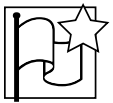


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November 2006



COMMODORE'S LOG

Bob Phillips, Commodore

What a blur October has been! Closing Day, work parties, Oktoberfest, Old Salt's Dinner, Wine Tasting, Club meetings, cruising; it will be a relief to have November roll around! This is what makes Rose City so much more than just a moorage. These events are all possible because members took the responsibility for making them happen.

Renate and Werner Bittner had an excellent crew helping them with this year's Oktoberfest. The sausages, potato salad and trimmings were great and we had a full house with many Club members and guests. Also, thanks to Alan Bergen and his team for making the Old Salt's Dinner happen this year. Alan stepped up when Ron Moran decided he had cooked too many prime rib dinners and needed a break. This year's event was a great success and our work party the next day enjoyed some of the leftovers from the dinner.

Finally, RCYC had a Wine Tasting as a fundraiser for new Club chairs. It was a fun event thanks

to the work of volunteers Leslie Phillips, Tom Stringfield, Vickie Nissen, Werner and Renate Bittner and Ron McClard. Our guest speaker, Miriam Bradley from Mt. Tabor QFC, led us through a tour of select wines. Many great raffle and auction items were available and again, Vice Commodore Marili Reilly went overboard by providing six great donations for the auction. Also contributing auction items were Chris & Lori Murphy with a donation of pizzas from their Papa Murphy's and donations from Leslie & Bob Phillips.

The Gainer boathouse has been sold to a member of Tyee Yacht Club. On Saturday, October 28th, a crew of members led by Moorage Chair Loren Beach moved the boathouse out of the moorage and reconfigured Walk 5 with old wooden slips that Loren had wisely kept in reserve. We appreciate the cooperation of the affected members who agreed to move their boats to make this change possible. Proceeds from the sale of the boathouse will be added to our Youth Sailing Program funds. These funds made it possible for four Club youth to attend sailing classes at Willamette Sailing Club this summer.

Welcome New Members



*Swearing in of our new members:
Nick Reynolds, Debra Stuart, Tim Bowman*

Gainer Slip leaving Rose City



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Today, Leslie and I are looking at the weather hoping to squeeze one final cruise in this last weekend of October. Not having a boat heater or furnace makes for cool mornings getting out of bed. For those of you who have heaters, we hope that you continue to take advantage of the great opportunities to get out on your boats. Enjoy what is left of the cruising season and we hope to see you at the Club.

Saturday November 4th will be the last work party of 2006

It is also the time when we will winterize the marina. This is the time of year when the water is turned off for the winter. Water remains on for the Clubhouse and the two resident homes.

Other tasks:

- Install new faucet in the Clubhouse kitchen
- Remove and stow patio tarp
- Some brush clearing
- Complete setup for the dredge
- Drain and flush water line to all Walks
- Drain and flush drip irrigation system

Dress for the weather. According to the long-range forecast, there will be light showers and temperatures in the low 50's. If you're attending - please let me or Larry Roberts know you'll be there so we can plan for lunch.

Lunch Leaders are Linda & Cork Inman and Kathie Kneeland. Letting us know early will allow them to bring plenty of good warm food.

John Flenniken, Work Party Chair

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

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Vice Commodore

Marili Green Reilly, Vice Commodore

Didja hear the big news?? RCYC had a BIG WINNER at the CRYA Closing Day events. Even if Dave and I, the Phillips, the Silvers, and the Godsils had not been there to pick up the winnings for Tom Stringfield and Randy Webster, the name of the BIG WINNERS were already in their envelopes awaiting notification by phone or mail. Next time you see PAM SESAR, hand her a few bucks and see if she'll get just as lucky plugging a few dollars into the slot machines during her TRIP TO LAS VEGAS. Congratulations PAM, and Tom, and Randy! And thank you to those who showed up and helped create an RCYC presence at the event.

Last month, I promised more details on our 75th Anniversary logo design contest. All members and their families are eligible to participate and the winning logo will be featured prominently on apparel and at events throughout the year. See details about how to enter elsewhere in this issue of the Foghorn.

RCYC Education

Thursday, November 16, 7:00 PM:

After his May presentation on "Standing Rigging", Ron Hughes has accepted our invitation to return. He will continue this topic, moving onto "Running Rigging". Ron is very knowledgeable on rigging and his sharp humor and clever displays will provide a great evening.

Note that if you have a special or unusual rigging situation you would like Ron to focus on, please e-mail him at Hughcorp@comcast.net prior to his presentation and he will include your question in his discussion.

