



# Fircrest Yacht Club Wavemaker

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## MAY 2023



### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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**Sunshine Committee: Marlo Goetz**

**Handbook Co-Editors: Lee & Sonya Jeffcoat**

**Basket Auction: Kim Weaver**

## Commodore Report

**Very proud of our club and the successful Daffodil Parade weekend. Cruising away with the Flag Ship 1<sup>st</sup> Place Award AND the Commodore's Perpetual Choice Award for our decorated boat! Thank you for all the hard work of all who participated. Special thanks to Liz and Keith McNeil, Kim and Gary Weaver, Dana, Kevin and Kathy Loyd for being such great hosts and being patient with the Board. Tom Stowe, thank you for making sure we got our salute practice in. Shout out to all the helpers that made the weekend a success.**

**We are looking to increase our membership numbers as our current membership number is 30 boats. The information to join has been added to the FYC website and we are looking for input on how to spread the word. We will be posting in the Foss Harbor Marina newsletter. New members mean fresh faces to host cruise's.**

**We had guest speaker, Wayne Gilham from RBAW, come and enlighten the club on their mission. "RBAW takes the lead in representing yacht club interests, and those of our members. Our recreational boating pillars are Advocacy, Awareness and to Preserve and Grow boating Opportunities." Membership is \$20 per boat family per year. We will be paying individually for membership but joining as a club. We will be collecting for those members that are interested at the May member meeting. For more info see website:**

**<https://www.rbaw.org/Membership>**

**May meeting will be our last meeting before the summer break.**

**Happy cruising!**

**Lori Fleek**

**FYC 2023 Commodore**

## Vice Commodore Report

Congratulations to a fun and successful Daffodil, great time had by all!

We are still looking for cruise hosts for Labor day weekend in Swantown (Olympia), and Halloween in Des Moines.

If you are interested in hosting any cruises, but a little unsure, please get in touch with me, and I will do my best to get you hooked up with a more experienced host. Even if you are not new, but just don't want to take it on all by yourself, let me know!

Fun fact: When you host a cruise, you get additional points towards becoming boating family of the year. So, if you have sponsored a new member, or are planning to, you should definitely jump on one, or both of the host less, cruises left. If you haven't sponsored a new member, but still want to be in the running for Family of the year, take both! Secure your spot!

Happy boating!

Paige Shortt

FYC Vice Commodore 2023

## Treasurer Report:

### FYC BANK & REGISTER BALANCES



Fircrest Yacht Club Account	
FYC Balance as of 3/31/23	\$ 8,128.62
Income	\$ 709.00
Expenses	\$ (1,256.61)
FYC Balance as of 4/30/23	\$ 7,581.01
Bank Balance as of 5/1/23	\$ 7,906.01



Shannon Olsen  
Treasurer 2023

**Members ONLY Website:**

[www.fircrestyc.org](http://www.fircrestyc.org)

**Password: daffodil (all lowercase)**

## Introducing Our Newest FYC Members:

### Mike & Judy Markee



6 children, three hers/three his,,, Brady Bunch!

13 grandchildren, 1 year to 24 years. All somewhat local, a few stray nuts..

Judy native Tacoman, Mike originally from Michigan, in Tacoma since 1981.

Judy works at MultiCare, Finance Dept, retirement in view.

Mike is semi retired. I write tech reviews for oil refinery equipment under fabrication at manufacturing sites around the Pacific Northwest and am currently self employed as a free range chicken (Independent Consultant). Formerly at Atlas Foundry for a week past forever. As I pick up work ad-hoc, my days tend to resemble the life of a free range chicken. I put in 30 years at Atlas Foundry in Tacoma, until 2013 when I made a mad dash for the door...

Long time boaters, always 22 feet or so. Will likely stay at that size as grandkids like to tube and race around the sound.

Mike is avid salmon fisher, sometimes salmon catcher!

We moor at Breakwater Marina, 8 blocks from our home, three slips from Dale and Jane Bouge, our sponsors.

