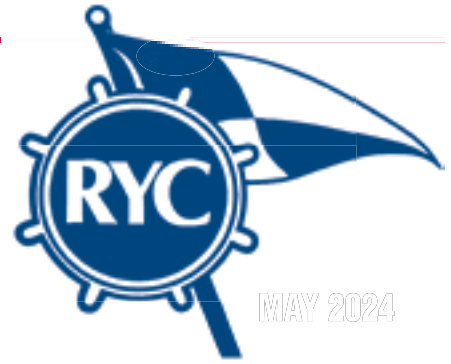

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*"For the encouragement and promotion of yachting
and the creation of spirit of good fellowship..."*
(RYC Constitution, Article II)



Racine Yacht Club

Racine, Wisconsin

COMMODORE'S REPORT



**Please join us for the
Time-Honored Opening Day
Ceremony at Racine Yacht Club.**

**Saturday, May 25, 2024,
11 AM Sharp on the Patio**

Racine Yacht Club is proud to announce our much-anticipated Opening Day Ceremony and Blessing of the Fleet, a cherished tradition celebrating 108 years of yachting and camaraderie. Set sail with us on Saturday, May 25th at 11 AM sharp on the RYC Patio (weather permitting) as we gather to pay tribute to our rich heritage and honor those who have passed away in the past year. During this solemn yet uplifting ceremony, families of our departed members will be presented with a special US flag, one that has flown proudly over the US capital and our very own RYC yardarm. It is a poignant moment to reflect on the memories shared and the legacy left by our loved ones.

In addition to commemorating our history this year holds special significance as we extend honorary memberships to two exceptional individuals who have made invaluable contributions to our Club. Join us in recognizing and thanking Past Commodore John and his wife, Lorry Murphy, as well as Dick and Barbara Salisbury, for their unwavering dedication and support.

As we embark on a new boating season, safety remains paramount. We urge all members to wear their life jackets and adhere to boating regulations to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience on our beautiful Lake Michigan.

Let's come together to celebrate the spirit of yachting,

friendship, and community at Racine Yacht Club's Opening Day Ceremony. Here's to a fantastic summer filled with unforgettable moments on and off the water.

See you there!

Amy Cermak
Commodore



Opening Day Saturday, May 25th 2024

Come & enjoy the fellowship and camaraderie the entire day at your Club!

- 11am Opening Ceremony on the outside patio
- 11am – 5pm NEW RYC Spring 2024 Apparel Debut
- 11am – 2pm Special Lunch Menu
- Noon – 2pm Informal Modeling of NEW Spring Apparel
- 3pm – 7pm "Happy Hour" Specials
- Save \$1 off any tap beer and save \$1 off any hard seltzers
- 3pm – 7pm Special "Quick Bites" Menu
- 4pm – 7pm Live Music
- 5pm – FREE Raffle Baskets Drawing

RYC News in Brief

RECORDING SECRETARY:

Laurie Hennig

The minutes of the March 14, 2024 board meeting approved as written/corrected.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Financial Results

We are now 2 months into our fiscal year with YTD net income ~\$4,300 above 2023 and \$7,700 above 2022. Revenues are slightly higher and expenses are slightly lower.

There was no extraordinary activity in March, outside of budget timing, which will catch up by the end of the fiscal year.

Treasurer Topics

I have been in contact with BMO Investment Services to explore if a CD ladder would be appropriate and offer more financial flexibility with our reserves. A decision will be made in the next 60 days after we have a better understanding of our cash flow forecast.

Respectfully submitted,
Greg Miller

COMMODORE'S REPORT:

Amy Cermak

Congratulations to Erica and her team for a well-done Easter Breakfast.

There are many activities planned; check out the calendar and make some plans.

May 25th is Opening Day. Please plan to attend.

Respectfully submitted,
Commodore Amy

OFFICE MANAGER'S REPORT:

Kim Shortess
Not Present

VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT: Sean Fox

If you haven't peeked at the new family bathroom, definitely do so. It's looking great and moving along quickly. Big thank you to Jim Rooney Jr., Todd Knop and Rick Cermak for spearheading the project.

Summer is just around the corner, Dani and the entertainment team have a lot of events coming up! Keep an eye on the calendar. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the Club as the weather gets nicer.

