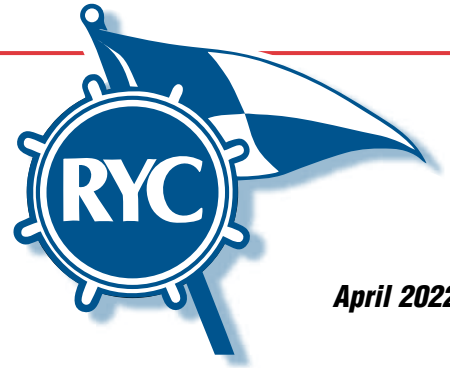


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April 2022

Racine Yacht Club

Racine, Wisconsin

## Commodore's Report

Hello Spring!



Spring has arrived, the ice in the harbor is gone and the snow has melted. The birds are singing and the grass is turning green. These are all great signs!

Pier Director, Heather Ellis and her team have been out on the pier all winter diligently managing the ice eaters and assessing the winter damage. Heather is putting together a pier work team, if you are interested, please contact Heather Ellis (262-880-9570 or heatherlellis@yahoo.com). Skilled trades are helpful (building, welding, electrical, plumbing) but not required. Heather welcomes anyone and it is a great way to meet people and contribute to your club.



I love Wisconsin weather, one thing for sure is that it is unpredictable. One day it is sunny and beautiful and the next day we have snow showers. Our launch day is scheduled for May 14, 2022. Boats on our dry sail area all need bottom painting and possibly polish on the hull. Monitor the weather closely, gather all of your supplies and take advantage of any warm day that comes along. You never know what the weather in May will bring.

The Birthday Bash for RYC will be April 16, 2022. RYC will celebrate 106 years! and 50 years in our current club house! Entertainment Director, Kurt has a great Birthday Party planned.

Earlier in the day the Racine Yacht Club will be at the Racine Zoo for Eggstravaganza! We will be selling memberships and promoting our Youth Sailing Program. Your children won't want to miss this fun event.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the club.

Smooth sailing,

*Commodore Amy*



### SPRING CLUB HOURS

CLOSED Monday

11:00 - Close Wed/Fri/Sat 4:00 - Close Tuesday, Thursday

9:00 - Close Sunday

Check most recent E-blasts for Erica's Dining Room Hours!

## RYC News in Brief

From the March board meeting minutes:

From **Treasurer Frank Randall:**

- The books are not closed for February, so this is just a snapshot of the ongoing accounts. I will email a final report when the books are closed.
- Lake Michigan went down an inch during the last month and is currently seventeen inches below last year. The Corp of Engineers thinks we are at the seasonal low level and will rise an inch during the next month.
- Question was asked: How do we determine when we dredge? When boats start hitting bottom. Mark Lukow has done depth tests in the past and Fred Stritt has side scan sonar. He found where some of the rocks had fallen and can do depth readings.

From **Commodore Amy Cermak:**

- A big "Thank You" goes to Kurt Lasson for organizing the RYC Thoughts for Food Karaoke and food drive. A special "Thanks" also goes to our members for their generous donations of non-perishable items for the Racine Food Bank.

From **Office Manager Kim Shortess:**

- Thank you to the members for their condolences in the loss of my father-in-law.

From **Vice Commodore Sean Fox:**

- Looking at dates for our next long term planning meeting, end of this month or early April. We'll be focusing on prioritizing tasks and getting a cost associated with each of them.
- Discussion on heat as sometimes members complain how cold it is in the dining room: If the furnace is turned off, it seems to be warmer. Let the boilers do the work. If the auto is on for the furnace, sometimes it is just the fan running and not heat. The furnace supplements the boilers. We have 3 zones set at 72 degrees. The cold air returns are close to the heat ducts. (We will have Robin look into this).

