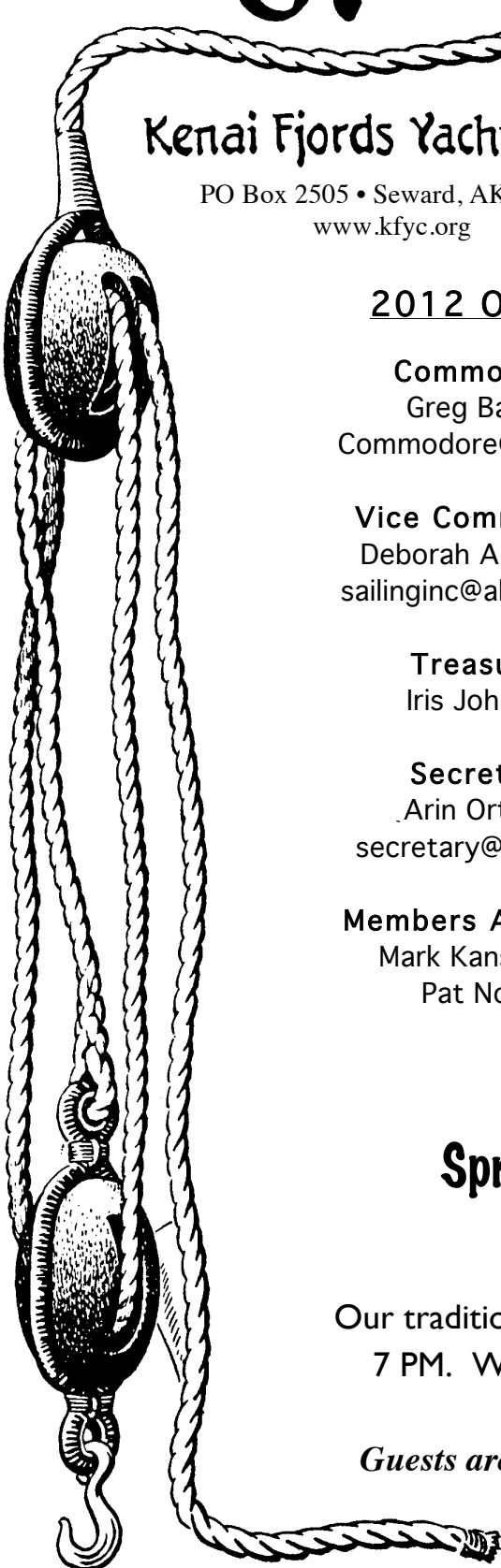


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March 2013

Membership comes with privileges

*including the combination to
KFYC dock carts. The dock cart
combo will change soon.*

Cruising news

Members Conni Livsey and Bill Ennis:

Follow their trip to the South Pacific on
their website: <http://svwings.com>

Members Lorraine and Howard Smith:

We live and are based in Tasmania,
Australia, however for the past five years
(in semi-retirement) we have cruised the
Pacific. Now that we are fully retired from
work, we intend to sail to Alaska slowly,
via other Pacific Islands and Japan, and
thought that joining your yacht club would
give us incentive and direction?

Trust this leaves us as it reaches you, in
good health and fine spirits.

Lorraine and Howard Smith
S/V Nomzamo

Kenai Fjords Yacht Club Spring Meeting & Annual Election

Saturday, March 23, 2013

The Breeze Inn Lounge in Seward

Our traditional potluck begins at 6 PM and the meeting starts at
7 PM. We'll elect officers, so this is an important meeting.

PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND!

Guests are always welcome at all KFYC meetings & events!

Notes from Harbormaster Mack Funk

Spring Shuffle: The approach of boating season means many boats will be moving from their winter moorage slip to their regular moorage slip. So please notify the harbor office before returning to your slip so that we can minimize the inconvenience to all parties.

Harbor Dredging: This project was completed on Dec. 1, 2012.

Notice to Mariners: On Feb. 8 at approximately 6 p.m. on a minus tide, the tugboat *Chahunta* reported touching an object on the bottom of the Seward Harbor entrance. In order to assure the safest boating possible, please report any irregularities of this type to the Harbormaster, 907-224-4357.

D Float Replacement: The design work is nearly complete on this project and we hope to hire a construction company soon. The work will begin in September. Harbor and D Float customers will need to find moorage alternatives for this winter.

Mariners' Memorial enters Phase 2

By Nancy Erickson

The Seward Mariners' Memorial Committee is forging ahead with Phase 2 of the project – the compass rose – with intentions of beginning construction this spring with completion this fall.

