



Commodore's Report – Robert Murphy

So, March was the big kick-off of the cruising season for the club. In March we had our get together at the Edmonds Marina. Though Mich and I were not able to make it by boat, due to work travel, we did join Saturday. It was great weather in the afternoon and was not too chilly until the sun went down. We had 20+ people Saturday night and had to split the crowd across several boats. The dinner was great and the Mac & Cheese was awesome (two helpings here). Hats off to the everyone who pitched in on this cruise.

Early in the month David and Nancy Morton kicked off our 37th annual lobster feed. In all seriousness it is a highlight of the year for a fun and unique social. That night was the most packed I have seen the club in a while. It was fantastic to see so many club members pitching in on the lobster prep, the cooking and all the setup/tear down.

April has a few key dates.

Saturday the 7th we are going lower the flag pole so we can do some repairs. It would be great if a few folks could come down to help with that. Bill Traver will let people know what time.

Corks and Canvas is on the 21st. Last year was a blast and I am voting for “sea monster” as this year’s painting theme.

And to round out the month, we have our Spring work party on the 28th. Please join us to help get the club ready for Opening Day.

And speaking of Opening Day, it’s right around the corner. Please join us for a weekend of festivities starting with our 1st Dock Friday of the summer. Take a look at the flyer in this issue and RSVP either Colleen or Mich.

It’s now boating season!

Please take a look at the BoatUS Spring Commissioning Checklist in this Sound Waves issue. It’s great information for getting your boat ready for our cruises.

Stay safe everyone.



Vice Commodore's Report – Bill Traver

Our Spring Work Party is Saturday, April 28th from 9:00 am to about 3:00 pm. There is a lot to do and it will be great to spend some time with other club members. Opening Day will be the following weekend and we want the club to represent the great place it is.

Thanks, in advance, for your help.

We are also planning on fixing the flag pole this weekend (April 7th). Please contact me if you are able to come help.



Rear Commodore's Report – Adrienne Dahlin

Happy Spring!

I'm sure everyone is as pleased as I am to see the temperatures rising, the cherry blossoms blooming, and the days getting longer.

We had one social in early March, the always popular Lobster Feed. It was extremely well attended and a fantastic time was had by all! A huge shout out of thanks to David and Nancy Morton for hosting, all the lobster wranglers, set-up and clean-up crews, and to anyone else who helped make the event such a huge success.

April is now upon us and this month we will have a speaker from The Steamer Virginia V Foundation at the general meeting on the 18th. This should be a really interesting presentation so I hope to see many of you there.

Corks and Canvas is all set for April 21st. There is still plenty of time to RSVP to Katie Jeppesen at kjlatte@aol.com. We will be painting a beautiful lighthouse scene (Sorry, Robert, no sea monsters...) and there is absolutely no experience required! Get ready to Sip, Paint, Repeat!!

Please take a look at the flyer in this issue



Fleet Captain's Report – Garry Moore

Our first cruise of the year in Edmonds was a success thanks to Lindell Graham, Rodney Jong, Joyce and Kevin Carlson, and Steve and Linda Cook. We had five boats that braved what was predicted to be a poor weather weekend, but turned out to be pretty good with lots of sunshine. We had 20 people for dinner Friday night at the Channel Marker Pub and Grill and 18 for breakfast and dinner on Saturday. Lindell put together a challenging scavenger hunt on Saturday in downtown Edmonds. Sharon Moore was the winner.

The next cruise is over Memorial Day Weekend at Dock Street Marina in Tacoma. The Marina is always a great destination with great restaurants and lots to see, including the Glass Museum and the Car Museum. Pat Hansen, Bill Traver and Ez and Doris Robinson will be Cruise Captains. I am sure Bill Traver can be persuaded to conduct a private tour of the Glass Museum

2018 PSYC Cruise Schedule

Memorial Day Cruise – Tacoma (Dock St)

