

We recommend booking now and be aware of their cancellation policy!

And

Speaking of which

Be sure to sign up early for the events

online at **HHYCSeattle.com**

Hosts will need head counts for planning purposes.

Commodore's Column



Greetings to all HHYC Members!

Welcome to March everyone! I hope everyone enjoyed the extra "leap day" in February!

The days continue to get longer! Time changes on Sunday March 11 th , and Spring officially begins March 19 th! In case you haven't noticed, I really look forward to this time of year! Longer days always means that we're closer to boating season and yes, Summer! By far, my favorite time of year.

To date we've now completed two member meetings. One in person and one via Zoom, and then an inperson board meeting. February also saw our first Fleet Captain event in Poulsbo at the Frosty Fest. I have to say that the weather was anything but frosty. Sunny skies all day and really wishing we had taken the boat! Dane & Terry, Doug & Jane, and Suzy and I had fun. A small group, but we played games around town, ate, drank, and saw a lot of Vikings! We had a great time.

Our first cruising (rendezvous) event of the season is coming up in Bell Harbor on the 22 nd of March. It has been a while since the club has been there. The Harbormaster is very much looking forward to welcoming us back. We have some fun activities planned, but as always, need to know how many of you plan to attend so that we plan and budget accordingly.

I hope everyone enjoyed the February newsletter and the format changes that were made. With the new column contributions of the Vice (Jeremy) Commodore and Rear (Satch) Commodore columns in addition to Paul's column for Membership and Newsletter design and layout. This change was a part of the continuous improvement plan for the club. If there are any suggestions or ideas about the newsletter redesign, please send them to Paul Quinn.

Action item updates.

1. Post Office Box location: The change has been made. We now have a new P.O. Box location that is both physical and virtual. Our new address is:

Hidden Harbor Yacht Club 2226 Eastlake Ave E #1013 Seattle, WA 98102

2. Club Rendezvous Guide:

a. The rendezvous guidelines have been revised and updated. The board will review and inalize at the board meeting. **3.** Health and Welfare: As mentioned at the member meeting, It was sad to have to report that Ray Carpenter, a dear friend of HHYC and was the Harbor Master at Kingston Marina has passed.

The club contributed \$250 to Ray Carpenter's GoFundMe to help the family with the significant medical expenses, due to Ray's extensive hospitalization.

4. Membership: Paul and Jill were able to regain access to the club's Facebook page. We will be working in the coming months to get it updated.

Looking forward to a good turnout at our next member meeting on March 12 th . It will be

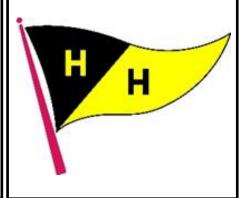
in-person at

Duke's on South Lake Union.

Opening Day of Boating Season is 60 days away!

Best regards to you all!

Dave





Vice Commodore's Corner Jeremy Hardy

Like so many, Tiah and I

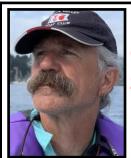
bought our first powerboat during the pandemic. We thought it would be a way to be able to get to destinations more far flung than... Bainbridge. I mean Friday Harbor in a matter of hours? Still boggles my imagination. And, the comfort and living space is a world apart. However, those first few landings were horrible. I had no understanding of how to use the twins to manipulate position and use inertia for running and landing. Ti and I are still learning together and can't wait for the Commodore's Cruise North. I am still learning how to slow down, though. There may be a repressed 'need for speed' after decades of moving at 5 or 6 knots on sailboats but the cost of diesel has finally provided the much needed governor.

It seems like we all have stories of helping others, either in Lake Washington or on the salt. One of the most basic rules of the sea is we always come to the aid of others who may be in distress. It makes me proud to be part of this community.

We can't wait to see you all on the water.

Our first HHYC cruise is planned for Kingston.

See you there!



Rear Commodore's Corner Satch Ludington

Marilyn and I are still fairly new

to power boating. The first two or three seasons after we got our first power boat in 2020 were mostly spent learning, restoring, and repairing the boat and learning how to navigate and handle it. We finally worked our way up the curve enough to successfully attend and thoroughly enjoy several rendezvous last year with the HHYC. After that we thought nothing could be more fun with a boat than plying the beautiful waters of the Sound to meet friends in fun and interesting destinations to dine, explore, swap sea stories, and compare boating disasters. That's still the best part of boating, but this month we discovered yet another enriching form of recreation with a boat: Predicted Log Racing.

