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March 2023

Racine Yacht Club

Racine, Wisconsin

Commodore's Report



Happy St. Patrick's Day!

The Luck of the Irish...Let's eat, drink, and be Irish!

Join us on Saturday, March 18, 2023 for a wonderful feast of Corned Beef or Salmon, Cabbage, Potatoes, Carrots, & Irish Soda Bread. Dinner will be served from 5:00 - 7:00 PM. We will also have Irish Piano Music for our entertainment 5:00 - 8:00 PM. Call the office to pre-order/RSVP your dinner option.

Once again our annual shutdown was held in February under the guidance of House Director, Terry Marcus. A special thank you to Jim Metzger who double teamed with Terry.

Terry did an awesome job coordinating all of the projects and doing many of them herself. I'd also like to thank all of the members who came down to scrub polish everything in our Club house.



who may be interested in joining they can fill out the questionnaire on our website, or attend the Membership meeting, which is held the first Thursday of the month at 7PM.

Have you ever wanted to learn to sail? Once again Racine Yacht Club will be offering the Adult Sailing Program. It's also a good course to hone in your sailing skills. The program consists of 4 classroom sessions in May and 4 on-the-water sessions in June. Check out our website for more specifics.

RYC is scheduled to be at Milaeger's Farmer's Market to promote membership and youth sailing on March 12, 19, & 26th 10 - 2 PM, please stop by our booth to say, "Hi!". I looking forward to seeing all of you at the Club; stop down and enjoy your Club.

Amy Cermak

Commodore



Membership Director, Deanna and her husband Matt are busy promoting our Club. If you know someone



RYC News in Brief

RECORDING SECRETARY:

Laurie Hennig

The minutes of the January 12th board meeting approved as written/ corrected.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Greg Miller

Monthly Results

January was a positive month with Net Income of \$5,212 vs. a budget of \$2,263. There were no big surprises in the month.

Annual Results

January marks the end of our fiscal year.

Our Net Income finished +\$42,933 vs. a budget of +\$9,249 creating a budget surplus of \$33,684.

- The biggest driver of revenue vs. 2021 was the increase in membership dues.
- Our revenue from membership increased \$32,993.
- All committees did an excellent job of managing expenses.
- Our major expenditure for the year was the reroofing of the Richter building.
- Total Checking and Savings ended the year with a balance of \$212,190, notably higher than the previous year as we continue saving for expenditures such as dredging and replacing the roof on the clubhouse.

February 3rd Water Levels

Lake Michigan's water level matches its level of a month ago and is 5 inches below a year ago. We are +4 inches above the long term monthly average. Lake Michigan is predicted to hover near its current level next month.

Respectfully submitted,
Greg Miller

COMMODORE'S REPORT:

Amy Cermak

- I wish you all a wonderful Valentine's Day!
- The Club's annual shutdown will begin on February 13th and continue through February 21st. Please check the project list to see if any of the tasks fit your skills.
- On February 19th (10 - 2) RYC will be at the Milaeger's Farmer's Market promoting our Club. Please stop by and say, "Hi!" We will also be there on March 12, 19, & 26 (10 - 2).
- Big shout out to Pier Director, Heather Ellis and her team for managing the ice eaters by keeping a close eye on the weather & ice flow in the Harbor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Cermak, Commodore

OFFICE MANAGER'S REPORT:

Kim Shortess

Adult Sailing has 17 people confirmed and Youth Sailing is filling up.

VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT:

Sean Fox

Last week the marquee TV burned out as it's on 24/7. I'm looking at a new one to purchase as they're not very expensive for what we need it to do.

Shutdown starts Monday, February 13th. Please stop down if you're looking for work or pay hours. There is lots to do and it's a great way to meet other members.

Submitted,
Sean C Fox

REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT:

Aaron Cruthers

Pier: I want to thank Charlie Manning and Heather Ellis who

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 AND TUESDAY CLOSED

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)
Dinner (5PM to 8PM)

SaturdayLunch (11AM to 2PM)

Check most recent E-blasts for Erica's Dining Room hours of operation.

OFFICE HOURS

8 AM until 2 PM M-F

sat down with me this past month to discuss plans for raising and repairing the East Pier. Charlie thought it was reasonable to have the remaining slips up and running this year. Help will be needed! We also will be completing a preliminary dredging survey this spring to help us better understand and estimate our needs for this future project, which will be a significant expense for the Club. To accomplish this, we purchased a Garmin Striker Plus 4 for about \$300. Coordination of this project with the Reefpoint project appears to be the best course of action at this time. However, we are still waiting to hear back from Reefpoint and the City of Racine on their future plans.

