

Commodore: Bill Kramer
Vice Commodore: John Flenniken
Secretary: Ethan VanMatre

October 2012



Commodore's Log

Bill Kramer, Commodore

Fall has been great. The Beacon Rock cruise was perfect. The weather could not have been better. We went hiking, toured Bonneville Dam thanks to Jerry Randall, played with small boats and had lots of good food and fellowship. Ron Moran, as Cruising Chair, on Sunday evening provided a pre-potluck exercise activity to help everyone work up a good appetite. The good times extended into the night with live music on the dock.

Our warm weather has caused a couple of runs on ice in our ice machine. Anita Fallon is our Ice Coordinator. She appreciates it if members will let her know when the ice machine is getting low, or if you have a need for a large number of bags of ice. Anita can then call the distributor to get an extra delivery of ice. Please let Anita contact the ice company. Anita's number is 360-892-1280, jafallon@q.com.

On September 10th, a boat almost sank at RCYC. Tom Becker noticed that the boat was very low in the water. Quick action by Tom, Ron Billion, Karl Quade, Larry Wintermeyer and Mark Basel saved the boat. This is an example of RCYC members at their finest. Working together to protect the Club and to save a member's boat. They did everything properly and followed the correct procedures. Unfortunately, they had to overcome several obstacles that they should not have had to deal with had the member provided a key to the boat and emergency contact information. As they had no choice, they were preparing to break the lock to get into the boat, but they were able to



Beacon Rock Cruise

gain access by unscrewing a hatch. Once they had access to the cabin of the boat they could use the Club's emergency pump to get the water out. This is why all members are required to provide a key or combination to their boats lock and emergency contact information. Judy Oxborrow is collecting member emergency contact information. Keys can be given to Judy or Ron and Karen Billion or Lynn Easton. If your boat is moored at RCYC you must provide a key and contact information and your current insurance information.

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CHAIRMAN NEEDED FOR THE CHRISTMAS SHIPS POTLUCK DINNER/GIFT EXCHANGE

Are you out there? RCYC needs a chairman(s) for the Christmas Ships Dinner and Gift Exchange on Friday, December 7th.

If you can help make this even happen, please contact:

Jean Beaty, Activities Chair, 360-693-5345 or jeanbeaty@comcast.net

Last month I talked about proper handling of trash, recycling and hazardous waste. The board has approved the RCYC Trash, Recycling and Hazardous Waste Policies. Every member will be sent a copy with their fall billing. Members who get their bill electronically will get a paper copy of the policies in the mail. All members will be expected to know and follow the policies.

We still need someone to fill the following committee chairs: Activities; Programs; and Refreshments. If you are interested contact me or John Flenniken.

Rivers are of interest to me because most of my sailing is done on the Columbia River. This month's book is about a voyage from Wales to the Black Sea mostly by rivers. A. J. Mackinnon's *The Unlikely Voyage of Jack de Crow: A Mirror Odyssey from North Wales to the Black Sea, 2002*, tells of the author's journey in a Mirror dinghy across Europe. Books like this inspire me and they help me to appreciate a dry cabin and comfortable bunk when I am cruising. It is a fun story and you'll want to go on your own adventure after reading it.

Enjoy the rest of the fall and don't forget to go on an adventure, even if it is short.

IT'S GOOD TO BE BACK HOME ----- AND NOW WHERE DID WE PUT OUR DOCKBOX?

It seems like only yesterday we left with Tamara for our Mexican adventure, but it was four years ago. We, along with Tamara and Ship's Cat Moo Moo, are now back and enjoying getting caught up with all of our old friends. We can't believe how many new members there are in the Club. It's almost like we are new members again. We are finding it necessary to introduce ourselves often to members we can't recognize.

When we left RCYC for Mexico four years ago we left our dockbox on Walk 1. It is one of the rectangular fiberglass models. We also left a note on the inside of the cover indicating to whom the dockbox belonged and that we would be returning to claim it. It's embarrassing! We can't find our dockbox. So if you know where our dockbox is located give us a call at 503.347.5464 or drop us a line at cascadetamara@gmail.com and let us know how our dockbox is doing and what we need to do to get reattached to it.

Dave and Marili Reilly



Secretary's Salutations

Ethan VanMatre, Secretary

One of the duties of Club Secretary is to report the passing on of Club members or the passing of a family member. I usually hear of these events in a roundabout way. I would like to change that. If you have had a family member pass on, please send me an email so that I can report it to the Club. If you would rather keep a lower profile, let me know that, too. If you know of a Club member who has lost someone but think that they have not had a chance to let me know, please do let me know. I would rather hear from three people than not hear at all.

