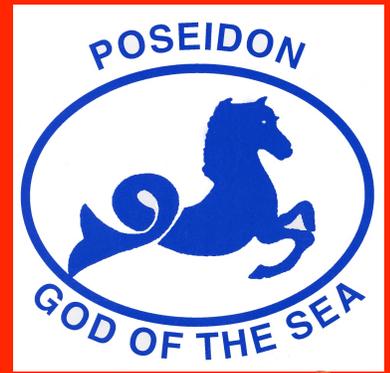




# June Edition of the Poseidon

The Newsletter of the Fidalgo Yacht Club  
Anacortes



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## From the Commodore: Lee Patza

We've all read it, seen it, or heard it. "Opening Back Up!" Across the country and around the world, the message is echoing through the news from our private and public sector leaders.

So, in the same cautious way with the guidance of our local health departments, governor's office and CDC guidelines, our Club will now begin the process of "Opening Back Up". We are in Phase 1 here in Skagit County with no special waivers so here is what it means for June:

## Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars

**All in person Club events are cancelled until we receive an all clear from the State, County and CDC.**

1. We cannot have any in person events at the Club, but we have already and will expand use of our Club Zoom account for online meetings and activities.
2. Using Zoom, The Bridge and the Board will start sorting out a plan for the priority things we can do once we get to Phase 2 and 3. We're not going to put dates to anything but we will establish an implementation plan and certainly the different Committees; Dinner, Activities, Cruising and Membership can meet on Zoom to discuss possibilities within the constraints of Phase 2 and 3. We can't have a group over 50 in a room until we get to Phase 4 so for now, we have to think "outside the box" of Club Dinners and Activities and large group cruises.
3. Then once we know when we get to Phase 4, we can quickly communicate which postponed/canceled events will happen and when.

This brief letter is intended to be bright and positive, foreseeing a bright future for our Club. We're all anxious to get started back at "Opening Back Up" but working together, we can do this in a safe, healthy, and protected way. We will follow every possible precaution including personal protective "gear", social distancing, and sanitizing as we go! If any event or activity doesn't meet current Phase guidelines, we will not do it!

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Look for Zoom activities. Every Monday 1Pm Zoom with Threads and Yarns. Contact Mary Robbins for the Zoom particulars.

The first Wednesday of each month - enjoy a Zoom meeting of the Book Club - Contact Joanne Wilshin for the meeting particulars.

Bar nights at 5Pm on Saturday. A Zoom Get together for members.

Make online reservation here.

## **News from the Vice Commodore - Tom Kuhn**

It sure seems like a long time since we were all together enjoying each other's company at a Bar Night or a Dinner Meeting. In the meantime, a lot of good things have been happening at the Club. The house cleaning crew has been busy deep cleaning. The stairs, landings and the carpet have been cleaned. All of the chairs have been shampooed, windows have been cleaned inside and out. By the time you read this article, the cabinets in the galley would have been emptied, cleaned, and restored.

The Clubhouse is ready for the good times to return when we get the green light. Until then, stay at home and stay healthy.



## **News from the Rear Commodore - Kathy Ramsay**

How are y'all doing living in "the Twilight Zone"? Hopefully, everyone is fine and healthy and "safe distancing" to keep it that way. We were planning for 2020 to be a humdinger of a Special Activities year. Hopefully, as the Phases open up, we will be able to include some planned events, Governor Inslee willing. What we've missed so far was the Spring Tides Fashion Show and Luncheon, the big Garage Sale and Pancake Breakfast, a John Buchanan hosted dinner mid May, and coming up was the Scotch Doubles performing in June with a Scottish themed meal as accompaniment. We still have the possibility of a Steak and Crab dinner in July, another try at the Garage Sale, an August Golf Tournament, Ray's Baby Back Rib extravaganza in September, a Progressive Dinner in October, a Halloween Party, a "re do" Fashion Show (Fall?), the Commodore's Ball and the Christmas White Elephant party in December. My crystal ball is a little cloudy right now, so no tellin' how this will play out. From the "glass is half full" perspective, at the very least, the Rear Commodore in 2021 could have a head start on some great activities!

I hope to see all of you at the club for some on shore activities when it's safe...

