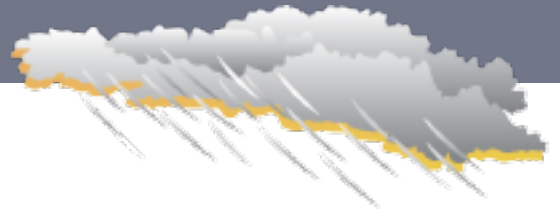


Commodore: Chuck Pennington
 Vice Commodore: CJ Volesky
 Secretary: Mike Finch

February 2019

Prepare your Boats for Winter Weather & WIND!



From the Helm

Chuck Pennington, Commodore

January 1st started off with the traditional Soup and Sail. It was a well attended event made possible by the efforts of Brenda Annotti and Liv Ormond. Many thanks to the both of you. This year's Soup and Sail marked the end of Brenda's tenure as Activities Chair. Lisa Petersen will assume the reins as Activities Chair for 2019. Lisa has started a Friday Night Game Night at the Club. I'm sure it will turn out to be a very well received activity. Let's all wish the best for Lisa.

Tod Bassham has also reserved the Clubhouse for his Friday Night Sing Along. Check the Web calendar for specific dates.

Sherry Buchanan is also doing a great job as Programs Chair. January's program featured Sergeant Steve Dangler from the Multnomah County Sheriff's River Patrol. Sergeant Dangler was very informative and entertaining as well.

Water temperature = length of time in water & expected survival time. Wear your PFD!

Water Temperatures in Degrees F (Degrees C)	Exhaustion or Unconsciousness can happen within minutes to hours	Expected Time to Survive in minutes to hours
32.5 (0.3) Degrees	Under 15 minutes	Under 15 to 45 minutes
32.5 to 40 (0.3 to 4.5)	15 to 30 minutes	30 to 90 minutes
40 to 50 (4.5 to 10)	30 to 60 minutes	1 to 3 hours
50 to 60 (10 to 15.5)	1 to 2 hours	1 to 6 hours
60 to 70 (15.5 to 21)	2 to 7 hours	2 to 40 hours
70 to 80 (21 to 26.5)	2 to 12 hours	3 hours to indefinite

We have numerous projects in the works for 2019, including pouring a concrete pad for the dumpsters, building a retaining wall that runs from the electrical panel to the west ramp and installing a pressure reducing valve for the water system so that water pressure at the dock level will be at 60 psi. Many of you have noticed the large tree up near Marine Drive that split in two. We will be looking at felling the remaining part of the tree so that it does not become a safety hazard.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the Commodore's Ball and best wishes to all for a safe boating season.



RCYC Happenings

February:

- 2 Commodore's Ball, 6:00 pm
- 4 Knauti Knitters, 10:00 am
- 9 Saturday Night Jam, 7:00 pm
- 9 New Member Orientation, 9:00 am
- 11 RCYC Board Meeting, 7:00 pm
- 18 Knauti Knitters, 10:00 am
- 18 March Foghorn Deadline
- 20 RCYC General Meeting, 7:00 pm
- 23 Board-Roberts Rules of Order, 9:00 am
- 25 Opening Day Planning, 6:00 pm

March:

- 2 Work Party, 9:00 am
- 4 Knauti Knitters, 10:00 am
- 8 Friday Night Jam, 7:00 pm
- 11 RCYC Board Meeting, 7:00 pm
- 16 St. Patrick's Day Party, 5:00 pm
- 18 Knauti Knitters, 10:00 am
April Foghorn Deadline
- 20 RCYC General Meeting, 7:00 pm
- 23 RCYC Frostbite Regatta Social, 6:00 pm
- 30 Work Party, 9:00 am

- *Check the website for updated Club dates, the Foghorn, and more information about RCYC. rosecityyachtclub.org.*



INTERESTED IN VENTURING OFFSHORE?

