

THE HUNTER HAILER



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HUNTER SAILING ASSOCIATION



THE COMMODORE'S SPOT

This is winter, but spring will soon be here. Several weeks ago, we watched the Super Bowl. In the morning, prior to the game, we were fortunate enough to enjoy time at the Lazy River here in Naples, FL. During the game, we received a phone call from our daughter in Mundelein, IL. She said that it was snowing. It seems that we missed over two feet of snow. We hope most of you were able to get away for some time this winter too.

Just remember that summer is just around the corner. Summer in the Chicago area is far better than any winter in Florida. We're looking forward to cleaning, waxing and launching the boat. But most of all, we know that we are all anticipating that first sail of the season.

Our first activity of the boating season is the spring meeting and barbecue. It is scheduled for May 16, 2015 at 5:00 pm at Racine Riverside Marine. Hope you all can take some time from boat preparations to get together and have some fun.

Our premier activity of the year is Rendezvous. It will be July 24-26, 2015 at South Shore Yacht Club, Milwaukee, WI. There will be plenty of slips and docking for all of our boats. As usual, we will gather on Friday night. We can grill out or you may choose to have dinner at the yacht club or at a nearby restaurant. Saturday night, we will have dinner and karaoke. Sunday after breakfast, return to our home ports or begin our annual cruising vacation.

If you haven't paid your annual membership dues, please send them in as soon as possible. This is a fun social organization. We're looking forward to seeing everyone at the meetings. Thank all of you for your participation. Visit our website for updates on our activities.

HAPPY BOATING
Tom and Sonja Wiora

Upcoming Events

Spring Meeting: Sat.
May 16, 2015. Meeting begins at 5:00 pm, Barbecue to follow. Racine Riverside Marine Clubhouse, Racine WI

Summer Rendezvous:
July 24-26, 2015 at South Shore Yacht Club, 2300 East Nock St. Milwaukee



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NEW MEMBERS!

During and after the Strictly Sail Show in Chicago we were very happy to generate a number of new and rejoining members. We extend a very warm Lake Michigan Hunter Sailing Association welcome to all of the following!! If I don't have the name of your boat listed, my apologies as this is all the info I have at this time.

Michael and Jennifer Abt of S/V Stella Maris

Stephen and Tamara Kos Hanig of S/V Whatever You Want

Betty and Steve Lazerow of S/V Cetacea

Carl Ostermann

Will and Debra Gilmore Pooley of S/V Nauti Puff

Brad and Valerie Rederer of S/V Sweet Liberty II

James and Jane Stewart

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

Spring Meeting, May 16, 2015

As usual, right while you are bottom painting, waxing and otherwise working on launching your boat, or maybe after you have completed all of the necessary tasks and are finally relaxing on board somewhere, we are having our Spring Meeting. As always, we meet in the **Racine Riverside Clubhouse**. This year's event starts at 5:00 pm. After all have gathered and settled down a bit we will have a presentation by Bob and Carol Kunath covering "Stray Voltage" on your boat. I wish I could have found some of that on mine, I may have sailed faster. Shortly after the presentation, we will be served a great barbecue prepared by some interesting cooks from LMHSA!. So be ready to put away all those brushes, rollers and rags and come on over to the clubhouse for some good information, great food, and even greater friendship. Who knows, you may find some of those stray volts laying around.

The **Summer Hunter Rendezvous** comes next and will be held this year at **South Shore Yacht Club** in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The dates are July 24 thru the 26th. As every year, this is our key event for LMHSA and Marlow-Hunter and we are looking forward to seeing you.

We will have plenty of slips available for our members so plan on coming on your boat but as always, this isn't necessary. We will have more information on this as we get closer so keep watch on your devices for emails containing notices and info. Also, be thinking about that Post-Rendezvous cruise destination. We'll be looking for some ideas for places to go. Our past trips and destinations, mostly across the lake, have been fun for all. Visit SSYC.org for a look at their facilities and directions if needed.



STRICTLY SAIL SHOW...

The Strictly Sail Show in Chicago was a great success again. Reports from members indicate that McCormick Place is a much better, roomier place to have the show than Navy Pier. I only have one written report to share with you however; this one from Rip and Marybeth Edmundson. Like many of us, Rip likes to visit the seminars and got some good information from them. He writes...

