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# The Bullship Log

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Monthly Meeting  
Harlem Township Hall  
Monday - June 20 @ 7:00 p.m.

## Taste of Sail 2016

Please remember to come out and help in any way you can to make this year's Taste of Sail run smoothly. Try to wear something that identifies you as a member of RYC, so that visitors feel welcomed and supported by an enthusiastic and viable club. If you can't skipper a boat, you can still help with rigging, launching, docking and boarding crew members. You can also support our guest greeting and passenger scheduling staff.

## Upcoming Events:

6/18/2016  
**TASTE OF SAIL**  
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
Pierce Lake  
Rock Cut State Park

7/23/2016  
**ANNUAL RYC PICNIC**  
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
Bay View Shelter  
Lunch at Noon.  
Hopefully sail before and after

## Ice Breaker Sail 2016 ~Joe Rittner

Recent weather delayed getting boats ready for the first scheduled Geneva Lake sail on May 21<sup>st</sup>. However, six boats did participate in the sail with a total of 23 sailors from the Rockford Yacht Club and the Northwest Sailing Assoc. John Kochanski from the RYC joined us with his Precision 18 with Bruce Lombardo and Preston Aylesworth as crew. John Morris with his San Juan 21 and Joe Rittner with his MacGregor 25, members of both clubs, along with three other boats, a Montgomery 15, an O'Day DS and a MacGregor 26 hosted the rest of the NWSA crew.

It was only in the last two days that three of the six boats became available to make the sail possible. Winds were variable throughout the day. The Lake Geneva Yacht Club had the first of their many scow races for the weekend. We saw one of the E scows capsize in the distance. John Morris got even a closer view as he was among some of the scow stragglers during one of the buoy races.

All boats tied up at the Williams Bay piers for lunch and most of the sailors also got together for dinner at Gordy's in Fontana.

It was a great day for sailing. Thanks to all the skippers especially John Kochanski and John Morris for their participation. Hopefully more RYC skippers and crew will participate in future sails. [...See photos below](#)

## Commodore's Corner

Ahoy

I am really looking forward to doing some sailing this weekend at A Taste of Sail. Ruth and I did not get in our usual Memorial Day Weekend sail as we just returned from a two week trip out west. So I've only sailed once this year, reviewing Jim Pardee's Slipper 17 with Burnie Turner. We had an incident that resulted in the mast falling back as we pulled the boat up the ramp. But little damage happened fortunately. It's not been fixed, or I'd have brought it to ATAS.

Right now I have a smattering of people signed up to sail with us. We'll try to coax passerby onto the boats. Very few from the Boat Vacation and Fishing show signed up despite much interest at the show. Although among those who are signed up are some very interested in learning to sail or obtain a boat. We can afford to spend some extra time with them.

And since we have some available slots and if you have not been out sailing in awhile – come join us for the party and go out and feel the sheets and the tiller once again. Get those juices flowing.

So hope to see you at the waterfront this Saturday one way or another. We'll be there from about 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Commodore Allen

