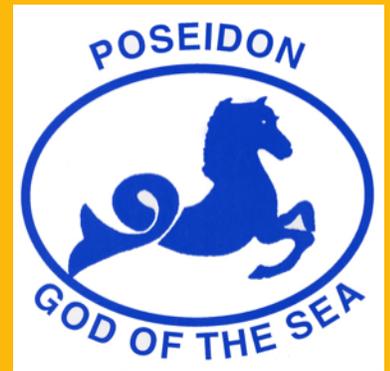




September Edition of the Poseidon

The Newsletter of the Fidalgo Yacht Club
Anacortes



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From the Commodore: Tom Kuhn

Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars

9/1 - Book Club on Zoom at
10:00 AM

9/10,9/11 FYC Garage Sale

9/14 5:30 on Zoom - wine
tasting

9/17 Past Commodore's
Cruise **postponed**

9/20 at 1PM Zoom - Threads
& Yarns

9/23 Dinner Meeting 5:30
PM Deadline to signup 9/17

9/26 Seahawks at the Club

10/1-3 Casual Cruise

Make online reservation
here.

It's been a long time since our last communication, and there are many new circumstances to address. The pandemic appeared to be under control in this country. Folks were relieved that the days of wearing a mask were a thing of the past, only to find out that the new variant is extremely contagious and started to spread very quickly, especially among those unvaccinated. Now the new reality: masks are back. I encourage each of you to adhere to the current guidelines to protect yourself as well as those around you. The Board discussed the topic at our August meeting and will revisit the issue in a special meeting September 13th. I'm hoping things settle down and we will be able to gather, with masks and appropriate modifications.

The Board reviewed and approved two Bylaws changes that will be voted on at the October business meeting. The first change dealt with allowing the Board to meet either in person or via telecommunications. The second addressed revised responsibilities for Directors, with an aim to make the process of recruiting volunteers for events a bit easier.

Reciprocal moorage: Skyline Marina has decided not to renew our reciprocal agreement effective 2022. We are currently in discussions with Cape Sante for reciprocal moorage for 2022 and beyond.

Last May, I convened the Past Commodores of the Club to discuss how we could improve as an organization moving forward. We had a very fruitful discussion. One of the items they suggested was to develop an orientation program for incoming Bridge Officers. I have asked Past Commodore Dianne Kuhn, my wife, to initiate discussions with Past Commodores, and that process is underway.

It's very exciting to be back in business and enjoying the regular activities at the Club with our wonderful members.

News from the Vice Commodore - Kathy Ramsay

It would have been nice to open my first column in the last few months with questions to all FYC boaters: How wonderful was it cruising to Desolation Sound? Did you get a lot of pics of Princess Louisa Inlet? Does Sullivan Bay still put on a spectacular 4th of July celebration 🎉??!! Alas, Covid is still mucking up plans to the northern waters AND here at home. One of my biggest thrills this summer was getting to hug my friends....

We are still having bar nights, special activities and dinner meetings with fabulous food... just with more precautions and carefully thought out. It could conceivably continue this way through fall. (My crystal ball has sure been cloudy the last couple of years.)

The August dinner had about 50 attendees, and from what I've heard, the food was yummy. Many thanks to the chef team for stepping up when Ray wasn't able to cook the ribs. Kudos to the McCaughans and their host team for pulling it all together. Much appreciated!

As I write this, the Buffum/Davis group are planning a great September dinner meeting. (See the flyer in this Poseidon.) As a special after-dinner treat, the "clubs within our club" will be filling us all in on the fun activities available in these specialized groups. Newer members especially may be surprised at what a talented and knowledgeable group of people we have within our ranks... Consider joining the fun!

Also want to welcome John Buchanan to the bridge. I know he'll do a great job as interim Rear Commodore and Vice Commodore next year.

Until next time, Kathy



News from the Rear Commodore - John Buchanan

It is an honor to join the bridge for FYC, and I would like to thank Tom Hopper for filling the position on an interim basis and Joyce McNeil for keeping special events moving forward successfully.

