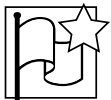


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February 2016



From the Helm

Gary Whitney, Commodore

January came in strong with a wonderful informal New Year's Eve party, followed the next day with Soup and Sail. The weather was sunny, but cool and windy. One boat made it out and showed 38 knots on the wind meter. One of our members who has not missed a January 1st sail in many years was "iced out" of getting to her boat on Walk 1. Tradition was broken, however. Instead of just a clam chowder lunch, you could have had a bowl of potato soup, if you so desired. In short, everyone had a great time and the New Year got off to a great start.

The rains let up a bit and the river fell enough to let the dredge crews get back to their job of getting rid of the humps and underwater hills we encountered during low water this last summer. The old J Randall to departed for its new home on January 19, and as this goes to press, the crew is preparing to finish dredging on Walk 5. Their work is piled high at the east end of the parking lot. As long as there are piles of sand and heavy equipment in the area, please park away from the activity and use the north and west areas. The sand moving trucks need all the room we can give them to maneuver, without hitting your vehicle.

The wind came up and the temperatures went below freezing. That's what happens every winter. There were no reports of sails being torn loose or other damage around the Club. A word of caution though; the walks become slick and icy. When the weather, is below freezing and we are under the influence of very cold weather you cannot know if everything held together. Please make a point of checking your boat when it warms up above freezing. This is a little tip passed along from our Moorage Chair, Loren Beach.

The next big event is the Commodore's Ball on February 6th. You should have received an invitation by now, and we are looking forward to seeing you there. The evening promises to be fun with good food, good friends, live music and dancing, just like all of our great social functions.

In last month's column I accidentally left out Janice's name when recognizing the Foghorn staff. It should have read: The Foghorn staff (Alan Bergen, Joyce Jensen, Rhonda Morgan-Boguslawski, Vickie Nissen, Janice Choy-Weber, Judy Oxborrow, Robert Phillips and Cathy Skach) have consistently produced an outstanding newsletter.



Captain Tom Becker and Commodore Gary Whitney out for a sail.

A View from the Rear

Karen Finch, Rear Commodore

As I sit here on my couch listening to the rain pour down, I miss the long, warm days of summer. I look forward to the day when we can take our boat out of its winterized state and start using it again, even if the boat doesn't leave its slip. Mike & I enjoy the unplanned BBQs that frequently develop on Friday nights in the summer. For the next few months, I'll have to make do with indoor activities. It's also the time of year when scheduled Club activities slow down. But, we have a big Club activity coming up very soon – the Commodore's Ball. If you've never been to a Commodore's Ball, you are missing out!. The theme of this year's Commodore's Ball is "Rock On". The event is always great fun. For our new members (those who have joined since the last Commodore's Ball) the Club picks up the tab for your dinner. I hope to see you all there on February 6th. Until then, stay warm and dry.



Bob Phillips repairing the flooring in the Ladies head.

Winter Boating Project

By Alan Bergen

With most of us waiting for Spring and warm sailing/boating weather, there are things that we can do while we wait. When is the last time (if ever) that you gave your PFD a thorough inspection? I never had, until I read an article that said that I should inspect my PFD at least once every year. That means removing the cartridge, inflating the PFD by mouth, and inspecting every part for wear and mildew. After inflating it, squeeze the PFD and listen for air leaks. Leave the PFD inflated for twenty-four hours, and make sure that it stays inflated. Dry any wet spots, and clean off any mildew. Finally, carefully inspect for any rust spots. If you haven't inspected your PFD in a while, don't be surprised if the cartridge looks like the one in the picture.



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Secretary's Salutations

Nolan Johnson, Secretary

As I start my term as Secretary, I just want to say that it is an honor to serve. My resolution this year is to become acquainted with every member by the end of the year, both new and longstanding.

There have been some membership changes to note. As of the December Board Meeting, Lynn Easton and Connie Norton were approved as Inactive Life members. Bob and June Henry submitted their resignation, which was accepted by the Board, and Sam Lanahan and Kitty Church submitted a resignation that was also approved by the Board.

