REEF POINT

"For the encouragement and promotion of yachting and the creation of spirit of good fellowship..."

(RYC Constitution, Article II)



Racine Yacht Club

Racine, Wisconsin

COMMODORE'S REPORT



Youth sailing is on fire! Stop down during the day to watch the kids sail, or on a Tuesday evening when they are racing.

A huge thank you to our member Aaron Cruthers who donated money for us to add another safety boat to our youth program. It's a Gala



4.5 meter RIB with a 60hp Mercury, capable of handling the seas on Lake Michigan. It was

purchased from Racine Riverside Marine.

As a young boy, Aaron and his family spent

summers on Brown's Lake and that's where Aaron taught himself to sail. He was always on the water in a Butterfly, MC Scow, C Scow or a Laser. When Aaron was working on his



undergraduate degree he became the RYC Sailing Instructor. For three years he taught kids to sail and race in the Opti and 420's. In addition, during this time, RYC was lucky to also have

two young sailing instructors from our Sister City in Denmark, Penny and Christian.

Aaron was off to bigger and better things, Dental School and the Navy Reserves and Active Duty. When Aaron was not working or studying his adventurous spirit took him all over the world, meeting his wife Pong in Phuket Thailand.

In 2004 Aaron and Pong returned to Racine and joined the Yacht Club. His youngest son, Kai has been in our youth program for several years. Aaron supports our youth sailing program and wants to give back. Again, we thank him for his

generous donation!

Sailing and on the water activities are in full swing. Wednesday night racing is off to a grand start, as well as the AFSC Thursday and bi-Saturday sailing. The Kayakers are out paddling on Tuesday evenings along with the youth who race on Tuesdays.

June 15, 2023 was the Double Hander race from Winthrop



Harbor to Port Washington. 46 boats started the race including several Racine boats, but only 17 boats finished. Steve Gancarz's Split Pearsonality with

his crew Mark Lukow was the only boat from our Club to finish due to high wind and building seas. A true test of perseverance. Congratulations, Steve and Mark!

Once again, Ross and Dorothy Adams won the RYC 59th Mission Star Regatta. Congratulations to the father daughter duo!

2023 marks the 40th Anniversary of the HOOK Race! Stop down and wish the racers a safe, and fast race on Friday, July 14th. There will be Live Music by the "No Limits Band".

RYC has something for everyone who enjoys being near the water, with a spectacular view following our mission statement of "the encouragement and promotion of yachting and the creation of a spirit of good fellowship among its members and fellow yachters".

I look forward to seeing you at the Club or on the water.

Amy Cermak.
Commodore

SUMMER HOURS

SUNDAY 9AM to 8PM MON/TUE/THUR 4PM to 9PM WED/FRI 11AM to 9PM

SATURDAY 9AM to 9PM

LUNCH hours stay the same.

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RYC News in Brief

RECORDING SECRETARY:

Laurie Hennig

The minutes of the May 11, 2023 board meeting approved as written/corrected.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Greg Miller

Financial Results

May was another positive month with revenue greater than expenses. For the first 4 months of the year, our adjusted net income is approaching \$50,000 more than budget and \$38,000 more than last year. The variances against last year include higher overall revenue, better expense management, and lack of a significant project. (Last year we invested in re-roofing the Richter building)

Other Updates

▲\$40,000 was placed in another round of 13-month CDs available at Summit Credit to better maximize the return on our cash balances

➤The 2023 RYC Internal Review has been abandoned and a review will be conducted in the future, after our busy season and implementations of our new POS system and Quick Books Online. We have a good lead on an outside accounting firm to complete our next review.

June 2nd Water Levels

Lake Michigan rose +2 inches versus a month ago, but is -4 inches below last year. We are +5 inches higher than the June long term average. During the next 30 days, Lake Michigan is expected to rise 2 more inches. Lack of rain is a growing concern as we think about the need for dredging.