On a personal note, my Father passed away two years ago. In passing, I spoke of this fact to Chuck Fisher as we met by chance walking along the docks. A short time later a very nice flower arrangement arrived at my house. I was very taken by the kindness of RCYC. I had no idea that the Club sent flowers.

As Secretary, I take care of ordering the flower arrangements that are sent. In those sad moments it is a joy to hear of the lifting of spirits that those flowers bring and to read the thank you cards we receive in return. For those who would rather not receive flowers, RCYC will make a donation to a charity in memory of our lost members.



Director Anne Roehm holds a walk party and activities policy meeting with volunteers: Jean Beaty, Dorothy Glynn, Anne, Leslie Phillips, Robert Phillips, and (Vickie Nissen taking the photo).

Hazardous waste should NEVER be dumped on the grounds or water at RCYC.



Beacon Rock Cruise—the unexpected meeting of boat with bottom: When Ron Moran (the boat that's aground) arrived at Beacon Rock, there was plenty of water. From what we heard, they slowed the flow of water through the dam so the water level dropped and he was suddenly in shallow water. Several members helped get the boat floating again. Great team effort, thanks to all who helped.

FOGHORN COPY DEADLINE: 18TH OF THE MONTH.

Please send your titled articles and photos to ALL Foghorn volunteers listed:

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PHOTOGRAPHERS: Hans Geerling, Yvonne Lamont & all Club Members with cameras!



Used motor oil can be recycled at RCYC. Used motor oil is collected and stored in a container in the green shed. Do not leave oil by the dumpsters.



Moorage Matters

Loren Beach, Moorage Chair

Our moorage remains full up with a waiting list. I am presently filling an opening on Walk 2, and that has involved some movement on the Improvement List before I can offer a slip to a new member. Updated moorage lists are posted in the Clubhouse and if anyone wants a current list, just ask and I will email you a PDF copy.

Low tides have left several members on different walks aground for short periods, and that's normal for the fall. We can start dredging in November to remove the sand that the river deposited this spring.

The shorter days have ended our "adult sail" evenings for this season, but there remain lots of good week ends for sailing and overnighting in October and sometimes into November as well. The Tuesday and Thursday evening sailing has mostly been very good and some of us have even been out for an evening on a trawler or two.

You were recently asked to turn in your spare boat key or copy of your lock combination for the emergency key locker at the Club. I hope that you have all done so. That near-sinking of one of our boats in September was quite a wake-up call.

Thank you.

MOORAGE SITUATION – MEMBER ACTION REQUIRED

Earlier in September, a boat in the moorage was discovered to be taking on water and in serious danger of sinking at the dock. In attempting to handle the emergency, members involved encountered two significant problems. First, the boat owner had not provided the Resident Members with either a key or combination so that they could access the boat and begin pumping water out with the emergency pump. Precious time was lost while members unscrewed a hatch for access. Secondly, the boat owner had failed to update his emergency contact information. Both Club policy and practice were reviewed during the discussion of this matter by the Board at its meeting on Monday, September 10. A review of records confirms that we have not been following our moorage rules.

Therefore, the Board is requiring that any and **all members** who currently have boats in the moorage must take the following actions **immediately**:

1. Provide a key/combination to the Resident Members for gaining access to your boat in an emergency. If you are not sure whether you have provided a key to your current boat, please contact Judy Oxborrow 503- 652-1549 or judy87807@comcast.net to see if your name is on the list of those in compliance.
2. Provide a copy of your current insurance declarations page. These should be mailed or e-mailed to Judy Oxborrow annually when you renew your insurance.
3. Update your emergency contact information. You may list yourselves with a cell or other telephone number. However, in the event you are out of town or cannot be reached by phone, who would know how to reach you? If you have not updated your information after September 10, please provide the information via e-mail to Judy Oxborrow judy87807@comcast.net or by telephone if you don't have e-mail. If you want to know who you currently have listed, Judy will be happy to provide that information so you can update the names and telephone numbers.

Dredging

The Dredge season will soon be here -- November 1 through February. As always, anyone interested in helping or learning how to operate the dredge is more than welcome. No experience necessary.

If someone would care to be the fuel and lube person, that job is open. It entails picking up fuel at Donaldson's and transferring the fuel to the dredge as needed, and greasing a few pulleys once a week.

