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Racine Yacht Club

Racine, Wisconsin

Commodore's Report



Thank you for attending our Opening Day Ceremony that was held on Saturday, May 28, 2022!

Kurt Lasson led us in a drum roll, the flags were raised on the club's beautiful Yard Arm by Rick Hennig, Ken Fox, Tony Herrmann, Jimmy Rooney, and Jim Rooney.

Member Reverend Joan Fergus provided some inspiring words as she Blessed our Fleet asking for

protection, guidance, good fortune, and safety for all who will go aboard boats to enjoy the beauty of the lake.

One of our solemn traditions is to remember our members who have left us this past year. Family members were presented with an American Flag that was flown over the US Capital and the Racine Yacht Club.

Although they have sailed on, they will always be remembered. We pray that those they left behind find continued strength and support from each other.

- Winona Jansen
- Dolores Hermansen
- Barbie Rench
- Richard Theyerl
- Bob Lafond
- Dale Bennett
- Joan Balthazor
- Paul Tobias

I would like to thank Tiffnee Julian for the beautiful job she did singing the National Anthem. The choir under the direction of Dianne Luedtke did a great job too! The singers were Tiffnee Julian, John Connell, Jean Veltman, Beth Pramme, Rosa Flegel, Quin Rench, Ken & Diane Luedtke, and Gary Hendrickson. Thank you! Safety has always been paramount at Racine Yacht Club! The Sheriff on Water Patrol said a few words about safety. He reminded us we are all part of the team to look out and help fellow boaters. Contact members Don and Linda Day, from the US Power Squadron to get a courtesy safety check for your boat.

I am very proud of the City of Racine, for taking steps toward promoting water safety and a quicker response time to water emergencies.

As you can see, on the Northside of our Main Pier the fire department's dive team has a boat ready for action. They are not taking up a usable slip, they have purchased a Jet Dock that is tied off of our pier. The boat is able to drive up on the dock to keep it out of the water when it is not in use. They plan to do Dive trainings 3 days



during each month 9am-12 NOON. There are no plans to train on RYC grounds, their goal is to simply grab the boat and go. They know we have a small parking lot and are conscientious of parking when they are doing training. In an emergency situation, well; it's an emergency!

I believe that this is good public relations for the Racine Yacht Club and we may be able to contribute to saving a life. Their goal is to be a good neighbor, and they are thankful for this opportunity!

Captain Bedros Ohanian addressed the crow and spoke about the dive team's boat that will be kept at the Yacht Club.

Boating season is here! Our season is short, take every opportunity to get out on the water. Tuesday night we will have laser racing, so dig out your laser and join the find



Wednesday night racing is in full swing. Race director, Steve Gancarz has been making plans for a great season.

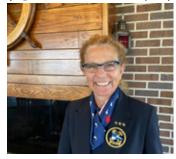
Thursday night (5:30) beginning on 6/2 and every other Saturday (9:30)

beginning on 6/25 the Adult Family Sail/Cruising group plans to be out on the water sailing, power boating, or paddling. Meet on the patio.

Don Day will lead a group on a cruise to Port Washington June 10-12. Contact Susan Maxwell or Don Day to learn more. It's a wonderful way to meet new members.

Youth sailing classes begin on June 13, 2022. Watch for the kids in the parking lot, please use extra caution as you drive through. I am thrilled that Maddie Lyon will again be our Head Sailing Instructor. Richie Trott is back and will be teaching the advanced sailing class. In addition we have Sarah Mercer, Leah Hansen, & Isaac Schultz.

Sail Grand Prix is coming to Chicago June 18-19, 2022. There are 10 teams and they will race 50ft foiling catamarans. Each team is paired with a youth sailing program. Racine Yacht Club is very lucky to be partnered with the Swiss team.



Keep an eye out for the eblasts with details of how you can be part of the fun.

I am looking forward to seeing you out on the water. Best wishes for a safe season!

