

Commodore: Bill Kramer  
Vice Commodore: John Flenniken  
Secretary: Ethan Van Matre

January 2012



### *From the Helm*

*Bill Kramer - Commodore*

I am looking forward to a fun and rewarding year as your Commodore. We have a calendar full of activities, cruises, and work parties to participate in during 2012. RCYC is about forming friendships with fellow boaters and you will have plenty of chances to do so. The first opportunity is on New Years day. Come to Soup and Sail and start the year right. The next activity is the Commodore's Ball. This is an event you don't want to miss.

This year's theme for the ball comes from a series of children's books by Arthur Ransome. He was a journalist and had an adventurous early career that included covering the Russian Revolution. The first book in the series, *Swallows and Amazons*, introduces the Walker children, Captain John, Mate Susan, Able-seaman Titty and Ship's boy Roger. They are spending their summer holiday on a farm in the Lake District. They take their sailing dinghy *Swallow* and sail to and camp on an uncharted island after their father sends them permission in a telegram, which reads, "better drowned than duffers if not duffers won't drown". They discover that they are not the first to live on the island. Soon their camp is attacked by the fierce crew of the *Amazons*, Captain Nancy and Mate Peggy Blackett. Soon a truce is formed and they join forces against their common enemy the pirate Captain Flint, aka Uncle Jim. Treasure is lost, treasure is found, John is falsely accused and someone walks the plank. This is a great book for sailors young and old, and you will learn about boating as you become friends with the *Swallows and Amazons*. Copies are available at your local library as well as your favorite booksellers.



2012 Commodore Bill Kramer

I want to thank Chuck Silver for doing a great job guiding us through 2011 as Commodore. Thanks also goes to John Flenniken for taking care of the Secretary's duties. I know he will do an excellent job as Vice Commodore. Chuck Fisher has been our Rear Commodore and I want to thank him for his help this year. The board was greatly helped with club governance this past year. Thanks to Terry Bob Gales, Rick Royce, and Frank Noragon thanks to Judy Oxborrow for all she does as VanMatre is our Secretary and Ann members. We all are looking

Annis and Susan Wilcox who are stepping down and to who are returning for another year. A big round of Treasurer. I want to welcome our new officers. Ethan Roehm and Mike Hibbs are our new board forward to serving the membership this

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## Secretary's Salutations

*John Flenniken - Secretary*

The Board interviewed a new member applicant, Bill Barnum, at the December Board meeting. He will introduce himself to the membership at our December General meeting. So if you're there introduce, yourself to Bill.

Looking back over 2011, we've seen new members join. We said our final Good-Byes to some very dear departed members and friends and bid adieu to members whose life plans have taken them to new, far away moorages or life changes that may no longer include boating. Each memory is different and unique. Social events, work parties, committee work, racing, cruising, and let's not forget dredging have formed our own special memories of 2011.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Secretary this year; and, please welcome your new Secretary, Ethan VanMatre for 2012. See you on the river in 2012.

## Commodore's Ball February 4, 2012 Swallows and Amazons

By tradition, on the first Saturday evening in February, RCYC honors its incoming Commodore, Officers and Directors, recognizes contributions of members, and has a great party.

This year's Ball will again be at the Riverside Country Club. The Fabulous Essentials will provide live music. And with the theme of Swallows and Amazons, it will surely be an evening of laughter and fun.

All members are encouraged to join in the celebration. Members new to the club in 2011 are special guests of RCYC and their dinners are hosted by the club.

Watch for your invitation to this event to honor Commodore Bill Kramer and First Mate Nina Kramer.

Make your reservations early! *by Chuck Fisher*

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I want to thank all of our chairpersons for their work and leadership who've made this a successful year. Jean Beaty has done a great job as Activities chair making sure that the volunteers are lined up, food is ready and the dishes are done. Mark and Valerie Holzmann have kept a steady stream of new membership applicants coming to join the club. The Foghorn crew put out a quality newsletter every month. Thank you to Joyce Jensen, Judy Oxborrow, Simeon Hyde, Gail O'Neill, Vickie Nissen, Dawn McClard, Bob Phillips and Jamie Mountford. Welcome to the two new Foghorn staff who are joining for 2012 Rhonda Morgan-Boguslawski and Alan Bergen. The club would not be in the great shape it is in without the efforts of Chuck Pennington as Work Party Chair this year: thank you Chuck. I also want to welcome Mike Moen who will be the Work Party chair next year. Pam Sesar has done a lot of work as Youth Sailing chair. The youth sailing program has grown and is going to be its own entity for 2012. I also want to give a special thanks to our Resident Members Ron and Karen Billion and to our Port Captain Lynn Easton and Connie Norton. They keep an eye on the club 24/7 and take care of a myriad range of tasks that keep everything running smooth at RCYC. Thanks again to every chairperson for all of your great work.

