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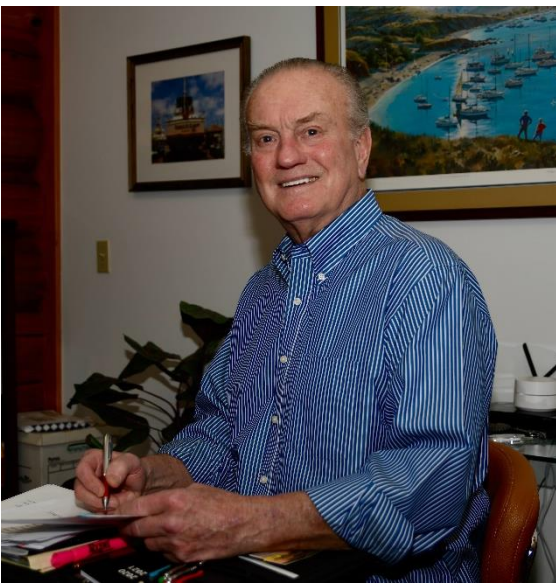
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# Scuttlebutt

Newsletter of the Sequim Bay Yacht Club

## Commodore – Jerry Fine



Hello to all SBYC members, the smoke has cleared, the air is getting cooler, and we can all take a deep breath at last. Our recent rains have lessened the fire danger around our beautiful area, thank goodness.

There was an informal sail boat race on the 19th which Alan Clark will cover for you in his re-cap, it was a most fun day. Other than that the month of September has been rather quiet around Fine Farm until the 20th. We had 38 SBYC members come out and have a picnic and dig into their pockets for VHOCC.

Everyone brought their own food and everything needed to be comfortable. We did have a few picnic tables set up and available. The club rented a Porta Potty from Bill's Plumbing which they gave us a great discount

due to the nature of the event. Thank you so much Bill's Plumbing. There are pictures of the festivities and the "winners" of various games or auctions. The 50/50 ticket was drawn by Judy Shanks and

yep, she drew her own ticket, WOW. Judy gave every penny to VHOCC, thank you Judy.

There was "Guess the number of walnuts in the bag" and Jim Beaty and Terry O'Brien were closest so they shared a 12 jar box of Fine Farm goodies. Way to go guys.

The "silent auction" got a lot of play and raised some serious money for VHOCC, thank you everyone for playing. There was a "Sweet Box" and the high bidder was Mike and Diana Leibrich, thank you so much. The "Savory Box" went to Nell Clausen in a very active last minute bidding race. Nell, thank you so much.

All in all it was a beautiful day and we raised over \$1200.00 for VHOCC, way to go team SBYC!

See below for pictures of the picnic

## Vice Commodore – Jerry Oden



With the Corona Virus still with us, everyone is behaving themselves, so Jerry tells me he has no Vice to report this month!  
(Editor)

## Rear Commodore – Anna Richmond



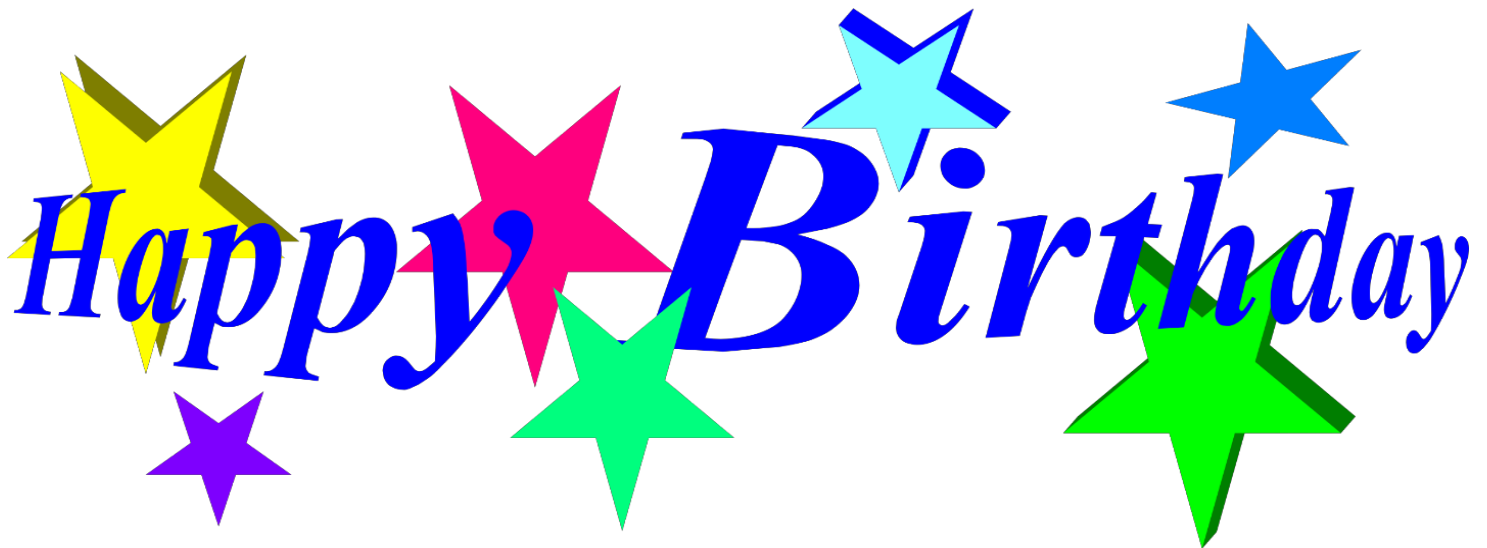
Rear Commodore Nautical Notes – Anna Richmond

