# MAHORNS

#### ROSE CITY YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER

Commodore: Judy Oxborrow Vice Commodore: Bob Phillips

Secretary-Treasurer: Marili Green-Reilly

## February 2005

## Commodore's Log

The main item of business at both the January General Meeting and January Board Meeting has been the breakwater piling repair. The project was outlined to the membership at the General Meeting. For those of you who have not been down to the club recently, the pilings supporting the breakwater are failing, and we must replace them as soon as possible. Pilings may only be driven during a November 1 through February 28 work window. As of this writing, we have received two of the three permits necessary to proceed with this emergency project. We are waiting on the permit from the City of Portland. Plans are to place ten pilings (20 inch diameter, 100 foot length) spaced every 40 feet along the breakwater as recommended by the engineering survey. The project is estimated to cost \$115,000. Work will be done by Hickey Marine. Steve Pape has been asked to tie the breakwater to the pilings. At the General Meeting, the membership approved the expenditure of funds to accomplish this project and the financing plan recommended by the Long Range Planning Committee. Approximately half the funds required will come from the Capital Improvement Fund. The LRPC recommended maintaining a minimum \$50,000 balance in our Capital Improvement Fund. Therefore, the balance will be paid from a line of credit being established for the Club's use. The line of credit would be paid off from funds designated to the Capital Improvement Fund during the course of this year. A big thank you to Steve Barrett (Project Leader), Tom Stringfield, John Kneeland, and Terry Foren for their work on this project. Another big thank you to the Long Range Planning Committee of Karen Jacobson, Randy Webster, and Mike Oxborrow for handling the financial matters. By the time of the February General Meeting, we hope this project will be well on the way to completion.

With this emergency piling replacement on the breakwater, the Walk 5 replacement must, unfortunately, be deferred

at least a year. I have asked the Long Range Planning Committee to review the Club's finances and long range plans to determine when this project can be accomplished and how best to plan for it. The LRPC has been asked to report back to the Board in September on this matter. As part of this project, I am also re-constituting the Walk 5 Planning Committee. This committee will be charged with planning Walk 5, the dredge float, and shop structures. Once the needs have been determined, a better cost estimate can be obtained and incorporated into our long range planning.

Ron McClard has volunteered to head a committee charged with reviewing our by-laws. More specifically, the committee will address issues like partnership boats, redefining membership to be more politically

correct, etc. Terry Thatcher, Karen Billion, and Carl Neilsen have agreed to work on this committee. The Board should receive a report from them later this spring.

The new refrigerator and tray rack should be installed in the galley around the end of January. Our thanks to Rick Royce for handling the purchase and Bob Phillips for handling the necessary cabinet work. Also, Mike and I hit the "after holiday" sales and scored a \$230 artificial Christmas tree for \$42 for the club. It is now in the storage shed awaiting unveiling in December:

And, unfortunately, we have started the year with the resignations of four members: John and Michelle Miller, Andrew and Connie Murphy, Sven and Naomi Nylund, and Loren and Martha Hotchkiss. As Dave Reilly has stated, we are all on the Membership Committee so let's expand our RCYC family by recruiting some new friends.

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## **VESSEL SAFETY**

CHECKS For five Saturdays in April you can get your Safety Decal. The Coast Guard Auxiliaries will check your old PFD's, detect if your horn may be low on pressurized liquid, check all your navigation lights and plumbing. These are just a few items on the check-off list.

RCYC is responsible for the Opening Day Parade so we need the passing decals to demonstrate that we are a responsible club.

Hans Geerling, Safety Inspections





RCYC members Anne Thompson and Ray Brown in Thailand

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## W W W Y W

### MOORAGE MATTERS:

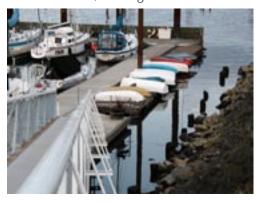
There is little news other than a couple of boats moving around within our moorage.

If you know of any prospective members, we can offer immediate moorage to two small boats and three larger boats (up to about 36 feet). I would specifically like to recruit some more Olsons and Ericsons, should anyone want my opinion (!). Seriously, we could put TWO Cal 20's, Ranger 20's, or Catalina 22's in those inexpensive slips in front of the clubhouse. Tell all your friends!

The generally mild and dry weather may bring brown lawns to Portland next summer, but it has sure been gentle with our boats and moorage in the meantime. Let's hope that the remainder of winter does not bring us any freeze damage or unusual flooding.

See you at the next meeting,

Loren Beach, Moorage Chair



#### **NEED WORK HOURS?**

By taking care of our oak-paneled clubhouse for one month, you can satisfy your RCYC work hour requirement for the entire year. Clubhouse duty is easy and can be done on your own schedule at your convenience. Bonus feature for 2005: you don't have to set the chairs up for the general meeting!

