



ROSE CITY YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER

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

July-August 2019



From the Helm

Chuck Pennington, Commodore

As of this writing we are looking forward to the Hadley's Landing Cruise, especially for our new members. Hadley's offers everything from bird watching and kayaking to hiking. In fact, the more adventuresome can hike to Kruger's Family Farm for fresh veggies, jams and pies. If you intend to do so, be mindful of the traffic as the shoulders are not very wide in spots.

With July comes the annual 4th of July festivities. Lisa Petersen, Activities Chair, has a slate of volunteers ready to help setup for the 4th of July Land Cruise. Lisa is in need of volunteers to help with cleanup so if you're willing to help out, please let Lisa know. In addition to the usual 4th of July festivities we will be presenting a wrought iron bench, which was built to commemorate Wade Cornwell. As many of you know, Wade passed away recently at the age of 104. Matt Richard has graciously offered to have a plaque made noting Wade's long-standing contribution to the Club.

We hope to see many of you somewhere on the river during Lazy Days. Happy sailing!!

RCYC LAND CRUISE & POTLUCK



WHEN:

THURSDAY, JULY 4 AT 2:00 PM

HOST:

ROSE CITY YACHT CLUB

WHERE:

CLUBHOUSE PATIO & DOCKS

The RCYC 4th of July Land Cruise, Potluck & BBQ
officially begins at 2pm.

Open Boats are a great way to meet
new members and catch up with old friends.

Please bring a side dish or appetizer to share.
The Club provides sodas, hot dogs, brats, hamburgers and dessert.

Let's celebrate the USA together!





Vice Commodore's Report

CJ Volesky, Vice Commodore

Welcome to Summer! Work hour logs for the first half of 2019 are now closed. We had a total of 1,749.5 hours logged. That saves RCYC and you a lot of money. Thank you to all for stepping up. There are 6 additional hours required for each membership to be completed in the second half of this year. Watch for opportunities to get them logged. These 6 hours are only the MINIMUM required. We have members putting in 10 times this amount. I challenge each membership to go for a minimum of 8 hours the second half of the year, which would be an additional 250 hours of labor. That would go a long way to getting some long overdue projects completed.

Going forward, all hours recorded will need to be approved by the person who assigned you the task or the work party leader/chair. This means you need to get your hours recorded early so the leader remembers you doing the task. If you wait too long, the hours may not be approved. There have been a lot of questions on what type of hours can be approved. Only hours that are for the normal day-to-day operation of the club will be approved. This means work party hours, Board member hours, committee chair hours, etc. This does not mean working at Walk parties or other events and activities unless the Board approved the work hours prior to the event.

This month I need to discuss a topic which I do not enjoy, yet as an Officer of RCYC, find necessary. With that said, this month's topic is Integrity. Integrity is doing the right thing when no one is looking. Do you have integrity? The majority of our members do. However, there are a few that do not. Below are examples of the latter member type.

Our Solid Waste and Recycling Committee members have done a great job of posting signs on the recycling bins and educating members about garbage and recycling. Despite this, some members persist in thumbing their noses at the process. This week a concerned member told me there was an entire wheel and tire in one of the recycling bins. This burdened another member with the task of taking it out and putting it in the garbage bin. Trash is routinely found in the very clearly marked recycling bins, which means it has to be taken out by other members and put in the garbage bin. Other members shouldn't have to clean up after someone else because of his or her inconsideration or inability to read.

In the shop we each need to clean up after ourselves. Caring members shouldn't have to vacuum up all the sawdust left by others who use the sander. It is clearly marked "Please vacuum your sawdust". Someone had used the vacuum as a wet vac and didn't clean it out so it couldn't be used to vacuum up sawdust. It's ok to use the vacuum as a wet vac, but you can't simply leave the soaking wet, ruined filter out of the vac and leave the wet mess of sawdust closed up in the canister to mildew. Instructions for use are posted on the wall. If you aren't capable of putting the shop back the way you found it (or better), please email Steve Peterson (Tool Shop Keeper) to let him know that you need assistance. Don't just leave a mess!

