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November 2005



COMMODORE'S LOG

Judy Oxborrow, Commodore

Fall has arrived, and so have the fall rains. October has been a busy month – the Old Salts' Dinner; two work parties, and new member orientation. On Monday, October 17, the Fire Marshal completed the annual test required for our standpipe system. My thanks to Tom Stringfield for attending to this matter.

Earlier this year, Steve Barrett and I agreed to start on the permit process for our dredging permit for the next five years beginning in 2006. Given the list of additional requirements we have received from the Corps of Engineers, this will be a long, involved and expensive process. As Steve reported to the membership at the October general meeting, the Corps is citing the Endangered Species Act and Magnuson-Stevens Act in requesting "additional" information. First, we need to complete a Biological Assessment. This item will cost us approximately \$7,100. Secondly, we need to prepare for review and approval of a plan for dredged sediment sampling and analysis. Plan preparation will cost us another \$1,100. The actual sampling and lab analysis/reports could cost us another \$8-12,000. Steve also expects the Corps to require additional items. For example, he expects the Corps may probably require mitigation for dredging. If you recall, we were required to do some additional plantings and landscaping of the premises when we were given our headwalk permit. The final tally won't be known until we work our way through this process. And, we will probably face similar costs each time we renew the 5-year permit. With this

Welcome New RCYC Members:



Van and Jerry Barnes

Steve Pipoly and Michelle Forrer

in mind, I have tasked the Long-Range Planning Committee with a review of our finances. I've also asked Dick Dyer to bring up the issue with CRYA. I have also passed along a summary to Tom Stringfield and asked him to raise the issue at the next WOO meeting. We'll keep you informed on the developments.

Also, at the general meeting I clarified the process for obtaining reimbursement of expenses incurred on behalf of the Club. The reimbursement envelopes are in a box in the top left side of the stereo/file cabinet, next to the reciprocals books. An Acrobat pdf file of the form has also been placed on the Club's website. Original receipts are required. However, it is not absolutely

necessary that you use the form or the envelope provided your written summary of the expenses includes all the necessary documentation.

At the October Board meeting, Wes Davis reviewed the quarterly financial reports with the Board. Our line of credit should be paid off by the first quarter of 2006. Because of the unexpected and added expense of new piling for the breakwater, the Board had postponed ordering finger slips this year. With this in mind, the Board approved the purchase of four more 38-foot finger slips for spring installation. This is in keeping with our long-range plan to convert all wooden slips and walks to concrete. This purchase will leave us with about eight slips on Walks 2, 3 and 4 to be converted to concrete.

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The Board also reviewed the final estimate for paving and installation of a new gate. The costs were significantly higher than expected. Therefore, the matter was tabled, pending completion of a financial review and recommendations from the Long-Range Planning Committee.

The Board will hold a special meeting on November 14 at 7:00 p.m. to set up the 2006 budget. The regular Board meeting will be held on November 28.

On the positive side, our Club continues to grow. We welcomed Jerry and Van Barnes and Steve Pipoly and Michelle Forrer as members in October. We will swear in another new member family at the November general meeting and have another candidate going through the membership process. See Marili's column for details. And another great social function is coming up -- the Walk 5 barbecue/auction on November 5.

Hope to see you all there.



Commodore's Ball

Mark your calendars for the Commodore's Ball, to be held on February 4, 2006 at the Columbia Edgewater Country Club. Watch the Foghorn and Clubhouse for more information.

Foghorn Copy Deadline - 26th of the month.

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

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VICE COMM

Bob Phillips, Vice Commodore

Don't have all your work hours completed? Think the good weather is all gone? Don't know if there are any more opportunities? Well, the weather is going to be great for the last work party of the year on November 5th. Give Larry Roberts a call and let him know that you will be there to help turn the water system off. If that doesn't work for you then give me a call and I can find some work with landscaping or floor scrubbing/polishing.

At the last board meeting the question was raised about providing work hours for people who organize and provide significant contributions to our major parties and dinners during the year. Marili and I will spend time analyzing this issue when we work on the calendar for this next year, and we will present our findings at the December meeting.

I am looking for some good volunteers to take on committee work for next year. Membership, Cruising and Activities Chair positions are available. As Chair of the Membership Committee you are responsible for coordinating contact with prospective new members, introducing them at the board and general meetings and maintaining records of membership. The Cruising Chair manages the publicity of the cruises and coordinates having a host at each cruise. The Activities Chair coordinates our club activities such as walk parties and regular parties, handles the publicity and organizes committees to handle each event. These are excellent ways to get your hours in for the year and are essential to the smooth operation of the club. I look forward to hearing from interested members soon.



BE THE FIRST ON YOUR WALK!

Yes, you can be the first on your walk to **sign up as a Clubhouse Steward** for one of the months from January to December. Does your schedule make the work parties problematic? Then the clubhouse option is for you!

Meet your work-hour commitment for the whole year by signing up for an available month. You can do the clubhouse duties on your own schedule and have the satisfaction of helping to maintain our wonderful clubhouse. Please contact Clubhouse Chair Jas Adams directly to reserve your month. Thanks!

