

Fircrest Yacht Club Wavemaker DECEMBER

2020



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Sonya Jeffcoat, Treasurer / leeso123@hotmail.com

Britney Latimer, Secretary / yogawithbrit@gmail.com (Third Consecutive Year)



Hello Fircrest Yacht Club Members!

It was great to see so many of our Club members come out to support the great work Toni and Harry Fairbanks do each year for the different charities. Toys for Tots, the Tacoma Rescue Mission and the St Francis Food Bank will be better off this winter because of their efforts. We are looking forward to hearing some totals after a couple hours at the Poodle Dog parking lot!

It was amazing to see so many members logging in to our first “official” business meeting via Zoom in November. Please reach out to us or any other virtual experienced member ahead of our next meeting to get assistance if you are having technical difficulties, we would like as many folks to participate as possible! We are looking at December 15th as another meeting night so please save the date and look for an email invite. -Your Commodores

I am honored to be elected another year as your Commodore and congratulate Britney Latimer as Vice Commodore and Lori Fleek as Treasurer. I want to give a big thank you to Kristi Haas for being my partner in navigating our Club through a difficult year for everyone while she also managed important work on the frontlines in healthcare. As I have said over the past few weeks, the FYC was still doing business and I want to thank Sonya Jeffcoat for keeping our finances in line. This upcoming year I definitely hope we can move forward utilizing the lessons learned during this pandemic and create a new path to continue the traditions of the Fircrest Yacht Club which includes safely cruising the waters and marinas of Puget Sound! -Gary

Thanks for the opportunity to serve as Vice Commodore this past year. My hope was to foster connections and common purpose after our contentious end to 2019. With only a couple of dinner meetings, one cruise and one really great Daffodil planning meeting, that was sure hard to do. Now, my wish for the FYC is that we keep adapting to whatever realities 2021 brings, holding our common love for boating at the center of our why. I'll keep coming back, and I hope to see you all on the water next year! -Kristi

Be safe! Gary & Kristi

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A Message from your Treasurer

I just wanted to say it has been an honor and a pleasure to serve as your Treasurer for this strange year 2020 in which we had a coronavirus pandemic.

Although we only had 2 physical meetings at Johnny's at Fife Restaurant and 1 formal Zoom meeting in November for our elections (a 4th meeting via Zoom to follow on Tuesday December 15th) and 1 cruise. We still had bills to pay, checks to write, deposits to be made and bills to be verified, in addition to reconciling our checking account monthly with input to the Wavemaker each month so you were all informed members.

I miss us meeting in person, seeing everyone and having conversations, laughter and our great exchange of information. I know there are emails being sent but we don't hear those questions and answers like we do in person.

I hope everyone takes good care of themselves. I hear taking a zinc supplement to your daily routine helps.

It would be my recommendation as Treasurer to have a Member Appreciation Party with some of our extra funds in our account when we are all able to get together again in 2021.

Feel free to contact me with any questions. Wishing you all a safe and happy holiday!

Sonya Jeffcoat, Treasurer

253-569-8889

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 2021:

COMMODORE: GARY MCVAY

VICE COMMODORE: BRITNEY LATIMER

TREASURER: LORI FLEEK

SECRETARY: TBD

FYC HOLIDAY DONATION RECAP

The red sleigh filled high with warm coats and blankets. The white sleigh filled with toys for children and food for anyone.

The generosity of a small but mighty group of FYC peeps will be so very appreciated by many. I've been doing this a long time and this was truly the largest food drive I can remember. The coats and blankets are going to keep some people very warm in the coming months.

It was good to see everyone and the beautiful day allowed for good conversations! Great to catch up and see people.

Our little crowd brought a random driver by who donated \$40 to the cause! Random acts of kindness are alive and well! I turned it into more food. Also need to give a shout out to Kelly from Foss Marina for stopping by.

Big thanks to the Weavers, McNeils, Haverlocks, Loyds, McVays, Martins, Haas, Latimers, Stephen-Shortts, Garry Finck, and Terri Stewart for your generosity. Keith and Liz win the award for having driven the farthest!! So good to see everyone.

Merry Christmas to all and best wishes for a better 2021. Stay safe.

UPDATE: St. Francis House is closed until December 14th unfortunately. When I dropped off the toys, it was suggested I take the food to the Puyallup Food Bank, so I did. You may have heard on the news that they are struggling. They were very grateful for our donation.

Toni and Harry Fairbanks





LIGHTED BOAT PARADE DETAILS PER TYC – IF INTERESTED

Saturday, December 19th @5pm (or a little before)

All decorated boats are to gather a safe distance between the TYC Clubhouse and Anthony's Restaurant.

A Captain's meeting will be held via Channel 72. No need to formally sign up, just be sure to be at the Captains meetings for full instructions.

Decorate the starboard side of your vessel and the parade will be from TYC to Dock Street Marina. Dock Street Marina slips are already full, but don't forget to look at the Seaport Docks for space if you're interested in staying overnight.

No after party/or other related events planned.