On February 17, we had the pleasure of competing in the American Power Boat Association's Heavy Weather Predicted Log Race as second racers (in addition to the pilot) on another captain's boat. It was quite an education. Log racing isn't really racing at all. It is a measure of how well the pilot knows the waters and the boat's behavior in them. Racers are given a multi-leg course with control points that are identifiable on the shore and must predict the exact time at which he or she will arrive at each control point. This predicted log is turned in prior to the

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race, the course is run by each boat, and the resulting actual arrival times are turned in at the end and compared to the predicted ones. Scores are based on the difference between predicted and actual times. The RPM of the engine is the only variable that the pilot can control. It's all in the ability to predict currents ahead of time and adjust for the wind and variations in actual currents observed during the race.

As second racers, we had no control over the throttle, but we developed our own set of predictions based on our estimates of currents over the course, which was mostly in the Sinclair Inlet and the Port Washington narrows. Out of 12 competitors, we came in dead last. Needless to say, we learned a lot about tides and currents, although we did have two legs with less than ten seconds of deviation. The winner had less than 50 seconds deviation overall in the two hours of cruising, and one leg with zero seconds deviation. We should have been discouraged, but we were instead happy to discover yet another way to challenge and improve our boating skills, as though there weren't enough already.

As a friend and boating mentor once told me after a particularly embarrassing gaffe, "We all struggle with our boats."

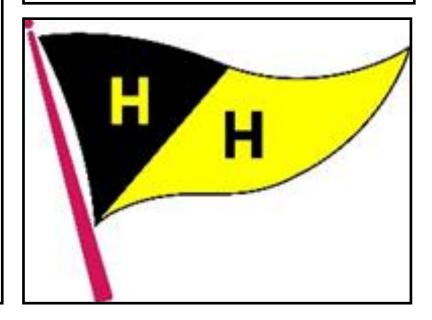
Satch Ludington, Rear Commmodore

Membership

By now you should have received your 2024 membership cards in the mail. Yo may have noticed that the expiration date has changed to the end of February 2025. This was done to allow time for the new cards to be mailed early in the new year without loosing your ability to use your card if need be for a reservation.



The Process



Notes on Upcoming events

June 28 - 30 Bremerton Bridge Blast

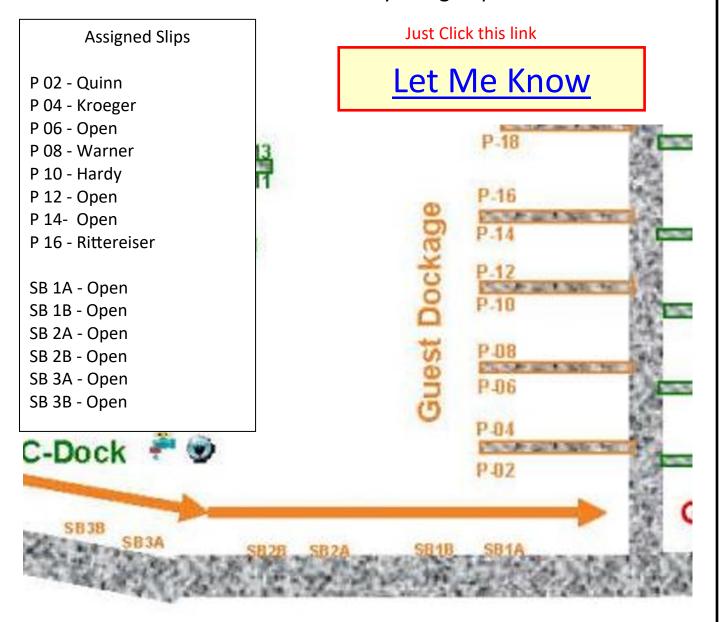
This event normally uses all our reserved slips in the past And have had a waiting list.

We encourage you to get your slip early.

We have P-2 thru P-16 (50' Slips)

and SB 1A thru SB 3B. (Linear Tie)

Please let me know when you sign up...Thanks!





March

1 - Lloyd Bankston

14 - Nathan Haass

17 - Patty Cossack

18 - Toni Keene

20 - Victor Portolese

25 - Andy Gerde

Board Members Only Meetings Schedule 4:30 PM

April 13
June 8
September 28
November 23

Dukes Seafood 1111 Fairview Ave. N, Seattle, WA

General Membership Zoom Meeting Schedule

Will be held on the Second Tuesday of the following months.

February
April 9
June 11
October 8
November 12

They will begin at 6:00 PM

Chick this Link to Join

General Membership In Person Meeting Schedule

At Dukes
Will be held on the
Second Tuesday of the
following months.

March 12 May 14 September 10 December 10

They will begin at 4:30 PM at

Dukes Seafood 1111 Fairview Ave. N, Seattle, WA

FEBRUARY

Zoom Meeting Highlights

Wendy our treasurer has opened a new address for HHYC. Here is our new address Hidden Harbor Yacht Club, 2226 Eastlake Ave E. #1013, Seattle, WA 98102

Sorry to say our favorite Harbor Master at Kingston has passed. Hidden Harbor made

Paul Quinn has mailed out your 2024 HHYC membership card.

