

Commodore: CJ Volesky
Vice Commodore: Carl Corey
Secretary: Julie Schumann

November 2020



From the Helm

CJ Volesky, Commodore



It's hard to believe but November is here already. It's my last full month as Commodore, and what a year it has been! One thing is certain; I will not forget my year as Commodore.

COVID-19 may have stopped a lot of our functions. However, we have made progress in many areas. First, the patio pavilion is in progress with permits on the way. We will be enjoying our beautiful new patio structure in the upcoming season.

Our 2020/2021 Commodore's Ball is still up in the air. We will have to make a decision by mid December whether to have the ball in February. Also, the budget for next year is being worked out now. We have plenty to do, and priorities need to be made. Keep posted as to what next year holds.

The Commodore's moorage walk was completed last month, and I am happy to say we did not have many violations. The few items we need to correct are being addressed and should be completed shortly. There are a few members whose insurance has expired and who need to submit updated info for our records. Let's keep up the good vibe we have had getting everyone current earlier this year and send in the info requested by our insurance tracker.

Work hours this year have been a bit different. However, there is plenty to do and many opportunities are still waiting for those who have not gotten their required hours. Contact Toby Elliot for jobs you can do on your own time. It should be easy to get those hours completed.

This last month we have had the pleasure of welcoming four new members into Rose City Yacht Club. Please help

me welcome Barnaby and Olga Tuttle, Sarah Steicker and Travis Johnson, Brian Moore and Sarah Peters, and Rob and Pam Neild when you see them on the docks.

Dredging for 2020/2021 is currently up in the air. There are only a few spots that need to be addressed, but we must work around COVID and social distancing guidelines. Watch your email for information about dredging.

Finally, please check out our on-line and in-house ships stores. Terry Foren has been doing the in-house ships stores and the on-line ships store has been updated. Both stores can help you with customization. Also, don't forget about our forum; it is a great place to share information and get answers to problems as well as a great place to find a home for unneeded boating equipment.

Stay safe and hope to see you soon.

RCYC UPCOMING Events, Meetings, and Functions

NOVEMBER

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| 9 | Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m. |
| 18 | Foghorn Deadline |
| 18 | General Meeting, 7:00 p.m. |
| 21 | Board Budget Planning Meeting via Zoom |

DECEMBER

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| 14 | Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m. |
| 16 | General Meeting, 7:00 p.m. |
| 18 | Foghorn Deadline |

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Vice Commodore's Report



By Carl Corey

We are getting to the end of 2020 with the start of a holiday season like no other. There is little in the way of social activities for RCYC for the remainder of this year and into the new year. It is pretty bad that Zoom meetings are pretty much the only time we can see who has had a recent haircut (or not). Since Clubhouse rentals have dropped off the table and keeping the calendar up to date with no activities isn't much of a challenge, my other major responsibility has been keeping track of work hours.

There are still many of you that need a few more work hours for the year, and a few that haven't got started. Time is running out, but Toby has done a great job of providing opportunities in spite of the challenges with COVID-19. I encourage all of you needing more work hours to contact Toby and find out those things that need to be done down at the Club over the next couple of months. Keep in mind that December 10 is the current deadline to get in your required work hours - or you run the risk of being charged for unworked hours. Please make sure your hours are recorded on the clipboard in the Clubhouse. As there probably will be no dredging activities this year due to COVID-19 concerns and the small amount of sediment that we accumulated last spring, most of you are finding other ways to get in your hours, which is good!

Coffee House Jam Announcement

This Halloween, Saturday, October 31st, join us on Zoom for the revival of the RCYC Coffee House! Music starts at 6:00 p.m., with Club musicians performing either from socially distant corners of the Clubhouse or from their music studios at home. No audience in the Clubhouse, please. Look for an email a day or two before the event, which will include a Zoom link to join the virtual party. If wish to perform a song or two or three as part of the open mic, please "sign up" by sending an email to Tod Bassham at basshamfam@hotmail.com. Hope to see you there!



Secretary's Corner

By Julie Schumann

Greetings. The fall nights are getting longer and the days shorter. This is the time of year to cherish the cooler sunny days before the rainy season. With the changes in seasons often comes the changes in membership status. The Board has moved and approved the following changes in memberships:

- Bette and Jim Johnsrud to Inactive members;
- Becky and Randy Bauer to Inactive Life status;
- Ben and Nancy Mitchell to Life status.

At the October Board meeting, held via "Zoom", Alexander and Stephanie Kain who own a 1986 Newport 30, named Panacea were interviewed for membership. The Board also approved the following applicants to become members of RCYC.