Race: Shout out to Steve Gancarz and staff for the great evening at the annual Awards banquet! The turnout was great despite the snowy weather!

If there are any members with input on how to make this event even better in the future, please let Steve know directly. Furthermore, I would encourage membership and racers to support Steve's plan to bring in outside boaters into our racing program for a fee to be determined. Please direct any concerns with this to Steve.

Yard: I gave the approval to renew the Naturescape fertilizer/weed prevention service after review of the contract with Kim and Joyce for 2023. We currently, still have a credit with them. We will reassess in the fall whether to continue this service in the future.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S

REPORT: Deanna Pederson
We have a new Active Membership application from Ron Klement. Deanna made a motion to accept, Danielle Dickert seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

We have one resignation from Josh and Christa Pessin

We will be at Milaeger's on February 19th and we are making new membership folders.

We are also looking to have members submit testimonials on why they like the Yacht Club. This will be on Survey Monkey

HOUSE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Terry Marcus
Current Project
· Shut down will begin February 13 @ 9am.
· Carlson Racine Roofing looked at the roof and says it is in great shape. Leak in hallway ceiling has been fixed.
Projects in Process

·The new hand-washing sink and handless activation equipment in the kitchen is installed. We need to finish installing paper towels and soap dispensers.
·The ceiling tile in the hallway will be replaced as soon as we fix the insulation around the ductwork. The damage to the tile and insulation was caused by a leak in the roof.
·Walk-in freezer door and threshold need to be repaired.
·The beer cooler has developed an issue with the ventilation and is being worked on.
Closed Projects
·Pre-Rinse spray valve replaced in kitchen.

PIER DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Heather Ellis
New slip contract requests have been emailed. A newly completed contract is required for all boats wishing to lease a slip, except those already on a three-year contract. Completed forms should be submitted to Kim Shortess. The ice eaters ran for 20 days so far this winter. Two were pulled out of service and are in need of repair.

YARD DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Joyce Hoffman
* Snow Removal - 10 inches of snow fell during the January 28-29 weekend. Otherwise, the weather has been mild.
* Garden Prep - I am meeting Leon Potter on Feb. 9 to discuss possible resources, especially sourcing native plants. Leon is president of the UW-Extension Master Gardener program and a member of the Wild Ones Garden Club. He is presenting to the Four Seasons Garden Club in Kenosha of which I am a member.
Respectfully Submitted,
Joyce Hoffman
February 9, 2023

RACE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Steve Gancarz
The final event of the 2022 Race season is now complete. Again, I would like to thank everyone who braved the storm and came out to the Awards Banquet. If you didn't make it out, hopefully we will see you there next year. If anyone has pictures that they would like to share, please contact the Race Director via email sgancarz@ymail.com.
Now, on to the 2023 season. The schedule and registration form is now available on the website. Chain has been ordered in order to get the race buoys back out on the race course this year.
Spring is quickly approaching, which means it's time to start thinking about boat maintenance and Race Committee. We are still looking for volunteers for Race Committee and to help get Romey ready for the upcoming season. If you are interested, please contact the Race Director.

ENTERTAINMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Danielle Dickert

We have events scheduled through June and will be looking for volunteers to help with some of the larger events coming up.
Upcoming Events Include:
March
•18th - St Patrick's Day Party
•1st - Improv Night with the 6th street Players
•9th - Easter Brunch
•15th - Mystery Dinner
•22nd - Crew Search Party/ RYC Birthday Bash
•29th - Starbuck Middle School Pancake Fundraiser
May
•5th - Cinco de Mayo Dinner
•6th - Derby Bash

- 14th - Mother's Day Brunch
- 20th - Yard & Dock Day
- 27th - Opening Day & Casino Night
- 28th - Memorial Day Eve Party
- 29th Memorial Day Cook Out June
- RYC 3rd Open House 2 pm - 5 pm
- 24th Tri-Club Party

Keep an eye out for an email from Kim to sign up to volunteer for specific events the week after the shutdown.

Respectfully Submitted,
Danielle Dickert
Entertainment Director

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

By-Laws: No report.

HOOK: We have 4 boats registered and emails will be going out in March to past racers to remind them that registration is open

Adult Sailing Education: No report.

