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### Report from the Island Manager

#### Thank You's

I would like to thank everyone who participated in the golf course clean up on March 3rd. The area around #1 tee looks different and a lot of pinecones were raked up. Some trees were limbed up along the fairways and the area behind #7 green was cleaned up. We had some of Joe Ebners chili and hot dogs with chips and cookies. There were some sore backs but everyone had a good time. I also would like to thank Sharon Morris and Grace Stenlund for stuffing envelopes and getting the ballot ready to mail. This project took them over a day.

I would like to thank Ken Baxter for helping me on a Saturday clear the road in division H. We had a small slide and opened the road so emergency vehicles could pass if needed.

I would also like to thank Ken for taking care of the Elsie M with all the problems we have had.

#### Fees Due

Everyone is reminded to pay for dock power, golf and moorage. You can pay for annual golf and moorage by using the honor boxes or by sending a check to the office. We have had people play golf and not sign in and some people check annual golf on the sign in sheet and have not paid for this year. You will be receiving a bill in the mail. We must improve collections for dock power especially with the rise in power rates.

#### RO Update

All of the revisions requested by the county for the Conditional Use Permit and Shoreline Development Permit have been addressed. The revisions were listed in last months View Point. We are waiting for a response from Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife and Washington Department of Ecology. We are expecting a response from these agencies by April 12, 2001. In mid August we should have the public meeting with the hearing examiner and if everything goes well start construction mid September. The system should be up and running in January of 2002.

#### Water Update

Everyone is reminded to conserve on water. We are experiencing higher than usual chlorides for this time of the year and our water table is lower than in years past. As all of you know we are in a drought.

We have submitted to the state laboratory a water test for Radionuclides.

Roger and I are changing out the older water meters and valves. This should help in reducing the unaccounted for water. There will be at least 35 more meters changed out this year leaving about 50 meters remaining. The old fire hydrant has been replaced at the fire station. Your Fire Bunnies donated the money for the new hydrant.



### Junk Vehicles

We are removing 3 Junkers which we now have titles for from the marina. If you have a vehicle in the marina and want to get rid of it please turn your title into the office and we will arrange to get rid of it. The community must get the area where the junk cars are located cleaned up for the final site plan approval for the RO System.



### PUD Update

The upgrades to Division H are almost completed. PUD will be putting fault indicators in the transformer boxes through out the rest of the island over the next month or so. This should help them locate power problems on the island more quickly.




### North Marina Parking

Roger is installing new signs in the north marina parking area. These signs read "NO PARKING-FIRE LANE". We need this area to remain open so that emergency vehicles can get to the docks. If you block this area we will tow your vehicle.



### Ballots

The ballots for the April 12th meeting are in the mail. All property owners are reminded that for your ballot to count your assessments, special assessments including the RO assessment must be paid up through the first quarter of 2001.



### Trash in the Marina


I would like to thank Larry Bender for letting the community use his flatbed truck to get a load of trash and junk off of the island. The maintenance shop is getting cleaned up and the marina area is looking a little better. Please do not dump any trash, garbage, scrap metal, or appliances in the marina or in the maintenance shop area. Your junk is your responsibility to get rid of. We still have a refrigerator in the marina and we are looking into who brought a refrigerator to the island.



### Quotes from Eleanor Roosevelt:

Learn from the mistakes of others. You can't live long enough to make them all yourself.

To handle yourself, use your head. To handle others use your heart. Anger is only one letter short of danger.



### HIC Board Meeting Minutes

The regular monthly meeting was held on Wednesday 03/14/01 at the Elks Club in Everett. Board President Larry Peterson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Members present were Larry Peterson, Larry Bender, Ken Baxter, Bill Odgers, Bob Cook Linda Ebner and Charlotte Mulsby

A motion was made to correct the error in the date of the last minutes, and to accept the minutes with the correction from the last meeting as published in the February "View Point". The motion was carried.

Treasurers Report: Linda's report showed income and expenses for the end of February. There was a handout at the meeting. There was a property that was sold at a Tax foreclosure sale. Skip contacted the new owner and was able to collect \$2144.46 in back assessments including

interest.

