

Richland Yacht Club



Over 50 years on the
COLUMBIA RIVER



Commodore Report Bryan Bobbett

As the sun's warmth begins to grace us more each day, it's time for our members to start preparing their slips for the upcoming summer season. The recent snow melt has brought an influx of debris into our basin and slips, so before launching your boat, be sure to clear out any debris. Debris build up welcomes unwanted pests like spiders and other critters. In addition to clearing debris, it's essential to inspect your mooring lines for any signs of chafing or sun damage. We want to avoid any mishaps or runaway boats, so please take the time to ensure everything is in top condition. Water and Ice are now available on our dock. Please let our dock captain, Andy Cockrell, know if you want to sublease your spot, our waiting list continues to grow each month. I would also like to point out that the Columbia Point black water pump out is open and ready to be used. The Benton County Sheriff's Office is offering a Free boaters education course at the Yacht club on Saturday, April 13th from 8 am to 4pm. If you or anyone you know wants their boaters license this is a great way to get it.

Vice Commodore Allie McGinnis

Boating season is just around the corner and March's General Meeting was another huge success! We filled the clubhouse with another full house of RYC members and enjoyed friendship, club updates and delicious pizza. Please contact me at 509-302-0545 if you have any membership questions. We will be voting on the acceptance of one new member at the April 2nd General Meeting and accepting several resignations in good standing. The meeting starts at 7pm with food and drinks being served at 6:45pm. Please attend to welcome our new members and spend some time with your fellow Richland Yacht Club members. It is going to be an exciting year at RYC!

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Treasurer Kathy Higgins

Moorage billing is complete and everyone should have received their bill, if you did not get one, please let me know. You can call or text me at 509-308-5378. Just a reminder that if your insurance was renewed for 2024 please provide a copy for our files. You can email to me and I will have placed into your file. I got a new email address Kathyhiggins@myyahoo.com, the old one no longer works. Happy Spring!

Rental Coordinator Deb Thorington

2024 Reservations are required for events larger than 25 people. For more info regarding policies visit our website's members area bylaws. Text your requested date, member name to Deb Thorington at 509-308-6929 to receive the paperwork and process. You must be a member for at least one year to be eligible to rent the clubhouse exclusively for \$350 per event. Fill out a completed application, you need orientation training (one hour) and written approval required. There are currently rentals that are approved for April 6th (boaters education is April 13th) April 20, May 4th and 25th, and Nov 23rd of 2024. The club will be closed to other members during those days. Please email me at dthorington@cfmtg.com if you would like to reserve a day for your event.

Building Coordinator Nancy Hubbard

Boating season is coming up fast. It's great that we have facilities at the clubhouse for our use. Please remember that if you use it, you clean it. Wipe down the tables and clean the stuff off the floor if it needs it. Load ALL your dishes in the dishwasher and run it. Clean up the kitchen. Remember to come back to empty and put away your dishes.

Saturday, April 13th 8-4. Washington State Boater's Education Class. Benton County Sheriff's Department will be teaching the class so you can get your Washington State Boater's Education card. They will also be on the docks to provide boat inspections. Check Washington State Vessel Inspection for more info. **Contact Benton County Sheriff Dept for more information and to register for class.**

Corresponding Secretary Rick Anderson GET YOUR SPECIAL DAY ON THE LIST!

Send your Birthday Month/Day and Anniversary Month/Day/# years to be included to ragolfer@charter.net

April General Membership Meeting Tuesday, April 2, 2024

Pledge of Allegiance	7:00 pm
Call to Order	Bryan Bobbett
Membership Actions	Allie McGinnis
Minutes of Previous Meeting	Bob Gray
Commodore's Message	Bryan Bobbett
Officers' Reports	
* Treasurer	Kathy Higgins
* Vice Commodore	Allie McGinnis
* Rear Commodore	Nik Qafoku
* Dock Captain	Andy Cockrell
* Past Commodore	Obie Amacker
* Recording Secretary	Bob Gray
* Corresponding Secretary	Rick Anderson
* Building Coordinator	Nancy Hubbard
* Rental Coordinator	Deb Thorington
Old Business	Bryan Bobbett
New Business	Obie Amacker

Lets Celebrate!

April Birthdays

April Anniversaries

None reported- Did we miss your Special day?
Get your name on the list. See above

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Dock Captain Andy Cockrell

We have been fixing water leaks on the docks. All the Docks water has been restored. If you suspect a leak, the main valve is under the diamond plate cover at the top of the ramp leading to D dock. A shout out to Chris Jensen for identifying the leak. Do not open the valve at the far end of A dock. It is for winterization only I will put a label on it. Here is a picture of the main shut off valve to the docks.

To access the Dock Main Water Shutoff valve;

Flip the metal plate cover at top of ramp onto Dock D. And then shutoff the valve that is circled in the photo. Photo shows valve in the ON position, blue handle is in line/parallel with pipe.

Immediately contact me at 509-554-2775, Thanks



Rear Commodore Nik Qafoku

Come Join us for Opening Day Event April 27th. Details below. Having a cold beverage and Pizza before our general membership meetings has been a great success. Join us again for our General Membership Meeting April 2 at 6:45 for Pizza and Beverages.



Opening Day

4pm - 8pm | April 27, 2024

**Come join us at the RYC
for live DJ and mini
boat races!**

**Food and Drinks will be
provided.**

More Details to Follow...

**RYC Clubhouse
350 Columbia Point Dr,
Richland, WA 99352**

**Help setting up is needed! If you'd like to help
out, meet at the club house at 9am**

Questions? Please reach out to Nik
509-528-6178

April at the Clubhouse

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 General Membership Meeting	3	4	5	6 Private Event
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16 Executive Board Meeting	17	18	19	20 Private Event
21	22	23	24	25	26	27 Opening Day Event
28	29	30				

2024 Events

Date	Event	Host
Saturday, April 6, 2024	Private Event	Tim Logan
Saturday, April 20, 2024	Private Event	Andrew Templeton
Saturday, April 27, 2024	Opening Event	Nik Qafoku
Sunday, May 12, 2024	Mother's Day Brunch	Nik Qafoku
Saturday, May 25, 2024	Private Event	Deb Thorington
Saturday, June 8, 2024	Margaritaville	Obie Amacker
Sunday, June 16, 2024	Father's Day Brunch	Nik Qafoku
Saturday, July 20, 2024	RYC Beach Party	Nik Qafoku
Saturday, September 14, 2024	Block Party	Nik Qafoku
Saturday, November 9, 2024	Chili & Soup Feed	Nancy Hubbard
Friday & Saturday, December 6-7, 2024	Lighted Boat Parade	Nik Qafoku

Richland Yacht Club Officers

Office	Officer	Cell/Home	Email
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