The session will be held the day after our Club meeting: Thursday, November 16, starting at 7:00 PM. We look forward to spending the evening with everyone who has an interest in this subject.

David Johnson, RCYC Education Chair

Gulf and San Juan Islands this summer.

Barb and Terry leaving Hunter Bay on the east side of Lopez. A very nice anchorage within easy reach of Anacortes.

Joyce Jensen



A View from the Rear

Judy Oxborrow, Rear Commodore

The return of east winds and rains remind us that fall is here. We did a fall foliage drive up the gorge to Hood River where we rode the Mt. Hood Railroad excursion train to Parkdale and back. The colors are spectacular. We probably won't have the opportunity to get much sailing in until early spring. Guess we will have to make do looking at sailing and sunset pictures from our Bald Eagle Cruise this summer. As I write this, the cruise schedule for 2007 has not yet been finalized. My poll indicated a dead heat between moving the dates of Lazy Days to coincide with Bald Eagle Days (the third weekend in July) or leaving the traditional schedule as is. The same dead heat prevailed on the question whether to have the potluck on Monday or Thursday. Regardless of when Lazy Days is scheduled, Mike and I (and at least two other boats) will be headed down river for Bald Eagle Days. Sailing, racing, and cruising your boat should be the first priority. If the dates work for you, great; if not, make your own sail plan and just do it!! Abraham Lincoln once said, "In the end, it's not the years in your life that count. It's the life in your years." And, what better way to put life in your years than spending time on your boat!

Over the last month, I have heard complaints from members about items disappearing from the galley and the refrigerator. With the holiday season approaching and several functions on the calendar over the next two months, a reminder may be in order. Food and condiments purchased by the Club are intended for Club functions, not to stock a member's boat or be used for private functions. Members who are working on their boats, dredging, or doing other projects at the Club may put a lunch or liquid refreshment in the refrigerator for their use later in the day. Often chairs for events such as a walk barbecue, etc., will inventory supplies on hand, purchase necessary supplies in advance and store them in the galley. It can be extremely frustrating to discover at the last minute that supplies on hand are no longer available for the event. Unless items in the refrigerator or on counters have an "eat me" or other sign indicating availability, please do not appropriate them for your use. And, if you put a lunch or other food in the refrigerator for later, make sure you use it or throw it out. The clubhouse stewards, committee chairs, or members hosting a private party shouldn't have to clean the refrigerator before using it.

Once you have winterized your boat and settled in at home for the winter, throw another log on the fire, curl up with a good book or revisit a favorite hobby. As you sip hot chocolate or tea, make plans for boat shows, sailing trips, and boat improvements. When 2007 begins, you'll be rested and eager to get the boat ready for another season of sailing.



Moorage Matters

Loren Beach, Moorage Chair

Work parties are winding down, temperatures are dropping, and dredging is starting up. I am hearing about some boats without snubbers or good quality bow and stern lines. Go out and check your lines for condition and chafe. Yes, you. Also, your mast must NOT line up exactly with the ones on either side of you. This will require some re-tying of your mooring lines. We seem to average about one idiot-boater-tsunami through the moorage per month. Of course it's not just us; all the marinas with any exposure to channel traffic have the same problem.

I am presently assigning new boats to two slips where members have vacated. The waiting list is about to zero out, so if you know of someone that might want to apply, do encourage them. Just be sure to emphasize that we are seeking additional active participating members, and that low-cost moorage should not be a primary reason for wanting in. But, you knew that already.

Coming or going from the moorage, you might want to know the present (real-time measured) river level. Cut and paste this URL for this info.
<http://ahps2.wrh.noaa.gov/ahps2/hydrograph.php?wfo=pqr&gage=vanw1&view=1,1,1,1,1>. Notice that this web page is buried rather deep in a NOAA web site, and is actually measuring depths at Vancouver, WA. A graph comes up first and you can scroll down for numerical data, hour by hour.

Stay warm!

Plan ahead to cover your work hours for 2007

Sign up as a Clubhouse Steward for one of the few remaining months in 2007. Does your schedule make the work parties problematic? Then the Clubhouse option may be 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 in a few hours and have the satisfaction of helping to maintain our floating Clubhouse.

Contact Clubhouse Chair Jas Adams to reserve your month. Requests honored on a date-received basis.