From **Rear Commodore Rob Jossart:**

- Overall, pier system and yard made it through winter pretty well. Lower water levels and moderate snowfall helped. Preparations are in place for upcoming racing season. Hoping to add a few boats to racing this summer.
- Discussion of spreading out the races as

the HOOK and Regatta are both in July and September is the Blue Nose. We have nothing for August. Steve would like to keep the August series going and not have a regatta in the middle of the series. Leave the regatta where it is this year and look at the dates next year. August 19th is the singlehanded. Kurt might plan something for that weekend.

From **Membership Secretary Theresa Rooney:**

	In County	Out of County	Total
ACTIVE, +30	68	38	106
ACTIVE, -30	0	0	0
SENIOR	53	13	66
LIFE	24	4	28
ASSOCIATE	51	17	68
NRES	0	18	18
	196	90	286
	73%	28%	

VOTING: 200      NON VOTING: 86

- Active to Senior: Ken & Sue Fox  
Assoc to Inactive: Christiane Ratzka  
Assoc to Resign: Mark Conrad  
Theresa moved (Sean 2nd) to accept changes in membership. Passed.  
New member Applications:  
Associate: Jennifer Harding  
Board voted per email to accept Jennifer Harding's application.
- Weekend pass postcards will be available behind the bar for current members to give out to perspective members. Please promote the club to family, friends and those interested in enjoying all the benefits the RYC offers. The postcards are good for one weekend to the club with a phone call to the office first (so we can let the bar staff know to ask for the postcards and ID.)
- I have appointed Kristi May as my chairperson. She sat in on a new member meeting and I am very thankful for her help and sailing knowledge.
- At the March membership meeting I asked those in attendance to come to me with any concerns they may hear about the dues increase from other members. I am willing to listen to all members on their concerns and/or ideas they have. I can be reached at 262-498-7143 or trooney321@gmail.com
- The membership team had several great ideas for marketing the RYC including marketing to business. More to follow in the near future.

## 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:**

### April

- 7 7:00pm New Member Night
- 14 6:00pm Board Meeting
- 21 General Membership Meeting

### May

- 5 7:00pm New Member Night
- 12 6:00pm Board Meeting
- 19 General Membership Meeting

### CURRENT CLUB OPENINGS

Mon. CLOSED

Tues., Thurs. – 4PM

Weds., Fri., Sat. – 11AM\*

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

Wed., Fri. Lunch ..... 11:00-2:00

Wed. Thur. Fri. Dinner ..... 5:00-8:00

Sunday Breakfast..... 9:00-2:00

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

**OFFICE HOURS 8 AM until 2 PM M-F**

From **House Director Robin Posnanski**

- **Current Projects**  
Fix beer floor – Miller will be paying for the damage to be replaced
- The Beer cooler assessed value is \$20,000

From **Pier Director Heather Ellis:**

- **Pier Maintenance/Repairs**  
Ice eaters YTD run time- 46 days. Hopefully, we won't need to turn them back on until next year.
- We'll be reaching out for Spring project volunteers soon. There's a great group already identified but we could always use more. Skilled trades help (building, welding, electrical, plumbing) is very helpful but not required. Anyone interested should contact Heather Ellis.
- **Slip Rentals**  
Expecting 41 filled slips (2 are for club boats) and 8 open slips.

From **Yard Director Joyce Hoffman:**

- A reminder that launch is May 14; Spring Yard & Dock Day - May 21.

**Visit RYC's Website at [www.racineyachtclub.org](http://www.racineyachtclub.org)**

for the most up-to-date information, events and race results.

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## News in Brief, cont'd

- **Snow/Ice Removal:** Feest Enterprises has been paid \$1,750 to date to plow and salt the parking lot. Salting, which was not done much in the past two years because of flooding, accounts for half of that cost.
- Thanks go to Brandon Ellis, Mike Freitag, Jack Landwehr, Chuck and Brittany Caley, and Chad and Mary Faulds for shoveling around the clubhouse.
- **Recycling Dumpster:** Opaque plastic bags filled with trash are fouling the recycling dumpster. STOP! WM charges us a fee for contaminating the recycling. Discussion followed: If the staff are the ones dumping these bags in the recycling dumpster, Erica should pay the charges. Amy will speak with Erica and Robin about this.
- **Pressure Washer:** If anyone has a reliable pressure washer to donate to RYC, contact Joyce.

