

May 2011



Member Newsletter

Longbranch Improvement Club

For the Betterment of the Community



Dock Breakfast, Saturday, May 7 8:00—10:00 AM

President's Report . . .

Thanks to all who participated in the Marina and Building cleanups. Much was accomplished, but there are still items remaining to be completed. Contact Lynn Carr or Pat Muchmore if you want to help out.

The LIC Board approved the submittal of an application to the State for a possible floating restroom and pumpout station at the Marina. No decisions have been made and more information is available in this newsletter. Thanks to Dave Wickland for his work on this.

Please plan on attending the Dock Breakfast and other events at the Marina on Opening Day, May 7th. The regatta will start at 11 AM and the Captain's meeting is at 10 AM. Course TBD. Contact Pat Thompson for details.

Mojo Overload will be playing at the Memorial Day Dance. They rocked the house last Halloween and we look forward to a well attended, fun, fund raising event on May 28th. Music starts at 8 PM. Thanks to Tim Heitzman for design and arranging for printing of the flyers and posters. Contact Sandy Black for more information and how to help.

Planning for the Croquet Tournament is in full swing and more volunteers are needed for what is likely to be a "huge" event. Thanks to Tim Heitzman for his work and thanks to Gayle Brewer for helping out as well.

Marina slip rentals are going well, and are expected to improve as the year goes by. More boaters are becoming aware of the Longbranch Marina and its new wharf. Thanks to Bruce Jeglum, Harry Faas, Dave Wickland and others for their work on advancing the construction of the new entrance to the Wharf and Marina. It is looking good.

Gayle Brewer has volunteered to set up speakers for upcoming meetings and requests that you provide him with suggestions for future speakers.

Joe Barrow and his nominating committee (Denise Hays, Connie Hildahl, and John Biggs) are hard at work searching for what will be a full slate of elections in June. Contact Joe or anyone on the committee to put your hat in the ring or make suggestions.

Submitted by Geoff Baillie President LIC, 884.3951, gbaillie@msn.com

LONGBRANCH IMPROVEMENT CLUB GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES April 20, 2011

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Kurt Anderson, Francie Carr, Phil Johnson, Jan Prichard, Pat Muchmore, Lynn Carr, Peg Bingham

CONTRACTORS PRESENT: Sharon Gearhart, Pat Thompson

GUESTS: Matt Swanson, John Rogers and Stu Stuhaug

Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Vice-President Kurt Anderson

New member introduced: Dan Miller

Trish Goodvin announced that Dave Dahl had donated thirteen centerpieces from his birthday celebration for sale for the scholarship fund.

It was moved, seconded and passed to accept the agenda as presented.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as written.

Sandy Black was unable to attend tonight's meeting and in his place Stu Stuhaug gave a history of bicycles and bike racing and introduced the speakers, John Rogers and Matt Swanson. As a side note, Stu said that Sandy Black was classified as an elite bike racer. John Rogers is President of the Bike Race and explained that they are a registered non-profit and the funds raised by the race subsidize the racing kit that each racer must buy. There are fifty members, forty-five men and five women. Team members must pay their own entry fees. Matt Swanson is Race Director and he explained the race and the course which starts at the LIC. The race will be held April 30th this year.

REPORTS:

TREASURER: Francie Carr explained new format for report. Building rental income is above the projected year-to-date budget. Member moorage revenue far exceeds projected year-to-date budget. All tenants have made at least the quarterly payment. The second quarterly payment is due April 30th. Some have already been received. Winter moorage is below expected revenue.

Building expenses are in line with projection. Dock expenses are below projections mostly due to no electricity or garbage pick-up January through March. An error was made on the Dock Masters check for March. That expense will show in April report. Income includes money received from insurance for the copper wire stolen from the dock and \$1,000 restitution received from one of the young vandals. Year to date the LIC shows a net income of \$13,527.94.

MEMBERSHIP: Jan Prichard introduced tonight's host and hostesses: Dick and Dee Sharf and Barbara Floyd. Trish and Dale Goodvin are tonight's greeters.

BUILDING: Lynn Carr announced we need a member to recycle our aluminum cans for the scholarship fund as the current recycler is unable to continue. If you can take over this task, please contact Lynn. We also need a volunteer to paint the office. Let Lynn know if you are available to do this work.

DOCK: Pat Muchmore reported three security cameras are working and the computer and screen are in the marina office. A fourth camera is to be installed as soon as Dennis Carroll returns. The work on the wharf entrance is started. The Board made editorial changes to the Dock Rules and Regulations.

Volunteers are needed to complete the power wash at the marina before Memorial Day.