If you are interested in venturing offshore either cruising or racing, the Sailing Foundation ("[Safety at Sea Seminar](http://thesailingfoundation.org/what-we-do/2019-safety-at-sea-seminar/RCYC%20Members)") offers an intensive three day workshop covering all aspects of safety at sea. If you are interested, please click on the link below to get all the particulars. [thesailingfoundation.org/what-we-do/2019-safety-at-sea-seminar/RCYC Members](http://thesailingfoundation.org/what-we-do/2019-safety-at-sea-seminar/RCYC%20Members)



Secretary's Update

Mike Finch, Secretary

At the January general meeting, Commodore Chuck Pennington swore in new member Neil Smits. Two prospective members met with the board; they are Arnie Polk, who owns a Santana 30 and has raced with several RCYC members, and Toby Eliot, who owns a Tartan 30.

Mark Basel and Florence Dickerson requested a change of status to inactive as of January 1st, 2019. The board granted their request.

At the general meeting, prospective member Arnie Polk, requested donations to the Chief Petty Officers Association, which assists junior members experiencing financial hardships. Many Guardsmen serving the Lower Columbia Basin and their families are experiencing financial hardships as the government shutdown continues. There has been an outpouring of community support and hopefully, by the time you read this, the shutdown will be over and these servicemen will have resumed getting their paychecks along with back pay. In any case, donations may be sent to:

PayPal: columbiarivercpoa@gmail.com

Or mail to: Lower Columbia River CPOA
PO Box 34, Warrenton, OR 97146

From the Rear

Matt Richard, Rear Commodore

At the upcoming February Board meeting the Officers and Directors will be faced with an important decision regarding the present maintenance and future viability of our 66-year-old Clubhouse. Do we just replace the shims and blocks and retain our present wood stringers? Do we add to that the replacement of the end stringers with steel I-beams or do we replace all the stringers with steel I-beams including new shims, blocks and necessary additional foam flotation?

We are trying to protect our current asset but at the same time we are looking down the road as to what might be needed or desired by members in the future regarding the Clubhouse structure. What we decide now may impact those future plans. The Board has received input from several members at the previous two general meetings and through email correspondence. All members are very much encouraged to continue to reach out to the Officers and Directors and let your thoughts be known before the February 11th Board meeting.

January Coffeehouse and Music Jam

By *Tod Bassham*

Good coffee and good times were had at the inaugural RCYC Friday Night Coffeehouse and Music Jam on January 11. About 25 members and guests attended and about half of them joined in the music making. The main act featured members Allan Weber, Tod and Deedie Bassham and guests Matt Gordon and Nandini Jani. During the open mic session members Gareth Tabor, Mike Oxborrow and several guests delighted the audience with a number of songs. After the show the musicians stayed on to end the evening with a full orchestral jam which included a (mysteriously glowing) harp, a dulcimer, a mandolin, a standup bass, several guitars and Mike O's sawed-off electric bass.

The next Coffeehouse is Saturday February 9, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., with special duo Gareth Tabor and Mike Oxborrow. Come along to enjoy the music, or better yet, bring your instrument or voice and either grab the stage for the open mic session, or join us afterward for the music jam.



Nautical Reads

By *Alan Bergen*



Several months ago, Rhonda Morgan-Boguslawsky wrote a book column about a series of books she found while cruising in Canada. They were written by a Canadian author and the stories take place in British Columbia. The central figure in those books is a famous attorney. I recently started reading one of them, and I was able to identify areas where I have cruised. The story reminded me of a series of three books I read last year. The first book is called "El Camino", by Ken Baysinger. It's a murder mystery that takes place in Oregon. The central figure in these books is a private investigator named March Corrigan. Without giving too much away, it starts out with a car being pulled out of the Willamette River. Are there any bodies inside? I guess you'll have to read it to find out. I especially liked being able to identify places that are mentioned, places close to where we live. The other two books in the series are called "Deadly Gold" and "Missing and Exploited". If you like murder mysteries, I think you'll find these especially to your liking.