Another member told me they are tired of the amount of dog poop in the parking lot. You won't notice it much in the gravel, but you will notice it if you venture into the grass areas and/or dry moorage! These are the type of things that cause more rules and restrictions to be created.

Recently, I came across a member who was upset because his boat was scratched—presumably by his neighbor. It appears that the neighbor may have used a boat pole to push off his boat and, in the process, scuffed up the nice wax job and new logo for which the member had just paid \$1,000. As of this writing, no mention has been made by the neighbor.

All members need to step up and treat their benefits, privileges and others' property with respect. It is likely that only a few members are creating these frustrations. They should not expect others to keep cleaning up the mess they leave behind. On the other hand, I know there are members who treat RCYC like their palace. To these members, I say "Thank You" and I have a great deal of respect for you. All our actions make RCYC the best club on the river. Having integrity is an important factor in keeping it that way. I ask each member to ask themselves, "What type of member am I?"

Now that that's done, let's focus on a wonderful, safe sailing summer.

See you on the river!



Cruising Corner

Chris & Allyson Richard

There's a lot of information in this month's Cruising Corner, so grab yourself a delicious beverage or snack and sit back and enjoy! By the time you read this, June's Cruise to Hadley's Landing will be over and we'll be talking about what a really fun cruise it was!

The Lazy Days cruise, our personal favorite, is coming up in late July. For new members, this is a week-long (or two weeks for some) cruise downriver to Astoria and back. A lot of members end up following their own schedules so try to find a buddy boat and enjoy your time! Here is the general schedule:

- July 20th at Martin Island
- July 21st at Walker Island
- July 22nd at Cathlamet
- July 23-24th at Astoria West Basin
- July 25th at Cathlamet (Potluck @ 6:00)
- July 26th at Walker Island
- July 27th at Martin Island



We will have our **dinner** Potluck in Cathlamet on July 25th at 6:00 pm over by the office. New members, if you think you might drive there and you're interested in overnight accommodations, definitely check out Elochoman Marina's website. John Dees was able to get River Mile 38 to open for us again this year! The pub will open at 4:00 on Wednesday the 24th and again at 3:00 (an early opening for us) on Thursday the 25th just before our potluck dinner. The brewery is under new ownership, but we should see little change in their *great* beer and root beer. We are welcome to bring our own snacks and pizza can be ordered from the restaurant just up the street for consumption in the brewery. River Mile 38 also contributed to our Ladies Dinner raffle. Thanks again to John for getting this set up for us this year!



Something a little new for Lazy Days—we contacted West Basin Marina in Astoria to reserve spots so that we can stick together. The staff there would like a list of boats which includes information on the size of the boat and if you need power. We may not all be able to park together, but the staff there will do their best! **Please email us to let us know if you are planning on going to Astoria and provide the information listed above by July 1st.** Thank you in advance!

August brings us two cruises: Pirate's Cruise to Schwitter Landing (Government Island's West Dock) and Labor Day weekend at Beacon Rock!

Pirate's Cruise is August 9th-11th and is a fantastic family fun cruise with many kid friendly events including the Past Commodores' pancake feed. Feel free to dress up and decorate your boat as much as your pirate heart requires! Happy Hour will be at 4:00 followed by a **dinner** potluck at 6:00.



Then it's to Beacon Rock for Labor Day weekend August 30th-September 2nd. This is a special location that the clubs take turns using every year, so please try to attend! There will be a **dinner** potluck on Sunday, September 1st—Happy hour will be at 4:00 followed by the potluck at 6:00.

For all cruises, watch for informational flyers at the head of the ramp and on the Clubhouse doors for any updates or changes. If you have any questions, please email us and we will help out as much as possible!

Happy cruising!



