

### ROSE CITY YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Secretary: Mike Finch

September 2019



### From the Helm

Chuck Pennington, Commodore

Welcome back from your summer sailing/cruising days. I hope everyone had a safe yet fun time on the river or up north if you ventured up that way. We have three Club cruises remaining, the Beacon Rock cruise over Labor Day weekend, the Riverplace cruise in September and the Bartlett Landing cruise during the first weekend in October. Hope to see you all there.

Speaking of cruising, Bill and Nina Kramer are currently cruising up north and will return late August/September to prepare for their jaunt south towards Mexico. I understand Kevin and Gina Stenberg will accompany Bill and Nina south. Safe travels to them all.

During the Lazy Days cruise, we hauled our boat at the Astoria boatyard to do some work on it. While there, we noticed two boats being hauled out that looked to be derelict. I inquired with the boat yard manager and he said that the boat yard has an

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Pirates come in all sizes, all ages.



#### Extra work around the Club



Tom Stringfield working with Martin Foster to fix water line feeding water to the marina.



Dawn Schuldt's grandson, Cameron and daughter, Theresa helping out with cleanup.



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agreement with the Clatsop County Sheriff to dismantle derelict boats if the Sheriff brings the boats to them for haul out. I also inquired if it were possible for us to bring derelict boats from the Portland area for haul out and dismantling. The short answer was a curt no.

Earlier in August, Tod Bassham and I met with various stake holders for the racing scene, trying to promote ways of increasing participation in racing events. As of yet, the main focus seems to be fact finding before presenting possible solutions to local area yacht clubs. We will keep you posted as to possible solutions.

One organizational change of note - The board approved Ben Thomas as Landscape Chair. Ben is a professional landscape architect by trade. Please welcome Ben. Laura Richard is retiring as container garden committee chair, and Ben will absorb those duties into the overall landscape duties. Thank you, Laura, for your service to the Club.



## Secretary's Update

Mike Finch, Secretary

At the July Meeting, Past Commodore Gary Whitney swore in new members Mark and Barbara Nielsen. The Nielsens are relatively new to sailing – having taken classes at Island Sailing Club. They recently purchased a Catalina 30 and look forward to learning from our Club members. Please give them a hearty welcome when you see them in the dock.

At the August Board meeting, the Board regretfully accepted the resignation of Bruce and Amber Baertlein. They are adopting two little girls, so their life will be headed in a new and exciting direction. The Board also regretfully accepted the resignation of Tom Weber and Janice Choy-Weber. In addition, the Board approved changes in membership status as follows: Karl Quade from Life Member to Inactive Life Member, Mike and Carol Pick from Inactive Life Member to Life Members. The Picks recently purchased a Ranger 25 tug, and it is now settled in on Walk 3.



## Moorage Matters

Loren Beach, Moorage Chair/Port Captain

# Time to think about dock lines, and positioning boats in slips.

First, you all need strong yet stretchy dock lines. Three strand nylon is first choice and braid-on-braid nylon next. Do not use retired dacron halyards for this! Unless the boat is really small, use at least half inch line, and size up for boats over IOK displacement.

Snubbers are required for the shorter bow and stern lines. It's usually a good idea to have chafing gear where the line rubs on any part of the gunnel of your boat.

If your dock lines are older or worn, replacing them costs a fraction of the financial outlay to repair your boat if the line breaks. If the boat grinds on the neighbor boat, that repair will cost you too.

Your boat should be tied such that it can move away an inch or so from fender contact with the finger dock. It must not be allowed to wander over and threaten your neighbor's hull when subjected to a cross wind.

If your bow hardware, like a sprit or anchor protrudes beyond the edge of the wood waler plank (i.e. over the concrete), move the boat back sufficient that people will not walk into it.

Look at the boat on either side of you, and be sure that your masts are not in direct alignment. A really big wake can, and has, caused mast heads to hit. This is rare, but it has happened.

Your (\$\$) wind transducer and (\$) vhf antenna will not enjoy this sort of "close encounter".

Heading into the winter high-wind season, be sure that your fenders are new enough, inflated enough, and sized appropriately. Fenders suffer from UV, damage over the years and can burst without warning when pressed really hard against the dock.

And, of course, be observant when you walk around the moorage. If you see something amiss with any boat, call or email the owner and let him or her know. We are a small club with no employees, and we need to watch out for each other.

