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September 2011



### Commodore's Log

Chuck Silver Commodore

#### FROM THE HELM: **Welcome back to the Foghorn!**

Summer has been slow getting here, and now that we finally have sunny days with clear blue skies, it is almost over. Enjoy it while we can. Lazy Days and Pirates Cruise were well supported, and all involved had a wonderful time. Many are looking forward to the cruise to Beacon Rock over Labor Day weekend. Walk 4 BBQ is Friday, September 9th.

Work parties start up in September and go into November. We have several projects to get done this year, so please plan to get your work hours in. Chuck Pennington, Work Party Chair is looking for a lot of good men and women to help out.

Karl Quade and Jim Stephan are gearing up for the ramp surface replacement and need help. This will consist of removing the old wood material, cleaning and painting the steel, and installing the new, precut, fiberglass reinforced ramp material.

The new material will go down in 4' sections and fasten with stainless steel screws. One ramp will be done at a time. It should go rather quickly. Bob Gales is heading up another project. This consists of pouring a concrete pad to relocate the ice box, wheel barrows and dumpsters. This will clean up the area at the flag pole. The ice box will have a protective roof built over it. The ice box does not do well out in the elements. Perhaps you have experienced bags of ice that are melting. *Don't be bashful in volunteering for these projects.* Contact any of the aforementioned persons.

My job at this time is to get a Nominating Committee together, chaired by our Rear Commodore, and made up of members at large who are not currently serving as Directors. If you are interested in being a part of this committee, let me know. The committee will select candidates for the Board for 2012. This committee needs to be in place no later than September 1.

We are in need of some Committee Chairs, particularly Programs and Yearbook Ads. I will be contacting those of you who are committee chairs now to see if you are willing to continue. Many of you have served multiple years at the same job and the Club really appreciates this.

Arrrrgh, pirates!



Dredging preparation may start early this year, perhaps October, in an effort to finish by the end of the year. This will be up to the Dredging Chair, Brad Jensen. A large crew of people is needed for this.

You will find in this Foghorn the By-Law changes originated by the By-Law Committee, chaired by Chuck Stuckey, with changes made by the Board, for your review

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## RULES CHANGES

The following are changes to the rules section in the yearbook that have been reviewed and approved by the Board.

For consistence, change titles of sections in Yearbook to read: Clubhouse Use Rules, Dry Moorage Rules, Moorage Rules

Add new section to Moorage Rules:

F. Security and Safety. The entrance gate to the parking lot is to be locked at all times unless it is attended. The gate at the top of the ramps descending to the moorage and clubhouse is to be locked from dusk to dawn. Any member leaving the Club grounds during this period should secure the gate behind him/her unless there is a sponsored event in the Clubhouse. RCYC members are responsible for the conduct of their guests. Guests of members are not permitted to wander the docks unescorted. Children ages 12 and under shall wear a life jacket. Violation of security and/or safety rules should be reported to a Flag Officer for action by the Board in accordance with Article XIX of the By-Laws.

Change Clubhouse rules as follows: All references to cleaning deposit should be changed to read cleaning and security deposit.

Add new section below to the Clubhouse Rules

7. Security and safety. The entrance gate to the parking lot is to be locked at all times unless it is attended. The gate at the top of the ramps descending to the moorage and clubhouse is to be locked from dusk to dawn. The ramp gate shall be left open during an evening event at which non-members will be present. It shall be secured immediately after the end of the event. RCYC members are responsible for the conduct of their guests. Guests of members are not permitted to wander the docks unescorted. Children ages 12 and under shall wear a life jacket. Violation of security and/or safety rules should be reported to any Flag Officer for action by the Board in accordance with Article XIX of the By-Laws.



## Secretary's Notes

*John Flenniken, Secretary*

Dave and Jamie Mountford have moved Jelani, a Hunter 45, up to Hoods Canal and have resigned their membership. We wish them pleasant sailing in their new waters.