-We have sent out all the events on one page for your convenience. You will also be able to see it on the webpage under Activities, under Event Calendar Summary. The actual calendar and sign up sheet is now under the Members Only section, under Event Calendar to ensure security. If you do not know the password please contact our John Keene.

Satch is working on HHYC clothing.

The board has been working on detailed guidelines for rendezvous. Coming soon.

We have many other items in work including, HHYC business cards.....

The marinas are filling up fast especially Bremerton Blast in June so sign up now.



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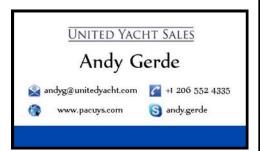
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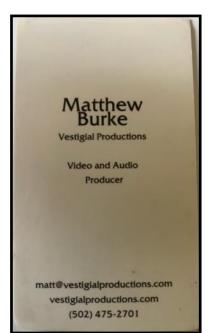
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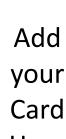
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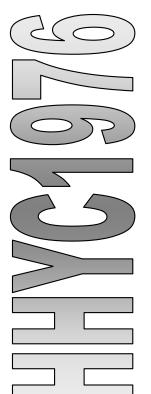


We appreciate

2024	BRIDGE
Commodore	Dave Hoffman
Vice Commodore	Jeremy Hardy
Rear Commodore	Satch Ludington

2024	OFFICERS	
Treasurer	Wendy Rittereiser Terry Fantz	
Secretary		
Fleet Captain	Suzy Hoffman Committee Chair	

2024 Board Members
P/C Dane Fantz
Jill Lehman
P/C Dennis Kroeger
P/C Larry Parrett
P/C Vic Portolese
P/C Paul Quinn



2024	APPOINTEES
Clothing	Satch Ludington John Keene
Health & Welfare	
Membership	P/C Paul Quinn
Newsletter	P/C Paul Quinn
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Website	Jill Lehman
Communications	John Keene

Hidden Harbor has a new address

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HHYachtClub@gmail.com

Non Hosted Events 2024

Several events throughout the year that are not officially organized by the club, but you can usually find HHYC members gathered.

- May 3 5 Opening Day of Boating Season. Look for the group in Union Bay or at QCYC or SYC.
- July 3 4 Fireworks Pending
- Aug 4-6 Sea Fair Weekend.
- **Aug 10** 11th Annual Kitsap Wine Festival Bremerton Marina.
- Oct 7 8 Shelton Oysterfest Shelton Yacht Club

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DEC 10	Meeting (In Person)	General Members Welcome 4:30 PM	Dukes Seafood 111 Fairview Ave N Seattle, WA	Dave Hoffman

		2024 CCRUISE CALENDAR	LENDAR	
Date	Event /Theme	Title	Location	Host /Co Host
March 22-24	Cruise	St Paddy's Day	Bell Harbor Marina	Dave & Suzy
April 26-28	Cruise	Gig Harbor	Arabella's Marina	Steve & Wendy
May 17th-19th	Cruise	Celebrating Opening Boating Season Kingston Marina	Port of Kingston Marina	Vic& Kari
June 28-30	Cruise	Bremerton Bridge Blast	Port of Bremerton Marina	Paul & Patty
July 8-July 20	Cruise San Juan Islands & Canada	Commodores Cruise Non Hosted	Marina services	Marina Phone #'s
	7/8/2024	Oak Harbor Marina	Fuel & Guest Moorage	360-279-4575
	7/9/2024	La Conner Marina	Fuel & Guest Moorage	360-466-3118
	7/10-7/11/24	Lopez Island Marina	Fuel Gas & Diesel, Guest Moor- age, Anchoring	360-468-2233
Makayan	7/12-7/13/24	Roche Harbor Marina	Fuel & Guest Moorage, anchoring	360-378-2082 VHF Channel 78a
moorage reserva-	7/14-7/15/24	Port of Sidney Marina	Guest Moorage,	250-655-3711 VHS Channel 66a
ble!	7/16-7/17/24	Maple Bay Marina	Guest Moorage & Fuel	250-746-8482
	7/18-7/19/24	Ganges Marina on Salt Springs Island Salt Spring Marina on Salt Springs Is- land	Guest Moorage, Fuel Gas & Diesel 250-537-5242 VHS Channel 66 A {Both Marinas} 250-537-5810	250-537-5242 250-537-5810
	7/20/2024	Port of Friday Harbor	Fuel & Guest Moorage , anchoring	360-378-2688 VHF Channel 66a
August 22-25th	Crab Derby	Everett Marina Music	Everett Booked	Satch & Marilyn
September 6th - 8th	End of Summer Cruise	Port Ludlow	Port Ludlow	Dennis & Brynn
October	Oyster Fest ??? TBD	TBD	TBD	ТВD