Dock Box note: Going forward into winter and the usual gusting winds, be sure your lid is latched and the box is tied down.

Fair winds.

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Tod Bassham

After a lovely summer of lazy cruising, it is time to get serious again. The crown jewel of the racing season is almost here: the RCYC Harry Brault Memorial Long Distance Race, September 14-15. This two-day race finishes off the racing calendar with style, providing not one but two days of racing. The horn for Saturday's race sounds at 1200 at Daymark 39. The fleet beats downriver 20 some miles past St. Helens and Sand Island, and then rounds the island for the run to the finish. The fleet parties and overnights at the Sand Island docks, then races back to PDX in the morning. Entry is free to RCYC members (register at <u>Sailpdx.org</u>). If you can't motivate your crew to race, but wish to join the fun, the race committee is looking for volunteers.

Onward and upward we go!







Seclusion at Snuggler's Cove

### **BY-LAWS CHANGES**

A By-Laws review started late last year and finished up earlier this year. At the August Board meeting, the Board reviewed the changes recommended by the committee and voted to put forth the following changes to the members for a vote at the October general meeting. To assist members in reviewing the changes, deleted wording is crossed out and new wording is shown in bold face type.

#### **ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP**

Section I. ACTIVE MEMBER. Any person, two person unit, unit of husband and wife, or unit of domestic partners in a single household, 2I years of age or older, who is a boat owner, who is of good moral character, and who has an active interest in boating, may, upon approval of the Board of Directors and qualification, become an Active Member.

**Section 2. INACTIVE MEMBER** – Change only to last sentence in section to clarify restoration.

Upon approval of the Board of Directors, an Inactive Member may return to active status and **resume payment of full fees**, dues, charges and assessments, and upon such other terms as the Board of Directors may deem proper.

**Section 6, INACTIVE LIFE MEMBER** – Change to clarify rights and responsibilities as outlined in other membership categories.

Any Life Members who sell their boat or permanently move it more than 50 statute miles from the Club's moorage and still which to retain an affiliation with the Club, may apply for Inactive Life Status. Inactive Life Members shall pay nofees. Inactive Life Members shall not have the right to vote or hold office. Inactive Life Members shall not have the obligation to perform work hours or pay any dues/fees/assessments. Upon being granted Inactive Life Member status and having no further financial obligation to the Club, a member may surrender his/her membership bond for refund.

# ARTICLE IV – RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERS

**Section 2** – Changed to require Board action only on delinquent accounts unless the member chooses to appeal decision of the Board to the general membership.

Section 2. Any account delinquent for 60 days shall bereferred to the membership for consideration. Themembership may defer action upon terms that themembership deems advisable, suspend the rights andprivileges of the delinquent member for a stated period. or revoke the membership. A member so revoked or suspended may apply in writing to the Board of Directors for reinstatement following payment of all delinquencies, with latecharges.

Section 2. Any account not paid within 60 days of billing shall be referred to the Board of Directors for consideration and action. The delinquent member shall be given 30 days to respond to written notice of the delinguency either by paying the account in full or being afforded the opportunity to address the delinquency before the Board of Directors in **Executive Session. Executive Session will include** only the Board of Directors and such persons as the Board may request to attend. After hearing the evidence, the Board of Directors shall decide the matter in open session. The Board of Directors may suspend the rights and privileges of the delinguent member for a stated period or revoke the membership. A member whose membership is revoked will be required to remove his/her boat from the moorage within 10 days and return all Club keys and key cards. The membership bond will be used to offset the debt owed. A member whose membership is suspended may apply in writing to the Board of Directors for reinstatement of rights and privileges following payment of all delinquencies and late charges.

The member may choose to appeal the matter to the membership. At that time, the Board of Directors will provide to the membership the disposition of the charges made and the recommended action to be taken thereon. At any meeting of the membership, upon the vote of 2/3 of the eligible members present, such disposition as is deemed proper may be made including, but not limited to, suspension of rights and privileges, revocation of membership or reinstatement of membership following payment of all delinquencies and late charges. During the appeal process, the member's boat may remain in the moorage. The member may also retain keys and key cards until the appeal is heard and voted upon. Should the appeal result in the revocation of membership, the member will have ten days to remove his/her boat from the moorage and return

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#### keys/key cards.

