



Alpena Yacht Club Newsletter

December 2018

Commodore Tuffy Cross

December AYC Board Meeting

The Board met on December 11th, the minutes and financial reports were reviewed and approved. The club financial status is not good this time of year and Jan notes continued decreases in revenue due to decreased party attendance and bar income. Jan proposed several changes including decreasing the cable bill by dropping the expensive extra channel package and going back to basic cable. In addition, she proposed a decrease in her salary and the amount of cleaning days to once a month to decrease cleaning service salary. A discussion ensued and the board voted to discontinue using outside cleaning service. Joyce Lewandowski is agreeable to help Jan with heavy cleaning. The board also agreed to temporarily decrease Jan's salary and will revisit the issue in June when they have a better idea of the Club's financial picture after the dues increase. Jan also discussed changing the types of beer she keeps in the bar; several members have proposed we support the local brewery, Austin Brothers. The board approved the change, Jan will be stocking bottles of Woody Wheat and 45'ER IPA and charging \$3/bottle. The Board wishes to remind members private liquor from outside sources is NOT allowed in your locker, you must purchase from Club. Not doing so jeopardizes the Club's liquor license. The Club had a request from the Great Lakes Cruising Club to use our facilities for their Lake Huron Rally 6/28, 6/29 and 6/30. The Board approved their request and will be getting more

information to club members as we get, hoping that members will want to socialize with this group of boaters. An application for membership from Ronald Rellox was received and approved, please make him welcome when you see him. There are 3 candidates for board membership this year: Jeff Johnston, Joanne Bryngelson and Mike Orr. Kathleen Wojda will be Commodore. The ballots will go out with the dues notices this month. In addition, the Ballot will include a vote to accept or reject another proposed change to the By-laws. The Board recognizes that getting candidates for the board has become more difficult and have proposed changing board size to at least 5 and no more than nine members. The annual membership meeting will be January 8th; ballots are due by the time of the meeting. The ballot box is in the Club so if you can't attend you can drop off your ballot before the meeting. If you haven't already escaped to someplace warm please join us.

Christmas at AYC:

The annual Club Christmas party was held on the 1st and the Shipmates dinner was held on the 13th; both were well attended. Jon Benson catered both affairs and the food was excellent as usual. The Club always looks great when it is decorated for the holidays. Gregg Resnick notes the Ynglings had their Christmas party and named the Steve Wilson's boat Surprise as Boat of the Year, Pete Simson's boat Rings as most improved and Phil Hartmeyer as the Most Valuable Crew Person, AKA the Grinder Award. Pete Wilson reported to the Yngling's that AYC has been supporting the

Youth Sailing Classes for 18 years and thanks the Club for continued support.

Commodore's Comments:

Tuffy would like to let everyone know he enjoyed his year as Commodore and would like to thank everyone that participated at the parties and supported the club. He would like to thank Mark Smith and Gregg Resnick for their service both will also be rotating off the board this year. Thanks to Bonnie Cross for keeping minutes and being secretary. And thanks to Linda Baker for continuing to do the newsletter.

Dates to Remember:

Jan 4th: First Friday

Jan 8th: Annual Membership/Board Meeting

Jan 10th: Shipmates Dinner/Meeting

