Dec 2017 Newsletter

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Monday - Dec 18th

Commodore's Corner

Ahoy Sailors!

It's December but there is lots of sailing going on in this world. I downloaded an application for the phone called sailing news. There is news from all over the world. A lot of it is racing but there are other discussions on it. If you install it on your phone set it up for the last 24 hours and you get all the latest stories. Some of the latest are the foiling mono hull concept for the 36th Americas Cup. A man trying to break the round the world solo record, A couple of new sailing movies called The Mercy (about Donald Crowhurst) and Lines to Hawaii. Lines to Hawaii is about a couple of surfers on a sailboat that stop at a bunch of little islands to surf places people have not surfed before. Maybe we could plan to see one of these as a club. Try out the app if you can.

Looks like the officers for the club will remain the same for next year. Thank you to all the officers willing to take on the role again. Also thank you to all of our cooperative club members who help out when needed. Without members willing to cooperate so smoothly with one another, things like Taste of Sail would not happen or be such a delight for the people that participate.

See you on Monday the 18th for the annual Rockford Yacht Club Christmas party at Thunder Bay Grill , 7652 Potawatomi Trail, Rockford , IL 6:30 Cocktails — 7:00 Dinner Bring you sailing stories of misadventure for the Capt. Ron Award. Also think of who has contributed to the club this year for member of the year. Looks like the party should have a good turnout once again.

Merry Christmas,

Commodore Brian

End of the year note on finances:

A request was made to the club for a donation to the Toys for Kids program.

Toys for Kids helps families in need with kids from infants to 13.

RYC donated \$125.00 this year to Harlem Township to help with the Toys for Kids drive. The club appreciates the use of the Harlem Township Hall and this will brighten a needy child's Christmas.

Don't forget dues are due again for next year (Only \$30.00 per household) and can be paid to Rockford Yacht Club by contacting our Purser Ray Olson. Thanks Ray!

The financial sustainability of the club is good with expenses this year at around \$130.00 less than dues taken in.