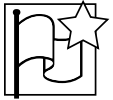


Commodore: Gary Whitney
Vice Commodore: Dave Reilly
Secretary: Nolan Johnson

September 2016



From the Helm

Gary Whitney, Commodore



I have been having a great time on our summer cruises. It is such a good way to go boating. I caught up with old friends and got to know new friends. The importance of friends was driven home by starting the Lazy Days cruise mourning the loss of one of our furry kids. Our friends were a comfort while on the cruise. Lazy Days was relaxing, and we had lots of fun. The best part of cruising on the Columbia River is you avoid all the stress that the coastal passage north can cause. I counted at least 20 RCYC boats at Cathlamet for the potluck, and there were several more members who came by car. Pirates cruise had over 30 boats and lots of kids. Don't forget to plan for the Beacon Rock and River Place cruises in September.

SECURITY REMINDER:

If you are at the club after sunset and the residents have closed and locked the Clubhouse, you are supposed to make sure it is locked when you leave. This also applies to the ramp gate. If it is locked, make sure it is closed and secure when you leave. We had a recent incident when a member and guests opened the club house and ramp gate, but did not lock them when they left. It was reported that the member left prior to the guests. See Moorage Rules Sections F and G.

There have been some problems and misunderstandings about the proper way to dispose of trash, recycling and hazardous materials at RCYC. There has been non-motor oil left in the oil recycling area. If it is not motor oil, you are responsible for disposal. We cannot mix it with the motor oil. Take it to METRO. Please make sure your trash and recycling ends up in the proper dumpster or bin. Please do not leave junk near the dumpsters with a free sign on it. If you don't want it, don't expect someone else to dispose of it for you.

The Nominating Committee will be appointed by September 12. Karen Finch will be chairing the committee. They will be nominating Officers and Directors. Dave Reilly and I will be looking to fill several vacancies in the committee chairs. If you are interested in a new challenge, talk to us and we will let you know what opportunities are available. RCYC runs because of the volunteer efforts of our members. If we won't do it, no one else will. The jobs do take time. They also have rewards, knowing you have made a difference. Please think about how you want to be involved at RCYC.



WALK 3 BBQ-Oktoberfest
Saturday September 24th
BUO Sausage (or other meat)
5pm cocktails with dinner to follow

From the Rear

Karen Finch, Rear Commodore

As I sit here writing my article for the September Foghorn, I can't help but wonder what happened to July and August! The summer has gone by way too fast. I hope everyone got a chance to get out on the river and enjoy your boats. I'm sad to say that I missed Lazy Days this year, for the first time since we joined RCYC. I joined Mike for his second week of cruising though. Pirates Cruise was a blast with plenty of very warm weather, lots of swimming and good friends. Thank you to everyone who helped out on Pirates Cruise. Next up: nominations for officers for next year. Please consider taking on the role of Director. It's a great way to learn about your Club.



Don Belshaw rounding Cape Horn on his way to Cathlamet during Lazy Days.



Vice Commodore's Report

Dave Reilly, Vice Commodore

WOW! What a great summer we are having. I hope you are finding time to get down to the Club to enjoy it. It won't last forever.

This summer the Board has been considering the fees charged when we rent the Clubhouse. Even Club "old-timers" are having a hard time remembering the last time we visited the Clubhouse rental fees. That, and the fact that some members have questioned the equity of the fee structure, and others have questioned whether or not we should even rent the Clubhouse. This has prompted the Board's consideration. You can find the current fees charged for renting the Clubhouse under paragraph 4 of the RCYC Clubhouse Use Rules in your Yearbook.

At its August meeting, the Board discussed a motion that would affect Corinthian users and members renting the Clubhouse for organizations of which they are a member. If passed the motion would include a galley use fee and would equalize the fees paid by those renters. No change is included for members renting the Clubhouse for family gatherings. If passed this motion would lower the rental fees for members and would significantly increase the fees paid by Corinthian users. After discussion of the fee question, the Board decided to defer action until its October meeting. The Board is refining its analysis of the Clubhouse fees and there will be a discussion of the Clubhouse rental fees at the September General Meeting.

While it won't last forever there is still lots of summer left. There are Club cruises, Walk parties, and lots of warm long days to enjoy your boat and fellow Club members. Get out there and have some fun!