- Rob and Pam Neild, Paceship 23 (Zeitgeist).
- Sarah Streicker and Travis Johnson, 1976 Catalina 27. (currently Cool Runnings, a renaming is pending).
- Barnaby and Olga Tuttle, Cape Dory 33' (Sea Sponge).
- Dean and Abby Boudouris, Hunter 25 (Kaze).
- Brian Moore and Sarah Peters, Yamaha 33 (Kaiju).

COVID-19 seems to want to overstay its welcome. I'm sure I'm not the only one getting very frustrated with COVID overstaying it's its welcome. As many of you know, I am a bit of the extrovert! I was so looking forward to slowly meeting members and sharing stories. Since the unwelcome guest of COVID, we still can't do this safely. We are here to support each other and our community at RCYC; please wear your mask if you cannot keep a six foot distance from one another.



Foghorn Copy Deadline: 18th of the Month

Please send your titled articles and photos to: rcycfoghorn@gmail.com

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Moorage Matters

By Loren Beech

We must prepare for high wind events as we head into the winter months. Again, upgrade your dock lines to new 3-strand if they are old and crusty. Snubbers are needed for bow and stern lines. You need chafe gear where the line rubs against the edge of the deck or a chock. Tie down your dock box if you have one.

If you keep your roller furled genoa up, be very sure it is well tied with a line around the furled sail, and do not depend solely on the tension from the furling line to hold it. Also, cleat that furling line.

We recently had a dinghy stolen off one of the racks, so we say again: put a cable and lock on your dinghy. Plan B - take it home for the winter. The same thing applies for kayaks.

We presently have no openings for large boats, having just filled one. The waiting list has been relatively short but is growing quickly with the current influx of new members.

One question about terminology comes up regularly. Are slip assignments here "permanent" once you get assigned to 'your' slip? The answer lies in our primary moorage rule #1. In short, all slips may be assigned to any member boat, and no member has a "right" to any given slip. In this regard we are quite similar to many other yacht clubs where the members own all of the moorage, in common.

Rarely, a boat is moved to a different slip to better accommodate another boat. Usually, due to our particular slip geography, such moves are caused by a need for depth or width, and sometimes length.

When making assignments we try to be very flexible about boat length, as long as the boat can get in and out, and there is no impediment to neighbor boats on the same walk. As you will notice, each of our walks has a rough minimum and maximum boat length suggested, but sometimes we allow a longer or shorter boat, depending on what the members are bringing in.

Over time, the only noticeable change in boats seems to be beam. Lots of boats built in the last 20 years are quite wide, and this causes us to sometimes assign a pair of boats in a two-slip bay where one is thin, and other one is, well, not thin.

There are not as many members meandering around the docks during a pandemic, so remember to lock the ramp gate at sunset and lock all doors to the Clubhouse. Keep the shop locked when not using it.

Before the last Saturday work party date, be sure to wash your deck off. Dirt and soot with some added jet exhaust, makes a good growing medium for mold and crud in the winter.

Finally, November is when the state sends out two-year registration renewals. You can do this easily on-line, so do not put this off. Current stickers are required on your boat.

New Member Applicant ALEXANDER AND STEPHANIE KAIN

At the November Board meeting, Alex and Stephanie were interviewed. They, along with daughter Ruby and dog Logan and cat Pinecone, recently purchased a Newport 30-3 named Panacea. Alex used to fly sailplanes with the Willamette Valley Soaring Club and enjoyed the camaraderie of that organization for many years. He windsurfed as a teenage and has previously owned a Catalina and a 25 foot catamaran. Most of his cruising has been on the river. He also plays keyboards, drum kit and guitar. They are looking forward to the camaraderie and social events at the Club and having a joint knowledge pool from which to learn.



FOR ANYONE IN US WATERS

Marine Safety Alert: Performing a VHF Marine Radio Check

The U.S. Coast Guard's Office of Auxiliary & Boating Safety (CG-BSX) has issued a new Marine Safety Information Bulletin (MSIB 20-20) related to performing a VHF Marine Radio Check.

Performing a VHF Marine Radio Check Sea Tow Automated Radio Check System no longer available:

For several years, Sea Tow operated an Automated Radio Check System, which was available on VHF Channels 24 to 28 for the benefit of mariners in over 130 locations. However, on October 2nd, 2020 that service was discontinued.

