



White Wolf looking forlorn during the latest snowfall. Fuel tank almost ready to go though.

Winter is here but boat jobs still going ahead.

And there is no rest for the wicked so Miles continues to wrangle with the fuel tank – it's almost ready to go he tells me. His timing is terrible but he soldiers on in the cold in the hopes that come cruising time he won't have to ever call C-TOW again. Here's fingers crossed he's right.

This year's new executive came into being while we were away. Here's the new slate of eager beavers who I know are already hard at work on your behalf.

A New Year and a New Executive for 2020

Commodore:	Darlyne Farrell
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A big THANK YOU to them all. Please make it your mission to lend a hand this cruising season – it adds so much to the club and to everyone's experience when you do. Members are reminded to reserve their space for Shakedown at USSC, Snug Cove (604-947-0707 or marina@ussc.ca), our Easter Cruise to Ladysmith (Ladysmith Community Marina 250-245-1146) and our Victoria Day Cruise to Telegraph Harbour Marina on Thetis (1-800-246-6011). Don't wait too long or you could be disappointed.

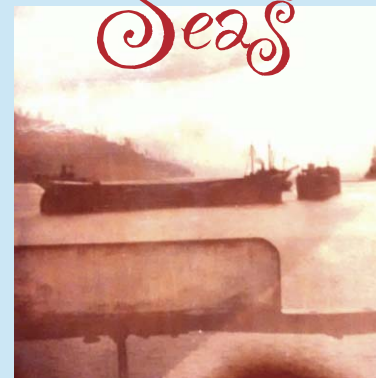
Lorraine has provided a lot of content this issue: photos from our Xmas Sing-along as well as a report and pics about George's knotty night in November – hopefully not the last time we do that. See you all at the Monday meeting!

Suzanne Walker, Editor S/V White Wolf



FEB. 10TH

Daring Rescue on the High Seas



George Paget

Can you tell where this shot was taken? Somewhere close to home?

Don't miss this exciting presentation and video by George with help from Glen.

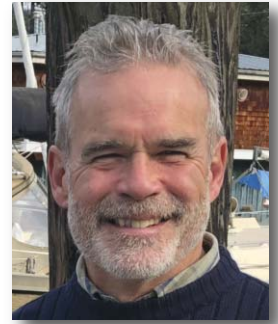
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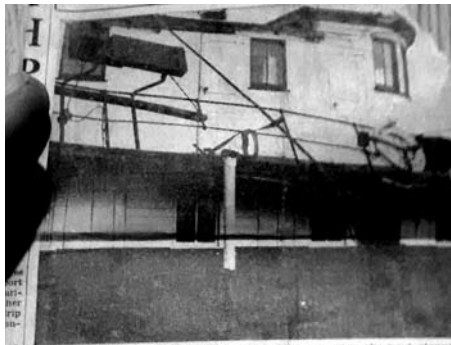
Staff Captain's Report

You might know that George Paget is a local boy, growing up in Kerrisdale. His favourite toys were a sailboat and tug built by his grandfather, Captain John Polsen. But his own mother did more than play with toy boats – in the 1930s she spent part of her youth living on a four masted sailing ship moored in Port Graves.

Which partly explains George's love of the sea and boats and all things nautical. In his presentation on Monday he is going to talk about how this noble ship ended its days in Hecate Strait and the story behind the headline on the left.



George Bamford,
Staff Captain,
S/V Somerset



Part of the damage sustained by the S.S. Salvage Queen when she went alongside the vessel's deck house was crumpled and will have to be rebuilt. It was the expert photo of Capt. F. R. MacFarlane, that rescued Capt. and Mrs. J. R. Poulson.

Sick Woman Jumped Twenty Feet From Storm-tossed Ship

Mrs. J. R. Poulson Little the Worse For Her Experience



Don't miss this presentation on February 10th!

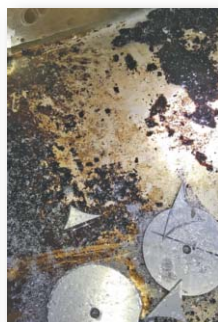
What's Caused ALL Our Problems!

Just a few pics showing the progress of Miles's work cleaning out the fuel tank – so this has been the source of our problems all along.

