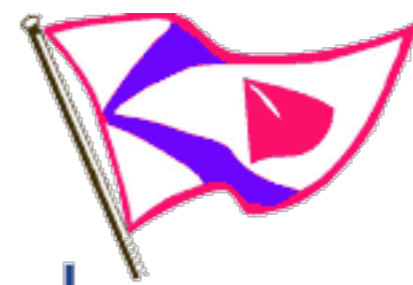


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Next Meeting: April 5

Speaker: Officer Eric Brand of the U.S. Customs & Border Protection. Eric will be reporting on the new requirements for US Customs.

Commodore's Corner

Ahoy from the Commodores Couch.

Ahoy from Palm Desert, floating on an air mattress in an aqua colored pool with slivery glints of light reflecting off the water's surface from the warm, bright sun above.

First off thank you to all who have checked on the K-Lynne in our absence, greatly appreciated. It appears that Kaye and I got out of Bellingham at the right time. Shortly after we departed there where high winds and rain, rain, rain. We experienced the storms vicariously through reports from home.

This area is a senior citizens oasis. Senior discounts on meals, shopping and reduced rates on golfing through "Golfnow". Very reasonable prices for Happy hour meals, @\$12.00. Except you need to watch your bar bill because the \$12.00 meal can grow exponentially, that is where they get you.

Our stay down here is quickly growing to an end, this being the 23rd as I'm writing this and we head home on the 31st. But not to disappear, there will be more golfing, walking, swimming and shopping, and of course more exponentially grown meal bills.

Steve Clevenger
2016 Commodore

Membership News

We currently have 91 active and paid members.

I'm pleased to announce two new advertisers to our roster/newsletter and website: Gary Baker and Bill Apt. Thank-you to both along with our previous advertisers: Lesli Beasley, realtor. Skookum Sail Repair, UK Sailmakers, Oyster Creek Canvas, and NW Rigging. Please remember our partners in business when you are looking for these services.

We have had two more applicants for new membership come in this month and I look

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forward to introducing them to you next month.

If you need a name tag, burgee or extra roster, I have them available at every potluck. Please don't hesitate to ask. Please e-mail with name tag requests. There is a \$10.00 fee for new name tags.

-Tracy Olney
2016 CYC Membership Chair

Racing News

Ahoy Racers!

When you read this the Racing Registration Night will be behind us but the season will be ahead...

The 2016 Racing Schedule is as follows:

- Series 1: April 14, 21, 28, May 5, 12
- Series 2: May 19, 26, June 2, 09, 16
- Series 3: June 23, 30, July 7, 14, 21
- Series 4: July 28 August 4, 11, 18, 25

Slo-Pitch/ No-Pitch Sept. 1 (Cruisers are invited to participate and seasoned race crew will be available to you!)

Urgent! We need volunteers for each series as committee boat and crew! Registered Race Entry Captain of the sponsored series will receive a 2nd Place (see race packet for details). Cruisers that would like to sponsor a race or series as committee boat are welcome and there would be a huge amount of goodwill from the racing members as well as learning a bit about the race environment. Contact Sean (race@cycbellingham.org) for details.

Please note that there will be long distance races hosted by CYC that will be announced later. BYC has their calendar published for 2016 and there is a \$50 fee to participate in the races and it includes Wednesday nights. No à la carte race fee is offered this year.

- [2016 CYC Race Packet](#) (PDF format)

I will send start order and roster of skipper and class once the registration is complete. If you have not registered and plan on racing please contact me immediately and I will make arrangements to get your Entry Form and Racing Dues recorded.

Looking forward to a safe, fun, co-operative season!

Puff on!!!

-Sean Jones
CYC Race Chair

Cruising

First hosted cruise of 2016: Matia Island (Clean Up) Cruise May 13, 14 & 15th

Schedule:

- Friday: Cocktail Hour 6:00 PM
- Saturday Morning: Clean Up (8:30 - 9:00AM Start Time) – Ranger Steve will have all the tools and supplies for the work that he would like us to do. Right now, he is planning on us doing trail maintenance; raking, cleaning etc., as well as weeding, brush cutting etc.
- Saturday Evening: Happy Hour & Potluck: for the Potluck on Saturday night - Bring an appetizer and your favorite dish to share for dinner.

NOTE: Each captain will be responsible for checking the tides. All of our boats will be rafting together from the dock. We will need your boat length, beam and draft.

