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June 2005

COMMODORE'S LOG



As you read this, the Commodore and First Mate will be in Alaska. May was such a busy month, we took some R&R. Unfortunately,

this also meant that we missed the Memorial Day Cruise to Hadley's Landing. However, we did drink a toast to RCYC and its great members. We plan on being at Coon Island in June.

Opening Day was a HUGE success. RCYC sparkled like the gem we all know her to be. Club participation was awesome! We won first place in the participation category for clubs with over 60 members. We also won third place in the club decorated to theme category. Thank you to all those who worked so hard to make this event such a success. Our efforts were rewarded by innumerable compliments from the visiting clubs. A special hug and thank you to Larry Corderman for chairing

the breakfast committee, Alverna Martin and her crew for the absolutely fantastic hors d'oeuvres spread, to Jeanne Becker for the "wow" floral arrangements, and to Don Eudaly for grading and gravelling the parking lot. The Daughters of Neptune and the Sea Scouts did a great job presenting the colors during our Opening Day ceremony. Those members who were unable to participate missed one super party! And, with several club members being officers of CRYA and watching from the review boats, we picked up several tips to improve our appearance in the parade so we can be more competitive. Best of all, the weather cooperated, and we made it through the entire day without getting wet!

Another big hit was the PT boat. A couple of the veterans on the boat asked if they could come back for a couple of days during the summer. There were a lot of people who wanted to see the boat but were unable to do so because of time constraints. Other clubs had members who wanted to visit

COON ISLAND CRUISE June 11 - 12

The next club cruise is to Coon Island.

If you can get away on Friday, you might consider spending Friday Night at the Public Dock in Saint Helens.

You could then explore around Saint Helen's old town area Saturday morning before heading up Multnomah Channel to Coon Island.

Any questions Call:

Ron Moran at 503-236-0430

the boat after the parade review, but unfortunately the boat had to return to Swan Island. We'll see if we can work out arrangements. Thank you to Lee Tapper for moving his boat so that we could accommodate the PT boat.

And, last but not least, the "challenge" results are in! As an incentive, the Commodore offered to provide a keg of beer for the walk barbecue of the walk with the highest percentage of vessel safety checks completed.

This year we had the highest number

ever of vessel safety checks completed. The results are (drum roll):

Walk 1	12 VSC	41.379%
Walk 2	4 VSC	48.275%
Walk 3	7 VSC	21.212%
Walk 4	10 VSC	31.25%
Walk 5	10 VSC	40.0%



◀ Rosemary Barrett – grillin'.



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Thanks to all the Walk 2 members for making the Commodore's day. Now, if we can work out the music arrangements, Walk 2 will have one rockin' barbecue!!

Ladies Dinner was another successful "sold out" event in spite of the last minute change in entertainment. Sometimes it pays to have a musician "with contacts" in the family! Rick Royce did his usual outstanding job as chef. We had some fantastic door prizes. And the service provided by our men was a hit with the ladies! A copy of the door prize donors and gifts is listed elsewhere in the newsletter. Please let these businesses know that we appreciate their support.

The Board is still working on issues involving the gate. Just before Opening Day, Karen Billion arrived home to find the gate stuck part way open. She and Ron managed to get it closed, but then it really became stubborn and wouldn't open at all. With the gate report still to be presented to the Board at the May Board meeting and action yet undecided, repairs were authorized.

Our liability insurance was recently renewed at a slightly higher premium than last year. A reminder to all members – A copy of your insurance declarations page must be forwarded to me when your policy is renewed. Such documentation is required to assure that all boats in the moorage are insured as per moorage rules.

We again seem to have a wildlife problem. Depending upon how you look at it, the problem can be considered both a fowl one and a foul one. It seems that a number of geese and ducks have adopted RCYC as their home. Guess they know a good thing when they see it. Unfortunately, they have taken to roosting on boats and leaving unwanted deposits. Some members have had the misfortune to see their boats "favored" by our guests on a regular basis and have been faced with a regular unpleasant clean-up job on boat and canvas. Please do not feed the geese and ducks!!

Judy Oxborrow, Commodore



Jeffrey & Ilona Grass, Amaretto

RECIPROCAL MOORAGE UPDATE

We have been reinstated at Tsawwassen YC in Delta, B.C., Canada. Their reciprocal moorage is at Pt. Roberts, WA.