Don't put it off -- sign up today! Just add your name to the roster posted by the galley door in the clubhouse; or contact the RCYC Clubhouse Chair, Jas. Adams, at 503-349-0840 (c) or e-mail *jadams@teleport.com* to choose an available month (after April).

las. Adams, Clubhouse Chair

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As an incentive, we do have a couple of empty slips in the moorage, and there is currently no waiting list.

In preparation for Opening Day, the Board approved the expenditure of \$2,500 for blinds for both pass-throughs in the galley and Roman shades for the windows. Marili anticipates having them installed by the end of March. Also, as preparation for Opening Day, the Commodore will buy a keg of beer for the barbecue sponsored by the walk that has the highest percentage of vessel safety checks completed. How's that for incentive?

April 13-17 are the dates for Sail Expo at Jack London Square in Oakland. The temporary RCYC outstation will be at Best Western Inn at the Square on Broadway. In true yacht club tradition, an RCYC social gathering is being planned. If you are going to this party, please provide me with your cell phone number or hotel location so you can be included in the social gathering.

Judy Oxborrow, Commodore

### VICE COMM

If you don't remember, last year at this time the clubhouse was torn apart and a crew of dedicated workers were making the much needed improvements that we are enjoying now. This year we don't have that huge task facing us, but it doesn't mean that there are no jobs to do.

For those brave enough to open one of the club barbecues recently, you might have been surprised to find their appearance to be less than appetizing. Needless to say, they occasionally need a bit of cleaning. This would be a great way to get in some work hours on one of the unseasonably warm days we are having. Jas Adams also reports that there are empty spots still available for clubhouse cleanup if you are looking for a job that you can schedule at your leisure and I would be glad to teach you how to use our "new" RCYC floor buffer if you are interested in helping maintain the appearance of our floor.

Many of you are taking advantage of the clubhouse to schedule anniversaries, weddings, graduation and birthday parties for you, your families and friends. Be sure to contact me well ahead of time to ensure that you can get the date that you want. The spaces for 2005 are filling up fast. You can find the forms for clubhouse use in the file cabinet on the back counter of the club or contact me and I will send you a PDF form online.

In celebration of the fine work done by our dredging crew, we are again having a "Bottom's Up" Party. Plan to show up at the club on February I 2th for this year's party. Festivities begin at 6:00 pm with a social time followed by a potluck dinner at 6:45 pm. This is a BYOB event, but soda, punch and mixers will be available. I am still in need of a few people to show their appreciation of the dredgers by volunteering to help in the setup and cleanup of this event. Please give me a call.

Bob Phillips, Vice-Commodore

#### Artisan Fair

Start thinking now about the Artisan Fair. Get your crafts and hobbies ready! September 18, Sunday at 10:00am to 4:00pm.

Bring cookies to share.

Contact Anita Fallon to reserve a table

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## Secretary's Salutations

We have had some recent changes in membership status here at RCYC. As of December 31, Life Members Roy and Maxine Ciappini and Otto and Lois Gaither changed to Inactive Life status. As of January 1, Life Members Jack and



Mary Ann Cairns changed to Inactive Life status, and Jim and Pat List changed from Active to Inactive Members. Even without their boats, we hope that all will continue to "actively" participate in RCYC's many land and clubhouse based activities.

Amongst them, these four couples have given RCYC 122 years of service and have kept the moorage chairman busy finding space for ten "new" boats. Four of these members have served in leadership positions: Jack Cairns and Roy Ciappini as Commodores in 1965 and 1978 respectively, and Mary Ann Cairns as First Mates President in 1970. Jim List joined the Board as a Director in 1997.

All four couples owned sailboats when they joined, and two moved to powerboats more recently. The Ciappinis lead the group in the number of boats owned: Roy and Maxine owned the Santana 27 Contessa when they joined in 1974, then moved up to the Gulfstar 37, Carina, in the late 1980's. They switched to powerboats with the North Sea Trawler, Sirena, another 37-footer, in the late 1990's, and recently got comfortable aboard the Mainship 34, Zingaro. The Lists also switched from sail to power after joining. They came to RCYC in 1992, with the Hunter 31, Bald Eagle, and have recently moved to a power boat, a 19-foot Thunderjet Envoy.

When the Cairns joined in 1956, they were proud new owners of the 20-foot sailboat Honey Bee, a part of the then popular Bee Class. In 1964 they took delivery of a Cascade 29 built in Japan, their first Halekai, then moved up to their second Halekai, a Cascade 36, in 1970. The Gaithers seem to be the only ones in the group content with one boat: When Otto and Lois joined in 1974 they were owners of a brand new Cascade 42, Wayhi', which has served them well throughout their RCYC membership.

