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July/August 2009



COMMODORE'S LOG

Karl Quade, Commodore

If you have been down to the Clubhouse lately, you have probably noticed the new roof. Although other members helped with the project – I even carried a few pieces of the old roof up to the parking lot – Mike Salituro and Chuck Stuckey were on the roof for the entire project. If you see either of these guys on the dock, please say thank you. Mike will also head up the shower project, which should start soon.

Another item that has been on the Board's agenda for most of the year is the engine for the Club launch. Repairing the old engine was determined not to be cost effective, and it is now gone. So that left the option of new or used. A used engine was available for about half the cost, but the Board decided a new one was the better option. Thanks to Jeff Crass, we purchased a new 90 HP Mercury outboard for \$7482 installed, a very good deal. There is also a problem with the boat's fuel tank that Tom Becker has agreed to fix. Other problems with the boat need to be dealt with; hopefully the racing community is willing to help.

The Ladies Dinner was a great success. The net income was \$800, of which \$500 will go to the Oregon Food Bank and

\$300 to new folding chairs for the Club to replace the rusty metal ones we currently have for larger events. Thanks again to Dorothy Glynn and the ladies of her committee.

The Coon Island cruise was fun. We had five boats Friday night and seven boats Saturday night. Although there was a little rain early Saturday morning, it didn't dampen anyone's spirits. We didn't do a potluck, but there were plenty of snacks to share. It seems I eat more than normal on Club cruises and still end up taking much of my food home again. We thank June Henry for the Saturday evening entertainment.

I hope to see more of you at coming events. Although the Vancouver fireworks won't happen this year, we are planning to have an enjoyable land cruise at the Club on the Fourth, and I look forward to seeing you at the Cathlamet potluck on July 23rd.

Walk 5 Permit Issue Resolved

Just before press time, the City notified RCYC that a general building permit for Walk 5 is not required. This resolves the issue that has frustrated the Walk 5 group for months. Many thanks to Ken Gervais for agreeing to work on this problem and for seeing it through to the end.

Tom Stringfield

Welcome new members:



Steve and Lisa Petersen were sworn in at our June General Meeting. They have an Ericson 27, Gusto.

Fourth of July Celebration at the Club!

Come celebrate the Fourth of July at RCYC. Hamburgers, hot-dogs, and soft drinks will be provided. Please bring a side dish to share.

OPEN BOATS are planned. Those wishing to have their boat open will hang a Fourth of July burgee on the bow. Having a finger food available for visitors would be up to the boat owner.

- If there is enough interest and dinghies available, we will have dinghy races.
- Radio controlled boats are always fun for young and old. If you have one, bring it for the afternoon.

The Open Boats and other activities will begin at 3:30; the BBQ at 5:30.

Please contact Rose Zehner at 503-703-2266 or by e-mail if you have a dinghy you would make available.

Rose Zehner, Activities Chair



Moorage Matters

Loren Beach, Moorage Chair

Wait List: There has been no movement on the moorage waiting list, and two more members have now been added.

Dinghies: All but a few now have a name plate. A name plate does not have to be expensive or fancy, just UV and water proof. Since those little boats are some of the first sights to greet visitors to our Club, please give that dinghy a scrub-brush bath once a season.

The present plan is for the September work parties to build two new dinghy docks, which will give us more room for tenders as well as some dedicated racks for kayaks. This project will end the present cycle of upgrades for this portion of the moorage plan.

Sidebar: If we do not get them removed any sooner, the owners of dinghies on the present east dock (the old piece of wood headwalk) should remove their little boats ASAP, storing them temporarily – in any vacant spot along the ice wall on Walk 1 or in one of the few open slots on other docks – until the new dock is built. The fall work parties need to see a big turn out to accomplish this as well as the long list of Club maintenance and upkeep items as we start to prepare for the rainy season.

Slip Name Plates: Ron Moran is about to machine some new ones. He and I will soon walk the moorage to compile a list of slips with missing or broken plates.

Dredging Preparations: Further prep work on our settling pond is about to start as the Club prepares for the winter dredging season. Thanks to members who have cleaned the brush from the north side berm of the pond, we'll have easier access during dredging, when we go to that area constantly to check the outfall and to add boards to the weir.

Work and Utility Boats: If you use either boat, be SURE that you correctly lock it up with the heavy chain and lock through the steel tab, or around the pipe on the steel boat. If the fuel tank is low, tell me or any officer. Leave the inside of the boat cleaner than you found it, and coil all lines and put tools away in the Shop. If working alone on the water, do wear a life jacket.

