

The Responsibilities of Being an SJIYC Sponsor

The job description of an SJIYC member(s) who sponsors a candidate for membership is a commitment more than simply providing a letter of support. We succeed because members volunteer for dinner meeting committees, cruise committees, board/bridge positions, and various other volunteer activities. The Club could not function with members who only show up to have dinner on Fridays—that's not a club, it's a restaurant. Similarly, members on cruises who never do anything except to show up for cruises and tie up to a dock and pay for a dinner planned and organized by others are living off the volunteer work done by good Club members—and they're not adding real value. This doesn't mean members need to be on every committee, just give something back or “do for others what you have them do for you”.

Sponsors are mentors. The work begins before an application is filled out. Both sponsors should invite potential applicants to visit the clubhouse several times to meet other members and get the *feel* of our organization. This helps the potential applicant observe volunteerism in action. If this “getting to know you” stage is successful, the Sponsors then ensure that the potential member receives an application; send letters of recommendation to the Vice Commodore, and ensure that the applicant returns the completed application. Remember that **two** member sponsors are required! Both Sponsors should be active in the new member process.

If the application passes two open membership “readings” where the application is reviewed, the Sponsors' comments are discussed, and the application posted for a sufficient period of time to allow all Club members to comment if they wish, the application may now be accepted. This is where the Sponsors' work begins. It is where they invite the new member to join the Sponsors at the next available function(s) and introduce the new member to as many Club members as possible. A Sponsor's next step is to introduce the new member to the Club Social Chair to match the new member's interests, skills, and experience with Club committees' needs. The best arrangement is for one of the Sponsors to request that the new member be added to those committees where a Sponsor already has signed up as a volunteer. Too often a new member walks in to the Club after membership acceptance and there is no follow up on those areas of interest indicated in the new member's application. That's not fair to them and it's not fair to the Club. That's the Sponsors' responsibilities.

If we fulfill our sponsorship role as “new member mentor”, everyone wins—especially the sponsor, who really made something nice happen for the Club and the wonderful people they invited to join our exceptional group of members.

SAN JUAN ISLAND YACHT CLUB
P.O. Box 67
Friday Harbor, WA 98250

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION
AND **APPLICATION**



Membership Chairperson:
Bill Feyerherm, Vice Commodore
P.O. Box 67
Friday Harbor, WA 98250
(360) 298-8302

SAN JUAN ISLAND YACHT CLUB
2016 Application for Membership
 (Please type or print clearly as this application will be posted)

Date _____

Applicant #1: _____
first middle last

Applicant #2: _____
first middle last

Primary Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Home Phone () _____ **Work** () _____ **Fax** () _____

#1 Cellular () _____ **#2 Cellular** () _____

#1 E-mail _____ **#2 E-mail** _____

Secondary Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Home Phone () _____ **Work** () _____ **Fax** () _____

Boat Name _____ **Length** _____ **Draft** _____

Mfg. _____ **Type (Sail or Power)** _____ **Cruising Speed** _____

2nd Boat Name _____ **Length** _____ **Draft** _____

Mfg. _____ **Type (Sail or Power)** _____ **Cruising Speed** _____

Name as you would like it to appear on your name badge

Applicant #1 _____

Applicant #2 _____

I (we) hereby apply for membership in the San Juan Island Yacht Club, and upon acceptance, agree to abide by the constitution, by-laws and all other regularly adopted rules of the Club. I (we) intend to be an active member.

Signed _____
Applicant #1 Applicant #2

Please check one of the options below

_____ We will pay our initiation fee in installments of \$500.00 per year plus 4% interest

_____ Upon acceptance we will submit a check for \$1920.00 for the balance of our initiation fee.

SJIYC Sponsor _____ **and 2nd** _____

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Membership Committee Use Only

Date First reading _____ **Board Action** _____

Date Second Reading _____ **Date Posted** _____ **Approval Date** _____

Prorated Dues _____ **Date Dues Rec'd** _____ **Date Balance Initiation Rec'd** _____

Induction Date _____ **Inducted by** _____ **Membership #** _____

Background Information

Applicant #1 Occupation _____ Employer _____

Applicant #2 Occupation _____ Employer _____

Years in Boating _____ Years as Boat Owner _____ Interests?

