

Commodore: Ethan VanMatre Vice Commodore: Karen Finch Secretary: Gary Whitney

January 2014



Commodore's Log Ethan VanMatre, Commodore

January is here and time for my first article as your 2014 Commodore. I thank you all for the support and trust that you have shown me.

Winter is here and only a few hardy souls keep up with day sails, let alone overnight cruises. Actually, it is warmer to sleep in an igloo in the mountains than in my boat away from the dock in January. Hopefully, we will have had more snow in the mountains by the time you read this. For many, the sails have come down and the skis have come out. A time of change as the land rests before getting ready for the spring.

And thus, it is also for my boat. Being a project boat, winter is a time for change. Perhaps I will pull the transmission, haul it to my garage and rebuild it this winter, perhaps not. There are many projects on my to-do list. Some of them actually get done. If I do not look at the photos of the boat from when I got her, I tend to forget how far we have come. Winter is a time for change....



Speaking of change, the Board passed changes to the moorage rules. Mostly, this revolves around guests to our Club. We no longer have to escort our guests everywhere they go in the moorage. Of course, if your guests want to tour the marina or head out to the breakwater to watch the boats go, you should be there with them.

Guests are allowed in the parking lot, Clubhouse, patio and walking to and from these areas and your boat without an escort. This means that your guests can run up to the parking lot for the thing that they forgot without you needing to go with them. Please read the new rules for the exact wording.

With this change you may come across someone's guest walking to or from the boat on the dock, in the Clubhouse, patio or parking lot, all by their lonesome. If you feel comfortable just stop and say "Hi, I don't think that I know you. Are you a new member?" Chance encounters become welcomes and new friends are made.

Lastly, where would I be without a New Years Resolution. I resolve to get out to more Club events and cruises. I've never been to Lazy Days, perhaps this is the year. With that in mind, it is back to the boat task list and a few positive changes.

Hope to see you at the Commodores' Ball.



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KICK OFF THE NEW YEAR RIGHT BY GATHERING WITH YOUR ROYC FRIENDS FOR SOUP & SAIL, SALAD & SWEETS!

> WEATHER PERMITTING, COMMODORE ETHAN YANMATRE WILL LEAD THE CLUB'S FIRST 2014 OUTING ON THE RIVER.

PLEASE BRING A CAN OF NEW ENGLAND STYLE CLAM CHOWDER BEFORE 12:30 TO ADD TO THE POTS. HOT SOUP WILL BE SERVED BEGINNING AT 1:00PM. SOURDOUGH BREAD AND SALADS WILL BE PROVIDED.

BRING YOUR LEFTOYER HOLIDAY SWEET TREATS TO ACCOMPANY OUR DESSERT PLATTERS!

LINDA LATHAM, JEAN SILVER, JONELL MCCLARY & KATHY PICKWICK ACTIVITIES CO-CHAIRS FOR THE NEW YEAR





Who needs
Christmas Ships when
George Kent
& Hot Buttered Rum
are around?





JoNell, Mary, Linda & Jean



Ethan, Natasha & Inna VanMatre

2013 Lcy Christmas No-Ships Potluck

From The Rear

John Flenniken, Rear Commodore

The year is over and tradition holds we have a new Commodore. Ethan VanMatre will be a fine Commodore and we are lucky he has been able to divide himself between work, family and Rose City Yacht Club. Work together with him as he guides the Club into 2014.

Your new Vice Commodore, Karen Finch, brings her leadership and organizational skills in to the service of the Club as she takes over work hours and the calendar.

We have lost a Fleet Captain but gained a new secretary in Gary Whitney. Please welcome him as he takes his first step up the chairs of Flag Officers.

We welcome new Directors Doug McClary, Richard Pickwick, and Kevin Robertson who have volunteered to take up their duties on the Board. Many thanks to Alan Boguslawski, Ann Roehm and Rick Royce for the hard work and dedication you have given the Club.