Security: The ramp gate and all doors to the Clubhouse must be locked at dusk. If you access the Clubhouse later, you must turn off all lights and lock up completely.

Have fun and be safe when around the water.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Price of Ice

Ever mindful of RCYC affairs, Judy Oxborrow pauses in her visit to the Truman Presidential Library while on her six week road trip with Mike, to tell us that the cost of ice, and its price to members, will be \$1.10 as of July 1st.

Proper Oil Recycling

On the evening of the June General Meeting, several members noticed jugs of used oil lying next to the garbage dumpster. Our garbage hauler does not handle recycled oil and will leave the jugs where they lie.

Oil recycling is covered in paragraph A.5.5 in our Moorage Rules. Our oil recycling tank is located in the small shed next to the Chapel storage building in the SW corner of our parking lot. Full jugs are to be left inside the shed. Our Oil Czar, Hans Geerling, will empty them into the tank. Leave only used motor oil. Jugs containing anything else (e.g. antifreeze, gasoline, etc.) could cause the entire tankload to be rejected for recycling, forcing RCYC to spend an immense sum for hazardous waste disposal. We can't afford that.

Leaving jugs by the dumpster will just make more work for another member. Please contact Hans with any oil-recycling questions.

Tom Stringfield, for the Good of the Order

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



Ken Gervais and Susan Wilcox at St. Helens dock.

RCYC's Ladies Dinner was a great success.





Walk 2 BarBQ



Send articles and photos to all Foggers!

Foghorn Copy Deadline is the 18th of the month.

Send Foghorn contributions, articles and photographs, marked Foghorn with article titles to ALL editors and graphics individuals listed below.

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Coon Island Cruise





Sail for the Cure

Sail for the Cure will visit RCYC at our July 15th meeting.

The Oregon Women's Sailing Association has selected September 27 for the 10th Annual Sail for the Cure. The 2009 theme is "Our cup runneth over," and it certainly does. In the last nine years, OWSA has raised close to \$200,000 for the Oregon and SW Washington Women for the Cure @affiliate, 75% of which stays right here, with the rest going to research. The day includes a family-friendly Columbia River sail, a party and auction at the Portland Yacht Club, as well as pre-event fundraising activities throughout the Portland area. During the sailing portion of Sail for the Cure, boat owners take out participants in 18 to 54 foot sailboats for on-the-water games which emphasize boat-handling and cooperation. Last year, 70 boat owners took out 450 sailors. This year, organizers hope to increase those numbers. Most participants find the event to be worthwhile beyond the funds they help raise. Charlie McDonald, Tango skipper and two time participant, says he and his family enjoy Sail for the Cure because it's a day spent sailing. More than that, said McDonald, seeing the joy expressed on his crew's face when the motor shuts off, is its own reward. "The first year we had one 'crew' that had been quite depressed.....when she took over the helm 'with some guidance' her entire outlook changed. Her partner

said it was her best day in a long time. [It was] also one of our best." Beyond the September 27th events, there are other ways to help OWSA eradicate breast cancer, which affects more women and men in the Pacific Northwest than anywhere in the United States. Thursday, July 16th, West Marine, located at 1176 Hayden Meadows Dr., will donate 5% of that day's purchases to Sail for the Cure. What could be more painless? Other local business give back to the community by donating goods and services for the auction, or by sponsoring the event. In addition, plans are underway to have a local Columbia River eatery raffle a pink kayak. And again this year, through "Make the Kindest Cut" Sail for the Cure will be collecting un-color-treated hair, at least 8 inches in length, to have free wigs made for cancer patients. Last year, the group gathered 28 pony tails, enough hair for more than 4 wigs. An important part of Sail for the Cure is the pledge drive. To highlight the event's 10th anniversary, organizers are asking for \$10 pledges, and requesting that pledgers invite 10 friends to pledge \$10, and so on. According

to Sail for the Cure Chairperson, Jeanine Hahn, "If all 500 participants find just 10 others to pledge \$10, we could raise \$50,000 in pledges alone." Online registration for the sailing events, and auction are now LIVE online at www.sailfortheoregon.net. If you have questions, contact Sail for the Cure at 503-245-2882.



RCYC COON ISLAND CRUISE



YOUTH SAILING PROGRAM

Pam Sesar, Committee Chair

It is wonderful to see so many young children learning to sail!