Old Salts Dinner



Alan Bergen, our head Old Salt

NEWS From BoatUS: What You Need To Know About E-10 Ethanol Fuel And Winter Boat Lay Up

This spring and with little prior notice, recreational boaters in most parts of the country were introduced to gasoline containing higher concentrations of ethanol, a corn-based additive that replaced a known carcinogen, MTBE. The new fuel, dubbed "E-10" for its 10% ethanol content, unfortunately has the ability to attract greater amounts of water and "phase separate," or form two separate solutions in the gas tank, usually over a long period of time. Once this happens, the engine won't run and internal damage could occur.

With the lengthy winter lay up period upon us, many boaters are asking how they should store their boat over the winter to prevent fuel problems next year. The BoatUS damage prevention newsletter, *Seaworthy*, tackles the problem in its October issue and has these recommendations:

- Once phase separation occurs in E-10 gasoline, additives and water separators cannot help. The only remedy is to have the gas and ethanol/water professionally removed from the tank.
- With any fuel that sits in a tank for a long time, it's important to add a stabilizer. But understand that stabilizers do not prevent phase separation.
- E-10 has been a fact of life in certain areas of the Midwest for over a decade and there have been relatively few problems. The best practical recommendation learned from marina operators in the region is to top off a boat's fuel tanks to about 95% full, leaving room for expansion. A tank that is almost full limits the flow of air into and out of the vent, which reduces the chance of condensation, adding water to the fuel. Draining the fuel tanks of E-10 gas, while completely eliminating any chances of phase separation, is a potentially dangerous and an impractical solution.
- Whether you believe your boat's fuel tanks are half full or half empty, leaving a tank partially filled is a bad move. A Midwest marina owner confirmed that phase separation problems typically occurred when boats were stored over the winter with tanks only one quarter to one-half full. In the summer, infrequently used boats with partially filled tanks are also prone to phase separation.
- Never try to plug up a fuel tank vent to prevent moist air from entering a tank. Without room to expand, the additional pressure could rupture fuel system components.

All BoatUS marine insurance policy holders get a free subscription to *Seaworthy*. Subscriptions are also available for \$10 a year (four issues) by going to BoatUS.com/seaworthy or by calling 800-262-8082, ext. 3276. If you would like to get a free insurance quote for your boat, go to <http://BoatUS.com/Insurance> or call 800-283-2883.

Alan Bergen, BoatUS Representative





Dear Club Members

This year's Daughters of Neptune are putting together a scrapbook about the previous Daughters of Neptune for each of their clubs. RCYC's 2006 Daughter, Samantha Baxter, has begun compiling information on her predecessors. The goal is to collect a photo of each Daughter taken during the year they represented RCYC and also collect a more current photo of them and a short description of what they are doing now.

Attached is a list of daughters we have not been able to locate or have just recently learned a little more about where they might be living. If you know how to contact any of the following women, or if you know who we should contact who may know them, then please call or e-mail Alverna Martin at 503-665-3097 or alvernajean@aol.com or Leslie Phillips at 503-263-6474 or lasphillips@web-ster.com.

Thank you very much,

Alverna, Marili, Samantha and Leslie

List of previous RCYC Daughters of Neptune on page 7.

Christmas Ships

Coming soon — the Christmas Ships Potluck and White Elephant Gift Exchange!

Put Friday, December 15, 2006, on your holiday calendar. Plan to arrive at 5:00 pm hours for the social hour and watch the ships parade. The Potluck will begin at 6:00 pm hours. Please bring a dish to share. Cake and ice cream will be provided.

If you want to participate in the White Elephant Gift Exchange, also bring a wrapped gift (of \$5-10 value) to go under the tree.

If you would like to volunteer to assist this gala event, please contact either Dorothy Glynn, dpglynn@yahoo.com or Annie Roehm, tyro@teleport.com

Carol Pick, Activities Chair



Wine for Chairs



Donations Still Needed

We currently have \$3,000 of the \$3,800 necessary to purchase 48 new chairs for our clubhouse. Your financial assistance is needed to make this goal a reality. A donation of \$ 75.00 will purchase an additional chair for the club. Donations can be made by calling or e-mailing Bob Phillips or sending a check with your donation in the mail. Thanks to all who have contributed so far.

Bob Phillips



RCYC 75th Anniversary Logo Contest

In 2007, RCYC will celebrate its 75th Anniversary, and we want to be prepared to celebrate in style. A special logo will help us recognize this accomplishment, so we are calling on our members to submit designs. Here's what you need to know to enter your design:

What will it be used for: Winning artwork may be used on T-shirts and other apparel, club stationery, Foghorn masthead, yearbook cover, brochures, and programs used during 2007, and member name badges, as well as other items.

How should it look: The design must be adaptable to both color and black-and-white and for large and small items. Color designs should be executed in the club's red, white, and blue color scheme. An optional fourth color may be added for accent.