Racing _____ Cruising _____ Day Sailing _____ Fishing _____

Other _____

Have you been affiliated with another Yacht Club _____ If yes, give details _____

Other boating memberships? Power Squadron _____ Coast Guard Aux _____

Coast Guard Licenses or Courses Completed _____

Applicant #1 hobbies or talents _____

Applicant #2's hobbies or talents _____

Applicant #1, please provide a brief description of your professional and recreational experiences and personal skills.
Also, please list any skills that you like to perform that might be helpful to our Club management or functions

Applicant #2, please provide a brief description of your professional and recreational experiences and personal skills.
Also, please list any skills that you like to perform that might be helpful to our Club management or functions

SAN JUAN ISLAND YACHT CLUB

New applicant procedure:

The following information is an outline for applying for membership to the San Juan Island Yacht Club. Follow the steps below to start the new membership process. If you have any questions, please call the Vice Commodore, Bill Feyerherm at (360) 298-8302.

- Step one: Review all the materials in this packet. Direct any questions to the Vice Commodore, whose number appears above.
- Step two: Fill out the enclosed membership application. The signatures of both the applicant and your spouse are required.
- Step three: Contact each sponsor and have them sign the application.
- Step four: Mail your application along with a check in the amount of \$580, which represents 20% of the \$2,500 initiation fee plus 4% interest on the balance to:

Bill Feyerherm
Vice Commodore, SJIYC
P.O. Box 67
Friday Harbor, WA 98250

- Step five: Your application will be processed per the By-laws of San Juan Island Yacht Club, **Article III Membership, Section 3**, which reads as follows:

Application for Membership. Blank applications for membership shall be maintained by the Vice Commodore as Membership Committee Chair and issued to any member upon request. Completed applications, which must be signed by a Sponsoring Member and a Seconding Member, shall be submitted to the Vice Commodore. Each applicant shall submit with his or her application a check in the amount of the initial installment payment as an application fee. In the event that the application is accepted as set forth below, the application fee shall be applied toward the initiation fee. If the application is rejected, the application fee shall be refunded in full.

After investigation of the applicant's qualifications, the Sponsoring Member and Seconding Member shall each forward letters of recommendation with the application to the Vice Commodore. After diligent research by the Membership Committee, the application shall be presented to the Board of Trustees for its consideration. Upon approval of the Board, the application shall be presented to the Membership by posting on the Club's Official Bulletin Board and Website, by a general mailing or E-mailing to all Members, or by reading at the next monthly meeting. If no written or verbal objections are received within twenty days thereafter, the application shall be deemed approved and the applicant will be notified to submit the balance of initiation fees and prorated dues. If any objections are received, the Board of Trustees shall make the final decision as to approval or rejection. Upon receipt of the remaining portion

of the initiation fee and prorated annual dues, the applicant shall become a Member and be invited to the next regular meeting for formal induction. If the application is accepted but for any reason the applicant fails to become a Member, the application fee shall not be refunded.

NOTE: The application fee will be deposited upon receipt. The current Membership cap is set at 202 and there must be a position open for a new applicant to be accepted as a Member. The waiting period may be several months. During that time applicants will be welcomed as guests.

- Step six: The membership committee will contact you to set up a mutually convenient time for you to meet with them. The purpose of this meeting is to acquaint you with our Club and its activities, and also to explain what is expected of you as .members.
- Step seven: When you are notified that your application for membership has been approved the balance of the initiation fee and dues in an amount based on monthly pro-ration of the current annual dues will need to be paid in order for your induction to proceed.
- Step eight: Induction into the Club usually takes place at a regularly scheduled membership meeting following your second reading and the payment of the balance due. At that time you will be formally introduced to the membership as a new member and be given a membership kit. That kit will include a Club burgee, nametags, Club roster and a Certificate of Membership.

SAN JUAN ISLAND YACHT CLUB

The Club opened its new facility in the Port of Friday Harbor January of 1987. We have reciprocal agreements with over 100 Yacht Clubs ranging from Alaska to Hawaii to San Diego. The Club is managed for the members by the Board which includes the elected officials including the Commodore, Vice-Commodore, Rear-Commodore, Fleet Captain, Secretary, Treasurer, the Immediate Past Commodore and six Trustees elected from the general membership. The Club membership is capped at 202 memberships. A couple counts as one membership. The Club offers three classes of membership outlined below.

Regular Member (R). A Regular Member shall be defined as anyone 21 years of age or over, who either resides in San Juan County or regularly moors his or her boat in San Juan County for at least 60 days per year. Member must own at least one half (1/2) interest in a sail or power-driven vessel suitable for racing or cruising. Regular membership shall be by selection and upon payment of initiation fees and dues in accordance with the By-Laws as hereinafter provided. Regular members are entitled to vote and hold office. In the event that a Regular Member becomes a non-boat owner as defined above, he or she shall after 5 years of being a non-boat owner, automatically become an Associate Member.