Jas Adams at 503-349-0840 or jadams@teleport.com.

Secretary's Salutations

Marili Green Reilly, Secretary-Treasurer

Two new member couples were sworn in at the October general meeting. Jerry and Van Barnes are the owners of the 35-foot Beneteau, L'Orca, currently moored on Walk 1. Jerry's past "boating" experience includes over 40 years as an officer with the US Navy Reserves, work with Shaver Tugs, and ten years as a marine rigger. They have a 25-year-old son, Ryan, who sails a Cal 20.

Michelle Forrer and Steve Pipoly took the oath of membership from Michelle's father, past commodore Dick Dyer. Dick and the couple co-own a Catalina 250 which is moored in front of the clubhouse. They have three sons aged 9 to 11: Wesley, William, and Wade. Steve is a member of the Oregon Air National Guard.

Also, a perspective member met with the Board on October 24. Rodney Hill and his wife Jennifer have two young sons and sail a wooden one-design boat. They have plenty of sailing experience, having recently returned from a cruise to Mexico and Hawaii.

Now, from the "way it works" department, Dave and I were your representatives at the CRYA Closing Day festivities held at Dolphin and Vancouver yacht clubs on Saturday, October 1. Despite occasional showers, those present enjoyed a cannon shoot, contests in kite flying, horse shoe throwing, and hors d'oeuvres, a chili dog lunch at Dolphin's shore-side clubhouse and a hamburger dinner at Vancouver's floating clubhouse. Most of the boats that cruised up for the weekend were from Multnomah Channel, Willamette, and Tyee yacht clubs, but there seemed to be quite a number of people who came by car for the dinner.

The best part of the evening was the opportunity to learn the answer to that often asked question at RCYC (so eloquently reiterated by Elden Stender at October's meeting): "why don't RCYC members ever win anything???" Since Dave is this year's treasurer for CRYA, he had the task of handling THOUSANDS of raffle ticket sales before and during the dinner, and believe me, those MCYC and WYC people are very serious about getting CRYA points for selling the most raffle tickets. Between bites of his burger, Dave was taking in money and handing out books of tickets to two or three very enthusiastic ticket sellers who then went back to their own club tables to sell them to fellow club members who must have arrived with very thick wallets. I thought RCYC had done pretty well

to sell over 400 tickets this year, but the top two clubs sold over 1,300 apiece, probably half of which were sold that day.

A resident Daughter of Neptune did the honors of drawing tickets. The trip winners' tickets were drawn first and set aside. Then, additional drawings were made for gifts donated by clubs and other organizations or individuals. We quickly learned that if you didn't speak up quickly – or weren't there to hear your name called – your "winning" ticket got tossed aside and another ticket was drawn until a winner spoke up. Dave and I spoke up quickly when RCYC members' names were called, and at October's General meeting were able to award honestly-won prizes to Bill Kramer, Bobbi Pierce, and the ever inquisitive Elden Stender. (Donna Eudaly was also a winner, so we'll be saving the bottle of wine she won until our next encounter). As for the answer to Elden's question – you really don't have to be present to win the big trips: this year's winners were from Portland YC and Columbia River YC, neither of which club had much of a presence there that evening.

This was a fun event and showed that a lot of camaraderie has developed among the people who attend every year. The only thing that would have made it more fun would have been having a table full of RCYC members with us. Let's plan to make a better showing next year – I'm sure you'll find the end of the boating season can be just as much fun as the beginning.



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Walk 5 Barbeque and Auction

Saturday, November 5th, Happy Hour 5:30pm...

Barbeques will be hot shortly thereafter.

Bring your own meat and a special drink.

RCYC will provide mixed salad, baked potato, bread and ICE CREAM for dessert.

About 7:30pm, the RCYC famed auctioneer, FRED WHITFIELD will begin the **fun and entertaining auction**.

Please bring an item, possibly boating related, wrapped in a plain brown wrapper for FRED to auction off.

Bring your one dollar bills....There are laughs, there is cheering, there is fun had by all!

Holiday Bazaar Invitation

We have received an invitation to a holiday bazaar sponsored by Tyee Yacht Club. The event is on Saturday, November 19, 2005 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Cost is \$15 per person.

This entitles you to shop until you drop, a buffet lunch prepared to Chef Rob Mager, and live Christmas music at 3:00 p.m. If you are interested, please RSVP to Elaine Bloomer at 503/659-4161 no later than November 14.

Spaghetti Feed

November 19, 2005

It may not be the Spaghetti Factory or The Olive Garden, but it is Rose City's own

Spaghetti Feed on November 19th, starting at 6:00 P.M. Soft drinks and mix will be provided.

If you haven't signed up, please let us know so we have enough food by calling Marilyn Stender at : 503-397-0190 or email at rednets@crpud.net.

