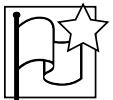


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Secretary: Chuck Pennington

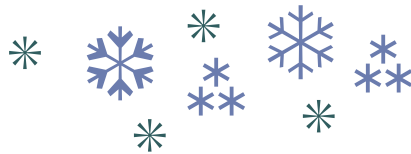
Happy New Year RCYC!

January 2017



From the Helm

Dave Reilly, Commodore



A Winter's Tale, photo by Rick Samuels

WOW it's here already – 2017! I'm Commodore and whatever will I do? Are we ready for this?

Seriously, I am honored you have entrusted me with this position. Rose City Yacht Club is a big part of our lives. Marili was born into the Club. Her father was Commodore in 1953, and she was Commodore in 2007. We look forward to hanging out with all of you as we have great times in the coming year.

We start the year as always with Soup and Sail on New Years Day. There will be a light breakfast starting at around 0900, possibly a boat parade mid-morning, and a clam chowder lunch around noon or so. Bring a can of clam chowder to add to the pot and join the fun.

The Commodore's Ball is February 4th. It is held at The Riverside Country Club, is a little fancier than our walk parties, and is a great way to see your boating buddies in clothes they may only wear once a year. Look for your invitation and attend if at all possible.

We will be making some changes to Walk 5. The boathouse owned by long time member, Pat Long, is being moved out of the Club. We will be installing a new T-slip making it possible to add a couple of boats to our moorage.

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RCYC ANNUAL CHRISTMAS SHIPS POTLUCK, WHAT A NIGHT!





**RCYC
ANNUAL
CHRISTMAS SHIPS
POTLUCK
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2016**

The Cruising Corner

Ron Moran, Cruising Chair

The Club was able to get all the dates and locations we submitted for the 2017 cruising season. The schedule is as follows:

- April 29 – 30 Bartlett Landing
- May 26 – 29 Hadley's Landing – Memorial Day Weekend
- July 4th Land Cruise at RCYC
- July 22 - 30 Lazy Days Down River Cruise
- Aug. 11 – 13 Schwitter Landing – Pirates Cruise
- Sept. 1 – 4 Beacon Rock – Labor Day Weekend
- Sept. 15 – 17 River Place Cruise
- Oct. 6 – 8 Bartlett Landing

It's kind of hard to think about cruising at this time of year, but this should help those who need to schedule vacation time early.



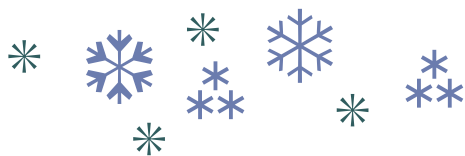
Brenda Annotti did a fantastic job as MC for the event.

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I hope you all got a chance to get down to the Clubhouse during the holidays. Commodore Gary Whitney and First Mate Linda Shaw along with elves they pressed into service decorated the Clubhouse in style. I understand we have Pat and Fran O'Bryant to thank for the decorations they loaned to us.

We all owe a big Thank You to 2016's Commodore Gary and First Mate Linda for the outstanding way they have represented RCYC during the past year. We also owe Thank You's to two folks who will be leaving the RCYC Board this year. Karen Billion and Jan Dees have been active and dependable members of the Board and their contributions will be missed. Thank you both for all you have done.

Let's have some fun!



Foghorn Contributing Deadline: 18th of the Month

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

EDITORS: Judy Oxborrow, Alan Bergen, Joyce Jensen, Janice Choy-Weber

GRAPHICS: Vickie Nissen, Robert Phillips, Rhonda Boguslawski, Cathy Skach

PHOTOGRAPHERS: Dennis Annotti and all Club Members.

A View from the Rear

Gary Whitney, Rear Commodore



Another year has gone round, and I am ready for 2017. Please join me in thanking Dave Reilly for stepping in this past year as Vice Commodore and being willing to continue as Commodore for 2017. He will have great Officers and Directors to support him. I also want to thank our outgoing Directors, Jan Dees and Karen Billion, for their service to the Club. Thank all of you for supporting me and the Board this last year. It takes every one of us to make RCYC work, so thank you for all that you have done.

