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October 2003

## COMMODORE'S LOG

Wow! What a party, the Octoberfest! Thanks to the Bittners and their crew for the wonderful party and the great food. I ate myself into a stupor...but how would anyone know it was the food and not my normal state. And did you see Cathy Nelson doin' the chicken dance? She really knows how to do it! Which brings me to a suggestion. Next year, how about a quick dance lesson before the competition? I'd bet more of you would've gotten out there if you knew the dance. Thanks again, folks. We can look forward to it next year, can't we?

I'm told that the new outboard for the work boat is on order and to be delivered about mid October. This will be a 25 horse Yamaha, 4 stroke (more environmentally friendly) and with a 3:1 instead of a 2:1 reduction gear in the lower unit. This motor is built as a work motor, intended to push or pull things around at slow speeds as opposed to a motor built for speed, which is what we've always pretty much wound up with on the used motor market. Slow and steady is what we expect for the work boat!

Lots of stuff coming up on the social schedule. The Old Salt's Dinner is on Friday the 17th. If you like Prime Rib perfectly done, baked potatoes and fresh corn on the cob, you really don't want to miss this one. Even if you don't like

those things, you don't want to miss this. Past commodore Ron Moran and his galley slaves do a FINE job on every thing and the time spent with new and old acquaintances is always good.

At the clubhouse on the 19th is the Arts and Crafts show featuring the work of club artisans. This is a good opportunity to see what unknown talents and skills are lurking in the minds and bodies of all those people you've known for years. You might be able to pick up some good Christmas gifts. (Good grief! Did I say that? Already?)

The Annual RCYC Ladies Dinner is Thursday the 23rd. A fine dinner will once again be prepared by Rick Royce and his crew of galley slaves and served by a bevy of dashing fellows whose only desire that evening is to serve you ladies! Well, that's all their desire is supposed to be, but with boat people you can never be sure.

There are a couple of work parties left. One is on the 18th and the last one is on the 25th. Hear ye! Hear Ye! Get yer work hours in early! Besides, the work parties are a good time to get to know more of the club members.

The CRYA Spook Cruise to Sand Island is listed on the cruise schedule incorrectly. The book says the cruise is for the weekend of the 25th and 26th. I have it on

good authority that the cruise will actually take place on the weekend of the 18th and 19th. Just so you know.

Then, there's a pre-Halloween club cruise to east dock on the 25th and 26th. Bring your treats and leave your tricks at the dock!

And I think Alverna is lining us up with a Halloween party on November 1st. Check the website for further information or come to the next general meeting where it will be discussed.

Last but not least, if you have business before the board in October, call for directions to Rear Commodore Whitfield's house. Fred has invited the board to have the October meeting there so we can do a thorough inspection of their remodeling project. And that's important stuff! With the board's approval and a buck and a half, Fred can get himself a cup of coffee! We'll report back on how nice his home is later.

Speaking of a buck and a half, that's about what I spent on this missive. Time to let you get back to something productive.

See ya on the Docks!

**Commodore Larry**



## CRUISE CORNER

Many members braved the long haul up to Beacon Rock the last weekend of August. The club website (<http://www.rosecityyachtclub.org/>) has a story about the cruise in the September Foghorn section. If you want more information, ask the boats: Breakers, Fiddlefoot, Ursa, Downwind

Drifter, Stanley's Steamer, Time Chaser, Sun Star, Nepenthe, Born Free, Willow, Crystal Swan, Honahlee, Anikje, Second Wind, Enchantment, Hawkwind, Nova, Nordic Heritage, Loki, Big Bird, Eagle III, Misty, Steady, Tamara, and of course our honorary 3-days a year members, Prime Time II. If I've missed any, correct me on the next cruise!

Join the club for a couple of short runs up to East Dock in October. The first one (Oct 4-5) is the annual "last cruise" held on Closing Day Weekend, traditionally the end of the yachting season. Six area clubs are scheduled to be at the docks at Camas, for the Closing Day ceremonies, one club will go on up to Beacon Rock, and we'll be at East Dock to watch the parade, both ways. Do tie up carefully, use snubbers & spring lines, and watch those spreaders. It can be a bit bouncy at East Dock when the faster boats buzz on by.