The Steak and Crab night which Tom and Janet organized was beyond the call of duty, as they also caught and prepared much of the crab. The steaks and sides were also delicious, and the camaraderie around the BBQ was fun. This was preceded by a barside chat in June about crabbing techniques, and a crabby cruise in July, all put on by Wayne and Liz Weideman.

Another successful recent event was the Fall Fashion Show, thanks to the collaboration between the Club and TIDES. The Planning Committee co-chaired by Joyce McNeil and Pat Thompson, and including Kim Satterlee, Lisa Wallace, Mona Hamlin, Rosemarie Wilson and Dianne Kuhn did a marvelous job. Tom Kuhn, Ken Goodwin, and Lee Patza were the brave bartenders! It was not only a fun-filled event, but also a successful fundraising event for FYC. Thanks to Jennifer and Torben Mann of TIDES for accepting our invitation.

The semi-annual garage sale is on for the 10th and 11th of September in our parking lot, thanks to Wayne and Liz and their team. This is always a good fundraiser for the club, thanks to the many donations from our members.

There are 8 Seahawks games scheduled at the club, starting September 26. The host will decide if there will be just snacks or extended food. Flyers will go out in advance of each game. George Hamlin is working on upgrading our audio/video connections, so come out to cheer on the Hawks!

Thanks to Tom and Janet for putting these together!



Past Commodores Blaine Cruise Postponed due to Delta Variance and new constraints for the gathering. The Past Commodores Cruise Committee met Monday evening and decided to postpone, not cancel, the Cruise to Blaine on Sept. 17, 18 and 19. We are moving it to late May or very early June and have told Blaine folks that. The rapid increase in case count, the increased indoor masking and gathering size rules in Whatcom County (Blaine), and the full ICU beds in all area hospitals drove this decision along with risks seniors face caused us to decide. The Committee wants to stay together and still do the exact same thing next spring because we were having fun planning a unique event. Once we know if there will be a Capidalgo event run by CCYC Yacht Club, we will schedule around it. We will also refund payment and Lee will contact those who sent checks to see if they want the check returned or destroyed.

We are sorry we had to do this but we feel it is the right thing to do right now. Please call Lee at 414-460-6456 if you have any questions.

Casual Cruise to Friday Harbor*

October 1-3

Come join your FYC friends for the last cruise of the season.

We'll rent the party barge on Breakwater A and meet there for heavy appetizers on Friday evening, and an Oktoberfest Beer and Brats Potluck on Saturday. Other than that – choose your own adventure in beautiful Friday Harbor. We'll be very safe, practicing distancing, and mask wearing in groups. Moorage rates are low, and we'll have a further discount with more than 10 boats. Estimated cruise cost per boat is \$10-\$15 dollars for the divided share of the party barge and some food.

Friday Harbor asks the Cruise Captains to submit a list of attendees, boat name and LOA. Please do not contact them.

Please come! Send your name, boat name and length overall to Al and Sue Smith at sunshinent37@gmail.com by Sunday, September 12.

*Note that this cruise is at the discretion of the Board. Depending on the status of COVID and the Delta variant this cruise may be cancelled after a decision at the September 13 Board Meeting.

FYC Garage Sale

Sept. 10 & 11, 2021

After a year's delay because of Covid, our semi-annual garage sale is coming up on September 10 & 11. This is a big deal for the club with our pandemic related income challenges and the very large collection of sale items generously donated by members. We have so much stuff we'll need two days for the sale! With enough effort, the proceeds will make a significant boost to our financial bottom line! Many of you have already contributed with donated items, time spent organizing and pricing, or both which is very appreciated. We'll need a *lot* of help with the sale itself, like from EVERYONE!

We'll begin set-up for the sale on Thursday, Sept. 9th from 2:30 – 5 PM. On Friday and Saturday, we'll have 3-hour time slots where we need volunteers. Of course, you can work more than one! Shifts are Friday from 7-10, 10-1, & 1-4 and Saturday from 7-10, 10-1, 1-4 and clean-up from 4-5. On Saturday, we may need some trucks or trailers to haul stuff. That is, if there is anything to move because from 3:30 to 4 on Saturday, everything left will be free to club members!!!

