

Commodore: Matt Richard Vice Commodore: Chuck Pennington Secretary: C.J. Volesky

# November 2018



## From the Helm

Matt Richard, Commodore

**I just saw a really big smile leave the moorage.** It belonged to Walk I member Tyson Keever. With his dad and two friends aboard, Tyson was at the helm as he backed out of his slip and turned into the fairway to begin a shakedown cruise to Astoria and back on his

42 Cascade, *Felicity*, fresh with new sails and high hopes. Did you know Tyson's grandfather built the boat? It's great to see Tyson and his family's dream come true. Happy cruising to the Keever family and to all of us that venture out on our beautiful Pacific Northwest waters.

Staying in the very good family news department, Piper Easton has graciously agreed to continue on as RCYC's Daughter of Neptune for 2019. Thank you so much Piper! Her mom, Danielle, has also agreed to be a chaperone and her dad Joby is continuing on as King Neptune (Joby changed the title, and if you're Neptune, by golly, you can do it). Joby said it best when he replied to me in an email and said, "The Eastons are all in!!". Thank you Easton family!

I am pleased to report that the Gilbert River Dock Restoration Project is nearing completion and Columbia County has committed in writing to maintain the docks. In so doing, RCYC has followed through with our donation towards the project in the amount of \$2,000.00. I hear that the dock is really nice, and I look forward to getting down there next year to explore the Gilbert River and Sturgeon Lake.

Hope to see you at the Walk I BBQ, Across the Ionian Sea, on Saturday, November 3rd. Hint: If you're bringing meat to barbecue you may want to arrive with something that goes with marinara sauce over noodles. I'm thinking spicy Italian sausage or garlic marinated chicken. Wonder if anyone's ever tried barbecued meat balls? Bring your own red wine. Let's party!

## HARVEST MOON TIME





ABOVE: Sue Pennington, Dorothy Glynn, Ruby Zuccatti, Kathy Beach helping put on a great Walk 5 BBQ. BELOW: Lea Wilcox Sanders watches on while Dave Reilly helps Beth Gilson with the grill.





# Secretary'a Update

#### C.J. Volesky, Secretary

Max and Negar Heckscher have become RCYC's newest members. They have an Erickson 34 named *Persistence*. They have been sailing/racing dinghies for 15 years and day sailing for 9 years. They are looking forward to being part of a more active/social club. Make sure to welcome them when you see them on the docks.

Chris and Tomoko Harris have been approved for Inactive Member status. Judy Brandon is now an Inactive Life Member, and Anne Thompson and Ray Brown have moved to Life Members. In addition, Shane Reilly and Kristine Lehmann have resigned from the Club.

## Walk 5 BBQ "September Sunset"



ABOVE: Tom Stringfield and Paul Glynn. BELOW: Bob Phillips with Liz Samuels.









## **Racing Report**

by Tod Bassham

Just when you thought it was safe to go sailing on these crisp fall days without having to dodge a bunch of boats racing around in all directions, along came Sail on Sunday. Yes, on almost every Sunday until March (rain or shine), an improbable number and variety of boats will gather at 1:00 p.m. off our breakwater and race around in circles. Even if you are not a racer, this casual series is a great opportunity to get out on the water and shake off the winter blues. Even better, after the race you can drop by the Clubhouse with your crew and listen to (or participate in) the RCYC song circle.

The social highlight of the racing season, the OCSA Tropical Party, is Saturday, November 3th, at a new location, Warehouse 23 in Vancouver. Dinner tickets are on sale at sailpdx.org. In preparing RCYC trophies to be awarded at the event, I stumbled on a large perpetual trophy gathering dust in the corner of the Clubhouse, for the overall winner of the RCYC Harry Brault Memorial Long Distance Race, the history of which goes back decades. The long list of names on the trophy has not been updated for several years, so I will visit the history books, inscribe the recent winners' names, and honor them at the party.



Foghorn Contributing Deadline: 18th of the Month Please send your articles and photos to: <u>RCYCFoghorn@gmail.com</u> EDITORS: Judy Oxborrow, Janice Choy-Weber, Sheri Lee GRAPHICS: Vickie Nissen, Rhonda Boguslawski, Cathy Skach PHOTOGRAPHERS: Dennis Annotti and all Club Members.

