



# FHSC Working Jib



Friday Harbor Sailing Club

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## HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING AT FHSC IN FEBRUARY

**Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>**

FHSC Board Meeting  
Heritage Bank, Conference Room 5:10 PM

**Tuesday, February 14**

**General Membership Meeting**

Friday Harbor Grange Hall 5:30 PM

**Please bring dish to share and a beverage.**

Speakers: Val & Leslie Viers present their trip  
to the Broughtons aboard the Cat's Cradle.



***Get involved and don't miss out on our fun club activities!!***

***Sign-up for your club activities on the***

***The club's web-site***

***[www.fridayhARBORSAILING.com](http://www.fridayhARBORSAILING.com)***



# The COMMODORE Report from BILL SEVERSON

What is your favorite way to rush winter along? Mine is to get the boat to the shipyard for a bottom paint and then head off to the Seattle Boat Show. I enjoy stopping at the marina booths getting ideas for cruising destinations. We take along a wish list of new gadgets for the boat. This year maybe I will get that new outboard for the dinghy.



*Ed. Note: The Severson's just spent \$400 to fix the current outboard, a new one is not needed.*

I am very excited about the new Board as you can see by the articles in this newsletter, plans are well underway for a great cruising and racing season. Please take advantage of this leadership and get involved, get out on the water.

### HELP WANTED!

**Publicity Committee Chair**, someone to help get the word out about the Sailing Club and write an occasional article for the local papers.

**Haberdasher**, someone to focus on helping members update their wardrobe with club logo clothing.

Bill Severson  
Commodore

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Meeting monthly on the 2nd  
Tuesday at the Friday Harbor  
Grange

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## FHSC Scuttlebutt

Editors Note: Do you have something you'd like to share with fellow club members?? Your editor would love to hear from you, just like at the meetings when we ask about special occasions, travels, new/old boats, etc.. **PLEASE** this is your newsletter so don't hesitate to "share your news"!! Yes we are all interested, it's our human nature, inquiring minds want to know !!!

John and Gloria are putting their boat up for sale :(  
Stephan and Georgia are looking for a house to buy.



## *The VICE COMMODORE Report from Randy Everitt*

This month Val and Leslie Viers will present the highlights, pleasures and miseries of their 78-day sailing adventure up the BC coast and the Haida Gwaii in their 32' Catamaran "Cat's Cradle". They stopped at many coves and visited research stations from the Broughtons almost to Alaska. They will show their slides and team present this wonderful trip. So be sure to put this on your calendar.

I will also provide handouts on how to safely Anchor your boat as we prepare for our first cruise scheduled for March This year. It looks like a shakedown cruise to Stewart Island. So, let's get those boats ready, check out your anchoring gear and we will provide on-site directions on anchoring and all the opportunities and sights on Stewart Island.



Anchoring Tips, I found this good article about anchoring, here is the link:

<https://www.westmarine.com/WestAdvisor/How-To-Anchor-Securely>

Randy Everitt  
Vice Commodore



## *The REAR COMMODORE Report from Stefan Michalowski*

In the month of January, a cruising sailor's feelings are decidedly mixed. On one hand, the frigid weather and frequent gale-force winds are not conducive to thinking about doing anything outdoors, least of all being out on the water. On the other hand, a sailor's mind cannot help conjuring romantic visions of gliding smoothly downwind in a warm breeze among lovely wooded islands.

So with these dreams and felling in mind on January 20, a dozen cruisers squeezed into the living room of our house to fix dates and venues, and to assign Cruise Captain responsibilities. As a result of a lively discussion, eight cruises were decided on, spanning the months from March to September. Exact details may evolve slightly in the coming weeks (and the definitive information will be published in the roster) but, at this time, I hope to whet the appetites of Club members by mentioning just the destinations.



Four longer cruises will take us to:

1. Barkley Sound, on the west coast of Vancouver Island
2. Cowichan Bay and Ladysmith
3. Sydney and Todd Inlet (near the splendid Butchart Gardens)
4. LaConner, Langley and Coupeville.

The destinations of the other, shorter cruises are closer to our home base are Stuart, Lopez and Orcas Islands.



## *The FLEET CAPTAIN Report from Jim Reuscher*

Hello to my Fellow Club Members , Racers and Racers-To-Be .

Not much racing has gone on so far this year but there sure has been a lot of activity behind the scenes getting ready for a fun-filled race season with a few surprises along the way. My personal goal this year is to increase participation in the races and to attract outsiders to come join us. We have a fun club and while working on the schedule for this year, I was amazed at how busy one could become if they participated in only half of our activities. The Club has a lot to offer. Racing, Cruising and Gatherings abound and like I said "a few surprises".

The race schedule has been firmed up and will be posted shortly for all to review and make plans to participate. Again the races are fairly evenly distributed between the West and East sides of the island with consideration given for the BIG races like Shaw Classic, Swiftsure and Round the County. I hope to see you out there.

I want to thank Roger Kline and Ken Krooswyk for stepping up and volunteering for the Single Handed Race that will be held in September. My immediate focus now is the Spring Series Race that will be held late April out of Mitchell Bay. It should be a good time and I will be retired by then, for the third time, and would like to participate. See you all out there.



## *The TREASURER REPORT*

Membership renewals are coming in, but there are still some outstanding. If you are one of these, take a moment and send in that check to ensure your information is included in this year's Roster. We need to know what our income is for the year and can finalize our 2017 budget. If you do not plan to renew, please let me know. Speaking of the Roster, good progress is being made on confirming dates and places for our activities this coming year. We are looking forward to races, cruises, summer meetings and other events. We plan to distribute the 2017 Roster at our March general meeting. Thank you to all in the club that are participating in helping to make this happen. The club also now has a new laptop to keep track of our finances. It's an improvement over our older laptop and will serve the club well for many years to come! Thanks-you!

Susan Eberhard



## *The SOCIAL CHAIR COLUMN*

Our January meeting came to a quick close because just as the meeting ended the power went off. Thank you to every member present, with today’s technology in cell phone lights and a few quickly found flashlights, we immediately had enough light to do our clean up in record time. What a wonderful membership we have! everyone jumped right in and brought new meaning to “many hands make light work”. Thank you, Thank you!!

As the February meeting approaches on Valentine’s Day, a special day of love and friendship Don’t forget to reach out to friends that you feel would make good members. Bring them along so they can witness firsthand what a fun club we are and experience our wonderful camaraderie.

Again there will be sign-up sheets passed around, which will include sheets for the RHUMB Regatta dinner being held on June 10 – which is going to be changed a lot this year, so mark your calendar now! Because you won’t want to miss it. Also, the Round the County Race is always a fun event with a lot of laughs, with the party taking place at Roche Harbor Marina Party Barge.

I am still working on finalizing our Summer Social Picnic’s, which are also changing this year, so be sure to again note the second Tuesday of June, July & August on your calendar, I know, you won’t want to miss these very fun times. Because, after all, that is what Friday Harbor Sailing Club is all about. **HAVING FUN!!!**

See you on Valentine’s Day,

Your Social Chair, Pat

## ***BOAT FOR SALE***

**CHB 34' \$39,000 contact John, Gloria 1-360-478-4288**