Moorage Matters

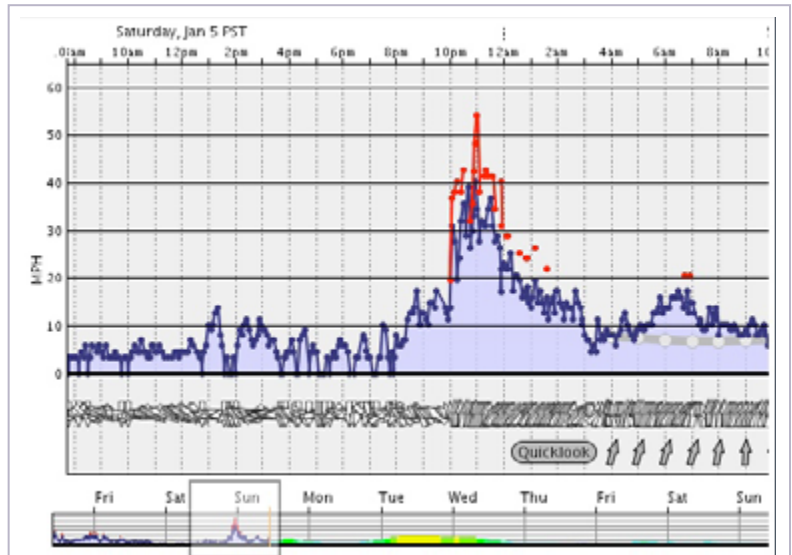
Loren Beach, Moorage Chair/Port Captain

So far, the winter has been windy but we have had no serious freezing and that's a good thing. As the days lengthen it's time do some 2019 chores for your boat. Leading the list is ensuring that you've attached your 2020 state registration stickers. Whether your boat is state registered with bow numbers or federally documented, these stickers must be displayed. The fine for having expired or missing stickers is now \$110. I doubt that the River Patrol deputies will be walking all of the docks before February or March, but be aware that your boat needs to be legal. Additionally, you are required to display current registration as a condition of mooring your boat in RCYC. Correctly display your stickers and you can continue to moor your boat in the Club moorage and avoid a \$110 fine as well.

Having finished our dredge season with a mountain of new sand in the parking lot, the company hauling it away will be visiting us regularly. When you see them operating machinery leave the south side of the parking lot totally clear. These trucks range from 15 to 24 cubic yards and need adequate room to turn and line up with our gate.

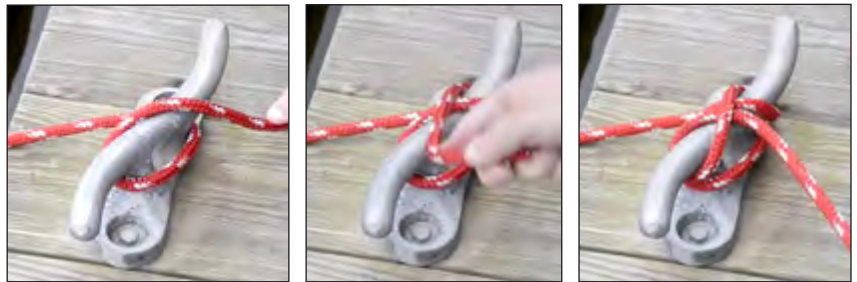
I am working on assigning boats to slips from the wait list. Meanwhile, if you want a temporary slip for the summer when some members are out cruising, let me know.

If you have an estimated departure and return date for your own boat, please let me know that, too. Email is the best method for contacting me (sailaway10@comcast.net).



There was Wind and there will be more WIND: Check those lines, chafe gear, snubbers, and fenders, and, of course your canvas and your sails.

JPEG file from the weather station at nearby PDX. (A screen grab from the scrolling wind data graph at Sail Flow.)



BoatUS eMagazine

While walking our docks I see occasional examples of "how not to tie a line to a cleat" and this little video shows how to do it right.

Kudo's to BoatUS, and I hope that you do not mind receiving this link in your mail box.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GdulxujpJEw>

10 YEARS AGO:

KARL QUADE,
OUR 2009
COMMODORE



DEEP SNOW
AND HIGH
WINDS. KEN
GERVAIS
CLEARING
THE DOCKS



Putting the Dredge away for the Season.