EVENTS: Pat Muchmore reported Saturday, May 7th from 8:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. will be the dock breakfast. The sailboat regatta will be held at 11:00 with the skipper's meeting at 10:45. Proceeds from the regatta will benefit the Mustard Seed Project.

Mark Runions reported that Beyond the Borders will be held August 6th. A volunteer to line up food vendors is needed. Please contact Mark if you can help with this. Peg Bingham reported that the LIC will sell desserts again this year.

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Mark also said that Two Waters Art Alliance is presenting a concert by Bottom Line Duo on May 14th at 8 p.m. to be held at the KP Civic Center. Admission is \$15 per person and there will be a no host bar and snacks.

Tim Heitzman reported that the Croquet Tournament is scheduled for July 17th and will be better this year as we know more about planning one. The number of teams will be limited and teams can register on the LIC web site. The beneficiary of the tournament this year will be Community in Schools and they will have a representative at the General Membership Meeting next month to explain what they do.

It was reported that the KP Community Council will hold a Texas Hold 'em Tournament at the LIC on June 18th. There will be a grand prize of \$1,000.

In Sandy Black's absence Carolyn Wiley announced that volunteers are needed for the Memorial Day Dance. Please call Sandy and let him know you can volunteer as far in advance as possible. This is one of our main fundraisers and it takes many volunteers. All help is appreciated.

Del Leaf will have his 90th birthday celebration Saturday, May 14th from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the LIC. All are invited. Please RSVP to Della at (360) 629-4274 or Deb at (252) 770-3932.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Joe Barrows announced that the nominating committee of Joe, John Biggs, Connie Hildahl, Denise Hays and Marlies Van Cise will be calling members to fill all eight positions. President, Treasurer, Dock Chair and Membership will be elected for two year terms and Vice-President, Secretary, Building Chair and Events Chair will be elected for a one year term. The following year the one term officers will be elected for a two year term and in succeeding years all officers will be elected for two year terms. The committee is hoping for multiple candidates for each office.

VICE PRESIDENT: Kurt Anderson announced that Gayle Brewer has volunteered to find speakers for the dessert meetings. A list of possible speakers was presented to the Board for their opinions and Gayle asked if anyone had ideas for him to please give him a call. All ideas are welcome.

PRESIDENT: In Geoff Baillie's absence there is no report.

OLD BUSINESS: Tim Heitzman gave a slide presentation of the Board recommendations for LIC apparel. The Board recommended hats, polo shirts and a fleece pullover with a half zip with a slogan but no logo. Orders will be pre-sold so there will be no up front money by the LIC. As there is a minimum order, two members will pay for the first two lots of hats. A motion was made and seconded to proceed with the program with the recommended items. Motion passed. The Board presented two slogans. A motion was made and seconded to use the following slogan – "LONGBRANCH IMPROVEMENT CLUB" (LONGBRANCH & CLUB in light grey and IMPROVEMENT in sky blue). Motion passed.

All items will be in navy blue, the hat will have white piping and the shirt and fleece will be in multiple sizes.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to also offer a hat reading "LONGBRANCH MARINA"

An order form was passed around for members to sign up for hats and the order will go be sent in April 21st. Hopefully the hats will be here by the Dock Breakfast and the Livable Community Fair.

NEW BUSINESS: Dave Wickland presented a proposal for a floating pump out station with two restrooms. He has contacted a company that makes a portable unit that would be on a 24' barge for approximately \$145,000 that could be moored at the marina. Washington State Parks has a Federal grant that would repay us 100% of the initial cost and installation. There is an April 25th deadline for applications to be submitted. The state has \$500,000 to spend by the end of the year. The state would also pay 75% of all maintenance costs each year estimated at approximately \$5,000. Current cost of the marina porta-potties is approximately \$3,200 a year. We would own the barge, pump out and restrooms and would have to carry insurance. The insurance and the slip rental could be included in the maintenance costs that would be reimbursed so slip revenue would not be lost. The Board had voted to have Dave submit the application. Discussion followed and the response was positive. If we are approved it is a win-win for the LIC.

The wharf gate will be locked from 8 p.m. to 8 a.m. beginning May 2nd. Permanent moorage members will be a current card. Non-moorage members and guests can get the current code from Dock Master.

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Robin Gould announced that Don Jopp's boat "Jackie" is for sale. She did not know the asking price. Call Laurence or Suzie Jopp for more info., 884-3841.

Lynn Carr said the fire suppression system for the stove was installed and the certification is good for seven years.

The furnace in the meeting room is not functioning and is non-repairable. He is getting bids for a replacement furnace.

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peg Bingham, Secretary

Marina Committee Report.....

