



March Calendar

- 3/11: Bridge Meeting
- 3/18: General Meeting
- 3/21: Poker Run in Lake Union

April Calendar

- 4/8: Bridge Meeting
- 4/10 - 4/12: Bell Harbor Cruise
- 4/15: General Meeting
- 4/25: Spring Work Party

March Birthdays

3/3	Evelyn Nickerson
3/3	Lois Toroni
3/10	Chris Kullman
3/26	Carol Cass
3/26	Harry Evensen
3/26	Larry Newton
3/27	David Morton
3/28	Susan Dils



Commodore's Report - Kevin Haistings

Greetings, here it is the End of February, with the Ides of March bearing down on us. That means spring is rapidly approaching. Just forget that it's snowing **AGAIN!** At least the Club had great weather for the "Ice Breaker Cruise" to Edmonds. I've heard great reports about the cruise. I unfortunately could not make the cruise because of other commitments. Our club has a standing tradition of attending some of our reciprocal clubs Commodores Balls. So I, along with two past Commodores **Mike** and **Gary**, attended the Seabac commodore's ball in Tacoma. They put on a good event, interesting in that the Ball is at the beginning of the Commodores term in office not the end, so there wasn't any "roasting" of the commodore. What an interesting idea..... The next Ball is in Des Moines on March 7th. They will introduce their first 3rd generation commodore that evening. Des Moines is also hosting their annual swap meet later in March (the 28th I believe). Might be a great place to snag a bargain or I believe anyone can rent a table, so if you have a couple of items your looking to sell (keep in mind our website has a "classified Ad" section as well) you should look into their swap meet.

A little club business; I'd like to extend a very large thank you to **Michael Haistings**. For those of you that missed the February membership meeting, you missed the announcement that after several years of research, planning and labor, the electrical stanchions and waterline replacement project is 100% complete. The new water line has a drain valve at the end of the dock as well as an air intake valve so the water can be blown out to prevent freeze damage during time of extend freezing temperatures. Next up, repainting the inside of the club. **Paula** requested volunteers to work on a "design" team to help select the paint colors etc. for the redecoration of the main hall, if you have a desire to help out contact **Paula**. We are hoping to get the painting done before opening day so there's not a lot of time to get the design plan done.

We also had a visit from the Seattle Yacht Clubs opening Day Trio at the last meeting. They were there to thank us for our long standing years of participation as well as invite us to this year's festivities. The Theme this year is "Wild West". So it sound like it may be time to dust off yer boots, grab yer best Stetsons and make plans to mosey down to the club for opening day. If you need a little practice I think the next club social is a county themed social on March 7th. March will also see the return of the annual Poker Run/cruise on March 21st.

Lastly I want to thank **Gary Sheneman** and his band of merry men (**Mike Haistings**, **Bill Allen**, **Bill Dils**, **Chris Kullmann**, **Jack Excell**, **Dan Gray**, **Patrick Baker** and **Gary Gebhart** (I'm sorry if I missed anyone) for the outstanding steak barbeque at the last meeting. It was a packed house, about 90 people were in for dinner, and with the new and improved BBQ's the dinner was right on time. Can't wait to see what were having next month, since a lot of us may still be recovering from St. Patrick 's Day the night before.

One bit of timely advice. As many of you heard, Saturday February 28th a boat at Morrison's





Commodore's Report - Kevin Haistings (cont...)

fuel dock exploded and caught fire as they prepare to leave after re-fueling. Running the blower at least 4 minutes and opening the hatch to smell for fuel vapors would have most likely prevented the explosion. Everyone was fortunate that no one was seriously injured, unfortunately 1 boat was a total loss and another boat nearby suffered some major damage from the heat as the burning vessel drifted into the nearby dock. So please remember, if you have a gas boat; run the blower for several minutes and then lift the hatch and smell for vapors before starting up.

Thanks, and we'll see you at the meeting on March 18th and the Poker Run on March 21st.



