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Secretary: Gary Brown

Rear Commodore: Carl Corey
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October 2022



From the Bridge

Loren Beach, Commodore



I hope that you are all checking our online calendar and keeping your personal Club activities calendar all caught up (<https://rosecityyachtclub.org/activities/>). RCYC is in the midst of fall activities. Other than the September BBQ that was canceled at the last minute due to heavy wildfire smoke, we recently have conducted races, had a really large work party, and two overnight cruises to nearby parks and docks. The new member BBQ was also well attended. Look for an announcement of the Coffee House musicians gathering for a jam.

There is more happening as we slowly emerge from the worst of the pandemic. At this point, I know of a number of members who caught COVID, but are recovering well after a couple of weeks of illness. The updated COVID vaccine should be available this month, and along with the annual flu vaccine, will hopefully start to restore some normalcy to our lives. Just as other clubs are doing, I ask that anyone who tests positive or is experiencing symptoms avoid attending events or getting too close. We should all try to focus on the fact that such inconvenience to our yachting social lives is really just a “first-world problem.” We are edging back toward onsite meetings. This requires that skilled members do the technical work and manage remote Zoom participation to augment in-person gatherings. Combining onsite participation with remote members on a video screen can be challenging.

We are gearing up for the 2022/23 dredging season. New soundings of our moorage show that we may be removing less new sand than we did last year. Watch for announcements about signing up for crew training and the various tasks that support this vital work. Bob Phillips put together a great dredging video and there will be viewings coming up. The federally permitted dredging window lasts from November 1 through February 28, but we hope to get most of the work done within the first two months. Our settling pond is empty and waiting.

I want to thank the members who clean and dust the Clubhouse each month. With dust on the floor and spider webs on the exterior, the work is ongoing and repetitive. It’s up to all of us to always leave the galley and heads clean whenever we use either area. Regarding our luxurious new covered deck: I need to find a person to regularly clean up the tables, chairs, wash the decking, and remove the accumulating spider webs. It would be best to have a new “chair” for doing or scheduling this work for 2023. If you would like to do this during the remaining months of 2022, please let me know. You would just log in your actual hours worked. I am working on a suggested deck-cleaning task list, and can send it out to anyone who is interested.

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Sunrise at Beacon Rock by Matt Richard



Vice Commodore's Report

Tod Bassham, Vice Commodore

Nothing warms the vice-commodorial heart like seeing neat rows of work hours logged onto the work-hour sheets. The fall work party season started off with a bang on September 17, with a party of volunteers taking advantage of the good weather to start the long process of preparing the Club facilities for winter. Three more work parties follow in quick order: October 1, October 15, and November 5. If you are wondering whether you need work hours (and how many) before the December 10 deadline, drop me a line at basshamfam@hotmail.com and I'll get back to you pronto.

The Clubhouse and new Patio are seeing lots of activity, including interest in member rentals. Commodore Loren formed a committee to consider updates to our Clubhouse and Patio rental rules. The general goal is to ensure that the Patio remains available for casual member usage as much as reasonably possible. The committee returned to the Board with a set of recommended changes, which the Board tentatively approved and forwarded to the membership for comment. A draft of the proposed changes was circulated by email to members. Please direct comments to, yes, basshamfam@hotmail.com.

The major changes proposed are:

1. For event rentals, Clubhouse/Patio decoration is limited to the day of rental (instead of 24 hours in advance of the event). Note: this restriction does not apply to Club-sponsored events (BBQs, etc.).
2. Events by outside organizations cannot be held on the Patio, absent Board approval.
3. Members' private events may be held on the Patio in conjunction with Clubhouse rental, for an additional fee. Such Patio usage is generally non-exclusive, i.e., other members may continue casual use of the Patio during the event. However, for certain special events (e.g., a wedding) a member renting the Clubhouse/Patio may request exclusive use of the Patio for the ceremony, subject to an additional fee and certain restrictions (e.g., posting signage, a two-hour time limit, etc.).



