

The Log

Newsletter of the Squalicum Yacht Club
Bellingham, Washington



Coming Events

Wednesday, October 24
Regular meeting
Saturday, November 10
Change of Watch
Saturday, December 8
Christmas Party

Commodore's Corner

After another hot and smoky summer we can relax with the cool, clear air of autumn.

Our activities continue ashore starting with our Potluck and Meeting on October 24, when we will hear a presentation by a Customs and Border Patrol official about the new app, ROAM. (Reporting Offsite Arrival-Mobile). I met a few CPB officers this summer who are very excited about this new process.

We still are in need of a member to volunteer to take on the position of Vice Commodore for

next year. Our club needs YOU! Please contact any Bridge Member. Our next meeting (Nov 10) is the COW—Change of Watch when new Bridge Officers are sworn in; let's make sure we have all positions complete.



The Christmas Party is SATURDAY, December 8. Make sure you clear your calendar for that.

Please think about calling other members to give a personal contact to remind them of the meeting or offer to pick them up. We are a family of families and individuals.

—Leanne



It Was a Good Time

2018 SYC Work Party Cruise to Sucia.

It was the best of times and...well it wasn't the worst of times. In spite of dismal forecasts for rain, we all had a good time. Four boats arrived Thursday, *Agnes Jean*, *Carol Lee*,



A Good Time Around the Fire

Papanam and *Puffin* for a very nice, mostly sunny afternoon. All gathered around a campfire to swap yarns a while into the evening until sprinkles turned people toward bed after dark. There was some rain during the night but Friday again was nice all day (does Camelot come to mind). Champagnes took advantage of the weather to clean several campsites in the Fox Cove area. Glenns, Randy & Lorretta & Paul took a trip around the Ev Henry Point loop doing some trimming and removing an obstructing madrone tree. *Kestrel* with Rod & Les Adams arrived mid-day as did *Shenaginans* followed by *Gran Milonga*. By now we have seven boats representing eight families all of whom gathered for snacks at 5 around the fire again into the evening, sprinkles again holding off until after

dark.

We did have some heavy rain during the night but that turned light by morning (some took exception to the word light!) At 9 everyone mustered in the shelter for instructions from Ranger Steve Sabine and Ana, who was assisting him. We divided into three groups. Most of the ladies went with Ana to clean an Echo Bay group camp and to trim back a lot of

brush along the roadway at Echo Bay. A second group was put to work excavating rocks & dirt (hand tools) to build steps at the start of the new Fox to Shallow Bay trail near the water tanks at Fossil Bay. The third crew worked from the other end cutting away several trees blocking or obstructing the trail as well as smoothing out a number of tight, steep, rugged, rocky, or slippery spots in the roughed in but still unfinished trail. That kind of work continued into the afternoon by both crews. The morning was indeed damp, but workable. Most everyone did come back looking for a change of clothes although it is uncertain

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Morning Brightens over SYC Boats at Dock

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if that was more from the light rain (I thought) or sweat.

Even though this new trail is unmarked and a work in progress, it has been found and already appears well-used, just a little more



Trail Crew With Trimmings—Lorretta, Jana, Joyce, Margo

than a year since it was started. It somewhat follows the ridgeline through much open madrone woods. There are many great peek-a-boo views to the west from Patos, to Saturna, Little Sucia, Orcas and Fox Cove.

Saturday afternoon was again dry and by evening nice for a good time at potluck and many stories about good times and “the good old days” and “remembering when” etc. around the fire. Rod & Rocky shared some hum-dingers about growing up in Tacoma. Sprinkles did again end activities BUT not until after dark again and not until nearly all of a couple large firewood bundles were consumed.

Weather arrived again during the night but this time with some wind from the south east which gave us some motion during the night. The rain and showers continued making for a damp and lumpy ride home. Nonetheless, given the gloomy forecast

going into the weekend, we had three very nice afternoons, a nice fire all three nights, accomplished multiple projects and it mostly rained at night. It’s always better outside Bellingham Bay, right?

When we got home a message of thanks to SYC from Ranger Steve Sabine was waiting. All indications are that Ranger Steve Sabine and Ana are pleased with our work. They both have been a pleasure to work with. Moreover, neither worked up any less sweat than any of the rest of us as I can attest having helped Steve dig out & move several 100 lb class rocks.

A *Thank You* to all who came and contributed to make it a great and successful cruise. Several members couldn’t make it at the last minute for reasonable and understandable reasons. We missed you but will look forward to next time. A *Thank You* to Les Adams, Brandi Gist and Pete & Tina Smiley who assisted in planning this cruise.

—Paul & Margo Graf

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Trail Biolders—Steve, Rocky and Les Adams

Photo by Rod Dean



New Trail

Steve, Randy & Lorretta cut Madrone from Ev Henry Point Trail



Squalicum Yacht Club Minutes September 26, 2018

Meeting called to order at 2020. Program was a well-received historical and current description of Northwest Marine Industries, a local boatbuilding company which now makes the Sea Sport, Osprey, and C-Dory boats in a Port of Bellingham building in Fairhaven. The presenters were Ron Wright, owner, and his son-in-law, Ryan Binning. At the end of their presentation, they gave out door prizes in a trivia contest.

Guests: Ralph and Judy Buchan who joined tonight and Mark Johnson.

Secretary's report: Absent.

Treasurer's report:	Checking:	\$750
	Savings:	<u>2,522</u>
	Total:	\$3,272

(available; with assigned savings of \$2,093, account total is \$5,365.)

Immediate Past Commodore's report: Absent

Vice Commodore's report: Larry thanked Jana and Dale Oliver and Linda Tibbot and John Robertson for being the host families tonight.

Commodore's report: Larry substituted for Leanne who was absent.

Rear Commodore's report: Kristi gave us a rundown on the year's cruises and asked for people to sign up for the 2019 cruise committee. Anacortes is firm.

Old Business: Paul is having trouble finding people to agree to be nominated for next year's officers. Larry has agreed to move to Commodore. Paul stated that it is hard to find someone for the Vice Commodore. Most of the officers have agreed to stay on for another year.

New Business: Paul Graf wanted input on what weekend would work well for next year's work party on Sucia. It was suggested that we choose a mid-September weekend as it worked well for this year. Paul will reserve the date.

Meeting adjourned at 2030.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Dean, Acting Secretary

Cruise Schedule for 2019

Dates	Destination	Cruise Captain	Cruise Captain	Comments
April 27th	Shake down Chuckanut Bay	Randy Bilof and Lorretta Palagi		Progressive appetizers
May 25-27th Memorial Day	Stuart Island Reed Harbor			
June 8-10	Friday Harbor			[possible party barge]
June solstice June 22				
July 3-6 Parade and fireworks July 4th	Blaine Harbor	Rod and Susan Dean (need to reserve meeting room)		3 nights free moorage for POB customers
August 2-4	Anacortes Anacortes Arts Festival		Party barge reserved for Saturday	
Aug. 31-Sept 1 Labor Day	Garrison Bay			
Sept 13-15	Sucia Work Party			

Cruise Committee: Rocky Champagne, Rod Dean, Lorretta Palagi, Randy Biloff, Joyce Glenn, Steve Glenn, Kristi Champagne

Reminder: Cruises will only appear in the roster if cruise captains have volunteered.

Possible land cruises:

Ballard Locks tour in March

Diablo Lake Puget Sound Energy tour in July

Approved by Bridge 10/10/2018



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

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