Submitted,
Sean C Fox

REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT: Aaron Cruthers

I have reached out to Michaels, McMullen and Pitz, and Mid American Group this past month to look at future dredging needs and budgetary estimates. McMullen and Pitz said they no longer do hydraulic dredging any longer and recommended Mid American Group for our needs. They said Michaels had also purchased some smaller operations in the area and mentioned that a lot of people have gotten out of the dredging business recently so options are going to be more limited than before. I will be forwarding historical data and survey information this month for preliminary review and needs assessment. All said permitting will take 3-4 months. More to come.

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 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)

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

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT: Deanna Pederson

New Member Application
Associate: William Haakenson

Active to Senior
Joseph & Susan Racine
Fred Stritt

Active to Non Resident
Mel & Jane Hurtubise

Active to Inactive
Bryn & Patricia Williams

Assoc. to Inactive
Jacqueline Sieracki

Resignations
Assoc: Garrett & Leah Kohel
Jim & Maria Aceto
Senior: Ira Kahoun (Deceased)

Heather Ellis makes the motion and Sean Fox seconds the motion to accept all membership additions and changes

Honorary Memberships
John and Lori Murphy

Motion made by Bill Halliday and seconded by Danielle Dickert to approve. Motion passed.

Steve Gancarz abstained, he feels it should be brought up at the membership meeting

Dick and Barb Salisbury

Motion made by Danielle Dickert and seconded by Bill Halliday to approve. Motion passed. Steve Gancarz abstained, he feels it should be brought up at the membership meeting.

HOUSE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:
Terry Marcus

We are looking into getting a new freezer.

PIER DIRECTOR'S REPORT:
Heather Ellis

The Water Patrol delivered the floating docks this week. The final spring preparations will be underway soon.

The piling in slip 20 was removed thanks to Charlie Manning and Rick Rowinski. This will free-up the T dock for transient boats and make slip 20 more flexible.

Lake Michigan rose 2 inches in the last month and is consistent with the April long term average.

Respectfully Submitted,
Heather Ellis

YARD DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Bill Halliday

Not much in the past month. I will go over the lawn equipment to make sure it is in good working order. Get the snowblower set for the summer, I would hope we will not be needing that again this year. Start setting up for the launch.

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Halliday

RACE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Steve Gancarz

Winter is over and the racing season is quickly approaching along with the warmer weather. Registration is open for this season. This year's registration form and NORs are available on the website and are posted on the board in the Club. Don't forget your PHRF certificate and Proof of Insurance showing the dates of coverage and Liability in the amount of \$300,000 or more.

Are you interested in racing your sailboat or just want to learn some of the basic rules for racing. Join us on May 8th at 1800 for a short Introduction to Racing presentation, given by our own John Stanley. Training will be followed by this year's PHRF Skipper meeting. Come out and join us to kick off this year's racing.

We will also be having a Race Committee meeting on May 1st @ 1800. If you are a current Race Committee member or are interested in becoming a member of the Race Committee come on down to kick off this year's season. For those that may be interested in

joining the Race Committee, check out the Join the Race Committee flyer online at https://www.racineyachtClub.org/s/join-the_race-committee-2019.pdf.

We are also looking for volunteers to help get the Race Committee boats ready for the season. If you are looking for work or pay hours and would like to spend some time getting the boats ready, contact Race Director Steve Gancarz at sgancarz@gmail.com or call/text 847-494-8595.

**ENTERTAINMENT
DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**
Danielle Dickert

I would like to send a big shout-out to Terri Stanley for putting together another amazing event featuring the 6th Street Players! We have many more exciting events coming up as the season approaches, as well as more live music coming back to our lawn with the warmer weather. Keep an eye out for our RYC emails, fliers, Facebook posts, and RYC website for event times and specifics.

Upcoming Spring Events:

- Saturday - April 13th - RYC Open House and Crew Search Party
 - o 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
 - o Live Music by Jennifer Wutt
- Sunday April 14th - Cribbage Tournament
 - o Begins at 1:00 pm
- Thursday, May 2nd - Karaoke with Kurt
 - o 6:00 - 9:00 pm
- Saturday, May 4th -

- Derby Day Party
- o Live Music Before and after the race with Matt Story
 - o Appetizers during the Race
- Sunday, May 12th -
Mother's Day Brunch
- o Special Menu by Erica's Catering
 - o Pianist Steve Levin 9:30 - 12:30
 - Sunday, May 26th -
Memorial Day Eve Party
 - o Live Music by From Any Angle
5:00 - 8:00

If you are interested in attending the next Entertainment Committee meeting to plan our late summer and fall events our next meeting is Wednesday, May 22nd, at 6:00 p.m. at the RYC. Due to the start of the racing session the following Wednesday we are meeting a week earlier than we normally would.