KA-SL is ready for Soup and Sail. Linda and I try to start the year off right by getting the boat out of the slip on New Year's Day. We have always had great times. There was one cold year, but the soup and the fellowship was that much warmer for the adventure. Soup and Sail is followed by the Portland Boat Show, and then it is time for the Commodore's Ball. The Commodore's Ball is fun because it is the one time we all get dressed up. Karen Finch is going to put on a great ball so don't miss out.

Once the Commodore's Ball is over, you can start boating again. Don't wait for Opening Day to get away. There is the RCYC racing program and there is a series that starts in October and continues until March, Sail on Sunday, almost every Sunday except holiday weekends. Some members even cruise during the winter, those with heaters.



Secretary Salutations

Chuck Pennington, Secretary

At the December Board meeting, the Board approved Inactive Life Memberships for Sue Rimkeit and Ann Roehm. Sue is selling her boat. Ann sold her boat to Chris and Allyson Richard, who were recently sworn in as new members of RCYC. The Board also accepted the resignation of Paul Schoonover and Beth Lebert. His work is taking him up to Seattle. Rather than commute to Portland for sailing, he is moving his boat into the Puget Sound area. We wish him and Beth fair winds.

Craig Rishel and Little Liedblad have withdrawn their application for membership.

The Board also approved the membership application of Dennis and Marquita Call. They purchased the Nordic Tug owned by Pete and Helen Unger. They were sworn in at the December General Meeting -- after spending 3 hours in traffic (mostly stuck on the I-205 bridge) to get from Camas to the club. Guess this proves they will be active and dedicated RCYC members!

For those of you who do not receive the Club emails, we are sorry to report the passing of Wayne Hall.



PARKING AT RCYC?

When you park your car at the Club for longer than a weekend outing, please inform the Resident Members. An email (cpcorey@gmail.com and rick@samuels.com) or a note delivered to them is all it takes.

Please include:

1. Member Name:
2. Contact Phone [while you are away]:
3. Vehicle Description:
4. License Number:
5. Expected return Date:

There have been instances where we needed to contact owners and didn't know whom to contact. Please try to park near the West end of the parking area (towards Donaldson's/Sundance).



2017 COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Until the 2017 yearbook arrives, you may find yourself needing contact information. Listed below are some of the committee chairs more likely to be called during these winter months.

Activities	Brenda Annotti	(503) 504-2595
Clubhouse Reservations	Nolan Johnson	(503) 544-1244
Education	Bob Gales	(971) 274-6324
Insurance	Judy Oxborrow	(503) 652-1549
Membership	Mark Holzmann	(503) 781-1223
Moorage	Loren Beach	(503) 244-0004
New Member Orientation	Ron Moran	(503) 807-3817
Programs	Andy Schmidt	(503) 318-8192
Race Captain	Kevin Robertson	(503) 860-8514
Resident Members	Carl and Pam Corey	(503) 668-8524
Resident Members	Rick and Liz Samuels	(503) 799-4255
Work Parties	Rick Samuels	(503) 799-4255
Work Hour Tabulation	Nolan Johnson	(503) 544-1244



COMMODORES' BALL

* **Saturday, February 4th, 2017**

* **Riverside Golf and Country Club**

We will be having fun celebrating times spent boating. Please put this date on your calendar and plan to attend. It's a fun party where we say "Thank You" to outgoing Commodore Gary Whitney and First Mate Linda Shaw and welcome our new Commodore

Dave Reilly and First Mate Marili Green-Reilly.

Watch your mailbox for your invitation with menu choices. All members who have joined in 2016 will receive complimentary tickets to the Ball. Tickets for the rest of us will be \$36 each. There will be live music by The Stingrays. RSVP to Judy Oxborrow (503) 652-1549 judy87807@centurylink.net



Moorage Matters

Loren Beach
Moorage Chair/Port Captain

Dinghy docks are in need of better signage. So, if you have a dinghy parked on any one of our five docks/racks, put a plastic or metal name plate on your spot. If you have a kayak or canoe on one of the top slots, be sure that it does not protrude far enough over the marginal walk where someone might be injured by walking into it.

Recent high winds have chafed through some dock lines and tore a lid off one dock box. You should really inspect your lines closely where they cross the edge of your deck or go through a chock.

Be careful walking around on the frost and ice on the docks.

