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**KINGSTON COVE
YACHT CLUB**

Commodore: Jim Simpson
Vice Commodore: Todd Lachelt
Rear Commodore: Don Sparkman
Fleet Captain: P.C. Ernie Board
Secretary: Cheryl Callias
Treasurer: Peggy Fuentes
Trustee: Joyce Jones
Trustee: Dale Rude
Past Commodore: Steve Hyman

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Commodores Report

Dear members,

This will be the last time writing to you as the Commodore. In this past year we have come a long way in reenergizing a viable fun club. I would personally like to thank each of you for making our new membership drive a successful endeavor with new committed boaters and non boaters alike. As our membership body you have inspired me with your selfless volunteerism to make our events fun and successful.

A few examples that immediately come to mind this year is Painting the club, setting up/tearing down for events, building a closet for the tables, cleaning up in the club and our community, bartending, and the other endless hours of meeting minutes, bookkeeping, and handy-work at the club. As we end this year you can be proud that you have created a place that new members want to join, where we did not have to dip into savings and where we are giving back \$10,000 to the club this year.

I want to thank our long standing members and our new members who participated in making this a successful year for the Kingston Yacht Club! Please help us celebrate the end of the year by welcoming our new Commodore Todd into an even more successful year to look forward to. We will look forward to seeing everybody at the Commodore's Ball on Oct 22.

Go Huskies
Jim Simpson, Commodore

I would like to introduce the new Board for 2011-2012:

Commodore: Todd Lachelt
Vice Commodore: Don Sparkman
Rear Commodore: Vacant
Fleet Captain: Greg Sarvis
Secretary: Cheryl Callias
Treasurer: Peggy Fuentes
Trustee: Dale Rude
Trustee: P.C. Deni Lee
Past Commodore: Jim Simpson

Congratulations and smooth sailing for the coming year

Jim Simpson, Commodore

Calendar of Events

Oct. 2011

Oct. 18 Board Meeting

Oct. 20 General Meeting

Change of Watch

(See Calendar For Additional Information)

Times For Our Events:

General Meetings:
3rd Thursday of each month.
Club opens at 6:00 pm
Pot Luck at 6:45 pm
Meeting at 7:15 pm

Board Meetings
Tuesday before General Meeting
Starting at 6:00 pm

BBQ's & KCYC Events
Club opens at 6:00 pm

Friday Night
Open from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

REMEMBER - - - Our Club takes VISA and MasterCard for payment on anything over \$10.00.

Vice Commodores Report

View from the Vice,

Well my term as Vice Commodore is coming near the end but much more responsibilities are right around the breakwater. I am more than willing to take on the task at hand and will do the best I can possibly be if I am voted in as Commodore of this wonderful club.

One thing that we all can do as members is, all pitch in and help with different events, cruises, and general clean-up and upkeep of the club. If we all lend a hand we can make even more fun yacht events and helps groom future officers on seeing how the club is run. So if anyone is looking to volunteer for anything around the club this next year please let me or another board member know. We need an events committee, and kitchen help, and people who want to help put on cruises, calling committee, and more.

The remainder of my term as Vice I am trying to finish a few unfinished projects at the club as well as the hiring of our new rental manager whom I will announce at a later time. Still recovering from some "bug" so that's all I have for now.

Happy Cruising !!!

V/R

Todd Lachelt
Vice Commodore

Rear Commodores Report

Don just wanted to thank everyone for supporting the bar and is looking forward to a great year as Vice Commodore.

9TH ANNUAL KATHLEEN SUTTON INSPIRATIONAL FUND AUCTION

I just can't believe this is our 9th Year for this very special Kathleen Sutton Inspirational Fund AUCTION!

The many volunteers that put this together each year are some of the most compassionate women in our community. Our Thanks to you for all that you do. God Bless You.

Kathleen Sutton was a remarkable woman in so many ways. She served our community with many organizations including our Yacht Club.

Kathleen underwent treatment for breast cancer in Seattle for quite a few years. A network of friends cherished their time with her as they drove her to her many appointments. Kathleen realized the enormous financial outlay for travel associated with cancer care. These expenses were not covered by her insurance and significantly added to the overall cost of treatment. Upon her death, as a tribute to Kathleen, a Fund was established in her memory, to help other women cover these expenses.

Kathleen Sutton Inspirational Funds are available to women seeking treatment for breast, ovarian, and cervical cancer - to defer transportation expenses.

Based on financial needs and the completion of a simple application process, these funds are available for you and a companion or if needed an insured driver. Allowable costs include all ferry fees, parking, fuel, and any other transit expense.

Please attend this much needed Community Event on Saturday, OCTOBER 15th from 4pm – 7pm in Port Gamble at the New Hood Canal Pavilion.

Our annual fundraiser is one of the main sources of financial support for the Fund. The event includes a Live and Silent Auction, fabulous food and drinks, and a chance to be with friends while you contribute to a meaningful Local Community Project.

Tickets are available for \$10.00. Advance sales are recommended.

Tickets will also be available at the door.