### From Race Director Steve Gancarz:

- Wednesday Night NOR and the 2022 registration are now available on the Racing Webpage and in the Clubhouse.
- There is an increase in the season racing fee from \$175 to \$200 this year. The fee for new racers remains at \$150. Get your registrations in for the 2022 racing season.

### From Entertainment Director Kurt Lason:

- Well, good old first Thursdays are a lot of fun and during all that "Fun" I mentioned to the crowd how Thoughts for Food bailed out this year as far as live performance goes.
- After a few boos and hisses I said, microphone in hand, "Let's have a Karaoke show this Saturday" Of course that's the night that all the bands are supposed to play. I honestly really didn't think anybody paid attention but they did and we had an amazing turnout. I think just about anybody who has ever sang from our Club on first Thursdays showed up and then some. The show started at 5 p.m. and ended at midnight. I noticed that a lot of members brought in canned goods and from what I understand we passed around the red bucket and there was a lot of generous giving. So we did our part for Thoughts For Food. The donation bucket has been picked up. The box of food is still in the coat room. We will check and make sure that is picked up.
- St Patrick's Day Bash will be on Saturday the 19th. The band is set with Sideshow and should be very entertaining. Chefs, servers, clean-up everyone is on deck and ready to do their job.
- Looking forward to Saturday, April 16th the 50 year Anniversary of RYC's building! Lining up the fun for that –

should be a great night. Also a full moon...

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **By-Laws:** *Nothing to report.*
- **HOOK:** 15 boats are registered with 4 doing the Super HOOK. Kim asked about PHRF ratings as she has helped a member with registration. Some rules have changed. If you have any questions you can contact Rick Hennig.
- **Adult Family Sailing/Cruising:** Next meeting is March 24th with a program on Sail Trim by Gary Hendrickson. Gary has been giving splicing lessons to a few members. Susan Maxwell is selling squares for a raffle to be drawn at the April Bingo night. The furler has been assembled. We have received two sail quotes. There was a \$1000 donation from an anonymous donor. We thank that person very much.
- **RYC Youth Sailing Program:** The summer sailing camp registration is open and actively signing kids up for sailing camp.
- **RYC Youth Foundation:** *No report*

