 Commodore: Matt Richard 

Vice Commodore: Chuck Pennington

Secretary: CJ Volesky December 2018 

From the Helm

*Matt Richard, Commodore*

As I look back on my year as your Commodore a recurring theme

keeps rolling through my thoughts - what a terrific group of people

we have contributing and working hard to make our Club such a suc

cessfully active, functionally sound and genuinely happy organization.

Every step of the way through the year members stepped up and

made it all happen.

Remember the Clubhouse upgrade project of last winter? Thank you,

Ron Moran, Ben Thomas and the rest of your crew for all your tireless

hours and great ideas to improve the galley, heads and other little things here and there. Remember those shiny and newly waxed Clubhouse floors back in May? Thank you, Bob Phillips, for all your attention to detail.

Are you enjoying your access ease with the new card key system? Thank you, Gary Whitney, CJ Volesky, Dave Kibby, Rick Samuels and others, for the tons of work involved with our security. Have you had the pleasure of using the race launch with its new 90hp Honda out board and upgraded systems? Thanks to the Launch Committee led by Mike Oxborrow, and special thanks to Tom Skach, Chris Richard and Alison Mazon for all your work bringing the launch back to life.

Then there are all the Chair positions, so many to thank, so much good work done. Brenda Annotti, where would we have been with out you for your several years of service? Thank you for all the great celebrations! Thanks to the rest of the Activity Chairs: Liv Ormond, Lisa Peterson, Jessie Welter and JoNell McClary for your many hours

of making the fun happen.

Thanks to Ally and Chris Richard for jumping in feet first and taking on the Cruise Chair positions and giving us a fun filled year of cruises. Here’s a second mention, but I have to thank Tom Skach again for all his dedicated work on maintaining the work boats and launch throughout the year. Thanks to Gary Brown as Grill Master for keep ing the grills hot and ready. Thanks to Ethan VanMatre as our new Education Chair for keeping us well informed.

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Kathie Ray-Annis, Loren & Kathy Beach, Chris Dorn Sue Pennington, Cathy & Tom Nelson, Julie Schumann Judy Brandon, Anita Fallon, Patti Fischer

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Thanks to Annette Keinberger and her Clubhouse Stewards for maintaining the Clubhouse in top notch shape. René Emch, thank you for stepping in to become our second Recycling Chair to help Jim Johnsrud do the terrific work you both do with our sustainability program. To our Programs Chair, Julie Schumann, thanks for a great year of presentations! Frank Patrick, you know what you do, thank you for all your legal help. Loren Beach, thank you for your contin ued leadership as Moorage Chair.

And a really big special thank you goes to Doug McClary and his crew of Dredgers. We’d all be high and dry without their hundreds of hours of work. Thank you Dredgers!! So many to thank! Thank you to all our committee chairs, from fire extinguisher inspections to stringer recommendations, thank you!

I had the pleasure of working with a great team of Directors and Officers on the Board. Everyone contributed to the welfare of the Club and I appreciate all their efforts. Welcome new Directors, Julie Schumann and Tod Bassham joining Gareth Tabor, Carl Corey and Dennis Annotti. John Fallon, who is stepping down, thank you for your dedicated service, and Mike Finch, thanks for stepping up to become Secretary.

Dave Reilly, thank you for being my wise and thoughtful Rear Commodore - and yes Dave, I did enjoy the parking space. Chuck Pennington, thanks for all you have done as Vice Commodore, the Club will be in good hands with you at the helm next year. CJ Volesky, thanks for your thoroughness as Secretary and keeping me in line with Roberts Rules of Order. Judy Oxborrow, you are a Rock Star, the Club owes so much to you for all you do for the business success of RCYC, thank you, thank you. Thanks to all the past Com modores who were there for me, what a great resource. And thank you to our Residents, Pam and Carl Corey and Rick and Liz Samuels, you do so much!

