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COMMODORE'S REPORT:



In the next few weeks I will be forming a nominating committee for the purpose of selecting potential candidates for AYC offices. The election will be held at the November 23rd Annual meeting. Elected officers would take office January 1, 2003.

As is custom, I will leave my Commodore's office and take the Past Commodore's position on the board. Pam Edwards-Harju will move up to Commodore and Bill Booth will become the Vice Commodore. This then creates a vacancy for Rear Commodore.

Our current secretary, Beverly Pasqual has served the club in an exemplary manner for three years. She has, however, indicated that due to family reasons she would rather not run for a fourth term. Mark Burpo has been an outstanding club treasurer for the past eight years. He feels that after eight years it is time for someone else to take a turn. There are also two at-large director positions that need to be filled. The nominating committee will bring forth a qualified and committed slate of candidates for you to consider in November. As always, at the time of elections, all officer and board positions will be open for nominations from the floor during the Annual Meeting.

We can use a few good people who are enthusiastic and willing to put in the time to assure the future success of the club. Descriptions of the duties of each position are to be found in the back of your 2002 Membership Roster.

If you are interested, please contact Spencer Swain or myself for more information or to place your name before the nominating committee for consideration.

Bill Short, Commodore

Signs for Reciprocals

We are one of the very few yacht clubs that let guests reserve moorage at our reciprocal slips. This has caused problems because there was no mention on the dock about reservations. Guests would bring their boat into the moorage and get all set up. Then, when they went to sign in, they would be told that the slip was already reserved and they would have to vacate. I am sure that all of you can understand the feelings of those that have had this happen to them. The subject, whether or not to keep our moorage in a reserved rather than a first come first served status, is still being considered.



But, thanks to our Reciprocal Chairman, Ray Connell, we now have beautiful red and white signs at both of our slips. In big bold letters, one side says "Reserved" and a drop down side says "Call the Port". The people at the port have agreed to see these signs are used so that our guests will have no trouble knowing if the slips are available to them or not. If you are down that way, take a look at the signs. I think you will like them and the reason for having them.

Suzanne Emery, Director at Large

The Klez Virus

In the past we have been plagued by the Klez Virus which gave lots of you big trouble trying to overcome its machinations. This is the URL of a page that explains the Klez Virus and how it works <<http://www.lavasoftusa.com/art1.html>>. Take a look. I'm just thankful they didn't spread a Mac version. *ed*

2002 Pub & Grub Cruise

Yet again a merry band of AYC cruisers has braved the elements and snatched fun from the jaws of danger. Actually the elements were generally kind, and the danger was mostly from calories. Good food was enjoyed at every stop, from the always reliable Grapevine CafÈ in Genoa Bay to the remodeled restaurant in Silva Bay. It was a joy to have Ted and Betty Brewer join us there for dinner; they retain fond memories of AYC and are always glad to see club members. The new docks at Silva are terrific, so if you haven't been there for a while, put this spot on your cruising agenda. Ask Lynn (aka "Rocky") Ogden for guidance in making your approach.

The cruisers were mostly as peaceful as the weather, but rumor has it that there was a "naval bombardment" inflicted upon one or two of the boats. Ask Marcia (aka "Teflon Lady") Short or cohort Bill about it. Either will tell the story, gleefully no doubt.

Again this year, Harry and Laura Ree proved that land cruisers can also have a great time on the Pub Cruise. If you no longer have a boat, consider giving their method a try. And again, some cruisers stayed the course from West Sound to Port Browning, and some dropped in and out along the way—something for everyone. The cruisers were:

Bruce & Cynthia Backlund, Sea Star; Mike & Pam Burk, Island Trader; Bill & Brenda Cheaqui, B & B; Dean & Suzanne Emery, Gusto II; Ian, Eric, and Richard Gatley, Windsong; Bob & Jan Jordan, Traveller; Lynn & Kathy Ogden, Morpheus; Harry & Laura Ree; John & Kim Satterlee, Early Liberty; Bill & Marcia Short, Friendship; Dave & Karen Thomson, Tortuga.



After a beat back from Viti Rocks into the rain this will feel pretty good. The basement is sheet rocked and awaits the texture and paint. Then it's the carpet and finish work. Soon, I'm told, soon.

Please welcome these new members to our Club.

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Boat: Catalina 30, "Puff"

Be sure check you e mail from tne Yahoo Groups for all the details of the VICTORIA LABOR DAY CRUISE - Aug. 31-Sept. 2, 2002. E Mail or call your Cruise Captains, Ken & Betsy Cave (360-679-2300 /bcave@whidbey.net <

Barkley Sound Cruise

AYC Barkley Sound 2002 has come and gone. For the five adventurous couples who took part it was nothing less than a spectacular trip. The weather was near perfect, fishing exceptional, beaches beautiful and anchorages uncrowded.