Bruce and Amber Baertlein have been approved for membership by the Board and will be sworn in at the September General meeting. Bruce has sailed a Catalina 22 for many years and recently bought an O'Day 27. If you attend the September General meeting, introduce yourself to them



## Moorage Matters

*Loren Beach, Moorage Chair*

There is one opening for a boat less than 30' long and under 8' of beam on Walk 2-A, Slip #3. Interested persons should give me a call. This is one of the least-expensive slips in the moorage.

River levels are finally down to normal, with a daily tide swing of two to three feet.

The Tuesday night sailing-for-fun program is finally also in high gear. Meet at the patio float at about 1800 hours and wear your PFD.

As the days shorten, be sure that you lock up all three doors in the clubhouse and also the ramp gate when you depart at or after sunset.

*Fair winds.*



Special Work Party - Lynn Easton, Phil Owens, Ron Moran, and Karl Quade movinb Serpeace.

## BY-LAWS REVISIONS

The following are By-Laws revisions that have been recommended by the By-Laws Committee and approved by the Board.

**Article III, Section 4, change to read:** Members who have been Active Members for a period of 20 consecutive years, and who have reached the age of 65 years, may upon request and Board approval become Life Members. Life Members shall be entitled to vote, to hold office and shall not have the obligation to pay dues and perform work hours, but shall pay all other fees and assessments.

**Article V, Section 6(c), change to read:** The Treasurer shall be responsible to the Commodore and the Board of Directors and is to act as liaison with the bookkeeper in communications with members and the Board of Directors.

**Article VI, Board of Directors, Section I(b), change to read:** The Board of Directors shall establish an annual budget. The Finance Committee shall review RCYC accounts and business practices annually. A written report of this review shall be made to the Board at the November Board meeting and to the membership at the November general meeting. If deemed necessary, the Board may employ the services of an independent certified public accounting firm to provide a higher level of evaluation and reporting on the Club's accounts and/or management practices.

**Article VI, Section 4, change to read:** Directors shall attend all meetings of the Board of Directors. Any Director who fails to attend three consecutive meetings without good cause acceptable to the Board, or leave of absence granted by the Board, may at the option of the Board be deemed to have resigned as Director. A successor shall be elected in the manner provided for succession in office.

**Article VI, Section 5, change to read:** Financial and Long Range Planning Committees. The Commodore, with the approval of the Board of Directors, shall appoint a Finance Committee and Long Range Planning Committee.

**Article XI, Nominations and Elections, Section I, remove the first sentence and replace with the following:** No later than September 1, the Commodore shall appoint a Nominating Committee of four members, one of whom shall be the Rear Commodore. The rest of the committee shall be composed of the most recent and available Past Commodore and two members-at-large. No other current Officers or Directors of the Club may serve on the committee.

**Article XI, Nominations and Elections, add Section 4:** Before newly elected Board members assume their office, they shall meet with the Rear Commodore and Past Commodore that served on the Nominating Committee, at which time they shall be given copies of the Duties and Procedures Book pertaining to their office along with other information that will help them with their new duties.

### Racing Report

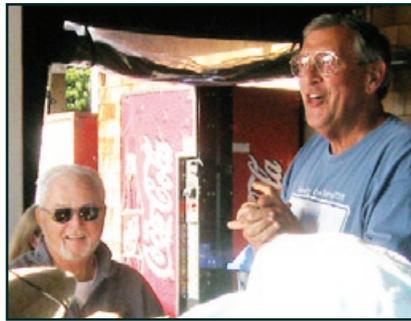
#### RACE RESULTS - SYSCO SUMMER SERIES

Martin Fleet	1st	Apple Pi	Rock Kent
E Fleet	1st	Swifterly	Pam Sesar and Ken Park
Cruising f-Fleet	1st	Barcode	Kevin Robertson
Cruising s-Fleet	4th	KA-SL	Gary Whitney



*Special Work Party - Whaler replacement, headed up by Tom Stringfield*





Thank you: Larry Wintermeyer, Gary Whitney, Hans Geerling, Karen Billion, and Robert Phillips for all the great photographs submitted to the Foghorn!