Respectfully submitted, Greg Miller

COMMODORE'S REPORT:

Amy Cermak

Congratulations to our Membership Director Deanna and her husband Matt Pedersen for a wonderful and successful Open House. Thanks to Randy Bennett for representing RYC at the Reefpoint Open House.

OFFICE MANAGER'S REPORT: Kim Shortess

No report this month

VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT:

Sean Fox

After a few years of light discussion with board members and other committees, we feel it is time to update our By-Laws to reflect the changing environment of our Club. We will be putting a committee together as quickly as possible as we'd like to accomplish this update before the 2023-2024 Board of Directors is appointed. Modernizing the by-laws will help move our Club forward and grow the future of the Racine Yacht Club.

As always, please reach out to any of the board members if you're looking for work or pay hours. With summer here, there is always work to be done. Keep an eye out on the RYC members Facebook for opportunities from me.

Submitted,

Sean C Fox

REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT:

Aaron Cruthers

This month I reached out to Southport Marina and spoke with their manager with regards to a light dredging project they recently completed. I received the contact of the person who helped them dredge; he is a fellow sailor and a dredger contractor in Louisiana. We are making all efforts to network with local marinas and municipalities and gain as many resources as possible, as

Meetings/Club Hours

Please check RYC eblasts for info about food service and Club hours.

See this month's calendar on page 5 for additional coming events:

CURRENT CLUB OPENINGS

MONDAY CLOSED TUESDAY 4PM WED/FRI/SAT 11AM THUR 4PM • SUN 9AM

*Closing times are determined at the bartender's discretion; Club is typically open until 9:00 if there are patrons present.

GALLEY HOURS

Sunday	Breakfast (9AM to 2PM)				
Wednesday	Lunch (11AM to 2PM)				
	Dinner (5PM to 8PM)				
Thursday	Dinner (5PM to 8PM)				
Friday	Lunch (11AM to 2PM)				
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Saturday	Lunch (11AM to 2PM)				
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Check most recent E-blasts for Erica's Dining Room hours of operation.

OFFICE HOURS

8 AM until 2 PM M-F

well as opinions for our future dredging project.

I also spoke with Gary Hendrickson along with Randy Bennett, Carol Stanley and Jon Antonneau in regards to insurance, and with Scott Lewis for the legal aspects of the AFSC with regards to the Club sailboat Fortitude. He has done a yeoman's job working out the insurance aspects and procedures necessary to check out Fortitude. He stated that he would be presenting a proposal to the Board for approval to move forward. Great job! I feel strongly that the future growth of sailing and racing from the Club will come from the hard work and efforts of the AFSC and Youth Sailing Foundation in the years to come. All your support is greatly appreciated. We have come to understand that our Club bylaws will require updating however, in order to incorporate the AFSC efforts going forward. In addition, I have recommended to my fellow board

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members my opinion that there needs to be a major overhaul of our Bylaws to reflect the evolving needs of the Club going forward including, but not limited to: membership structure, youth sailing, AFSC, racing, and board room structure to maintain a nimble and effective organizational spirit.

Furthermore, I encourage membership to please handle things at the lowest level possible with proposals, concerns, and requests. Please respect the process and chain of command, so to speak. This provides for more effective communication and execution at the Board level.

And please don't hesitate to reach out to me at any time for input, suggestions, comments, or concerns with the Yard, Pier, or Racing! I have had some great sit-downs with many of you over breakfast in the past few months and want to continue to learn from all of you and do my part to make this the Best Club on the Lake!

Respectfully submitted,

Aaron Cruthers

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S **REPORT:** Deanna Pederson

NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS TO BE APPROVED

ACTIVE +30 Lynn Biese-Carroll & Joel Carroll David Geffen

ACTIVE -30 Jordan & Cassandra Jackson

ASSOCIATE Kimberly Gress & Lawrence Wittenberg II Andrea Russell Jennifer & Richard Schmitt Robert & Robinette Szczepanski

STATUS CHANGES

ASSOCIATE TO ACTIVE Ryan Blasiak Adam & Bib St. Pierre ACTIVE TO SENIOR Sue Beres

Total number of members is 304 Voting: 208 Non-Voting: 96

Sean Fox made a motion to accept all new memberships and status changes, Danielle Dickert seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Kim Shortess brought up a situation where we have a couple who were associate members and changed their status to inactive when they moved to Florida. They have returned for the summer and they would like to change their membership to Non-Resident. Kim explained to them that the By-laws state that you can't go from inactive to non-resident. They asked if the Club could make an exception. The board discussed this matter and all agreed that this requested membership status change would not be approved.

