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Friday Harbor Sailing Club

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Tuesday, April 5

Board Meeting at 5:30 PM

Wednesday, April 20

Monthly General Meeting 5:30 PM
At the Grange!

April 23 & 24

Cruise to Mackaye Harbor

April 30

Flotsam Flea & Sea Yard Sale
10 AM to 5 PM

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SV Salmon & Sandy II sailing to Rosario



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

Sign-up for your club activities on the

The club's website

www.fridayharborsailing.com

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COMMODORE'S CORNER by John Salinas

Welcome to April and our first encounter with our wonderful cruising waters. We have five events planned for this month:

Board meeting: Took place April 5 at Shipyard Cove, lots discussed, planned, and assigned for completion.

Rosario Cruise: April 8 five boats and nine sailors headed out for a lovely sail and explore of the Rosario area on Orcas Island. Read about our discoveries and photos in this newsletter and on our website. We are hoping to use the website blog feature of our website to keep everyone informed about club activities.

General Meeting: Plans for our first face-to-face club meeting have been finalized. We welcome you to meet at the Grange for a wonderful time of storytelling, a presentation by our Race Captains, and a club provided pizza dinner, BYOB. We will observe all the County protocols for our health safety including social distancing and ventilation.



Kathleen at the helm heading home from cruise to Rosario

Please be comfortable if you wish to wear a mask. We will meet at 5:30 PM and pizza will be served at 6:15 PM.

McKay Harbor and Watmough Bay Cruise: Several boats will take to the water to sail and explore the southern waters of Lopez Island, April 23 – 25. Expect more information about this delightful area from Stefan and Georgia.

Flotsam Sea and Flea Market: Saturday, April 30, will find all the sailors with toys and trinkets to sell gathered at the Fair Grounds. Set up will be at 9:00 AM, public invited at 10:00 AM. Food will be available. Sale ends at 4:00 PM with vendors cleaning up until 5:00 PM. Booths are \$30 and admission is free. Come and be a part of this historical event, come back to life!

Please use our wonderful web site to stay informed about our club activities and sign up for coming events: www.FridayHarborSailing.com

Here is another web site that I should use more: [San Juan Islands – Salish Sea Pilot](#) It contains great information about our area and on-the-water stories I know you would enjoy reading.

Hope to see you soon....

John Salinas 541 660 5783

The VICE COMMODORE report by Kathleen Salinas

On April 20th, in person, at the Grange, Ray Pingree will be giving a talk on "What is the minimum you need to know to race your sailboat".

The following is a note from Ray.

This will be a great opportunity to learn more about what our club is all about....sailing. Bring a guest and your questions (as long as it has something to do with sailboat racing).



I appreciate the opportunity to offer my experiences and give something back our sailing community. So come and find out about how to sail your boat a little faster and in the right direction. You might just find what you need to improve your overall sailing abilities, and it may even improve your cruising knowledge as well.

In the meantime, please consider signing up to race on our web site and join us every Friday night for an informal race out of Shipyard Cove. Racing starts at 4 PM at the starting line between the Brown Island red day mark and the white buoy to the south, just off of SJI. Drinks and bragging rights begin at 5:30 or just after we all get back to Shipyard Cove.

Here is an excerpt from my speech:

How do we define sailboat racing? Pure and simple... it's whenever two or more boats meet.

When you have a good understanding of the key elements that make up a successful race, sailboat racing can then be both a rewarding and fun experience. Sailing in the San Juan's requires a thorough knowledge of sailing in light airs and strong currents; this will be the focus of my discussion tonight.

The Sail magazine.com article on "How to race your cruiser" is excellent reading. Set yourself up for success by reading this article prior to April 20.



Cruise to Rosario report by Bill Severson

Spring is always rather iffy weather wise here in the Salish Sea. So, going on the first club cruise of the year is not for the faint of heart. The forecast offered something for everyone. We left the dock at the Port of Friday Harbor with wind gusts to 20 mph with a shove off from Sean Grayson who followed us in his 38-foot sailboat the SV Windover with his boat cat “Sailor”. With the wind at our back we raised the mainsail and headed off at 7 knots with even some sun breaks.