Secretary's Salutation

Mike Finch, Secretary

Prospective members Mark and Barbara Nielsen introduced themselves to Board members at the June Board Meeting. Relatively new to sailing, they have recently taken courses at Island Sailing Club. Mark and Barbara are purchasing a Catalina 30 and look forward to getting involved in club activities and availing themselves of the plethora of sailing knowledge of RCYC members.

The Board approved a membership status change for Bill and Nina Kramer from active to cruising membership – effective upon their departure. They also approved changes in membership status for Wes and Joyce Davis (life members to inactive life), and Dennis and Jan Stewart (active to life membership). New member Kathy Souhrada, was sworn in by John Flenniken at the June General Meeting. She owns a Hunter 31.

For those going to Bald Eagle Days in Cathlamet, Portland Yacht Club is sponsoring the “Happy Eagles” happy hour. RCYC members, along with members of other clubs, are invited to the afternoon soiree held under the covered patio at Elochoman Marina on July 20 from 5-7pm. Bring your own beverage and an appetizer to share. PYC will provide tableware. You may want to bring a folding chair as seating will be limited. More information at <https://wahkiakum.us/events/bald-eagle-days>.



Activities Committee - Odds & Ends

Lisa Petersen, Chair

Bluetooth is now available through our Clubhouse stereo so you can connect your music and devices. It's a small square device called a Mee Audio Connect Hub linked to the receiver. Just turn on the receiver and hit Video 2 to turn on the Mee device and you will see a Bluetooth connection available. Simply connect and you can tune in the stereo from your phone.

What is a Walk Party? We have lots of new members so here is a refresher on our RCYC Walk Parties. Each Walk of the moorage hosts an annual BBQ party at the Clubhouse. This is a low key gathering where Walk members participate in setup, food prep and clean up. This is not a party just for that Walk; it's hosted by the Walk for all members.

It is vital that Walk members lend a hand when it's their turn to host a BBQ. If we do not have enough help, we may have to limit the number of Walk parties and/or combine Walks to make the parties happen. Here are the dates for the upcoming Walk parties:

August 24th = Walk 5 BBQ

September 28 = Walk 1 BBQ

November 9 = Walk 2 BBQ

Let's keep the long-standing Walk Party tradition going at RCYC!

Please lend a hand with your fellow Walk members!



Knauti Knitters Outstation

Reminders from the Treasurer

Judy Oxborrow, Treasurer

BILLINGS -Members will shortly receive their July billings. Those billings will include “extra” items as applicable – dry moorage, ice, and work hours. The ice billings only go through mid-May. We needed the information early as your Treasurer was leaving on vacation and needed to get the data to the bookkeeping service. If you have a question or dispute the billing, please email judy87807@centurylink.net or call (503) 652-1549. Just leave a message if I am not home. The bookkeeping service does not have the authority to adjust your billing.

If your dispute involves work hours, please provide the following information: when you worked, what you did, who you were working with and the number of hours worked. We will then backtrack on the work sheets to see if the hours were missed, not recorded, or illegible.

REIMBURSEMENT REQUESTS – If you file a request for reimbursement for expenses on purchases made for the Club and do not receive timely payment, please contact me at the email address or telephone number listed above. We’ve recently had a number of reimbursements sent to the wrong address. The reimbursement form is available on the website or I can email it to you. Please email your request for reimbursement as soon as possible after the purchase or event.

YEARBOOK UPDATE – An update to the 2019 yearbook is planned for release in late June. Any changes in address, email, telephone numbers, boat information, etc. should be sent via email to judy87807@centurylink.net.

If you are a new member, information will be taken from your membership application to add as a listing. New members, we would appreciate receiving a head shot of you some time during this summer.

All members, please look at your listing in the 2019 yearbook. If the photo is out of date (you are no longer 30 or recognizable in the photo) or blank, please send an updated head shot at your earliest convenience.