Please RSVP as soon as you can, as only 10/11 boats can be accommodated on the dock and there is currently only one (1) mooring buoy at Matia. The State plan on replacing the other mooring buoy sometime in May, but that may not happen by the time of our cruise. We already have 4 boats signed up for Friday night and 1 more coming Saturday. Don't miss out! It's a lot of fun and we are helping make a difference on Matia Island. Hosts: Joe & Priscilla Sulham Call (360) 296-2827 or email joe@fairhavenrealty.com to sign up.

Turn Point Cleanup Cruise

The Turn Point Cleanup Cruise is scheduled for June 24-26, and will be hosted by Pam Spencer. Donna Marie Cahill has sent us this

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- [2016 Turn Point Light Station Newsletter \(1.7 MB PDF\)](#)

Other cruising news:

Remember, if you are interested in the Lopez Islander Resort joint BYC-CYC cruise May 27-30, please call Kathy at 800-736-3434 to reserve your slip with a credit card and tell her you are from CYC!

Ranger Steve will be selling Washington State Park permits (\$5.00 foot) if you haven't ordered your new one for the season.

Tired of the usual and expensive routine of replacing your outdated flares? Then get yourself the Sirius Signal Electronic LED flare for about a \$100! Now USCG approved and comes with a daylight distress flag to meet requirements. Check it out at <https://siriussignal.com/>

Please consider hosting one or more cruises during the season. Dates and hosts for confirmed cruises are listed on the link below, with the mode of moorage (anchor, dock, mooring buoy, etc.) indicated in parentheses. To make the other locations a "go," we need hosts! Contact Capt. Ron to learn more.

- [2016 CYC Cruise Schedule](#)

Contact your Cruise Chairperson for any additional information: Ron Battle (360) 319-7478 or email: cruise@cycbellingham.org

*-Ron Battle
CYC Cruise Chair*

Reciprocal Moorage

Ahoy sailors! We are organizing another sail donation to the Resail project as we did last year. Bring your old, unwanted sails that are cluttering up your garage and drop them off at UK Sails down at the harbor, anytime until April 15. These sails are being used in tent cities, sent to Mexico with people building housing there, and sent to the South Pacific where cruisers are teaching people who currently use dugout canoes how to sail.

People providing sails are asked to attach a tag giving the approximate size and condition of the sail, to help in determining the best use for it.

You may find more information here,

- <https://www.facebook.com/Resail-Project-502787253167614/>

*-Neal Bittner
CYC Reciprocity Chair*

Upcoming Events

May Speaker: Aiston Preserve--Lummi Island Heritage Trust to restore quarry property

At the May potluck join us to learn about Lummi Island Heritage Trust's quarry purchase and its plans to permanently conserve and restore for future generations one of the island's most unique places. Presenter Rebecca Rettme, Executive Director of Lummi Island Heritage, will share a slide show and details of each stage of the acquisition, restoration and conservation of the quarry property.

With 4,000 feet of rocky shoreline and pocket beaches including Smuggler's Cove, and 105 acres with deep, mossy forests. The Heritage Trust and its partners will create public access for low impact recreation such as paddling, hiking and bird watching. For now, the property remains closed to the public but the Trust is hosting guided tours twice monthly. Check out liht.org for details and how you can help contribute toward the remaining 10% of costs of this \$2.95 million acquisition and restoration project.

Do you have a computer or mobile device to keep your appointments and weekly schedule? Do you want to add CYC events to that electronic calendar?

Cruising schedule and other CYC events are listed on the [CYC Google Calendar](#), which is updated periodically. You can [subscribe to the CYC Google Calendar](#) on your computer or smart phone or see the [Events & Cruises](#) page.

Need help getting started? Talk to Chuck Dingée.

April 2016

April 12: CYC potluck, SYC Clubhouse

April 14: The first race of the 2016 season. (Series 1 Race 1) First preparatory signal at 6:00PM.

April 26: CYC Board meeting

May 2016

May 10: CYC potluck, SYC Clubhouse

May 13-15: The first cruise of the 2016 season. Matia Cleanup Cruise

May 24: CYC Board meeting

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Steve Clevenger, Chuck Dingée, Ken Russell, Tracy Olney, Neal Bittner, Lesli Beasley, Ron Battle.

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