May 25th to 28th

Cruise Captains: Pat Hansen & Bill Traver / Ez & Doris

Hat Island Cruise

June 8th to 10th

Cruise Captains: Colleen & Jerry / Rick & Janet

Anacortes Cruise

June 29th to July 1st

Cruise Captains: Cindy & Bob / Jerry & Colleen

Gig Harbor Cruise – Arabella's Marina

July 27th to 29th

Cruise Captains: Adrienne & Robert / Katie & Ted

Andrews Bay Cruise

August 17th to 19th

Cruise Captains: Chris Kullmann / Paul & Trina Smith

Labor Day Cruise - Kingston

August 31st to Sept. 3rd

Cruise Captains: Paul & Laura / Joyce & Kevin/ Jerry & Colleen

Poulsbo Pool and Dart Tournament

October 12th to 14th

Cruise Captains: Rich & Echo / Sharon & Garry



Membership Report – Pat Hansen

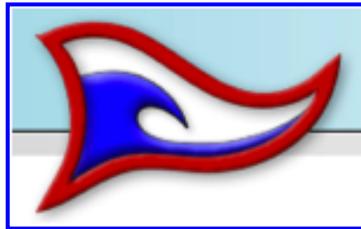
I sure hope you will all be at the General Meeting on April 18th to welcome the **Eleven (11!) New Members** who will be initiated.

It should be a great meeting and we will be having a Gumbo Dinner - one shrimp, one sausage, and one vegetarian - with all of the fixings. See you there and don't forget to make your reservations.



Sunshine Report – Sharon Moore

Garry and Sharon Moore are celebrating their **50th Anniversary** and taking a lovely cruise on the Mediterranean.



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BoatUS Spring Commissioning Checklist



Spring commissioning for the family boat (credit D. Sewell)

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ALEXANDRIA, Va, March 27, 2018 — With boatyards, backyards, marinas, and clubs now coming to life, spring commissioning time has arrived. Boat Owners Association of The United States (BoatUS) has a [Spring Commissioning Checklist](#) to help boaters start the season right:

Before You Launch:

1. Hose clamps should be inspected and replaced as necessary. Double clamping below-waterline connections, including all hose and fuel lines with marine-rated stainless hose clamps, and keeping seacocks closed when you are away are wise moves.
2. Inspect cooling hoses for stiffness, rot, leaks and cracking. Make sure they fit snugly.
3. Replace deteriorated sacrificial anodes.
4. Inspect prop(s) for dings, pitting and distortion. Make sure cotter pins are secure. Grip the prop and try moving the shaft – if it's loose, the cutlass bearing (on inboard drive systems) may need to be replaced.
5. Check the rudderstock to ensure it hasn't been bent.
6. Inspect the hull for blisters, distortions and stress cracks.
7. Make sure your engine intake sea strainer is not cracked or bent from ice, free of corrosion, and is clean and properly secured.
8. With inboards, check the engine shaft and rudder stuffing boxes for looseness. A stuffing box should only leak when the prop shaft is turning and needs to be inspected routinely.
9. Inspect and lubricate seacocks.
10. Use a garden hose to check for deck leaks at ports and hatches. Renew caulk or gaskets as necessary.
11. Inspect bilge pump and float switch to make sure they're working properly.
12. Check stove and remote tanks for loose fittings and leaking hoses.
13. Inspect dock and anchor lines for chafing.
14. If equipped, ensure that the stern drain plug is installed
15. After the boat is launched, be sure to check all thru-hulls for leaks.

Engine Outdrives and Outboards:

1. Inspect rubber outdrive bellows for cracked, dried and/or deteriorated spots (look especially in the folds) and replace if suspect.
2. Check power steering and power trim oil levels.
3. Replace anodes that are more than half worn away.

4. Inspect outer jacket of control cables. Cracks or swelling indicate corrosion and mean that the cable must be replaced.