We now have reciprocal moorage at the Corinthian YC of Tacoma, located in Tacoma's Commencement Bay. Check their website for more details.

George Kent, Reciprocal Moorage Chair

MOORAGE MATTERS!

With the arrival of the first 90-degree days, strong winds, and greatly increased powerboat wakes, it is time to take a good look at your on-deck moorage system. You need quality nylon lines, with the required snubbers on bow and stern lines. You also should have chafing gear at the chocks.

Next, look up. Never have yours and the neighbor's masts directly in alignment with each other. In case of a really severe wake, either or both of you could have damage to the mastheads with their expensive wind indicators/transducers and VHF antennas.

The river is high, fast, and cold this month. Watch your step around the moorage -- an unintended swim this time of year can go from embarrassing to deadly in about 20 minutes, or less. And note that all kids under 13 must: 1) wear a PFD around the moorage, and 2) be supervised by an adult.

I still have some bargain snubbers available, and Bob Fellman has some to pass along as well.

Have fun, but be alert!

Loren Beach, Moorage Chair

Our officers and directors –
Opening Day Festivities



VICE COMM

This month I want to send a big thank you to all who have worked hard this spring to make RCYC ready for the summer season. John Flenniken, our work party chairperson, did a great job in organizing the tasks for work party leaders Bob Fellman, Tom Stringfield, Alan Bergen and Hans Geerling. Jas Adams has had great participation by our clubhouse stewards and everything is looking great. Unfortunately, the need for members to participate in chores continues. We have a new lawn and a new lawn mower to go with it. We have an ongoing need to work at controlling our weeds and blackberry vines. John also has assorted maintenance chores around

the club throughout the summer and Jas still needs someone to take on the responsibility of keeping the clubhouse in good shape during the month of July.

Many private parties are scheduled for the summer and fall. Check the calendar posted by the kitchen for the complete schedule before planning an informal gathering at the club. If a private party is being held, please show respect for the event and confine your activities to using the restrooms. If a meeting or class is being held you can access the restrooms and kitchen being careful not to disturb the event. We encourage all members to make use

of the clubhouse during the summer. If you want to bring friends or family in for a BBQ, please feel free, just clean up after yourself.

I will be working this month to remind members to renew registration tags on their boats and clean up neglected boats. Everyone's cooperation will continue our efforts at making Rose City a moorage of active and involved boaters. Hopefully we will continue to get more people involved in all aspects of our club activities from racing and cruising to attending our walk parties, classes and other special events. I look forward to seeing all of you at the club this summer.

Bob Phillips, Vice Commodore



Sea Scouts



Jack & Lucy Mitchem, Wy'East



Daughters of Neptune



*Opening Day
Festivities*



PT Boat 658



Opening Day Festivities



◀ Larry Wintermeyer,
Down Wind Drifter



LADIES DINNER DOOR PRIZE DONORS AND DONATIONS

- Arrivederci! Wine and Gifts - \$50.00 gift certificate
- Banks Sails – Duffel bag
- Beaches Restaurant – Two \$25.00 gift certificates
- Cascade Yachts – Signal Horn
- Carol's Custom Canvas – Barbecue cover and two fender covers
- Hayden Island Canvas – Tote bag, window cleaner; water repellent, zipper and snap lubricant, canvas cleaner and tape measure
- Jan Stewart (Kuhnhausen Furniture) – Two boxes and tray with compass rose design
- John and Jan Dees (Image Measurement Systems) – Baby shower kit
- Karen Jacobson (Ivey, Jacobson and Stone CPAs) – Picnic tote
- Larry Roberts – Two hand crafted mirrors
- Linda Belshaw (Oregon Pear Bureau) – Gift basket
- Marili Green Reilly – T-shirt with heron design
- Mike and Judy Oxborrow – Stress relief gift basket
- Red Lion Inn at the Quay – Gift certificate for Sunday brunch for two
- Rick Royce Catering – Two fruit baskets
- Rocky Pointe Marina – Free haul out and bottom wash
- Rodger's Marine Electronics – Ray Marine rollabout duffel
- Sailing Life – Wine and wine glasses
- Salty's on the Columbia – Gift certificate for Sunday brunch for two
- Schooner Creek Boat Works – Tahitian pearl necklace
- Shilo Inn Suites Hotel – Gift certificate for two night's lodging
- Sternwheeler Rose – Gift certificate for family cruise on the Belle of the Falls trip
- West Marine – Life sling
- Who Song and Larry's – Two \$25.00 gift certificates