After cutting out inspection holes either side of the baffle to provide decent access to the tank, Miles used a ShopVac to get the majority of gunk out, then power-washed it, then wiped and scrubbed it all down after that. Finally he attached two nice new shiny inspection ports. Phew! This better work!



Miles Walker
S/V White Wolf



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"How Can I Knot?" ...

...was George's response when asked if he intended to stand-in for a no-show presenter at a meeting last November. So he did! Here's what went on at a most successful *Knottical Night* at the GYC.

Recalling Suzanne's urgings for newsletter articles, I brought my camera to the meeting to document what was covered. **Why Knot?**



After pointing out various types of knots – stoppers, hitches, loops, bends, George discussed knot tying terms such as end, standing part and bight. Action picked up a **knot** when George moved from overhead to home-made wooden prop complete with cleats, horizontal/vertical dowels, wooden toe rail, fender, ropes etc. He demonstrated the lineman's knot as a useful method of lashing items (wooden skiff) to the boat.



Lorraine de la Morandière
S/V Somerses



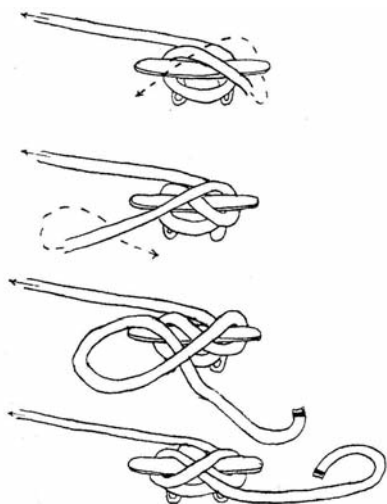
Glen Mitchell
demonstrating the
Daisy Chain
method of storing
and easily
unraveling long
lines.

The presentation took on a life of its own with an equal balance of demonstrations and participation. Everyone joined in, keen to try out new knots on George's fantastic 'knot bench'. Cristina explained her method of tying a bowline to Suzanne while Phill showed off his rapid bowline. Chuck demonstrated his Figure-Eight Flaking method of dealing with on-board deck lines – they coil without the kinks and unravel cleanly.

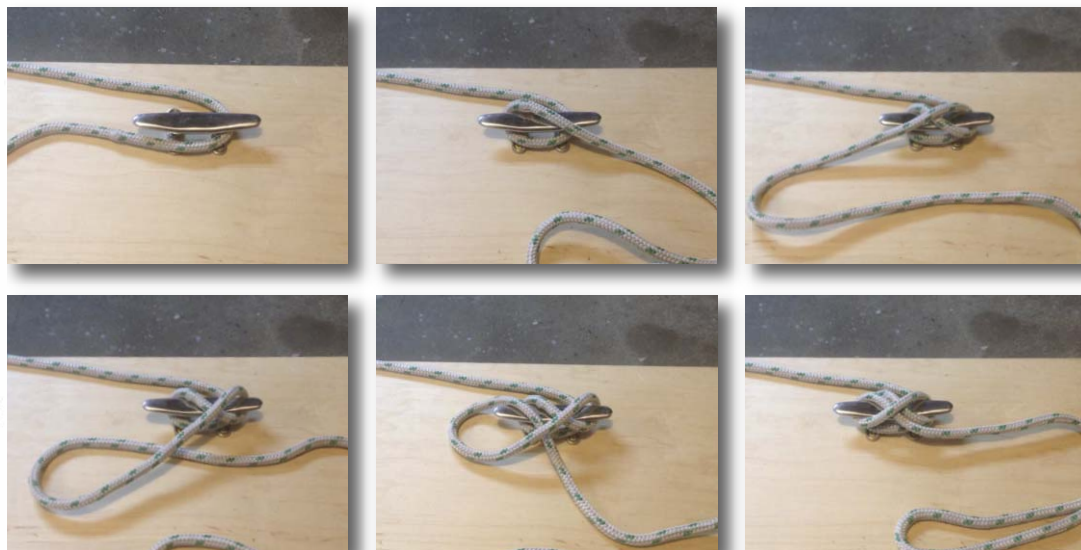


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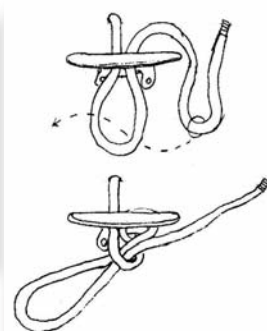
Getting it Right, Knot Wrong!



