



Tacoma Yacht Club's Daffodil Weekend is rapidly approaching, and we would like to cordially invite you to join us in celebrating the annual Daffodil Marine Festival and Parade. This year's theme is **"Bloom Where the World Takes You."**

The basin crew will be ready to welcome visiting boaters beginning at noon on Thursday, April 16th. We will find moorage for all boats; however, we cannot always guarantee power, and the use of a diesel generator can only be used if it does not pose a carbon monoxide health risk to others. Also, we cannot guarantee pet-friendly access to shore, so please consider before bringing your dogs.

Friday night at 7pm there will be a **competition** for trivia seating and your placement in the Token Parade. At 7:30pm join us for music and dancing at our **Neon Nights** themed dance party! The Daffodil Chairs and Co-Chairs will be **awarding the best costume(s)** of the evening, so come prepared to compete for the top spot and to dance the night away!

A highlight of Daffodil is the **Token Parade** (1:30pm) followed immediately by **Trivia** on Saturday afternoon, April 18th 2pm-4pm. Please take careful note of the following:

- **Limited bar menu – food, beer, wine, and Daffy Drinks**
- Trivia will be Pub-style
- Each club's trivia team will consist of no more than four people (including Token)
- Teams will be seated at tables determined by the previous night's competition
- Other club members will be seated around the ballroom to cheer on their team

"BRIBES"

Bribes have been a trivia tradition and recently we have promoted donation-based bribes. Last year we were thrilled to see **participating clubs donate \$167K to their local charities!** On Friday night we will be announcing our **Changemaker Awards** to the top 3 clubs with the highest charitable donations per member. Last year the Changemaker Awards went to Poulsbo Yacht Club, Olympia Yacht Club, and Seattle Singles Yacht Club. Start early and let's beat that total!! We will also be announcing the total raised at the Flag Ceremony Sunday morning, giving credit to all of you and your hard work.

For the Changemaker Awards Please note:

- Levels – Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum
- How levels are calculated: total donations made (from 4/14/25 to 4/17/26) divided by number of memberships (not including youth/junior memberships)
- **Provide evidence of donations** – screenshot, email confirmation, receipt, etc.
 - **Send via email to larich0402@gmail.com**

Saturday night there is a **dinner buffet** from 5:30-7:30pm followed by **music and dancing**.

Sunday April 19th the **Flag Ceremony** will take place at 10am, and the weekend will culminate with the **Decorated Boat Parade** along Tacoma waterfront. We are looking forward to seeing your creative efforts!

Registration

Each club must register only once. Each boat or RV planning to attend must also complete a registration form and pay a registration fee (non-refundable) of \$25. There is also a \$5 per person entry fee to participate in the club activities. Boat and RV registrations already include two entries. No Entrance Fee for children under 18.

The registration deadline is **March 21, 2026, or until we reach our limit**. If you have questions, please refer to our website or email Bentley Rickmers at: tycdaffodil@gmail.com.

Unfortunately, we will not be able to accommodate any boats over 65' in length.

Registration and Order Form Links available online:

<https://www.tacomayachtclub.org/Daffodil>

To request a visitation to your club, contact P/C Jeff Krueger at jpkruieger1@outlook.com, or Pam Krueger at pkpekrueger@gmail.com or fill out the Visitation Request Form that can be found on the Daffodil link on our website.

Each participating club's Commodore and a guest are invited to a reception in the Crow's Nest of the TYC clubhouse on Saturday, April 18th 4:30 pm. Dress will be boating casual. Appetizers along with a "no host" bar will be available.

Be sure to visit our website for more details regarding highlights, menus, and parade judging criteria. The Tacoma Yacht Club looks forward to you spending the weekend with us during the 2026 Daffodil Weekend Festival!

Sincerely,

Commodore Dave and Judy Bender