

# Bergy Bits & Growlers

Kenai Fjords Yacht Club



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## **Commodore's Corner**

By Commodore Bixler McClure

What a great summer! It was great to see many boats out and about enjoying the boating season and to meet voyagers from around the world that came to visit us in Seward. It is always sad this time of year to put the boat away for the winter, but just think of all of the adventure that awaits next spring. After the last meeting I spoke with Harbormaster Funk about the ladders in the harbor, and he said they replaced all of the ladders on B and C, even though they might be replacing those docks in late 2015. They doubled the amount of ladders for D float, so each slip has a ladder instead of every other slip. One individual I spoke with shared a tale of a botched docking and a spill into the harbor, and how he swam over and used a ladder to get out quickly, safely, and effectively. Thank you Mack and the Harbormaster staff for your hard work!

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## **Fall Meeting & Potluck**

Saturday, September 20th @

Breeze Inn Lounge

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

*Yup, guests are always welcome!*



## FISH ON!

While we write this, there is still silver salmon fishing to be had by the harbor! We have been told it is the best silver salmon fishing year, from shore at least, in years. Carpe Ventos and some out of town family headed out to try trolling for silvers a couple weeks ago, and got 9 1.5 miles from the harbor. Many other boats were out there fishing as well, including Phil on Marionette IV. Who says you need a "fishing boat" to catch fish?



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## Rum Doodlin'

After a long hiatus, the Rum Doodle all-women's sailing race returned to Resurrection Bay! s/v Tlingit took the title for the 2014 race. Several members of KFYC participated on both the race and chase boats. KFYC members and boats are welcome to race in future races. Keep an eye on the William H. Seward Yacht Club for details. What a great end-of-summer sail!

(Image courtesy of Seward City News)



## "Yer not from around here..." \* Yachts Visiting Seward

From the Mexican Navy to world cruisers, Seward was a stop for many sailors this summer. Among them was a small 30' junk-rigged yacht Teleport. Crewed by Australians Chris and Jess, Teleport was purchased and retrofitted in Canada and sailed through the Northwest Passage. Teleport reached Alaska in 2013 and Chris and Jess

loved our state so much that they spent a summer sailing around in 2014, including a much-loved stop in Seward. Bixler and Krystin aboard s/v Carpe Ventos shared a cove with the couple in Prince William Sound while waiting out a storm. They sat through the rain drinking fine brews and exchanging stories. Chris and Jess will be wintering their boat in Seldovia, but hope to sail again into Seward, as they are now welcome in the KFYC. You can read more about their amazing journey at:

[www.yachtteleport.com](http://www.yachtteleport.com) (the picture is from them, too!)



### Congrats Newlyweds!



Commodore Bixler & Secretary Krystin FINALLY tied the knot (literally, with a mooring line from the Tustamena) aboard s/v Carpe Ventos on August 30th. Congratulations Mr. and Mrs. McClure!

### Mariner's Memorial Update



Phase III for the Seward Mariner's Memorial has had a few delays this summer forcing the wave wall and benche installations to be pushed back until spring 2015. However, the project is coming together and the Seward Mariner's Memorial has been a stop for visitors all summer long. Check it out if you haven't been by in a while! Great job to all involved in making this happen! (Photo from Seward City News)



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