A N N O U N C E M E N T

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION

Want to learn all about the Club?

- Plan on attending the New Member Orientation Class
- On January 14, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Clubhouse.

The Board has made these classes a requirement for all new members, but you do not have to be a new member to attend. If you joined the Club in 2016, you will be getting an email from me about the class. If you are not in the group, but would like to attend, please send me an email at ronmoran@gmail.com so that I can have enough handouts for everyone.

Ron Moran,
New Member Orientation Chair



Vice Commodore's Report

Nolan Johnson, Vice Commodore

We have closed the books on work hours for 2016. Club members worked nearly 2700 work hours during the year. We value our work hours at \$50 per hour so that is equivalent to \$135,000 invested in the Club by members.

Our thanks to one and all.

Effective 2017, I am the one you contact to make Clubhouse reservations. My telephone number is (503) 544-1244. This fall the Board approved some changes to the Clubhouse Rental Policy, so you might wish to review the agreement if you are contemplating renting the Club. Documents are posted on the website. By the time the January Foghorn arrives, the 2017 calendar should be updated on the website.



RCYC UPCOMING Events, Meetings, and Functions:

January 2017

- 1 – Soup and Sail
- 2 – Knauti Knitters, 10:00 a.m.
- 9 – RCYC Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- 14 – New Member Orientation, 9:00 a.m.
- 16 – Knauti Knitters, 10:00 a.m.
- 18 – RCYC General Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- 18 – Foghorn Deadline
- 20 – Special Party (potluck), 5:30 p.m.

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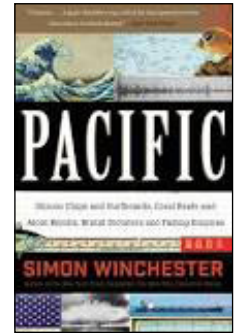
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• Check the website for updated Club dates and more information about RCYC. Also view and/or download your Foghorn from the RCYC website: www.rosecityyachtclub.org.

Nautical Reads

This month's column is courtesy of Carl Nielsen. Our featured book is *PACIFIC* by Simon Winchester

Pacific, by Simon Winchester, is a collection of essays about political, scientific, social and ecological issues that touch the Pacific region. These range from the development of the transistor radio in Japan, America's atomic and hydrogen bomb testing, volcanic eruptions, China's increasing projects to control of the South China Sea, surfing, how world weather patterns are driven by the Pacific region, and many more.



Pacific's organization is unusual in that it develops a list of somewhat unrelated events and then moves back and forth from a concentration on the Pacific ocean itself to essays about countries that are located in and around the Pacific basin. The book arrangement is somewhat chronological, but the intent seems to be to give a sense of the complexity and interconnection of the various topics

The chapters start with short historical or human stories and segue into larger topics. For example, one chapter starts with the eruption of Mt. Pinutubo in the Philippines which destroyed two major US bases, then segues into another "volcano", the growing Chinese economic and military strength, including their current strategy of extending China's realm into the South China Sea. Other chapters discuss the pleasures of the laid-back lifestyle in Hawaii, the paranoid regime of North Korea, the former British colony Hong Kong, and storms in southern Pacific and Australia.

Included in the book's wide range of topics are deep-sea exploration, the Pacific's volcanoes, plate tectonics, and environmental problems. Of particular interest to me was a discussion of the American role in nuclear testing in the Marshall Islands in the 1950's in which I participated while serving in the Navy.

Using the example of the story of the Hawai'ian ocean-going canoe Hokole'a, Winchester makes hopeful comments on the growth of mutual respect and understanding developing within the area. *Pacific* is a fascinating read that covers a very wide range of stories about the Pacific Ocean area, including many interesting essays about little known but related topics.

Membership Reminders and Notices

Membership Cards - Your 2017 membership cards were mailed out early in December. If you have not received a membership card or if there were problems with it (new spouse, name change, incorrect address), please send an email to Judy Oxborrow judy87807@centurylink.net

Billings - As of June 2016, all members should be mailing their quarterly dues payments to Rose City Yacht Club, c/o ebs Associates Inc., 7150 SW Hampton St., Suite 200, Tigard, OR 97223. If you have not yet changed this address on your bill pay list with your financial institution, please do so. Some members are still using an incorrect address.