If you have any questions about any of the events or wish to get some work-or-pay hours in by volunteering for any events please contact Kim,

Respectfully submitted,
Dani Dickert

STAFF COMMODORE'S REPORT:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

By-Laws:

Hook:

The HOOK now has 48 boats registered

Adult Sailing Education:

Adult Family Sailing/Cruising:
April 13 Sat. 12:30 pm Lunch; 1:30 pm Presentation

NAVIGATION: CHARTS AND RULES

Captain Jim Mentor; Leader

April 13 4 pm OPEN HOUSE
AFSC table for All Sailing & Boating:

Sailing & Cruising and Powerboating & Paddle Sports

April 20 Sat. 3 - 6 pm
AFSC FUNDRAISER BOAT PARTS SALE

Carol Stanley Mentor; Leader

April 25 Thurs. 6 pm

- BOAT MAINTENANCE AND PREPARATION for Launch
- BOA (Boat Owner Assistance)
- RIGGING

RYC Youth Sailing Program:
We are actively registering youth for Summer Camp, sign up your neighbor, niece/nephew or grandchild.

RYC Youth Foundation:
The Foundation is actively taking donations. We would like to purchase a new Opti and a trailer to transport our Opti, 420 and Lasers to regattas.

Also, we will be at Case High School this Saturday, the 13th from 9:00 - 1:00

MWPHRF:

Our next meeting is April 16h.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

COMMUNICATIONS:

We are looking for someone who would like to manage the RYC Members Facebook page.

NEW BUSINESS:

RLamps will be having their next presentation on May 6th. The presentation will be about the Kate Kelley sunken ship off of Wind Point.

Greg Miller proposed posting the 1-page budget summary on the Members Only section of the Club website. Consistent to all previous years, the budget is not posted in our hallway where it would be accessible to the general public.

Also, Work or Pay hours can now be found on the Members Only section on the Club website.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE Club:

OFF WATCH:

Bryn Williams

Sean Fox made the motion to adjourn, Greg Miller seconded the motion, motion passed. The board meeting adjourned at 1915 hours.

Respectfully submitted,
Laurie Hennig
Recording Secretary



Pursuit Racing on Lake Michigan?

Are you interested in racing your sailboat, but don't like the idea of several boats trying to squeeze in on a tight starting line? Don't like the fast pace of racing around the buoys? Work too late, or too far from the yacht Club to make the Wednesday night series? Have problems finding enough crew? Well, Racine Yacht Club may have the answer for you.

If you are an east coast sailor you may be familiar with pursuit racing, but around the Great Lakes, you don't hear that term very often. Racine Yacht Club has a weekend pursuit series that runs one race a month during the racing season. We alternate between Saturday and Sunday and plan the course based on a two to four hour duration. So, what is pursuit racing, and what makes it so different?

In a pursuit race, we get rid of that crowded start line. As a matter of fact we even get rid of the race committee boat and the race committee. We take PHRF racing and turn it on its head. Instead of calculating a corrected time after the finish of the race to see who wins, we correct that time at the start of the race.

We set the course distance and then use your PHRF Time on Distance rating to calculate your corrected time, based on the scratch boat. That corrected time is then used to give you a head start. The slowest boat(s) start first. If you are the only boat with that PHRF rating, you start all by yourself. The rest of the fleet then progressively starts their race based on their PHRF rating, until the scratch boat finally starts last. This is where the pursuit comes in. Every boat is now

pursuing the leader, because in this race, first to finish wins!

But seriously, even if those reasons listed above haven't stopped you from racing, maybe adding the pursuit series to your racing schedule could still benefit you and or your crew. This is a great way to get the crew out and practice. It's a great way to hone your trimming and driving skills, because nobody has in the back of their mind that our rating should help us win.

It's also great for the shorthanded sailing community. It alleviates the need for the large crew required to get around the buoys. It takes that long distance racing and brings it

down in scale a bit for a great way to practice. And lastly, it's a great way to introduce your friends and family to sailboat racing without the pressures of fast paced buoy racing or the long grueling distance race.

If this sounds like something for you, check out the Racine Yacht Club website for more details and to register for this year's Pursuit Series.

<https://www.racineyachtClub.org/about>

Stephen Gancarz
Race Director, Racine Yacht Club

Racine Yacht Club Mother's Day Breakfast



We will be celebrating the mothers in our lives with good food and special entertainment.

Erica will be providing a special menu.