Engines and Fuel Systems:

1. Inspect fuel lines, including fill and vent hoses, for softness, brittleness or cracking. Check all joints for leaks, and make sure all lines are well supported with noncombustible clips or straps with smooth edges.
2. Inspect fuel tanks, fuel pumps and filters for leaks. Ensure portable tanks and lines are completely drained of stale fuel before filling with new fuel. Clamps should be snug and free of rust. Clean or replace fuel filters.
3. Every few years, remove and inspect exhaust manifolds for corrosion.
4. Charge battery. Clean and tighten electrical connections, especially both ends of battery cables. Wire-brush battery terminals and fill cells with distilled water (if applicable).
5. Inspect bilge blower hose for leaks.

Sailboat Rigging:

1. Inspect swage fittings for cracks and heavy rust (some discoloration is acceptable). Inspect wire halyards and running backstays for “fishhooks” and rust.
 2. Remove tape on turnbuckles and lubricate threads, preferably with Teflon. Replace old tape with fresh tape.
 3. If you suspect the core around a chainplate is damp, remove the chainplate to inspect and make repairs.
- #### Trailers:

1. Inspect tire treads and sidewalls for cracks or lack of tread and replace as necessary. Check air pressure — don't forget the spare.
2. Inspect wheel bearings and repack as necessary.
3. Test all lights and winch to make sure they're working properly. Inspect hitch chains.
4. Inspect trailer frame for rust. Sand and paint to prevent further deterioration.
5. Inspect brakes and brake fluid reservoir.

Safety:

1. Check expiration dates on flares. Inspect fire extinguishers. Replace if over 12 years old. Over 40 million Kidde extinguishers with plastic handles were recalled on Nov. 2, 2017.
2. Make sure you have properly sized and wearable life jackets in good condition for each passenger, including kids. Check inflatable life jacket cylinders.
3. Test smoke, carbon monoxide, fume and bilge alarms.
4. Check running lights and spare bulb inventory.
5. Update paper charts, chart plotter software.
6. Replenish first aid kit items that may have been used last season.
7. Be sure to get a free vessel safety check from the US Coast Guard Auxiliary or US Power Squadrons. Find out more at SafetySeal.net.

For the Dock:

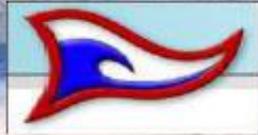
1. Check both ends of the shore power cable connections for burns, which indicate the cable and/or boat's shore power inlet or the dock's receptacle must be replaced.
2. Test ground-fault protection on your boat and private dock, and know how to prevent [Electric Shock Drowning](#).

The Paperwork:

1. Make sure your boat registration is up to date. Don't forget your trailer tags.
2. Review your [boat insurance](#) policy and update coverage if needed. Provide a copy to your marina or club.
3. If applicable, ensure your BoatUS Towing Membership is in good standing. Log in to BoatUS.com/Account to check your membership status or join at BoatUS.com.

A downloadable PDF version of this Spring Commissioning Checklist is available at: www.BoatUS.com/spring-boat-commissioning-checklist.

*Corks & Canvas at
Puget Sound Yacht Club*



Saturday April 21, 2018

*5pm Light Hors d'oeuvres
5:45pm Paint, Sip, Repeat!*



*\$45 pp, includes
hors d'oeuvres,
wine, & painting
supplies!*

RSVP to Katie Jeppesen
425-890-3186 or
kjlatte@aol.com



Puget Sound Yacht Club

2018 Opening Day of Boating

Raffle for Baskets
throughout the
weekend!

May 4th & 5th

(Bill & Peggy Allen Chairs)

Friday – Dock Friday

5:30p Cinco de Mayo menu, Casual Dinner on the dock
(\$5 per person, BYOB)

Saturday

8:30a – 9:30a Past Commodore's Breakfast
(\$5 per person)

10:00a – 10:30a Opening Day Ceremony & Flag Raising

11:00a – 5:00p Clubhouse will be open for socializing and snacking

5:30p Happy Hour – *(BYOB, Appetizers provided)*

6:30p Delicious Prime Rib Dinner

7:30p DJ for the evening is our own Rich Tremaglio
(\$25 for dinner and entertainment)



Please RSVP at the April General Meeting or to
Colleen Zitkovich (zitkovich@msn.com) or Mich
Murphy (mich@murphy-manor.com) by April 30th.