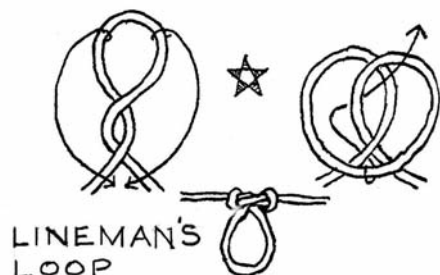
DOCK LINE
TO CLEAT



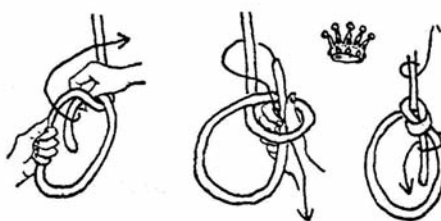
Members also tried out George's method of cleat fastening and added their input and methods. George demonstrated an easy-release method of attaching fenders to toerails or cleats. Judy Cowe was one of many who were eager to learn this method (see photos on previous page). These photos by Lorraine and great line-drawings by George further illustrate how to get the tying right.



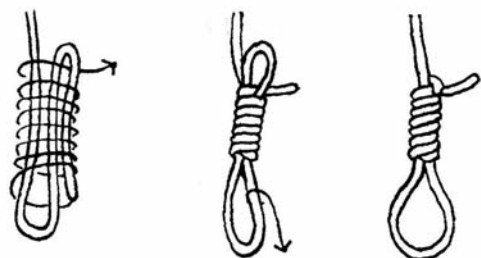
FENDER
TO CLEAT



LINEMAN'S
LOOP

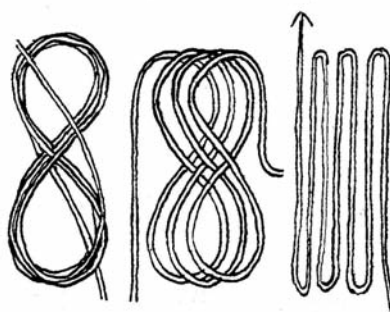


BOWLINE



HANGMAN'S KNOT

ROPE STORAGE



And that's what happened at George's *Knottical Night of Tips and Tricks*. If I have overlooked any knot-tying demonstrations, I apologize.

My only excuse?
They've slipped my
mind and become
Forget-Me-Knots.

Lorraine

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Executive Officers 2019

Commodore: Darlyne Farrell
SawLeeAh
Vice Com: Chuck Spong
Windstrel
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Commodore's Report

I consider it an honour to be your Commodore for another year and want you to know that your executive is already working hard to make this an interesting year. It's a new year and a new sailing season and I look forward to seeing you at our meetings and cruises.

I would like to welcome Chuck our new Vice Commodore and Glen, our Honorary Secretary, to the team, and I also want to thank the rest of the executive for agreeing to stay on another year. I look forward to working with all of you.

I want to thank the outgoing members of our executive for all their hard work: Chris, who was our Vice Commodore, and Cam, our Honorary Secretary. You both did great work for the club and you will be sorely missed.

As everyone knows, volunteers are the backbone of our club and make it the success it is. I encourage all of you to take the opportunity and volunteer.

I wish you sunny days, favourable winds, great friendships, good wine, delicious food and beautiful anchorages.



Darlyne (Dar) Farrell,
Commodore,
S/V SawLeeAh

I've said it before and I'll say it again
(and again)...

YOUR NEWSLETTER



Articles are now being accepted for 2020 editions

Please give some thought to writing an article for one of our upcoming newsletters. Remember: it's only with everyone's participation that the newsletter (and the club) can flourish.

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Christmas Sing-Along Great End to the Year

Thanks to Lorraine for her photos and write-up of this last event on the GYC calendar. Thanks also to Liz and George who provided the music this year, and to Chris for wielding the mic.