Who can submit: Any RCYC member or their immediate families. One entry per artist.

Judging: The unsigned and unidentified color versions will be available for viewing at the December 20, 2006, General Meeting. Judging will be "blind" in that only the chief judge will know who submitted which piece. A panel of RCYC judges will be selected from among non-contestants and will vote on or after the December 20 general meeting. The winner will be notified by e-mail and announced at the January 1

"Soup and Sail" and in the January Foghorn. All contestants will be recognized in the Foghorn. The winning original artwork will be framed for display in the Clubhouse during 2007.

Submission Guidelines: Artwork must be the artist's original design. Good quality photocopies are acceptable. Submit the following on 8-1/2 x 11-inch heavy stock white paper:

- 1) one black-and-white copy with the artist's printed name and signature in the bottom right corner,
- 2) one unsigned black and white copy,
- 3) one unsigned, color copy, and
- 4) one unsigned color copy Xerox-reduced to 2 inches (width or height) to demonstrate adaptability to small sizes.

Give us your name: Include with your artwork a 3x5 card listing the **artist's** full name, telephone number, address, and e-mail address, and the **member's** full name, telephone number, address, and e-mail address, (i.e., if the artist is the offspring of a member).

Deadline: Submit entries unfolded to the address below so that they are **received by December 15, 2006**. If the deadline is missed or any of the above components is missing, the submission may not be considered.

Submit artwork to our Chief Judge:

Alverna Martin
2640 SE 187th Place
Gresham OR 97030

List of previous RCYC Daughters of Neptune from page 5.

- 1954 Kathleen Cameron
- 1955 Linda Tymer
- 1956 Judy Began-Larrabee
- 1957 Sandra Pruitt
- 1958 Audrey Davis
- 1959 Linda Newlean
- 1960 Cheryl Ann Snodgrass
- 1962 Jeannie McLauchlan
- 1963 Nancy Alexander
- 1964 Karen Brault
- 1966 Karen Krueger
- 1967 Lei Huber-Smith
- 1968 Frances Ross
- 1969 Debbie Brown
- 1973 Sally Root
- 1975 Kathy Reid
- 1979 Shauna Smith
- 1980 Pamela Albo
- 1981 Teri Griffith
- 1982 Carolyn Anliker
- 1983 Julianne Tontz
- 1985 Melinda Tontz
- 1993 Kathryn Wilcox
- 1996 Beth Miracle

Production Details: The winning artist may need to work with the design committee to finalize the design for reproduction.

Return of Artwork: Contestants wishing to retrieve their submissions after the contest may pick them up at the clubhouse January 1 through March 31, 2007.

Order your Foghorn on line--get it early & in color!

Receive the Foghorn as a PDF file and save the Club costs of printing and postage.

You should not miss this evening of fun-

The Walk 5 Barbeque & Brown Bag Nautical Auction

Saturday, Nov. 11, 2006

Please do come!

Social hour at 5:00 pm

Dinner at 6:00 pm

Brown Bag Auction at 8:00 pm

Bring your wrapped surprise, a favorite drink and an item to grill. The rest will be provided by the Club.

Special Added Attraction:

The Brown Bag Auction

Bring a nautical item (boating related), wrapped or in a bag, to be auctioned after dinner by Fred Whitfield, our famous auctioneer. Proceeds will go to RCYC.

If you are in a Walk 5 slip and would like to volunteer for set up or clean up, please contact Bob Laird.



RCYC UPCOMING Events, Meetings, and Functions:

November 2006

- 11/4 Work Party, 9:00 am
- 11/11 Walk 5 Barbecue & Auction, 5:00 pm
- 11/15 General Meeting, 7:30 pm
- 11/16 Education – Running Rigging, 7:00 pm
- 11/27 Board Meeting, 7:00 pm



December 2006

- 12/1 Clubhouse reserved: Private Party, 10:00 am-11:00 pm
- 12/2 Clubhouse reserved: Private Party, 5:00 pm-12:00am
- 12/7 New Member Orientation, 7:00 p.m.
- 12/13 Clubhouse Reserved: OWSA Meeting/Christmas Party, 6:00 p.m.
- 12/15 Christmas Ships Potluck, 5:00 pm
- 12/20 General Meeting, 7:30 pm
- 12/27 Board Meeting, 7:00 pm
- 12/31 New Year's Eve Party, TBA

► Check the web site for updated Club dates and more information about RCYC. Also view and/or download your Foghorn from the RCYC web site. www.rosecityyachtclub.org

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