State of the Moorage, 2023 Matt Richard, Moorage Chair

The Club owns and maintains a modern moorage facility with approximately 150 slips arranged in 5 walks within a protective breakwater. It features all concrete docks with steel pilings and is easily one of the newest and best built marinas in the Pacific Northwest.

We operate a club-owned dredge during two months in mid-winter to maintain the depth at a uniform minus-six feet, measured at zero on the river gauge board. The dredge is operated solely by Club member volunteers. Depth throughout the marina is kept nearly constant, with natural deepening towards the river channel under the last several slips on Walks 1 and 2. Two river level gauges, located on piling bases at the foot of each ramp, allow for accurate measurement of river level.

Our moorage is normally full with a waiting list, and one must be a member to be on the list. A member awaiting their first slip should expect a wait of six months up to a year or more for a slip of their own, depending greatly on boat length and beam. Slips may occasionally be reassigned by the Club.

Any member wanting a copy of the current Moorage Assignments or Waiting List (posted on the cork board in the hallway at the west end of the clubhouse) can email a request to the Moorage Chair. Moorage Rates are also posted on the cork board.

Slips are assigned by seniority on the Waiting List, subject to the overriding needs of the Club, per RCYC General Rules, Section 11.2. Moorage Assignment.

Temporary slips for those on the Waiting List are often available, as the Club's moorage rules permit the Club to sublet a temporarily unused slip and credit the slip moorage fees to the assigned member.

By May we usually start seeing temporary openings around the moorage, on Walks 1, 2, or 5, from which boats have gone north for two or more months on an extended cruise. Members planning on extended cruises should let the Moorage Chair know when they are planning to depart and return. There are also limited temporary slips available during the winter, when a member's boat is out for repair or dry storage. Any member on the Waiting List wanting a temporary sublet slip should contact the Moorage Chair.

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