# **RCYC Happenings**

#### **NOVEMBER 2018**

- 3 Work Party, 9:00 a.m.
- 3 Walk 1 BBQ, 5:00 p.m.
- 5 Knauti Knitters, 10:00 a.m.
- 12 Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- 17 Budget Planning Meeting, 10:00 a.m.
- 18 Foghorn Deadline
- 19 Knauti Knitters, 10:00 a.m.
- 21 General Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- 30 Christmas Ships Party, 5:00 p.m.

#### **DECEMBER 2018**

- 3 Knauti Knitters, 10:00 a.m.
- 10 Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- 17 Knauti Knitters, 10:00 a.m.
- 18 Foghorn Deadline
- 19 General Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- 31 New Year's Eve Party, 5:00 p.m.
- Check the website for updated Club dates, the Foghorn, and more information about RCYC. rosecityyachtclub.org.



Vessel "RCYC Walk 1" Port Arrival November 3rd: ANTIPASTO AT 5:00 PM — DINNER AT 6:00 PM

#### BBQ Cargo: ANTIPASTO SPAGHETTI WITH MARINARA SAUCE GREEK SALAD WARM ITALIAN BREAD DESSERT

" NOT IN SHIPMENT: BBQ ITEM AND GROG "

#### **Prepare your Boats for Winter Weather**

#### BoatUS

## 2 Tips for Storing Boats Over the Winter

Putting your boat away for the winter soon? The Boat Owners Association of The United States (BoatUS) says recreational boat owners need to take special precautions with storage of E10

(10 percent ethanol) gas, and to review their insurance policy to make sure the boat is properly covered. Ethanol fuel can cause problems over the winter, and boats stored inside heated storage facilities may need to consider "ice and freeze coverage" for unexpected power outages. Here are two tips for helping to ensure your boat comes out of hibernation next spring ready to go:



Phase-separated fuel will cause damage to boat engines and fuel systems (credit: BoatUS)

I. Prepare for ethanol: Unless you use ethanol-free fuels, your boat's gas contains a mixture of up to 10 percent ethanol. Mandated by the Renewable Fuel Standard, this fuel could "phase separate" over long winter storage periods and harm boat engines and fuel systems. If you have a portable gas tank on your boat, try to use as much gas as possible before you put the boat away at the end of the season. Any remaining that's left in the portable tank (unmixed) may be put in your vehicle. Your county's household hazardous waste-collection site may also accept small



amounts of gas. Another choice is to get your gas at a station that sells ethanol free gas, such as Donaldson's, just downriver from RCYC.

If your boat has a built-in gas tank that cannot be emptied, add a fuel stabilizer and fill the tank, leaving just a little room for expansion. This will greatly reduce the amount of moisture-laden air that can enter through the tank's vent during seasonal temperature changes and could condense inside tank walls, potentially leading to phase separation. To view a video on ethanol, go to <u>https://youtu.</u> be/9Z6loogVdRQ.

2. Consider ice and freeze boat insurance coverage: While the ability to store a boat inside a heated building over the long, cold winter is wonderful, consider what would happen if a snowstorm knocked out power and the source of heat died. Ice forming inside non-winterized engine blocks can lead to big repair bills. This could also be an issue for do-it-yourselfers who fail to winterize properly.

For boaters who live in northern states, protecting yourself with ice and freeze coverage may be a smart option. It's usually not very expensive – <u>BoatUS Marine Insurance</u> offers it for as little as \$25 per engine – but understand that most insurers will not offer the coverage once temperatures get cold, usually by the end of October, so check with your provider now. The boat insurance experts at BoatUS Marine Insurance can be reached at (800) 283-2883.



# "Wiggle Pipe" - It was a dark and stormy night, no wait...

**On a lovely fall day in October,** a small work party was organized at the request of Dredge Chair Doug McClary. The new rubber "Wiggle Pipe" was in the parking lot, and the new float barrels were behind the chapel. All was ready for the barrels to be cut and placed on the pipe so they could be filled with foam later in the week. Much to the Dredge Chair's surprise, nearly two dozen workers showed up! So rather than send two thirds of these fine, "able bodied" volunteers home, the Dredge Chair said to himself, "There are other jobs to be done, why not put them to work?". The large contingent was broken up into smaller groups, some for the barrels and others for the dirty work, er ... fun job of disposing of the old wiggle pipe. A crew on the dock cut up

the old wiggle pipe into smaller manageable bits with a sawzall; and a crew in the parking lot heaved the pieces up the bank, cut the barrels off the pipe and rolled them into the truck for the ride to their final resting place, the dump. The old pipe had been floating in the river for lo, these many years and, as one could imagine, lots of organisms both large and small were to be found growing above and below the waterline. making this a somewhat messy (and smelly) job. The Dredge Chair wishes to express his



profound thanks for the efforts of this motley crew. I know some names, but not all, so in an effort to not insult any individuals for being left out, I'll insult everyone!