After the general business meeting, we raised a glass (albeit plastic) of glühwein and tucked into many delicious Christmas treats. With thirst and appetites sated, carol booklets were handed out and we launched into the sing along. Always grateful to Chris, on microphone, for leading us through the carolling. Liz replaced Ron Vandergaag who had played keyboards at this event for the past 12 years,



Lorraine de la Morandière
S/V Somerset



and, ever eager to perform, George played bass. Again this year, Tony Swain joined us and added his powerful voice to the sing along and members old and new chimed in on all our old favourites. Thanks to Liz for compiling and providing copies



of Christmas carol booklets, to George for replicating Doug Barnett's famous Glühwein recipe and to all helping hands who contributed to making our event a joyous occasion.

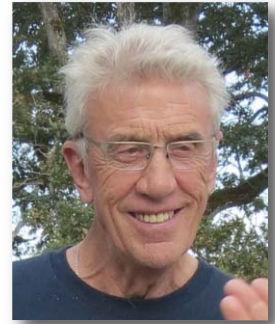


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Treasurer's 2019 Report

From a financial perspective 2019 was a good year, the membership stayed steady with some members leaving and new ones coming on board so our income was similar to the previous year and expenses were kept in check. The net is that we ended the year with an excess of \$485 income over expenses.

The table below indicates how and where your money was spent. If you have any questions or want more information, please contact me.



Martin Pengelly,
Treasurer
S/V Kailani

	COSTS	%
Cruises Net Expenses	1529	24
Staff Captain: Meeting costs, Rent	2438	38
Secretary: Affiliation fees, roster, etc.	605	10
Exec Officer: Burgees, Pins & Trophies	401	6
Awards Dinner Net Expenses	980	15
Misc. Website, bank fees, Societies Act, etc.	400	6
Total	6353	100

To all our friends and fellow sailors at the Gulf Yacht Club

It's time for us to say, "Goodbye".

From our joining year, 1972 (48 years ago, can you believe it??), we have always thought of the Gulf Yacht Club as our extended family. The Club has been a huge part of our lives. Both of us have served in various Executive positions over the years 70s, 80s and 90s until we moved to Sechart.

G.Y.C. is so close to our hearts.

We have 'swallowed the anchor', and sold our last boat, *M/V Transition*.

Seven boats, we've had. Little *Gosling* at 20 feet, was our first. We couldn't even stand up in her headroom!

We moved up to *Moonshadow*, a 1/2 ton racing sloop. *Shadowfax*, our Danish wooden yawl, was so graceful. She took us to Barclay Sound.

Our *Merry Dance* and *Stepping Stone* were our offshore boats. *Stepping Stone* took us round the world.

Frangipani was the most beautiful, and the best and most exciting one to sail.

Transition took us to the dark side, a great boat for the coast, but we found the power boating life boring.

For us, now there's a new page to turn over, and we're looking forward to some wild and different adventures (before we kick the bucket). You never know, we might charter and turn up at one of your cruises!

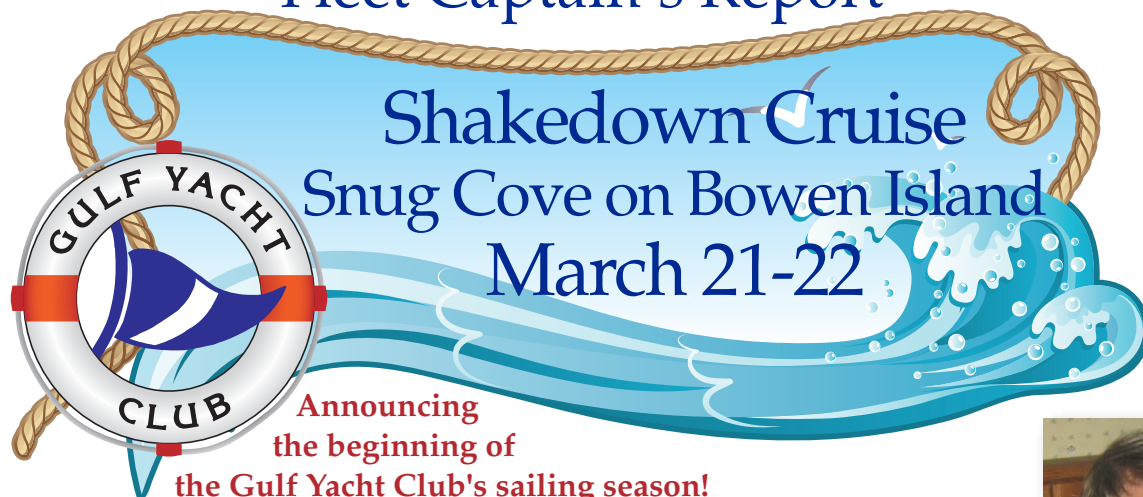
We didn't want to just disappear. We wanted you all to know how much you've meant to us, and thank you all for your friendship.

