

Lopez Island Yacht Club

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 Wednesday, October 16
 Board Meeting 4:30 pm
 General Membership 6:00 pm

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OCTOBER 2019

Hi, fellow LIYC members!

As another season of cruising comes to a close, it is with great sadness that I let you know that **Rob McNeil**, our Vice Commodore, died this week after a long illness. He will be greatly missed by all of us, and most of all by his wife Arlene. He was a good man and a good friend to many. He was always there to help. The LIYC board and other LIYC members will be taking over his responsibilities over the next year.

With just three months left in 2019, we are still looking for a member to volunteer and fill the position of Rear Commodore for next year. Our club runs on the energy and efforts of our members who volunteer their time and talents. There is only one prerequisite to qualify for the position on our board: a willingness to help. Other board members will be there to support you. There is never a perfect time to volunteer; there is just a decision to participate. Please let me or any other board member know if you want to help or if you just have questions about the position.

As we move from our cruising season into Autumn, I thought I'd review what a remarkable summer it has been in so many ways. For most of us, our boating season began in May with our Opening Day celebration hosted by **Rob McNeil** and the Opening Day Sailboat Challenge organized by Russ Johnson. Then on to a mid-week cruise to the Rosario Resort, the Clambake at Flat Point and the Commodore's Cruise to Victoria in June. July began with our July 4th parade float which won the first ever "Bosko Bailey Award" for our years of celebrating fun and eccentricity with our parade entries. July ended with the beginning of our wonderful North Cruise. Our cruise continued into August. September activities began on the 7th with the Lopez Cup sailboat race organized by **Russ Johnson.** Two weeks later, more than 50 members attended our membership potluck dinner at the Islander and were entertained by Dave Welker's film of the ESPN fishing tournament he hosted in Hawaii years ago. We were delighted to welcome seven new LIYC members attending their first LIYC dinner and hope to see all of them at many more LIYC activities in the future.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING:

OCTOBER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

WEDNESDAY, October 16, 2019 Islander Resort Marina

6:00 Social Hour 7:00 Buffet Dinner

Dinner catered by the Islander: Prime rib, halibut, salad, roasted seasonal vegetables, and chocolate chip cookies.

Cost is \$34 per person, which includes tax and gratuity

Russ Johnson will present his 2013 adventure sailing from Lopez Island to San Diego with Rob McNeil, Joe Golberg and Steve Rubey on his 47' Beneteau "Sanpdragon"

Go online: www.lopezislandyachtclub.com, make your reservation and payment using PayPal or your credit card

Or

Mail your check to: LIYC, P O Box 22, Lopez Island, WA 98261

CRUISERS COLLEGE Marine Technology Center, 1606 R Avenue, Anacortes, WA 98221

Email Mike.Beemer@skagit.edu for October Dates and Times

Or

Check the website: cruiserscollege.org

Marine Canvas for Cruisers by Mike Reese

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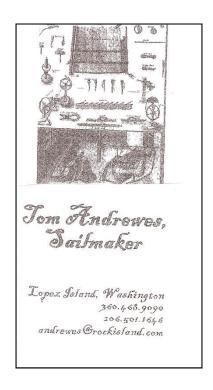
For our final "official" cruise of the summer, 13 boats (and several "land yachts") travelled to Cap Sante Marina in Anacortes for fun, food and our first ever feature length movie on the dock "Captain Ron" organized by our Rear Commodore **John Zaborsky**.

This month we will have a catered dinner at the Islander with a delicious menu including prime rib, halibut, roasted vegetables and salad. Freshly baked chocolate chip cookies will be served for dessert. The cost will be \$34 per person. You will be able to make your reservation and your payment online this year or you can still mail in your check to LIYC, P O Box 22, Lopez Island, WA 98261. **Russ Johnson** will make a presentation about his 2013 adventure sailing from Lopez Island to San Diego on his 47' Beneteau *Snapdragon* with his crew, **Rob McNeil, Joe Golberg and Steve Rubey.**

Our November dinner will be a potluck on Wednesday, November 20 again at the Islander. Our member dinners begin with a social hour at 6, followed by dinner at 7 and a presentation at 8. I am very excited to let you know that our November presentation will be about the marine history of Lopez Island presented by longtime resident **Bob Hughes** and **Amy Hildenbrand**, the director of the Lopez Island Historical Museum.

