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Commodore's Corner

By Commodore Bixler McClure

Welcome to winter! Although it hasn't really felt like winter in Seward, it must be just around the corner. At least we haven't had to worry about snow loads on boats. Just think: in a couple more months, spring and the summer sailing season will be around the corner. Who knows what adventures await for 2015? My mind, at least, sure wonders that every winter. Last summer was nice, but there were sure a lot of raining and too-windy weekends! Hopefully 2015 is better.

Be sure to get your moorage contracts returned to the harbor! Keep in mind, too, that they have revised their billing practices in that the annual moorage is now semi-annual.

More news about the ladder situation: 25 more ladders were ordered last spring, so hopefully they will be installed soon!

Be sure to check out the work on the Mariner's Memorial! It sure looks great.

As always, please direct any ideas/questions/comments/concerns our way! Thank you for your continued support.

Kenai Fjords Yacht Club

Winter Meeting & Potluck

Saturday, December 20th @

Breeze Inn Lounge

Potluck starts at 6 pm! Bring your favorite Alaskan dish!

Yup, guests are always welcome!





Oops....Ship Happens

It's winter now (sort of). Your beloved boat is winterized and put to bed for the season. Not much can happen right? Think again. In mid-December the sleepy small boat harbor here in Seward awoke to the M/V *Spirit of Adventure* partially sunk in her slip at the end of E dock. Yikes! However, thanks to the combined effort of Catalyst Marine, Storm

Chasers, and the Seward Small Boat Harbor, the *Spirit of Adventure* floats again - with not a single drop of oil spilled in the harbor. This event is a shocking reminder to those of us who own boats that even though we are having a warm winter, our boats are not immune to accidents. Be sure to periodically check on your boat, or have a local friend take a look for you. Because remember: *Ship Happens*.



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The Joy of Winter Sailing...Wait, What?
Sometimes you can't just help it. The weather nudges above freezing and you are itching to take your boat out. Yes, it is possible to sail in the winter, especially once daylight starts to return. Be sure to warm your engine, de-ice your lines, and dress warmly. Enjoy being the **ONLY** boat out on the water during the winter months!

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ARM Cuauhtemoc Visits Seward!

Hola! In case you missed the news, back in September the Tall Ship ARM *Cuauhtemoc* visited Seward. The ship serves as a training ship for the Mexican Navy and sails the world in an ambassadorial capacity. The ship berthed in Seward at the cruise ship terminal and offered free tours and many parties. The KFYC put on a barbeque for the officers and crew at the Seward Pavilion serving salmon and sides donated by several local establishments. You should've seen Commodore Bixler McClure manning the grill! Thanks to all the KFYC members who helped with making the barbeque a successful one.

Despite the language barrier and obvious differences in climate between Mexico and Alaska, the officers and crew enjoyed the heartfelt welcome here in our small community of Seward!



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