The 75-foot diameter compass rose platform will surround the lighthouse replica completed in January 2012 on the south harbor uplands. The Committee has selected a paver tile over compacted sub-base construction with poured concrete borders and internal demarcations for the compass rose similar to the one at the harbor-master's plaza.

Most of the work will be done by a local contractor, but volunteers are needed for certain aspects. We're also looking for brass directional markings that can be inlaid into the pavers.

The Committee has approximately half of the projected cost of the compass rose and is relying on grants and donations for the remainder in order to begin construction this spring.

Phase 3 in 2014 will see installation of a ship's bell (Anyone have a bell gathering dust in a closet?) and further landscaping with benches and a wave wall. This plan will involve Seward artisans to help add informative murals, artistic enhancements and the statue of a woman looking out to sea on the upper floor of the lighthouse depicting the "widow's walk" theme from

historic ports. A section of the memorial site will be dedicated to victims of the 1964 earthquake and other historic maritime events that have occurred in the area.

The display of memorial plaques on the inside walls of the lighthouse continues to grow. There are now 14 granite plaques honoring local mariners who have either died at sea or in some way contributed to our maritime history/industry. Dedication of the new plaques will be in conjunction with the annual Blessing of the Fleet on May 18. Plaque order forms are available at sewardmarinersmemorial.org or call Nancy Erickson, 907-491-1639.

Seward Harbor Opening Weekend

By Deborah Altermatt

The 2013 boating season will officially get underway on May 18 and 19 in the Seward Boat Harbor with activities throughout the weekend during Seward Harbor Opening Weekend (S.H.O.W.). With this winter's light snowfall and warmer temperatures, it seems that sailors are ready to de-winterize their boats and start heading out for nautical adventures early this year.

The weekend will kick off with a free breakfast, open to all boaters, at Sailing, Inc. After that, there will be an open house on the dock with a boat-decorating contest, Blessing of the Fleet and a dance at Chinook's to benefit the Seward Mariners' Memorial in the evening.

An annual Sailors' Swap Meet will be May 18 in the Sailing, Inc. parking lot. That's a good time to get rid of old gear not needed, and to find new gear that is needed! A portion of the proceeds will go to help the Memorial.

See a listing of activities below. For questions about activities, please call Deborah at Sailing, Inc., 907-224-3160, or email sailinginc@alaska.com. Hope to see you all for a great weekend!

S.H.O.W. Schedule of Events

Sat. May 18 – 8:30-10 am Sailors' Breakfast at Sailing, Inc; **10 am-2 pm** Sailors' Swap at Sailing, Inc.; **11 am-3 pm** Open Boats on the docks; **12 noon** Military Appreciation BBQ at Harbor Plaza (free hot dogs); **3 pm** Seward Mariners' Memorial plaque installation service; **4 pm** Blessing of the Fleet at Mariners' Memorial followed by.... **5 pm** Boat Parade from harbor entrance to SeaLife Center and return; **7 – 11 pm** Seward Harbor Opening Dance at Chinook's with Spawning Humpies et al....benefit for Seward Mariners' Memorial.

Sun. May 19 – Activities TBA

KENAI FJORDS YACHT CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL

Annual dues are \$20 *per person*. Membership year is January 1st – December 31st. Please submit information as you want it to appear in the club records. Mail completed application and dues to: Kenai Fjords Yacht Club, PO Box 2505, Seward AK 99664.

Amount enclosed \$ _____ No. of members _____ For year 20 _____

Name(s): _____

Mail address: _____

Ph: _____ Fax: _____ E-mail _____

Boat name: F/V M/V S/V _____ Location _____

May we place your contact information on our secure site? [Place a checkmark] Yes. No.

Would you prefer to receive your KFYZ newsletter on paper, or informed of its on-line availability?

[Place a checkmark] Yes, notify me when I can download it. Yes, send me a paper newsletter.

Additional information / suggestions / comments: _____

Complete the following *only* if you want another member in good standing to vote in your stead at General Membership meetings that you do not attend during the year for which this application is submitted. (A member in good standing is one who has paid his or her Club dues for that year.) You may rescind your proxy at any time by writing to the Club, or in person at a Club meeting.

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I hereby affirm that I am a member in good standing of the Kenai Fjords Yacht Club in Seward, Alaska, for the year 20__ and am therefore eligible to vote for Club officers and on other matters brought up for vote at General Membership meetings. I hereby designate _____, also a member in good standing, to vote in my absence at General Membership meetings in the year 20____.

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