#### ARTICLE XIV - ELECTION OF MEMBERS -

Change in first sentence only

Section I. (a) Prospective members shall be first introduced to the Board of Directors at a regular Board meeting by a sponsoring Club member who shall be in good standing.

#### ARTICLE XIX - CONDUCT OF MEMBERS

Section I. Any member of the Club may send to the Board of Directors written complaint against any other member for objectionable conduct. The accused member shall be notified and afforded the opportunity to defend himself before the Board of Directors. Such complaints shall be addressed in Executive Session. For this purpose, Executive Session will be attended by only the Board of Directors, the accused member and such persons as the Board may request. The Board of Directors may then recommend to the membership the disposition of the charges made or the action to be taken thereon. At any meeting of the membership, upon the vote of 2/3 of the eligible members present, such disposition as is deemed proper may be made including, but not limited to, reprimand and suspension of Club privileges, expulsion or prosecution of a crime.



Thanks to all who sent in photos for the Foghorn.

# **RCYC Happenings**

### September 2019

- 1 2 Labor Day Cruise to Beacon Rock
  - 2 Knauti Knitters, 10:00 a.m.
  - 9 Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- 13 15 Cruise to Riverplace
- 14 15 Long Distance Race
  - 16 Knauti Knitters, 10:00 a.m.
  - 18 General Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
  - 18 Foghorn Deadline
  - 21 Work Party, 9:00 a.m.
  - 28 Walk 1 BBQ, 5:00 p.m.

#### October 2019

- 4 6 Bartlett's Landing Cruise
  - 5 Work Party, 9:00 a.m.
  - 7 Knauti Knitters, 10:00 a.m.
  - 12 New Member Orientation, 9:00 a.m.
  - 12 Coffee House Jam, 5:00 p.m.
  - 14 Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
  - 16 General Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
  - 18 Foghorn Deadline
  - 19 Work Party, 9:00 a.m.
  - 21 Knauti Knitters, 10:00 a.m.
- Check the website for updated Club dates, the Foghorn, and more information about RCYC. <u>rosecityyachtclub.org</u>.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

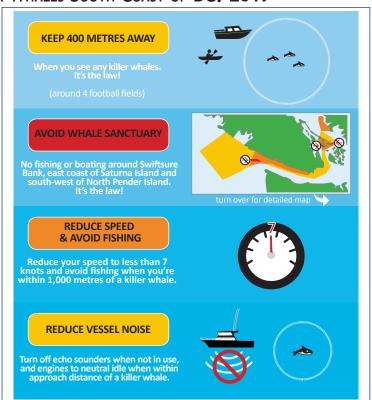
New Boating Restrictions for Killer Whales - Thanks to Richard Gicking for advising that Canada has enacted new rules for boating around Killer Whales. Rules that apply all year round – Keep 200 meters away from all killer whale populations in B.C. and the Pacific Ocean. New rules that apply from June 1 through October 31 – Keep 400 meters away when you see any killer whales. No fishing or boating around certain section of Swiftsure Bank, off the east coast of Saturna Island and southwest of North Pender Island. Reduce speed to less than 7 knots and avoid fishing when you are within 1,000 meters of a killer whale. Turn off echo sounders when not in use and engines to neutral idle when within approach distance of a killer whale. For more information, go to <a href="http://bewhalewise.org">http://bewhalewise.org</a> or <a href="http://www.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/fm-gp/maps-cartes/srkw-ers/index-eng.html">http://www.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/fm-gp/maps-cartes/srkw-ers/index-eng.html</a> to view maps on-line.

**Gate Openers** – Judy Oxborrow has placed an order for additional gate openers. These function like a garage door opener. Cost is \$25.00 each. If you wish to have one, please contact Judy at <u>judy87807@centurylink.net</u> to reserve yours. These should be available for pick up at the September general meeting.

#### New orca regulations in Canada-

# "BOATING AROUND KILLER WHALES SOUTH COAST OF BC. 2019"





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Boaters need to be aware when boating around killer whales. Always slow down when killer whales are near, if safe to do so.

Rules that apply year-round:

• Keep 200 metres away from all killer whale populations in B.C. and the Pacific Ocean.