At the January Board Meeting, the Board entertained three new member applications: Eric and Leslie Foren, son and daughter-in-law to Terry Foren and Barbara Chabala, and owners of an Ericson 29 named Anne Bonney; Patrick Rutledge and Amy Cavanaugh – friends of the above mentioned applicant and his parents – and owners of a Capri 26 called Whale Tale; Shane Reilly and Christine Lehmann – who encountered RCYC members at Beacon Rock and were recruited – owners of a Macgregor 26 These members are scheduled to be introduced to the general membership at the January General Meeting.

The Club offers our condolences to Leslie Phillips, for the recent passing of her father; and to Greg and Rachel Leo for the passing of Rachel's mother, Ann. Cards and correspondence will be posted on the bulletin board in the Clubhouse.

I look forward to talking to everyone at the upcoming Commodore's Ball on February 6, or sooner if I bump into you at the Clubhouse.



RCYC UPCOMING Events, Meetings, and Functions:

February

- 1 Knauti Knitters, 10:00 am
- 2 OWSA Basics 101, 6:00 pm
- 6 Commodore's Ball, 6:00 pm
- 8 RCYC Board Meeting, 7:00 pm
- 9 OWSA Basics 101, 6:00 pm
- 10 OWSA General Meeting, 5:30 pm
- 11 RCYC Racing Information Meeting, 6:30 pm
- 13 OCSA Seminar 9:30 am
- 15 Knauti Knitters, 10:00 am
- 16 OWSA Basics 101, 6:00 pm
- 17 RCYC General Meeting, 7:00 pm
- 18 Foghorn Deadline
- 23 OWSA Basics 101, 6:00 pm

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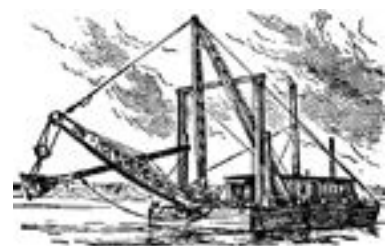
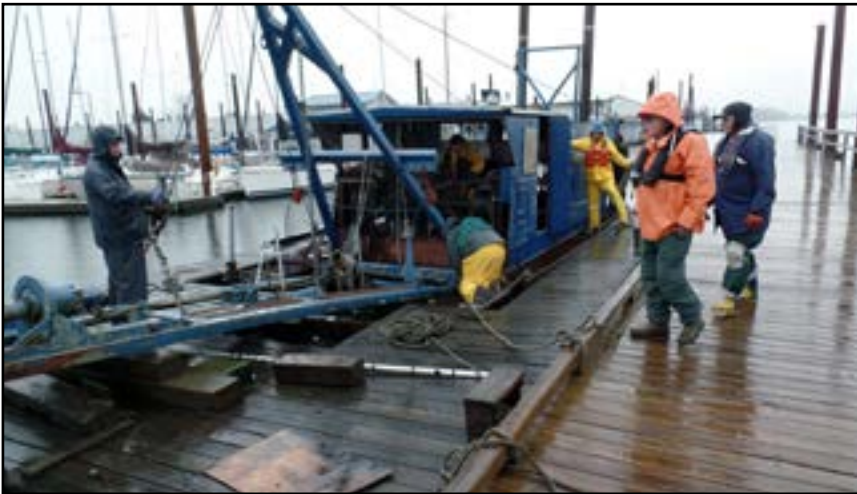
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- 7 Knauti Knitters, 10:00 am
- 8 OWSA Basics 101, 6:00 pm
- 9 OWSA General Meeting, 5:30 pm
- 10 SYSCO Racers Clinic, 6:00 pm
- 12 St Patrick Day's Party, 5:00 pm
- 14 RCYC Board Meeting, 7:00 pm
- 15 OWSA Basics 101, 6:00 pm
- 16 RCYC General Meeting, 7:00 pm
- 18 Foghorn Deadline
- 19 RCYC Frostbite Regatta, 12:00 pm
- 21 Knauti Knitters, 10:00 am
- 26 Work Party 2, 9:00 am

• 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.