For your planning purposes, our Holiday Dinner is scheduled for Saturday evening, December 14th at the Galley Restaurant. As the Galley ownership will be changing before that date, I will get the 100% confirmation of that date in a few weeks.

Your Commodore, Mike North





The FALL CRUISE TO CAP **SANTE MARINA in Anacortes**

(September 21-23) offered a wide selection of weather as well as activities.





Jamie and Lauren Stephens >>



Dave and Pam Christensen

<<







Duane and Audrey Bordvick >>



John and Nancy Butte





2019 LOPEZ CUP RESULTS submitted by Racing Chair Russ Johnson

The 8th annual Lopez Cup is in the books. It was a mostly light wind affair. The Class B boats started in 5 to 7 knots of wind and quickly cleared out of the wind shadow at the start. They were in the middle of the bay by the time the Class A boats started in 0 to 2 knots.

On *Speedster* we could barely see Tom Patty in *Joy Ride* and Ray Pingree on *Shillelagh* by the time we got past the fish traps. Class A was able to make up some time as there was another flat spot at the Coast Guard buoy turning mark near Cattle Pass. *Shillelagh* had about a 5 minute lead on *Speedster* at the mark, however, we were able to pull them back and rounded the fish traps coming home about 20 seconds behind. It wasn't quite enough to catch them as they finished 11 seconds ahead of us—closest finish ever in the Lopez Cup. *Freya* and Mike Kamiskas and Christine Carpenter were third to finish followed by Tom Patty on *Joy Ride* in fourth place. Dave Welker with Judy at the helm of *Wailau* and Richard Lotz

(with lots of kids on board) on **Devine Wind** were 5th

and 6th respectively.



First place in each class received a dinner for two and bottle of wine courtesy of the Islander Resort. Second and third received two appetizers and two cocktails. The first place winner *Shillelagh* and Skipper Ray Pingree will also have their name engraved in our beautiful perpetual trophy that hangs in the Lopez Island "Yacht Club". And lastly all received those "coveted" etched beer glass trophies commemorating the event.

Russ Johnson presents mugs to Dave and Judy.

Once again, big thanks to John Zaborsky for being the committee boat, starting and finishing the race, record-

ing the finish times and for taking the pictures. You add a lot of class to this event, John! Also, thanks to Bill and Tom Diller and Kathy for their continuing support from the Islander.

Finish time results:

Raven 24, Shillelagh , Ray Pingree	1612 hr 20 sec	First—Class B
Melges 24, Speedster , Russ Johnson	1612 hr 31 sec	First—Class A
Left Coat Dart, <i>Freya</i> , Mike Kamiskas	1630 hr 39 sec	Second—Class A
Harbor 20, <i>Joy Ride,</i> Tom Patty	1652 hr 37 sec	Second—Class B
Etchells, <i>Wailau</i> , Dave and Judy Welker	1729 hr 01 sec	Third—Class A
Olson 25, <i>Devine Wind,</i> Bill Lotz	1800 hr 00 sec	Third—Class B

ISLANDS MARINE CENTER RECEIVES RECOGNITION.

Several Washington Boat dealers received recognition from the National Marine Manufacturers Association for their commitment to customer service in 2018. Announced in July of this year and based on customer feedback for 2018 performance, the Marine Industry Customer Satisfaction Index awards are given to dealers that meet various criteria, foremost among them scoring 90 percent or higher on the OSAT (overall satisfaction) Dealer CSI score.

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