Thank you for getting the word out! I am hopeful we can continue to grow sailing schools and regattas for the children in the area. I have received many encouraging and positive comments about the need for different programs and growth opportunities for our youth.

Please continue to check out Willamette Sailing School and Vancouver Lake Sailing Club (VLSC) schedules. VLSC has "open helm" times (supervised sailing for children who have had classes or sailing experience) when the O'pen Bics are available, with a short course for children to sail around, usually followed by a barbecue or wiener roast. This is a great opportunity to meet other families and build support systems. Please check out VLSC schedules and contact information at www.vlsc.org or with Dave Collins at 503-313-5356 or ds5collins@yahoo.com and visit the school. I will gladly show you the way or take you out there if you like. It takes me about 20 minutes to get there. Just give me a call.

I am grateful to Jack Gainer for donating resources to build junior sailing opportunities.

If you would like to sponsor a child or donate to the youth sailing fund, please let me know. Also please contact me regarding reimbursement of fees for completed training programs.

It is with great joy I support sailing in our area.



*13 Nights on the River 2009, St. Helens Columbia River Amphitheater.
Live music at 6 pm Thursday nights, Friday night movies at dusk.
For schedule: www.13nightsontheriver.com.*



Vice Commodore's Report

Chuck Fisher, Vice Commodore

Around the Club

Rentals, a reminder: In the 2009 Yearbook, on pages 71 and 72, is the "RCYC Clubhouse Use Policy." All members who are considering rental of the Clubhouse for an event should be aware of and follow the policy. Remember, to reserve the Clubhouse for an event, you need to contact the Vice Commodore directly. Once it is confirmed the Clubhouse is available on the date requested, you will need to complete and submit a Clubhouse reservation agreement with the appropriate user fee and separate deposit check.

The Clubhouse rental agreement can be downloaded directly from the Board's website (<http://www.rosecityyachtclub.org/>). The payment along with the completed reservation form is to be sent directly to Balance Your World Bookkeeping; and a copy of the rental agreement, directly to the Vice Commodore.

Work Hours Report: Nearly 1900 work hours were posted for the first half of the year. The count is slightly distorted, because committee chairs' work hours for the year are posted in the first half of the year, but the figures are close enough for – well – yacht club work. While many members contributed more than the minimum number of work hours, special thanks go to Mick Salituro, Chuck Stuckey and Judy Oxborrow

Launch News: The rehabilitation of the Club launch is proceeding, albeit slowly. In an effort to ensure that the Club has a safe and fully operational Club launch to support Club racing and cruising programs, members are working to identify what needs to be done to the launch and how to do it. Equally important is the question of how to maintain it in Bristol condition. The launch is RCYC's "billboard on the river".

Many members have worked on the rehab project or committed to the effort. To date, they include but are not limited to Bill Wright, Bob Gales, Eric Rimkus, Jeff Crass, Tom Becker and Anita Fallon. All good things take time. With time, RCYC should have a safe, fully operational, and well maintained launch to support Club functions.

Volunteer News: Now is the time to let me know if you are interested in chairing a committee or serving on one. Many committee leadership slots are already filled for 2010. Think about the old "Uncle Sam" poster with the fellow pointing his finger: "RCYC Wants You" to volunteer. Isn't that why you joined RCYC to begin with? Let's talk about where your valuable and important member talents can be put to good use.

RCYC DRY MOORAGE REGULATIONS

Board of Directors

PREAMBLE: After an advisory vote of the general membership, the Board of Directors has approved a dry moorage area in the northwest corner of the parking lot. The area is designed primarily for club members who, from time to time, use their vessels in other venues. It is not a storage area for unused vessels and/or trailers. The area is geographically limited and, as currently configured, will accommodate only seven spaces, or slips. The area will be administered under the following policies and regulations.

Dry Moorage Chair: The Board will select a member to act as chair. This member will administer the area, insure that the regulations are followed, and may from time to time propose changes to these regulations as experience may suggest. The chair has the authority to change slip assignments among the users to maximize the use of the area.

Waiting List: After all slips have been assigned, the chair will create and administer a waiting list and fill vacancies from the list on a first-come, first-served basis.

Fee: Each slip user will be charged _____ *per month. This fee will be charged to the members quarterly account. The Board will review the fee annually and may adjust it as it deems appropriate.

Sub-let: Each member user of the dry moorage shall responsible for the applicable fee during periods in which the vessel and/or trailer are absent from dry moorage. In a manner similar to the RCYC wet moorage, a temporary absence may create an opportunity for another member to use the slip for the duration of the absence. Such arrangements shall be mutually arranged with the slip user and the chair.