Now for some trivia:

Honey Bee was previously owned by which RCYC member? Which other boats named above were passed on to other RCYC boaters? Email me with your guesses or check this space next month for the answers.

Marili Green-Reilly, Secretary-Treasurer

## Swing Dance Lessons Update

Eight to twelve couples usually show up with Wade as a single. (We hear that Wade is a great lead.) Barb Chabala has come as a single when Terry had a cold. Everyone gets to dance. Usually partners are rotated after the first half to learn and experience everyone's strong points. After the second half, dances are with everyone's own "date". At the end of the class, we are free to practice our new moves to good music. Instructors, Kelly and Jeff rotate in and out for one on one instruction.

There is no pre sign-up. Couples \$5.00, Singles \$2.50. We have requests for more Silver Waltz (Traveling Waltz) and more Swing for these next two lessons on February 10 and 17. There has also been an interest in Lindy, Salsa, and Cha-Cha in the future.

## PAINTING GLASSES AT

#### Uncover your hidden talents!

Do you have an artist hiding within you? Do you wish you had a talent to "Show" at the RCYC artisans fair? You may have more talent than you think.

RCYC will be offering a painting class here at the club. The class features an easy-to-learn "wet on wet" painting technique (also known as the Bob Ross technique).

Instructor Judy Stubb, a Portland native and resident of Wilsonville, teaches classes throughout the area and is brushing up on her treatments of nautical themes just for us. You can check out her work and see more detail at her website, <a href="http://www.wetpaints.net/">http://www.wetpaints.net/</a>.

The class(es) would be held at the clubhouse on a weekday evening or a weekend afternoon. They run 3-4 hours. All paints, canvases, brushes, and other materials will be provided as part of the \$35 to \$45 class fee

You can indicate your interest on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board at the clubhouse, or call or email me. Once we have an idea of how many people are interested, we will schedule the class.

Marili Green-Reilly

## FIRST VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNTIY OF THE SERSON!



St. Patrick's
Day

Saturday, March 12, 2005

Last year the event was made up of a potluck consisting of corned beef, vegetables, salads, desserts and BYOB. The club provided ice, mixers and coffee, etc.

This should be a fairly easy event to plan. Contact me once you decide you'd like to participate and I'll put you in touch with other interested folks so that we can have a quick planning session, then you're off and running.

Thanks in advance for your consideration. I'm looking forward to hearing from you.

Olga Ginez - Born Free (503) 772-5099 home (503) 936-2330 cell

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#### A Thank You From the Family of Ed Palfreyman

We were overwhelmed with the love shown by so many Club members who attended Ed's service and party, sent beautiful cards, called and sent donations to Blanchet House in Ed's honor. Losing Ed is a great sorrow, but your loving support is a major comfort in this tough time.

Joan O'Neill and Ed's Family.

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#### RCYC EDUCATION

The **Coast Guard Auxiliary** is presenting a class, "Boating Skills and Seamanship", that is open to the public. The class starts Monday, February 21st at 7:30 PM. It will be held at the athletic center inside the Tualatin Recreation Center at 50 N.W. I 58th Street in Beaverton . This class qualifies for the Oregon State Boating license.

Call Hans Geerling or Karl Quade if you have any questions.

Norm Gustafson, RCYC Education

## RCYC UPCOMING EVENTS MEETINGS, AND FUNCTIONS:



#### February 2005

- 5 Commodore's Ball 6:00 p.m
- 10 RCYC Dance Classes 7:00 p.m.
- 12 Bottom's Up Party 6:00 p.m
- 16 General Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- 17 RCYC Dance Classes 7:00 p.m.
- 28 Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.

#### March 2005

- 5 Work Party 9:00 a.m.
- 12 Work Party 9:00 a.m.
- 12 St. Patrick's Party 5:30 p.m
- 16 General Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- 28 Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.

## YEAR BOOK PICTURES!

Is your picture in the Year Book UPTO DATE?

More then 10 years old? Or you don't like it any more.

Hans Geerling

Please check the Web site for updated club dates.
 www.rosecityyachtclub.org



**Sign up now to help** on the St. Patrick's Day Party



### **Volunteer Opportunities Galore!**

Sign up now for your choice of one or more events. No experience necessary.

A good sense of humor and a huge smile helpful!



St. Patrick's Day: Saturday, March 12, 2005



Empty Pockets: Friday, April 15, 2005

Land Cruise: Monday, July 4, 2005

Luau: Saturday, August 27, 2005

Oktoberfest: Saturday, September 24, 2005 Spaghetti Feed: Saturday, November 19, 2005

Christmas Ships: Friday, December 16, 2005

Soup & Sail: Sunday, January 1, 2006



Food \* Decorations \* Publicity \* Music \* Set-up \* Clean-up

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