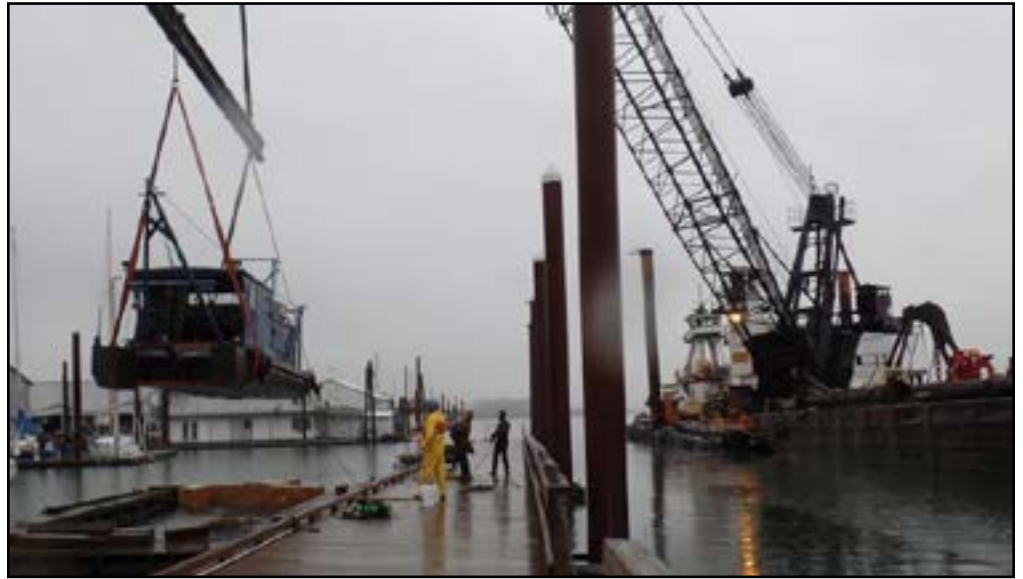




*The old J Randall
being lifted to a
barge for the trip
down the Columbia
to Cathlamet*



Goodbye old J Randall!



NEED WORK HOURS? CLUBHOUSE STEWARD OPPORTUNITIES!

Need to rack up RCYC work hours? Has your schedule interfered with making the work parties? Here's the solution: Serve as a Clubhouse steward, involving light housekeeping tasks you can do each week on your own schedule, for one calendar month. That will meet your annual work hour quota for 2016.

Contact the Clubhouse Chair today:

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By Pam Sesar

I went up and saw the youth sailing station at WSC's Columbia training center. It is set up beautifully. What fun and energy. This is an organized program that teaches sailing, responsibility and respect for the area and for each other. One of our RCYSS goals is to get more children in sailboats. The challenge of sailing small boats not only provides a wonderful outdoors experience, but also provides opportunities for problem solving and critical thinking. Columbia Gorge Racing Association, Willamette Sailing Club, and Vancouver Lake Sailing Club's web sites are the places to look for current information. We provide reimbursements, funds, and equipment to these schools. We have some wonderful contributors to RCYSS. Thank you to those of you who donate on a quarterly basis, too. Any amount is appreciated. RCYSS supports children in a variety of ways. Thank you for supporting us. Remember: "Sailing is spending time with family and friends and enjoying time on the river!" Do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns.

SALMON BALL

For those of you who didn't come out for the new Year's Day Soup and Sail, you missed a delicious salmon ball provide by Sue Pennington. Here' the recipe:

1 (1 lb) can (2 cups) salmon
1 (8 oz) cream cheese, softened
1 T lemon juice
2 t grated onion
1 t prepared horseradish
1/4 t salt
1/4 t liquid smoke
1/2 c chopped pecans/walnuts
3 T snipped parsley

Drain & flake salmon, removing skin & bones
Add cream cheese, lemon juice, onion, horseradish, salt and liquid smoke
Mix well
Chill several hours
Combine pecans and parsley
Shape salmon mixture into a ball
Roll in nut mixture
Chill well
Center on plate and surround with crackers or celery, mushrooms, cucumbers whatever.
Enjoy!