One person who really helped me throughout the year was my First Mate, Laura. She grew up at RCYC and her knowledge, thoughtfulness, understanding and wisdom was, and is, most appreciated. What can I say, we’re a team, thank you.

We gained 13 new memberships this year, welcome again to all of you! The Club is what we make it, what we invest in it. We make investments of our hard work and we make investments with our joy. It sure feels good, don’t you agree?

In closing, I would like us to remember those that have left us this year and acknowledge that their good work is done: Dick Royce, Don Ferrell, Doug Crombie, Jerry Bakke, Jim "Rosie" Hackley, Larry Weiss and Wade Cornwell. May they all rest in peace.

One last thank you, to everyone at RCYC. I had a very good year and I look forward to serving you as your Rear Commodore in 2019. Bring that boating season on!

Annette Keinberger & Laura Richard

Andy Schmidt, Valerie Rogers, Roxana Alviar Volesky Mark Holzmann, Liv Ormond, Tyson Keever

Linda Shaw & Gary Whitney

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Dredging Crew News

*Loren Beach*

Our all-volunteer dredging crew is working hard every day to get sand moved up and out of our moorage during the two-month Federal dredging permit window for ‘in water’ work. This entails constantly moving the cables that allow the dredger to work and moving and connecting the plastic pipe that carries the sand slurry up to our settling pond. As a smaller yacht club we are evidently one of the very few to own such a professional grade machine. A LOT of research by the Club went into this investment which pays for itself about every third year!

Some newer members might find it interesting to visit the builder site (DSC Dredge at

*http://www.dscdredge.com/products/badger-class-dredge*

Check out this great story about RCYC under the **News** tab on their website at

*http://www.dscdredge.com/case-studies/218*

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**Thank You Dredge Crew!**

Tod Bassham, Loren Beach, Steve Beaty, Alan Boguslawski, Gary Brown, James Clark, Rene Emch, Richard Gicking, Cliff Hunter, George Kapllani, Walter Keutel, Darren Knittle, Alison Mazon, Dawn McClard, Doug McClary, Bill Ormond, Liv Ormond, Mike Oxborrow, Eric Parker, Peter Pommer, Bill Schuldt, Christian Steinbrecher, Ken Stephens

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Racing Report

*Tod Bassham*

The winter **Sail on Sunday** series is in full swing, with some 65 boats registered. But the thoughts of many sailors have already turned to planning next year’s racing campaign. Here is what the 2019 schedule is looking like for RCYC events:

∙ The **RCYC Frostbite Regatta** will kick off the racing season on Saturday March 23.

∙ The **RCYC Medium Distance Race**, which sends boats upstream past the I-205 bridge, will be moved from mid-May to June 22, near the solstice, in hopes that gentler June currents will allow more boats to finish the course in time for the post-race social.

∙ **Saturday Beer Can Races** this year will have a theme of sorts. The theme for the first RCYC Beer Can on June 29 - the week before Independence Day - will be Fly Your Flag. Racing rules prohibit flying any kind of flags (except protest flags) while racing, but that rule will be waived and all boats encouraged to hoist their colors and burgees and keep them flying down the race course. The theme of the second RCYC Beer Can on July 27 is Doin’ the Rum Run, which really does not need much description or justification. Suffice to say that the suggested entry fee is a bottle of rum, and various rum concoctions, not all of them requiring little umbrellas, will be available post-race at the Club house.

∙ Our flagship event, the **RCYC Harry Brault Memorial Long-Distance Race**, will be held a week later than usual, on September 14-15, the rationale being to pro vide an extra week’s separation between our event and the somewhat similar SYSCO St. Helens race/cruise in late August. 