#### Rules from June 1 until October 31 in critical habitat:

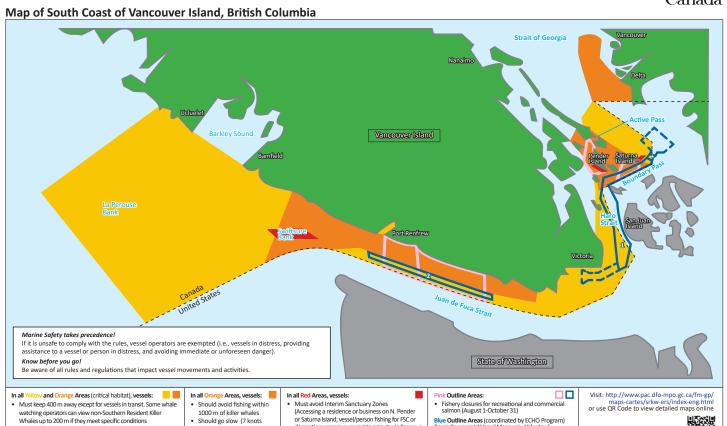
- tres away when you see any killer whales.
- No fishing or boating around certain sections of Swiftsure Bank, off the east coast of Saturna Island and south-west of North Pender Island.

#### Additional ways you can help:

- Go Slow! Reduce your speed to less than 7 knots and avoid fishing when you're within 1,000 metres of a killer whale. Areas to be aware of include Gulf Islands, the Strait of Juan de Fuca and the Mouth of the Fraser River.
- Reduce noise from boats by turning off your echo sounders when not in use, and engines to neutral idle when within 400 metres of a killer whale.

Please help protect Southern Resident Killer Whales! They live in the southern coast of British Columbia and are endangered.

Canada



. Should turn engine to neutral idle when within 400 m of a whale

Should turn off echo sounders when not in use

1000 m of killer whales Should go slow (7 knots) or less) within 1000 m of

killer whales

(Accessing a residence or business on N. Pender or Saturna Island; vessel/person fishing for FSC or domestic purposes pursuant to a treaty; Indigenous persons exercising an existing right, other than for fishing for non-commercial purposes, are exempt) Fishery closures for recreational and commercial salmon (August 1-October 31)

Blue Outline Areas (coordinated by ECHO Program) (Large Commercial Vessel Measures - Voluntary) 1. Haro Strait and Boundary Pass vessel slowdown trial 2. Strait of Juan de Fuca inshore lateral displacement trial



# PIRATES TAKE THE BEACH





















## **BOOK NOOK**

While cruising this summer, I discovered a couple of new authors. When you get offered a Kindle book for free, the temptation is sometimes too good to ignore. First new author is Landon Beach. I just finished reading his book, The Sail. It is set on Lake Superior. A teenage son is about to enter his senior year at high school, and like many teenagers, he has been butting heads with his parents. The father has just been diagnosed with a terminal illness. They are about to set sail on a long planned trip around Lake Superior. The father is hoping to find a way to break the news of his illness, reconnect with his son, and find a way to impart wisdom to him. The wife suggests that instead of preaching to his son, he keep a journal that can be passed on to his son after he is gone. Around this scene is woven an action packed adventure of sailing and mystery.

Then there is a series of books by David Delee. First in the series is *Facing the Storm*. It introduces one to Brice Bannon. He served 15 years in the Coast Guard as a Captain in the Deployable Operations Group (the Coast Guard version of Army Special Forces and Navy Seals). When this command is decommissioned, he chooses to retire. Between special assignments for Homeland Security, he runs a bar named the Keel Haul and operates as a small town private investigator. Naturally, many of his adventures or misadventures center around the sea. I found it to be a good entertaining read. Just downloaded the second in this series, *The Oceanic Princess*, and plan to give it a read.

I have been slowly working my way through the books by Michael DiMercurio again. These are all great submarine stories – *Voyage of the Devilfish, Attack of the Sea Wolf, Phoenix Sub Zero, Barracuda Final Bearing, Piranha Firing Point, Threat Vector, Terminal Run.* 

Between science fiction, the latest best sellers, and nautical mysteries, passing time while cruising on our boat has made for quite an enjoyable summer.

Judy Oxborrow

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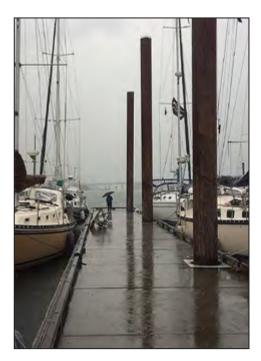
# ATTEND THE SEPTEMBER GENERAL!