Foghorn Copy Deadline: 18th of the Month

Please send your titled articles and photos to: rcycfoghorn@gmail.com

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Secretary's Salutations

Nolan Johnson, Secretary

Introducing new members John and Linda Hughes:

John is an experienced sailor and very interested in helping to crew if someone needs a hand for a race or just an afternoon or evening sail. He recently switched to the dark side in order to adventure in the Salish Sea with "Misty", a Ranger 21EC tug (that's really not that dark; still life at 6 knots) and he misses the sails.

Linda's boats tend to be six or seven feet long and draw about an inch. She surfs on the Oregon coast and does a lot of hiking in the Gorge.

Misty will be in a slip this August but will be making the passage up I-5 at 60 mph in early September for an adventure in Desolation Sound.



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John Hughes in "Misty", a Ranger 21EC tug

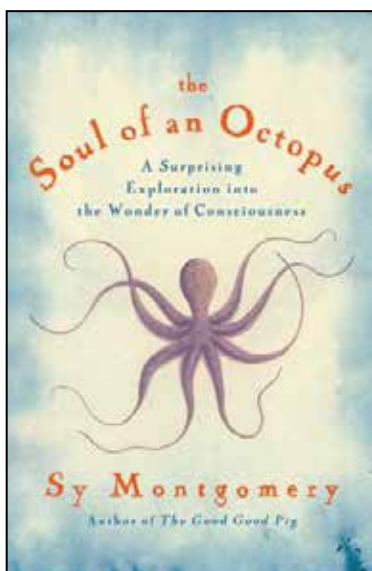
Nautical Reads

Bill & Nina Kramer

The Soul of an Octopus - A Surprising Exploration into the Wonder of Consciousness, by Sy Montgomery

Sy Montgomery is a science writer and she gets interested in octopuses, specifically the giant pacific octopus. She spends a lot of time visiting several giant pacific octopuses at the Boston Aquarium. They are very interesting and intelligent creatures that grow up to 300 pounds in size. They all have very distinct personalities. They also recognize specific people and react to them in a very social way. They have a sense of humor. What is it about being social that makes them seem more like us? While it is not a boating book, it brings creatures we may encounter into focus and it asks questions that may make us think about our relationship with other creatures. A very fascinating book.

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Rose City
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By Pam Sesar

Thank you to all the many individuals and groups that give countless time and contributions to getting children off the couch and onto the water. The programs we support teach lifelong skills.

The Robertson's three boys enjoyed every minute. Kevin Robertson recruited four of his neighborhood kids to sign up. Jake wrote: "Sailing means a lot to me because if I learn and practice enough I will be able to be part of the crew on my dad's boat." Nate wrote: "Sailing means a lot to me because my dad has a boat and I love to spend time on it and learn the ropes. I really like to do parkour and my favorite school activity is math (and lunch)." Sam wrote: "I always liked being in the outdoors, but never had anything to do. Sailing filled that hole in me."

Four of the Schmann's grandchildren participated in sailing lessons. They made cards to share with us.

I know I am repeating some information but I think it helps. Please encourage children to sign up. Don't forget to use the discounts and apply for reimbursements two weeks in advance. Go to Vancouver Lake Sailing Club, Willamette Sailing Club, Columbia Gorge Racing Association and even Hood River Yacht Club's websites, if you are up that way! We encourage the children to get on the water! The coaches provide a curriculum with current and effective techniques and create skilled and confident youths who will respect others, care for their equipment and the marine environment, and be willing to help fellow sailors and boaters on and off the water.

This year we will be approving applications for up to 80% reimbursement for sailing classes, so please get them in early. Also remember because of our support for sailing in the area many children are eligible for discounted rates at the local schools. VLSC, WSC and CGRA have the latest information.

And, as always, please keep those donations coming. Every little bit helps the children. It all goes to supporting great and growing programs and we need the help. Thank you, Pam.





Vic-Maui International Yacht Race

Rain Drop, skippered by Joby Easton, and sailing under the burgee of RCYC finished first in Division 3 and sixth overall in the Vic-Maui International Yacht Race, arriving in the waters off the Kaanapali coast at 3:50 a.m HST.

There was some concern for some of the racers who were still racing as Hurricane Darby approached the islands. However, Darby weakened to a tropical storm and only dumped lots of rain on parts of Hawaii. Looks like Maui may have been spared the worst of it.

To see 2016 Vic-Maui Final Results, go to: <http://www.vicmaui.org/index.php?articleid=686>



Moorage Matters

Loren Beach, Moorage Chair

As we go into our annual low water season, you might want to bookmark this site. Unlike tide prediction algorithms found on the 'net and in your little printed tide booklets, this is a real time river level readout from a gauge just west of the bridge, in Vancouver. Times will be a bit later east, at our moorage.

