

# Yacht Talk

## Voice of the Richland Yacht Club

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### Attention on Deck

General Membership Meeting	
At the Clubhouse	
Tuesday January 2 <sup>nd</sup>	
Pledge of Allegiance	7:00 pm
Call to Order	Gary Scofield
Membership Actions	Chris Jensen
Minutes of Previous Meeting	Bob Gray
Commodore’s Message	Gary Scofield
Officers’ Reports	
Treasurer	Doug Larsen
Vice Commodore	Chris Jensen
Rear Commodore	Debbie Thorington
Dock Captain	Roy Keck
Past Commodore	Obie Amacker
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Old Business	Gary Scofield
New Business	Gary Scofield
Good of the Order	Members
Floundered Oar Award	Members




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## From the Commodore – Gary Scofield

Another new year is starting - it seems like just a few months ago, I said that about 2017 and now it's 2018! I wish everyone a happy and prosperous 2018.



I want to take this opportunity to thank our current board for volunteering. Those members that have never held a board position in our club do not realize the time commitment and effort required. In addition to the time they commit to fulfilling the position responsibilities, they are also attend Board meetings and General Membership Meetings each month during their year of service. Many of our club members seldom take the time or interest to just attend our monthly General Membership meetings. Once again, I encourage our members to become more involved in your club.

Planning is already taking place for the activities and events that will take place in 2018, I encourage you to volunteer to host or help with one or more events or activities. The Finance Committee is currently working on the 2018 Budget with the membership vote for approval set for the February General Membership Meeting.

The new firepit is complete and ready to provide warmth on the cooler winter nights as you enjoy the company of Club members on our deck overlooking our docks. A **Big Thank You** to the members that purchased a brick to help fund the construction. And a **Super Big Thank You** to Roy Keck, Chris Jensen, Bruce Carlisle and the many members that lent a hand during the firepit donation campaign.



Remember, your annual club dues are due on January 1st and subject to a \$50 fine if not received within 30 days. Also, if you are planning to resign your membership in the club, you need to send a letter, email, or signed note letting us know your intentions. You also need to return your access devices and pay any outstanding electric bill, fines, or past account balances to resign “in good standing”. This would allow you to rejoin in the future without the initiation fees.

Let's make 2018 one of the best years to be a member in our club. Enjoy your on-water activities and the many social events at our clubhouse and docks. Have a Happy New Year and BOAT SAFE!!!

## From the Vice Commodore - Chris Jensen

We are remis in welcoming our new members and will make a point of listing new members in future editions of the Yacht Talk. Here is a list of the latest members to Join the Club:

- Ted & Jackie Mitchell joined in July
- Anthony Ives and Don Baer joined in August
- Don & Toby Bouchey , and Bruce & Deborah Hendrickson joined in September
- Arthur Stithem, Teresa Campbell, Brent & Denise Gerry, Lori Oord, Ken Walker, and Huck & Linda Welch joined in October;
- Keith & Janet Hopper joined in November

## From the Treasurer - Doug Larsen

The memberships fees are due January 1, 2018 and overdue January 31, 2018. Overdue accounts are subject to late fees.

## From the Rear Commodore – Debbie Thorington

On February 4<sup>th</sup> we will be having a Super bowl Party at the club. Come watch the game on a large screen and enjoy snacks and drinks. Bring a dish to share and cheer in your favorite team!! Please Text Debbie at 509-308-6929 and give me an idea on if you are attending by January 28<sup>th</sup> so I will have enough beverage and snacks.



It is my goal this year to provide additional communication paths for our events. I plan to text you as events dates approach, as we did last year, so please make sure we have your cell phone number.



I will also create a Facebook invite for each event so you can confirm right on the page. It is a great way to communicate events with no additional charge to the Club. To use this option you need to be my facebook friend. Please look for me (Debbie Thorington) on Facebook and send me a friend request.

In the future I plan to create a Facebook page just for Club members so we are not advertising events to the public.

I will issue a "Save the Date" listing in January and look forward to a great year of boating events, Clubhouse fun, and lots of laughter!!

## From the Dock Captain - Roy Keck

**Show your Boat some Love** - see the December Yacht Talk for winterization tips to avoid damage from wind, rain, cold, ice and snow before they become costly. Be very careful when walking on the ramps and docks as ice can form on them, use the buddy system when on the docks, avoid going alone.



**2018 Boating Season** - Use the following 10-point check list for ownership responsibilities, boating license and regulatory requirements, and annual maintenance tasks.