"Ok, the last day of dredging for me. No rain until we were done. It doesn't get any better than that."
Dawn McClard

Racing Report

Tod Bassham

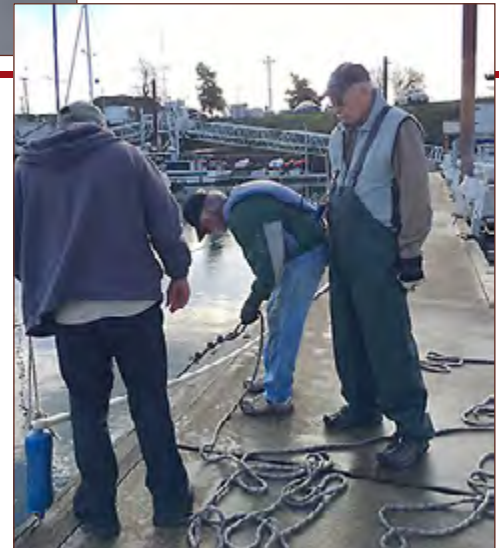
Let's kick the 2019 racing season off with a roundup of racing news. The official 2019 RCYC Race Captain is (drumroll, please) David Paul, skipper of Nelly. David has an extremely busy year ahead of him workwise and has asked me to continue semi-officially as advisor, figurehead, mentor (or something like that). Between the two of us, we plan to continue and improve the RCYC racing program.

In other news...

February 9-10 is the "Safety at Sea" seminar in Vancouver, Washington. There may still be a few spots available. For information, visit sailpdx.org for links to the Sailing Foundation's website. It looks like at least five RCYC boats are planning on racing the Oregon Offshore in May and the rules require that a certain percentage of crews have SAS training.

February 16-17 is the US Sailing Race Officer workshop at the Willamette Sailing Club. If you are a club Principal Racing Officer (PRO), want to become a club PRO or help out on the race committee, this workshop is highly recommended. If you pass the test and actually serve as a PRO in 2019, OCSA will refund your registration fee!

February 17 is the Pray for Wind Party at Portland Yacht Club from 3-7 p.m. Besides being a great party, this event is intended to introduce people to racing and sailing, so bring a friend. Each club and organization will have a table set up to answer questions about their club and racing program. **IMPORTANT:** We need volunteers to drink beer, er, staff the RCYC table for a one-hour shift. Please contact Tod at basshamfam@hotmail.com if you are able and willing.



Tying her up for the day. One more swing change and a bit of cleanup in the fairway and the dredging will be done.



2019 Game Night at the Club

Let Lisa Petersen know if you liked this event.

papillonmom11@gmail.com

CRYA Yacht Club Members:

Daughters of Neptune would like to invite Club members who need to obtain their Mandatory Washington or Oregon Boaters Safety Education Card to a class offered by the **USCG Auxillary at Portland Yacht Club on Sunday, February 24th starting at 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.** Cost for the class is \$12 cash which includes a light breakfast pastry and a variety of beverages to select from. The Boater Education Card application costs an additional \$10 upon class completion and is submitted to either the State of Washington or Oregon separately by the boater. Students are welcome to purchase lunch at PYC or bring their own lunch to enjoy during the brief lunch break.

This is a great opportunity for new members and young boaters ages 12 and older to obtain their Mandatory Washington or Oregon Boaters Safety Education Card. Please apply soon to ensure timely enrollment as class size is limited. Refer to the panel on the right for more details and to register.

Thank you,

Brenda Becerra,
Daughters of Neptune Director



Sailing Foundation's, "[Safety at Sea Seminar](#)", see page 3 for further information.

Boater's Safety Education Class - February 24, 2019 Instructed by U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary

Attend this class to earn your Washington / Oregon Boater's Education Card, which is required to operate any vessel over 10hp.

Sunday, February 24, 2019

8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

**(Coffee, Tea, Juice, Milk, Water and
Breakfast Rolls Provided)**

Portland Yacht Club, 1241 NE Marine Drive, Portland

- Class Cost: \$12 (CASH ONLY), per person, payable at check-in.
- State Issued Card: Upon completion of class you will submit \$10 to the State of Washington or Oregon to obtain your boaters card.
- Class is open to ages 12 and older.
- A short lunch break will be scheduled – please bring a sack lunch, or purchase lunch from Portland Yacht Club or from a nearby vendor if you desire.

Class size is limited. Please contact Vicki at vickipdx@gmail.com to register or for more information.



Foghorn Contributing Deadline is 18th of the Month

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