How to test a VHF Radio using Rescue 21:

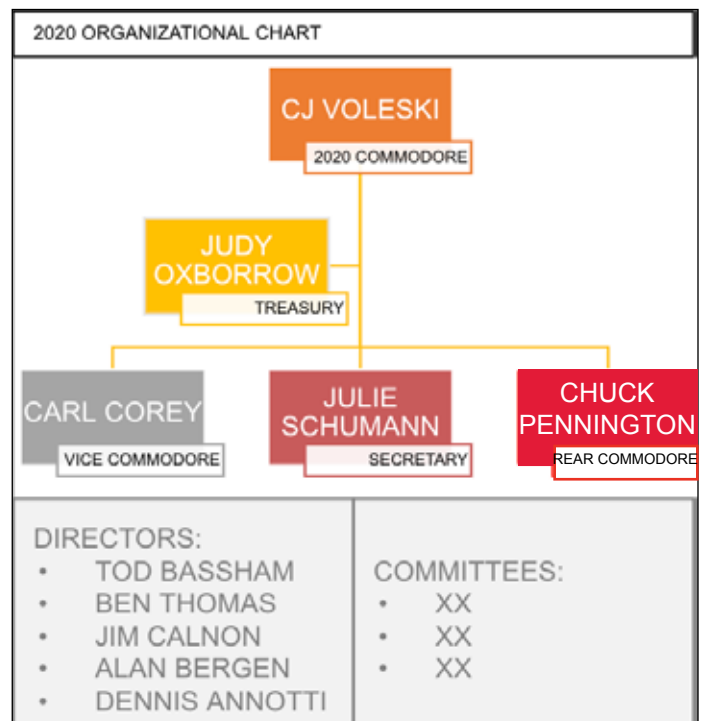
- The U.S. Coast Guard continues to offer an automated Digital Selective Calling (DSC) Test Call capability from each of its Rescue 21 coastal stations. All fixed mount marine radios certified by the Federal Communications Commission since 1999 are required to have a DSC capability. All such radios sold since 2011 must also have a DSC test call capability. Marine radios transmitting and successfully receiving a response from a DSC test call can be expected to operate acceptably in the voice mode as well.
- To perform a DSC Test Call, enter the U.S. Coast Guard's coast station group identity "003669999" into the radio's DSC memory. Once entered and stored, a DSC test call can be made by executing the following three steps:
- Select "Test Call" from the radio's DSC menu,
- Select the USCG number entered into memory, and
- Transmit the call.
- The radio display should indicate when that test call is acknowledged and display the acknowledging station's nine-digit identity. That identity may be different than the group identity previously entered into memory.
- Please use VHF Channel 09 and do not use VHF Channel 16. VHF Channel 16 is not for the purpose of radio checks. Please use VHF Channel 09, which has been designated by the FCC as a boater's calling channel.

Questions concerning this notice may be forwarded to Coast Guard Spectrum Management and Communications Policy Division (CG-672) at HQS-SMB-CG-672@USCG.MIL or to the Coast Guard Navigation Center's "Contact Us" page by selecting "Maritime Telecommunications" as subject.

Work Hour Committee Report

The Work Hour Committee continues to chug along. The Committee did not meet during July and August, but members were busy during that time answering the 8-question survey that the Committee put out. Thank you for your time in replying to the survey! We received 116 responses. While the survey results will not be the entire basis for any recommendations the Committee makes, your responses definitely give us good information as to how the Membership at large looks at work hours. We appreciate you taking the time to submit your replies.

The Committee will spend one entire year looking at all aspects of work hours, and we plan to give the Board our recommendations in early 2021. Given COVID restrictions some conclusions may be difficult to make when comparing 2019 hours to 2020 hours so we will take that into consideration. We do see a tremendous amount of work taking place outside of "normal" work parties so we do know that RCYC can rise to the challenge when needed, but then we have always known that!



RCYC Organization Chart, see editorial next two pages

EDITORIAL: GETTING TO KNOW THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AND OFFICERS AT ROSE CITY

By George Kapllani

Our Club is changing, adapting and growing with new members. Covid-19 has certainly created disruptions and changed how we interact with the Club and each other.

Despite all the challenges thrown at us in 2020, our Club continues to run smoothly due to the commitment of the entire membership and largely due to of a dedicated Executive Board of Officers, directors and committees that invest countless hours in the operation of our Club.

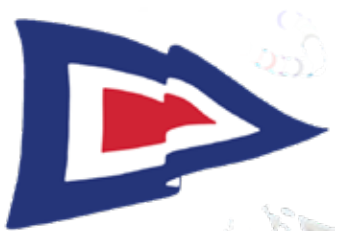
This editorial will focus on putting a spotlight on these positions, celebrating the outgoing leadership and informing on upcoming officer nominations. These are all elected positions a requiring votes from the general membership. I hope the information below can shed some light for new members and a reminder for more seasoned sailors.

