
The Bullship Log

March Meeting

—Canceled—

Room is unavailable due to use for early voting



Reminder that 2020 dues are due
Please pay \$30 (per individual or family) at
the April Meeting, or mail to: Brian Black
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Roscoe IL 61073

COMMODORE BILL'S CORNER

Sailing Magazines. Do you love 'em or hate 'em? -- I can't decide for myself!

I subscribe to several sailing magazines. Some are large, glossy, fun to look at and fun to read. Some have a much more hands-on approach to sailing and maintaining a sailboat. Some seem to specialize in the fix-it-yourself article that I usually eye with a raised brow. Some focus on boats for the yachters on the coasts; they leave me both a bit envious and wondering if the well-dressed people hiking over the rails really know how to sail. Some focus on chartering and foreign destinations; they always attract my attention. Almost all have pictures of boats for sale in the back of the magazine that also attract attention; people I know call those pages "sailboat porn!"

However, those magazines that I love dearly can also pile up in the corners of my home waiting to be read, so in my desire to declutter I decided to end a few subscriptions. I sat down to sort it out with a large pile of unread sailing magazines. After careful sorting and reflection, *none* of the subscriptions was an easy rejection. I next decided to read a few representative articles of each magazine and then cancel the ones that didn't "bring me joy," ala Marie Kondo. Yet, as I read each of them in turn, I found I liked them all, albeit for different reasons. Again, no subscription was easier to cancel than any other was.

What should be done? Well so far, until I find a better solution, it's "keep them all and make more room for next month's magazines!" How do you feel about your sailing magazine subscriptions?

Meeting Recap: February 17, 2020

Call to Order

Three officers present.

Are there any visitors tonight?

No visitors were present.

Are there any new members

tonight?

No new members were present.

Pursers/Membership Report

The board met, and confirmed that Brian Black has been approved by the Rockford Yacht Club board to transact all treasurer duties, including paying and signing checks. Also to include depositing club dues, paying club bills, paying approved financial functions, keeping a spreadsheet of transactions on club software, and reporting financial balance of the checking account at monthly club meetings.

Committee Reports

Activities Captain

No report was given

Flotilla Captain

No report was given

Signal Officer

Not present: No report was given

Despite relatively mild temperatures, February offered little to brighten the skies, foreshadowing the sadness of losing a beloved, long-time RYC member, Dave Tarrant on Feb 19, 2020, and another friend of our club, Mark Twain Lake sailor, Tom Wells just two days later. How fitting that Dave married someone named Joy, because whether or not he was accompanied by his better half, his generosity and ever-present sense of humor always brought "joy" to those around him. He will be missed.

Dave and Joy Tarrant's Florida address:

**2250 SR 80 W #28
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