Participating in the Cruise were Jim Whitcomb and Virgene Link on "Sweet", a Catalina 30, Steve Dubnoff and Marion Lowe on "Pyxis", a Nauticat 40, Phil and Madeline Case on "In The Mood" a Sabre 38, Dick and Cheryl Karney on "Paradox" a Sceptre 36, and Pete and Linda Harbers on "Harber Lights" a Westbay 48.

The Group formed up in Victoria after a pleasant sail over on Saturday and kicked off the Cruise with "Happy Hour" on the dock in Victoria. Next day another great sail to Sooke Harbor with the Harbers providing fresh salmon for dinner that night. The trip out the Strait was a long but uneventful motoring trip with relatively light winds. The Harbers arrived in Bamfield in the early afternoon and the "ragbaggers" pulling in around 4:30 to 5:30 that evening.

After regrouping in Bamfield the boats split up to explore Barkley Sound at their leisure. Rendezvousing every three days to enjoy cocktails or a pot luck and compare notes with the group. The "every third day" idea proved to be popular with the group as it provided a lot of flexibility for individuals while still maintaining group contact and opportunity for socializing. All agreed the formula was just about right for this type cruise.

The Harbers, on their "free days", took advantage of their superior speed and size and set out to sea for what turned out to be an exceptional fishing trip, The boat limiting out on both salmon and halibut. The next day the group gorged themselves on fresh salmon, halibut and oysters at the Port Alberni Yacht Club Outstation, fish compliments of the Harbers.

After thoroughly exploring the Broken Group for the next week including plenty of beachcombing , hiking , sea cave exploring and the like , the group headed back separately, each having their own story about the trip in the straits. A little fog for some, a lot of wind for others. All in all a wonderful cruise. 2004 anyone??

Dick and Cheryl Karney "Paradox"

WARNING!

Do not approach within 100 yards of any U.S. naval vessel. By order of the Chief of Naval Operations, U.S. Naval Vessel Protection Zone (Vessel Protection Zone) is established around all U.S. Naval Vessels in the Coast Guard and U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Vessels.



You must operate at minimum speed within 500 yards of any U.S. naval vessel and proceed in the direction of the bow of the vessel.

Violations of the Naval Vessel Protection Zone are a felony offense, punishable by up to 6 years in prison and/or up to \$250,000 in fines

Several weeks ago during one of the Summer Fun Series of races an announcement was made that the racers should stay at least 150 feet away from the oil refinery docks. Depending upon the course some of our wily skippers move in close to the docks to catch the counter current. Consequently, after the race the question was raised, "Who says we must keep 150 feet away?" After contacting the various enforcement agencies and the refineries involved no answer was forthcoming. The answer is No Competent Authority has issued such a directive. However if there is a naval vessel around it is suggested that you abide by the warning shown above.

The photo to the right is Silent Evidence of a Good Time had by all at the Niagara/Nonsuch Rendezvous at Port Browning last week-end. The Weggs and the Swains helped fill the crate. All the wine was home brew. Ah, those Canadians!



TALL SHIPS AT ANACORTES

Nineteen tall ships are expected at Anacortes docks for public viewing beginning Monday evening, August 12. Moored at Port dock 1 and in Cap Sante Boat Haven, they will stay until the morning of Wednesday, August 14, when they depart for Deception Pass and ports south. Participating ships are home-ported in U.S., Canada, Ukraine, Cayman Islands and New Zealand.

A luncheon at the Port warehouse for crews and the public is scheduled for noon, Tuesday with entertainment provided by Shifty Sailors and Add Pope.

Tickets are available at \$15.00 each at Watermark Book Co., Chamber of Commerce Visitors' Center, KLKI, Anacortes Museum and Skagit State Bank. "Sea battles" with cannons booming from ships and shore will be staged off Cap Sante at 2:00 and 5:00 PM Tuesday

Public tour of boats will be from 2:00 PM to 9:00 PM, Tuesday. A 5-ship tour pass is available at \$10.00 with senior and junior (under 17) tickets at \$5.00. Tour tickets are on sale at the named locations. While visiting the boats, those wishing to sail next day to Coupeville via Deception Pass can make reservations with skippers. Costs vary with boats.

AYC Schedule for August

Friday	Aug 2	Open Bar	1700
Sunday	Aug 4	Lido Races	1200
Wednesday	Aug 7	PHRF RaceWally's Tour 1	1830
Friday	Aug 9	Open Bar \$2.00 Nite	1700
Friday	Aug 9	South Sound Cruise begins	
Wednesday	Aug 14	PHRF Race Wally's Tour 2	1830
Friday	Aug 16	Open Bar	1700
Wednesday	Aug 21	PHRF Race Wally's Tour 3	1830
Friday	Aug 23	Open Bar \$2.00 Nite	1700
Saturday	Aug 24	Inati Bay Cruise	
Tuesday	Aug 27	Board Meeting	1900
Wednesday	Aug 28	PHRF Race Walley's Tour 4	1830
Friday	Aug 30	Open Bar	1700