But don't let that be the last time you take the boat out! Later in October head back up to East Dock for the RCYC Pre-Halloween Cruise, joining up with Sauvie Island Yacht Club (those cruising folks who go out all winter long). The festivities start at mid-day on Saturday, with hot-dogs, chili, hot spiced cider, and mulled wine on the dock. If it rains, expect to see plenty of tarps and spinnaker poles making shelter. Both RCYC and SIYC will provide the dogs and cider, and each boat should bring a can or two of chili to add to the pot. Also bring along a pumpkin for carving, and maybe some boat decorations and costume makings, plus some candy for the kids -- of all ages. Costume and pumpkin judging happens in the early evening, around Happy Hour. There is no planned dinner potluck. Sunday morning, we'll have a Brunch Potluck at about 1030. List: folding table if you've got one, a tarp, chairs, pumpkin, can of chili, costume makings...plus hats, gloves & warm shoes!

Also consider the area-wide non-club Halloween Cruise to Sand Island the weekend before our upriver trip. Check out this Oct 17-19 cruise at: <http://www.cdds.com/HalloweenCruise/>. You could stay on board after Old Salts Dinner and take off in the morning downriver. This one can be quite crowded, but also lots of fun.

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### Entertainment Books Available

I have 2004 Entertainment books for \$30 each. I am selling them for the **Lake Grove Lions**. The books will be available from September 22 through November 10, or after December 11. If you are interested in getting an Entertainment book please call George Kent, 503-636-7224.

Thanks, George Kent

## Donations Welcomed for Ladies Dinner Raffle

OCTOBER 23, 2003

The ladies of RCYC will enjoy an exciting evening this October 23 with an annual dinner and raffle at our club. To ensure that the raffle tickets are indeed money well spent, it is our job to have as many donations and gifts as possible. We are asking all RCYC members to please consider giving something for our raffle. Ideas for consideration might be a bottle of wine, jewelry, cosmetics, artifacts, or hand-made items and need not be more than \$5 or \$10.

We ask, and often find, that many nearby businesses are able to support our raffle. If you can also assist our club, we would be most grateful for your contribution. Please contact either Joyce Jensen or Carol Pick by email or phone, as listed in our yearbook, if you can help. We would be happy to pick up any gift if you contact us or meet us at the next general meeting.

Carol Pick & Joyce Jensen,  
Raffle Committee Ladies  
Dinner 2003



## Secretary's Salutations



The Gwinner Awards for this month went to Dave Kibby for his dedicated service of our sewage pump – a job no one wanted – and to Brad and Joyce Jensen for coming to the rescue of a Club member who fell from the gangway into the water. And, Werner Bittner retained the Boner's Bib for the second month in a row. After encountering difficulty in pulling up his anchor, he solicited the help from a nearby power boat. Unfortunately, the power boater tied the anchor line to his boat, revved the engine and emulated an Indy 500 start – promptly separating the line from the anchor. Werner and Jim Hackley were planning a treasure hunt to recover the anchor.

A number of membership changes were approved at this month's Board meeting. Dick and Judy Dyer have gone from Inactive to Active members. Dick has agreed to be the Club's nominee for an officer position in CRYA. Life membership has been approved for Stan and Anita Reynolds. Walter and Rellalee Stott also submitted their resignation from the Club due to health problems. However, in view of his more than 30 years membership and past service to the Club, the Board designated them as Honorary Members.

Please do not leave any food out or uncovered in the galley. The Club-house crew recently found our friendly neighborhood ants feasting on German chocolate cake crumbs.

*Judy*

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 19.



The Artisans & Craft Gala is coming. We have things for the Guys and the Gals to see. Please come and support our fellow members. Members of other yacht clubs are welcome to attend.

Call Louise Redding at (503) 774-2495 if you have any questions.

## OCTOBER CRUISING

### RCYC "Closing Day" Weekend Cruise

Oct 4<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>

#### Government Island, East Dock

Acknowledge the end of the official yachting season with a trip up to East Dock. We'll have a potluck on Saturday afternoon.