The next Club event is Soup & Sail on January 1st. I'm told you can incline your future path by what you decide to do on the first day of the new year. So if your new year's resolution is to spend more time on the water with family and friends, make it happen at Soup & Sail. More people make for more fun and less work in the kitchen, too.

Bill Kramer and his committee are working tirelessly on the annual Commodores' Ball. Please save the February 1st date and send in your RSVP for the Ball, when we will install the new Board, honor those who have contributed to the Club and generally just have a great time eating, drinking and dancing

I enjoyed my year as your Commodore and look forward to making sure the Pirates' Breakfast lives on.



It's hard to believe a year has gone by and I'm beginning my year as Vice Commodore. I've learned a great deal during the last year as Secretary. The most important thing I learned is that I have much more to learn!

As the Vice Commodore, I will be responsible For logging and tracking your work hours and the Club calendar. Please feel free to contact me if you have questions regarding work hours or scheduling the Clubhouse for a private event. Mike and I have rented the Clubhouse for several private parties and have enjoyed each one. Please consider renting the Clubhouse for your next special event.



The Board interviewed a prospective new member, Doug Crombie, at the December Board Meeting. Doug is buying Hans Geerling's boat and also owns a Chinook 34. Doug was introduced to the membership at our December General Meeting. His application will be voted on by the Board this month.

It's hard to believe 2013 is over. It's been a great year and I thank you for the opportunity to serve you as your Secretary this past year. Please welcome Gary Whitney as your new Secretary for 2014.



Allison, Chuck, Jeanette, Ron, Karen, Dave, Brian, Tom

Installing electrical service to the new slips at the ends of Walks 3 & 4







The moorage got through the recent heavy winds and freezing spell with little apparent damage. One dock box was recovered from the river bottom and one of the older plywood triangle covers seems to be missing. We have no reports of any boat damage.

Be sure to visit your boats and focus on lines and chafing gear. Check on any and all canvas. If you find any looseness in your dock cleats, tighten with an end wrench from the bottom.

If you find that any of the through-rods in your finger dock are starting to back out, check the nut on both ends for adequate visible threads, and let me know if you are not sure how to repair it.

Given the current frosty weather, continue to be very cautious when walking the docks.

BIG Thanks to all of our Members who keep RCYC working so well!

Dredging continues ...





RCYC Recycling Program

Alan Boguslawski

Members have likely noticed the new recycling container in the parking lot adjacent to the trash dumpster. No excuses now for depositing trash in the wrong container! The mesh steel container is for recyclable items (except glass, for which separate adjacent containers are provided). Refer to "Recycling" below for the list of recyclable items. **No plastic bags in the recycling, please.**

RCYC is an Oregon Clean Marina, and it is incumbent upon our Members to strive for recycling success, as we do in our own homes. Members also need to take responsibility for their guests by sharing with them our trash and recycling policies and procedures, which are repeated below.

Also, the RCYC Board at their November meeting adopted an amendment to the Clubhouse Use Rules. Contamination of the recycling containers may result in forfeiture of up to 50% of the cleaning/security deposit, as determined by the Board. 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 oil 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. <u>Hazardous waste should NEVER be dumped on the grounds or water at RCYC</u>. 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 two 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 two 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.



Ship traffic on the Columbia River

Nautical Reads

Bill Kramer

This month's book is <u>Ninety percent of everything</u>: <u>inside shipping</u>, the invisible industry that puts clothes <u>on your back</u>, gas in your car, and food on your plate by Rose George, 2013.

Did you know that ninety percent of everything you buy was transported on a ship? Despite this fact, shipping and the sailors who make this possible are essentially invisible to the general public.

Rose George sails from Rotterdam through the Suez Canal to Singapore on a Maersk container ship.

You find out about this particular voyage as well as the modern merchant marine in general. She covers flags of convenience, pirates and the conditions that sailors have to deal with while on board a ship. This is a world where ownership of a vessel is masked through shell companies and the laws of the country where it is registered.

Both Nina and I found the book very interesting and worth reading. I will definitely see the freighters I pass on the river in a new light after reading this book.