PARTY PLANNING

Greetings party people! I'm looking ahead to our next big social event, which is our St. Patrick's Day Party on March 12, 2016. Smoke and Patti Fischer are up for cooking as long as they have a solid kitchen crew. We need volunteers for decorating, setting up, kitchen crew and cleanup. It's not too soon for you to contact me now.

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The Amazing Party That Almost Wasn't

By Tom Skach

Have you ever thrown a party and forgotten to show up? Have you ever attended a party and no one was there? Not even the hosts? Did you try all the doors and windows in an attempt to get in to drink all their booze and party anyway, or did you drive away?

We wanted to be there at 6:00 but life and responsibilities detained us as usual. We dressed up, prepared our hors d'oeuvres, candy and drinks and talked about who would be there. We'd never been to a Club New Year's Eve Party before. Entering the parking lot was shocking! "There are so few cars!"

Two other couples were just walking from their cars, so we quickly joined them. Hearing their story as we walked down the ramp to the still dark and locked clubhouse. Once in, it was a cheerful place. The Christmas decorations were up, the strings of LED lights were brightly lit and we began enjoying the company of old friends and new ones. With the heat now warming and the sound system... more complicated to us novice techies. Finally we managed to activate one mic and began sharing the Master of Ceremony position. Round and round the table it went: last year's successes, the new year's goals, jokes and philosophy were all shared as were the home made cookies, elk pepperoni, dark chocolates, hot spiced cider with rum, wine, Bailey's Irish Cream, wine and champagne.

At 11:40, new members Kevin and Gina Stenberg who were spending the night on their boat, joined us for the countdown.

It was a superb and intimate social event. As we drove away we both agreed it was one of the most memorable New Year's Eve celebrations ever!



Mike and Julie Schumann, Mike and Claire O'Brien, Tom and Cathy Skach

Moorage Matters

Loren Beach, Moorage Chair

The Oregon Marine Board seems to be having continuing problems with its database and new registration system. Some members have received their new stickers in three days and others are still waiting after five weeks. So, do your on-line renewal and be sure that you print out the "temporary permit to operate a boat." I sure hope this gets resolved by Opening Day.

There is little new news for the moorage otherwise. The waiting list is growing again, and prospective new members should be told that it might take six months or longer to assign their boat to a slip. There are several temporary slips that can be used for several months at a time, however.

We have already experienced quite a few days of icy docks this winter, so be cautious when walking anywhere in the marina when the ambient temperature is near freezing.

Racing Member's Meeting

By Kevin Kahl, 2015 RCYC Race Captain

Your 2015 race captain would like to invite all members interested in racing to come to the Clubhouse, February 11, at 7pm. I will be introducing your 2016 race captain, Kevin Robertson. Kevin and I, along with many of last year's principal race officers, will be there to answer any questions you might have about racing on the river. In addition we will be planning this year's events. RCYC will be co-hosting the "Opening Day Regatta" with CYC. We will also have the honor of hosting three of the "OCSA Participation and Performance" races, and the always popular "Beer Can" races - something for all levels of competition. Come out and meet your fellow racers and see what is happening on the river this year.



Opening Day survey

By Colleen Moran

For several years the number of members participating in the Opening Day boat parade has declined. Rose City Yacht Club would like to determine the reasons behind that decline and possible ways to increase participation rates. Please take a moment to fill out a survey and offer your feedback about the Opening Day Parade tradition and what, if anything, you would like to see changed. Your responses will be anonymous. The survey may be found at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BSRJDNP>



Wade Cornwell on Opening Day 2015. The theme was "Making Memories."



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