If you use a bill pay system through your financial institution, chances are the checks are mailed from a central location in another state. Most such systems advise to allow 5-7 business days for delivery. If the payment is sent to an incorrect address, it takes another 7-10 days to filter back through the mail system to your financial organization. And, then the financial organization has to determine what to do with it. This month two members were notified by their financial organization about returned payments -- sent out in late October. Another financial organization mailed two such returned payments to the Club's physical address.

Effective January 2017, late fees will not automatically be forgiven for payments sent to the wrong address. Payments received after February 1 will be assessed a late fee. The bookkeeping service cannot forgive late fees. If you are assessed a late fee, contact Judy Oxborrow (judy87807@centurylink.net) to resolve. If the payment is late because you are still using the wrong address, you may be advised to present your case for waiver of the late fee to the Board.

Your billing is being sent via email, unless you have specifically advised the Treasurer that you do not want email billing. The email comes from Rose City Yacht Club <quickbooks@notification.intuit.com> so you might want to add this to your address book so your email doesn't think it is spam.

Yearbook – By the time you receive the January Foghorn, you should have already submitted updates, changes, and new photographs to the yearbook crew. If you have not done so, please submit any changes to rcycyearbook@gmail.com immediately. We are aiming to have the file at the printer by the end of January, with expected delivery in February 2017.

E-Mails – E-mails sent out to the Club via the Everyone-at-RCYC mailing list go into a queue for review. This queue is monitored; however, it could be several minutes before your email appears in the inbox of members. This is done to eliminate spam received at the Everyone-at-RCYC address from going out to all members. With the holiday season, the amount of spam has increased substantially. Club email goes through a list server (Simplelists). At the end of each Club email you receive will be the following line ---

To unsubscribe from this list please go to <http://www.simplelists.com/confirm.php?u=WJKlkbRpjGgreQFlqQc72DDNcSk9R2DY>

If you click on this link, you are unsubscribing from the Club's email list. You will then receive an email advising that you are unsubscribed and giving you an opportunity to change your mind. If you accidentally unsubscribed and deleted the notification email from your inbox, you can send an email to Judy Oxborrow (judy87807@centurylink.net). She can add you back on to the Club's email list.

RCYC Education Offerings for 2017

Ahoy fellow RCYC members. Each year the Club offers a handful of educational opportunities for members to help increase their understanding of many boating-related issues. Last spring we had a session on VHS radio, focusing on DSC and MMSI set up and usage. There was also a very informative presentation about standing rigging and how we should change our 20 year old rigging every 5 years! In past years, the Club has presented First Aid, CPR and Defibrillator classes.

Any educational program that helps us be safer, more self-reliant and happier boaters is what RCYC is all about.

So, I invite you to think about what learning sessions you would like to see offered this year. Some experiences could be presented as a program at our monthly general meetings or an hour or two before a walk party. Others, such as a First Aid class may take six hours on a Saturday. So far, ideas include:

- First Aid/CPR/Defibrillator
- 12V charging options (wind, solar, fuel cell)
- Pre-Season/Post-Season boat prep
- Exterior maintenance
- Electronic charts usage
- Cruising North for the summer

Please contact me with your ideas and wants, offers of expertise or presenter suggestions. Thank you.

Bob Gales, Education Chair

rlgales@frontier.com, 971-274-6324

Special Program -



Cruising Members: Randy and Ruth Webster recently made landfall in New Zealand. Initially they had planned to come home in the spring. Well, they discovered that many New Zealanders go on holiday between Christmas and the end of January, so they are coming home in January. **They will do a short program at the January 18 general meeting.** So plan on attending the meeting to say hello and see photos of their adventures to date.



Special Party -



Are you tired of winter, snow and ice? Have you recovered from the Christmas and New Year's holidays and slipped into the winter doldrums? Well, we figure a few pictures of Randy and Ruth's adventures will only make you want to see more and hear tales of their adventures. So, (weather permitting) **we are holding a potluck at the Club on Friday, January 20.** Happy Hour is at 5:30 p.m., with dinner to follow at 6:00 p.m. So bring a dish to share, your favorite beverage, and plan on spending a few hours basking in sunshine – even if it is on the big screen!!



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