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## Vice Commodore's Report

Chuck Pennington, Vice Commodore

#### Greetings,

Members are doing a great job of accruing their work hours for the second half of year. As of this writing, we only have some thirty plus members who have yet to complete their required work hours. There is ample time to get your work hours in; October 20th and November 3rd are the two remaining work parties. If for some reason members are not able to work at an organized work party, please contact Rick Samuels and he can assign tasks for members to complete. Cheers



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## Moorage Matters

Loren Beach, Moorage Chair/Port Captain

**IF you plan on washing off your boat before winter,** be sure to get this done before November 3 (Saturday). That will be our last scheduled work party and also the day planned for shutting off water throughout our moorage before the threat of winter freezing increases.

We will drain down all of the water taps in all the posts and blow out the water lines with compressed air. Note that if you are helping with this task, you MUST not forget to drain down any post — water left in the upright pipe WILL freeze and burst the pipe.

After that Saturday, if you need a bucket of water for the boat, you can fill a container from the faucet under the counter in the men's head. Thank you.

## From the Rear

#### Dave Reilly, Rear Commodore

At the October General Meeting, the Membership elected RCYC's Flag Officers for 2019. The Flag Officers for 2019 are;

- \* Commodore Chuck Pennington,
- \* Vice Commodore CJ Volesky, and
- \* Secretary Mike Finch.

Because there was an additional nomination from the floor for a Director position, the Membership will elect five Directors at the November 21 General Meeting. The candidates are;

- \* Dennis Annotti (current Director),
- \* Tod Bassham (new),
- \* Carol Bobo (new),
- \* Carl Corey (current Director),
- \* Julie Schumann (new), and
- \* Gareth Tabor (current Director).





## **CRYA** Update

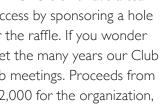
The next big event for the Columbia River Yachting Association will be the organization's annual Awards Banquet. It will be held Tuesday evening, December 4, at Portland Yacht Club. All RCYC members are welcome to attend to see Commodore Matt Richard (or his stand-in) receive our Club's awards for Opening Day activities. Watch for the official invitation in your email or the next Foghorn.

New officers will also be sworn in at this Annual Meeting, and there is still room for an RCYC member to fill a position on the Board of Directors or as a member of the Standing Committee. Please consider how much you have to contribute to RCYC and to recreational boating in general, then let me know of your interest.

This year's CRYA Golf Tournament was very successful, attracting 15 teams and netting over \$4,800. Although RCYC didn't have a team in the tournament, we contributed to its success by sponsoring a hole and donating a Made in Oregon gift box for the raffle. If you wonder what golf has to do with boating, don't forget the many years our Club Board members sold raffle tickets after Club meetings. Proceeds from those raffles rarely brought in as much as \$2,000 for the organization, so whether you golf or not, the tournament is a definite improvement.

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Doug McClary and Brad Jensen checking out our old dredge, the first JRandall in Cathlamet during Lazy Days.



**CLUBHOUSE ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

• **Please note:** There is an updated RCYC Supplies List posted inside the paper product cabinet in the Clubhouse showing who to contact for various Galley supplies (Galley Chief) and Clubhouse supplies (Clubhouse Chair). Contact information for both is provided on the sheet. Feel free to contact as necessary. Thank you.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Annette Kienberger, RCYC Clubhouse

- Foghorn goes paperless January 2019!
- Take Care of Our Floors: A deep gouge was noticed in the floor behind the Commodore's chair at the east end of the Clubhouse. Scratches and scrapes are standard wear; gouges are unacceptable. Please respect all the work that Tom Stringfield, Karl Quade and Larry Corderman did in installing the floor and the hours Bob Philips puts into maintaining the floors.
- FYI: Wheelbarrows, not the carts, are to be used for greasy, dirty, and oily items. Most of the wheelbarrows are over by the chapel. Please clean them out when your are finished using them. Thank you.









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