KEN AND SUSAN'S DOGGIE

Lucy, the JRT, died October 24, 2005. She was 13 years, 8 months, and 24 days. Her owners, Ken Gervais and Susan Wilcox, want to thank the many members who paid attention to her, threw sticks, encouraged her as a soccer dog, and on occasion, rescued her over the years. She put in work hours driving beaver out from under the clubhouse. Pets are little things, but so important to our well being. No matter what we do for them, it can't equal what they give to us.

MOORAGE MATTERS

Loren Beach, Moorage Chair

Congratulations to those who have upgraded their shore-power cords and made them safer and legal. If you are one of the few that still has an under-sized cable transitioned into a 30 amp adapter or plug, note that you must get this upgraded to a marine-quality cable rated for this amperage. This is a fire and safety issue, and is now part of the Moorage Rules. After a year of repeated notices, be aware that non-complying boats will be unplugged.

Kudos also to a recent work party that straightened out several warped slips. It looks like the concrete sections can shift a bit due to: 1) wake-caused waves, 2) through-bolts loosening, and 3) boats yanking on the end cleats. It is time to suggest that most boats on the outer half of each walk "criss-cross" their stern lines. (i.e. take the line to the opposite end-cleat on the dock). This gives more line length and room for a snubber, and reduces the vertical pull on the dock cleat.

Strong winter winds are coming. Are your fenders fully inflated and large enough for your boat? Check those mooring lines, too. You need nylon, preferably three-strand, with chafe guards -- make sure it is large

enough without overwhelming your cleats. Note that sailmakers fund their 401K plans with repair and replacement of roller-furled head sails left up through winter storms. Tie your halyards away from masts, to pulpits or rails, to spare the residents the clatter and to protect your spar. It's time to check with the Billions to see if they still have your spare key with name and contact information on a tag.

Keep your boat well-ventilated and plan on winterizing the raw water side of the engine and also the potable water supply system. Do NOT depend on electricity to keep the interior above freezing -- the worst weeks of 20-degree weather ahead will usually also include several days of power outage along Marine Drive. "Been there, seen (and skidded on) that." I still have a photo of me standing on the frozen river by our boat, at RCYC, several years ago...

SOMETHING TO TRY FOR SEASICKNESS???

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"Homeland Security"

Lynn Easton and his new tug.

Memories of Summer Cruising

Bruce Stender removes Jim Douglass's Automatic Propeller Brake (Pat. Pending). Jim's Automatic Propeller Brake Release Device is still on the drawing board. Thanks to Jerry and Lou for the tow into Westport.

Last summer, several RCYC boats stopped at Westport, Washington (Gray's Harbor) on their way north. One of them, Jim and Carolyn Douglass, *Hop-Scotch*, entered Westport behind Jerry and Lou Randall's, *Onnie* at the end of a tow line, thanks to a chunk of abandoned fishnet wrapped around *Hop-Scotch*'s propeller shaft. The fishnet was removed by Elden and Marilyn Stender's son Bruce. Bruce, who honed his free-diving skills in Southern California, removed the fishnet without benefit of scuba gear or even a wetsuit. Bruce, together with his father and brother, were guests aboard, *Onnie* for the trip north. Other RCYC members present to witness Bruce's act of heroism were Paul and Dorothy Glynn, *Waking*, and Vickie Nissen and Tom Stringfield, *Vixen*. The entire group celebrated Bruce's victory over the murky depths with a nice dinner at one of Westport's you-don't-have-to-cook-it-yourself-or-wash-the-dishes restaurant.





Pete Unger took this picture at the October 22nd, work party. Although one member of the party is hidden by the wheelborrow on the left, there are six members bolting up a concrete slip, with two supervising (?).

Can you identify all six of the of the members from this view? If so, we would like to know who and why.

Happy
Thanksgiving!

RCYC UPCOMING EVENTS MEETINGS, AND FUNCTIONS:

November 2005

3	Basic Electric Class	7:00 pm
5	Work Party	9:00 am
5	Walk 5 BBQ	6:00 pm
10	Basic Electric Class	7:00 pm
14	Budget Planning	6:00 pm
16	General Meeting	7:30 pm
19	Spaghetti Feed	6:00 pm
27	Private Party - Gales	
28	Board Meeting	7:00 pm

December 2005

2	Private Party - PMR	6:00 pm
10	Private Party - Gales	
14	OWSA Meeting	6:00 pm
16	Christmas Ships Potluck	6:00 pm
19	Private Party - Finch	
21	General Meeting	7:30 pm
26	Board Meeting	7:00 pm
31	Informal New Years Eve Party	

► Check the Web site for updated Club dates and more information about RCYC.
www.rosecityyachtclub.org

EDUCATION:

CPR & FIRST AID CLASS

✚ Norm Gustafson, RCYC Education

We have now met the minimum signup number to have the American Red Cross present a CPR and First Aid Class at the Club. The class will last six hours and will be held on a Saturday. The date has yet to be confirmed!! Charge for the class is \$47.00 per person. If you are interested in attending, please call or e-mail Norm at: 503-805-1213 or normnjan@sprynet.com