

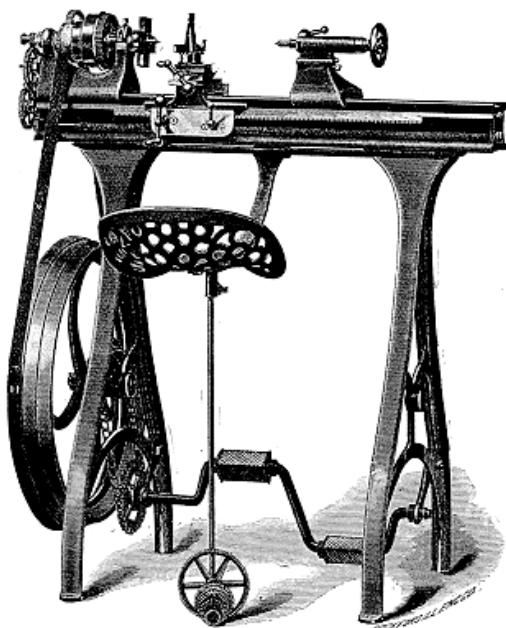
The Bullship Log

Monthly Meeting
Harlem Township Hall
Monday - August 15 @ 7:00 p.m.



Meeting Program **#RockfordDay 8.15**

In celebration of the first annual Rockford Day, RYC member Marty O'Connor will share a short presentation on his collection of antique foot-powered lathes. These machines were produced by W.F. & John Barnes Co, located on the Rock River at 300 S Water St, just south of Walnut St, beginning in the 19th century.



Commodores Corner

Ahoy RYC

Our last meeting was well attended. We started with a single round table and soon had to form a second ring of chairs around it. We heard much in the way of recent sailing adventures. Good food too.

For this meeting, a short program will be by Marty O'Connor about his pedal lathe and his "collection." Should be interesting.

As for us, we've been paddling more than sailing. But I did get out sailing one beautiful afternoon with Deb Askelton for another sailing lesson. Been some other days I wish I was sailing – but found other fun things to do, like go flying, instead.

With the July and August heat and humidity it has been hard to think much about an activity that involves sitting in the sun – so we are really looking forward to the cooler days of September and October to get some good sailing in.

Friends of RYC – Tom and Sandy Wells, Tartan 37 owners from Mark Twain Lake Sailing Association, have cast off their earthly ties and gone for pure live aboard cruising on their yacht "Higher Porpoise." Before anything, they refit the Tartan by having Larsen Marine in Waukegan sawing off the keel and putting a large cast bulb on it to reduce the draft from 6 feet 7 inches down to 5 feet so they can have a "Florida" boat. They plan to float about in the Charlotte Harbor area once they reach Florida after a trip out of the Great Lakes via the Erie Canal. You can follow their adventure on their blog at: <http://www.sailblogs.com/member/wellshp> I suggest you start from the beginning with reading the "older" reports first. It won't take long to catch up.

See you at the meeting Monday night.

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