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Everett Yacht Club

"Look for the helpers. You will always find people who are helping."

...Fred Rogers

We will overcome this together as a nation and as a world !

Join Deborah's EYC Zoom Meetings on Wednesday's @ 6:00... details on page 6



From Our Commodore... Ron Miles

To my EYC family:

As I write this, my last Scuttlebutt article of my Commodore year (and the last of my 3 year term on the Bridge), I could not have imagined I would be writing in the midst of this COVID-19 pandemic. Social distancing is changing every aspect of our lives: the way we stay connected to our loved ones and communities, our careers and our volunteer work.

Our club is fundamentally grounded in our boating and social interaction. I am proud to see there are Zoom gatherings (you know it has become a verb..."We're Zooming at Happy Hour"!, "Hey, anyone want to Zoom?"), there is a Facebook EYC Social group, and members connecting over Jigsaw puzzles. It is so inspiring to realize that in the face of forced separation, we are all reaching out to each other. Several of our Commodore Balls cancelled so our Voyagers group "Zoomed" for Happy Hour last Friday. It is really wonderful to see faces of people we love and care about!

As we prepare to change our leadership in the coming month, I have been reflecting on the lessons learned and the changes I personally have experienced:

I have experienced most of the aspects of running a club based in volunteers.

I have expanded my interaction with our community and our Port. This has taught me a lot about the perception of our club; I am proud we are becoming more inclusive and open to all boaters and community members.

I am especially happy that I have had a chance to get to know each of you.

Our Commodore Cruise will forever be in my memory. In fact, one of my favorite memories is of the evening I found myself sitting on the bow of a boat while anchored in Tod Inlet with my Vice and Rear Commodore's next to me, looking at 18 boats anchored and rafted together, and knowing 30+ people were all enjoying themselves. Friendships forming, cherished memories being made. I believe we will all cherish our cruises and time together after this time of separation, more than we might imagine.

To wrap up, I want to thank all of you who have supported Gretchen and me through these 3 years. I will be continuing on the Board of Trustees in my role as the Immediate Past Commodore and I will remain active as the liaison between the Finance and Construction Committees and continue our connection with the Port. Please reach out your hands and hearts to our incoming Bridge members as you have to us. They deserve your support as they navigate this "new normal" and as we emerge from our isolation and return to our boating and social lives.

Again, my heartfelt thanks to each of you, our EYC family!

Cheers!

Commodore Ron



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From Our Vice Commodore... Robert Kondakjian

Hello EYC members!

I hope each and every one of you are doing well. These last couple of weeks have shown me exactly why I am appreciative of not only being a member of the Everett Yacht Club, but also being able to serve on the Bridge. I have seen our members reach out to one another when it was needed the most, not just to talk about our boats, or where we went, but to genuinely see how they were doing, offering help, but most of all, just keeping that social connection.

The Bridge is continuing to communicate with each other and monitor the situation, following the state restrictions for gatherings. We are looking into all options available to keep moving forward with essential club business.

We are still going to proceed with elections April 1st. We are looking at ways to still host the Change Of Watch. We are still looking for volunteers for the Treasurer and Fleet Captain positions. Please contact me if you are able to help your club filling any of these positions.

Thank you,

Vice Commodore Robert Kondakjian

2020 Commodore Cruise to the San Juan Islands

Friday, July 17th Day 1
Sunday, July 19th Day 3
Monday, July 20th Day 4
Wednesday, July 22nd Day 6
Friday, July 24th Day 8
Sunday, July 26th Day 10

*Arrive at Friday Harbor Marina
*Arrive Stuart Island Anchorage
*Arrive Roche Harbor Marina
*Arrive Sucia Island Anchorage or *Dock
*Arrive Rosario Resort and Spa Marina
*Commodore Cruise ends

- Sucia has a state park dock. If individual members wish to use the dock, and there is space available, please feel free to do so, otherwise this is a planned anchorage

Robert



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From Our Rear Commodore... John Seger

Hello EYC!