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Marybeth and I spent three days at the show. We stayed at the Hyatt Regency at McCormick Place. We spent Friday looking at all the boats (sailboats). There were very few people at the show and we did not have to wait in line to see any boat. I did not see anything exciting. The smaller Beneteau's are very cheap looking inside. The cabin sole looks like plywood. The interior of the Hunter 37 is HUGE! We went on it and then went on three of the other brand 40 footers and they did not seem to have more space inside.

Saturday, was seminar day. We tend toward technique and experience seminars. We feel like we get our money's worth just in the seminars. We met an LMHSA group at Paisano's Pizza for a looong dinner.

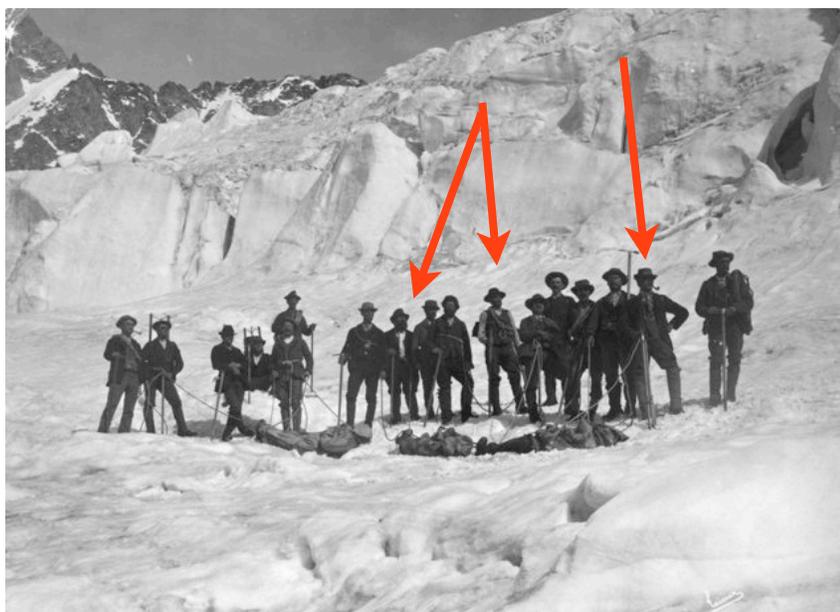
Sunday, we opened our booth and caught up with Lynn and the gang from Racine Riverside at the Marlow Hunter desk. They were setting up a TV for the Packer game. After our shift, another crew took over and we took in two more seminars.

We did walk around the power boat and RV area of the show a couple of times. When sales people came up to us, they were always surprised to find out that we were just curious sailors. A show manager asked us to answer some survey questions. He was shocked to hear that this was our 22nd year at Strictly Sail starting at the Waukesha Expo Center in 1994. We told him that we preferred being on our own but if consolidation is required for Strictly Sail to survive then we will live with it.

We had a great time.

Thanks,
Rip Edmundson

Rich Grosse, our photographer, was passing by and got this photo of the Lake Michigan Hunter Sailing Association gang having a short meeting out on the lake after the Strictly Sail Show in Chicago. See, even in winter, we just can't stay off the water. That's Commodores Rich Cain and Tom Wiora in the center. That's Keith McConnell with the pipe (arrows). Sonja Wiora refused to show up as she thought it was too cold. Andy Yonovich is still somewhere up there looking for the bar.



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THAT NEW PROJECT FOR US...

Remember when we reported that we were working on a new directory that would actually have PICTURES of our members in it? Well, it's still a work in process but Andy and Liz have reported to me that they have not received a really great response from you guys. We have very few pictures! So come on folks, dig into that drawer or search your computer for that one best picture of yourselves and send it on in to Andy. We'd really like to have this completed soon. We thought we could have something from most of you by February 1st but no such luck. So this project is extending a bit. We'll release the directory without your photos if we need to but but it sure would be great if we had more participation from you on this. We are requesting once more that you send in that photograph. We'll be taking more photos at the 2015 Rendezvous if we have to! So start primping and get snapping! When you find a picture you like, send it in to Andy and Liz Yonovich at roxydog2011@comcast.net.

THE CAPTAIN SAID WHAT?!!