US Customs ROAM App

The new U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) ROAM App can now be used when entering Washington and Alaska Ports of Entry. The App can make your arrival re porting with U.S. Customs a lot easier. Check it out here:

*https://waggonerguide.com/u-s-customs-new-roam-app available-in-washington-and-alaska*

**RCYSS

*Pam Sesar*

After review of our records, we are happy to report that we were able to support seven youth sailors and also made discounts available to others. It is wonder ful to help children learn an activity that provides so much: higher order thinking skills, river knowledge, and safe boating, to name a few.

If you want to put a smile on your face, go to Willamette Sailing Club’s website, find out when they are having lessons or events and go watch for an hour. Watch for coupons to Columbia Sports wear’s employee store when a percentage of sales are donated to support students, to help fund fleet replacements, buy equipment, and enhance the fabulous community sailing clubhouse.

We are looking for new members for the RCYSS board. It is a great group with positive energy. We especially want parents with young sailors but that is not a requirement. Please contact me at *pamsesar@gmail.com* if you would like to be on the board or have any questions.

We have some donated items that we need to turn into cash which are available for purchase at selected meetings. Keep an eye out for some good bargains!

Please keep RCYSS in mind for your giving during this busy time of year. Your gifts help us tremendously. You can mail them directly to Terry Annis or RCYC attention RCYSS.

Pam’s 

Nephew

Cole

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Moorage Matters 

*Loren Beach, Moorage Chair/Port Captain*

Winter is coming and we have recently had some winds gusting to the mid-30’s. If you are not sailing your boat it is prudent to take your RF jib home until spring. Be sure that your mainsail cover is tight and has some extra ties around it if there is some excess fabric. Sunbrella does not respond well to flapping and chafe from high winds.

Check dock lines for chafing and pad them where they go over a toe rail. Are your fenders aired up all the way? You do not want them over-inflated to resemble a mini-zeppelin, but they do need to be full.

Once we put the dredge away there will be some vacant slips to fill, from the Lists. Note that the width of a boat is often more important than list seniority or boat length in assigning a slip.

Our slip widths vary on all of the walks except Walk 1. This vari ance is left over from historic construction permit approvals and has resulted in us having fit our concrete finger docks around the piling locations on most walks. We have to match up wide boats with narrow boats in most two-boat bays.

Occasionally I do have to ask someone to move to allow another boat to better fit a new opening. This happens under Moorage Rules A. 1. a and b.

Other clubs may manage their slips differently; although I am told that another major sail boat club in our area has a similar procedure.

For a different slant on moorage management, one of our mem bers moved his boat to the Tacoma area several years ago and joined a club that had a very simple seniority rule for obtaining a slip. He said that they never deviated from it and the result was a few 20 foot boats occupying 50 foot slips. It resulted in signifi cant parts of their moorage being underused.

Our system is more challenging to administer, but does have the benefit of filling the most slips with the maximum number of member boats that we can 

fit in. We have a limited

amount of water and it’s

important to benefit as

many members as we can.

Now, if the river would

stop annually depositing so

much sand in our Club, we

would be even happier!

Julie & Monty Orlando

Jean Beaty & JoNell McClary Valerie & Mark Holzmann

Chuck Fisher & Werner Bittner

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From the Rear

*Dave Reilly, Rear Commodore*

Mark your calendars!

**RCYC Commodore’s Ball**

F*ebruary 2, 2019 – Happy Hour starts at 5:00 p.m. Riverside Golf and Country Club*

8105 NE 33rd Drive, Portland

This is RCYC’s glitziest event, so don’t miss it!

Top notch Happy Hour with not-to-be missed appetizers, excellent dinner, live band, dancing and an all-around good time. Check your mail for your invitation. If you are a new member, sworn in in 2018, you can attend for free – can’t beat that price. You should receive your invitation around Christmas. Once you get it, make your reservation right away and secure your spot.

It’s hard to believe, but this is the last article I will write for the Foghorn as an RCYC Club Officer. It has been a pleasure serving you as RCYC’s Vice Commodore, Commodore, and Rear Commodore. I am humbled by the trust you have placed in me by allowing me to serve in these positions.