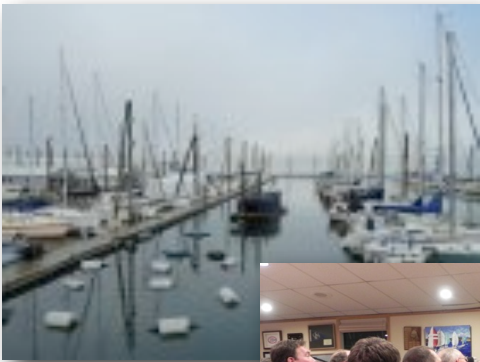
RCYC is a great group to be a part of thanks to all of you. Have a wonderful 2012.



Commodore Bill Kramer and First Mate Nina

## 2012 COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Activities	Jean Beaty	Ice Czarina	Anita Fallon
Boat US	Alan Bergen	Insurance	Judy Oxborrow
Club Work Boats	Frank Noragon	Legal Advisor	John Kneeland
Clubhouse	Jas Adams	Membership	Mark & Val Holzman
Cruising	Ron Moran	Used Oil Recycler	John Fallon
CRYA Rep	Colleen Moran	Past Commodores	Ron Moran
Database	Karen Finch	Photographer	Yvonne Lamont
Dredging Advisor	Brad Jensen	PHRF	Dave Hickman
Dredging Permits	Steve Barrett	Port Captain	Lynn Easton
Dry Moorage	Sue Rimkeit	Programs	?????
Education	Mark Basel	Property Develop. &	Randy Webster
Finance Committee	Judy Oxborrow	Long Range Plan.	
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Finance Committee	Carl Nielsen	Race Captain	Michael Pitarresi
Finance Committee	Mark Fahey	Reciprocals	Jon Gustafson
Fire Prevention	John Tichenor	Refreshments	Janet Bradley
Fleet Captain	Gary Whitney	Resident Members	Ron & Karen Billion
Floating Dock Advisor	Tom Stringfield	Ship Stores	Terry Foren
Foghorn Editor	Joyce Jensen	Web Design	Ethan VanMatre
Foghorn Editor	Judy Oxborrow	Webmaster	Larry Wintermeyer
Foghorn Editor	Gail O'Neill	Work Parties	Mike Moen
Foghorn Editor	Alan Bergen	Yearbook	Ray Brown & Anne Thompson
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Foghorn Graphics	Rhonda Boguslawski		
Foghorn Grapics	Dawn McClard		



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## From the Rear *Chuck Silver - Rear Commodore*

As we head into the New Year, there will be new projects and continuation of old projects. Having had a year of Commodore behind me and four years on the Board, I hope to be a help to our new Commodore, Bill Kramer, and the board in general.

I would again like to thank all who made 2011 a great year! We didn't do earth shattering accomplishments like replacing a wooden walk with a brand new concrete one, but we did make progress. We are financially solid, in a down economy, and can afford improvements. We do have some big projects coming down the pike.

We will continue the resurfacing of the East ramp (all materials have been purchased), replace water lines on another walk or two, move forward in the spring with landscaping around the new concrete slab where the shelter and ice box are located, and start new work.

A yacht club is like a farm, the work is never done. You do as much as you can today, but there is always work to do tomorrow. It is a never ending job and that is OK. I still want to encourage all to step forward and offer to volunteer with club responsibilities. I know from experience many of you are willing and when asked directly, you volunteer. But, please don't wait for someone to ask. Let a board member know you are available.

I am looking forward to the Commodore's Ball on February 4th. Hope to see you there. Also, Opening Day will be here before you know it. Have you seen the pile of sand the dredging crew is producing in the parking lot? There is much happening and much to look forward to.



## Moorage Matters

*Loren Beach - Moorage Chair*

It's winter, so dredging is ongoing and we next plan to dig out a lot of newly-deposited sand from walks four and five. The moorage waiting list is slowly growing, and it may well take at least a year for a new member to have their own slip. We have waiting list boats temporarily using every slip where the assigned boat is in the yard or on its trailer through this winter.

Chafe. I recently found and fixed a source that had chafed through one of the three strands of my bow line last winter. It turns out that those large galvanized cleats on the concrete docks can have some rough places in the galvanizing; sharp enough to wear the line. I wrapped the cleat base where the line goes around with some plastic tape to provide a smooth surface. So far, so good for the new line.

Winter has been mild up to press time, but the severe storm and freezing season will last through January or well into February. Be sure that you have drained or protected the water system in your boat and also anti-freeze the raw water side of the engine coolant system. Try to keep your bilge dried out as much as you can, every week, when it's raining. Keeping moisture out of the boat interior is key to reducing or eliminating mold growth.

When traversing our docks the next several months be cautious of ice and frost.