HOUSE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Terry Marcus

Current Project

• Pricing refrigeration unit for kitchen.

Projects in Process

• Flooring for kitchen (to be installed in February). Working with Mark Barr to establish specks for the job.

Closed Projects

- Walk-in freezer door and threshold has been repaired
- . The beer cooler developed a leak in the refrigeration and has been repaired

PIER DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Heather Ellis

Spring launch and Yard and Dock Day were safe and productive events. Thanks to Mark Lukow and Rick Cermak for leading the 10 minute and Youth Foundation pier installations and re-banding the gantries. Also, thanks to everyone that helped get the ice eater system washed and stored. Inspections were completed on the ice eaters and a repair plan is being made for those needing attention.

Many improvements are in progress. Charlie Manning has been welding cross-bracing on finger piers for improved stability. Dave Janke and Billy Dayton have installed most of the railings on the east pier upper level. Rick Rowinski, Gus Bageanis and his crew raised one end of the fallen section of the east pier out of the water. Mark Lukow has been helping everywhere on the piers. I'm so grateful for all the help and support.

The Pier Director SOP is being reviewed. Dennis Barlcay drafted the changes to include the new electrical monitoring system for the ice eaters as well as separating the position duties from the task details and the formation of a work instruction for the various Pier Director tasks. I will be reviewing the changes and modifying as needed.

We still have 6 slips still available. We also still have plenty of project work to do and volunteers are always appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Ellis

YARD DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Joyce Hoffman

- * Thanks to all who showed up for Yard & Dock Day, especially Jack Landwehr who coached those painting the pavilion and was able to get it finished by Opening Day.
- *Thanks to Joe Fox and Charlie Manning who installed the new LED lights in the pavilion. The same lights will replace globe lighting in the parking lot
- * Thanks to Steve Garcanz and crew

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who managed the driftwood bonfire burns over Memorial Day weekend. Also, thanks to Keith and Debra Mann who power raked the beach. I am contacting the DNR to get an herbicide permit to control vegetation. Also, I will be getting a water bacterial count as to the level of contamination by bird droppings.

- * Thanks to John Stanley and Rick Rowinski who repaired the 2 dock carts that were damaged during Launch
- * Thanks to Charlie Manning for fixing the trash pump which is now able to pump lake water at a rate of 100 gallons a minute to water the lawn. It is much more effective and cheaper than sprinkling.
- * Thanks to new member Jason Steinmetz for rebuilding the beach stairs.
- * Our 2 power washers have been repaired by Central Saw and are ready to use.
- * The cleaning service is now responsible for emptying trash cans on the patio and pier walkway once a day.
- * We will be buying 4 new dock carts and a new grill.
- * Bill Erdmann is donating a metal kayak rack with wheels.

Respectfully Submitted, Joyce Hoffman Yard Director

RACE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Steve Gancarz

Race season is finally upon us.
Unfortunately, our first race had to be abandoned due to heavy winds and high waves. However, I think all of our Skippers and Race Committee were in complete concurrence. Instead, we spent the evening in the Clubhouse and enjoyed Erica's new Wednesday night menu. We also took the opportunity to wish Mary Vandehei a happy birthday while tipping back our favorite beverages. Come on out

and join us, it's the happening place to be in Racine on Wednesday night!

Our second race date was a little more agreeable and all boats got one race in with light winds.

I would like to welcome all of our new Race Committee members and welcome back our members from last year. I would also like to thank Ann Gardner and Billy Dayton for volunteering to clean up Romey for our first race. The Race Committee was also very appreciative of your efforts.