Charles & Susan Pennington, Puffin

Hugh Lovell & Jean Morrison, Second Wind

Eagle Days In Cathlamet

As Cathlamet's newest full time residents, we again want to invite all of RCYC to a picnic lunch featuring a really small town parade in front of our house. Sandwiches, soft drinks and salads provided. Bring a chair. The parade starts at noon on Saturday the 16th of July, but come earlier to build your sandwich and just hang out.

We are located at 380 Columbia Street overlooking the Puget Island Bridge. If you are coming from Longview, take a left on to Columbia Street just past the Shell service station around milepost 38. Or from downtown (yes even Cathlamet has a downtown) go up the hill past the fire station about three blocks. If you drive up highway 30 on the Oregon side, catch the ferry (leaves at 15 minutes past every hour) at Westport and follow the road across the bridge to Cathlamet and do a hairpin right at the first intersection. Park on a side street.

After the parade, the festivities move down to the center of town and feature music, antique cars, a birds of prey exhibit (that's where the Bald Eagle comes in), stuff for kids, a Coast Guard helicopter rescue demonstration, more food (including buffalo burgers) and crafts for sale. In the evening down at the marina there will be more music (Mike Oxborrow and band) and a fireworks show almost right over your head. There will be more events at the marina on Sunday, expanding on the traditional wooden boat show.

New this year is the fairly renowned glass blower from Skamokawa, who has moved into town with his students, and a new gift shop called the Silver Heron. Both are located across the street from the Old Pioneer Church.

Hope to see you at our house.

Jan and John Dees

360-795-0550

Last chance to be a Clubhouse Steward this year!

By taking care of our oak-paneled clubhouse for one month, you'll satisfy your RCYC work-hours requirement for the entire year. Clubhouse duty is easy and can be conveniently done on your own schedule.

Contact the RCYC Clubhouse Chair, Jas. Adams, at: 503-349-0840 (c) or jadams@teleport.com to **choose the last remaining month – July 2005.**

Jas. Adams, Clubhouse Chair

CRUISING ETIQUETTE

When participating in a club cruise, the following will help make it a safe and enjoyable experience.

EQUIPMENT:

- Fenders: The minimum to have is four, sized for your boat. Use fender covers to stop squeaks.
- Lines: The minimum is four lines.
Have a bow and stern line and two spring lines.
Use three-strand line, which has some stretch and will not squeak as much as braided line does.
- Anchors: The minimum is one, but you should have both a bow and a stern anchor.

The boat rafting up or docking is responsible for providing the necessary lines and fenders to complete the task safely and securely.

- Have your fenders and lines in place and ready to go.
- Approach at a slow speed.
- For docking, come in as parallel to the dock as possible.
- For rafting up, approach from the stern if possible and coast to a stop beside the raft. Do not push the raft around by bumping into it.
- The first line off your boat should be a mid ship line.
- Next get your bow and stern line in place. The only time to deploy your bow and stern lines first is if both can be passed to line handlers at the same time.
- Line handlers work together to move the boat in parallel to the raft or dock.
- If rafting up, adjust boat so spreaders are two to three feet fore or aft of the boat next to you.
- If rafting up, you must be willing to deploy anchors if needed. Lunch hooks are not acceptable.
- It's the responsibility of the boat skipper to check all lines and fenders after tying up.

ETIQUETTE

- When rafted up and crossing another boat, good manners dictate you cross forward of the mast.
- Use care not to rock the boat you are crossing.
- Use care not to stress equipment not intended as foot steps or handrails.
- Always ensure your feet, shoes and person are free of sand, mud, dirt and trash when getting onto other members' boats.
- Sound carries exceptionally well over water. Audio output should not be enjoyed by adjacent boats without permission. Remember that comments you make may be heard by others.
- Secure halyards away from your mast to prevent slapping.
- Tie up your dingy/inflatable securely so that it will not hit your neighbor's boat. A good way to accomplish this is to tie it off across your stern with two lines, using a fender to protect your stern.