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## Vice Commodore's Column

Bill Kramer, Vice Commodore

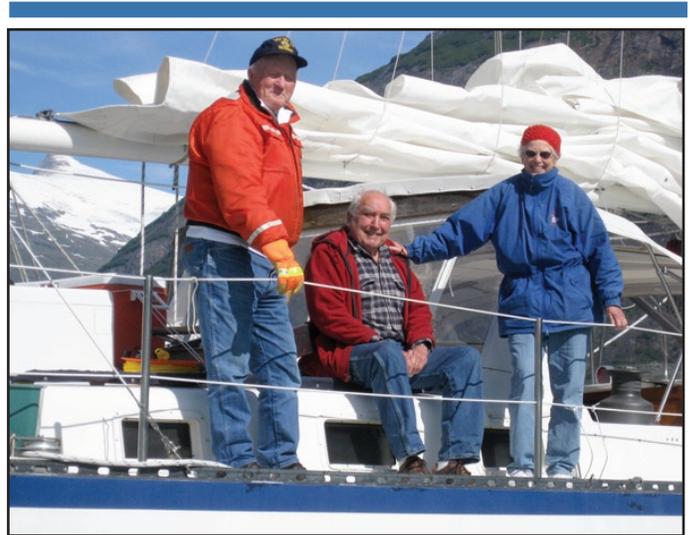
It has been a wonderful summer. The sun has shone, and yet we could bake desserts without overheating the cabin. Lazy Days was just what I needed, fun and relaxation on the river. There was a great gathering of RCYC members in Cathlamet for the potluck. Some were on their way home; some on the way to Astoria; and several came by car. The best thing about Lazy Days is that the agenda is just a guideline: wherever you want to go is OK. I discovered a new fish shop in West Basin and then it was on to Ilwaco for more seafood. The trip back to Portland had the sails up much of the time; thanks to a tug and barge, the Vancouver Railroad bridge opened as we approached. What more can you ask for?

The Pirates Cruise had plenty of pirates, lots of good company and food. If you weren't there, you missed two cannons. The Billions aboard the frigate Draco controlled the main channel, and the Hansons defended the beaches. It was potatoes and black powder. A fine time was had by all. It was lots of fun to see all the kids, young and old, involved in pirate activities. Chief pirates Ron and Colleen Moran oversaw new member introductions. Tom Weber and Janice Choy-Weber, with the help of Chuck Fisher's nephew Sean, kept the younger pirates busy with games and treasure hunts. Many thanks also go to Chuck Fisher and the other Past Commodores for an excellent breakfast.

As summer draws to a close, we all start to think about next year. RCYC depends on lots of volunteers to get everything done. So if you feel the call, let Chuck Silver or me know if you are interested

in a committee chair. We have several opportunities available including Legal Advisor, Programs and Yearbook ads.

Fall work parties are scheduled for September 10th and 24th, October 8th and 22nd, and November 5th. The ramps to the moorage will be getting new decking. Chuck Pennington, our Work Party Chair, will be glad to help you find a way to earn your work hours. The fall calendar is full of options. In addition to work parties, there are three more cruises, Beacon Rock, Willamette River and East Dock. The Long Distance Race is September 10th and 11th. The Old Salts dinner is October 7th. There is still a third of the year left, so keep on boating and stay active at RCYC. There is still much to do before the next Soup & Sail.



Don Eudaly (Sargasso), with Jerry and Lou Randall at the head of South Sawyer Glacier, Tracy Arm Fjord, Alaska. July 2011

## Whale Report

By now you've heard about the confrontation between Jerry Barnes' boat, L'Orca and a humpback whale, reported by Jerry's son Ryan. Because of the uproar by PETA (People For The Ethical Treatment of Animals), I have been requested to submit the whale's side of the story.

