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HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING AT FHSC IN APRIL

Tuesday, April 6

Board Meeting 5 PM

On Zoom

Wednesday, April 21

Monthly General Meeting 6:30 PM

On Zoom

Jon Howe will talk about
His Round the World Sailing Adventure

April 30, May 1 & 2

Cruise to Parks Bay then Lopez or Stuart

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Fairhope under sail



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The COMMODORE Report from Laura Jo Severson



Are we seeing the shore on the horizon? (This seems better than saying, the light at the end of the tunnel.) Each month I hope that the pandemic will end, and life will return to normal here in our little paradise. Ruth Ann Krooswyk, RN and trusted medical authority tells me that 18 members report being fully vaccinated while others are in process.

Susan Eberhard has scheduled a place to picnic at Jackson Beach on June 16. We will meet, grill something and party in a masked and socially distanced fashion.

I look out my windows each day and wonder if we can ever go to Canada again, but that is another story. At least the local drug store is now selling Voltaran since we can't buy it where we used to.

We are lucky that Therese Pratt has volunteered to take over the position of Secretary, and Bill Severson is editing the newsletter. Both of these kind people have done the jobs before.

Kathleen Salinas is now Rear Commodore and is planning a cruise for the last weekend of the month. We had a great time at Rosario two weeks ago and are eager to set out again. If you have ideas for a place to visit, please let her know. I encourage everybody to remember some of our boat-less friends and members to join you on a cruise this year.



The VICE COMMODORE Report from John Salinas



The speaker at this month's General meeting will be Jon Howe. Jon is an amazing sailor. He is our dock mate on "C" dock at Shipyard Cove. He has sailed around the world on his sloop, Akimbo. We have heard him teaching others about sailing and we know that he really enjoys the sport.

Jon will be giving a slide presentation on his adventures and I know you will not want to miss this!

Vice Commodore John Salinas and Commodore Laura Jo on the Rosario cruise in March

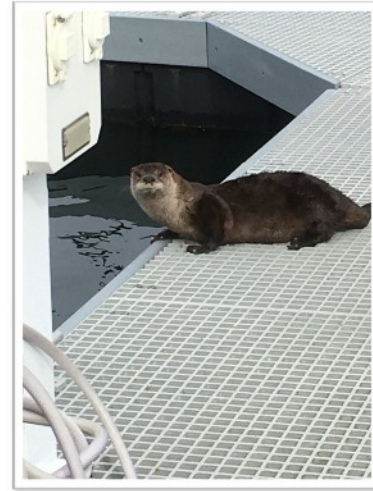


The REAR COMMODORE Report from Kathleen Salinas

Our cruising season started out with a fun cruise to Rosario Resort on Orcas Island at the end of March.



Dinner at the Rosario Resort with Laura Jo, Terry, Linda, Kathleen, John & Bill taking the photo



Rosario Marina welcoming committee?

We have a full season of cruise dates planned. Though the dates are set, the itinerary remains flexible and cruise captains are needed. Please take a look at the following dates, mark them on your calendar, and get involved as cruise captain or co-captain if you'd like.

2021 Cruise dates:

April 30, May 1, and 2

May 21, 22, 23

June 18, 19, 20

July 30, 31, Aug 1

August 27, 28, 29

September 17, 18, 19

October 22, 23, 24

Our first stop will be Parks Bay on Shaw Island for the evening Sunset 'photo session'. An effort will be made to photograph each boat in the setting sun.

We will then consider the options. If there are Opening Day Plans for either Lopez or Friday Harbor we will make plans to join in the festivities. If plans for opening day fall through, we'll sail for Stuart Island, Prevost Harbor. We can enjoy visiting with each other or hike up to the school, the cemetery, and maybe the Lighthouse. During the evening, we will check our charts and plan our cruise home.

On Sunday morning, after a leisurely breakfast and depending on the currents and the winds, we'll sail to the west side of Stuart, sail through Spieden Channel and back to Friday Harbor.

Please let me know if you'd like to plan the itinerary on any of the scheduled dates.

A tale of two boats, S/V Alethea and S/V Fairhope and our Spring Cruise to Rosario

Friday - The Race

Friday was a lovely afternoon to sail from Friday Harbor to Rosario Resort. We had reservations and expected good company on our arrival. As we crossed San Juan Channel another boat in full sail came into view. It was Bill and Laura Jo with S/V Fairhope. Both of us heading east toward Shaw Island with a decision to be made, North or South. After a bit of communication on the marine radio, we decided to head for Upright Channel.



Alethea was leading the way, only because of position, with the two boats enjoying a brisk southwest breeze. The wind became southerly challenging us to run up East Sound on what could have been a spinnaker, but with our two large sails already pulling, we were satisfied with the look of wing-on-wing. All one needs to pull that off is a lot of concentration, no mind wandering!



We called Terry, the harbor master at Rosario for our dock assignment, lowered our sails, and before we knew it were tied up and had Fairhope right next to us. Attempting to remain COVID safe, we did not enter each others boats, but did have an open buffet on the dock with Terry and Linda, Bill and Laura Jo, John and Pamela, and John and Kathleen. We called that dinner.

Saturday - The Hike



Saturday dawned with adventure in the offering. We all tightened our boots and headed up the trail to Cascade Lake. We all enjoyed a wonderful trek to the bridge and then parted for the entire lake circumnavigation trail or the cut back to Rosario route. With a thtreat of high winds coming on Sunday, John and Pamela scampered out of the marina just as we returned from our walk. The rest of us enjoyed a dinner at the resort, for most of us, our first dinning experience in a year. Very nice.

Sunday - The Storm

S/V Alethea -High winds and rain were forecasted. Terry and Linda headed out early. The crews of Fairhope and Alethea batten down the hatches to wait out the storm. We were lashed with heavy rain and strong winds. At 3 PM the wind shifted and now was blocked by MT. Woodard. The calm was too tempting for the crew of Alethea. They got underway but ran right into the gale force storm once the left Eastsound. It was a struggle but they made it back safe and happy to be in their warm and cozy home that night.



Laura Jo after the storm passed

S/V Fairhope - With no Monday commitments and steaks in the freezer we just relaxed and rode out the storm. When the wind shifted and the storm passed we ventured out for a walk and even took care of a couple of maintenance tasks.

Monday was nice & sunny sunny and we had a wonderful trip back to Friday Harbor.

Remembering Lloyd Bacon

a dear friend, longtime FHSC member, and avid sailor

Lloyd and his wife Mary (who passed away in 2018) joined the FH Sailing Club when they moved to Friday Harbor in 1998. They were both active in all social, cruising, and sailing activities for 20 years, receiving the Warren Everson Trophy in 2012 for outstanding contributions to the club.



Lloyd was an avid boater and sailor all of his life. When Lloyd was club Commodore in 2006, his monthly Working Jib column was always anticipated as he documented the boats he had owned through his life and the adventures he had with them. Sailing and racing were his passions - he was very skilled and knowledgeable. From 2000-2017, Lloyd had an impressive record with FHSC races: 1st in 30 races, 2nd in 18, and 3rd in 5, racing his Cal 20 “Got ‘T’ Run”, then

“Corrida” a Laser 28. He was awarded the club’s Sunny Vynne Sailor of the Year Trophy an impressive 9 times!

In addition to racing, Lloyd served as Commodore in 2006, Fleet Captain in 2002-2003, and as a Trustee in 2004-2005 and 2008-2009. We will all miss his kindness, his smile, his knowledge of boats and racing, and just being around him.