Sunday, May 12th
9:00 am - 2:00 pm



Steve Levin will provide live music for our special ladies on the piano from 9:30 - 12:30



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 — May

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Club Opens @ 9:00 Breakfast Served 9AM to 2PM 28	CLOSED 29	CLOSED 30	Club Opens @ 11:00 Lunch (11AM to 2PM) Dinner (5PM-8PM) BUNCO 6PM 1	Club Opens @4:00 Dinner (5PM-8PM) KARAOKE 7PM PROSPECTIVE NEW MEMBER MEETING 7PM 2	Club Opens @11:00 Lunch (11AM to 2PM) Dinner (5PM-8PM) OLD TIMER'S LUNCH NOON 3	Club Opens @ 9AM Lunch (11AM to 2PM) KENTUCKY DERBY PARTY 4PM 4
Club Opens @ 9:00 Breakfast Served 9AM to 2PM ADULT SAIL ORIENTATION 2PM 5	CLOSED RLAMPS KATE KELLY PRESENTATION 6:30PM 6	Club Opens @4:00 1ST ADULT SAIL CLASS 5:30 7	Club Opens @11:00 Lunch (11AM to 2PM) Dinner (5PM-8PM) INTRO TO RACING SKIPPER'S MEETING 6PM 8	Club Opens @4:00 Dinner (5PM-8PM) 9	Club Opens @11:00 Lunch (11AM to 2PM) Dinner (5PM-8PM) 10	Club Opens @ 9AM Lunch (11AM to 2PM) LAUNCH 7AM 11
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Mark Your Calendar

UPCOMING EVENTS

- MAY 1 - Bunco 6PM
- MAY 2 - Karaoke 7PM
- Prospective New Member Meeting 7PM
- MAY 3 - OLD TIMER's Lunch Noon
- MAY 4 - Kentucky Derby Party
- MAY 5 - Adult Sail Orientation 2PM
- MAY 6 - rLAMPS Kate Kelly Presentation 6:30PM
- MAY 7 - 1st Adult Sail Class 5:30
- MAY 8 - Intro to Racing Skipper's Meeting 6PM
- MAY 11 - LAUNCH 7AM
- MAY 12 - Mother's Day Breakfast 9AM to 2PM
- MAY 14 - 2nd Adult Sail Class 5:30PM
- MAY 15 - BINGO 6PM
- MAY 16 - General Membership Meeting 7PM
- MAY 18 - Yard & Dock Day 9AM
- May 21 - 3rd Adult Sail Class 5:30
- MAY 22 - Watercolor Introduction 5:30
- MAY 23 - AFSC Kickoff in Clubhouse 5:30
- MAY 25 - OPENING DAY 11AM
- MAY 26 - Memorial Day Music 4PM - 7PM
- MAY 27 - Memorial Day - Club OPENS at 11AM
- MAY 28 - 4th Adult Sail Class 5:30
- MAY 29 - 1st Wednesday Night Race First Start 6PM
- MAY 30 - AFSC Sailing 5:30PM

**Racine Lighthouse and Maritime
Preservation Society
"RLAMPS"
Presents
An In-Person and Virtual Education Night**

**The Kate Kelly
By: Ron Luttrell**

Learn about one of Racine's most
famous shipwrecks

**May 6th — 6:30 PM
At Racine Yacht Club
(1 Barker St) &
On a Device* Near You**

RSVP's are required to receive the link to stream the Program on
YouTube and are highly suggested for In-person.
RSVP by email to: RSVP@RLAMPS.ORG (preferred).
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YEAR	LOA (FT.)	MODEL	PRICE\$
2024	48'9"	DUFOUR 470	850,000
2024	36'11"	DUFOUR 390	460,657
2023	35'4"	DUFOUR 37	364,999
2023	27'4"	ROBALO 272	226,874
2023	27'6"	ROBALO 270	238,569
2023	26'6"	ROBALO 266 CAYMAN	177,669
2023	24'6"	ROBALO 246 CAYMAN	131,114
2023	21'6"	ROBALO 222 EX - Blue	95,925
2023	21'6"	ROBALO R222 - White	89,200
2023	17'2"	WALKER BAY - GEN 525	59,497
2023	16'1"	WALKER BAY - VENTURE 16	49,660
2022	12'	WALKER BAY - GEN 12	29,874
2023	10'5"	WALKER BAY - GEN 10 LTE	23,820
2023	11'10"	GALA - A360L	25,525
2023	10'10"	GALA - V330	22,040



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