Love to you all,
Mike and Rae Sutcliffe



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Fleet Captain's Report



The GYC's season will begin with a return to the Union Steamship Marina for our Shakedown Cruise. We arrive on March 21st and depart on the 22nd.

This will be a good reason to dust the boat off, check out the systems and ensure we all have serviceable vessels. The fun part is that we can get together and play with little boats after a good breakfast on Sunday morning. Saturday evening should be a time of relaxing in the "Summer House."



The Marina has set aside 300 feet of dock space for us but each boat will need to make their own reservation. Please call in soon to the marina as our allocation for dock space will expire two weeks before we arrive if not reserved. The Summer House is available for those who are coming without their boat or want a warmer night's sleep. Staying at the Summer House costs \$25/night and dogs are an extra \$10. Not having to go far for Sunday breakfast must be worth the cost.

Please let me know when and what you reserve so that we can get an idea of how many will be there for breakfast. It will also be helpful to get a larger allocation of dock space if needed.

Call me at 604 921 8392 or email at fb8392@telus.net



Fred Bains, Fleet Captain
S/V Koinonia



Did George make another dinghy and try it out this winter?

We hope you don't find any surprises when you open your boat after the cold winter.



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Gulf Sailor Editor's Report for 2019

The newsletter has a long history as you all know from reading snippets "From the Archives". In 2017 I wondered if its days were numbered? I'm more worried than ever.



This is what I had intended to say when I gave out the Editor's Award at the Dinner Dance in November, but having left it on the kitchen table I just mumbled a few words before awarding it. I'm including the whole thing here so you'll know why I have cause to be concerned about keeping the newsletter going.

What really surprised and worried me as I looked back over the years since I took over from Keith, was not that the quality of the articles – that hadn't changed, and they continued to be highly entertaining and most interesting. However, the quantity of articles has dipped drastically: eight years ago the year's newsletters featured 28 different articles, not including my contributions or the Executive Reports – those aren't considered in determining this award, after all, it is their job to report. Five years ago we had 20 different contributors over the year and for the next years after that participation continued to be excellent. This past year, however, there has been a significant drop that I want to alert you to: this year we only had nine contributors and several of those were on the executive!

This precipitous drop, despite continuous finger wagging and requesting articles at every opportunity, has led me to question the purpose and value of the newsletter to our members. It seems that maybe the point of it has changed – it used to be a forum for ideas and experiences that, for the most part, reinforced and supported the friendly underpinnings of the club. And the extensive knowledge of club members, which is deep and invaluable, is not being shared as it once was. I very much hope we can get back to that.

I would like to thank those stalwarts who have continued to feed the newsletter – without their contributions I would have been hard pressed to keep things going. The same goes for supplying photos, particularly Lorraine, who provided them for practically every cruise and Andreas, as well. Ragnar, too, who is often snapping away, sent me much needed pics of the Labour Day festivities. I have

to thank Liz, Tom, Fred, Stewart, Ken and two Johns: Dixon and Laing, for supplying articles and photos or pointing to online stories for additional content.

Somewhere I picked up this comment about newsletters, but unfortunately I've misplaced the reference: "Newsletters help to build relationships with members through regular communication and high-value information. Articles that provide helpful technical tips demonstrate how the club, or value of combined knowledge of club members, can help others improve their own performance, get out of tricky situations, cruise more safely and have more fun doing it." That's what I hope the *Gulf Sailor* can be for our members, but it takes more participation than we had last year.