In the last issue we had a corny bit about some things the Captain might say.

Some of you may remember the true story of a boat / captain rescue that occurred in December in the Hawaiian Islands. Captain Ron Ingraham of sailing vessel Malia had to be rescued by the US Navy after losing his engine and most electronics during a storm. He had been able to put out a May Day call by rigging his radio antenna with a coat hanger. After the Navy contacted the Coast Guard, the CG had Captain Ingraham, 67, safely on board their boat and they were preparing to leave Malia sea. Well, Captain Ron would have none of that. He was quoted as saying, in part **“We ain't leaving without my boat. She's all I've got!”** After much discussion, the CG attached proper towlines to the boat and brought both home to port safely. Upon disembarking from the CG boat, Captain Ron was met by the usual throng of news people. His only words were: **“I'm a little dazed right now and uh, I'm headed to the bar”**. A true Captain!!

NAVIGATION RULES...

A while back we were discussing some things we could add to the newsletter to not make it so “Newsy”. Go figure that one out. Anyway, we thought it would be a good idea to include little tests every now and then to challenge you and possibly give you some information you may not be totally familiar with. So here is my first attempt at it. Read these and formulate your answers. We can make a game of it and award rum to those with the best right answers but we won't go that far yet. The club probably couldn't afford it.

1. When two sailing vessels are approaching one another, so as to involve risk of collision, one of them shall keep out of the way of the other as follows:
 - a. *when each has the wind on a different side, the vessel which has the wind on the _____ side shall keep out of the way of the other.*
 - b. *when both have the wind on the same side, the vessel which is to _____ shall keep out of the vessel which is to _____.*

For the purpose of this rule, the windward side is deemed as the side opposite to that on which the mainsail is carried.

2. When reviewing a paper chart, you will find the unit of depth sounding is shown in the _____ and in the _____ of the chart in bold type.

Think you have these? If you do, send your answers in to me, Dick, at caribsoul46@gmail.com. Also, let me know if I should continue this.

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STILL FEEL BAD?

If you folks are still feeling a bit chilly and can't wait for springtime, consider this:

On the planet Uranus, winter lasts for 21 YEARS!!

RUM DRINKS...WHAT THE HECK

Still no suggestions from the members regarding rum drinks. I'm beginning to feel like Jean and I are the only ones that drink rum among the Association members. Well...hold on. I know that former commodores Rich Cain and Dwain Lutzow do so I stand corrected on that one. So, once again, if anyone out there has a favorite and wants to share it with us, please send it in to me at caribsoul46@gmail.com. Or maybe all of you soakers out there are holding back and just drinking all these that we have posted here. My apologies to those of you that do not imbibe. I mean no disrespect so if you folks have a favorite summertime refreshment you like after a sail or when hanging out on the dock, send that in too! Lets see how creative we all can be! And with that, Dick and Jean have this to share with you.

Paradise Punch (another version)

Medium size glass tumblers with ice
Build in a 1/2 quart or quart container.
1 Cup Bacardi 151 Rum
1/2 Cup Meyers Dark Rum
1/4 Cup Malibu Coconut Rum
2 or 2 1/2 Cups Pineapple Juice (your preference)
2 or 2 1/2 Cups Orange Juice (your preference)
1/4 Cup Fresh Squeezed Lime Juice
2 or 3 Tablespoons Grenadine (your preference)

Stir well in your container and pour over ice. You should get 2 rounds of 4 drinks. Very Fresh and Fun! Enjoy!

RECIPES FROM...US

We have this recipe to share with you as well. This one looks good to have when you have guests from the dock over or when at anchor somewhere. The tastes here will take you back to someplace sandy, nice and warm and beautiful.

Seafood Amoeba (Serves 6)

3 lbs. Scallops	3 cups milk
1 Cup juice from scallops	Paprika
2 Tblsp. flour	Salt and Pepper
1 lb. Shrimp	2 Tblsp. butter
2 green onions, slices 1/2" pieces	

Saute onions lightly in butter, stir in flour, then add milk and scallop juice, thicken if necessary with cornstarch in double boiler. At the last minute add scallops and shrimp, cook until shrimp are tender but firm. Serve immediately on pastry shells or with points of toast or over linguini noodles.

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