Vice Commodore's Report - Paula Spina

Spring must almost be here. The Seattle Yacht Club trio showed up at our last general meeting to talk about Opening Day. Wait, didn't it just snow again? Seriously, Opening Day will be upon us before you know it. And there are some things that need to be done beforehand. The Spring work party at the clubhouse is scheduled for April 25th. [This year we *will also be doing a Hat Island work party/cruise the weekend of May 16th*.] There are some things I'd like to get done before the clubhouse work party however.

First, we are looking for a few good "artistes," folks with a good eye for design to work on a subcommittee to come up with a painting and decorating scheme for the inside of the clubhouse. If you think you know color or design: prove it! If it's left up to me the club may end up looking like a Jackson Pollock painting (just kidding, but not much). This design committee needs to get going so that we have time to actually paint and decorate the club before Opening Day. So call me!

I'd also like to tackle organizing the A-room and the attic before the work party. If anyone is interested in helping out with those tasks let me know as well.

And now I owe another belated thank you, this time to **Mark Eagen**, for helping out with the installation of the new waterline on the dock. Is there anyone else I've missed? If so, thank you as well. The waterline is fully operational and wow, what an improvement. Really, many thanks to everyone that made this dream come true.

Finally, a note about this year's Icebreaker Cruise: "The Great Depression Hobo Cruise." Well, the hobos came out. They rode the water rails to Edmonds, ate bag omelettes and Spam for breakfast Saturday morning, some sort of ground beef hobo stew on buns Saturday night, and French hobo toast for Sunday breakfast. There were three contests. **Norm Grossman** won for best hobo costume. This was a tough call because everyone dressed up and looked like either a clown or a bum or in some cases themselves; but **Norm** looked like he stepped straight out of central casting. **Jack Excell** won for best appetizer. He baked a "kitty litter cake." Don't laugh, nobody wanted to be the first one to taste it cause it looked so realistic, including... uh, the little chocolate deposits. But was it ever tasty. And we had a three-way tie on the scavenger hunt: **Fran Norman**, **Jodie Paine** and **Trina Holm** found all but three of the secret hobo signs. Of course they went out together searching for them. Now we had promised a devilish tiebreaker, and I had to employ it, meaning I cheated and gave **Fran** an extra answer. What did she do? She spoiled my tiebreaker and shared the answer with **Jodie** and **Trina**. What can you say? We just had to come up with prizes for all three of them. Thanks so much to everyone who worked to make this first cruise of the season a success: Mother Nature for a spectacular Saturday, and of course the mere mortals--**Bill** and **Sue Dils**, **Lance Loomis**, **Pat Hansen**, and **Bob Quick** (especially for doing the dishes).

Okay, gotta hit the rails again. And remember, watch out for the coppers and the train-yard bulls, cause they're watching out for you!





Rear Commodore's Report - Bill Dils

Welcome to the 2009 PSYC Cruising & Social Season, WOW what a great start to a new year.

Although cruise reporting is the Fleet Captain's area, I want to thank all the folks that attended the Great Depression Era HOBO Ice Breaker Cruise. (Good job **Paula, Lance & Susan, Pat**) I could not have brought it off without you. The weather was great and we had a wonderful time. I can not remember having a better time in Edmonds.

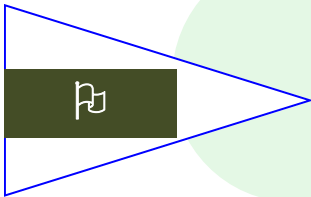
The Western Dance Social for March 7th has been canceled. The next fun filled Social will be the Spring Work Party 4/25/2009.

If anyone would like to sponsor an impromptu Social between now and the Spring Work Party, contact me and I will be glad to help.

Also if anyone has a topic they would like to learn about, please let me know and I will do my best to get a speaker on the subject for our general meeting.

Retired Fire Chief, Steve Bigelow, will be the speaker at the March General Meeting. He will be addressing on-board emergencies and how to prevent or control them, and the appropriate authorities to contact. Steve has been boating all his life and has responded to off shore emergencies of all types. Currently he is an instructor of on board emergencies for civilian and government entities including: Washington State Ferries, US Coast Guard, US Navy, and Alaska Fishing Fleet to mention a few.

See you all at dinner! Safe boating and may the sun shine on you always.