Amy Cermak, Commodore

SUMMER HOURS OPEN:

Monday /Tuesday / Thursday at 4PM Wednesday / Friday at 11AM Saturday / Sunday at 9AM

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RYC News in Brief

RECORDING SECRETARY:

Carol Stanley

The minutes of the April 14, 2022 board meeting approved as emailed. Joyce brought up a question on release forms to use RYC's watercraft. Discussion followed: Isn't there a form signed when we joined the club? Should there be a form signed annually? Any postings on the bulletin board about liability? If a family member under 18 is using the equipment should their parent be on property? We need to enforce PFD's being used. Members have seen kayaks and paddleboards being used without the person on board wearing a PFD. Sean will look into a yearly liability release form

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Frank Randall

We continue to do well this year with an adjusted income of \$18,441 for the month and \$59,587 for the year to date. Kim was able to transfer \$100,000 to savings as yearly dues are coming in. The \$18,000 plus cost for re- roofing the Richter building will impact our bottom line next month. The board has done an excellent job of limiting expenses. Our current savings account balance of \$220,357 is as high as it has been in the last ten years. The current high inflation rate will increase expenses for the club as the year progresses.

The water level of Lake Michigan is rising quite rapidly. It has gone up five inches in the last month and is now only six inches below the level last year at this time. Dredging should not be necessary this year!

COMMODORE'S REPORT:

Amy Cermak

Opening Day will be held on May 28,2022 @ 10:00 sharp.

I would like to thank Ken Luedtke for flying all of the memorial flags on the Yacht Club yardarm. These flags were flown over the US Capitol on April 6, 2022.

I am very proud of the City/County of Racine, they are taking steps toward promoting water safety and quicker response time to water emergencies. Southwest of the RYC entrance sign by the bike trail the city has poured a concrete slab that is fenced in. That area will be used for the new motorized RIB that the lifeguards will use. The deployment details are being worked out. The Fire Department is putting together a video to promote water safety. They did their filming on the beach, it looked like Hollywood! I have also seen many school groups last fall and this Spring conducting water safety programs on the beach.

There is some controversy concerning the Fire Department dive team's RIB being kept at RYC. Last fall the Fire Department approached me to ask if it would be a possibility, when I brought it to the attention of the board I received no opposition. They have purchased a Jet Dock to hold the RIB; it is currently on the Northside of our Main Pier. They are not taking up a usable slip. They plan to do Dive trainings 3 days during each month 9am-12 NOON. There are no plans to train on RYC grounds, their goal is to simply grab the boat and go. They know we have a small parking lot and are conscientious of parking when they are doing training. In an emergency situation, well; it's an emergency! I believe that this is good public relations for the Racine Yacht Club and we may be able to contribute to saving a life. Their goal is to be a good neighbor, and they are thankful for this opportunity! I would like to thank and commend Joyce Hoffman for purchasing and installing the Ring Buoy on the Northside of our club house last Summer. It's great we are working together to assure our waterfront is as safe as possible.

Discussion followed: Some members don't think the RYC dock is the best location for the Fire Dept. boat and having them here could be disrupted to members and events. Heather mentioned

Meetings/Club Hours

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

See this month's calendar on page 4 for additional coming events:

June

2 7:00pm New Member Night 9 6:00pm Board Meeting

CURRENT CLUB OPENINGS

Monday /Tuesday / Thursday at 4PM
Wednesday / Friday at 11AM
Saturday / Sunday at 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)				
Saturday	Lunch (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

they will not be hanging around, will not be using power and will have no access to the club. They will be training in the

mornings during the week.

Also, it was mentioned last fall that since the city added life rings to the pier, maybe we could move ours from the north end of the building to near the crane. There is a lot of activity by the crane with launching boats and the kids climbing in and out of their boats. The life ring was used twice last year so maybe just add a 2nd one by the crane and leave the one on the north end.



News in Brief. cont'd

OFFICE MANAGER'S REPORT: Kim Shortess

No report

VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT: Sean Fox

A few weeks ago Frank sent the long term planning committee a survey that was done in 2010. After some discussion, I think this would be a great exercise to do again. Not only will it greatly help the long term planning committee see what members' views are, it will provide members with a voice on various issues. I will be working on updating the survey questions and hopefully have it out to members in June.