Gene from TYC is going to be sending me an email once we get closer to the date and I will share it with all of you. If you have more questions and would like to contact him, you can do so at (253) 243-4212.

The Salty Tribe will be participating for the first time and we hope to see some of our Fircrest friends enjoying the festivities too!

**REMINDER TO ATTEND THE ZOOM MEETING ON
TUESDAY DECEMBER 15 AT 6:30 PM!!!**

**LOOK FOR AN EMAIL ZOOM INVITATION OR
ATTEND VIA FACETIME**

**PLEASE CHECK OUT OUR RECIPROCAL
MOORAGE LINK:**

www.yachtdestinations.org



December Birthdays

- 8 Val Sheehy
- 17 Burt Ausetz
- 19 Terri Stewart
- 23 Bob Ruel
- 24 Alicia Down
- 27 Alan Martin
- 27 Kevin Loyd

January Birthdays

- 11 Oslyn Latimer
- 15 Leanne Hobbs
- 16 Bob Polus
- 25 Britney Latimer
- 25 Garry Weaver

FYC NOVEMBER CHECKBOOK BALANCE



Fircrest Yacht Club

Checkbook Balance as of 10/31/2020	\$ 10,396.34
Income	\$ -
Expenses	\$ (1,291.87)
Checkbook Balance as of 11/30/2020	\$ 9,104.47



OTHER FYC POSITIONS:

Webmaster: Lee Jeffcoat / leeso123@hotmail.com

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FYC Website Members Only Page



The Password is: daffodil

NOVEMBER 2020 - Fircrest Yacht Club Meeting Minutes

Welcome & Call to Order	<p>Commodore Gary called meeting to order at 6:30pm via Zoom virtual platform. Roughly 28 boats are represented (a few even joined via Facetime).</p> <p><i>*This is the first official meeting we have had since February 2020 due to the state mandated COVID-19 recommendations.</i></p>
Commodore's Report <i>Gary McVay</i>	<p>Emails went out over the past week that included two 2021 Budget proposals and a proposed 2021 Cruise Schedule. Gary has answered many emails regarding those documents and thank you to all who nominated 2021 Board members via email as well.</p> <p><u>Current nominations for the 2021 Board:</u></p> <p>Commodore – Gary McVay Vice Commodore – Britney Latimer Treasurer – Lori Fleek Secretary – no nomination yet</p> <p>A reminder that while we have cancelled all meetings and cruises since March 1, 2020, the Club has still been paying its bills. Including, but not limited, to: PO Box, website, reciprocal payments, insurance and the Club storage unit. Even though we are not meeting in person, there is still work being done and money being spent behind the scenes.</p> <p>Everyone has been affected by the pandemic in one way or another. It's been a hard year. The end goal for us it to figure out how to enjoy each other and boating while being safe at the same time.</p> <p>Toni Fairbanks is unable to join us tonight on Zoom, but she has passed along important information to Gary McVay regarding our yearly donations that we traditionally make during the annual Christmas Party (that is canceled for 2020). Toni and Harry will be at the Poodle Dog parking lot, November 29, 1:00-2:30pm to collect Toys for Tots, clean coats for the Tacoma Rescue Mission and non-perishable food for St. Francis Food Bank. More details to come but please mark your calendars for this drive thru/drop off event. Thank you Toni for organizing a donation drive that can help so many on behalf of us!</p>
Vice Commodore's Report <i>Kristi Haas</i>	<p>Visual vote taken to approve the proposed 2021 Cruise Schedule as sent in email this week. All online members in attendance gave a thumbs up. Cruise Schedule APPROVED.</p>
Treasurer Report <i>Sonya Jeffcoat</i>	<p>Current Balance: \$ 8935.60</p> <p>This year we only had 1 cruise and 2 meetings while also paying the bills as the Commodore mentioned.</p> <p>FYC has \$500 to spend for our end of year charity donation. Member discussion of potential recipients including Nourish Pierce County Food Bank and Tacoma Sea Scouts earmarked specifically for the SSS Odyssey drydock fundraiser.</p>

	<p><u>2021 Budget:</u> Two Budgets were sent out for review via email. One showing zero members dues paid (since 2020 was mostly canceled and the future of 2021 is undetermined) and one showing full dues paid. Member discussion.</p> <p>Sonya Jeffcoat made a motion to pass the “no dues” budget. It was seconded. Then there was much discussion. Sonya made a friendly amendment to her motion to make dues “voluntary” allowing room for members to donate their dues to the Club or not pay at all for 2021 with no repercussions (this does not apply to new members). This amendment was seconded and APPROVED.</p>
Secretary's Report <i>Britney Latimer</i>	<p>No report.</p> <p>Motion made to approve the February 2020 meeting minutes as posted in the March 2020 Wavemaker. Seconded and APPROVED.</p>
Committee Reports:	<p><u>Sunshine</u> (Kathy Loyd) Scott Haverlock is currently in the hospital (and also Facetiming with Kim during our meeting!) due to knee surgery and then a blocked blood vessel. Send Scott and Kim your love.</p> <p><u>Handbook</u> (Sonya Jeffcoat) Handbooks were not updated this year due to COVID/lack of meetings. They will be done 2021 by March/April, so please send her any updates to your personal contact/boat information.</p> <p><u>Website</u> (Lee Jeffcoat) No report.</p> <p><u>Clothing</u> (Gary McVay) Gary is still researching an online store option. He is looking at 3 different vendors and will update as progress is made.</p> <p><u>Nametags</u> (Gary McVay) Reminder to wear your nametag at Club events to help newer members get to know you.</p> <p><u>Facebook</u> (Britney Latimer) No report, but thanks to our members for posting random memories, questions or conversation starters. While we haven't been able to physical see each other, these little things bring a lot of smiles. That is what the private page is for...the more you use it, the more fun we can all have!</p>
Last Cruise Report	N/A
Upcoming Cruise Info	N/A
Old Business	<p><u>End of Year Awards:</u> Please send Gary any suggestions or opinions for revamping the traditional end of year awards (Boo-Boo, Family of the Year, etc).</p>

