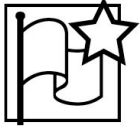


Commodore: Gary Whitney
Vice Commodore: Dave Reilly
Secretary: Nolan Johnson

June 2016



From the Helm

Gary Whitney, Commodore

May was an eventful month; Opening Day, Ladies Dinner, and the election of a new Vice-Commodore, just to name a few items and events out of the many.

Opening Day – pomp and circumstance. I attended the awards ceremony afterwards and discovered that some take the awards quite seriously. Although I am proud that RCYC tied for 2nd Place in Appearance, our Fleet Captain, Bill Kramer, worked hard to get us the First Places I think we earned. The RCYC family led by Ron Moran paraded in style and returned to our Clubhouse to enjoy lunch provided by our Activities Chair, Brenda Annotti, and helpers.

The Ladies Dinner was a success from all that I could see. While I was serving wine, there were many happy faces smiling and shouting as their numbers were called for the raffle prizes (over 80). A portion of the net proceeds from this event will be donated to “Grace Therapeutic Horse Program”, specializing in grief and loss therapy, PTSD/trauma recovery, addiction/recovery therapy, and youth outreach/camps. We were packed to capacity and had to turn some folks away due to lack of space. Our chef, Rick Royce, and staff produced an outstanding menu, and all of the waiters served our ladies and guests with joy. Lastly, the entertainment was one not to be forgotten for some time to come: a sing-along to “It’s A Small World”.

Minor, but important, we have new and correct operating instructions for the Dish Sanitizer (not washer) posted in the galley. We also have a new toilet in the ladies room. Now, on to a summer of cruising and Walk BBQs.



Photos

Left - Ladies Dinner members and guests
Below - Mike Oxborrow as a server
Right top to bottom
Ron Moran on Opening Day
RCYC officers and directors
Commodore Gary Whitney at the helm
Wade Cornwell on *Country Girl*
Opening day food - thanks to Brenda!





Rose City Youth Sailing Society

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

Developing a new generation of sailors takes a whole community. Enlarging our community has the potential to combine our efforts. I am glad and privileged to work with and serve with such a dynamic positive group! RCYSS was formed with the generous support of RCYC and its members. RCYC's contributions make it possible to keep our local schools strong and well maintained; as well as offer

discounts and reimbursements. Please understand how grateful RCYSS is to you all. Many of you have given so much more than any of us know. The RCYSS boards have given and continue to give countless hours to make it all happen for children. After reviewing the Walk 5 barbecue auction contributors another big thank you also goes to Brad Jensen, Smoke and Patti Fischer, Alison Mazon, Jim Johnsrud, Don Belshaw, Bobby Kent and Kathy Pickwick. Please let me know if I missed anything or anyone. You are all so wonderful.

Please get your applications in to us as close to two weeks before sailing lessons begin. We want to communicate with you in a timely manner regarding reimbursement amounts and discounts. You can mail them in to RCYSS c/o RCYC 3737 NE Marine Drive 97211, or email them to me at P Sesar pamsesar@gmail.com. If you do mail them, please send me an email letting me know they are at RCYC. This really helps Julie Schumann, who will be checking. Please do not hesitate to contact us. It has been a real mix of sailing winds this year. On Saturday I watched my friend take sailing lessons at WSC. It was so great to watch and I was wishing I was in the class. The instructors are fantastic. It really is all about the people! Check out WSC, VLSC or CGRA for class schedules and events. I hope to see you at one of them.

Photos: Left to Right

Willamette Sailing Club 29'er at McCuddy's on the Columbia

RCYSS Auction donation from Jeanne Becker.

Willamette Sailing Club 29'er heading out.



RECIPROCAL UPDATE by Tom and Cathy Nelson, Reciprocal Co-chairs

Cruising season on the Columbia River and north into Washington and British Columbia is rapidly approaching. For the newer members of our Club, we would like to remind you that we have reciprocal agreements with 123 clubs throughout the northwest, Canada, California, Alaska, and Hawaii. These clubs are found in your 2016 Yearbook on pages 92 and 93. They are also available on the RCYC website. In addition, the listings in the Yearbook have telephone numbers and websites of each of the clubs. A website called: yachtdestinations.org is very helpful in finding detailed information about clubs with which we have reciprocity.

When staying at a reciprocal club, be sure to fly our Club burgee and have your 2016 RCYC membership card with you. Clubs also welcome you without a boat, but you do need your membership card. If you are in Hawaii, Lahaina Yacht Club on Maui is a fun bar and restaurant with a wonderful open-air view of the ocean.

Visiting other clubs is fun and offers an opportunity to meet other boaters and make new friends. Have a wonderful summer cruising.