### 2003 Halloween Cruise

Oct 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> \*

#### St. Helens, Sand Island

Head downriver the weekend before our East Dock cruise. For this annual area-wide event, club & non-club boaters join forces & take over Sand Island, using both docks & City Dock for overflow. Costumes, spooky booths & a well-organized docking system for the many boats which attend make this a good one for the kids. It's a good idea to get there as early as possible.

\* You could stay on board after Old Salts Dinner and take off in the morning downriver.

### RCYC Club Pre-Halloween Cruise

Oct 25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>

#### Government Island, East Dock

Joint cruise with SIYC. The clubs will provide hot-dogs & hot spiced cider and wine. Bring a can of chili to add to the pot for Saturday afternoon. Bring a folding table if you've got one, a tarp & your chairs...plus hats, gloves & warm shoes, & candy of course! Costume & carved pumpkin judging in early evening. No planned dinner potluck. Brunch on Sunday is a dock potluck at about 1030. If it rains, expect to see plenty of tarps & spinnaker poles making shelter. Join us!

Details and a report on last year are available at:  
<http://www.cdds.com/HalloweenCruise/>.

Questions? Contact Anne Thompson,  
Sun Star, 503/699-2926,  
[annie@cybcon.com](mailto:annie@cybcon.com)

# MOORAGE MATTERS:

The forecast is for fall rains to start within the next week. Time to inspect/upgrade your mooring lines and put on snubbers. Be sure to put leather or other chafing gear on where your lines go over rails or through chocks.

Put on big fenders for those coming winter storms. Check the cleats on all the wooden slips as well as the ones on the concrete slips. Bolts can loosen up after a summer of constant movement and the shrinking of the dry wood. Remember that the residents have been authorized by the Board to re-secure loose boats with new line and have the owners billed for it.

I am presently filling another opening for a large boat and am in the process of moving a couple of smaller boats to make room for a wide 30

footer that needs a wider slip. Please be patient and understand that sometimes you will be asked to make a change in order for our moorage to accommodate all the members equitably.

The work parties have started off very well this fall and I hope you are as pleased as I am with the progress in straightening out slips and re-bolting a bunch of cleats. The old empty electrical conduit has been mostly removed from walk two. The slip numbers have all been re-fastened,

and it is much easier to read them now. The finishing of chores tied to the "great headwalk replacement" continues, with the new screening added on both down-ramps. Both decks have now been cabled in place much better.

The list of moorage projects to finish is still over two pages long, but it is getting shorter!

The dredgers are presently surveying depths throughout the moorage. If you know of a shoal area, email Bob Fellman or me with the location. Bob

and Pete have already put in hours of welding and fitting work for upgrades on the dredge; November One is getting closer!

Note to anyone using tools on the docks: If you lose a steel tool in the river and need a magnet to retrieve it, use the newer "retriever" with the double bar magnets. It's the one with an orange float on the end of the line. The old U-shaped one is two clicks above worthless, in comparison. Billings: I have had two phone calls about moorage billings coinciding with the mailing of the current quarterly billing for Club dues and fees.

It seems that a few members were under-billed for a while. I know it is human nature to complain if the bill seems too high, and to ignore it if it seems too low. Our bookkeepers try to keep it all straight, but if you have been paying too little, expect to be asked to make it up. Errors can creep in, in spite of their best efforts.

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## If you need a reminder, here are the fees:

Walk 1:	\$207. per quarter
Walk 2:	\$142. per quarter
Walk 2B:	\$177. per quarter
Walks 3 and 4:	\$161. per quarter
Walk 5:	\$191. per quarter
Breakwater:	\$1.35/foot/month, plus \$2.70.

(Breakwater rate applies also to slip 7 on walk 2. Walk 2B rate applies to slip 30 on Walk 1, Walk 3 rate applies to slip 20 on Walk 2.) Houses and private slips are assessed a fee based on their frontage on their headwalk.



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### **Oregon registration stickers.**

A new year will soon be upon us and your boat will need to display a 2004 (or 2005) sticker. Note that the new ones will NOT stick (for long) to the older ones. Completely remove the old ones first. It is said to be a problem with the adhesive on the stickers.