Tom Tinker nominates "COVID-19" for the Boo-Boo Award 2020. While we are not hosting our traditional Christmas Party/Awards ceremony this year...everyone agrees.

By-Laws:

Gary McVay is still diligently going through our handbook to update our By-Laws. Please email him with any suggestions or concerns you may have within the handbook so it may be addressed to the Club for updating.

New Business

2021 Board Elections (via email and this Zoom meeting):

Commodore – Gary McVay

Vice Commodore – Britney Latimer

Treasurer – Lori Fleek

Secretary – no accepted nominations

Motion made by Michele Auseth to accept nominations as presented.

Seconded. APPROVED. Congrats to our new Board, we will still be looking for a Secretary. Please contact the Board if interested.

Mark your calendar for the *2021 Tacoma Yacht Club Lighted Boat Parade*, December 19th @ 5:30pm. It would be great to see a strong participation from FYC! Check TYC website for more details.

Britney Latimer makes a motion to *donate \$250 to Nourish Pierce County Food Bank and \$250 to the Tacoma Sea Scouts* (earmarked for the SSS Odyssey drydock fundraiser). Seconded and APPROVED. Treasurer Sonya to mail donations.

New Member Swear In

No new members this month.

Good of the Order Drawing

N/A

Raffle Basket Drawing

N/A

Next Meeting & Adjournment

Potential meeting in December, more info to come. Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

2020 CRUISE SCHEDULE

Date	Event	Hosts
Jan 29	Meeting @ Johnny's at Fife 6:30 pm	N/A
Feb 14, 15, 16	Valentines Day Cruise-Dock Street(15 slips confirmed)	Fleek/Milsap/Ford
Feb 18	Meeting @ Johnny's at Fife 6:30 pm	N/A
CANCELED Mar 17	Meeting @ Johnny's at Fife 6:30 pm	N/A
CANCELED Mar 20, 21, 22	March Madness Cruise - Arabella's (15 reserved) Room Fee	Latimer
CANCELED Apr 17, 18, 19	Daffodil Marine Festival @ Breakwater Marina	Ruel-Stewart/Stow
CANCELED Apr 21	Meeting @ Johnny's at Fife 6:30 pm	N/A
CANCELED May 19	Meeting @ Johnny's at Fife 6:30 pm	N/A
CANCELED May 22, 23, 24, 25	Memorial Day Cruise - Brownsville (20 slips confirmed) Fee	
CANCELED Jun 12, 13, 14	Longest Day Cruise@ Longbranch Marina	Enders/McVay
CANCELED Jul 3, 4, 5	Fourth of July Cruise - Bell Harbor (20 slips reserved) Fee - Must call & pay 1st night	
CANCELED Aug 7, 8, 9	Poulsbo Cruise (22 slips reserved) Fee	Haas / Wittmann
CANCELED Aug 28, 29,30	Kid's Cruise to Longbranch	Fairbanks
CANCELED Sep 4, 5, 6, 7	Labor Day Cruise - Kingston (15 slips) Fee	
CANCELED Sep 15	Meeting @ Johnny's at Fife 6:30 pm	N/A
CANCELED Oct 2, 3, 4	October Cruise-Dock Street (15 slips)	
CANCELED Oct 20	Meeting @ Johnny's at Fife 6:30 pm	N/A
CANCELED Oct 30, 31, Nov 1	Halloween Cruise - Des Moines - Fee	Martin/Co-Host welcome
Nov 17	Meeting via Zoom 6:30 pm	N/A
CANCELED Nov 27, 28, 29	Leftovers Cruise to Arabella's Landing (15 slips available) Room Fee	
CANCELED Dec 5	People with Disabilities Cruise - Volunteer Event Only	Kevin & Kathy Loyd
CANCELED Dec 6	Holiday Party - Tacoma Yacht Club	FYC Board

**“CHRISTMAS will ALWAYS
BE AS LONG AS WE STAND
HEART TO HEART AND
HAND IN HAND.”**

~ Dr. Seuss



I was going to quit all my bad
habits for the new year
but then I remembered that
nobody likes a quitter.

Happy New Year!