For more information, or if you would like to Donate to this Fund,

please contact one of the following KCYC Club Members:

Vivi-Ann Parnell @ viviannparnell@comcast.net,

Mary McFarlane @ gemcfarlane@centurytel.net or

Kathy Showman @ kshowman@centurytel.net

Monetary Donations are also greatly appreciated.

Please check out our new website at:

<http://www.piersidepromos.com/>

Thank You,

Janice Kutz

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Signal From The Fleet



The Kingston Cove Yacht Clubs last cruise for the year 2011 was to the Port of Bremerton over Labor Day weekend. The weather was fantastic. Bremerton was having it's annual Black Berry Festival that weekend. They had booths for food and arts and crafts all along the upper area of the harbor with a stage where bands entertained the crowds of people all day long.

We had ten boats make the cruise to Bremerton. They were the SHINE, DENI LEE, LINDA LOU, REEL EXCITEMENT, TIARAFIED, SILVER MIST, NO REMORSE, HIGHLIFE, SEADUCTION and the BOUEY BOY. After dealing with the currents docking in the harbor, Fridays Fleet Captains Bar and appetizers was a welcome event. Saturday during the day we enjoyed the festival and chatting with our members on the dock. Saturday evening's dinner on the dock was a huge success. Our members brought soups and salads and the Fleet Captain supplied the Black Berry pie and the desert wine. Dinner lasted will into the evening as we tried to make room for a serving of all the great dishes our members brought.

Sunday the Fleet Captain put on a boaters appreciation continental breakfast followed by a dinghy poker run with five bags of poker cards in separate envelopes placed around the marina. Only one envelope per couple was allowed to be taken from each bag. After every one was done with their dinghy ride we met back at the dock to see who had the best hand. The winners received a prize purchased from the ships store. Butch & Salley Brown, Steve & Gloria Young, Alan & Shelly Kester were our big winners. Thanks to Janice Kutz for picking up the prizes at the ships store. It was a great weekend and I hope everyone had a good time cruising this year. Greg Sarvis has volunteered to be your Fleet Captain for the 2012 boating year. With Greg as Fleet Captain and your support it should be a Marvelous season. A big thanks to Kerry for all her ideas for the boating year!

Ernie Board, Fleet Captain

Sunshine and Clouds

Sunshine and Clouds for October 2011

Not much news here! And that's a good thing! Bobby Lee is still nursing his finger. Joanne is still nursing her wrist. And I had a pneumonia relapse with an ER visit. Same ole....same ole! *Some times boring is good!*

If you know of anyone who is ill and needs some loving...caring attention from the club, please let me know. Also we like to let families know we care when a loved one passes. Contact me at kingstonferry@yahoo.com or call (360) 297-5445 and leave a message. **My goal in life is to make people HAPPY! And Feel Better!** God Bless You All!

Calypso Carol

"Don't Dream Your Life. Live You're Dreams!"

Urgent!

KCYC Sunshing and Clouds

Howard Raefield has been a longtime friend and family member of KCYC.

We are sad to say that Howard is fighting his final stages of Cancer.

He was diagnosed in 2003 and was winning the battle until cancer crept back up. We are sorry to see this happen to such a nice person.

Please keep Howard, his loving wife Marilyn and the rest of his family in your thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely,
KCYC friends and family

OCTOBER LOOMS, *by Tom Davies*

They tell us Fall begins in September, but September of what year; seems like it started in 2009 and never left. Some Kingstonites flee south for the Winter. They should be called snow chickens, scared to face the beautiful gray days, Some birds not flying south need to brush up on the local lore. The slough is not what knights did to dragons and the state flower is not mildew and leaving for work in the dark and returning in the dark eight hours later is normal and don't forget to buy your kids a Halloween costume large enough to fit over a raincoat, else your child will go to school the next day with Frankenstein tattooed to their body. By the way the following warning was noted on a child's superman costume: "Wearing of this costume does not enable you to fly." (Don't blame the company for this one...blame the parents. For Southwest bound birds remember some of the following:

(1) A red light is not merely a suggestion

(2) Christmas decorations include a half a yard of sand and 100 paper Bags.

(3) Valley fever is not a disco dance

(4) Bridges or rivers are not associated with water

(5) Everyone smiles and talks about the great weather on rainy days

There are a few truisms of which you should be aware; for instance you do not need a parachute to sky dive. You only need a parachute to skydive twice. Ease up and take life with a grain of salt, Plus a slice of lemon and a shot of tequila. You are never too old to learn something stupid. To be sure of hitting the target shoot first and call whatever you hit the target.

THE IRONY OF LIFE IS THAT, BY THE TIME YOU'RE OLD ENOUGH TO KNOW YOUR WAY AROUND, YOU'RE NOT GOING ANYWHERE.

Roster Updates:

We are currently updating the KCYC Membership Roster. Please review the roster that is posted on the website to confirm the information we have on file is correct. This is the mailing address invoices will get mailed to, Bosun's Pipe and other important KCYC information is emailed, and a friendly reminder of special events will be done by phone. If ANY changes are needed, please email Cheryl Callais, Secretary immediately (cheryllcallais@msn.com) . We would like to have this completed by **November 1st**.