Rose City Youth Sailing Society

Rose City Youth Sailing Society 3737 NE Marine Drive, Portland, OR 97217

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Rose City Youth Sailing Society (RCYSS) is a non-profit that builds relationships with local sailing clubs, and coordinates effort among the sailing community to further promote youth sailing.

RCYSS helps Willamette Sailing school and Vancouver Lake sailing school maintain and purchase equipment as well as provide financial aid and discounted tuition. It's easy to get financial help! Just fill out the application found on the brochure two weeks before a class and email it in.

Want to help? Your gifts support young people whose inventiveness and passions determine our future. Any gift you can make is tax-deductible, and goes directly to help sustain junior sailing. Please mail your gift to:

RCYSS c/o RCYC Attention: Youth Sailing 3737 NE Marine Dr Portland, OR 97211

RCYSS is a wholly independent entity. For more information: www.rosecitwachtclub.org/rcyss

Thank you all! Happy 2014!



RCYC Commodores' Ball

February 1, 2014 Riverside Country Club

This year's theme: World Cruising Routes

All new Members who have joined since the last Commodores' Ball will receive complimentary tickets to the event. New Members still need to RSVP.

Tickets for the rest of us are \$36.00, a great deal for a rib eye, halibut or vegetarian lasagna dinner and dancing to the Fabulous Essentials.

RSVP to Dave and Marili Reilly at 503-281-9350

Foghorn Deadline - 18th of the month

Email articles, announcements and photos with "Foghorn" in the header to the editors & graphics individuals listed below:

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& all Club Members with cameras!

2014 Announcements

Judy Oxborrow

Membership Cards

Your 2014 membership cards will be included in the statement you receive at the end of this month. Those Inactive Life Members who do not receive billings should have already received their cards in the mail.

Yearbook Listings

The 2014 yearbook is being readied for printing. If you have a change to your listing, please send me an e-mail. All changes need to be received by January 31 for inclusion. New members will be receiving an e-mail showing their proposed listing for the yearbook and given an opportunity to provide changes.

Insurance Declarations

If you have not already done so, please mail or e-mail a copy of the most recent boat insurance declarations page to me. Per Moorage Rules A.4.b and A.4.c, all boats and all enclosed structures in the moorage must be insured and a copy of the declarations page provided.

Questions? Please contact Judy Oxborrow at (503) 652-1549 or judy87807@comcast.net

Meet your RCYC work hour obligation by becoming a CLUBHOUSE & YARD STEWARD Light duty, Flexible schedule Contact Jas. Adams 503-349-0840

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RCYC Upcoming Events, Meetings and Functions

January 2014

10:00 am

6 Knauti Knitters 10:00 am 13 RCYC Board Meeting 7:00 pm 15 RCYC General Meeting 7:00 pm

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18 Foghorn February Deadline

Soup & Sail

20 Knauti Knitters 10:00 am

25 Commodore's Appreciation Party

27 SYSCO Fleet Night 6:00 pm

February 2014

1	Commodores' Ball	
3	Knauti Knitters	10:00 am
4	OWSA Sailing Basics	5:30 pm
10	RCYC Board Meeting	7:00 pm
11	OWSA Sailing Basics	5:30 pm
12	OWSA General Meeting	6:00 pm
17	Knauti Knitters	10:00 am
18	Foghorn March Deadline	
18	OWSA Sailing Basics	5:30 pm
19	RCYC General Meeting	7:00 pm

5:30 pm

for updates and more information about RCYC www.rosecityyachtclub.org Need something added

Check the website calendar

Need something added to the calendar? Contact Vice Commodore Karen Finch kk_finch@hotmail.com

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25 OWSA Sailing Basics



Where will 2014 take you? Have a favorite anchorage? Send us a photo & details!



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Some of us like to go to warmer, drier places when the Pacific Northwest gets cold & wet -

Here is Gail O'Neill enjoying the fine climate of Arizona!