RCYC Electoral Process

Every year the Nominating Committee, comprised active members including previous Board members and former Commodores, identifies, evaluates and nominates potential members that have shown interest or have the necessary skills and time to invest into the Executive Board of Officers or directors. Of course, any active member has the right to make a nomination for a general vote.

Typically nominations are introduced, reviewed and voted at the October general meeting. This year, however, we could not establish a quorum in order to conduct the election for 2021 positions. More communications likely to come from the commodore on next steps.

As a reminder to the extraordinary effort that goes in holding these positions consider that a commodore typically spends 4-5 years on the Board going through other Board roles.



COMMODORE CJ VOLESKY

The Commodore is the highest-ranking officer effectively operating as President or general manager. This position oversees the overall organization of the Club as well as General Membership meetings.

This is a challenging job under the best of times, but it was especially grueling in 2020 as CJ had to account for Covid-19 making it next to impossible to hold any of the in person social events that define our Club.

Despite all this, CJ and the Executive team reacted quickly to outline guidelines ensuring members could be kept safe while maintaining access to the Club and boats.

Thank you CJ!

VICE COMMODORE CARL COREY

This is the person that is second in command at the Club. Primarily responsible for the organization and management of the sailing side and associated aspects of our Club

Carl and his better ¾ Pam are resident members at the Club keeping a vigilant eye on the property and the boats. In my experience they are simply the best.

TREASURY JUDY OXBORROW

This position is responsible for all Club finances and legal documents required by law. This is one of the most critical positions ensuring the Club continues to run.

On top of all that, Judy is a wealth of knowledge and always there to provide guidance and assistance. She has held this position for 12 years... longer than many members.

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SECRETARY JULIE SCHUMANN

This position is responsible for all Club records, maintaining legal documentation and minutes for general Membership meetings.

We have all received detailed emails from Julie on various RCYC matters ensuring all members are kept aware.

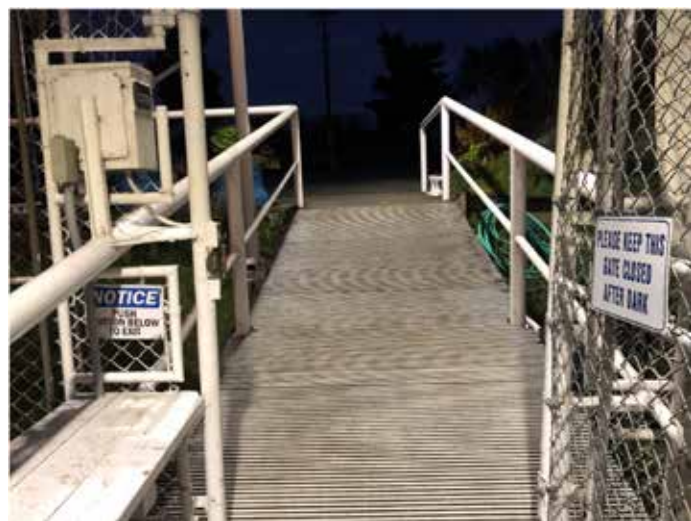
Thank you Julie for your attention to detail.

2021

I am sure we will continue to deal with challenges in 2021, but I rest assured knowing RCYC will be in good hands. CJ moving to Rear Commodore and Carl Corey nominated as Commodore need little introduction. Sherry Buchanan has been nominated to Secretary for 2021.

I have personally had the pleasure of working with Sherry on the website Committee and can attest she is a force of nature. In my opinion, her passion and love for water, experience with OWSA, and dedication to our club make her a wonderful addition to the 2021 Board.

I want to express my thanks once more for the extraordinary effort from so many dedicated members.



Looking up the ramp from the landing between the ramps. Notice that the light now illuminates all the way to the parking lot. Submitted by Gary Whitney

REAR COMMODOR E CHUCK PENNINGTON

“Once a Commodore always a rear Commodore” is how the saying goes. In all seriousness, this role is tasked with chairing the Nominating Committee, Commodore’s Ball Committee, and Pirates Cruise Breakfast. The Rear Commodore also assists all officers of the Club providing the benefit of his experience and knowledge.

As the title says, Chuck was our commodore in 2019 before CJ took over.

Ramp Lighting Project 2020

By Gary Whitney

This project started in March of 2020 and is now drawing to a close the end of October 2020.

Thanks to Mark Basil for the drawings of the mounting bracket and the extra light poles left over from his project. A special thanks to Pat and his son Alex O’Byrant for the help mount the brackets [3 hours in a bosun’s chair] just for one.

Also, thanks to Toby Elliott for help removing the OLD lights.

The rope lighting that runs down the side ramps is no longer on extension cords so it is more reliable now.



Looking down the ramp from the parking lot.