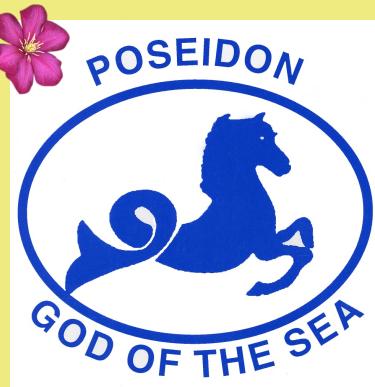




May Edition of the Poseidon

The Newsletter of the Fidalgo Yacht Club
Anacortes



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Upcoming Events

Mark your calandars

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

Saturday May 2 at 5 PM - Virtual Bar Night via Zoom. Stay tuned for directions to log into the Zoom meeting.

May 4, 10AM. Book Club via Zoom.

Make online reservation here.

From the Commodore: Lee Patza

Club Status Update We scored on our last senior early morning trip to Costco, we got a whole giant package of 30 rolls of toilet paper. Call me if you need any, I literally and figuratively have your back!

The FYC Board met last Wednesday evening and except for one new thing which I'm about to explain, we are just going to "keep on keeping on" with our governor's stay at home and social distancing policy. Yes, I realize there is a glimmer of light at the end of the tunnel as the governor announced that construction can resume next week with appropriate personal protection equipment. I grew up in construction and asking ironworkers to wear face masks, goggles and social distance themselves is not new to them. The OSHA Construction Safety program is excellent, and ironworkers helped the governor with his policy. The Governor did say that other outdoor activities may be allowed to reopen in May but he said it depends on the Covid-19 data; we'll see but let's hope recreational boating will be one of those activities

So will our first Club event include facemasks and goggles; maybe if we can get a mask with a straw hole for sipping wine. There's a new business start-up idea for somebody! So really what will our first Club event look like. Our first event will not be at the Club nor will it be on the water. Yes, it will be from your own home where we all need to stay.

So here is what we are going to do:

We now have a Club account with Zoom, the very successful and popular online video connection software. Our Board has been using it for our monthly Board Meeting and we have been very comfortable with it.

We are going to resume weekly Bar Night at home using Zoom starting this coming Saturday, May 2, from 5:00 to 6:00 pm. The first night will just be open agenda with members having the opportunity to join into the Zoom perhaps for the first time and playing with how it works. For some of you who have already discovered Zoom and use it for video time with friends and family, this will be easy-peasy. You do not need Zoom installed on your computer to join in, the link to join in the Meeting is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84035867963>

Here are some things you need to know for before coming to Bar Night online:

1. Bill Epler is the Host and he will activate the Zoom link above at 4:45 pm. Thanks Bill for all your work setting this up and Torben Mann for giving us guidance in getting this going!
2. There are several free Zoom training videos offered by Zoom as well as live training online that you can register for. They do a great job. The link to the Zoom training offerings is:

<https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/360029527911>

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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 Cruise Director - Mary Robbins

The first cruising experience on our calendar that hasn't been cancelled is Victoria Symphony's SPLASH. We don't know if our borders will be open, nor if the Symphony will cancel this event. Regardless, reservations for this were locked in at the first of this year. You may cancel, but no new reservations are being taken, as the Port of Victoria already has a long long waiting list.... If you have any questions, please contact Tom Hopper, Janet Lien, Kim Adams, or Bill Monteforte, the cruise leaders for this.

And after that is the Past Commodore's Cruise which has truthfully not yet been booked, nor dates determined...this pandemic has caused Cruise Coordinator paralysis...for some reason. So look for more details as May rolls around...then June...

We would love to be out on the water right now, but stay sheltered in our land "yacht",



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



Threads & Yarns Update!

Our group had its first gathering since 3/9 last Monday with 7 women via our FYC Zoom. It was our first Zoom experience and was lots of fun with showing our recent craft projects, talking about books read or "tv" series/movies seen, gardening accomplished, closets cleaned for our fall rummage sale, and stories of how we are keeping busy during this sheltering time away from each other.

While we have an email list for Threads & Yarns going from last fall, it may not be updated for our new "crafty" members or others who long to see familiar FYC faces in this group.

Please let me (Mary Robbins) know if you'd like to be added to our T&Y group emails. Whether you quilt, knit, crochet, papercraft, embroider, felt, love shopping for fabric, or a similar hand craft, we welcome you to join us!

Our next Zoom gathering will be next Monday, May 4th at 1 pm. Please join us!

Thanks, Mary Robbins and Barb Hylton

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Some Tutorials are:

<https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362193-Joining-a-Meeting>

<https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362283-Testing-computer-or-device-audio>

Lastly, At Bar Night we will demonstrate turning your video and/or microphone on and off during the meeting which is important as it is best when only one person can talk at a time. We will also demonstrate screen sharing as we will use this for future information sessions during Bar time. In the future, we will also do break out groups based on topics right on your computer. We'll be talking more about that. "See you" May 2!

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 vote on the book to be discussed, ensuring a wide variety of literary (and sometimes not so literary) entertainment and lively discussion. Usually we meet the first Wednesday of the month, 10 a.m., at the clubhouse. During COVID-19 restrictions, we meet on Zoom (first Monday, 10 a.m.). Please let Joanne Wilshin know if you'd like to be included in the call. We would love to have you join us and partake in our always-fascinating conversation surrounding each book's themes.

May

[Empty Mansions: The Mysterious Life of Huquete Clark and the Spending of a Great American Fortune](#), by Bill Dedman

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