The more the merrier or at least it makes it easier on everybody. If the "machine don't break and the creek don't rise" we could be done before the end of the year.

If interested, please let me know if you want to be a helper or operator and if you have a certain day you can or cannot make it.

Brad Jensen, Dredge Advisor

Jensen.brad01@gmail.com or 503-460-7591

RCYC Trash, Recycling and Hazardous Waste Policies

Approved by the RCYC Board September 10, 2012

The RCYC Board wants every member to know and understand the proper procedure for handling trash, recycling and hazardous waste at RCYC. All members will be expected to comply with these policies.

Used motor oil: Used motor oil can be recycled at RCYC. Used motor oil is collected and stored in a container in the green shed. The green shed is in the SW corner of the parking lot. You can either pour your used motor oil into the container or leave it next to the container in a see-through jug, such as a clean used milk bottle. Only used motor oil may be recycled. Any other substance in the oil, such as fuel or anti freeze, ruins the used motor oil for any recycling. **Do not leave oil by the dumpsters.** Our garbage hauler will not pick it up. If you do not want to take your used oil to the shed, take it home.

Hazardous waste: Do not leave hazardous waste at RCYC. Hazardous waste should **NEVER** go into the trash dumpster. Proper disposal of fuel, anti freeze, batteries, paint and any materials defined as hazardous waste is your responsibility. Do not leave any of these materials by the dumpsters. The garbage haulers will not take them.

Hazardous waste should NEVER be dumped on the grounds or water at RCYC. This not only causes a mess, but it could cause RCYC legal problems and expensive fines. **ALL** hazardous waste **MUST** be taken by YOU to a hazardous waste facility. Metro has 2 hazardous waste facilities, Metro Central Station, 6161 NW 61st Ave., Portland, 503-234-3000; and Metro South Station, 2001 Washington St., Oregon City, 503-234-3000.

Trash: Trash that is generated at RCYC or on your boat during a cruise or project can go into the trash dumpster. Please make sure that your trash ends up inside the dumpster. Trash left next to the dumpster does not get picked up. (Also the dumpster is not the place for trash from home.)

Recycling: Recyclable materials, except glass, go into the dumpster marked recycling. It has signs indicating what may be recycled. Glass goes into the 2 smaller blue containers labeled for glass. Only items listed on the signs should be recycled. These include clean paper, cardboard, metal cans, milk containers, juice and soup cartons, empty aerosol cans, scrap metal under 30 pounds and 30 inches, plastic bottles and tubs (no lids).

Any item with food debris needs to be treated as trash. Items that cannot be recycled at RCYC may be recyclable if you want to take them to a collection site.

Deposit containers: RCYC does not have a procedure for deposit containers. If you do not want to return them, you may recycle them in the glass or recycling bin.

Resources: Metro: www.oregonmetro.gov click on Garbage and Recycling, or call 503-797-1700

Oregon Clean Marina Program:
oregon.gov/OSMB/Clean/Pages/index.aspx

DRY MOORAGE

Dry Moorage experienced a bit of chop but all is smooth now. We need the help of members in continuing to manage the trailers. If you are planning to leave a trailer in the yard you need to read the RCYC year book concerning the guidelines and you must contact Sue Rimkeit at 503-645-5040 or srimkeit@comcast.net. Leaving your trailer in the yard is not permitted unless you first contact Sue.

Trailers have an assigned spot. Plastic or non-marine covers are not allowed; owner names and phone numbers are to be attached to the trailer; the area is to be kept orderly and only the trailer should occupy the assigned spot. Trailer owners pay a fee of \$25 per month. Trailers are to be moved at least once a year. We do have two trailer owners waiting for a spot. Please let's keep clear wind for the trailers!

Thanks,

Sue Rimkeit, Dry Moorage Chair



COME JOIN THE "KNAUTI KNITTERS"

Meet every first and third Monday at 10:00am in the RCYC Clubhouse.

Get to know other members as you work on projects. If you are a beginner, there are others that can help. If you are an experienced knitter or crocheter, come share your talents with others.

Joyce Jensen



Vice Commodore's Report

John Flenniken, Vice Commodore

The Fall is upon us! What a difference a year makes. Whether you were racing, cruising, or working on your boat, the weather cooperated to make the experience more enjoyable. If you traveled around between Coon Island and East Dock you may have seen a flyer or been asked to participate in a survey about mosquito control. The counties did try to do better job this year. I wonder - did Portland name "The Bite" as a celebration of these little devils?