The goal is to show our findings at the September general membership meeting. Also at that meeting I'd like to provide a detailed report on capital improvements that will be done and that are being looked at by the directors/ long term planning committee.

REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT: Rob Jossart

No report

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S

REPORT: Theresa Rooney
Applications to vote on:
Active: Susan & Jerry Greenfield

Louise Tomasek

Associate:

Hannelore Artiomow

Changes

Assoc to Inactive:

Richard Phannenstill

Resignation, Senior:

Herb & Judy Kehlstrom

Frank moved (Rob 2nd) to accept applications and changes to our membership. Passed

Open House will be held on Saturday June 4th from 2 PM to 5 PM. It will be advertised on social media. Invites will be sent to those who showed interest at the Mileagers events and Riverside's Open House.

HOUSE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Robin Posnanski

Current Project 8 to 10 bar chairs were taken to be overhauled before summer. Projects in Process

Replacement of current dishes at no cost to the club.

Closed Projects

The damage to the beer cool floor by our vendor is resolved. Once again Rick Henning and family have paid for the aluminum to be placed on the floor and Rick Cermak installed everything. I cannot thank these men and the Henning family enough.

PIER DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Heather Ellis

Pier Maintenance/ Projects

- Dennis Barclay assisted with the delivery of the floating piers.
- Fred Stritt, Mark Lukow, and Charlie Manning moved and installed the dingy dock.
- Dennis Barclay and Stacey Ellis finished the installation of the fire suppression pipe on the East pier.
- Stacey Ellis fixed the broken water line on the west side of the west pier and turned the water on.
- Projects in no specific order (work or pay opportunities):
- · repairing several fingers on the east pier
- · repairing ice damaged rebar on west pier
- lowering fingers on an as needed basis and adding stairs to lowered fingers
- · adding railing to upper east pier
- · adding a ramp down to lower east pier
- redecking lower east pier
- · electrical repair on west pier
- beam replacement on main pier
- broken electrical conduit replacement
- rerouting water lines that were installed through the bar joists of several fingers on west pier
- · lifting the fallen end of the east dock

We have a big list and will get done what we can. All slips have water and electric. 2 slips need work and 1 finger pier needs to be lowered. We would like to work to get more slips out of the east pier.

- Slip Rentals
- Currently have 44 filled slips (3 are for club boats) and 6 open slips.

YARD DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Joyce Hoffman

- * Richter Building Waukesha Roofing has installed a new roof on the garage. Estimated total cost is \$18,332 which includes extra shingles to re-roof the pavilion and bulletin board/electrical panel.
- * Equipment Replacement parts were purchased for the Star crane (new chain) and 2 pressure washers. A new 3-ton floor jack replaces the leaky 5-ton jack.
- * Patio Furnishings Many thanks to Linda and Sean Fox for donating a fire pit table and 2 heaters in honor of Michael Fox.
- * Sand Removal Thanks to Charlie and Mary Manning for removing sand from the parking lot. Thanks to Scott Posnanski for use of his bobcat.
- * Coyotes More coyotes have been spotted on the beach and RYC grounds. Take caution walking dogs.
- * Summer Yard Help I am still looking for teens to work in the yard for pay this summer (June to August).

Discussion: With adding a fire table, do we need more chairs? When the wood burning fire pit was near the flag pole, members carried chairs back and forth from the patio. Joyce will be looking into getting more plastic chairs and pricing more metal furniture. More metal chairs or umbrellas were not budgeted for this year.

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RACE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Steve

Currently we only have one boat registered for the Wednesday Night Series. Just a reminder for anyone wishing to race that if registrations are not received by Sunday May 22, a late fee will apply to your registration.

Replacement race markers are supposed to ship out next week.