Note also that as of January one, many of us must now have our Boater Education Cards with us. We get services and great dock facilities from our Oregon Marine Board that other states can only dream about, so let's not gripe too much about obeying the rules.

## ***HAPPY FALL CRUISING!***

Loren, Moorage Chair  
email: [Loren@pmug.org](mailto:Loren@pmug.org)

## **The 2004 RCYC Clubhouse Cleaning Calendar has been posted.**

The 2004 RCYC Clubhouse Cleaning Calendar has been posted on the notice board by the galley. If you clean the clubhouse for one month you earn your annual work hours in return. You can set your own schedule and work pace (within reason). This is a great way to provide a very important service to the club.

I will not be returning as the clubhouse chairperson for 2004. RCYC will need a new clubhouse chair and this is a great opportunity to provide a service to the club and earn your hours for the year...

If you are interested contact: Terry Foren.

If you have any questions about the job give me a call: Bill Kramer, Clubhouse Chair

## **RCYC Youth Sailing Program**

We are ready to kick off the fall season with a few class offerings for the kids and grandchildren of club members. Our first opportunity is planned for October 24th at 6:30 pm where our topic will be knots, hitches & bights. Students who attend will receive printed directions and practice materials as well as hands-on instruction. We will video-tape our class for those of you who might have a conflict with the date. Call or e-mail Bob Phillips if you are planning on attending.

In November we will begin a formal instruction program using curriculum materials from US Sail. The dates for these class sessions will be announced later but we are looking at a combination of Friday evening and Saturday afternoon class sessions.

Hope to see a good turnout for our classes.

Bob Phillips

## **Sea Scouts News**

The Sea Scouts are auctioning a VERY NICE 34' Hunter sailboat by sealed bid. The proceeds of this sale will directly benefit Sea Scouts, and youth sailing/boating as a whole, and the commission will greatly benefit the future operations of the ship City of Roses. Bids are due into the the Scout Office by 10-28-03. If we refer the successful bidder, the ship (Ship 60--City of Roses) will get a 10% commission. the minimum bid is \$30,000. If you are interested, forward your name, phone numbers, and mailing addresses. I will arrange to have the Scout Office mail you a bid packet. It would also be helpful if the bidder puts the ship (Ship 60--or City of Roses) as the referral, so we are sure to get the commission. Please email for more information.

Eric Rimkus

## **Video/DVD Library?**

As our talented commodore finishes the carpentry work on our new audio/video console it provides a good opportunity to ask for donations from our club members. If you have a video or DVD that is boating/sailing related that you would like to donate to the club we would be willing to find a spot in the console to store it. Over time, we could get an extensive library together that would be available for all club members to view at their leisure.

Contact Bob Phillips regarding your donations.

## OCTOBER-NOVEMBER UPCOMING EVENTS AND CRUISES:

**October** 15 GENERAL MEETING

17 Old Salts Dinner

17 – 19 Area-wide Halloween Cruise at  
Sand Island  
[http://www.cdds.com/  
HalloweenCruise](http://www.cdds.com/HalloweenCruise)

18 WORK PARTY

19 Crafters and Artisans Gala

23 RCYC Ladies Dinner

[http://www.rosecityyachtclub.org/news/  
SEPTEMBER%202003.htm](http://www.rosecityyachtclub.org/news/SEPTEMBER%202003.htm)

25 WORK PARTY

25 – 26 Club Halloween Cruise, Govt. Is., E. Dock

26 Daylight Savings Time Ends

27 Board Meeting

**November** 1 Halloween Party\*

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■ Cruise Questions? Contact Anne Thompson, Sun Star, 503/699-2926, [annie@cybcon.com](mailto:annie@cybcon.com)



### RCYC EDUCATION 2003

The Basic Marine Electrical Class is scheduled to start Thursday, October 30th at 7:30 PM. This class historically has been a 3 to 4 night class depending on class interaction.

Norm Gustafson, RCYC Education

503-280-1527 days

503-805-1213 eves

[normjang@sprynet.com](mailto:normjang@sprynet.com)

### \* October calendar of events change-take note:

There is a change on the RCYC Halloween Party. It will be on Nov. 1st not October 31st.



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