Penny and I enjoyed the company of our new Walk 4 boat-mates at the last BBQ. What a great turn out! Many members had recently returned to the moorage from many different directions and were eager to share their tales and listen to other's exploits. It was wonderful to see all the tanned, smiling and happy faces again. The BBQ occurred the same day that we had our first work party and that too was well attended and many improvements were completed. I did talk to some of the work party members that expressed some frustration at having to work around personal items that had not been cleared from Walk 1 as they attempted to pressure wash in preparation of resealing the concrete. This is an important job that will protect our investment. If you missed out on the first work party there are four more opportunities to complete your six hours. So look at the calendar and pick your day.

If you've read your emails from Loren Beach or have been sailing lately you know the river level has dropped by one foot or less on a few days. Right after Labor Day, the Corps of Engineers begins to regulate the dams for electric power generation and shipping, spilling less water for recreation. The weather is still great for sailing but you will have to watch your depth gauge and read your charts! I will



never forget the time I was sailing between the wing dam above the 42nd boat launch and the Sea Scout base. I was in 20 feet of water and a line on the chart next to shore said three feet! While I was considering exactly what that meant, reality set in as the keel of my Catalina 22 found itself stuck in the sand and looking into the water; you could see the river bottom. You could get out of the boat and walk ashore if it was necessary. Luckily, there was no harm and no one hurt - just a lesson learned about skinny water on the Columbia River.

Closer to home - Brad Jensen and Mike Pick used the low and slow water to cruise the marina in the work boat and plot the varying depths in each of the fairways. The same humps are back but nothing like they were last year. We like to have minus seven feet in most areas, so if you're thinking you'd like to help the dredge crew this year contact Brad Jensen. If we get several members working, the job is not a large time commitment. More volunteers makes for lighter work - get involved - or as the dredge crew likes to say "Bottoms Up!"



RCYC UPCOMING Events, Meetings, and Functions:

October 2012

- 1 Knauti Knitters: 10 AM
- 6-7 East Dock Cruise
- 8 RCYC Board Meeting: 7 PM
- 10 OWSA General Meeting: 6 PM
- 12 Old Salt's Dinner: 6 PM
- 13 Work Party: 9 AM
- 15 Knauti Knitters: 10 AM
- 17 RCYC General Meeting: 7 PM
- 20 *Celebration of Life - Ralph Jones*
- 27 Work Party: 9 AM

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- 21 RCYC General Meeting: 7 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

A View from the Rear

Chuck Silver, Rear Commodore

This September, the Nominating Committee has been busy selecting the nominees for the 2013 RCYC Board. We have had many show interest in becoming directors. It seems more difficult to find members who would like to move up through the chairs, becoming flag officers. It is a commitment of time and effort, but someone has to do it. Many who have served and eventually became Commodore were folks just like you and I. They had no formal training but were willing and wanted to reach out to serve their fellow members. So, please give thought to taking on this responsibility in the future.

The Nominating committee consisting of Ruth Webster, Chuck Fisher (past commodore), Karl Quade (past Commodore), and myself as chairman, have selected board members for nomination, and passed this on to our secretary, Ethan VanMatre. We hope you are pleased with our selection.

Please welcome the 2013 RCYC board:

Commodore – John Flenniken

Vice Commodore – Ethan VanMatre

Secretary – Karen Finch

Rear Commodore – Bill Kramer

**Directors – Rick Royce, Anne Roehm, Mark Basel,
Craig Cordon, Alan Boguslawski.**

Current directors Mike Hibbs, Frank Noragon, and Bob Gales will be stepping down at the end of the year.

See you on the water.



Youth Sailing Report

Pam Sesar, Youth Sailing Chair

Rose City Youth Sailing Report
RCYSS – October 2012

Thank you for all the support this year. A special thanks goes out to Sandra and Frank Noragon, Joby Easton, Bette and Jim Johnsrud, Alan Boguslawski, Larry Wintermeyer, Janet and Gareth Tabor, Ann Lemcke and David Kibby, and Mike and Delphi Godsil for their contributions to junior sailing. We also received a check from Bill and Louise Redding which tugs my heart when I think about all those that will be missed. Thank you all. And remember your contributions are now tax deductible! RCYSS will be meeting this winter to review the year and make plans for the next. Please let me know of any concerns or questions.