The new seat project is finally done for Romey and has resulted in increased space for the Race Committee to run races. Additionally, the new number boards have been mounted and give our racers increased visibility on course information. A big thanks goes out to the following individuals for helping me to complete these projects: Charlie Manning, John Stanley, Dan May, Tavis Frier, and Dean Steger. It's teamwork like this that makes RYC a great place to be! I am still awaiting our magnetic placards to complete the final item in our new number boards, and we can call this one done!

I would like to give one last shout out to the team of individuals that helped to get the seasonal race markers deployed: Mark Barr, Monte Pyburn, Jonathan Buettner, Billy Dayton, and Adam St. Pierre. I couldn't have done it without you!

Be sure to check out race results on the RYC webpage, to keep up with the standings of your favorite boat(s).

Respectfully Submitted, Steve Gancarz

ENTERTAINMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Danielle Dickert

We had a wonderful turnout and great musical acts for both Memorial Day weekend and Open House. Thank you to everyone who attended and helped with planning. Thank you to both Kurt and Mark for continuing to help find great musicians for our events.

Our next big event will be the Tri-Club Party:

The Tri-Club Will be held on June 24th: The RYC will host from 12:30-2:00 this year. The RYC will feature a build-your own potato bar as well as live music by Xeno and Joe. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

Respectfully submitted, Dani Dickert

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

By-Laws:

Hook

Emails were sent out today reminding registered boats to send in their documents. There will be a meeting on Saturday to discuss extending a new deadline for registering new boats.

Adult Family Sailing/Cruising:

- ➤ Thank You!, Shout Out! to Carol Stanley for her record-raising fundraiser with her Diamond Painting of the Club Tree auctioned off at the 6/3 Open House.
- ➤ 1st AFSC Thursday Sailing was 6/1 with Beginner and Intermediate to Advanced tracks/groups. Next one is 6/8.
- ➤ 1st AFSC Tuesday Paddling was 6/6 with Kickoff, Speaker, and learning and trying out new paddling skills. Next is 6/13.
- ➤ 1st AFSC Day Sailing and Cruising on Bi-Weekly Saturdays is 6/10 with a Boat Tour, Try Boats Out and Get Together Afterwards. Next is 6/24.
- ➤ 6/24 is the 1st Overnight Cruise---MKE Summerfest and Riverwalk Boat Cruise (powerboating and kayaking with stops along the way)

RYC Youth Sailing Program: Youth Sailing begins on Monday, June 12, 2023. There are a few spaces open, call the office quickly if you want to sign up. Again, this year we will be taking sailing students to Chicago for a behind-scenes tour and workshops for Sail GP on June 15, 2023.

RYC Youth Foundation:

Due to a generous donation by Dr. Aaron Cruthers, the Foundation will be purchasing a new Rigid Inflatable safety boat (RIB). Many thanks to Dr. Cruthers.

MWPHRF:

MWPHRF did not have a meeting, as we adjourned for the summer unless something comes up. Respectfully Submitted Rick Hennig

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

At last month's board meeting it was reported that Terry Marcus' tools had been stolen out of the Club office. We addressed this again with Terry and she said that she did not want compensation for her stolen tools, she has already replaced them.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE Club:

I received a call from one of our members regarding smoking on the patio. They were at the Memorial Day party on Sunday night, and they had to move three times to avoid the smoking on the patio. I told them that I would bring this up at the board meeting, and I mentioned that maybe we need to remind those who smoke to please be mindful of others around them, especially when children are around. Kim said that she would put something in the email blast regarding this issue.

Respectfully submitted, Laurie Hennig

Presented by Carol Stanley

The Adult Family Sailing, Cruising Steering Committee would like to propose work or pay hours for members who donate their boats for our members to sail/power on at AFSC activities.