We still need to launch our race markers once they are received. Unfortunately, it does not look like Fred Stritt will be able to assist in doing this with the Tow Boat any longer. So I will be looking for volunteers to assist in this once the race marks come in.

I am looking for a Boat Captain to take over the care and maintenance of Romey for the season. The unkindly spring has put many of the boat projects behind, so Romey is in desperate need of someone that can take charge of these projects. Look forward to seeing everyone out on the water this summer!

ENTERTAINMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Kurt Lasson

Rolling on with the Rock here at Racine Yacht Club we have:

Saturday May 28th Opening Day at 2 p.m. Piano Man Stan.

Open House Saturday June 4th. 2 p.m. we have Judson Brown & Company. Saturday June 18th, the Tri-Club at 5 p.m. here at Racine Yacht Club Charles and Company. They play: Motown, dance music, Temptations, Nina Simone and Standard Jazz tunes. Get your tickets quickly we are limited to 100 tickets. The Hook Race Saturday July 16th. The Kaptain at 2:30 p.m. and then Club favorite, Sammy Ray on the patio 5 p.m. I am working out Fourth of July weekend details now.

Let's have some fun. Goodtimes have begun!

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

By-Laws:

Hook:

Adult Sailing Education:

Adult Family Sailing/Cruising: Carol reported: Saturday May 14th we will be cooking for the crew launching boats. Sunday May 15th Sarah Pederson will be speaking on "Accidentally in Charge" Everyone is welcome. Monday May 23rd there will be a program about kayaking. June 12th weekend we are cruising to Port Washington. We are raffling off a diamond painting of the club at Open House. Kim is putting together a waiver for the Port Washington cruise. RYC Youth Sailing Program: Sail Grand Prix is coming to Chicago June 18-19, 2022. These are 50 foot foiling catamarans. SailGP exists to make our sport better and use it as a platform for a better planet. The RYC youth sailing program has been chosen to participate in a behind the scenes tour of the catamarans, VIP viewing, and 2 youth will race the RS Feva boat (not a foiling cat). Ten youth programs have been paired with the teams. RYC is paired with the Swiss team! The first race on the Sail GP circuit is this weekend, May 14-15, 2022 in Bermuda. We need to cheer for the Swiss team. Their second race will be in Chicago. The circuit only is racing in 2 cities in the US, Chicago and San Francisco. We are fortunate to be involved! Check out their website sailgp.com

RYC Youth Foundation:
Midwest PHRF: Rick Hennig:
> LMPHRF is now MWPHRF due to
the Detroit area boats joining our group.
> This is a good thing as it increases the
size of our group making it about
1000 boats strong. MWPHRF is the
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of all rating systems out there for any kind of boat. I would like to be sure any of our RYC boats that are racing with a roller furler use the MWLMPHRF roller furler credit

> The only thing you need is an above deck roller furler and you will receive a 3 a mile credit. MWPHRF is still the best value rating system out there. Its working better now than it ever has. See you out there

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

COMMUNICATIONS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

On Friday, May 7, 2022 Life member James (Jim) Rooney was presented with, Distinguished Service Award given by Governor Tommy Thompson. This high honor shows commendable effort and strong character for those determined enough to strive toward it. In the absence of Tommy Thompson, Commodore Amy Cermak and Tony Herrmann presented the prestigious award. Congratulations, Jim Rooney!

FOR THE GOOD OF THE CLUB: OFF WATCH:

Several members have tested positive for Covid. Please stay healthy.

The board meeting adjourned at 1857 hours.