Ron Moran, Cruising Chair

PROPOSED ROSE CITY YACHT CLUB BY-LAWS REVISION

The By-laws revision committee has reviewed the proposed changes in the light of comments received from members and has made several changes. These changes have been reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors and will be presented for your approval at the June general meeting.

The committee's assignment was to bring the By-laws into agreement with Club practices as they have evolved since the last revision of the By-laws several years ago. These changes are to broaden and clarify the definitions of Active Members, to clarify the situation where a boat is jointly owned, and to clarify the situation where Inactive Members move their boat away from the local area. It is important to remember that the Board of Directors has the authority to deal with exceptional membership situations, should they arise. For example, the Board will make an exception for Inactive Members whose boats are currently within 50 miles from the Club.

Article XII regarding nominations and elections is similar to the revision presented earlier with the exception that in the extremely unlikely case of a tied election for any officer or director position, the candidate put forward by the Nominating Committee shall be named the winner.

Carl Nielsen, Karen Billion, Bill Kramer, and Ron McClard, and Terry Thatcher

The new and/or revised sections are underlined.

Article III - Membership

The membership of the club shall include the following classifications:

Section 1. **ACTIVE MEMBER.** Any person, two person unit, unit of husband and wife, or unit of domestic partners in a single household 21 years of age or older; who is a boat owner; who is of good moral character; and who has an active interest in boating, may, upon approval of the Board of Directors, and qualification become an Active Member.

An Active Member in good standing with Rose City Yacht Club shall be entitled to all of the rights of the club, to one vote (voting is limited to one vote per single member or member unit) and to hold office, subject to the obligations of active membership. Separate households who own a boat in a joint ownership arrangement must each independently apply for and separately maintain memberships in the Club.

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ONE FOOT ON EACH COAST

Last fall, RCYC member Bob Green became a two-boat owner. In October, Bob purchased a Leopard 45 sailing catamaran in Delaware and moved it down to Ft. Lauderdale for the winter. The boat, which Bob named (Cat) NIP, is retired

from the Moorings fleet and needed a bit of work to bring it up to Bob's standards. He spent the winter in Ft. Lauderdale "messing about" on his boat.

Tough duty! In February, Bob had a visit from

RCYC friends Ken Gervais and Susan Wilcox during their cross-country van

odyssey. In April, Tom Stringfield and

Vickie Nissen joined Bob for a cruise down the keys to Key West, out to the Dry Tortugas and back up to Florida's West Coast. Tom and Vickie report that Bob's boat is as large as a small house and just as comfortable. Bob should be back in Portland in June.



Fort Jefferson, Dry Tortugas National Park





Underwater Services Changes Hands

After 28 years of serving boaters in this area, I find it is time to bid farewell to my many customers. My wife and I will soon be leaving Vancouver to make our new home in LaCenter, WA. Plus, I'll turn 69 shortly and feel it every time I dive.

To say I will miss the boating fraternity is a huge understatement. I have especially enjoyed the members of Rose City, many of whom have become first name acquaintances, as I probably did over 500 jobs for Rose City members. It has been enjoyable to see the moorage become the first-class facility it is today. Never once did a member of Rose City fail to pay his/her bill or complain about the service we performed. That speaks well for the caliber of RCYC members. I will miss all of you, your friendliness and your patronage. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

I would also like to introduce my successor. His name is D.J. Millay (my son-in-law). He has worked with me for several years. He is a school teacher (as I was) and is available for most dive jobs. His phone number is (360) 695-9013. I guess they call this "passing the baton" (or scrub brush) to the next generation. I expect he will be enlisting one of his three sons to assist him this summer.

Again, thank you for the privilege and pleasure of serving you.

John Lindblom, Underwater Services

Secretary's Salutations

During May we received an application from Mike and Debbie Solituro who were introduced at our May 18 general meeting. They have had 25 years of power-boating experience, currently sail a MacGregor 26 out of Fernridge, and are shopping for a Cascade 36. Mike is a commercial builder and a structural engineer and Debbie is a realtor. Their 12 year old daughter Serena is looking forward to getting into the RCYC youth program.

New Members sworn in at the May meeting: Simeon and Ann Hyde. Welcome!