As described in the Roster, the Editor's Award is given to "a person who made a notable contribution, either in quantity or quality, to the newsletter during the year". The person I chose to receive the award last year contributed several articles that I believe take our newsletter in the right direction – a little drama, a lot of humour, and reflections on the reality of sailing – the ups and the downs. I hope that some (many?) of you will be inspired and encouraged to participate in our newsletter in a similar way.

This year the Editor's Award was given to he-of-the-improbable-name-for-a-sailor, **Robert Sinkus!**



Suzanne Walker,
Editor, S/V White Wolf



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From The Archives

John Dixon came across this account of a moonlight cruise to Silva Bay by **Kellay Hamelin** in the July/September, 2003, *Gulf Sailor*. This has been retyped so you can more easily enjoy it.

Friday the 13th of June, 2003 and we were crossing the strait for the GYC Midnight Cruise. Okay, so who really wants to be out there at midnight? Not us, so we left the dock in West Van at 5:30. We had the sails up right away with 15 – 20 knots on the beam and the seas not bad once we got out of the sound.

We touched base with *Anteries* who was close behind us, then we heard *Patience*, *Aloha I* and *Stepping Stone*. I guess no one wanted to be out there at midnight. It was a great sail until 8 miles out and then it just died. So we had dinner and turned on the engine.

We pulled into Silva Bay with *C'est la Vie* and *Boqueron* at about 9:30, with the rest soon after, although they were actually in the dark.

Saturday was a mixed bag of weather but by happy hour the GYC luck held and we had a great time aboard *Stepping Stone* (Mike and Rae) in the sunshine. We had 8 boats represented with *Cruizwear.com* coming in just in time for goodies. So Mike and Rae's hospitality was again appreciated by all 20 of us aboard that afternoon.

It was a lovely evening with some of us BBQing aboard and others dining in the pub.

Sunday was a gorgeous day, all sun but unfortunately no wind. We motored the whole way home, letting Auto take the helm while we sunbathed and read. The end to another great GYC weekend.

Three Sheets Northwest Merges with 48°

Three Sheets Northwest will officially merge with 48° North, bringing together two of the best sources for local boating news, stories and resources in the Pacific Northwest.

As of January 1, 2020, Three Sheets Northwest, the highly-respected and most-read boating website in the Pacific Northwest, has become a part of the Northwest Maritime Center and is merging with 48° North.

Three Sheets Northwest was founded in 2009 by journalism veterans and avid cruisers, Deborah Bach and Marty McOmber. The site quickly grew into the primary digital resource for news and stories both for and from boaters around the Pacific Northwest. They hired full-time cruiser and former Editor of Blue Water Sailing, Andy Cross, to be the Editor of Three Sheets Northwest in 2015.

Combining Forces

Fans of both publications may have seen the writing on the wall. Since last May, Andy Cross had been the acting Guest Editor at 48° North. Andy will essentially combine his roles with Three Sheets and 48° North into a permanent role as Editor with 48° North. He will be instrumental in driving evolution in the magazine and critical to honoring the Three Sheets legacy in their new online vision, which includes the retention of nearly all contributing writers. Deborah and Marty are going to become monthly columnists and their column, titled Three Sheets Northwest, will sometimes be published in print and other times online. They are also taking on an active advisory role to help maintain the trust of Three Sheets readers and help 48° North grow into the online content space more actively and effectively in conjunction with the magazine. Starting on Jan. 24, ThreeSheetsNW.com will be rolled into 48North.com with an all new design providing well-rounded and quality content for Pacific Northwest boating enthusiasts of all stripes. And starting this month, the 48° North magazine will have a fresh change in content with new columnists and an expanded variety of stories.

Editors Andy Cross and Joe Cline will work together across both platforms to maintain their commitment to boat adventurers of all types: both sailors and power boaters and others engaged in on-the-water activities. By blending their brands, their contributors, their subject matter, and their perspectives into one big happy boating media family they are hoping to support all their readers and benefit the entire boating community, present and future.



