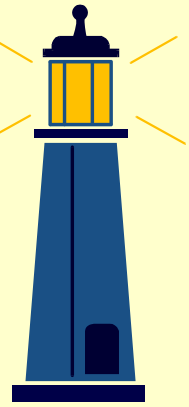


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Some things to Note

Commodores Cruise

Telegraph Harbor: July 16-18

Visit their Website at:

Telegraph Harbor.com

fill the form with the correct dates 2025-07-16 thru 18 and select HHYC Cruise. Everett Yacht Club is having their Commodores Cruise at the same time and right now the 17th only shows a fair chance of getting a slip!

Chemainus Marina: July 18-20

If you plan on going to Chemainus you need to call Rob, the Harbor Master, at 250-715-8186 to secure and pay for your slip. Mention HHYC. They only have 10 slips available and the possibility of some rafting. Slip sizes are limited and Rob is going to try to get everyone taken care of. We are also planning a dinner and play at the Chemainus Theater. Tickets are already purchased.

Bremerton Bridge Blast: June 27-29

We were fortunate to get 20 slips for this years event. Because we have always filled all slips and they were difficult to obtain, please call and confirm with the Bremereton Marina ASAP at (360)373-1035. Don't forget to mention HHYC. We will be releasing unsecured slips about three weeks prior to the event. Please let Paul Quinn 206 719-7199 or jpaul-quinn@gmail.com know your slip number.

**We know it sounds like a long way off but most of these
Marinas are small and fill up quickly for the Summer months,
So please plan ahead**

Hope to see you there!

Commodore's Column



Hello Captains of Land and Sea!

Tiah and I are sitting by the pool in San Pancho, Nayarit enjoying the final days of this winter's vacation as I try to get my head back to boating. I included a picture of the beautiful marina at La Cruz in Bahia de Banderas. This shares the bay with Puerto Vallarta to the south and Punta Mita to the north. It is stunning but boaters beware, it blows hard pretty much all of the time. Ergo, the forest of sailboat masts.

We are looking forward to our first time out on Little Jin-ju this season in a few weeks with an overnight to Winslow to get back in the swing of things.

We strongly encourage those who will be joining us on Commodore's Cruise number two to Canada, to call Rob at Chemainus to get your slip secured; they're filling up fast and quantity is limited to ten boats. Rob suggested to some that, while he has Hidden Harbor's slips held, it remains 'first pay-first served' so to make sure you get yours, please contact him.

We have accepted an invitation to participate in a trivia game between HHYC and QCYC at Queen City on March 28th. Jill has a sign-up sheet on our website's Events page. We have eleven members signed up so far and, being so outnumbered, hope more will join us! Eric, at Queen City, needs to have 'hard' numbers four days before the event to get food set up. Those who are joining please arrive by 5:30.

Our March members' meeting will be on Zoom starting at 6:00 for Social Time and the meeting will begin at 6:30.

April 8th will be our next in-person meeting at Razzi's. This is one that you won't want to miss as Andy Crowe, the Operations Manager from the Hiram Chittenden Locks (aka Ballard Locks), has agreed to be our speaker.

In other news:

The Swinomish Channel dredging project was completed February 10th, slightly ahead of schedule clearing out the sediment build up that has caused so many groundings.

Ballard Locks: The small lock will be closed from February 18th and reopening June 18th. Reminders from lock personnel to bring two or more 50' docking lines and set your fenders on both sides of your vessel. It should be interesting to hear more from Andy Crowe in April about what is happening.

Fair winds and calm seas.

Commodore, Jeremy

Vice Commodore's Corner

Rick Nolte



Ahoy HHYC!

Did you know boating has been around for about 8,000 years? As recreational boaters we've progressed from crude Stone Age dugout canoes to today's broad array of complex seafaring vessels. As we certainly know, life on the water can be immensely pleasurable. But, if we don't exercise important safety protocols, boating can also be accompanied by all types of mishaps, calamities, and follies. Bad stuff can happen. As we approach another Salish Sea boating season, it's important to maintain a keen focus on safety and preparation; and I'll appreciate your indulgence as I share a few fun and fascinating facts on floating foibles.

To put some perspective on the size of the US recreational boating community, in 2023 there were 11,546,512 recreational vessels registered in the United States (not including Greenland); which was down about 2% from the previous year. That same year the Coast guard reported the following boating accident statistics: There were 43,844 boating accidents, involving 564 deaths; or 4.9 dead people for every 100,000 boats. Additionally, there were 2126 injuries. Associated insurance claims exceeded 63 million dollars. Can you guess which US state has more boating death and injury carnage (by a wide margin) than any other? Yeah, I know, it's obvious...Florida.

The top primary contributing factors in non-fatal boating accidents are operator inattention, operator inexperience, excessive speed, and machinery failure. Alcohol use is the leading contributing factor in fatal boating accidents, listed as the leading factor in 17% of deaths on the water. I guess the notion of, "water on the water, beer on the pier" may have some merit.

Unsurprisingly, the cause of death in 75% of all recreational boating fatalities is drowning. Four out of every five boaters who drowned were using vessels less than 21 feet in length (dinghies, skiffs, fishing boats, etc.). In 87% of these tragedies, the unfortunate victim was *not* wearing a life jacket. As they say, the only life jacket worth a damn is the one you wear.

Anyway, I hope the fine folks of HHYC enter this boating season with safety and preparation being of paramount concern. While operating our water chariots, please maintain your "Seaman's Eye", ensure maintenance is up to snuff, be diligent on conditions and traffic, and avoid alcohol while on the sea. Most importantly, wear your lifejackets...particularly while on your dinghies. Be safe, and Kim and I look forward to seeing you on the water.