Bill Odgers said that we had over \$200,000 collected for the R.O system. That money is in the bank drawing interest. He asked everybody to pay their money up front and the interest would help pay the engineers. Linda reported that on the regular R. O. account, we do get interest and the CD'S have made \$6272.98.

Eleanor Bruegeman was given a bouquet of flowers and a \$100 gift certificate for a job well done as the editor of the "View Point".

The golf report: Larry Peterson: Helen is back working a couple of days a week. We had a great turnout for the golf cleanup. Helen sprayed the greens with a dish soap solution. This will be done on a regular basis. She also sprayed the greens with a moss killer. There was 10 yards of sand brought in for sanding. We have cut down several trees cut and most of the debris has been cleaned up. The Toro mower was taken in to a different person to be sharpened, he will also do the gang mowers for less money. We are checking on something to help get up the pinecones. They jam up the mowers. The next clean up will be 5/6/01.

Vessels: Ken Baxter: The Elsie was patched up. The cost was \$4700.00. It is on its last leg. Mr. Odgers asked if anyone had looked for a new Elsie. He would be willing to go look with Ken Baxter and Skip. Grace Stenlund made the comment that we have to know how much we can spend before we look. Larry Peterson explained that we need to schedule time. Skip and our maintenance man have been very busy. It is a matter of getting the proper people together and getting the time. We will get this done soon. Ken reported that the Holiday is pumping more water than it should. We will do an early haul-out. It has been leaking since the last real rough ride it took between Hat and Everett. Even the deck hand got sick. Ken blames it on the unusual route the ferry took. It twisted the boat badly. Ken also reported that he is trying to get the Coast Guard to agree to inspect at the same time we do the haul-out, this would save us money.

Don Stark asked if there was a fund to buy a new Elsie. The answer is no. Larry Bender said that it is bad business not to have a reserve account.

Linda reported that we do have a 10% reserve account. She has been holding the purse strings tight. It is an emergency fund of \$23,927.22. This will not go far.

Zona Wyatt asked if anyone has inquired about the Mosquito Fleet coming to hat Island. I told her that that was on my list of things to get done this month. Larry Peterson said he had talked to the owner and reported that they will need subsidies from another source to make it. He did not think it would be a reality. Mr. Baxter reported that we were approached in the past and the cost was too high.

Jim Conwell said that the company also wanted our ferry as a backup and they did not allow animals or groceries. Grace has the information from the past, they wanted us to subsidize them for about \$30,000 and we lost control of the Holiday.

Since this is a new owner we will check and get the information.

Eleanor brought up the fact that before we could do anything about getting a new Elsie we had to get the vote of the people. Larry Peterson reported that the board had discussed what we could do. We need to get Ken Baxter, Skip, and anyone else to go out and find a boat that will do the job for us. We could make an offer with earnest money of a few thousand dollars, subject to approval of the community and inspection. (The board is allowed to spend up to \$10,000) If either of those things did not occur we would get the money back. We will put a time limit on it also. Skip has checked with the bank and we can get a loan for the Elsie, and the revenue from

it would make the payments. Our credit is in good standing.

Maintenance/Equipment: Bob Cook, Skip and Rodger have changed damaged and leaking water meters. The fire dept water hydrant was changed and the fire bunnies paid for it. The equipment is in good shape. Mowers are being sharpened.

Marina: Bill Odgers: The tanks for the breakwater are being worked on. . There will be 220-volt power brought down so Rodger can do some welding. There was a discussion on replacing the Styrofoam that is missing from the docks. Jim Conwell told how he did it in the past. Bill is still going to try to get a small dredge done.

Water: Larry Bender: Water is going to be very scarce this year. We are going to conserve. Everyone will take on the responsibility. The board will discuss charging extra for excessive use. All new construction will have to have 1000-gallon tanks for run off water. The subject of hot tubs will be discussed at the next workshop.

Old Business: Your ballot is very important. Please vote in person or by mail. Members in good standing are the only votes that count. Meeting 4/12/01 P.U.D.