Suzanne Walker,
Editor, S/V White Wolf

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General Meetings
begin at 7:30 pm



Executive Meetings
begin at 7:30 pm

GYC Cruise and Meeting Schedule 2020

Month	Event Dates	Event and Cruise Location	General Meeting MONDAYS
January 2020	13	AGM and GM: Maritime Museum	Jan 13
February	10	General Meeting: Maritime Museum	Feb 10
March	9	General Meeting: Maritime Museum	Mar 9
March	21, 22	SHAKEDOWN CRUISE: Snug Cove	Sat/Sun
April	6	General Meeting: Maritime Museum	** Apr 6
April	10, 11, 12, 13	EASTER CRUISE: Ladysmith	Fri/Sat/Sun/Mon
April	25, 26	SAILPAST: Snug Cove	Sat/Sun
May	11	Pub Night: TBA	* May 11
May	15, 16, 17, 18	VICTORIA DAY CRUISE: Telegraph Harbour Marina, Thetis Island	Fri/Sat/Sun/Mon
June	5, 6, 7	SUMMER CRUISE: Gulf Islands: TBA	Fri/Sat/Sun
June	8	General Meeting: Maritime Museum	June 8
June/July	June 29, 30/July 1, 2	CANADA DAY CRUISE: Smuggler Cove	Fri/Sat/Sun/Mon
August/Sept	31/Aug 1, 2, 3	BC DAY CRUISE: Comox (Northern); Montague (Southern)	Fri/Sat/Sun/Mon
September	4, 5, 6, 7	LABOUR DAY CRUISE: Newcastle Island	Fri/Sat/Sun/Mon
September	14	Pub Night: TBA	* Sept 14
October	2, 3, 4	FALL CRUISE: Port Graves/Gibsons	Fri/Sat/Sun
October	5	General Meeting: Maritime Museum	**Oct 5
November	9	General Meeting: Maritime Museum	Nov 9
November	21	AWARDS DINNER DANCE: RVYC	Nov 21
December	14	CHRISTMAS SING-ALONG/General Meeting	Dec 14
	31	NEW YEAR'S CRUISE: Snug Cove	Dec 31
January 2020	11	AGM and GM: Maritime Museum	Jan 11

*Pub Night

** Denotes General Meeting on First Monday of the Month



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Minutes

of the General Meeting,
January 13, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 20:35 hrs by Commodore Darlyne Farrell.

Commodore comments and welcome. Guests were introduced at the AGM

The Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting were accepted by John Dixon and seconded by Nancy Little.

Business arising from the Minutes of the previous meeting

- None identified.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

Executive Officer –

- P28 Members present; 1 Guest
- As Jaimie Mcpherson was not at the Awards Banquet he was presented with the Round the Island Trophy
- Name tags created for George and Judy.

Treasurer –

- GIC Account \$4122. Chequing Account \$10516. Actual amounts are inflated as accounts payable have not been processed, i.e. unprocessed cheque for \$1000 to RVYC for Dinner Dance.

Secretary –

- Glen is glad to be in the new position and the Roster is on track.

Signals Officer –

- Photo Contest is delayed until next GM on Feb 10, 2020.

Fleet Captain –

- Club Reservations have been made for 300' at Snug Cove for the Shakedown Cruise and for 350' at Ladysmith for the Easter Cruise. Telegraph Harbour has also been reserved. Members are reminded they still need to call the marinas with their boat reservations before the Cruise. The Marina will give the space to any boat when the date is close. Fred is working on the Event Calendar.

Minutes of Annual General Meeting continued from p. ??

As Nominations closed on December 21st 2019, Vice Commodore, John Dixon introduced this slate of Officers, elected by acclamation..

Motion to Adjourn by Phill Little

Meeting adjourned 19:47 hrs.

Minutes prepared and respectfully submitted by Cam. Shields, Hon. Secretary, S/V Kwinnum.



Executive Officers Present:

Commodore	Darlyne Farrell
Vice-Commodore	Chuck Spong
Fleet Captain	Fred Bain
Staff Captain	George Bamford
Hon. Secretary	Glen Mitchell
Hon. Treasurer	Martin Pengelly
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Past Commodore	John Dixon

Absent:

Staff Captain –

- George wants ideas for presentations.

Vice Commodore –

- The new Vice Commodore is Chuck Spong.

Past Commodore –

- John is accepting nominations for next year's executive.

Gulf Sailor Editor –

- No report.

Council of BC Yacht Clubs –

- No report.

Commodore –

- Reported at AGM.

Business Arising from the Reports –

- No report.

