



# RAM ISLAND YACHT CLUB

## NEWSLETTER

16 July 2017

### Commodore's Message – Matt Curtiss

I hope everyone is having an enjoyable early summer season. The club is now in full swing with multiple Thursday night picnics under our belts; junior sailing members attending regattas and the club is full use.

Thanks to all who attended the Celebration of Life for our Trustee, Rhoda Hopkins Root.

Another special thank you to Past Commodore Joe Callaghan for his donation to the club of a brass Herreshoff-style Signal cannon. A plaque will be attached to the carriage of the cannon inscribed with "RHODA". Expect to see this nice addition to the club at future RIYC events.

### Report from the Entertainment Committee – Amy Leger

The Entertainment Committee would like to remind everyone of our *Under the Sea - A Whale of a Party* on Saturday, July 22. Please check your email for the sign-up gene as we are also seeking volunteers to assist with the Aug 12 event as well.

A reminder to all members that last year we purchased a high output ice machine for club events and for the personal use of our members. When you use this ice, you must place a few dollars in the box each time. The machine was expensive and the electricity to keep it running has a cost. Hopefully, this friendly reminder will encourage everyone who uses the ice to place money in the box so we are not forced to put a lock on it and make it available to club sponsored events only. Thank you for your cooperation.

Thursday Night Cookouts are in full swing! If you like coming to the cookouts, but don't like to cook your own food, we have arranged food trucks for the following dates:

- Thursday, July 20th: Big Belly Kelly's BBQ
- Thursday, August 10th: The Bridge Market Burger Bar

### Report from the Junior Program – Peter Bergendahl

Junior Sailing is in full swing. We have 8 more students than last year, and have also added a Thursday morning advanced Opti class. You have probably noticed the Opti racks are quite full, as well as the land storage. Though it may occasionally feel congested, it is a wonderful thing!

The children are learning a lot - the morning beginner groups are getting comfortable on the water, and the afternoon kids are honing their skills. We recently added a TV upstairs so the kids can view coaching videos and also have playback of their own progress. We feel that feedback will be a great tool to help them advance their boat handling skills.

**Commodore:** Matthew J. Curtiss  
**Vice Commodore:** Gareth C Annino  
**Rear Commodore:** T. Blake Powell  
**Secretary:** Lorna H. Conahan  
**Treasurer:** Mary Giblin  
**Trustees:**

Peter E. Bergendahl  
Amy Leger  
Matt Lettrich  
Robin Lockwood Hall  
John McCrea  
Tina McLoughlin  
Sandy Turner  
John M. (Mac) Turner  
Kathy Parker  
Joan Sienkiewicz  
Moise Solomon  
Stan White

**Dockmaster:** Danny Spear  
**Yardmaster:** Mark Entwistle  
**Fleet Captain:** Stan White  
**Merchandise:** Janice Scott

### Upcoming Events

July 22<sup>nd</sup> – Midsummer Night Party  
July 25<sup>th</sup> – Austin LaFrance Opti Regatta  
August 5<sup>th</sup> – Quad Party  
August 10 – Jr. Sailing Awards Night  
August 12<sup>th</sup> – Dress Ship Party  
August 19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup> – RIYC Invitational Race

### Rentals Coordinator - Chuck Chorlton

July 23  
August 2<sup>rd</sup>  
October 20<sup>th</sup>

Red Blue Jay for sale! Hull in good shape, Good Sails, rig, need cosmetics: \$250. will deliver to immediate area. **All proceeds to**

#### **Jr. Sailing**

Contact Mary Giblin:  
mgiblin@sbcglobal.net

Santiago has added an additional level of skill of that complements our core group of coaches extremely well.

Please reach out to us with any questions or comments.

### **Report from the Race Committee**

Race Afloat (Robin Hall): We are getting organized and looking forward to a great Race day! Our RIYC Invitational Race will be held on Sunday, August 20th. It is never to late to help out so please let Robin Hall know if you are interested in joining our crew - this includes our Jr. club members! As we all know, it takes all members to make our events a success so GET INVOLVED and help where you can!

Race Ashore (Joan Sienkiewicz): Each year, Ram Island Yacht Club sponsors the RIYC Invitational Regatta which is not only our ECSA event but it is our chance to showcase our club and club spirit to the racing community. One of the items identified on the dues bill each year is the \$10 contribution requested from all members to ensure we have funds able to provide a great day for all participants. If a member doesn't contribute, they traditionally are expected to provide deviled eggs or cookies/dessert. The Race Ashore Committee contacts them. Thank you to all who have contributed this year to making Race Day a success. For those who haven't contributed, the committee will be contacting you.

### **Report from the House Committee – Mac Turner**

No report this month

### **Report from the Waterfront Committee – Stan White**

No issues or concerns to report this month.

### **Treasurer's Message – Mary Giblin**

Current Account Balances:

- Checking Account: \$142,174.00
- Ames Fund: \$ 8,752.00

June Major Expenses Paid:

- Mercury 90 Outboard \$11,396.00
- Commercial Insurance \$23,568.00

Upcoming Expenses for July will include:

- Real Estate Taxes
- Personal Property Taxes
- Flood Insurance

### **Resignations**

### **New Members**

### **Cruise News – Stan White**

Fall Cruise Planning: September 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>

Shelter Island YC (09/08) with dinner available at the Shelter Island Yacht Club  
Three Mile Harbor (09/09) Cocktails on LARK 17:00 – 19:00. Contact SIYC directly for a mooring.