New Business: There as a little girl bitten by a dog on the ferry. There was a discussion on what we need to do. Also the subject of small dogs in the cabin was discussed. Zona Wyatt asked if we where going to charge for all animals. Barbara Conwell asked about a winter schedule for the small dogs. The board passed a motion to have all dogs muzzled or in a crate. Grace offered to make the signs.

Larry Peterson also said that the captain of the ferry has the last word on any situation. The rules are posted on the ferry.

Lot F-42 didn't sell at the Tax foreclosure sale. The community will buy this for under \$1000. The community will then sell this lot.

A motion was made and carried that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Charlotte Maulsby.  
Secretary

## Messages from The Board

### Change to the By-laws

Article VIII, Section 1, Paragraph 1 of The By-Laws of Hat Island Community, Inc.

As is:

The Board of Trustees shall annually establish an assessment against each and every lot on a uniform basis. The amount of such assessments levied shall in no event, except as hereinafter provided, exceed in any one month the sum of thirteen dollars per lot. Assessments shall be collected and expended pursuant to the Articles of Incorporation and these By-Laws. Members shall be liable for the payment of any and all assessments applicable to their respective lots.

Change to:

The Board of Trustees shall annually establish an assessment against each and every lot on a uniform basis. The amount of such assessments levied shall in no event, except as hereinafter provided, exceed in any one month the sum of thirteen dollars per lot. Assessments will be

established and levied upon all properties following the affirmative vote of a simple majority (50% plus 1) of votes cast by members in good standing. Assessments shall be collected and expended pursuant to the Articles of Incorporation and these by-laws. Members shall be liable for the payment of any and all assessments applicable to their respective lots.

#### Explanation:

The above change to our existing by-laws does not in any way expand the ability of your board to change assessments or to authorize the expenditure of any community funds beyond their present limits. What it will provide is a better means for the community to address its need to provide funds toward future need or emergencies. As stated above---only you, the community can authorize any increase in the assessment rate established against Hat Island properties. A member in good standing may bring the ballot to the meeting and participate in a discussion of all involved issues prior to completing the ballot. If need be you may choose to complete your ballot at home and vote by absentee ballot. If so the ballot must be correctly completed and mailed so it is received in the Hat Island office prior to the scheduled meeting date.



#### Holiday Ferry

As of April 13, your dog must be muzzled when on the Holiday.



#### Message from Larry Bender

In the short period of time that I have been on the island, I have bought property, built a house and become a board member. The people on the island have welcomed me with open arms and I would like to thank everyone for that.

As a board member, and property owner, I have seen the island get by with a minimum amount of money. The majority of people want to have our island looking better, like the improved part of the parking lot, more maintenance done on the marina, machinery upgraded and maintained better. We might even get the roads all graded out to width and smoothed. With a little more money we could even make our golf course play and look a lot better.

We are so strapped for money; we are unable to do these extra things. Unfortunately we are at a \$13 per lot per month limit and need a 2/3 majority to change that bylaw. Many of the previous boards and the people of the island realize a need for this change, even though at times there are things they don't totally agree with. We must stop looking at the small things that irritate us about the island and look at the big picture. I believe it is essential that we direct our energies and forward thinking on this one issue.

These are some of the people that plan on voting for the increase: Pam Berry, Sam and Dyane White, Dwight and Claire Fry, Jim and Jean Tiede, Marilyn and Rick Burns, Grace Stenlund, Bud Lofgren, Jon and Karen Rypdahl, Clarence and Fran Forseth, Ron and Bette Near, Dave and Darla Younce and Susan Church.

Please join us in overcoming this hurdle for the island.

I thank you in advance for your vote!

Larry Bender

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#### A Big Thank You

The golf course clean up on 3/3/01 was a big success. The turn out was fantastic, thanks to all the volunteers and the Hat Island Yacht and Golf Club. Trees were trimmed, pine cones by the thousands were raked and baged, and hole No. 1 was made more beautiful. The old rotten log was taken out and a

new flower bed was put in.