NEW BUSINESS –

- Robert Sinkus demonstrated new GYC tee shirts and will collect interested names and sizes. He will buy the shirts and the members will pay him the \$25.10 each plus tax. The idea is to have the tee shirts ready for the boat show and for club activities. Pat Costa reminded the members the Seattle Boat show is Jan 24 to Feb 1 and the Van. Boat show is Feb 5 to 9. Members can coordinate amongst themselves times to go.
- Robert Sinkus asked if the club will have a family day activity or cruise. Dar advised that the executive will discuss the idea.

Motion to Adjourn by Cam Shields.

Meeting adjourned 20:55.

Minutes prepared and respectfully submitted by Glen Mitchell, Hon. Secretary, S/V Tucana.



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Minutes

of the Annual General Meeting,
January 13, 2020.

The meeting was called to order at 19:40 hrs by Commodore Dar Farrell.

The Minutes of the January 14, 2019 Annual General Meeting as published in the Feb 2019 Gulf Sailor were accepted by Robert Sinkus and seconded by Phill Little.

Visiting Members of the Centennial Yacht Club were introduced along with an additional two guests.

Business arising from the Minutes of the January 8, 2018 AGM • None identified.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

Executive Officer –

- Pat reported that attendance at each meeting over the year has been between 29 and 42 members. Pat introduced and welcomed Carey Baker as a guest. Pat encourages all members to bring along guests to the meetings and have them sign the guest book. She added that it is important to for the club to continue to promote our endeavours with others. Pat also mentioned that burgees are always available at \$26.00 each and boat plaques are \$8.00. The club contributed \$413 in December to the Food Bank. The Food Bank was very appreciative that it was a cash donation.

Treasurer –

- Martin reported that the GIC Account has \$4122 and the Chequing Account currently has \$10516 (with some bills from the Dinner/Dance still to be paid). This year Club members contributed \$370 to Marine Parks Forever. Phill Little moved to accept the Treasurer's Report seconded by Rob Sinkus – motion passed.

Secretary –

- Cam thanked Darlyne for her assistance over the year. He also thanked Glen Mitchell, for his work on the organization and automation of the Roster Format. He enjoyed his time as secretary and invited others to consider this position on the executive for next year, mentioning that is a great way to get to meet all members, especially new members.
- Cam reported the following Membership Statistics as of December 31, 2019:

All current members	80
Active Members	70
Active Resident Members	51
Active Non Resident	9
Associate Members	4
Associate Resident	3
Associate Non Resident	1
Honorary Life Members	2
Non Active	4
Non Active Resident	2
Non Active Non Resident	2

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Absent:	
Vice-Commodore	Chris Stangroom

Fleet Captain –

- Fred thanked volunteers for their assistance at all cruises. He was pleased with members participation and the obvious enjoyment shared by all participants.

Staff Captain –

- George encouraged members to participate as presenters, and invited all to suggest topics and speakers for our meetings.

Vice Commodore –

- From a sunny spot on a Hawaiian beach, Chris thanked so many for all their help over the year.

Hon. Signals Officer –

- The Club's website has been updated over the year and the Club's Facebook and Whatsapp sites are providing bases for member to member communication.

Past Commodore –

- Thanked all members of the 2019 executive for making his job of nominations an easy task. John thanked long term members, Rae and Mike Sutcliffe for their active participation and wished them all the best in their RV adventures.

Gulf Sailor Editor –

- Suzie said her official report will be a part next newsletter and reminded all that contributions are always welcome.

Council of BC Yacht Clubs – • No report.

Commodore –

- Darlyne thanked all for such a good year. She gave a special thank you to this year's executive for all their contributions. Chris Stangroom was thanked for all her leadership contributions in so many capacities.

Business Arising from the Reports – • None identified.

NEW BUSINESS –

- Election of Officers –

Your proposed slate of officers for 2020 is:

Commodore	Darlyne Farrell
Vice-Commodore	Chuck Spong
Fleet Captain	Fred Bains
Staff Captain	George Bamford
Executive Officer	Patrica Costa
Hon. Signals Officer	Andreas Truckenbrodt
Hon. Secretary	Glen Mitchell
Hon. Treasurer	Martin Pengelly

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