- AFSC has been instrumental in bringing in new members to the Club over the past 3 years and has been selfsupporting since inception.
- AFSC has scheduled events and fundraisers throughout the year and would like to offer work or pay for members who help at these events.
- Several RYC members have put a lot of time into keeping Fortitude, an RYC-owned boat clean, running and available for members to use.
- For the good of the Club and these

being Club events, we would like to add these to the work or pay program. Steve Gancarz made a motion to approve, and Aaron Cruthers seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Gary Hendrickson Gary presented to the board the AFSC program for the use of the Club boat Fortitude. Gary supplied documents for approval, and Jon Antonneau explained the insurance requirements for the use of the Club boat. Each user of the boat should have a Certificate of Insurance provided to the Club for a minimum of \$300,000 for liability. This would be separate from your homeowners' insurance. Due to time constraints at the meeting, Danielle Dickert recommended that we form an ad hoc committee to review the program and supporting

documents for approval. The committee

will consist of Aaron Cruthers, Steve

Committee. They will have approval

Gancarz and the AFSC Steering

OFF WATCH:

within 2 weeks.

Louise Kivlin passed away
The board meeting adjourned at 1945
hours.

Respectfully submitted, Laurie Hennig Recording Secretary



Sarah Pederson and Micky Nielson presenting at the National Woman's Sailing Conference on June 3 in Newport1, Newport Rhode Island. The presentation shared lessons learned as an overboard survivor and the lessons learned from on-the-water rescue.

As a good reminder, wear your life jacket, change the batteries in your strobe, and update your cartridge in your inflatable.







AFSC did an over night cruise to South Shore Yacht Club June 24, 2022. Thank you, Randy Bennett for organizing the sail. We enjoyed camaraderie and a delicious meal!









Summer is here; it's great to see our members out enjoying the water.









Sail GP Students went behind the scenes at Sail GP 2023 Chicago

















RYC Calendar of Events — July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Club Opens @ 9:00 25 Breakfast Served 9AM to 2PM	Club Opens @ 4 26	Club Opens @ 4 27	Club Opens @ 11:00 Lunch (11AM to 2PM) Dinner (5PM-8PM)	Club Opens @4:00 29 Dinner (5PM-8PM) AFSC Thursday Sailing	Club Opens @ 11:00 Lunch (11AM to 2PM) Dinner (5PM-8PM)	Club Opens @ 9AM (Lunch is served at 11AM) "Flat Creek Highway" Music on the Patio from 5 - 8
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Mark Your Calendar

UPCOMING EVENTS

- July 1 "Flat Creek Highway" Music on the Patio from 5 8
- July 2 Joe Cantafio on the Patio 5 8PM
- July 4 DJ Kurt on the Patio PARADE & FIREWORKS
- July 5 Youth Parks Dept

Wednesday Nite Races

July 6 - Youth Parks Dept

Karaoke 6PM

Prospective New Member Meeting 7PM

July 7 - Adventure Sail

Old Timer's Lunch Noon

- July 8 Pursuit Race Skippers Meeting 8AM, First Start 11AM
- July 12 Wednesday Night Races
- July 13 Board Meeting 6PM
- July 14 HOOK Pre-Party
- July 15 HOOK Race
- July 19 Wednesday Night Races
- July 21 Tom Martin Live 6-9 PM
- July 22 Outdoor Movie Night 9:30PM
- July 26 Wednesday Night Races
- July 28 Andrea T Regatta
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- AUG 2 Wednesday Night Races
- AUG 3 Karaoke at 6PM

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AUG 4 - Old Timer's Lunch Noon

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2020	46'4"	DUFOUR 460	459,000		
2012	45'8"	ALLURES 45	595,000		
2023	27'4"	ROBALO 272	226,874		
2023	27'6"	ROBALO 270	238,569		
2022	21'	WALKER BAY - REVO 21	122,582		
2022	12'	WALKER BAY - GEN 12	29,874		
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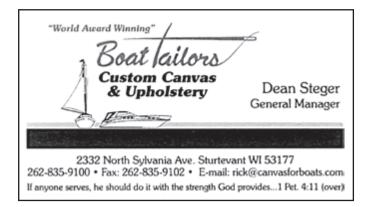


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