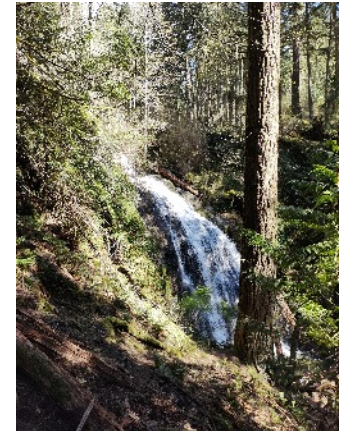


When we arrived at Rosario the wind had dropped to 11 knots with gusts up to 20. Fortunately, five club members were on the dock to meet us and help tie up the SV Fairhope. We all agreed to appetizers on the Fairhope at 6 PM. John and Kathleen Salinas were expected later that evening so midway through the party I hailed the SV Alethea on the radio, they were a mile from the marina, so several of us jumped up and helped them tie up. The party continued with Val & Leslie Viers, Sam & Sandy Johnston, Sean Grayson, John & Kathleen Salinas and Bill & Laura Jo Severson.

The big adventure for Saturday was a hike to Cascade Lake and beyond. The weather cooperated with generous sun breaks and no wind. Part way around the lake we decided to take a side trail to Cascade Falls. With four scientists on the hike, we had many wonderful conversations along the way. On the way back we stopped for lunch at the campground along the lake. We sat in the sun and shared lunch items folks had packed.



We made our way back to the marina, everyone had a smart watch, so the length of the hike ranged from 7.5 to 8.5 miles, no bad for a bunch of old folks. We got back to our boats in time for a nap before the days main event – Dinner at the Resort.



We all met at the Moran mansion for a 7 PM dinner. We decided to share several appetizers, a bad idea, the crab cakes never made to our end of the table

The main courses were great though, most everybody chose something different, and everything was delicious. The waiter named Sean was fun and brand new to the islands.

Breakfast on Sunday morning was on the Fairhope. Laura Jo fixed us strawberry muffins, scrambled eggs, veggie sausage, tomato juice, Leslie supplied roasted potatoes and Bill made the coffee – a real feast!

The predicted rain had cleared out earlier in the morning, so all that was left was snow. We all said our goodbyes and headed back to our homeports. The hail and snow did not arrive until the next day, so we dodged that bullet. A great time was had by all and now we have a list of all the boat stuff that did not work.

The Social Chairs report

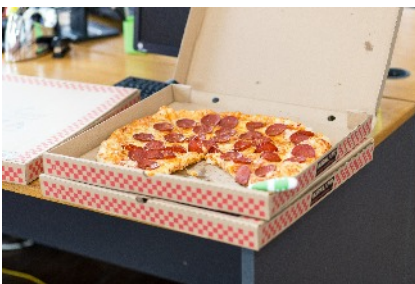
by Ruth Ann Krooswyk and

Sandy Johnston



You are cordially invited to our Friday Harbor Sailing Club April general meeting. We will meet face-to-face on Wednesday, April 20 at 5:30 PM at the Grange.

As we step away from most of the Covid restrictions of the past two years, we plan to not have our traditional potluck. Instead, the club will provide pizza, coffee, dessert, paper plates, utensils and cups. You will be responsible for your own beverage. We will have vegetarian options available.



We will assume everyone in the club is attending unless you send us a note to the contrary. Additionally, let us know if you are bringing a guest. Send your email response to me at the address below. Our pizza order will be placed on Monday April 18, so get your response back before then.

From Susan Hendrix your Quartermaster

Here's Susan Eberhard modeling her 12 year old All Seasons jacket with the FHSC logo. In the cooler months Susan doesn't leave home without her jacket, has washed it many times and feels it is roomy enough to comfortably add layers underneath. This stylish jacket is waterproof, wind resistant and comes sized for men and women. To order call Susie Hendrix, 360-298-1749. Check out Friday Harbor Sailing Club website for pricing as well as other jackets, shirts, hats and sweater fleeces.



The REAR COMMODORE report by Val Veirs

April 23 - 26 Cruise to MacKaye Harbor and Watmough Bay Cruise Captains Stefan Michalowski and Georgia Smith



The cruise will begin on Saturday, April 23. Boats will anchor in Mackaye Harbor. Guest Island historian Boyd Pratt will tell us about the commercial fishing history in the islands.

On Sunday we will explore the few remnants of the extensive fishing and canning operation that once flourished in the community of Richardson.

Then we raise our anchors and sail to Watmough Bay for lunch and walk about before sailing/racing back to Friday Harbor.

May 6 - 8 Opening Day with the Lopez Island Yacht Club Cruise Captain Laura Jo Severson



We are renewing the tradition of celebrating Opening Day of the boating season with the Lopez Yacht Club. The dates are May 6, 7 and 8. Please sign up on our club website and make your reservations for the Lopez Islander Marina. People can participate in the cruise by staying at the Lopez Islander Resort instead.

FLOTSAM FLEA & SEA YARD SALE

**FRIDAY HARBOR SAILING CLUB
SELL ALL YOUR BOAT STUFF
APRIL 30 10:00 am TO 5:00 pm
San Juan Island Fair Grounds**



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