I have not (yet) heard of anyone grounding inside our marina at low tide, but I do know of boats running aground on that shoal outside the entrance of Tomahawk Bay.

<http://water.weather.gov/ahps2/hydrograph.php?wfo=pqr&gage=vapw1>

Note that it also has predictions extending out for a few days. This is based on calculations of water releases from the dams upstream, included into an extension of river level trends up to present.

Trivia: You can thank RCYC at least in part for the future prediction part of this table. Several years ago, this site went 'live' online, and we all liked it a lot and several of us asked if it could be extended beyond the current date and time since river forecasting is good for a few days into the future. NOAA cooperating agencies must have agreed, and the "forecast part" of it has appeared regularly, ever since.

Notice that the difference between high and low water is several feet. Near the banks, where our moorage is, there is zero flow and sometimes an upstream push as the water rises.

Backing out of your slip can be quite different when there is no current.



Rose City Youth Sailing Out having fun

LAURA DEKKER COMES TO PORTLAND

John Colby, PYC Commodore

The youngest ever to solo circumnavigate the world will stop in Portland on her way to her new home in New Zealand. She has been visiting relatives in Europe. And she will present her incredible story at Portland Yacht Club October 6th. Members and friends of RCYC are invited to this rare Portland event on how she became the youngest sailor to complete her trip around the world.

Laura is now 20 years old and married but started her trip at age 14. Her planning started when she was 11. Can you imagine your child approaching you at age eleven and saying, "Dad, I want to be the youngest to sail around the world." Her father, Dick, told her that he supported her but did not have the financial means to send her on her way and that she would need sponsors. A year later Laura approached her father again and told him that she had written letters and that she now had sponsors. That is just the beginning of her story.

An award winning and Oscar nominated documentary film of her exploit was made by Jullian Schlesinger. Laura has also written a book entitled "One Girl One Dream." The book is available at Powells.

Don't miss this rare Portland presentation on October 6. Cost is \$15 per person which will include a buffet dinner. Reservations are required. You may make reservations by phoning PYC at 503-285-1922 or emailing events@portlandyc.com. Bar will open at 5 pm, dinner from 630 to 730 and the presentation will start at 730.



September General Meeting Program

Andy Schmidt, Program Chair

Brian from Sheffield Marine Propeller will stop by for a presentation on vibration and dampening. Brian has been with Sheffield for over 25 years and is part of this multi-generation company. Sheffield works on propeller systems from 6 inches to 40 feet in diameter. They specialize in refinishing propellers, custom fabrication, MRI Inspections, NDT (Non-Destructive Testing), and custom machining. With this kind of background, Brian should be able to answer any of your questions.



Dekker used a French-built, 40 ft, two-masted Jeanneau Gin Fizz ketch, which Laura named Guppy.



RCYC UPCOMING Events, Meetings, and Functions:

September

2-5	Labor Day Cruise - Beacon Rock
10	Work Party 9, 9:00 am
12	RCYC Board Meeting, 7:00 pm
14	OWSA General Meeting, 5:30 pm
16	OWSA Basics 101, 6:00 pm
17	RCYC General Meeting, 7:00 pm
17-18	River Place Cruise
19	Knauti Knitters, 10:00 am
21	RCYC General Meeting, 7:00 pm
23	OWSA Basics 101, 6:00 pm
24	Walk 3 BBQ, 5:00 pm

October

1-2	Barlett Landing Cruise
3	Knauti Knitters, 10:00 am
8	Work Party 10, 9:00 am
10	RCYC Board Meeting, 7:00 pm
12	OWSA General Meeting, 5:30 pm
15	Old Salt's Dinner
17	Knauti Knitters, 10:00 am
18	Foghorn Deadline
19	RCYC General Meeting, 7:00 pm
22	Work Party 11, 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.

ESSENTIAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR ALL MEMBERS

With the merger of our bookkeeping service with ebs Associates and the transfer of all accounts to them, we are working on a number of improvements in service. These include the ability to submit reimbursement requests via email and the ability to pay quarterly billings by having them automatically deducted from your bank account (ACH). We are hoping to have some of these improvements in place by the quarterly billing in October.

First, we are setting up the October billings to be released via email to all members with an email address. This step is essential to the implementation of ACH payments and will reduce our bookkeeping costs. If you absolutely do not want your billing sent via email, notify Judy as soon as possible. Deadline for billing changes is September 25.