Ahoy Mateys,

Kathy Ramsay



## ***News from the Cruise Director - Mary Robbins***

Since all 2020 FYC Cruises have been cancelled through August, there is not much to talk about. BUT we can continue to hope that all our boating members have had their own isolated "shake down" cruise by now or will be doing this soon. And we can continue to share our individual cruise destinations and experiences with each other at Bar Nights and our FYC Facebook site. Several members have ended up at the same anchorage and managed to have a distanced dinghy happy hour! Finally, we look forward to reciprocals and marinas opening safely soon.

Mary Robbins, Cruise Coordinator



Dear Friends,

Ships Store is under renovation, as is our FYC Standard Operating Procedures. There will be new and improved ways for you to enjoy our club logo this summer (fingers crossed).

Missing you all!

Kim McCollister and Rosemarie Wilson

## ***News from our reciprocal manager - Terry Altimari***

FYC's reciprocal slips are now open for business.

## ***Threads & Yarns Update!***



Threads & Yarns has been gathering via Zoom on Mondays at 1 pm. We began with 7 attendees, then had 16, 12, and today, 11 attendees. We wave and smile at each other, share how we have been crafting or how we've been keeping busy with gardening, cooking, walking, and just recently boating! It's fun to see each other again! Susanna Epler has been sharing her glass mosaic wall art and techniques for cutting the glass pieces. Joanne Wilshin has shared her educational books made for grandson Jack to help him read better and go on scavenger hunts.

If you would like to be added to these Zoom calls, please contact Barb Hylton or Mary Robbins.



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For now, let us enjoy the less crowded waters, lower priced fuel, the ability to see each other on Zoom and the many entertainment options being delivered into our homes via the internet and television.

Lastly, it's almost Memorial Day! Let us remember those who have gone before us, especially in our families and military who have persevered similar hardships so we could enjoy the life we have today!

Commodore Lee



## **FYC Book Club News**

FYC Book Club is open to all members and offers an opportunity to spend an enjoyable hour sharing thoughts about the book chosen for that month. Book club participants recommend and choose the book to be discussed, ensuring a wide variety of literary (and sometimes not so literary) entertainment and lively discussion.

Make the first Wednesday of the month, 10 a.m., on Zoom, your Book Club Day. We would love to have you join us and partake in our always-fascinating conversation surrounding each book's themes.

If you'd like to be included, please email: [JoanneWilshin@gmail.com](mailto:JoanneWilshin@gmail.com).

June: [Gift of the Sea](#), Anne Morrow Lindbergh

July: [Red Lotus](#), Ken Bohjalian

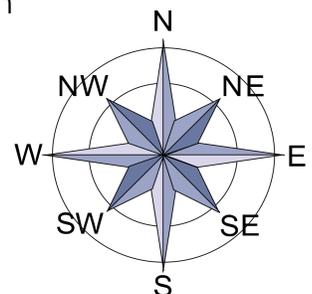
August: [Little Fires Everywhere](#), Celeste NG

September: [West with the Night](#), Beryl Markham

October: [The Moment of Lift: How Empowering Women Changes the World](#), Melinda Gates

November: [Inside: One Woman's Journey Through the Inside Passage](#), Susan Marie Conrad

December: [My Italian Bulldozer](#), Alexander McCall Smith  
Joanne Wilshin and Ellen Kaiser



## ***FYC Membership***

I know that many of you have been enjoying Book club, Threads and Yarns, and most recently bar nights via ZOOM. If you see an unfamiliar face on ZOOM, please introduce yourself! And if you are looking for their contact information, please see the *March and April Poseidons* which can be found on the web site. So far, the new members for 2020 are:

Janet Backe

Nat Nord & Anita Reetz

Greg & Jan Light

Skip & Sondra Peters

Doug & Connie Dorsing

Eric & Julia Addison

I also wanted to let you know that we are continuing to get requests for information about FYC through the web site. I have followed up with all the people to let them know that once we have the 'all clear', we would love to have them visit us at the club.

Remember, if you have boating friends or neighbors that you feel might be interested in the club, please let me know so that we can extend an invitation for them to visit us (hopefully in the near future)!

## ***FYC Member Information Changes***

(Remember to make these changes in your 2020 Directories)

Roy Raphael's new phone number: 360-333-4229