Associate Member(AM). An Associate Member is a non-boat owner with membership by selection and upon payment of fees and dues. Those members selected as Associate Members will be limited to 25% of the total memberships and may vote but not hold offices of Commodore, Vice-Commodore, Rear-Commodore or Fleet Captain. An Associate Member who becomes a boat owner as defined above shall automatically become a Regular Member.

Non-Resident Member (NR). A Non-Resident Member shall be defined as anyone 21 years of age or over, who neither resides in San Juan County, nor regularly moors his or her boat in San Juan County for more than 60 days per year. Unless both conditions are met, applicants will be considered for Regular Membership. Non-Resident Members may vote, but may not hold office.

The following information outlines benefits to members by belonging to the San Juan Island Yacht Club. As a candidate applying for membership, you may want to review these benefits carefully as you make your decision to join our organization.

Objective

The Club is organized for the purpose of encouraging and supporting all forms of yachting in the Northwest, and to bring members together to share matters of common interest and to further safer and more enjoyable boating.

Clubhouse

The San Juan Island Yacht Club is centrally located in the Port of Friday Harbor. All members are welcome to take part in all activities planned for the membership at the clubhouse. The clubhouse features a large banquet room, bar and lounge, well equipped galley, conference room, rest rooms with showers and management office. The clubhouse is staffed with a club manager on duty year round with posted hours to assist the membership with their activities. The lounge features a full service bar.

Activities

The clubhouse has scheduled hours when the lounge is open to provide you with libation and lite fare on which to dine.

There are many scheduled social events throughout the year. These events are for the entire membership and their guests. The events include various holiday celebrations and the monthly membership meetings. Members volunteer to work on the committees to plan and implement the various events, and volunteer participation by all members is critical to the vitality and success of our Club events. New members are encouraged to coordinate with their sponsors when signing up for event committees. This is also the best way to get to know your fellow members and make new friends!

Marine events are scheduled throughout the year. These activities are well attended and bring the membership together at locations near and far. These events include cruises as well as races usually scheduled for two to four days at a time. The chair of the committee usually selects the destination, which can be a secluded anchorage or a marina with gourmet restaurants nearby.

The Club sponsors one major sailing contest each year; the Shaw Island Classic in August. We also co-sponsor the predicted log race with the Friday Harbor Power Squadron.

Monthly Meetings

The monthly membership meetings are usually held at the clubhouse and dinner may be prepared by the committee or served in potluck fashion. As the schedule permits, some of the meetings are held in conjunction with social events or cruises. The business portion of the meeting is usually brief.

Reciprocals

Your membership in the Club entitles you to reciprocal privileges with other Clubs with which we have an agreement. While cruising by boat or vehicle you can take advantage of the facilities at our list of reciprocating clubs. A list of participating clubs can be found in the roster.

Rental Facilities

The clubhouse is available for the members to rent for private parties, wedding receptions and special occasions. Members receive a discount in the rental rate. The clubhouse is also available to non-members for rental for private events.

Fees and Dues

The initiation fee is \$2,500.00 and may be paid in one of two ways:

- Option #1 Installment Method. This option allows you to pay your initiation fee over a period of four (4) years. If you choose this method you will pay a total of \$2,700.00 as follows:
\$580.00 at the time of application;
\$560.00 on the first anniversary of your acceptance;
\$540.00 on the second anniversary;
\$520.00 on the third anniversary and
\$500.00 on the fourth anniversary.
- Option #2: Payment of \$580.00 at the time of application
Payment of \$1920.00 upon acceptance of your membership by the Club

If you resign from the Club and your initiation fee is paid in full, you may elect to be placed in a queue to receive an equity reimbursement, less a transfer fee (currently set at \$500.00) as long as you are a “member in good standing,” i.e., your dues are current at the time of the reimbursement.

If you have not paid the full initiation fee according to the schedule outlined above (having been a member in good standing for four full years) and wish to resign from the Club, you will forfeit the amount paid and are not eligible to receive an equity reimbursement.

Annual Dues:

Regular and Associate Members.....

Joint: \$615
Single: \$460

Non-Resident Members.....

Joint: \$485
Single: \$360

New member’s annual dues are prorated monthly based on the date of their membership application approval and are payable at that time. Thereafter, dues are billed at the first of each year and are due and payable by January 31st, of each year. Delinquent dues received after February 1st, shall be assessed a \$50.00 late fee.