"See this big gouge of missing blubber? You will NOT believe what happened!! I'm minding my own business and decided to breach. That's what humans call it. Whales call it tail walking. Anyway, this human comes along with a sailboat. He had painted a picture of a whale on the side of the boat, along with the name L'Orca. Did he really expect me to think he was a whale so he could get close to me? He must have thought I was some stupid fish. Hey guy, whales are mammals. We're highly intelligent, and you can't fool me into thinking you're a whale. So I did my tail walk; he got too close, and I landed on his boat. Was he ever surprised. I even left him a piece of blubber and a barnacle as a remembrance. As I swam away, he and his crew were sorting through the mess I left. I wouldn't be surprised if a few of them wet their pants. Later I went on line to see what they had to say about breaching. Mind you, this is what humans are saying. They don't know why we breach. I guess I'll have to write to them and tell them it's because it feels good (except when you land on a boat).

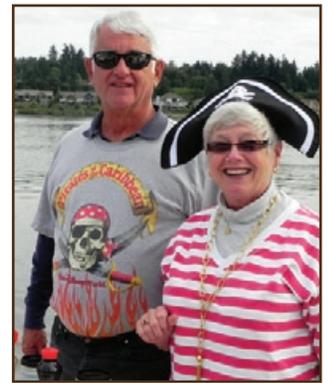
So, young ones, grandfathers, mothers of the tribe -- what did I learn from this? Listen, brothers and sisters, and I shall tell you. It is not only that they are ugly, deaf, and swim not as well as a newborn calf -- it is that they are dangerously stupid! After the dead tree (the mast) fell from their boat, I watched them from a distance. They did not swim away like the swift tuna or even turn to give chase like the orca. Instead they called others of their kind to surround them, and then they stood talking into the small shells that they hold in their hands, while making the air ring with a sound like noisy gulls! I swear to you, by my right flipper, that this is true! Creatures so foolish must be dangerous even to themselves -- we must swim far away, and leave them to the cruel sharks and the silly salmon. We cannot help them if they will not learn."

Alan Bergen

# PIRATES CRUISE



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and comment. Also, enclosed are changes to Moorage Rules and Clubhouse Rules, for your review and comment. Judy Oxborrow has been kind enough to prepare this in written form for this issue of the Foghorn. John Kneeland, our Legal Adviser, was present and offered his advice at one of our Board meetings where we discussed by-law changes. We will have a vote at a future General Meeting on these changes after you have had time to digest them. By-Laws are a rather sacred thing. They have been in effect for many years and have worked well. We, as a Board, do not feel we are making any drastic changes, perhaps only some refinements or enhancements.

See you on the water!

## Youth Sailing Report

by Pam Sesar

We are continuing to build a program and grow the enjoyment and desire to sail.

WSC and VLSC have certified instructors and dedicated teams with many years of experience on the water to share with our students through learning oriented lessons. While fun is emphasized, safety is the priority. We hope to develop in our students a love of sailing and develop opportunities to increase their skill level. We also want children to work in teams and compete in a variety of races. Cascade Locks, WSC, and VLSC are coordinating events together. What a great community.

August 27, VLSC, WSC and Cascade Locks CGRA, are sponsoring the O'pen Bic Un-Regatta. Come and see Cascade Locks and watch the young sailors.

Thank you for getting children signed up.

Quote: "Mom, can you buy me one of those boats?"

## GATE OPENER ANNOUNCEMENT

A number of people have asked about gate openers. Judy Oxborrow plans to make a purchase sufficient to cover the needs of members, but without "stocking" a large supply. If you want a gate opener (a really nice item during nasty weather), please call or e-mail Judy at (503) 652-1549 or [judy87807@comcast.net](mailto:judy87807@comcast.net) to get your name on the list. Deadline to get your request in is September 12.



Peter and Helen Unger (Jupiter) in Nanaimo, British Columbia. August 2011

## MATT & MATTIE ANNIS MEMORIAL YOUTH SAILING SCHOLARSHIP



On July 8th, a tragedy occurred for an RCYC board member and his family. Terry and Kathie Annis' son and grandson died when the small plane piloted by Matt Annis went down in the mountains between Spokane and Arlington, Washington. Matt was an experienced pilot employed with Horizon Airlines since 1991, most recently as aircraft maintenance supervisor in Couer D'Alene, Idaho. He and his eight year old son Mattie, are survived by his wife Nanine and daughter Emma LeRae and his parents, siblings and extended family.

