

# *The Log*

Newsletter of the Squalicum Yacht Club  
Bellingham, Washington



## *Coming Events*

Dues are due  
Saturday, December 9  
Christmas Party



The *Log* is published by the Squalicum Yacht Club, P. O. Box 735, Bellingham, WA 98227 and meets at 1800 on the fourth Wednesday of each month, September–May, at our building adjacent to the Seaview North boatyard. Potluck format—bring a dish to pass, your own table service and beverage.

Members are encouraged to submit boating-related stories to the *Log*. Please submit to [editor@squalicumyc.org](mailto:editor@squalicumyc.org) by the second Tuesday of each month.

#### *Officers*

Commodore ..... Leanne Stewart ..... 770-8501  
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# SYC Watch Has Changed

In keeping with tradition, the Squalicum Yacht Club met Saturday night to change those who watch over the affairs of our Club. It is always remarkable to see how some members clean up. It was a good night with good company fine conversation and good food. Leading us for the 2018 year will be Commodore Leanne Stewart, Vice Commodore Larry Grunden, Rear Commodore Kristi Champagne (returning), Secretary Lorretta Palagi (returning) and Treasurer Joyce Glenn (returning) all supported by Trustees Ernie Salotti (returning) and Paul Graf (new). Thanked for all their service to the Club were Commodore Carl Obermeier, and Trustee Rod Dean who will be retiring from the bridge. Carl, of course continues on the Bridge as Past Commodore.

Installation of new officers was preceded by some fun, both amusing and genuine, with the presentation of awards to recognize contributions of members to Club activities. Among the more significant of these, Mike and Kris Heintz along with John Robertson and Linda Tibbot were awarded the Family of the Year for their years of service, often together, to the Club. The Squalicum Award this year was presented to Shirley Obermeier for all her work in updating our presence on the internet both with our web page (<http://squalicumyc.org>) and Facebook. When it came to cruises, the Awards Committee concluded that they were all good and worthy of recognition so they were all recognized as outstanding for the planning

and preparation they had done: Joyce & Steve Glenn who had to reconfigure the Chuckanut Bay shakedown cruise to the clubhouse, Kristi & Rocky Champagne for Laconner, Patti & Ernie Salotti and Leanne & Comador Stewart for Spencer Spit, Sandy & Al Hunter and Mary & Jim Carter for Hunter Bay, Corky & Ruth McCrea and Ernie & Patti Salotti for Anacortes, and finally Paul & Margo Graf and Ernie & Patti Salotti for Sucia. The awards committee blindsided me with the Engineering Award for work on the new Sucia trail.

On the lighter side Rocky Champagne was recognized for the escapades he experienced while trying to resolve a troublesome wobble...shaking...oh—vibration with *Agnes Jean* with the Bad Vibrations Award. Rod Dean, Rocky Champagne and Rob Wells were all recognized for the dancing skills demonstrated after disturbing a yellow jackets nest during the Sucia work party with the Yellow Jacket Jitterbug Award.

With some members absent, not all awards could be presented so stay tuned. Others contributing much to the success of the evening were Comador Stewart who did a masterful job as master of ceremonies. Chair Patti Salotti was assisted in the presentation of awards by Steve Glenn, Margo & Paul Graf. Finally no small part of the festivities was the fine potluck hosted by Linda Tibbot, John Robertson and Mike and Kris Heintz.

To all the above for a fine ceremony and dinner as well as all those recognized for their contributions over the last year a heartfelt thank you.

—Paul Graf



*The Bridge and Trustees for 2018*

# Preliminary Cruise Schedule

Date	Location/Event
April 21 or 28 .....	Chuckanut Bay/Shakedown
May 18, 19, 20 .....	LaConner
June 8, 9, 10 .....	Eagle Harbor
June 23 .....	Solstice Party
July 4 .....	Clubhouse/Fireworks
July 20, 21, 22 .....	Blind Bay/Crab Cruise
August 3, 4, 5 .....	Anacortes Art Festival
September 15 .....	Fossil Bay Sucia/work party

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## Squalicum Yacht Club Minutes

**October 25, 2017**

Meeting called to order at 2006. Stephen Paus spoke about the Whatcom Maritime Association and Ralph Smallwood updated us on the goings on at Home Port. Vice Commodore Leanne Stewart ran the meeting in the absence of the Commodore.

Guests: Donna Mumme, Leanne and Comador's niece from Austin, TX.

**Secretary's report:** Minutes of previous meeting approved.

<i>Treasurer:</i>	Checking:	\$996.00
	Savings:	<u>811.00</u>
	Total	\$1,807.00

(available; with assigned savings, account total is \$2910.)

Remember that dues are due in October.

**Immediate Past Commodore:** Al Hunter gave a brief recap of the past year's projects, all of which were minor (bathrooms re-signed, deck refreshed, flagpole to come). He is working with the Port and BYC to resolve the parking problems in front of the club.

**Rear Commodore's report:** Kristi Champagne handed out the proposed cruise schedule for 2018 and asked for comments and volunteers for cruise captains. Paul Graf read a letter of thanks from the Sucia Island ranger for SYC's help with the new trail.

**Vice Commodore's report:** Thanks for Joyce and Steve Glenn and Lorretta Palagi and Randy Bilof for hosting. Change of Watch is November 11. Christmas party is December 9.

**Commodore's report:** NA.

*Old Business:* Immediate Past Commodore Al Hunter presented the following slate again for the 2018 Bridge:

Commodore            Leanne Stewart

Vice Commodore    Larry Grunden

Rear Commodore Kristi Champagne

Treasurer Joyce Glenn

Secretary Lorretta Palagi

Trustee (ongoing) Ernie Salotti

Trustee (nominated) Paul Graf

There were no nominations from the floor. The membership voted to approve the bridge as submitted.

Meeting adjourned at 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorretta Palagi, Secretary