A big thank you to Jerry and Marian for a fine picnic! It was wonderful to see the folks who were able to venture out. It's been a long time coming. We had plenty of room to distance ourselves, and fun was had by all. From Jerry's bag of nuts, to tractor rides, to a bounty of delicious finely made treats, it was a great day. The best part is we were able to raise a good sum of money for Volunteer Hospice of Clallam County. Thank you to all who contributed!

I would also like to thank the many members who have been my standing rigging over the past two months. You have kept me afloat and moving forward while I navigate uncharted waters. For you non-sailors, standing rigging supports the mast or bowsprit of a sailing vessel by reinforcing those spars against wind loads from the sails.

The seas can get rough and the winds fierce, but my standing rigging stays strong. Bless you!

From the Membership Desk – Ann Elliot, Margaret Schwarz



**Happy October Birthday to the following SBYC  
Members:**

- 10-06 Diane Froula
- 10-09 Paula Topjun
- 10-13 Heidi Jensen
- 10-21 Nelson Wainwright
- 10-22 Ron Ogier
- 10-24 Gail Clark
- 10-24 David Richardson
- 10-26 Don Sorensen
- 10-27 Trisha Cobb
- 10-27 Kelly Rutt
- 10-28 John Anderson

## Nominating Committee – Doug Schwarz

I asked you all last month for your indulgence in suspending our Bylaws this year in regards to the procedure for nominating and voting for officers to serve our club next year. This request was made due to the impact Covid-19 has had on club meetings and events. Since there was no negative feedback, the Nominating Committee would like to announce the following slate of officers for our yacht club for 2021.

2021 SBYC Board Members (No SBYC activities since April)

Commodore – Jerry Fine  
Vice Commodore – Jerry Oden  
Rear Commodore – Anne Vanderspek Richmond  
Secretary – Diana Leibrich  
Treasurer – Lisa O’Keefe  
Immediate Past Commodore – Doug Schwarz

Assistant Secretary – Judy Shanks  
Assistant Treasurer –

Trustee – Jim Fitzpatrick (first year of a 3 year position)

Agreeing to remain on the board as Trustees:

Ray Mitchell (completing the 3rd year of a 3-year position)  
Diane Froula (completing the 2nd year of a 3-year position)

Thank you all for your understanding and cooperation during this most unusual year.

Doug Schwarz, Past Commodore and Chair of the Nominating Committee for 2021.

## Update for 2020 Reach and Row for Hospice



### Hospice Race 2020

This year, 2020 has been a different sort of year. Racing by SBYC's PHRF Sail Fleet has only recently started back up as informal, non-SBYC sanctioned races. The clubroom is closed. The camaraderie and fun of after-race gatherings and pot-lucks are only memories from last year. SBYC could not run the "Reach and Row for Hospice" this year, as the Port and SBYC are still bound by Phase 2 guidelines, so the clubroom and the big room were not open. But sailors are a resourceful and determined lot, so on September 19<sup>th</sup> a very informal regatta was held complete with masks, social distancing (smaller crews) and accommodations made for sailors to provide their own food. Like 2020, the sailing was a study in contrasts.

Light air conditions predominated during the first race

Race day dawned gloomy but dry. The anticipated rain was absent, but so was the sun. Something else was missing as well, the wind. Yet despite a glassy bay, the skippers and sailors, in six boats, managed to put together a competitive first race with close finishes in both the Flying Sails and Non-Flying Sails divisions. The second race saw a bit of breeze again with close finishes in both divisions.



Former SBYC member Bruce von Borstal's Sea Puppy and SBYC member Rudy Hessells in Windchild rounding the weather mark during the second race



Dan Benjamin's Whirlwind enjoying light air racing on Sequim Bay.

Many thanks to the skippers and sailors that came out for the non-event. Special thanks to SBYC Commodore Jerry Fine for driving the chase boat/committee boat.  
Alan Clark

## Member's pets!

Lisa Roberts sent these pictures for the Scuttlebutt.

**Subject:** MAUI-MY LOVE



**See below for pictures of the Picnic**

Dear God,  
Thank you for  
the baby brother  
but what I prayed  
for was a puppy  
Joyce

Please send a picture and short Bio of your pets to me at [captncray@bellhill.net](mailto:captncray@bellhill.net) so it can be included in future issues of the Scuttlebutt.

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