Cheers,

VC Rick





Woodinville Wine Tasting



Birthdays

March

- 1 - Lloyd Bankston
- 14 - Nathan Haass
- 17 - Patty Cossack
- 18 - Toni Keene
- 20 - Victor Portolese
- 25 - Andy Gerde
- 28 - Tiah Holt

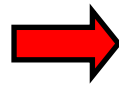


General Membership Zoom Meeting

Will be held on
March 11
Social hour at 6:00 PM

Meeting will begin at 6:30 PM

Click this link to join



Next In-Person Member Meeting Schedule

April 8th
4:30 PM
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P/C Vic Portolese
P/C Paul Quinn

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Non Hosted Events 2025
Some dates Pending

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

May 1 - 3 Opening Day of Boating Season. Look for the group in Union Bay or at QCYC or SYC.

July 4 Fireworks Pending

Aug 1- 3 Sea Fair Weekend.

Oct 3 - 5 Shelton Oysterfest
Shelton Yacht Club

HHYC 2025 Cruise/Rendezvous Schedule

This schedule was created to allow for more time on the water, while blending in weekend rendezvous on both ends of the cruises for members whose schedules are less flexible. Cruises are Fleet Captain events allowing members to participate in ALL of it, or sprinkle in and join at the locations of interest to them.

**Please see the notes on each event. Details will be updated as required.

All Events and details are in the Event Calendar in the Members Only section of the website- Sign up there!

Type of Event	Name/Location	Hosts	Arrival date to depar-	Marina Info (need to add in phone numbers or website info)
Fleet Captain	Woodinville Wine Tasting		Feb 8-9	Overnight at Hampton Inn/or RV
Rendezvous	Port Orchard	Jeremy/Tiah	April 25-27	We have 12 slips. Call to reserve yours. Say HHYC
Fleet Captain	Opening Day/Seattle Yacht		May 3	All day 8 - 5pm
Rendezvous	Dock Street Tacoma	Dave/Suzy	May 23-26	HHYC has 10 slips. call to get yours. Say HHYC - 253.250.1906
Fleet Captain Cruise – South Sound	Olympia Percival’s Landing		May 26-28	Percival’s Landing – 6 slips reserved. Prob more available. No need to call in, just sign up on our website.
	Longbranch Marina Key Peninsula		May 28-30	HHYC is on their website calendar –No need to call, please sign up on our HHYC calendar
	Gig Harbor Arabella’s Marina		May 30- June 1	Space reserved. Tiah will provide on-line signup info in March.
Rendezvous	Bremerton Blast	Paul/Patty	June 27-29	HHYC has 20 slips! Call to get yours. Say
Commodore’s Cruise	Canada’s Southern Gulf Islands		July 7-24	Any questions? Call Tiah 206.696.2447
	Oak Harbor Marina		July 7-8	Make Reservations on your own at DockWA
	Cap Sante Marina, Anacortes		July 8-9	Make Reservation on your own 360.293.0694
	Friday Harbor Marina San Juan Island		July 9-11	Make Reservations Now! Online resy avail on website 360.378.2688. Fill water tank here!
	Poets Cove Bedwell Harbour		July 11-13	Limited water! We have 10 slips. Call in Feb to get yours. 250-629-2111
	Ganges Marina Salt Spring Marina		July 13-16	Make a reservation on your own with either Ganges or Salt Spring Tiah and Jeremy are
	Telegraph Harbor Thetis Island		July 16-18	Make your own reservations online – attend a rendezvous - put in dates in, select a yacht club (HHYC Comm. Cruise 250-246-9511)

	Chemainus Marina Vancouver Island		July 18-20	Call Chemainus to reserve a slip 250-715-8186
	Otter Bay North Pender Island		July 20-22	Make your reservations NOW and Mention HHYC. May not confirm them until April. 250- 629-3579
	Roche Harbor Marina & Resort		July 22-24	Make Reservations on or after Feb 14 800.586.3590 Tiah will try to get a block of slips
Rendezvous	Crab Derby-Anacortes Cap Sante Marina	Vic & Kari Karla & Gary	July 24-27	We have 14 slips & activity tent. We will notify members on the process for reserva- tion for this event.
Fleet Captain/ Rendezvous	Point Hudson Marina Port Townsend	Terry & Dane	Aug 16-19	All slips filled, contact Tiah if you want to be on waitlist.
Fleet Captain	Port Ludlow Marina		Aug 19-21	We have 10 slips – Call to get yours- Say HHYC 360.437.0513
Fleet Captain	Pleasant Harbor Marina		Aug 21-23	Call now and mention HHYC
Rendezvous	ROCK the DOCK! Bell Harbor Marina	Mike/Sue Burke	Sept 12-14	We have C dock - apx 12-14 boats Call to get your slip in January. Say HHYC 206.462.9567
Fleet Captain	Walla Walla Wine Cruise		Oct 2-5	Airbnb, motorhomes, hotel. If interested in Airbnb, contact Tiah. 206.696.2447

Event Descriptions

Rendezvous

Is a boating event with hosts. The hosts provide marina information, create an agenda including activities & coordinate meals for the weekend (fees may apply).

Please note, slips have been saved but they are **not reserved** so be sure and call the marina as early as possible to guarantee your slip is reserved (reference HHYC).

Fleet Captain Events

Can be a land or boating event organized by the Fleet Captain . They give the details of the event, provide information on land or marinas, and coordinate the activities.

Commodore's Cruise

Summer cruise by the Commodore. A cruising schedule is shared, but you create your own schedule & make your marina reservations. You have the option to join in and out according to your personal schedule.

Many Marinas Fill up early - so make reservations soon!

**IMPORTANT TO GO TO THE WEBSITE MEMBERS ONLY SECTION
FOR EVENT DETAILS AND SIGNUP!**