Ron Moran will be presenting the results of the Clubhouse survey. After that presentation there will be an open discussion with the membership to hear their thoughts and opinions as to what direction the Club should proceed regarding the future of our Clubhouse.

#### From the Rear

Matt Richard, Rear Commodore

I'd like to thank everyone who turned out for the Pirates Cruise; there were 21 Club boats and about 50 people. A great weekend was made possible by those who stepped forward to make it happen - to which I thank them all. This year George and Sue Kapllani did an amazing job organizing and putting on the youth activities and games. Tom and Cathy Skach arranged for the Club launch to arrive at Schwitter with all the necessary supplies for the Sunday breakfast and then take it back to the Club afterwards. Thanks to Past Commodores Karen Jacobson, Chuck Fisher, Bob Phillips, Marili Green-Reilly and Dave Reilly, John Dees, Gary Whitney, and Ron Moran for cooking up a scrumptious pirates breakfast of Black Pearl Pancakes, endless sausage and eggs anyway you want them. The new portable grill worked terrifically. Ron Moran led the initiations where George and Sue Kapllani, Ken Stephens and Hannah Powell, and Kathy Souhrada and friend Ann rowed and navigated with distinction and honor. It was a great weekend of fun dampened only by nearly an inch of rain downpour just before the Saturday evening potluck. Many were not distracted by this sudden onslaught and came out afterward and continued potlucking, but sadly one canopy did succumb to the weight of so much water.



All in all, a great weekend!







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**Recycling Motor Oil:** If you have used motor oil, put it in a labeled plastic container and leave it at the west end of the parking lot just outside the "used oil shed" by the green "chapel" (**NOT near the dumpsters.**) The Oil Czar will take care of proper disposal of the used oil. NOTE: This program covers used motor oil only. Proper disposal of unwanted diesel oil, gasoline and antifreeze is the responsibility of each Club member.

## Cruise Corner

This summer has been FABULOUS for cruising with wonderful temperatures and plenty of Club members to spend time with at various events on or off the water.

Lazy Days came and went a little too quickly for most. Thank you again to John Dees for getting River Mile 38 Brewery in Cathlamet to open up for the Club. It was fantastic spending time with everyone there and partaking in great brews. Next time you are at Elochoman, please also thank the marina staff for setting up our potluck space and providing us with their BBQs. Finally, thank you to those members that gave us the heads up that you were traveling to Astoria! Everyone was able to get good slips with easy access to the showers.

Pirates Cruise was a fantastic weekend with a giant downpour that nearly drowned our potluck. George and Sue Kapllani put together a program of amazing events for the young and not-so-young attendees! Hopefully, they will be able to help out again next year!

Our next cruise is up to Beacon Rock! This is a wonderful trip towards the end of summer before the kids and teachers get back to work. While it does take a while to get there, (we like to stop at Bartlett Friday night) it is well worth the trip. There will be lots of kayaking, hiking, eating and enjoying each other's company so please join us August 30th through September

2. Bring your hiking shoes because climbing the rock can be a daily adventure! There will be happy hour hors d'oeuvres on Saturday and a full dinner potluck on Sunday.

The River Place Cruise is September 13-15th. If you choose to attend, you will need to pay your nightly fees when you arrive. Spots have not been reserved, so try and get there early. If you plan on going, please try and form a group in order to prevent multiple bridge openings, and of course, try to not go during rush hour traffic. If you are needing some help finding buddies to travel with, contact your Cruise Chairs via email (we're in the yearbook).

Finally, the cruise schedule for 2020 was submitted and so far we have all the cruises that we wanted! We will notify the membership of dates when a couple more clubs have submitted, just in case there is need to make some changes. Since Ally is a teacher, we decided to start the School's Out Cruise for June! Details to be released soon!

Chris and Allyson Richard



Brad Jensen and the garbage he collected from the shores of Martin Pond on our first day of Lazy Days. It was deposited in the dumpster at St Helens, along with more garbage found in the vacant lot near the St Helens City docks.

Barbara Chabala and Terry Foren trying out the Wade Memorial Bench.





# Foghorn Contributing Deadline is 18th of the Month

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