1. Renew Richland Yacht Club Membership by paying annual fees by January 1st.
2. Renew your boat Insurance Policy including a minimum liability coverage of \$300k; identify the Club as an "Additional Insured"; and provide copy to the Club with your Membership renewal.
3. Renew your Moorage by paying annual fees by April 1st.
4. If you are under 65 years young, complete the Washington State Boater Education Card Training (boat driver license).
5. If you wish to use the clubs fuel dock, complete the Fuel Dock Operator Class "C" Training and

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apply for a card at Connel Oil.

6. Renew your boat registration; affix the 2018 Boat License Tabs; and provide copy of the registration form to the Club by July 1st.
7. Complete annual safety inspection and maintenance checklist including a check of fire extinguishers & flares dates (we will arrange several dates during the year for inspections if you wish to display a safety inspection decal on your boat.
8. De-winterize boat, change boat fluids, clean and wax inside and outside finishes.
9. Participate in Club Work Parties to prepare docks and clubhouse for the boating season.
10. Participate in Club Meetings, enjoy and have FUN at club functions and events.

**Dock Work Party** - There is no Work Party planned for January. The new Fire Pit and Dock Lighting projects were completed last month, and both are great additions to our Club. The Debris Barrier continues to be working, but will need some repairs before next Spring's high water season.

**Slip Electrical Power** - The electric meters will be read as of 1-1-18, members with over a \$50.00 of usage will be billed in January.

**Moorage** - Moorage is currently full and we are accepting applications to the Moorage Waiting List.

**Dock Boxes** - We have three new Dock Boxes for sale to Members for \$500 each. These require some assembly and must be lag bolted to your slip whalers to prevent loss during high winds. Save a little money - Member Mike McWhorter has a used Dock Box for sale.



### From the Building Coordinator – Aaron Hubbard

Walk carefully this time of year, even if the walkways and parking lot are free of snow there still may be ice under foot. If you see a problem in or around the club house please send me an email at [support@richlandyachtclub.net](mailto:support@richlandyachtclub.net).

### From the Rental Coordinator – Dan Sanders

Rental requests are coming in for events in 2018. The Clubhouse is available to members to rent one weekend day (Friday, Saturday or Sunday) per month and one week day per week during the boating season (May through October). During the remainder of the year we can accept applications for rentals one day per weekend and 2 days per week. Members must be in good standing and have been a member of the Richland Yacht Club for at least one year at the time of the rental. For more details regarding rental of the Clubhouse including blocked out dates, log on to the RYC website; Downloads (Members), go to Standing Rules of the Richland Yacht Club.

**If you are interested in renting the Clubhouse** - Call (or text) Dan or Sandy Sanders (948-8832) or email [Rental@richlandyachtclub.net](mailto:Rental@richlandyachtclub.net).

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### **From the Corresponding Secretary – Bruce Carlisle**

Copies of the Yacht Talk are available in the clubhouse after the general meeting. Electronic copies are mailed each month to the email address provided by members and listed on the club roster.

Contact the Treasurer [douglarsengma@gmail.com](mailto:douglarsengma@gmail.com) with email address changes.

The monthly calendar is posted on the kitchen bulletin board. Also check out the bulletin board in the Clubhouse pantry for boating sales and services.

### **From the Recording Secretary - Bob Gray**

Normally the Recording Secretary takes minutes at the General and Executive Board meetings, but doesn't have much to contribute to the Yacht Talk. This month however, I'm compelled to encourage members to attend the January meeting. We need a quorum to conduct business. Without a quorum, we can't make any decisions requiring a vote. We can't even approve the minutes of past meetings. At the January meeting, we'll have minutes from three past meetings (October, November and December) to be approved. Please plan on attending to allow the Club to conduct business.

### **For the Good of the Order**

Kudos to Jeff, Janet and Jeremiah Anderson who were the only Club entrants in this year's Lighted Boat Parade. Their "Coug" boat, newly christened "Knot Coug'n It", didn't place in the top three but did garner over \$200 in gift cards, a plaque, and dinner for two at the Clover Island Inn's Crow's Nest. It was touch and go for awhile as there were battery problems on Friday and it looked like the boat might "Coug it." Problems were resolved on Saturday and the boat lived up to its new name.

Way to go Jeff, Janet and Jeremiah.



**January at the Clubhouse**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 New Years Eve Party at CIYC	1	2 General Membership Meeting-7:00	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16 Executive Board Meeting-7:00	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

**Save the Date**

Date	Event	Hosts
2018	Event Listing Coming Soon	
Feb 6	Superbowl Party	Thorington

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