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

*None*

### COMMUNICATIONS:

*None*

### FOR THE GOOD OF THE CLUB

*None*



*Navigator – Surfin' USA*

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 — April-May

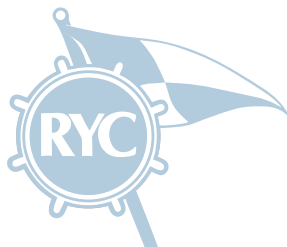
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Club Opens @ 9:00 <b>10</b> Breakfast (9AM to 2PM)	CLUB CLOSED <b>11</b>	Club Opens @ 4:00 <b>12</b>	Club Opens @ 11:00 <b>13</b> Lunch (11AM to 2PM) Dinner (5PM-8PM) TEXAS HOLD 'EM	Club Opens @ 4:00 <b>14</b> Dinner (5PM-8PM) Board Meeting - 6:00	Club Opens @ 11:00 <b>15</b> Lunch (11AM to 2PM) Dinner (5PM-8PM)	Club Opens @ 9:00 <b>16</b> Lunch (11AM to 2PM) RYC 50th Anniversary Party of the Building
Club Opens @ 9:00 <b>17</b> EASTER Sunday Brunch	CLUB CLOSED <b>18</b>	Club Opens @ 4:00 <b>19</b>	Club Opens @ 11:00 <b>20</b> Lunch (11AM to 2PM) Dinner (5PM-8PM) BINGO	Club Opens @ 4:00 <b>21</b> General Membership Meeting 7PM	Club Opens @ 11:00 <b>22</b> Lunch (11AM to 2PM) Dinner (5PM-8PM)	Club Opens @ 11:00 <b>23</b> Lunch (11AM to 2PM)
Club Opens @ 9:00 <b>24</b> Breakfast (9AM to 2PM)	CLUB CLOSED <b>25</b>	Club Opens @ 4:00 <b>26</b>	Club Opens @ 11:00 <b>27</b> Lunch (11AM to 2PM) Dinner (5PM-8PM)	Club Opens @ 4:00 <b>28</b> Dinner (5PM-8PM) AFSC 2022 Pre-Season Meeting 6 pm	Club Opens @ 11:00 <b>29</b> Lunch (11AM to 2PM) Dinner (5PM-8PM)	Club Opens @ 11:00 <b>30</b> Lunch (11AM to 2PM)
Club Opens @ 9:00 <b>1</b> Breakfast (9AM to 2PM)  <b>May</b>	CLUB CLOSED <b>2</b>	Club Opens @ 4:00 <b>3</b>	Club Opens @ 11:00 <b>4</b> Lunch (11AM to 2PM) Dinner (5PM-8PM)	Club Opens @ 4:00 <b>5</b> Dinner (5PM-8PM)	Club Opens @ 11:00 <b>6</b> Lunch (11AM to 2PM) Dinner (5PM-8PM) OLD TIMER'S LUNCH - NOON	Club Opens @ 11:00 <b>7</b> Lunch (11AM to 2PM)

### Mark Your Calendar

#### Upcoming Entertainment/Events

APR 6: BUNCO  
 APR 7: Karaoke  
 Prospective New Mbr Meeting  
 APR 13: Texas Hold 'Em  
 APR 16: RYC 50th Anniversary Party  
 APR 17: EASTER Sunday Brunch  
 APR 20: BINGO

APR 21: General Membership Meeting  
 APR 28: AFSC Pre-season Meeting  
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Join us at 5:30 pm AFSC THURSDAYS (starting 6/2) Sailing; Power and Paddling Boating

9:30 am AFSC BI-WEEKLY SATURDAYS (starting 6/11) Sailing; Power and Paddling

Boating & Cruising/Destination Sailing; Powerboating from Kenosha across the Lake. Could we bring paddlers along to kayak/canoe where we go?

See the latest, updated AFSC Calendar in <https://tinyurl.com/afscdocs>

Therefore, all Non-boat owners interested in sailing; power and paddling boating, and 2 Sail, Power and Paddling Boat owners of any kind or size are invited!

Plan on doing or making Thursdays and Bi-Weekly Saturdays a part of your boating and put the dates in their Calendar. Thank you!

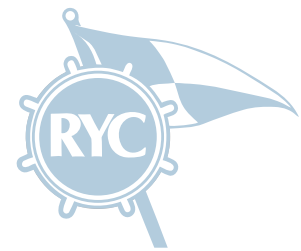
Non-boat owners, families (Grandchildren too) and former-boat owners can go sailing; power or paddling boating just about any time they want.

2 Sail, Power and Paddling boat owners can have any crew they want and help non-boat

owners, families and former boat owners get out sailing; power and paddling boating. And 3 AFSC can match up and put the two together.

Contact Randy at (847) 809-4821 or [randy@maxfulfillment.com](mailto:randy@maxfulfillment.com) now - don't wait to have the sailing; power and paddling boating you and your whole family want! Thank You!

See AFSC Info/Fact Sheet Members Only (in <https://tinyurl.com/afscdocs>) for more information and details.



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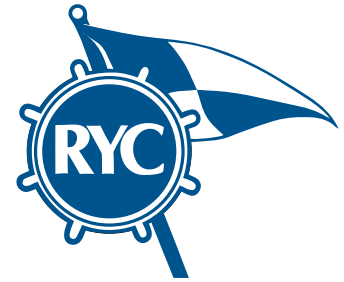
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