In order to make the roster complete, we also need pictures of each member. If you currently do not have a picture (or would prefer a different picture) featured on the website, please email the picture Tom Pickens, Webmaster (tpickens@olypen.com)

Boat Pictures:

In case you have not noticed, or perhaps you have not been to the club lately, but The Club has been painted and everything has been put back on the walls – The Club looks the best it ever has! One thing we noticed when we were putting things back on the wall was how many boat pictures we are missing! If you would like to have a picture of your pride and joy on the wall of fame and fortunes, please bring (or send) a 5 x 7 photo of your boat. Please write your name and boat name on the back of the picture.

Thanks, Cheryl Callis, Secretary

Dear Member,

We will again make available for sublet one of our two reciprocal slips for the winter from October 1, 2011 to April 30, 2012. We normally offer it to our members first before the public. I have a request to sublet from a non-member in Hansville. I told him that we usually offer it to our membership first.

If there is any member that would like to dock their boat in the Port of Kingston for the winter months, please let me know soonest. 360-620-1071 or sghyman@centurytel.net

Regards,

P.C. Steve Hyman

Nomination for a Rear Commodore

Your 2011 Nominating Committee is actively looking for candidates to serve in the position of Rear Commodore. Serving as an officer of the club is certainly not required of any Club member; however the officer positions can be very rewarding and highly contribute to the success of our club. Without people stepping up to the plate for these positions, we lose valuable functionality.

Below are excerpts from our Bylaws which describe the requirements for Rear Commodore:

Article 5 Section 1: The officers of the Club shall be a Commodore, a Vice Commodore, a Rear Commodore, a Fleet Captain, a Secretary and a Treasurer. The first four shall be Flag Officers. **Flag Officers are required to be boaters and to have maintained membership in good standing for not less than two years prior to his/her election to office.**

Article 3 Section 8: A pleasure craft owner, for the purpose of holding flag office in this Club, is defined as a person who owns a pleasure craft or participates in a recognized commercial time share boat ownership program. For the purpose of this article, a pleasure craft is described as any vessel, used for pleasure that can be safely operated on the open waters of Puget Sound. Such pleasure craft owners shall be entitled to have such pleasure craft enrolled in the Club Squadron and fly the Club burgee.

Article 5 Section 4C: The Rear Commodore shall assist the Commodore and the Vice Commodore and, in the absence of the Vice Commodore, shall assume the Vice Commodores duties. **The Rear Commodore shall chair the Bar Committee, oversee its operation and make the Bar reports to the Board.**

Further, the Bylaws make clear provisions for an appointed Bar Manager, and to hire help to run the Bar. (Article 5 Section 5G). The Bar Manager is to be a separate position than Rear Commodore. This provision was specifically put in the Bylaws to enable a busy Rear Commodore to hold the position, but not be tied down to the day to day operations of running the bar. Recruiting a good Bar Manager will be key to that effort and opens another opportunity for a good member to step up and assist the Club.

The bottom line is we need one of our Boaters to step up and volunteer for Rear Commodore, and subsequently get a Bar Manager to handle the Bar Operations. Without one or both of those positions, our traditional bar operations will surely be impacted which in turn will impact the financial viability of the Club (plus our clubhouse fun and camaraderie).

If you have not served as a Club Officer, now is a great time to do so. Please contact Deni Lee 297-4462, or David Kutz 297-2935.

Thanks, P.C. Dave Kutz

September 2011 RBAW

President's Report

by Ed Jennerich

With summer drawing to a close, your RBAW Officers, Board Members and Delegates are gearing up to face the challenges and opportunities looming in the 2012 Legislative Session. Over the last several months we've continued to monitor the marina lease rate situation and the discussions centering around mandatory life jacket wear. There is nothing immanent to report but constant vigilance is required.

For the 2012 Legislative Session we'll be advocating on behalf of the membership for:

- Keeping the funding for the Recreation Resource Account. This voter initiative was approved in 1964 but was swept into the General Fund in 2010. Our efforts to have funding restored were successful in 2011. However, given the State's fiscal problems, we need to monitor its continued funding closely.
- Removal of the gas tax lid. If we're successful, this will result in boaters with gas engines being able to claim a refund for the full amount of gas tax charged instead of the .23 cents currently in place. In order to accomplish this, we are working with a coalition of other groups negatively affected by the current lid.

We are continuing our efforts to educate legislators about the inequities of the Watercraft Excise Tax. With the State's budget woes, it is unlikely the Legislature or the Governor will support any effort to remove \$17 million from the State budget. Nevertheless, we continue to educate our elected officials to the fact that boaters are the only recreational group who are forced to pay an excise tax.

On the National scene, we are also monitoring efforts to eliminate the tax deduction for boats as a second home; we have written to the pertinent Senators and Congresspersons as well as the Corps of Engineers regarding the necessity of dredging the Swinomish Channel; and we have written to the Federal Communication Commission about our concerns with the proposal by a company called LightSquared who's cell phone network application appears to infringe upon GPS band width which would have deleterious effects both civilian and military.

Remember that all of our efforts on behalf of boaters are accomplished by volunteers and our lobbyist. The more members we have, the louder our voice!