We hope to make a few cruises this year.

See ya'll around the sound!

Mike and Judy Markee

## April 18, 2023- Fircrest Yacht Club Meeting Minutes

<b>Welcome &amp; Call to Order</b>	Commodore called meeting to order at 6:30 pm at the Poodle Dog Restaurant in Fife, WA.
<b>Any Guest Speakers/Guests</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Speaker 6:30 pm - Wayne Gilham with RBAW (Recreational Boating Association of Washington) – introduced by Kristi Haas.</li> <li>• Wayne has been a member of the Gig Harbor Yacht Club 20 years.</li> <li>• RBAW is the only organization representing the boat owners in government affairs throughout the state. Meet quarterly with agencies like the Dept. of Natural Resources.</li> <li>• RBAW recently purchased Lakebay Marina and turned it over to the Dept. of Natural Resources to keep it in the public domain. They hope to put grants towards a new fuel station there.</li> <li>• We are asked to consider membership in RBAW.</li> <li>• Membership is \$20 per club member / family.</li> <li>• Membership fee allows for a full-time lobbyist.</li> <li>• 25% of excise tax goes towards removing derelict vessels.</li> <li>• One Bill in the legislature this year: Orcas – increased protection to 1000 yards, applies to the southern residents. Can you see an orca at a thousand yards? Can you tell if it's a southern resident or transient? Was a \$500 fine at discretion of officer who can provide educational materials.</li> <li>• Will send info on how the FYC can apply.</li> <li>• FYC will assign a delegate to work with RBAW once a month.</li> </ul>
<b>Commodore's Report</b> <i>Lori Fleek</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If you have photos from Daffodil, please share with Kristi Haas or post on the FYC member' Facebook page.</li> <li>• Thanks to Kevin and Kathy Loyd for providing Done Truckin' as the Flag Ship and a big hand to Dana Loyd for decorating.</li> <li>• Thanks to Tom Stow for training the FYC Board to salute.</li> <li>• Thanks Breakwater Marina and TYC.</li> <li>• Membership drive – any ideas how to increase members? Put more info on the website.</li> <li>• Anyone interested in running on the 2024 board?</li> </ul>
<b>Vice Commodore's Report</b> <i>Paige Shortt</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Still need hosts for Halloween and Labor Day – we are offering bribes – your choice a FYC duffle bag or two FYC mugs and a t-shirt.</li> <li>• Liz McNeil asked if the Halloween cruise is combined with Des Moines Yacht Club?</li> </ul>
<b>Treasurer's Report</b> <i>Shannon Olsen</i>	Current Balance: \$7844.75 Current # of Members: 30
<b>Secretary's Report</b> <i>Diana Graves</i>	Motion to approve minutes: Kerri Swift Seconded by: Keith McNeil

## April 18, 2023- Fircrest Yacht Club Meeting Minutes

### Committee Reports:

#### Sunshine (Marlo Goetz) –

- Welcome card to new members Mike and Judy Markee
- Marty Hobbs recovering from shoulder surgery
- Drew Haas recovering from surgery

#### Handbook (Lee and Sonya Jeffcoat) - not present

#### Website (Kristi Haas) –

- Email cruise photos for the website to: [kristijeanrn@yahoo.com](mailto:kristijeanrn@yahoo.com)
- Tom Stow- thanked Kristi and Eddie for a great job on website.
- Kristi: said the view of website can be wonky if viewed on mobile apps.
- Cruise is now Cruise and Events. Checks those links out!

#### Communications/Facebook (Britney Latimer) –

- Encourages you to post your photos

#### Name Tags (Dustin Latimer) –

- if we want/need replacement name tags, we can put together an order.
- Lori Fleek asked about extensions for tags that show what previous board positions you had, for example.
- Liz and Lori suggested more flair!

#### Apparel (Gary McVay/Eddie Graves) –

- Eddie had a request for % zip. They don't carry that, but they do have full zip hoody. Any other ideas – let Eddie know.