During this transition, it is essential that all members direct inquiries on reimbursement vouchers and billings to the Club Treasurer Judy Oxborrow. Inquiries can be sent via email to judy87807@centurylink.net or made by phone to (503) 652-1549. The new bookkeeping firm bills by the hour and any telephone calls, emails, etc., directly to them increases our bookkeeping bills. In the vast majority of cases, Judy can answer the questions by logging online to the bookkeeping records. If she cannot answer the questions, she will refer them to the bookkeeping service via a procedure designed to reduce the impact on our costs. Judy will acknowledge your email and give you an approximate estimate on when to expect an answer so if you don't receive an acknowledgement, there was a snag in sending or delivery. When we have the final details on these improvements, an announcement will be made via email and in the October Foghorn.

The Cruising Corner

Ron Moran, Cruising Chair

If you are planning to go on the Sept. 17 – 18 cruise to River Place on the Willamette you will need to let me know no later than Sept. 14, as I need to pre-pay for each boat. The club has paid to reserve the breakwater. However there is a \$20 charge per boat. Please do not use the pay envelopes that are at the dock. I will collect the money from you after we get tied up.

The club's current cruise schedule has a long gap between our Memorial Day cruise and Lazy Days cruise. Over the years I have been trying to find another cruise destination, and add a cruise that would fill in that gap. Keeping in mind there are no three day weekends during that time, I was having trouble finding a location close to the club that we are not already going to. I think I have a plan that may give us that additional cruise.

Change the Memorial Day cruise to Coon Island and add a cruise to Hadley's Landing in June or the first week of July. It would take longer to get to Coon Island but being a three day weekend that should not be a problem. The only time it would be an issue is if we have a high runoff and a lot of current to deal with. Being that Hadley's is closer to the club it would be easy to get there and back with only a two day weekend. So, what do you think? Please let me know. As required by CRYA we have already submitted our 2017 cruising schedule so if you want to do this change, it would be for the 2018 cruising year.



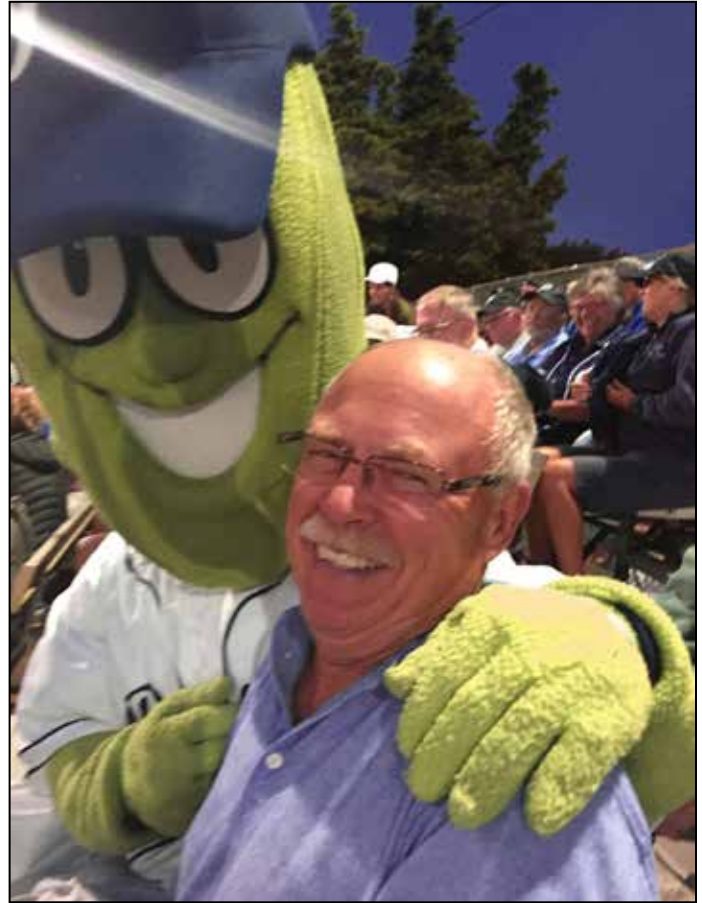
YO-HO! THERE BE PIRATES AT
SCHWITTERS LANDING!
FUN WAS HAD BY ALL AT THIS YEAR'S
PIRATES CRUISE!
ARGH! MATEY!







Chuck Stuckey and the boat he built.



It was a warm summer night, perfect for baseball. Portland Pickle's baseball. Dillon the Pickle, the Pickle's mascot, gives Brad Jensen a big hug for being a Portland Pickle fan. Imagine the thrill! Makes Brad a kind of a big Dill!

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