Adult Family Sailing/Cruising:
No report.

RYC Youth Sailing Program:
The summer youth sailing schedule has been finalized, and can be found on the RYC website.

RYC Youth Foundation: All state and federal tax paperwork has been completed and appropriately filed.
Submitted by Robin Poznanski
MWPHRF:

I would like to reach out to all RYC members and let them know it is time to renew your MWPHRF rating certificate for the 2023 season or if you are new to MWPHRF and would like to get a new certificate you can do both by just going on the mwphrf.org website. It is very user friendly and if you have any problems, please feel free to contact myself or John

Kilsdonk, we would be glad to help you. When they ask you your yacht Club affiliation, please fill in Racine Yacht Club, this gives the RYC more counselors by having more boats. The more boats from RYC the more counselors we can have and that gives the RYC more input in voting. It is good for the RYC and MWPHRF. At this month's meeting we looked over provisional ratings and checked to see if they were good ratings for the boat and MWPHRF. We are looking at the whole list of provisional rated boats, this is time consuming. We are also working on a list of contested ratings, there are about 6 of them
In closing I would like to say let's get all our RYC members signed up early and please list your Club as RYC.
Respectfully Submitted,
Rick Hennig

COMMUNICATIONS:

Racine Yacht Club Commodore and Board of Directors
While at the RYC for the 2022 Awards Presentation, Past Commodore John Stanley informed me that he had made a Trophy for presentation to a Hook Race Winner attending the event because the Hook Committee had decided to eliminate all trophies and only award flags.
The "Hook Race" is the RYC's Premier Annual Race event that competes with the CYC's "Mac Race" and has gained stature in that regard the last three years thru positive format changes. The Mac trophies and their formal presentation are a highlight to skippers and crew who compete. The RYC Hook Trophies have also always been honored by the competitors. Over the years I have had the privilege as RYC Race Director, Hook Race Director and RYC Awards Presenter to welcome Hook Racers to our Club

Awards Banquet for their Award presentation. This year we had only one skipper attend, but we also did no invitations or participation promotion as trophies were not provided for some reason.

As a skipper of a racing boat participating for over 30 years in major races, both distant and buoy, I know how important awards are to skippers and their crews. In my opinion, the elimination of Hook Trophies lowers the stature of the race in participant's perception. The individualization of the trophies has always been a problem requiring many trophies to be shipped from our office. This can be eliminated by presenting the trophies at the awards ceremony following the race without skipper and boat name. Included with the trophy could be an order form from the trophy supplier for a plate with skipper and boat name that could be applied by the recipient. When Cathy and I joined the RYC in 1987 we were told it was a sailboat racing Club and learned its proud racing history. We became part of that history. The "Hook Race" is now our Club's only major race. Are we going to let its stature erode? I hope not!

Bob Sample
Past Commodore
Past Race Director
Past Hook Director

Steve will share with the Hook Committee regarding the trophy issue.

A request for a donation to St. Catherine's High School Black & White Ball was received. Laurie Hennig will send them Certificate for a sailboat ride and I will inform Jack and Lynn Landwehr.

Booth at Milaeger's





CHILI COOK OFF



Congratulations to the winners of the 2023 Chili Cook Off!



Kristi May with her
Chicken Chili!

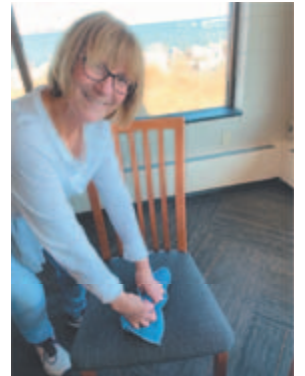


2nd Place
Johnny Frey with his home
smoked Brisket Chili!



3rd Place
Tom & Charlene Melzer with their
garden grown Veggie Chili!

Shutdown...



“My View from the Water,
Our View from the Deck. “



Sarah Pederson, Jeff Shaeffer, Mickey Nielson presenting at the 2023 US Sailing Leadership Forum in St. Petersburg, Florida on Saturday, February 4.



Jeff Shaeffer, Presenting.

We shared with the audience our experience from 2020 with a storm-generated, nighttime person overboard during the Hook Race on Lake Michigan. We discussed the challenges faced and lessons learned.

Racine Yacht Club's St. Patrick's Day Party Saturday, March 18, 2023

Come on down to enjoy an Irish feast, good friends, and great music!