I believe this is the last Scuttlebutt article I will write as your Rear Commodore. It has been a busy year. There were some surprises and a bit of work, but it has been a great time for me. I have been able to get to know my club better, do more for my club and meet others of like minds from around the Puget Sound through my dealings with the Grand 14. It has been an eye opening experience and a rewarding journey. I have made a bunch of new friends and spent more time on the boat than since I lived aboard 25 years ago. I have enjoyed the experience and thank you for giving me the chance to serve. I hope to continue on this journey and look forward to new challenges.

While we are all self-quarantining, it can be hard to enjoy ourselves or at least do so without guilt. I feel like I am supposed to be doing, something... There is always a lot for me to do, but the things I like most are done with others. But, this time has given me an opportunity to reflect. What I have learned is that in EYC and the G14 is an *intentional* family. We are people who choose to share our good times and trust each other with our time and energies. I am glad to have extended my family so greatly.

Deb put together a virtual "Happy Hour" last Wednesday. It was a welcome break from the feeling of being cooped up and a good time to catch up on things not related to work or toilet paper shortages. I recommend experimenting with video chat with a group. I would like to make the Wednesday 6PM virtual happy hour a regular thing and will work to set that up. Here are some ways of setting up a group meeting for yourself and family:

- Zoom.com – Free, but limited to 40 minutes, supports video and audio.
- Freeconferencecall.com – Actually free, no limits, can get congested

Cheers. Stay safe and see you out there soon...

RC John



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From Our Fleet Captain... Dean Dickinson

Hello from FC Dean,

With the world's focus on containing COVID-19, cruising isn't really high on anyone's list. And as a result, this year's cruising schedule is temporarily on hold.

My crystal ball is a little cloudy these days and I can't honestly say when the next cruise will take place. As of now, the Seattle and Everett Opening Day celebrations have been cancelled as well as the Daffodil Marine Festival. We've cancelled Hat Island and right now I'm not really sure whether Anacortes for Memorial Weekend is still viable. We'll be checking with the marina and watching how things develop between now and then.

Port Ludlow is scheduled for June 5 - 7, and Bremerton's Bridge Blast for June 26 -28. After that it is the StayCaction for the Fourth of July in Everett. It may be that we will need to move the christenings from Anacortes to one of these other events. I'll keep you posted.

I know many of you are heeding the 'Stay Home - Stay Safe' advice. I would also like to add 'Stay in Touch'. Desta and I are self-isolating in La Conner and plan to be here for the foreseeable future. But that doesn't mean we can't still enjoy the company of our EYC friends. Post or email some of your favorite cruising photos, share a funny story or even try phoning a friend - it's actually pretty easy.

If you need help with the website or just have questions about the schedule, give me a call or email.

Stay Safe, Stay Positive and I'll see you on the water soon!

FC Dean



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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Greetings and blessings to all of you,

So, stating that I am lost for words, should put a smile on your faces, perhaps even a chuckle! In my Seventy-three years, I don't believe I was ever afflicted with that. My elementary teacher put masking tape over my mouth on one occasion, or I was exiled to the hallway for talking too much. In high school I was on the edge of failing a history class, but the teacher offered me a passing grade if like usual I continue to raise my hand when a question was asked of the class. My answer was sometimes wrong, but it inspired the rest of the class to answer it right!!

Okay, words of encouragement, God did not impose this virus on us, we are not being punished. This is an affliction of this world, not of life hereafter. We are however given the opportunity to pray for healing restoration, and a return to normal. Though some have difficulty believing that there is a power in this life that offers us comfort and a hand with our burdens. Most all religions pray to a higher power, for their needs and support. If you want evidence of this, read Michael Medved's (a Jewish author) "The American Miracle." The story of providential intervention in this country's coming to be.

I'm not here to sell anyone on the idea that if we all pray this will go away, I am only here to listen to and support all of you that have questions about your faith in something greater than you, something that helps with these hard times, and offers comfort and a reason to continue on the path. "NO AMOUNT OF REGRET CHANGES THE PAST, NO AMOUNT OF ANXIETY CHANGES THE FUTURE. ANY AMOUNT OF GRATEFUL JOY CHANGES THE PRESENT "

Gods peace and comfort be with you all. Paul.