#### Meeting Basket (Kim Weaver) –

- Tommy Bahama salad bowl and serving platter.

### Last Cruise Report

#### March - Poulsbo Cruise (Marlo Goetz)

- 7 FYC Boats
- 8 FYC members by land
- See cruise notes on the FYC website

#### April – Daffodil Cruise Theme Boat and Flag Ship (Liz McNeil & Kim Weaver)

- Done Truckin' won 1<sup>st</sup> Place for Flag Ship
- Luna Sea won the Commodore's Choice Award
- Kim and Liz thanks to everyone who came and for all the help decorating.
- Special thanks to Tom Stowe, Toni and Harry Fairbanks, Vicki and Steve Lawrence and Marty for teaching Liz to weld!
- Keith Weaver requested we pick a date to clear everything out of Mike Lawrence's boat house.

## April 18, 2023- Fircrest Yacht Club Meeting Minutes

<b>Upcoming Cruise Info</b>	<u>May 26-29<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day Cruise @ Brownsville Marina</u> (Kerri & Tom Swift w/Toni Fairbanks) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cookie contest on Saturday!</li><li>• Collecting donations of toiletries for the Rescue Mission. Donations can be dropped off at the meeting in May if not attending the cruise.</li><li>• See cruise flyer on the FYC website.</li></ul>
<b>Old Business</b>	Need cruise hosts for Labor Day and Halloween
<b>New Business</b>	RBAW membership <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tom Stow – shall we discuss.</li><li>• Toni Fairbanks – I'm for it, I think it's a great idea.</li><li>• FYC membership is \$20 per boat.</li><li>• Lori Fleek suggests we all pay our own \$20 and join as a club. It is an annual fee. Can discuss if FYC pays it in future for all members.</li><li>• Joining is optional. Send info out -pay by next meeting / May cruise. Research if club members who don't join get benefits?</li><li>• Kevin Goetz nominated Kevin Loyd.</li></ul>
<b>Good of the Order Drawing</b>	Luna Latimer drew – Carol Stow not present, Second draw, Tom Stow – donated the \$5 to the bird fund.
<b>Raffle Basket Drawing</b>	Oslyn Latimer drew – Bob Shortt won!
<b>Next Meeting &amp; Adjournment</b>	Next meeting is Tuesday, May 16th, 2023 - Meeting adjourned at 7:39 pm.

**NEXT MEETING:**

**TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2023 @ 6:30 PM**

**POODLE DOG RESTAURANT  
BALLROOM  
1522 54<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE EAST  
FIFE, WA 98424**



May Birthdays

2 Sonya Jeffcoat  
4 Kevin Goetz  
7 Kim Weaver  
9 Garry Finck  
9 Shannon Olsen  
26 Kevin Fleek

June Birthdays

3 Paige Shortt  
15 Vicki Thompson  
18 Keith McNeil  
20 Diana Graves  
23 Rob Woolery

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## Daffodil Cruise Report

By Hosts: Kim Weaver & Liz McNeil

We had another successful Daffodil cruise weekend. Thanks to everyone who came by boat and by car to help our club to another big win! Our decorated boat, Luna Sea, won the Commodores Choice trophy. Thank you Keith and Liz McNeil for all of your hard work and leading us to a great win! Our decorated boat theme was Message In a bottle.

Congratulations to Kevin and Kathy Loyd on the Done Truckin, as well as our officers for their first place win for the FYC Flagship. Word is from shore that our Officer salute was perfect! The weather may have been crummy but that didn't damper the FYC Spirit! The Tacoma Yacht Club provided a wonderful time that was enjoyed by all. Good drinks, good food, and good music.

Lets do it again next year!

