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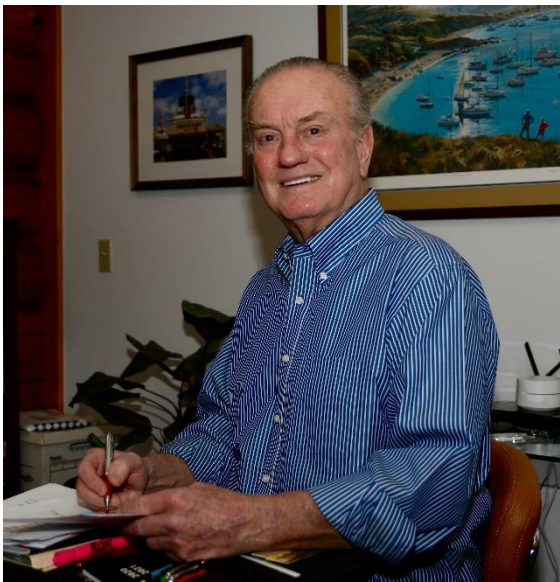
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Scuttlebutt

Newsletter of the Sequim Bay Yacht Club

Commodore – Jerry Fine



Hello dear SBYC members,

I trust you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving and everyone is happy and healthy. It wasn't the holiday we all have known all our lives but it was the holiday we had. I am very thankful for so many things in my life in this beautiful part of our great country. I hope you all feel the same way.

Things have changed a bit around SBYC in an effort to keep all our membership safe and healthy. That is the most important thing we should all keep in mind as we adapt to the new measures we had to put in place. Quite simple really, get vaccinated, for your safety and the safety of all around you. Show your VAX card and get a "sticker" for your name badge and you are set to go. Just that simple, so let's all do it and enjoy the upcoming events at our

amazing club!

Friday night at 5:00 PM on the 3rd of December we will decorate the clubroom and the bar will be open. I understand there will be a visit from Santa with a gift for everyone who attends. Be there and let's all have a good time decorating the tree and sharing the evening.

On December 7th it's Lunch Bunch at Stymie's starting at 11:30, RSVP to Maggie Morgan at 360 461 7355. We do hope to see you there, it's always a fun time.

Change of Watch this year will be a Pizza & Wine party for only \$10.00! It will take place on December 8th at 5:00PM in the Hendricks Room. RSVP to Lisa O'Keefe at 503 539 7183 or lok@att.net as soon as possible.

Come and help welcome your new Bridge and Board for 2022 as they take this wonderful club into a new year. Let's give them a warm welcome please.

Lastly, I want to say what an honor and privilege it has been to serve as your Commodore for the past two years. They were certainly not what we all expected but we were able to pull off a few great events. The Commodore's Ball of February 29, 2020 was a total blast and Marian and I were so amazed with all the wonderful decorations in the Hendricks Room, a real lifetime memory. We manage a few "burger bashes" early on in the Duck Dodge series with amazing turn outs of 50-60 folks each Thursday night! WOW, those were fun.

Then you know what came along, ugh! Everything came to a halt for way too long. But we had to shut it down. Then we did get to have an abbreviated Opening Day on May 2nd this year and a fun boat parade. There were cruises to several destinations and were pretty well attended. The rowers managed to get back on the water of beautiful Sequim Bay and complete some Learn to Row instructions which brought in new members. We also picked up several new members in the Social category of which we are very pleased.