KEY CARDS – A reminder that key cards are issued only to members or vendors approved by the Board. If a key card is reported as lost, it is immediately deactivated from the system. Lost keys, gate openers or key cards should immediately be reported to Judy Oxborrow or Rick Samuels.

Reciprocal Updates for British Columbia

Tom & Cathy Nelson

If you are planning to cruise in British Columbia this summer please be advised that a number of our reciprocal clubs there have very recently initiated a policy requiring you to show proof of having **two million dollars' worth** of liability insurance on your vessel; they will not allow you to stay at their club if you do not. If you carry this much coverage be sure to have a copy of your policy onboard to show when you register at these clubs.

If we get more specific information on which clubs are implementing this policy, we will send out an email list to everyone at RCYC.



Coffeehouse News

Tod Bassham

The June 8th Coffeehouse featured a crowd-pleasing performance by George Kapllani backed by the Club’s house band, the newly named *En d’Nile Band*. Mike Finch followed with some crowd favorites, then Doug McClary led call and response sea-shanties.

The En d’Nile Band returned to back up Tod and Deedie Bassham on some unrehearsed songs. The open mike session ended with the entire Kapllani family taking the stage to belt out a closing song. Everyone then politely ignored the squeaks and scratches from the end-of-the evening jam session.

The Coffeehouse will take a break for the summer, but will return again in the fall to fill the Clubhouse with music.





Moorage Matters

Loren Beach, Moorage/Port Captain

Someone asked me recently how boats are selected for a slip assignment so I told them about how a recent new member had a boat that was narrow enough to fit into an existing slip *if* I could get someone with a much smaller boat to move into a newly-opened space. The new space, being narrower, would hold a smaller boat fine, but someone would have to move from a space they had been occupying for several years. An accommodating member with a smaller boat agreed to make that move and open up a space for a new boat. This “double move” has been done a couple of times before and is a great example of the camaraderie you can only find in a smaller, more congenial yacht club.

As you can see, it sometimes takes some rearranging of slips to fit a new boat in. The most difficult to accommodate are boats over 12 feet in beam, especially since there is less turnover with the longer and wider slips on Walks 1 and 5.

A few new members are regularly using temporary slips where a boat is away for several months and we sometimes have a “temporary” slip open when a member has gone cruising for a year and opted to keep their slip (and continue to pay for it). This can also happen when a boat is in the yard for an extensive refurbish and a repaint.

There is provision in the Moorage Rules to petition the Board to keep a slip for a second year of absence, but most cruisers do not bother. They usually want to free up more money for cruising expenses. We have had a member leave for five years, and then email us to get back on the waiting list as they motored up the West Coast from Mexico. We found them a slip with some luck and good timing. Our Club does all it can to accommodate members’ moorage needs.



1st night RCYC Cruise to Bartlett’s
You know it’s very cold out if Smoke is wearing pants!