With all this stuff for sale, one challenge will be displaying it during the day and protecting it at night. We would like to borrow your tables and tarps for that. Sawhorses with plywood sheeting or doors also make great tables. Please put your names on them (tape labels are fine) and bring them to the clubhouse before Wednesday, Sept. 8th. You can leave them inside of the back door, in the area where the couch and chairs are. We'll use coverings to protect your tables.

Please contact Liz (wlweideman@comcast.net or 360-770-9721) if you have questions, need help with anything, and especially to sign up for work

2022 Commodore's Ball

Save the date – Saturday, December 4th, to celebrate our 2022 Commodore, Kathy Ramsay. We will also be introducing the Flag Officers for 2022. The location: Skyline Beach Club. Additional details to follow. Stay tuned!



Welcome New Members!

Greg and Kari Moore

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Hello FYC Wine Enthusiasts,

We'll be resuming our monthly FYC wine tastings on Tuesday, September 14 at 5:30pm via Zoom. We've decided to feature two roses for a nice transition into fall. The two roses are:

Maryhill - Rose of Sangiovese, 2019, Colombia Valley in WA State \$12.99 club price or \$11.69 with a 6 pack

La Vieille Ferme - Recolte 2020, France, \$8.99 club price or \$8.09 with a 6 pack

Both old and new members are encouraged to join us. It's a fun way to get out of your comfort zone and experience new wines. Please RSVP to lisabeach1218@gmail.com by September 12 so we can send you the Zoom link.

Tom and Lisa Wallace





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.

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 in notifications, please contact Joanne Wilshin (joannewilshin@gmail.com).

Our books through November are below.

August - [The Book of Two Ways: A Novel](#), by Jodi Picoult

September - [The Four Winds](#), by Kristin Hannah

October - [Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge, and the Teachings of Plants](#), by Robin Wall Kimmerer

November - [A Sail of Two Idiots: 100+ Lessons and Laughs from a Non-Sailor Who Quit the Rat Race, Took the Helm, and Sailed to a New Life in the Caribbean](#). Renee Petrillo

Threads & Yarns

Threads & Yarns is ready to start meeting again as fall approaches. We will meet via **Zoom on September 20th at 1 pm**. The Zoom link will be sent out a few days prior to the gathering. We will discuss when/how we might meet in-person at the clubhouse, set our monthly schedule, talk about decorating the Clubhouse for the holidays, and share our handcrafted projects that we've been working to complete.

New members are especially welcomed but please contact Barb Hylton or Mary Robbins to be put on our T&Y email list! Be sure to attend the September Dinner Meeting to see some of our spring/summer projects!

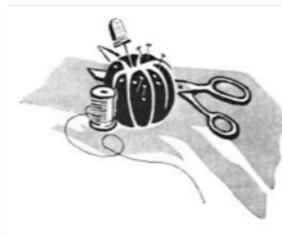


Fidalgo Yacht Club September Dinner Meeting



Thursday, September 23,
2021

Bar opens at 5:00 pm



Ever wonder who the FLRT's were? Or what Threads and Yarns was all about?

Now's your chance to find out! Come and hear brief presentations from:



Book Club
Fidalgo Ladies Rowing Team (FLRT's)
Seahawks Football Fans
Threads and Yarns
Zoom Wine Tasting



Dinner Menu: Chicken with Mushroom Sauce on Rice, Vegetable, Salad and Dessert

Prepared by our FYC Cooks – Kim, Bill, Viva, Mona and George



Host Crew – Ken, Carole, Michael, Heidi, Jim and Diana

Attire: Business Casual

Reservations by Friday, September 17 – Questions? Call Carole or Ken at (360)293-3843

September Dinner Meeting

Member's Names: _____

Guest's Names: _____

Number attending: _____ @\$20 each: Total \$ _____

Please return with check payable to FYC to Carole Buffum – 1911 Tweed Place, Anacortes, WA 98221

Or pay online on our website in the Flyers, Members Only area - <https://www.fidalgoyachtclub.org>