Paul Hansen



Deborah Seger is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting

EYC Virtual Happy Hour – No Host

Wednesday's @ 6:00pm

[Join Zoom Meeting](#)

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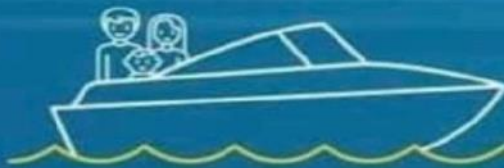
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Member's Forum

Social Distancing When Boating



Only boat with those in
your immediate household.



No beaching
your boat
right next to
someone else.



Maintain your distance
at the fuel dock –
and remember to
wash your hands.



No rafting up
– keep your
distance on
the water.

No guests on your boat!
This includes family members
not in your immediate
household or your closest
boating buddies.

**Go right from your house
to the boat and back –**
no unnecessary contact
with anyone.

Enjoy your boat, the water and the fresh air;
but enjoy it while boating responsibly.

Social distancing is the best way to stay safe.

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Boating with Gracie - Gracie is an 8 year old Portuguese Water Dog. She has been a constant companion on our boats since we brought her home December 2011. She is a snuggle-bug and her eyes are incredibly expressive. Gracie is very active and social which motivates us to stay active as well. She loves to play (with anyone!), swim and hike with us, too. She never wants to be left out whether we are going out in the dinghy, the kayaks or the paddle board. Gracie is a huge part of our family!



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A HUMAN IN NEED,
THERE IS AN
OPPORTUNITY
FOR **KINDNESS** AND
TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

KEVIN HEATH



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CONSERVATION MADE SIMPLE

Everett Yacht Club, while spring continues to tease its arrival and Corona Virus knocks on our doors, it is time to clean! However, many items have toxic chemicals in them for not only you and your family, but also for the environment! Environmental damage could come in the form of fish tissue deterioration, water quality alterations, and even can cause Harmful Algal Blooms. Unfortunately, most companies don't have rules and regulations on what words they use on their products so words like "natural", "non-toxic", "organic", and "biodegradable" can be misleading. So, we took the liberty to organize some great, eco-conscious products for your upcoming Spring cleaning. Remember to use old rags or old clothes rather than disposable items like paper towels. Happy cleaning!

Boat Washes:

Thetford Marine Boat Wash

Concrobium XT Eco-Wash

Meguiar's Mirror Glaze Boat Gel Wash

Shurhold's Yacht Brite Wash

Homemade Product Alternatives:

Bleach	Borax or hydrogen peroxide
Scouring powders	Baking soda
Floor Cleaner	1 cup white vinegar in 2 gallons of water
Window cleaner	1 capful of white vinegar in 1 quart warm water
General cleaner	Bicarbonate of soda and vinegar; lemon juice with borax paste
Head cleaner	Baking soda with a brush
Shower cleaner	Baking soda with a scouring cloth
Chrome cleaner/polish	Cider vinegar to clean and baby oil to polish
Aluminum cleaner	Two tablespoons cream of tartar to 1 quart hot water
Brass cleaner	Worcestershire sauce with equal parts salt, vinegar, and water
Copper cleaner	Lemon juice and salt
Fiberglass stain remover	Baking soda paste
Drain opener	Disassemble; use plumber's snake; flush with boiling water
Mildew remover	Make paste of equal parts lemon juice and salt or vinegar and salt
Interior wood polish	High quality almond or olive oil

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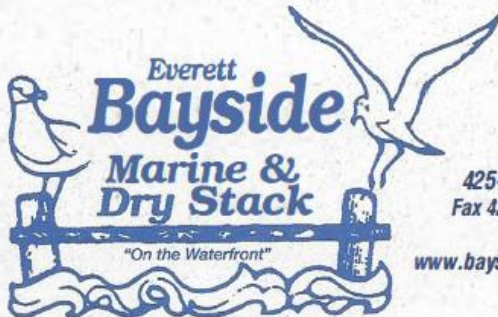
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12 Happy Easter 	13	14	15 Zoom Mtg. @ 6:00 pm	16	17 TYC Daffodil Fest- CANCELED!!	18
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