Respectfully submitted, Carol Stanley Recording Secretary

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 — June - July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Club Opens @ 9:00 Breakfast (9AM to 2PM)	Club Opens @ 11:00 MEMORIAL DAY	Club Opens @4:00 Adult Sail On-the -Water Season 1	Club Opens @ 11:00 Lunch (11AM to 2PM) Dinner (5PM-8PM) Wednesday Night Races	Club Opens @4:00 Dinner (5PM-8PM) AFSC THURSDAY 5:30PM KARAOKE 6PM Prospective New Member	Club Opens @ 11:00 Lunch (11AM to 2PM) Dinner (SPM-8PM) Old Timers Lunch 12 NOON	Club Opens 4 @ 11:00 Lunch (11AM to 2PM) RYC OPEN HOUSE 2 – 5PM
Club Opens @ 9:00 Breakfast (9AM to 2PM)	Club Opens @4:00	Club Opens @4:00 Adult Sailing on the Water BUNCO 6PM	Club Opens @11:00 Lunch (11AM to 2PM) Dinner (5PM-8PM) Wednesday Night Races	G/4:00 Opens @4:00 Dinner (5PM-8PM) LMSS DBL Handed Race AFSC THURSDAY 5:30PM Board Meeting 6PM	Club Opens @ 11:00 Lunch (11AM to 2PM) Dinner (5PM-8PM) AFSC Port Washington Pirate Cruise	Club Opens @ 11:00 Lunch (11AM to 2PM) AFSC Port Washington Pirate Cruise
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Club Opens @ 9:00 Breakfast (9AM to 2PM) Father's Day Pursuit Race TBA	Club Opens @4:00	Club Opens @4:00 Adult Sailing on the Water Youth Tuesday Night Races	Club Opens 22 @11:00 Lunch (11AM to 2PM) Dinner (5PM-8PM) Wednesday Night Races	Club Opens 23 @4:00 Dinner (5PM-8PM) AFSC THURSDAY 5:30PM	Club Opens 24 @ 11:00 Lunch (11AM to 2PM) Dinner (5PM-8PM)	Club Opens @ 11:00 Lunch (11AM to 2PM)
Club Opens 26 @ 9:00 Breakfast (9AM to 2PM)	Club Opens @4:00	Club Opens @4:00 Adult Sailing on the Water Youth Tuesday Night Races	Club Opens 29 @11:00 Lunch (11AM to 2PM) Dinner (5PM-8PM) Wednesday Night Races	Club Opens @4:00 Dinner (5PM-8PM) AFSC THURSDAY 5:30PM	Club Opens 31 @ 11:00 Lunch (11AM to 2PM) Dinner (5PM-8PM)	Club Opens 11:00 Lunch (11AM to 2PM)

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OPENING DAY VISION AND NEW SEASON BLESSING

Below is the vision that came up for me for the Opening Day Ceremony and as a Blessing to all and the New Sailing; Boating Season. It may be just what you want for you, friends, family and the Club.

VISION: GREATEST YOU CAN IMAGINE FOR AFSC RYC

Let's all get out and get in all the sailing; power and paddling boating that we want, have the most fun and enjoyment, and the best sailing; boating experiences.

And let's all do that together as a family or community; socializing, enjoying the camaraderie and friendships, and having a wonderful time

Making AFSC (Adult Family Sailing/Cruising) Thursdays and Bi-Weekly Saturdays Sailing; Boating a part of our sailing; boating plans and calendar; when you and I go out sailing; power or paddling boating (2022 Calendar https://tinyurl.com/afscdocs)

1 NON and PAST-BOATOWNERS and Families get to $\underline{ao\ out}$ Sailing; Power and Paddling Boating and

2 BOAT OWNERS of any sail, power or paddling boat can

A Have any crew, company and boating with others they want and B Help Non and Past-Boatowners and Families get out Sailing; Boating

With AFSC connecting; bringing 1 and 2 together.

Plus AFSC has what you want/need the most for your sailing; boating. For example:

- 9 member AFSC Leaders, Veterans; "Dream Team"
- ◆ 26 Topics to Learn to Sail and Pass Club Sailboat Qualification https://tinyurl.com/afscdocs Resource Box and Docs
- ♦ 13 ways for How to Learn Improve Sailing Note 3 & 4.
- ◆ 16 ways to have Fun Learn Practice Sailing
- ♦ BOA Boat Owner Assistance

Now, What's your vision, mission or purpose for Adult and Family Boating---Sailing; Power and Paddling Boating at the Club?

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