Susan
Catherine
and Coral



Craig and Patti
David
Todd
Jim
Mark
Dennis



David and Todd



Phil and Juka

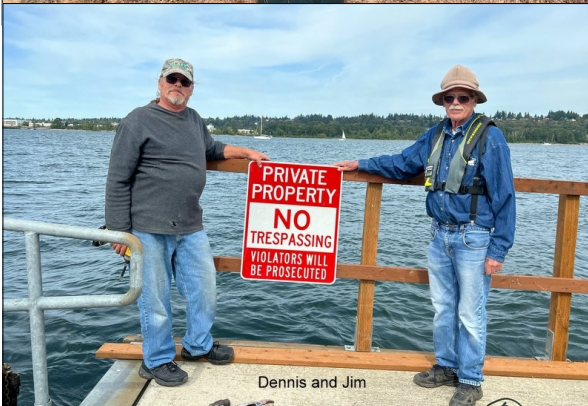


Chris

The September 17th Work Party was a Smashing Success!

Forty-two members slaved away in excellent weather with Impressive results. There are three more opportunities this fall to help the Club spruce up and batten down the hatches for the winter months. John Osborne, Work Program Lead, will be sending out reminders. Monty Orlando, Maintenance Monitor, helped make the work party flow smoothly. Thanks to Coral, Catherine and Susan for feeding the troops a great lunch. And to the rest of you who rolled up your sleeves and worked hard, THANK YOU for helping make RCYC our comfortable, well-maintained Club and marina to keep our boats.

Pam Corey, Work Party Leader and Photographer



New Member Orientation Class Saturday, October 8, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

New members are required to attend one of these classes, but they are open to any member who wants to learn more about the Club. We cover how RCYC is governed, Club security, billing and reimbursement, safety, utilities, facilities, equipment, activities and Oregon Clean Marina. At the end of the class there is a tour of the grounds and moorage. If you plan on attending please let me know so that I will have enough handouts.

Ron Moran - ronmoran@gmail.com

Secretary's Report

Gary Brown, Secretary

The daylight hours are getting shorter, mornings are becoming crisp, and the river level is getting lower – all signs that another summer is almost over. I'm not ready yet for that and expect that neither are you! That just means that it's time for some fun, fall sailing.

At the September Board Meeting, the Board interviewed Bruce Newton as a potential new member of the Club. Bruce has been very active in the local sailing community serving in a number of SYSCO and OCSA leadership positions. He started racing locally on a Ranger 20 and now owns and races *Kestral*, a Merit 25. He volunteers for Habitats for Humanity and is no stranger to DIY. Bruce was introduced to the Club membership at the September General Meeting.

The September General Meeting will welcome and swear in several new members including Nick Economus, part-owner of *Ruffian*, and Steven O'Neill who recently purchased *Barcode* and is on the waitlist to bring her back to the RCYC moorage.

There were a couple of membership status changes at the September Board Meeting. Jeff Crass changed from Life Member to Inactive Life starting September 1, as his boat is sold/gone. Randy and Ruth Webster changed from Cruising Members to Inactive Life status, effective July 1. They sold their boat in New Zealand and are moving to Hawaii.

We received word that former members Darren and Donna Knittle joined West Kelowna YC in Kelowna, British Columbia and are doing well.

RCYC's New Youngest Member: Rowyn Olinger



Aaron and Jessica Olinger welcomed their first child to the family on July 2. Rowyn was born healthy (7lbs 2oz, 19.75") and has brought so much joy and love to their lives already. They look forward to taking him on various adventures both on water and land.

Moorage Matters

Matt Richard, Moorage Chair

Dennis Armstrong and Coral Simdorn have moored their Cascade 38, *Yonder*, in Slip 30 on Walk 1.

Ann Lemke has moored her Cascade 29, *Ka-Ha-Si*, into Slip 4 on Walk 4.

Peter Burke and Dianne Scott have moored their Yamaha 33, *Silver Leaf*, into Slip 11 on Walk 4. This marks the third Yamaha 33 in the moorage. I think we have a fleet!

The moorage remains fully assigned although there may come some vacancies in the months ahead as some boats are sold or depart the moorage. This will be good news to those on the waiting list who continue to patiently wait for a slip.

Please remember to drop me a note if you remove your boat from the moorage for more than a month. I may be able to sublet your slip and save you a little money.