The number of fun days has far outnumbered the other kinds of days. I want to thank all of you for the help you have given me and a special word of thanks to Marili who worked tire lessly to keep my ship off the sand. She was successful most of the time, but sometimes, despite her best efforts, I was determined to run us aground. Sorry!

Take care, have fun, and I will see you on the docks.

Secretary’s Salutation *CJ Volesky, Secretary* 

Changes and transitions:

Please welcome Richard Sandefur & Anita Melbo and Max & Negar Heckscher, our newest RCYC members. Be sure and say hi when you see them on the docks.

Judy Brandon and Lynn Easton have received Inactive Life Membership status. Anne Thompson & Ray Brown have now become Life Members and Tony & Bernie Bacon are now Inactive Members.

RCYC lost a very special member on Tuesday November 13th. Wade Cornwell has sailed into the sunset with his daughter, Mary, there to cast off his lines. Wade was commodore in 1951 and was a founding member of Rose City Yacht Club and Cascade Yachts. Keep Wade and Mary in your thoughts and prayers. If you would like to send her a card (no flowers or packages), here is her address:

Mary Jacob

PO Box 206

Government Camp, OR 97028

Tom & Vickie’s 

Dubai Adventure

Tom Stringfield checks 

out the slopes



Vickie Nissen tries on the latest fashions



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*Please join us for* 

*“A Winter Wonderland” RCYC Christmas Ships Party*

*Friday, November 30th*

*Happy Hour begins at 5:00 pm*

*Dinner at 6:00 pm*

*Club is providing ham, sodas,*

*mixers & wassail* 

*Christmas Ships viewing 7:00 pm*

*Gift Exchange*

*Bring a $20 gift you would enjoy receiving yourself*

*We will be collecting new &*

*gently used coats*

Winter Cruising With SIYC

*Richard Sandefur, SIYC*

Sauvie Island Yacht Club holds winter cruises and RCYC members are invited to join us! The next cruise is December 29-30, at Coon Island East Dock. Join us to say good-bye to 2018 and enjoy a potluck dinner on Saturday evening and potluck breakfast on Sunday morning. For more information: Richard Sandefur or Anita Melbo

at *yachtmoonshadow@hotmail.com*

or call Richard at 971-263-8469

Hope to see some RCYC boats there!

Yearbook, 2019

It’s time to update the 2019 Yearbook. Please review your listing in the current yearbook and send us an email with your changes. Include your name and the changes you want us to make. For photo changes, send a high resolution im age, properly exposed with a clean, uncluttered background.

This year we are going to add a member services page to the yearbook. If you have an employer whose services could be of benefit to our members and would like to have them listed, please provide your name, company name, type of service and contact phone.

**Submission deadline is Monday, December 17th** Melissa Bearns: *melissa@melissabearns.com*

Judy Oxborrow: *judy87807@centurylink.net*

**RCYC HAPPENINGS December**

3 Knauti Knitters 10:00 am 10 RCYC Board Mtg 7:00 pm 14 Private Party 6:00 pm 17 Knauti Knitters 10:00 am 17 Yearbook Update Deadline

18 CRYA Meeting 7:00 pm 18 January Foghorn Deadline

19 RCYC General Mtg 7:00 pm 24 Private Party 5:00 pm 31 New Years Eve Party 5:00 pm **January**

1 Soup & Sail 9:00 am 4 Friday Night Jam 7:00 pm 7 Knauti Knitters 10:00 am

12 New Members 9:00 am 14 RCYC Board Mtg 7:00 pm 16 RCYC Gen Mtg 7:00 pm 18 February Foghorn Deadline

21 Knauti Knitters 10:00 am

*Check the website calendar for updates and more information about RCYC www.rosecityyachtclub.org*

*Need something added to the calendar? Contact Vice Commodore Chuck Pennington*

****Foghorn Deadline 18th of the month**

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