

The Bullshiplog

Newsletter of the Rockford Yacht Club



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Meeting Location: Harlem Township Hall
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Meeting: Monday, March 19th, 7:00

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Program: Ann & Preston's Big Adventure -
A small craft on a long voyage through our nation's
waterways.

March food to be provided by Ruth & Harley.

Thanks to Marty & Linda O'Connor and Brian Black
for the January meeting food.

Commodore's Corner

Hello All! We had a great turnout at the February get
together at Deli Italia. The food, music and company
was wonderful. I would like to thank John Cappitelli
for the extra touches he added.

Spring is upon us. The ice is melting and everything
is thawing out. So much so that Sam and I had a
water main break right in front of our house. We
could have sailed in our front yard and down the
street!

Now is the time to plan and set your calendars for
this year's flotillas. I also know Allen is looking for
volunteers to help with some of the Taste of Sail
events as well. Plan on discussing this at the meeting
and I look forward to seeing you all !

Sincerely,

Evans Walker
Commodore - RYC

Leftovers

January guest speakers were Tony Polemarkis of The Avionics
Place who gave a presentation on GPS and Bill Schwartz of
the Rockford Sail & Power Squadron - a training program was
beginning Jan. 22nd. We discussed embroidered logos that
Judy Wehner brought as samples. Strictly Sail arrangements
briefly discussed. Valentines event planning.

Very few members are signed up to receive our email listing
"Let's Go Sailing" through Google Groups.

As the season is upon us, register for the group to be aware of
who is sailing where and when. This will make it easier for
you to find crew, other boats, or to be crew. The idea is sim-
ple, write a message to the group and everyone gets the mes-
sage. No need to sit down and make a bunch of phone calls. I
have seen the power of this in how the iceboaters use it - when
good ice and 30 boats suddenly appeared on Lake Wingra De-
cember 9th for an awesome day of sailing. We can use it in
the same way. Contact me at apenticoff@insighbb.com if
you have any questions about getting on the group list. It
costs nothing and does not cause any outside junk mail or ad-
vertising.

Also, I recently had a very good experience with a shop over
near Woodbine, IL. that repaired my outboard for a very rea-
sonable price. Tim Lynn @ 815-858-3734. Good to work with
- difficult to find!. I can provide more info if you are in need
of any outboard repairs.

Allen

Flotilla Nuze

Things are shaping up for our "icebreaker" or "polar bear" sail
at Lake Clinton the weekend of March 24th and 25th. At least
two boats are planning to be there - weather permitting. This
is the best time to sail Lake Clinton - March & April - before
the power boats begin to swarm. If you can, April is espe-
cially nice when the birds begin mating - the woods are full of
their songs. Contact Allen @ 815-985-1108 cell.