Lahaina Yacht Club - Maui

Secretary Report *by Nolan Johnson, Secretary*

It hangs on the wall of my home office, a little sign that says, "Life is all about how you handle Plan B."

As this month's copy of the Foghorn goes to press, I'm doing my final prep to help crew *Thirsty* back from Port Angeles after the Oregon Offshore. Along with fellow RCYC member, John Fallon, I'll be helping part of Alan Bergen's racing crew bring *Thirsty* home and I'm excited to be included on this trip. I started helming my dad's commercial salmon dory at the age of nine, and I've been away from the open ocean for too long. Sure, I do the occasional jaunt off the beach at Pacific City for bottom fish with my dad and my high school PE teacher, both named Jerry Johnson, by the way.... But, I'm hankering for extended time on the open water again, and I'm packing my bag carefully, making sure I anticipate every possible Plan B in the choice of my personal gear, and every possible Plan B in my calendar of obligations, come to think of it.

At the April 20 General Meeting, RCYC met with the following prospective members:

John and Marie Randall - John makes for a second generation of Randalls at Rose City Yacht Club. Both John and Marie have just retired, and *Onnie* is passing down to their care. Both grew up in the Oregon area and are in the process of migrating back to Oregon from California. Their plans are to cruise, spend time here, and meet new people and friends.

Nathalie Marie and Steve Spon - Nathalie has sailed for quite some years and recently has been preparing for the Baja Bash, and both are excited to get their boat - a Beneteau First 30 - into the RCYC facility. Steve has been sailing with Nathalie for over eight years.

And, I am pleased to announce, both couples were accepted by the board as new members at the May 9th Board Meeting.

Also at the May 9th Board Meeting, the board met with two prospective members, John and Linda Hughes, and Don Goldberg. Look forward to introductions at a Club function soon.

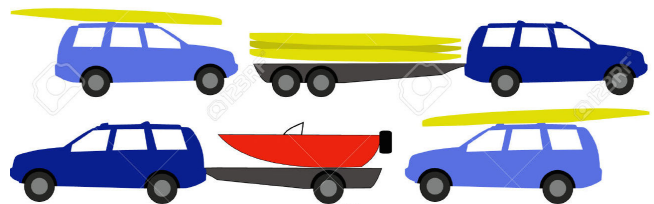
RCYC Upcoming Events, Meetings and Functions:

June

- 4 Saturday Academy, 9:00 am
- 5 Columbia River Peace Corps, 5:30 pm
- 6 Knauti Knitters, 10:00 am
- 8 OWSA General Meeting, 6:00 pm
- 11 Work Party 5, 9:00 am
- 13 RCYC Board Meeting, 7:00 pm
- 14 Floral Design Workshop, 10:00 am
- 15 End of First Half of Year Work Hours
- 15 RCYC General Meeting, 7:00 pm
- 18 Foghorn Deadline
- 20 Knauti Knitters, 10:00 am
- 25 Work Party 6, 9:00 am

July

- 4 4th of July Land Cruise
- 9 Work Party 7, 9:00 am
- 11 RCYC Board Meeting, 7:00 pm
- 15 End of First Half of Year Work Hours
- 18 Foghorn Deadline
- 18 Knauti Knitters, 10:00 am
- 20 RCYC General Meeting, 7:00 pm
- 23-31 Lazy Days Down River Cruise
- 28 Lazy Days Potluck in Cathlamet, WA 5:00 pm



Dry Moorage *by Leslie Phillips, Dry Moorage Chair*

As we begin the spring and summer boating season, you might be a member who needs temporary/overnight trailer parking for your fishing, water-ski or small trailerable boat. Please contact Leslie Phillips at lasphillips@web-ster.com before you make arrangements for complimentary temporary trailer parking. Our RCYC parking lot is well used, but it does have a few places that will allow this type of use. See you on the river!



Moorage Matters

by Loren Beach Moorage Chair

I recently filled an opening on Walk 2, and hope to fill a couple of other narrow slips on Walk 1 in the near future. When that Walk was designed there were only a few big sailboats that were over

12 feet wide, so nowadays we have to pair up a narrower boat with a wider boat in those bays. It's challenging.

With the recent upgrade to new GFCI outlets on Walk 1, the moorage is a bit safer. Also, boats on that walk now have the advantage of power cords that hang down and put less strain on the receptacle. There is still a need to be sure that the cord lead from the boat has enough slack at the dock end to avoid any sideways pull that might still break the receptacle. So, be sure that your cord has enough slack to wrap once around the post at the bottom before being led up to the twist-lock plug-in.