No Storage: The area is for active use only. Any vessel and/or trailer unused for 12 months will be required to vacate the slip.

Registration: Any vessel and/or trailer must be in compliance with all state and local laws and registration requirements. Only vessels and/or trailers owned by and registered to RCYC members will be allowed in the dry moorage.

No Work: No repair, maintenance, washing of vessel and/or trailer or work of any kind shall be performed in the dry moorage. With prior approval of the chair, a user may conduct a very limited repair only if the work does not impact others in the area.

Related Equipment: Only equipment related to the use of the vessel and/or trailer may be stored in the dry moorage. All such stored equipment must be in or on the vessel and/or the trailer. No equipment will be allowed under or alongside the vessel or trailer.

No Tarps: No plastic or "poly" tarps may be used. Custom fitted covers and boom tents designed for the marine environment are allowed. Any question regarding a particular cover will be resolved by the chair.

Insurance: Users of the dry moorage must have and demonstrate insurance with similar coverage as is required of wet moorage tenants at RCYC.

Liability: It is mutually agreed that RCYC does not accept**, and shall not be liable or responsible in any manner, for the safekeeping and conditions on the member's vessel, trailer, gear, fixture, or related equipment in the dry moorage.

Member Signature: _____

Dry Moorage Chair: _____

Date: _____ Slip Assignment: _____

* Yet to be decided. Ed.

** The wording is as adopted; evidently the word responsibility was intended here. Ed.



Steve Barrett and Jeanne Becker at Coon Island Cruise

Walk 3 BarBQ, July 11th

Come join in the fun at the Walk 3 barbecue on July 11, at 5:30 p.m. Just bring your choice of meat to barbecue for yourself, and your drink of choice. Your committee will be providing the rest of dinner as well as soft drinks and mixers.

Linda Belshaw



Fun in the sun at Coon Island.

Lazy Days Cruise

This year's Lazy Days Cruise is scheduled from July 18th through 26th. Anybody wanting to celebrate the Bald Eagle Days in Cathlamet and watch the world-famous parade in front of the Dees's house will have to leave a little earlier, or travel fast, because the parade is on the 18th. Although five clubs will be in Cathlamet that weekend, the marina manager assured both Commodore Quade and me that there will be plenty – actually she said “enough” – room for RCYC boats.

The covered picnic area will be ours on July 23rd for our social hour and potluck at the usual hour.

I will see what kind of weather I can come up with for the two weeks of Lazy Days. First-time participants should be informed that usual stops before Cathlamet are Martin Island and Walker Island.

Werner Bittner, Cruise Chair

RCYC UPCOMING Events, Meetings, and Functions:

July 2009

- 4 RCYC Fourth of July Celebration!
- 11 Walk 3 BBQ, 5:30 pm
- 13 Board Meeting, 7:00 pm
- 14 OWSA General Meeting, 6:00 pm
- 15 General Meeting, 7:30 pm
- 17 RCYC Beer Can Race
- 17-19 Bald Eagle Days, Cathlamet
Dees' Parade Luncheon
- 18-26 Lazy Days Cruise**
- 18 Foghorn Deadline
- 23 Lazy Days Cruise - Cathlamet Pot Luck**

August 2009

- 8-9 RCYC Pirates Cruise – new
Government Island dock called
Sandy Beach(?)**
- 9 Private Party – Clubhouse 4 pm
- 10 Board Meeting, 7:00 pm
- 12 OWSA General Meeting, 6:00 pm
- 14 RCYC Beer Can Race
- 15 Private Party – Clubhouse Jim and
Elverna Martin
- 18 Foghorn Deadline
- NO – General Meeting in the month
of August**

September 2009

- 5 RCYC Beacon Rock Cruise**
- 9 OWSA General Meeting, 6:00 pm
- 10 RCYC Education, 7:00 pm.
- 11 Walk 4 BBQ, 5:30 pm
- 12 RCYC Long Distance Race Start
- 12 Work Party, 9:00 am
- 13 RCYC Long Distance Race Finish
- 14 Board Meeting, 7:00 pm
- 16 General Meeting, 7:30 pm
- 18 Foghorn Deadline
- 19 RCYC Luau!!! Means Party, 5:30 pm
- 26 Work Party, 9:00 am

We welcome your photographs of Club functions, related subjects, and Members. So don't forget your cameras.



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