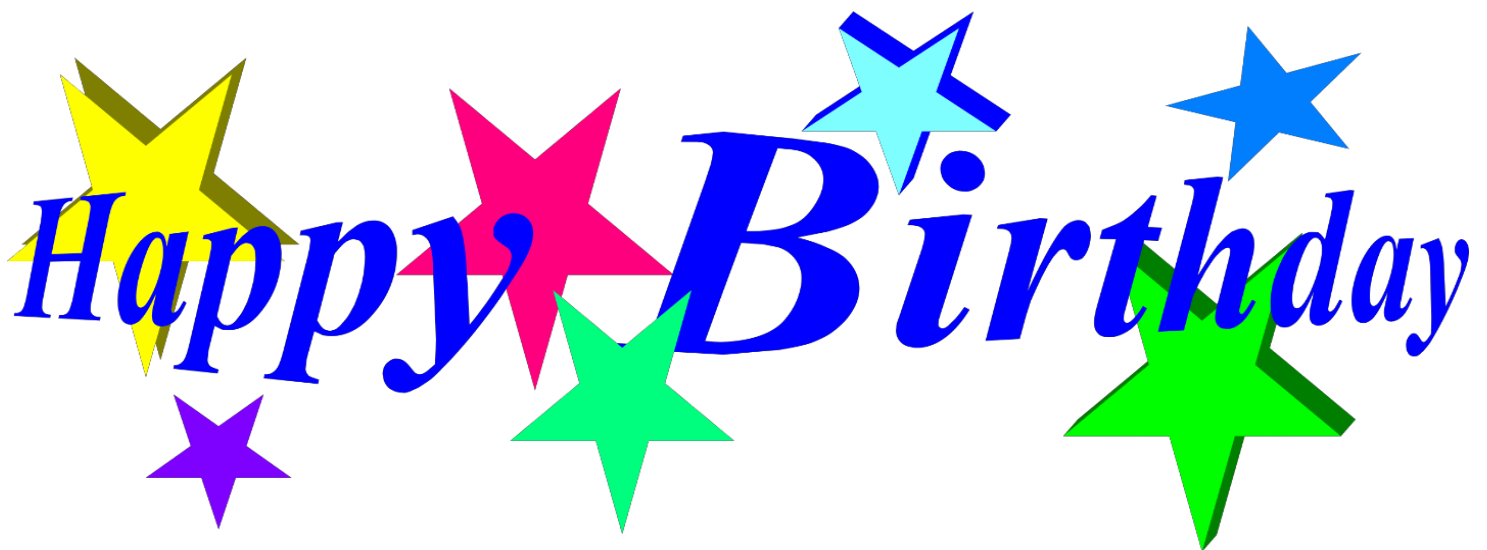
Marian and I will be stepping back and supporting the new Bridge and Board in the coming year. The year ahead can be a great year with all of us stepping up and doing whatever we can to keep us healthy as a club, happy as members and enjoying this wonderful place we are in. Thank you all for allowing us to serve.

Hope to see you all soon, until then.....

From the Membership Desk – Ann Elliot

We have received no new applications for membership this month which is typical for December. I am pleased to announce that Pat Dusel was inducted and welcomed aboard at the November 10th general meeting. Pat is a retired R.N. who enjoys reading, hiking, swimming and all varieties of music. She has joined the SBYC to row and kayak with others who enjoy these activities.





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

12-02	Peg Phillips
12-03	Nel Clausen
12-03	Pam Currier
12-04	Breck Cassidy
12-04	Kathleen Landon
12-04	Kathi O'Rourke
12-05	Deb Carlson
12-10	John O'Keefe
12-11	Linda Carlson
12-15	Alan Clark
12-15	Elizabeth Wickert
12-19	Ray Mitchell
12-22	Doug Price
12-28	Jim Fitzpatrick

Editorial Comments – Ray Mitchell

I'm sure you have noticed that Club announcements are now being sent out by Gracie Alder who is replacing Janice Dunning.

Janice has done an outstanding behind the scenes job for many years, but with Covid affecting their restaurant "The Oasis", it's been more difficult. They have decided to leave the club and devote more time to the "Oasis" Dale has been very active in the Small boat sailing program and both will be missed.

Gracie is excited about her new duties and is looking forward to you contacting her with any club announcements. You may contact her at < gracie@gmail.com > She is also helping Linda Carlson with the Scuttlebutt.

Now, for the Scuttlebutt!

Starting out the New Year, you will see a whole new Club Newsletter! The name will be the same bit that's going to be about it. As I mentioned a couple of months ago, it's time to turn it over to someone with the skills to bring it up to your expectations and Linda Carlson is just the person to do that. She has the programs and experience in using them to put out a News Letter for today's expectations. If you have information for publishing, contact her at: < lindacarlson@earthlink.net > She will be assisted in her endeavors by Gracie Alder. Both have had experience with other Newsletters.

The best of Luck ladies and have a lot of fun doing it.

I'm hoping, that just maybe, they might let me write an article once in a while as a Cub Reporter!

Which brings up a Holiday memory I'd like to share with you.

Back in 64 while single, I rescued a little Black Poodle and gave it to my Girlfriend. She nor her family were never into dogs but took on the task. Eventually, her father became very attached to "Gigi" and she was always in his lap. At Christmas of 65, she was barking and raising a fuss one evening and Howard was getting agitated at all the racket but after a while she settled down. Later that evening before going to bed, he went outside to turn off his Christmas decorations and found most of them missing! Someone had stolen them and that is what Gigi was trying to tell him!

That's it folks. I hope to have brought a little joy into lives and unfortunately maybe not for everyone. To those, I apologize!

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to your Scuttlebutt editor, I've enjoyed it immensely!

Ray