During the summer, Matt Annis, his son and family loved sailing with Terry and Kathie on board Lematike and later on Lemascotike. Terry Annis has been an enthusiastic supporter of RCYC Youth Sailing and has sponsored some of his neighbors' children to learn to sail at VLSC.

At the August 8th Board meeting, Gail O'Neill presented a proposal to establish **The Matt & Mattie Annis Youth Sailing Scholarship** to honor the memory of the Annis' son and grandson and to sponsor children who want to learn to sail but who may not necessarily be RCYC members or relatives of members. The Board warmly approved and supported a second youth sailing

scholarship. Pam Sesar, chair of the Youth Sailing Committee and the Gainer Scholarship Fund, welcomes the new addition to youth sailing. Terry Annis and Gail O'Neill have joined the Committee and look forward to helping develop fund raising for youth sailing. **Donations can be made to the Matt & Mattie Annis Youth Sailing Scholarship and sent to Rose City Yacht Club, c/o Balance Your World Bookkeeping, PO Box 23699, Tigard, Oregon 97281-3699.**

Gail O'Neill

## RCYC CRUISES - Fun, fun, fun!

### LABOR DAY WEEKEND – September 3-5 – Beacon Rock

Let's get together on Sunday for Happy Hour at 1700 hours and a potluck at 1800 hours.

### WILLAMETTE RIVER CRUISE – September 17 and 18 – River Place on the Willamette

Because the breakwater dock is open to anyone walking along the waterfront, we will NOT be having a potluck.

There are four bridges that we will have to ask for opening – Vancouver Railroad, St. Johns Railroad, Steel and Hawthorne. If you want to leave the Club as a group, I will be getting underway Saturday at 0930. On Sunday, if possible, let's all leave River Place at 1030 hours to minimize bridge openings. To facilitate this, I will contact the bridges as needed for opening.

If you have any questions on either cruise event, contact Ron Moran, 503-807-3817.

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE WALK 4  
FIESTA FRIDAY  
SEPTEMBER 9, 2011**

- ▶ Happy Hour starts at 5:30
- ▶ Dinner will be served at 6:30

Accompanying dishes and beverage mixers will be provided.

**SEE YOU THERE!**

## RCYC UPCOMING Events, Meetings, and Functions:

### September 2011

- 3-5 Beacon Rock Cruise
- 9 Walk 4 BBQ, 6:00 p.m.
- 10-11 Long Distance Race
- 10 Work Party, 9:00 a.m.
- 12 RCYC Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- 14 OWSA General Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
- 17-18 Willamette River Cruise
- 18 Foghorn Deadline
- 18 Private Party at RCYC
- 19 RCYC Knitters, 11:00 a.m.
- 21 RCYC General Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- 24 Work Party, 9:00 a.m.
- 25 OWSA Sail for the Cure

### October 2011

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| 1-2 | Cruise Govt. Island East Dock    | 12 | OWSA General Meeting, 6:00 p.m. |
| 1   | Private Party at RCYC            | 17 | RCYC Knitters, 11:00 a.m.       |
| 3   | RCYC Knitters, 11:00 a.m.        | 18 | Foghorn Deadline                |
| 7   | RCYC Old Salts Dinner, 6:00 p.m. | 19 | RCYC General Meeting, 7:00 p.m. |
| 8   | Work Party, 9:00 a.m.            | 22 | Work Party, 9:00 a.m.           |
| 10  | RCYC Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.    |    |                                 |

Check the website for updates and more information about RCYC. Save the the expense of mailing; view and/or download your Foghorn from the RCYC website: [www.rosecityyachtclub.org](http://www.rosecityyachtclub.org). We welcome your photographs of Club functions, work parties, and related subjects.

- ▶ **NEED WORK HOURS?** Sign up to be part of the Foghorn team and share monthly duties each year with editing and/or graphics. How can you resist? Contact any of the Foghorn members or the Commodore if you can help.



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