Traditional Irish Feast from 5 – 7PM

Irish Piano Bar Featuring Jess Piano from 5 – 8PM

\$20 for our traditional Irish feast: Corned Beef & Cabbage, Carrots and Potatoes with Irish Soda Bread

\$25 for our Irish Seafood feast: Baked Salmon, Carrots and Potatoes with Irish Soda Bread

Call the Office to reserve your food option! 262-634-8585



If you are aware of any dates or events that should be included in upcoming calendars, please contact the RYC office or e-mail information to the Reef Point editor.

RYC Calendar of Events — March

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Club Opens @ 9:00 Breakfast Served 9AM to 2PM 26	Closed 27	Closed 28	Club Opens @ 11:00 Lunch (11AM to 2PM) Dinner (5PM-8PM) Bunco 6PM 1	Club Opens @4:00 Dinner (5PM-8PM) Karaoke 6PM Prospective New Member Member Meeting 7PM 2	Club Opens @ 11:00 Lunch (11AM to 2PM) Dinner (5PM-8PM) Old Timer's Luncheon - Noon 3	Club Opens at 11AM (Lunch is served at 11AM) 4
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Mark Your Calendar

UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 1 - BUNCO 6PM
- March 2 - Karaoke 6PM
Prospective New Member Meeting 7PM
- March 3 - Old Timer's Luncheon 12 Noon
- March 8 - Bingo
- March 16 - General Membership Meeting 7PM
- March 18 - St Patrick's Day Party - 5PM
- March 22 - Watercolor Painting Class 5:30PM
- March 23 - AFSC Pre-Season Planning Meeting
- April 1 - Over Our Head Improv's RYC Comedy Night
(Sold Out)




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45'	2010	Jeanneau 45DS - Master Suite.....	\$264,900
44'	1984	Midnight Lace Rumrunner 44 - Gatsby Style Reduced..	\$129,900
41'	2023	Jeanneau SO 410 - New Boat in June.....	Call "Captain Ed"
40'	1998	Caliber 40 LRC - Live Your Dream.....	\$179,000
40'	1996	Catalina 400 - Second Home on the water.....	\$154,900
38'	2023	Jeanneau SO 380 - New Boat.....	Call "Captain Ed"
37'	2016	Marlow Hunter 37 - Emphasis on Marlow.....	\$209,900
37'	2004	Jeanneau SO 37 - Flag Blue.....	\$99,900
37'	2003	Dufour Gib' Sea 37 - Bow Thruster.....	\$98,000
37'	1986	Pacific Seacraft Crealock 37 - Ocean ready.....	\$119,900
35'	2020	Boston Whaler 350 Realm - High end.....	\$729,900
35'	2004	Jeanneau 35 - Priced for Quick Sale.....	\$3,900
35'	2004	Catalina 350 MKII - Good Family Boat.....	\$129,900
35'	1997	Beneteau Oceanis 351 - Relax & Enjoy.....	\$64,900
34'	2022	Jeanneau SO 349 - New boat NOW.....	Call "Captain Ed"
34'	2015	Jeanneau SO 349 - Tricked Out.....	\$159,900
33'	1984	Tartan 33 - Extensive Upgrades.....	Reduced \$39,800
31'	2007	Catalina 310 - Family Fun.....	Call "Captain Ed"
26'	2015	Crownline 264 CR - Clean Trade.....	\$84,900
25'	2022	Jeanneau Leader 7.5 WA Series 2 - New Boat.....	Call "Captain Ed"



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56'3"	2023	DUFOUR 56	\$588,735
36'11"	2023	DUFOUR 390	\$431,000
45'8"	2012	Allures 45	\$620,000
41'	2002	Hunter 410	\$119,000
30'9"	2008	Catalina 309	\$79,900
27'	2023	ROBALO 272	\$226,874
23'	2023	ROBALO R230	\$105,795
21'	2022	WALKER BAY -REVO 21	\$122,582
12'	2022	WALKER BAY -GEN 12	\$29,874
46'	2020	DUFOUR 460	\$459,000
44'	1999	GOZZARD	\$294,000
41'	2002	HUNTER 410	\$119,000
33'	1987	CAPITAL	\$19,999
28'	1999	BAYLINER 2655	\$19,995
33'	1988	HUNTER 333	\$19,900
13'	2017	TOPAZ - TOPPER	\$7,900



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