This sailing season, RCYSS has supported a number of RCYC grandchildren and children and we've supported WSC and VLSC to keep their programs strong. I have received nothing but positive feedback. It is truly another fantastic year.

The following is what one of our young sponsored sailors wrote about what sailing meant to him (with limited editing):

SAILING

"Have you ever imagined yourself over the waters? It is called sailing. Sailing is a way how you can adventure across almost any high seas! You can sail with a motor or a sail. It can be super fun!

The equipment you may need is a walkie talkie so you can communicate. You need a boat to ride and a sail or motor to move. With a sail the wind is your power, without wind you need a motor, all of the sailboats have a motor just in case the wind dies. You need to adjust the sails so they catch the wind.

The safety equipment you may need is a life jacket, a first aid kit, and some flares. The life jacket is for when you fall or swim in the water and it is freezing like an icicle. The first aid kit is for when you get hurt. The flares are for when you get lost.

The dangers you may face are sharks, big waves, squid, and whales. The sharks only live in salt water but you should still stay away just in case. The humongous waves mostly happen when you are far out in the waters. The squid and whales you really have to look out for.

Now you see that sailing is an awesome activity. All the adventures you can do all the new things you can see. There are races you can compete in too."



We also received thank you's from several of the students.

Dear Rose City 'YSS',

Thank you so much for giving 'us' a scholarship for the 420 sailing class. It was my favorite part of the summer. I had a blast and learned a ton. Thank you again for the opportunity.

Dear 'Rose City Youth Sailing Society'

Thank you so much for the sailing lessons. They were some of the high lights of my summer. The instructors were awesome and fun. I learned so much about sailing and sailing 420's in general. Thank you so so much!

Describe what sailing means to you:

**A fun opportunity to capsized!
WOO HOO by Autumn
McClard**

Please keep RCYSS in mind. We are thankful for your gifts which are getting children into boats! Remember that RCYSS is using RCYC's address. Please make sure your check is payable to RCYSS.



JOIN US FOR THE SECOND WORK PARTY OF THE SEASON: NEXT SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH, STARTING AT 9:00 AM,

Daniel Brown will be leading the work party and Dave & Marili Green will be providing lunch. If you are planning on attending, please notify Dave & Marili at e-mail cascadetamara@gmail.com or phone (503) 347-5464 Please let Dave & Marili know by thursday night, so that they can make adequate lunch preparations for all attendees. Thanks,

Mike Moen, Work Party Chair

More Walk 4 BBQ photos



CHAIRMAN NEEDED FOR THE CHRISTMAS SHIPS POTLUCK DINNER/GIFT EXCHANGE

Are you out there? RCYC needs a chairman(s) for the Christmas Ships Dinner and Gift Exchange on Friday, December 7th.

You will receive direction and support to lead this function. Responsibilities will be to facilitate: putting up and decorating the Christmas tree and Clubhouse, shop for party items, and decide what attendees will be asked to bring and what the Club will provide for the dinner. Also the night of the potluck; setting up and decorating tables on the day of the event, lining up a couple people to run the gift exchange and the usual setup and cleanup. Please let me know that you can chair this event. Thanks.

*Jean Beaty, Activities Chair,
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jeanbeaty@comcast.net*

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WALK 5 BBQ and BROWN BAG AUCTION

Saturday, November 10, 2012

This is the place to be for your one chance this year to bid on 'valuable' auction items that your fellow Club members no longer need (or want).

Go through your boats, hanging lockers, closets and lock boxes to find those special items your fellow RCYC members will want to bid on. Put them in a brown paper bag and bring them to the Walk 5 BBQ and Auction.

Please BYOBeverage and main course to the BBQ. Everything else will be provided.

Happy Hour: 5:30 p.m.

Dinner: 6:00 p.m.

Auction: 7:00 p.m.

This is an evening full of fun and surprises. All proceeds go back to the Club. One year the funds help purchase the Club's chairs.

Join us for one of RCYC's grand traditions, the **Old Salts Dinner**

Only a few weeks left before the best dinner of the year. The Old Salts Dinner will be held on **Friday, October 12th** - happy hour at 6:00; dinner at 7:00. Our new Club members will not want to miss this event: Prime rib dinner with all the trimmings: Salad, bread, prime rib, potato, vegetable, wine and dessert - still only \$12.50. Open to members and their guests.

**SEATING IS LIMITED TO 90 PEOPLE -
RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED**

Sign up by calling Phil or Sue Owen at 503-244-4148, or by sending an email to peowen@comcast.net



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