Above: Sunday

Alan & Rhonda Boguslawski
at Bryce Canyon, UT



Right: Monday

Memorial Holiday Adventures

Cathy & Tom Skach
found some big wind
in Puget Sound



From the Rear

Matt Richard, Rear Commodore

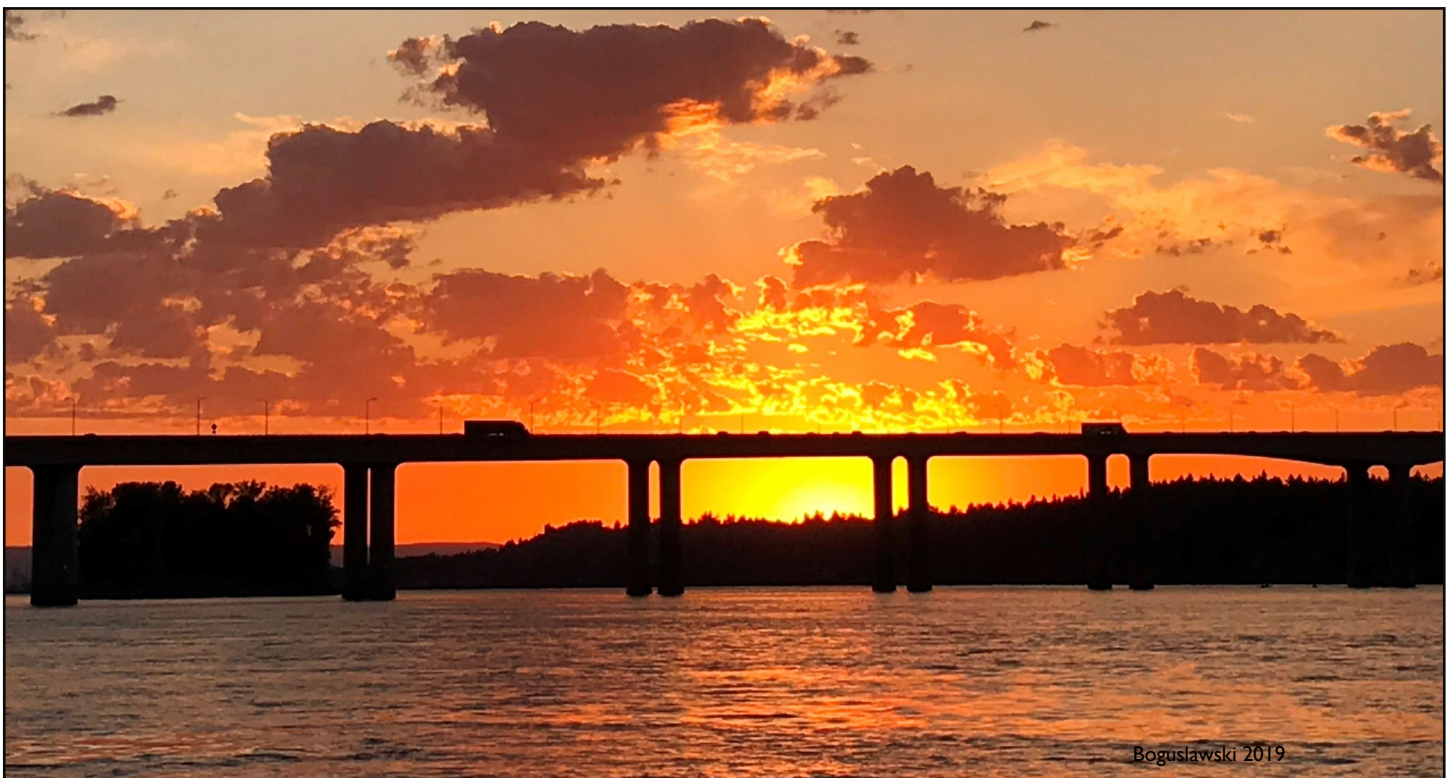
Summer is upon us and it feels so good. I'm really looking forward to the downriver Lazy Days Cruise just a few weeks away. I really encourage new members to join in the adventure this year. Some people leave early, some later but we do all try to meet up in Cathlamet for a huge potluck on Thursday, July 25th. You can even drive down just for the day. The afternoon shade at Snuggler's Cove calls to me and I want to try Batwater Station again this time around. Contact your cruise chairs Ally and Chris Richard if you have any questions.

I have a couple of duties this summer as your Rear Commodore. The first is preparing for the annual Pirates Cruise to Schwitter Landing at Government Island on the weekend of August 9th, 10th and 11th. The Past Commodores will be cooking up their traditional delicious pancake and sausage breakfast on Sunday morning and after that Ron Moran will be officiating the always fun initiation on the beach, followed by the big treasure hunt for the young nippers amongst us, led by George and Sue Kapllani. Arrrgh, it's goin' to be a great time matey! Be there and don't forget your Pirate's garb for Sunday morning Captain's inspection.

