

February 2018

The Anacortes Yacht Club

Since 1891

February Calendar

Club open every Friday at 17:30

February 1 -Friday 17:30-Club Open

February 2-Saturday Private event, club closed

February 3-Sunday 15:00-Super Bowl Party

February 8-Friday 17:30 General Meeting/Speaker Dan Worra, Port of Anacortes

February 13-Wednesday 18:00-20:00 Tulip Regatta planning meeting

February 15-Friday 19:00 Third Friday Fun Night

February 21-Thursday 18:30-AYC Board Meeting

February 22-Friday 17:30-Five Buck Night

February 23-24-Sat/Sunday Girts Rekevics Foul Weather Race and Cruise

Commodore's Take



Every year in January there is an event at AYC called the Commodores Ball. Out with some of the old, in with some of the new. And so it was on January 19. Master of Ceremonies Jerry Vander Veen kept the evening smoothly moving along as we thanked Commodore Walt Meagher for his years of service and wished him smooth and trouble free sailing into his golden years as AYC Past Commodore.

We welcomed some new onto the board, Betty Gluck as Secretary, Tom Norris and Chuck Trester as new Directors, John Sanford as Rear Commodore and chief barkeep. There were awards given, Boat of the Year to Jeff Hulme, the always-coveted Rubber Duck award to someone who still wishes to remain anonymous, the Volunteer of the Year went to Meg Kershaw for her outstanding commitment to the bar and the Most Inspirational award to Aiona Hartley for always stepping in wherever needed.

A brand new line of AYC summer sport clothing was introduced. The old Johnny and the Moondogs grew into the Savage Blues Band. It was a great event. If you have never been to the Commodores Ball, I highly recommend it. It is a special way to start the year at AYC. Thanks,

-Bill Stone, Commodore

Commodore's Ball 2019

It was all glitter and glam for the Commodore's Ball, AYC's annual night to dress up and kick up our heals. This year's theme was, "A Night to Remember" and Master of Ceremonies, Jerry VanderVeen made it just that as he roasted outgoing Commodore, Walt Meagher. Kudos to Bill and Sam Stone and their merry band of volunteers for treating the membership to a fabulous evening!

(See pages 2 and 5 for photo evidence.)

Long-time Members Honored at the Commodore's Ball

In the recent past the board decided to honor our long-time members for their longevity in the AYC. This year's recipients are:

40 years: Susan and Paul Bergman



35 years: Colleen and Wayne Hasselgrave

30 years: Carolyn and Gray Hawken



25 years:



Jerry VanderVeen

Scott Soes



Each member will receive a new nametag with their membership year displayed under the AYC burgee.

Congratulations and thank you for your many years of support for the Anacortes Yacht Club.

Reflections on the Commodore's Ball



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Chuck Trester-Director Position 1

One year term

My wife Mary and I first were first introduced to the boating community in Anacortes in 2003 when we went boating with some friends on their 45 Bayliner. After seeing Anacortes and the marina they kept their boat in we decided to move our boat from Lake Washington into a slip we purchased at Anchor Cove.

We came to find ourselves spending more and more time in Anacortes rather than at our home in Issaquah, WA.

2017 Mary and I decided to get more active in the community and to find a group of like-minded people to share our boating enthusiasm with and were told about Anacortes Yacht Club. Since joining the club, we have come to know many of the members and have participated in several AYC cruises and found the decision to be a wonderful experience.

We look forward to serving the club and it's members in what ever capacity we can.



Mark Maulden-Director Position 2

Second year of a two year term

I started sailing during my youth with my grandfather on his K-38 and later, on a Spencer 42, skipping the small boat phase.

We have been members of the Club since 2011 and have enjoyed being a part of club activities/volunteerism along with providing some photographic services. I am one year into a two year term on the Board and have assumed the role of facilities which includes keeping our clubhouse and grounds up to snuff!

Stay tuned for a spring work party and if something needs attention, please don't hesitate to contact me! I am also getting involved in the future planning for our clubhouse upgrades.

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Tom Norris- Director Position 3

First year of a two year term







Tom Norris is a retired family physician and UW professor/ administrator. As a teenager, he fell in love with sailing during summers on Cape Cod while his father was doing a research fellowship. Tom and Sandy met in high school, and their first major purchase after getting married in 1970 was a small sailboat. With medical school on Galveston Is. there were lots of sailing opportunities--these continued while Tom was stationed in Southern California as a Navy doctor. The next move was to Montana in 1978, with a larger sailboat for lake sailing and the first taste of Anacortes/San Juan Islands sailing on chartered boats. Moving to Washington in 1988, Tom and Sandy (and their 3 kids) spent the next twenty years sailing and cruising on larger boats--including racing a Melges 24. They built a home in Anacortes in 2005, in part to be closer to sailing and their boat on weekends. In 2010, with all of the crew grown up, they switched to power boating. They now have 3 adult kids, all of whom have their own sailboats, and 6 grandkids. Both Tom and Sandy are retired and cruise aboard Cavu, a North Pacific 42.

Stephanie Schwenk-Race Chair

I began sailing when I was six. My parents bought a Catalina 27, and my dad built me and my sister El Toro dinghies. They graduated to a Ranger 28 and I moved up to a Laser when we started racing at Port Madison Yacht Club on Bainbridge Island. I have raced dinghies and keelboats competitively since them, around the country as a Junior sailor, in college, and now in one-design racing. I've made a few trips across the ocean and raced in the Vic-Maui twice. I have now been racing at the Anacortes Yacht Club for 13 seasons. We started up here with a Moore 24, and now we've had our Santa Cruz Wild Rumpus for eight years. We are active in our one-design fleet, and I am the current National Champion. I look forward to being race chair again for 2019, but I will need everyone's help and support to make this another successful year of racing for the AYC!

Marti and Garth Frazier-Cruise Chairs

Garth and Marti Frazer are excited to be Cruise Chair for 2019! We have been Cruise Captains for the Deer Harbor Cruise for the past two years and have had a ton of fun with getting to know everyone. We have a 1980 Mainship that we moor at Cap Sante. We used to moor across from the Holle's... but the noise! We usually have Bogart, our 10 year old Pomeranian onboard when we are out cruising. Garth is quite the handyman around the boat and very much the socialite, while Marti is usually inside cooking or reading a book.

We hope that if you don't usually go out cruising with the AYC gang, that this will be the year that you will join the tremendous fun! It is a great way to get to know people and make great friends.

A note from the Rear Commodore

2019 Bar Price Change

As discussed and approved by the Board in December, we have made a price adjustment to keep up with the rising costs of our distributors. As a club we have not made an adjustment for a while now, and this year we've reached the tipping point. Essentially the bar prices all bumped by "a buck". For example, Draft & bottle beers, and wine by the glass is now \$4.00, premium liquors were affected as well by the price adjustment. Sodas, O'Douls & Ginger Beer remain the same.

-John Sanford

2019 AYC Rosters and membership cards now available for pick up at the club