Kathy Nelson, Sue Pennington, Fran O'Bryant, Linda Shaw

All are Welcome at the Knauti Knitters

Looking for a nice way to connect with other members while moving your current craft project closer to completion?

The Knauti Knitters meet in the Clubhouse at 10:00 am on the first and third Mondays of every month. Some knit or crochet, some bring colored pencils and art projects, some come just for the socializing. Sometimes we even expand our social time by going to lunch afterwards.

If you have ever wondered what the Knauti Knitters are all about, join us for a firsthand look. No pressure or competition, just a great way to get acquainted with others who have similar interests.

Marili Reilly

Cruise Corner
Ally & Chris Richard



Summer fun has basically wrapped up for the Walk 1 Richard Clan. Ally is back to teaching and Taylor and Jackson have both started school. We had one last hurrah at Beacon Rock and loved seeing and spending time with a few of our fellow Club members! The weather was perfect with plenty of blue skies and wind! Thank you to those members who were able to make it for the Pickin' and Grinnin' night.

Your cruise chairs submitted the 2023 cruise schedule to the Columbia River Yachting Association in early September. We will keep you up to date of what is happening with that as they compile all of the clubs' wish lists for 2023.

There is one last cruise for 2022. We will head up to Bartlett Landing, Government Island's East dock, the weekend of October 7th. I would anticipate cooler temperatures and some rain, but will hold out hope for a dry weekend!

And hey, wasn't that cruise to Schwitter Landing on September 16th absolutely amazing?! See you around the Club, dear friends. Remember your long dock lines, and always wear your PFD!



Photos by Chris & Ally Richard and CJ & Roxana Volesky



From the Rear

Carl Corey, Rear Commodore

I want to congratulate the following RCYC members who were nominated at the Board Meeting on September 12, 2022 as candidates for the 2023 RCYC Board:

2023 Slate of Board Members:

Commodore:	Tod Bassham
Vice Commodore:	Gary Brown
Secretary:	Cathy Skach
Rear Commodore:	Loren Beach
Director:	Mark Holzmann
Director:	Barbara Weiss
Director:	Rene Emch
Director:	Kathy Souhrada
Director:	Kelly Brown

This slate was announced at the General Meeting in September. Unless there are nominations from the floor at the October General Meeting, the slate can be approved by membership at that meeting. If additional nominations are received from the floor, there will be an election at the November General Meeting.

I want to thank Cindy Moran, John Osborne and CJ Volesky for joining me as part of the Nominating Committee the last couple of months. While Ben Thomas, Bob Phillips, Alan Bergen and I will be leaving the Board at the end of the year, all of us retain various volunteer positions at RCYC, and we will not be strangers down here at the Club by any means.



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We hold our annual election of officers and directors at our October General Meeting. Massive thanks to our Nominating Committee for their hard work. As required by our Bylaws, their deliberations are totally independent from the other officers and directors, and they have recommended a slate that will conduct the business of RCYC very ably and really represent us all. I will then be relegated to the role of Rear Commodore. Seriously, the Club business will be in competent hands. Gary has posted the downloadable minutes of the recent Board Meeting on our website where you can find many other reports regarding Club business.

Helm Orders: steady as she goes.

RCYC Schedule

October

- 1 Work Party #2—9:00 am
- 3 Knauti Knitters—10:00 am
- 7-9 Fall Foliage Cruise to Bartlett Landing
- 8 New Member Orientation—9:00 am
- 10 RCYC Board Meeting—7:00 pm
- 12 OWSA Meeting—3:00-7:00 pm
- 15 Work Party #3—9:00 am
- 15 Coffeehouse Music—4:00-6:00 pm
- 17 Knauti Knitters—10:00 am
- 18 November Foghorn Deadline
- 19 RCYC General Meeting—7:00 pm
- 22 Asymmetrical Sail Clinic—9:30 am
- 22 Walk 1 BBQ

November

- 5 Work Party #4—9:00 am
- 5 Walk 2 BBQ
- 7 Knauti Knitters—10:00 am
- 14 RCYC Board Meeting—7:00 pm
- 16 RCYC General Meeting—7:00 pm
- 18 December Foghorn Deadline
- 21 Knauti Knitters—10:00 am



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