

COMMODORES CORNER - NOVEMBER 2026

Ahoy Mateys !

Next up on our calendar:

November 19- our monthly membership meeting
at the Islander - Program speaker - Gene Helfman
presenting his summer boat trip to Barkley Sound
on the West Coast of Vancouver Island.
And we have a surprise for our monthly
7 minute boat preview!

December 12- Annual Holiday Party at the Islander
Details soon! Put it on your calendar!

If you were not able to come to our October 15 meeting, You missed the best program! Our very own member, Chuck Hosmer was interviewed by Barry Crist. Chuck owns and operates the F/V Baranof, a 185 ft. Alaskan Commercial Fishing Vessel that catches and processes primarily cod, black cod, and crab in the Bering Sea. Along with a Q&A interview, we viewed several videos of the Baranof underway in stormy and icy seas (think Deadliest Catch!), as well as the crew operating onboard. Chuck told Incredible stories and information about commercial fishing. Clearly, Chuck and his wife Janet Gershfield, who has also worked aboard the ship, have led a

very interesting and intriguing life.
A special thank you to Mo and Barry Crist
for an entertaining October meeting.
And one of the cool things about our club is we have
members that come with interesting, unusual, creative
or extraordinary lives we don't know about. So, reach out
you might be surprised and enjoy meeting new club members!

Fall weather is here, time to think about winterizing your
boat, but maybe you can squeeze in a few more days on the water
cruising or sailing when the weather permits. Some of the best
parts of off season boating are the quiet cove anchorages
or getting a slip at your favorite marina.

Here's my monthly "Message in a Bottle" A maritime toast:

> "May your joys be as deep as the ocean, your troubles
> be as light as its foam, and may you find peace of
> mind, wherever you may roam"

As I said last year, I love this time of year, I see friends and
neighbors showing gratitude for family and our community.
And also for this beautiful island we live on in the spectacular
San Juan Islands we call home.

I wish all of you a wonderland "Happy Thanksgiving"
Cheers from your commodore, Suzi Jennings

> "I RUN A TIGHT SHIPWRECK"