This is only the start. The golf course is a vital asset to the Island. The Board appreciates all your help. The HIY&GC will have another clean up on May 6th.

Charlotte Maulsby and  
The Community Board



## GOLF COURSE RULES

All players must sign in, pay and start at the #1 Tee.

Payment is to be placed in the Honor Box using the provided courtesy envelope. Please complete all requested information on this envelope. Should a golfer not have the correct dollar amount to pay for his golf, a signed IOU can be placed into the envelope. The IOU must show the dollar amount owed and the full name and lot number of the golfer(s).

The lot owner is responsible for, and must sign in, all guests and family members.

Family members not in the company of the lot owner must abide by rule # 1.

Renters must abide by rule #1.

The lot owner is responsible for sign ins and payment of fees in above situations.

Maximum of four players in a group on weekends and in tournaments.

Allow faster players to play through.

No child under 12 years of age is allowed to golf without an adult being present. No children are allowed anywhere on the golf course without adult supervision. (These are both safety issues.)

No pets are allowed on the course.

No unauthorized vehicles are allowed on the golf course. Only golf carts and pull carts are authorized.

No private tournaments will be allowed without prior approval from the HIC Board or the island manager.

Private golf tournaments will be scheduled and played Monday through Friday. Any tournament scheduled for a Friday will have to be clear of the golf course prior to noon on that day. If a barbecue or program is to follow a Friday tournament it cannot be held on the golf course. The picnic area near the marina is available if needed.

The only exception to this policy as stated in number (A) above will be the regular HIY&GC tournaments held on Memorial Day, July 4th and Labor Day weekend. In addition to these are the annual HIC Fire Department tournament and any special request approved by the HIC Board and/or the island manager as detailed below.

Any person or group may make a special request for a Saturday tournament to the HIC Board or the island manager. A special tournament will be allowed to be played on a Saturday if requested and the following criteria is met:

A written request is received by the Hat Island business office a minimum of 30 days prior to the date requested.

The written request will specify the sponsor of the tournament, the island property owned by the sponsor, a contact telephone number, the number of people who will be playing in the requested tournament and any additional details or needs requested in reference to the tournament.

There will be a special fee of \$2.50 in addition to the normal green fees for each player in the tournament.

The tournament sponsor will provide a count of the number of players to play in the tournament on his written request. All green fees and special fees for all tournament players will be prepaid to the Hat Island office a minimum of 15 days prior to the scheduled event.


The tournament sponsor is responsible for the completion of the HIC golf course sign in sheet that will list the names of all players.

If the Hat Island bus is requested to transport players to and from the tournament, arrangements and payment will be made at the time of scheduling.

Play may be restricted for non-tournament players during an authorized golf tournament.

There will be no special tournaments allowed on Sunday except for those mentioned above in number 9, B.

Please be courteous. Do not leave litter on the golf course and please take time to replace your divots.




### Note from Your Editor

If you have something nice to say about someone, anyone, please write me a letter so we can all share.



Conserve water

'Knowing is not enough,  
we must apply:  
Willing is not enough,  
we must do.'  
-unknown




### Your Point of View

#### Note from the editor

As you may have noticed, there has been no "Your point of view" in the last couple of news letters. That is because none of you has written!

Please write....you must have opinions on many of the things you read in the minutes and other areas of the news letter. Share them with us.

Who knows, your idea or thought may be just the thing to solve some problem others have looked at but not seen.



## Take Note

### HIC Income and Expenses

Detailed reports are available at monthly board meetings and are also available in the Community office on the Island.



### Holiday Ferry

See [Schedule](#)



### Schedule of Events

See [Events](#)



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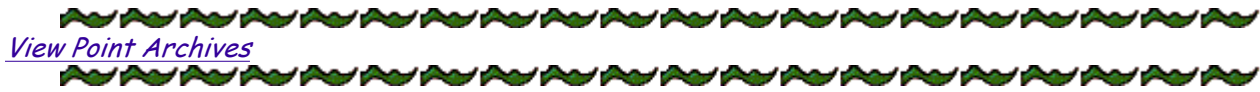
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