Back ashore, there is that matter of nominations for Officers and Directors for next year. I have formed a committee and we will begin meeting in late August. If you are interested in stepping onto the Board to help drive the Club in financially sound and resourceful directions, please let me know. I also highly recommend going through the officer chairs. I had a really positive experience and I learned so much about the Club and the wonderful members who make it happen. The best part is, there is so much talent, knowledge and passion amongst our members, I was never alone and you won't be either.

In other news, just in case you missed them on Opening Day, the talented musical group, *True North*, returns to the Clubhouse on Saturday August 2nd. RCYC Members Gareth and Janet Tabor are members in this truly amazing folk rock band and it is truly a joy to hear them perform. Benefits from this event go towards the Daughters of Neptune's life jacket drive.

See you on Independence Day for the big RCYC Land Cruise at the Club! Yes, it's time for a hot dog!



Boguslawski 2019

Hot town! Summer in the city!

RCYC Summer Schedule

July

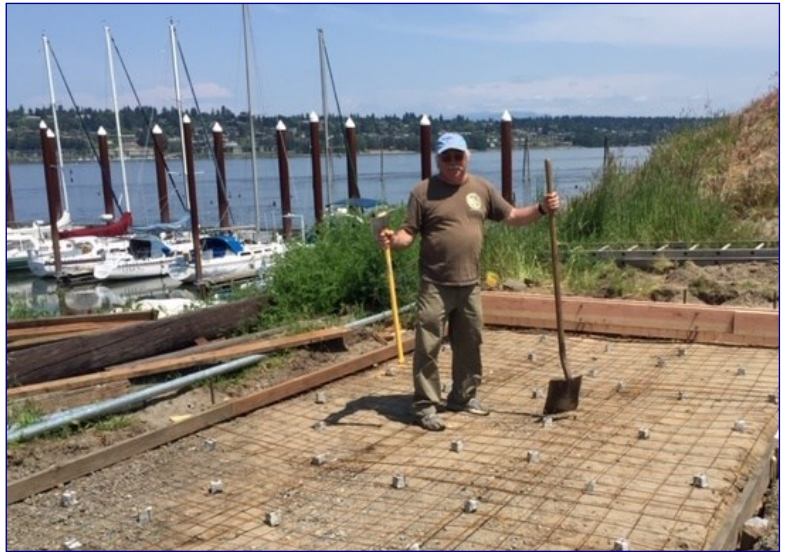
- 1 Knauti Knitters—10:00 am
- 4 4th of July Land Cruise
- 8 Board Meeting—7:00 pm
- 13 New Member Orientation—9:00 am
- 15 Knauti Knitters—10:00 am
- 17 General Meeting—7:00 pm
- 20-28 Lazy Days Cruise
- 20 Beer Can Race—5:00 pm
- 27 Rum Run Beer Can Race—5:00 pm

August

- 2 True North Benefit—3:00 pm
- 3 Beer Can Race—5:00 pm
- 5 Knauti Knitters—10:00 am
- 9-11 Pirate's Cruise to Schwitter Landing
- 12 Board Meeting—7:00 pm
- 17 Beer Can Race—5:00 pm
- 18 September Foghorn Deadline
- 19 Knauti Knitters—10:00 am
- 24 Walk 5 BBQ
- 30-31 Labor Day Cruise to Beacon Rock

September

- 1-2 Labor Day Cruise to Beacon Rock
- 2 Knauti Knitters—10:00 am
- 9 Board Meeting—7:00 pm
- 13-15 Riverplace Cruise
- 14-15 Long Distance Race
- 16 Knauti Knitters—10:00 am
- 18 General Meeting—7:00 pm
- 18 October Foghorn Deadline
- 21 Work Party
- 28 Walk 1 BBQ



Carl Corey works on the cement slab for trash bins



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

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Memorial Weekend Cruise to Bartlett's Landing