Furthermore... keep that big yellow 30-amp cord out of the water. If you need to add some cord ties at the bow area, do so. Push and pull the bow from side to side, like it would move when the hull is pushed back and forth by a 25 knot gust, and see if your cord gets too tight or too slack. You are all part owners of thousands of dollars in updated electrical dock work, so be considerate of it and protect (all of) our investment.

I should note that after the GFCI upgrades on our other walks, there were a few boats that suddenly started tripping the new breakers when they turned on their shore power AC circuit. In each case the owners found grounding problems in their boat, after some searching. In one case, the boat's own power inlet was partly burned up, internally, due to loose and corroded wiring.

Observation: We all love the modern convenience of (darned near) unlimited DC power on board, but this requires a well-maintained system of DC charging and AC power supply. I have zero interest in returning to oil lamps and little camping style lights with batteries like the ones I once had in my smaller craft in Ye Olden Times, but all this sparky convenience does require on-going checking and maintaining.

We are a DIY sort of yacht club. Occasionally we have to remember that one person's DIY could become another person's mess. In the last year I have observed some oil spilled on the new concrete on Walk 5, some resin or paint spilled on Walk 1, and some sanding dust blowing from a boat on that walk. Also, there has been some oily drips up one of the ramps... and someone left oil/grease in one of the new dock carts.

You must (!) keep your oils, paints, resins, and dust away from the docks, walks, and carts that we all own. Keep any spillage or debris away from your neighbor's boat as well. A notable feature of a DIY club is that members take great pride in their boat — it represents their own skill and labor and means far more to them than just writing a check. So be considerate and help keep our little Clean Marina ... clean.

As we go to press, Walk 1, is getting its old brittle PVC water supply line replaced, courtesy of a hard-working team of Club volunteers. Thank You!

The Tuesday evening "adult sail" program is under way. As in prior years, members show up at the patio deck at 6 pm with their PFD and a smile and go out for a sail.

Fair winds,

Work Hours

Members are reminded that your spring work hours are to be completed soon. Members without 6 work hours per membership will be assessed \$ 50 per hour.

Rose City recognizes that some members have difficulty completing the work on the scheduled work party dates. Anyone who still needs work hours can contact resident member and work party chairperson, Rick Samuels to find out how they can complete their obligation on their own time.

Special work parties were completed this year with Dave Reilly, Carl Quade, Rick and Maryanne White working on the Clubhouse floors and painting completed by Bob Gales, Gail O'Neill, Kevin Stenberg, Kevin Kahl, Annette Kienberger, Leslie Phillips and Libby Muerth.



Painter Annette Kienberger



Painter Gail O'Neill

Nautical Reads

By Bill Kramer

Before the Wind, by Jim Lynch, is the story of a family of boat builders and racers living in the Seattle area: Grandpa, Mom, Dad and three kids. Josh, 31, is the middle child. He has stayed, unlike his brother and sister who fled the family as soon as they could, but as Josh says, "there are so many ways to disappoint your family".



Sailboats and racing frame the story. Josh's mother, while not a sailor, is obsessed with Einstein, who was a sailor, and she makes sure the family understands the physics behind sailing. His father and grandfather built fast, beautiful boats and are obsessed with racing. The racing victories sold the boats. His sister was a natural born racer yet she gave that up to do humanitarian work in Africa. His brother, a fugitive from the law, is a mix of pirate and environmentalist somewhere in the Pacific. Josh just tries to hold the pieces together for one last family reunion to race the Swiftsure.

Jim Lynch lives outside of Olympia, Washington and is a sailor. His books all deal with the wonders of Puget Sound and a love of boats and water.



Rose City Yacht Club illuminated on a recent spring day.
photo courtesy of member Rick Samuels



Vice Commodore's Report
Dave Reilly, Vice Commodore



Rose City welcomed Dave Reilly at the May General meeting as the new Vice Commodore. Dave graciously stepped in to complete the term of Vice Commodore Matt Richard who resigned due to unforeseen complications at work. Dave and his wife, Past Commodore Marili Green Reilly sail *Tamara*, their beautifully restored Cascade 36 which is moored on Walk 1.

Dave and Marili are back at Rose City Yacht Club after spending a few years cruising to Mexico and beyond.



S/V Tamara on Opening Day



More Info Coming Soon!

Mark the Date -
Monday, July 4th

Rose City Yacht Club
4th of July
Celebration



Plan on attending the 4th of July Celebration at RCYC this year. Plans are being developed by Activities Chair Brenda Annotti and volunteers to assist can contact her. Events will include a BBQ dinner, evening fireworks and possibly a return of the Open Boat Show for members to get to know each other.

More information will be coming out soon!!



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