Kim Weaver & Liz McNeil, Cruise Hosts



Commodore's Choice Trophy




Flagship 1<sup>st</sup> Place



# Daffodil Cruise Report & Photos





MAY 26 –29, 2023

# MEMORIAL DAY CRUISE

BROWNSVILLE  
MARINA

PLEASE JOIN YOUR FYC  
FRIENDS AT BROWNSVILLE  
FOR OUR FIRST 3-DAY  
WEEKEND OF THE SEASON!



Here's what you need to know:

Friday 6:00 Appetizers on the Dock.

Saturday 2:00 in the Pavilion. BBQ  
Burgers and Dogs, club provided. Please  
bring sides and salads to share. \*See  
below for dessert info.

Plan to stay for a rousing game of Left,  
Right, Center

Sunday 4:00 in the Pavilion. Full on  
potluck! Bring whatever you want! Use  
your imagination!

\*Something new this cruise! We're having a  
cookie contest! Bust out your favorite recipe and  
enter to win prize! Bring your best cookie to the  
Pavilion Saturday for judging (and our  
enjoyment).

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Contact your hosts Kerri and Tom Swift at  
253-213-1022 or [wondermomofsix@gmail.com](mailto:wondermomofsix@gmail.com)  
to reserve your spot.

No need to call the marina. Register on arrival.

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\*\*\* Fircrest Generous Spirit \*\*\*

Donations are requested for toiletry items for the  
Rescue Mission. Suggested items - toothpastes  
and brushes, shampoo, deodorant, feminine  
hygiene products, soaps, razors, etc.

DATE	EVENT	HOSTS
JAN 17	MEETING@ POODLE DOG 6:30PM	N/A
FEB 10-12	VALENTINE'S DAY CRUISE - DOCK STREET (15 SLIPS CONFIRMED)	GRAVES
FEB 21	MEETING@ POODLE DOG 6:30PM	N/A
MAR 24-26	POULSBO MARINA (12 SLIPS CONFIRMED) Jannese offered to assist in poker run.	FLEEK & GOETZ
MAR 21	MEETING@ POODLE DOG 6:30PM	N/A
APR 14-16	DAFFODIL MARINE FESTIVAL BREAKWATER & TYC	McNeil & Weaver
APR 18	MEETING@ POODLE DOG 6:30PM	N/A
MAY 16	MEETING@ POODLE DOG 6:30PM	N/A
MAY 26-29	MEMORIAL DAY CRUISE BROWNSVILLE (15 SLIPS CONFIRMED)	Swifts - Mentor Toni Fairbanks
JUN 23-25	WATERFRONT PARK & CITY DOCK EAGLE HARBOR (10-15 SLIPS CONFIRMED)	OLSEN & LATIMER
JUN 30-JUL 2*	4TH OF JULY @ PORT ORCHARD *MUST RESERVE ADDTL DAYS TO STAY OVER THE 4TH (15 SLIPS CONFIRMED)	LAWRENCE & WOOLERY
AUG 11-13	SHILSHOLE BAY MARINA (15 SLIPS CONFIRMED)	FLEEK & GOETZ & MILLSAPS & FORDS
SEPT 1-4	LABOR DAY CRUISE @ SWANTOWN MARINA (15 SLIPS CONFIRMED BOATER TO CALL DIRECT)	
SEPT 19	MEETING@ POODLE DOG 6:30PM	N/A
SEPT 29-OCT 1	LONGBRANCH MARINA (15 SLIPS CONFIRMED)	ENDERS
OCT 17	MEETING@ POODLE DOG 6:30PM	N/A
OCT 27-29	HALLOWEEN CRUISE @ DES MOINES MARINA (10 SLIPS CONFIRMED) \$25 DUE AT SIGNUP COVERS FRIDAY NIGHT MOORAGE	
NOV 21	MEETING@ POODLE DOG 6:30PM	N/A
NOV 24-26	LEFTOVERS CRUISE @ ARABELLA'S LANDING (12 SLIPS CONFIRMED W/ NETSHED) USE EVENT CODE TO RESERVE	FAIRBANKS
DEC 3	HOLIDAY PARTY @ TYC	FYC BOARD