Dennis Carroll has completed installing the security system at our Marina, had trained three of us how to use the computer system for surveillance and, though he will be gone on other projects, will give us the name of a company that can do maintenance, repair, etc. in the event that he won't be available to do it himself. Hopefully, we will have much better coverage and protection of the Marina and all who use it whether it is our own members, guest moorage folks or visitors from the community.

We are all looking forward to Opening Day at the Marina on Saturday, May 7th, starting at 8:00 am with the Dock Breakfast until 10:00 am, then the sailboat race from 11:00 am until 4:00 pm. It is a great event and we encourage all of you to come join us for the delicious food, time to sit and enjoy your friends, neighbors and meet new friends. With any luck, the weather will cooperate and be just perfect for the sailboat race as well as all of our activities.

Sandy Black has made arrangements to have posters, tickets and all that goes into our great and wonderful Memorial Day Dance on Saturday, May 28th from 8:00 pm until Midnight. I'm sure he will be giving a great deal more information on the Dance as we progress through the month and get closer to the Event itself. Remember, tickets are \$10.00 per adult prior to the Dance and \$12.00 at the Door so check with our Dock Master, Pat Thompson, Sandy, Pat Muchmore (Marina Chair) and we'll be more than happy to sell you tickets prior to the Dance or that evening at the Event.

The weather is certainly changing to make it more enjoyable to experience our beautiful Marina, Filucy Bay and of course the wonderful view of Mt. Rainier. Please feel free to come down, bring some "munchies", etc., stay awhile and enjoy all the beauty that the Longbranch Marina has to offer. It is there for all of us to share.

On a final note, we still need some maintenance of the Marina itself; i.e., power washing the main walkway and fingers, painting of the bull rails and what ever else seems to need some tender care. Contact Randy Babich who is handling the maintenance needs of the Marina (or me) and we will be glad to assist you in any way possible.

Respectfully submitted by Pat Muchmore, Marina Chair

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A GIGANTIC THANK YOU:

I would like to thank Lynn Carr, Sandy Black and all of those hard working souls who made the LIC building and grounds clean up on April 9-10 so successful. A tremendous amount of work was done; corners cleaned out, flower beds weeded, the small shed cleaned out and organized, the wood stack behind the building moved, ALL the windows washed (inside and out), the garbage area cleaned out, the trash dumped on the trails removed, the ball field score board repaired, the posts at the sides of the drives replaced, the kitchen re-organized, the old gates to the garbage area burned, the window sills and roof over the bathrooms cleaned off, the gutters cleaned out, the propane tank and the patio and cement power washed, ivy removed from some of the trees, the south side of the building cleaned and a huge amount of trash removed and/or burned. And this is just some of it. The place looks great!!! There is still a bit more to do but the bulk of the work is done. Thank all of you who answered the call. If anyone needs to get a few hours or has a burning desire to help with the remaining tasks please call Lynn Carr or Sharon Gearhart for suggestions.

Sharon Gearhart

Upcoming Events!!

May 7th—Dock Breakfast, 8-11 am

May 7th—Regatta, 11 am

May 7th—Liveable Community Fair (Civic Center) 10-3

May 8th— Mother's Day

May 13th—The only Friday the 13th in 2011!

May 14th—Del Leaf's 90th Birthday!, 1-4 pm (RSVP Della (360)629-4274
Or Deb at (252)770-3932

May 14th--"Bottom Line Duo" performing at the Civic Center, 8 pm

May 18th--General Membership "Dessert" Meeting, 7 pm

May 28th—Memorial Day Dance with "Mojo Overload", 8 pm



LIC Membership Report

**Mark your
calendars for the
May
General
Membership
Dessert Meeting
Wed., May 18th
at 7:00 p.m.
Look for
Upcoming
Events.**

Many thanks to Dick and Dee Sharf and Barb Floyd for hosting our April meeting and to Trish and Dale Goodvin for greeting us all. It was fun to hear about the history of bicycling from Stu Stuhaug and to get the scoop on the annual Longbranch Bicycle Race coming up on April 30th.

May is shaping up to be a busy month for the LIC so be sure to check the calendar of events! We start off with the Dock Breakfast on Saturday, May 7th from 8 to 11 and the regatta to benefit the Mustard Seed begins at 11. The Livable Community Fair is taking place at the Civic Center that day, too, with booths (the LIC will be represented), local entertainment, plant sale, museum tour, art show and kid activities that last until 3 p.m. Time to enjoy a SUN-NY day of celebration on the Key!

Our May meeting will feature a speaker from the "Community in Schools" organization which is active on the Peninsula organizing community volunteers to help our school children.

We could use a couple more hosts or hostesses for the May meeting, too, so if you're available, please let me know.

Cheers!

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Saturday May 28 8-12 pm
Memorial Weekend Dance
Longbranch Improvement Club

Adults \$12 at door, Sunnycrest or Marina




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