Fleet Captain's Report - Chris Kullman

The ice breaker cruise to Edmonds was another success. **Bill, Sue, Paula** and **Lance** did a fine job of entertaining and feeding us. The weather held and we had some interesting snacks on the dock. **Jack's** kitty litter cake took the cake, you had to be there. Next is the Poker Run Saturday March 21. Buy your hands at the club by 1:00 and cruise the picket boats starting at 1:30. Card playing and dinner at the club. Call **Joyce** 206-783-0805 or myself 425-503-3374. Let us know if you are coming and if you are bringing your boat and can take some of us with you. Bell Harbor cruise is April 10-12, this has become a popular spot as it is downtown with so much to do. **Kathy Ornelas** will feed you (a good reason to go) and the **Shenemans** and **Haistings** will entertain you. Call **Gary** 425-885-3728 or **Mike** 425-489-9851 to make your reservations. Spring clean up and Opening Day is just around the corner. I still need help with the Memorial Day cruise to Everett, please call me.

Interesting things that happened in March of 1999

- March 2 - The brand new Mandalay Bay hotel and casino opens in Las Vegas.
- March 12 - Hungary, Poland, and the Czech Republic join NATO.
- March 17 - The Roth IRA is introduced by U.S. Senator William V. Roth, Jr.
- March 21 - Bertrand Piccard and Brian Jones become the first to circumnavigate the Earth in a hot air balloon.
- March 21 - The 71st Academy Awards are held at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion in Los Angeles, California with *Shakespeare in Love* winning Best Picture.
- March 26 - The Melissa worm attacks the Internet.
- March 29 - For the first time, the Dow Jones Industrial Average closes above the 10,000 mark, at 10,006.78.

A special thanks to **Echo Summers** for helping out each month with the Sound Waves mailing. Thanks to her, those of you who've requested getting the Sound Waves in the mail are actually getting it in a timely manner.

Thanks **Echo!**

-Susie

Thursday Lunch Bunch

Every 2nd Thursday of the month (except July & August) we gather at 11:30am and eat at noon. Please join us; just bring a dish to share.

Contact Marilyn Sullivan for more information.

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St. Patrick's Day Word Scramble

(solution in April Sound Waves)

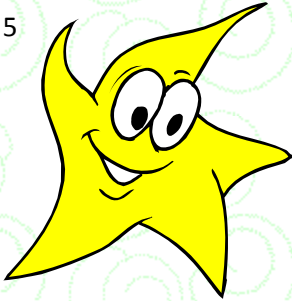
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6. ACHROSKM
7. SKNSAE
8. TSMI
9. CKIIMRLE
10. ERGNE
11. DLMERAE
12. ITKPCAR



Please remember to make your dinner reservations for the monthly General Meeting.

You can either go to:

- <http://www.pugetsoundyc.org/GSchedule.html> or
- Call Laurence Krueger or Marcia Ellingson at 360.651.2838



Puget Sound Yacht Club

POKER RUN CRUISE

Saturday, March 21, 2009



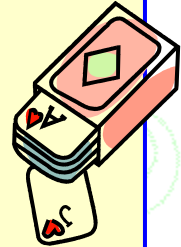
WHAT IS THE POKER RUN?

Hands consist of obtaining the first five (5) cards. The first card is picked up at the Clubhouse. Hands are sequentially numbered and you pick the hand number(s) you wish to play.

- Three cards are picked up, one at a time, by cruising on your boat or cruising with someone else on their boat to three "picket" boats that are located on docks on Lake Union and Lake Washington. All are relatively close by.
- After all three cards are collected, return to the Clubhouse to pick up the fifth (5th) card.
- Once everyone has returned to the Clubhouse the Poker hands are played in numerical order with betting in nominal amounts. While we're waiting for everyone to return, enjoy yourselves and socialize!
- Dinner is provided

Cards can be picked up by 100P, leaving the dock at around 130P

\$1.00 per hand is charged.
Players can get as many hands as they desire.



**Let us know if you can make it!
It helps for planning dinner!**

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SEE YOU THERE!

March 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 <i>Happy Birthday - Evelyn Nickerson</i> <i>Happy Birthday - Lois Toroni</i>	4	5	6	7
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