The Board approved two membership actions at the May 23 Board Meeting. Tom and Ann Woolcott have achieved the status of Active Life Members, effective June 1. We also accepted the resignation of Jon and Terry Gustafson who became inactive members when they moved to eastern Washington over a year ago.

I hope you had a chance to visit PT Boat 658 when it was moored at RCYC on Opening Day. Many members and their guests took the tour, tried out the gun turrets and heard stories of maritime adventures from the PT Boat veterans who have lovingly restored the vessel. The Board voted to send off a donation to help defray fuel costs and show our appreciation, both for the hard work that has gone into the restoration and the opportunity to host the historic vessel.

While you are visiting the clubhouse, check out the display of historic photos on the south wall. We featured a chronology of clubhouses for Opening Day, celebrating this year's nearly complete redecoration of a clubhouse that dates back to Opening Day 1953. Also featured are photos of The Defender, the restored tug that served as our clubhouse from 1948 to 1950, and its ultimate sinking. The display will be changed periodically to keep our history "fresh." Many thanks go to Larry Corderman and Carolyn Bennett for their expert mat-cutting and framing assistance (and the accompanying meatloaf dinner!).

*Marili Green-Reilly,
Secretary-Treasurer*

PROPOSED ROSE CITY YACHT CLUB BY-LAWS REVISION (CONTINUED)

Section 5. **INACTIVE LIFE MEMBER.** Any Life Members who sell their boat or permanently move it more than 50 statute miles from the club's moorage and still wish to retain an affiliation with the club may apply to become Inactive Life Members. Inactive Life Members shall not be required to pay any fees.

Article XII - Nominations and Elections

Section 1. No later than the first day of September, the Commodore shall appoint a nominating committee of four members, chaired by the Rear Commodore, and including three members-at-large who are not currently Directors. The membership of this committee shall be announced at the September monthly meeting. This committee shall seek and announce one or more candidates for each of the offices of Commodore, Vice Commodore, Secretary-Treasurer and five Directors-at-Large.

Section 2. The report of the nomination committee shall be filed with the Secretary-Treasurer in time for the Secretary-Treasurer to publish the nominations in the October issue of the "Foghorn."

Section 3. At the October monthly meeting additional nominations for all elected officers and directors shall be solicited from the floor and may be made by any member in good standing. Upon closing of the nominations and with no further nominations having been made from the floor, a voice vote on a motion for "election by acclamation" will take place. In the event that any nomination is made at the October monthly meeting, private paper ballots shall be printed under the supervision of the Board of Directors, and an election will be held at the November monthly meeting. One ballot will be provided to each member or member unit in attendance and the candidate receiving the greatest number of votes will be declared the winner. In the event of a tie vote for any office, the candidate put forward by the Nominating Committee shall be named the winner.

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Think a month in advance for any time sensitive articles or events.

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RCYC Youth Sailing

Summer has come and the dinghies are ready. We will be having our first sail on Sunday, June 5th at 1:00 pm. Come and check them out. Also, watch the e-mail for other dates.

CJ Volesky, Junior Sailing Chair
(503) 804-1473

RCYC UPCOMING EVENTS MEETINGS, AND FUNCTIONS:

June 2005

- 4 Hutchison, Private Party: 2:00 pm - 8:00 pm
- 5 Junior Sailing Program: Afternoon
- 8 OWSA Meeting: 6:00 pm - 9:30 pm
- 10 Moen, Private Party: 6:00 pm - 11:00 pm
- 11 Royce, Private Party: 11:00 am - 7:00 pm
- 11 to 12 Coon Island Cruise
- 15 General Meeting: 7:30 pm
- 17 RCYC Beer Can Race: 6:30 pm
- 18 Walk 2 BBQ & Fun Races

- 22 to 24 OWSA - Introduction to Spinnakers: 6:00 - 9:30 pm
- 25 to 26 RCYC Summer Regatta - Post Race Events
- 27 Board Meeting: 7:00 pm

July 2005

- 4 Independence Day Celebration & Potluck: 3:00 pm - 11:00 pm
- 9 Kenneke, Private Party: 2:00 pm - midnight
- 16 Walk 3 BBQ
- 18 Board Meeting: 7:30 pm
- 22 RCYC Beer Can Race: 6:30 pm
- 23 to 31 Lazy Days Cruise

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www.rosecityyachtclub.org

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