Happy Holidays!

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## YEARBOOK ANNOUNCEMENT

Preparation of the 2012 Yearbook is underway. Please review your listing in the 2011 edition. Because Anne Thompson will be out of town for several weeks, any changes to your listing should be sent to Judy Oxborrow – preferably by e-mail to [HYPERLINK "mailto:judy87807@comcast.net"](mailto:judy87807@comcast.net) [judy87807@comcast.net](mailto:judy87807@comcast.net) or by telephone (503) 652-1549 for those who do not have computers or e-mail. All changes and/or corrections are due no later than January 31. New members will be contacted separately about their listing. We plan to have the yearbook go to press in February and be distributed at the March 2012 general meeting. However, in order to make this deadline, we need your cooperation in getting the information to us timely.

And, if you moor your boat at the Club, now is also the perfect opportunity for you to update your emergency contact list. If you were out of town, who would know how to reach you in the event of an emergency at your home or boat? Please furnish name(s), relationship (friend, neighbor, brother, etc.), and telephone number(s). Please identify whether it is a home, work, or cell number. This information should also be sent to Judy.

### Foghorn Copy Deadline - 18th of the month

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

Please send articles, announcements or any other Foghorn contributions marked Foghorn with titles to ALL editors and graphics individuals listed below:

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Photography: Yvonne Lamont & Club Members

## Consider a year-end gift to Rose City Youth Sailing Society.

Our mission is to prepare children for the joy and skill of sailing. The students learn to think creatively and independently in a school structured environment. The power and peace there is when moving through the water using the wind to guide you is empowering. Imagine being there. What a great feeling.

RCYSS provides local youths with financial aid and discounted tuition through our partnerships with Willamette and Vancouver sailing schools. RCYSS also helps those schools maintain and purchase equipment used in their training programs.

Your gifts support young people whose inventiveness and passions determine our future. Any gift you can make is tax-deductible, goes directly to help to sustain our program.

Please mail any gift amount (or increase your donation) to:

RCYSS c/o Balance Your World; PO Box 23699; Tigard, OR 97281.

Mark your check for either the Gainer Fund or in memory of Matt and Mattie, or both. A receipt will be sent to you with the tax ID. Thank you Thank you so much in advance.

Jack Gainer was an avid sailor and racer and past RCYC commodore. The Gainer fund supports local schools and events as well as reimburses approved amounts.

The Matt and Mattie youth sailing fund was created in memory of Terry Annis's son and grandson who perished in a private aircraft accident July 8, 2011. The Matt and Mattie fund, offers financial assistance to youngsters with an interest in sailing. The plan for 2012 is to focus on the summer sailing camps offered by Vancouver Lake Sailing School. Matt and Mattie loved the outdoors and anything with wings.

The RCYSS plans to reimburse tuition for approved applicants. We are setting up a web site and unique email for access to forms.

### OTHER WAYS TO HELP:

You can sell your old equipment and donate the proceeds. You can help hold fundraisers at social and sailing events. You can show up to youth regattas, classes and events; and cheer on our young sailors.

Please make a year-end tax-deductible donation, and let everyone you know that they can contribute also! Copy this message and send to others, and any organizations you belong to. (DO NOT FORWARD).

Please help support our young children anyway you can.

All other correspondences go to

RCYSS, 3737 NE Marine Drive, Portland, OR 97211; Attention: YOUTH SAILING

# SOUP & SAIL

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2012  
LUNCH AT 1 P.M.

PLEASE BRING YOUR CAN OF CLAM CHOWDER AND JOIN US ON NEW YEAR'S DAY.  
FRENCH BREAD AND SALAD WILL BE PROVIDED.  
BRING A DESSERT IF YOU WISH.

JOIN US FOR THE FIRST SAILING OPPORTUNITY OF THE NEW YEAR AND A HEARTY  
LUNCH.

SEE YOU THERE!

## RCYC Upcoming Events, Meetings, and Functions:

### January 2012

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1	Soup and Sail	Coffee	10:30 am
		Sailing	11:00 am
		Soup	1:00 pm
9	Nauti Knitters		10:00 am
9	RCYC Board meeting		7:00 pm
16	Nauti Knitters		10:00 am
18	RCYC General meeting		7:00 pm
23	SYSCO Fleet Night		6:00 pm

### February 2012

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4	Commodore's Ball		6:00 pm
6	Nauti Knitters		10:00 am
7	OWSA class		5:30 pm
8	OWSA General meeting		6:00 pm
13	RCYC Board meeting		7:00 pm
14	OWSA class		5:30 pm
15	RCYC General meeting		7:00 pm
18	SYSCO new member welcome		
20	Nauti Knitters		10:00 am
21	OWSA class		5:30 pm
28	OWSA class		5:30 pm

• 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](http://www.rosecityyachtclub.org)