

ANCHOR & LINE

January Calendar

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February Calendar

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General (Nominating) Meeting
 \$300 Slip deposits due
 Minneapolis Boat Show
 Board Meeting
 Club Dues Due
 Annual meeting/elections
 Board Meeting

Tuesday, January 8th, 7:30 p.m.
 Tuesday, January 15th
 January 23rd to 27th
 Monday, January 28th at 7:00 p.m.
 Friday, February 1st
 Tuesday, February 12th at 7:30 p.m.
 Monday, February 25th at 7:00 p.m.

George's on Plato
 SPYC Office
 Convention Center
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Important Upcoming Dates:

March 15th, 2008 - Balance of slip fee due in full to receive \$50 early pay discount.
 April 15th, 2008 - Balance of slip fees due with no discount.

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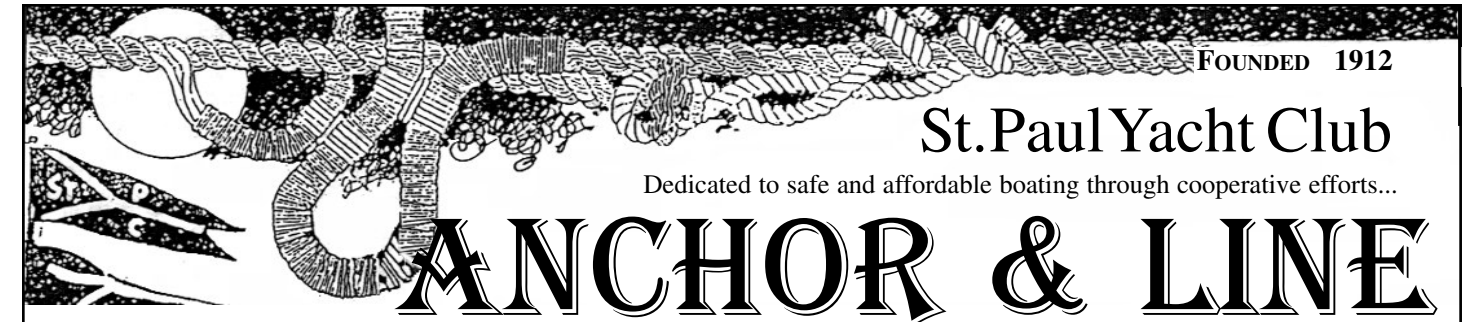
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Deadline

Articles must be submitted by the 25th of the month for publication the following month.

Roger Anderson, Editor



Dedicated to safe and affordable boating through cooperative efforts...

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The Saint Paul Yacht Club was founded in 1912 as the Saint Paul Motor Boat Club for the purpose of fostering a greater interest in motor boating and the Mississippi River. In 1934 the club adopted its present name, S.P.Y.C., and continues more than 90 years of service to its members and the community.

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- COMMODORE'S REPORT -

January 3, 2008

New Year's Resolutions

1. Balance the SPYC budget/reduce our debt.
2. Fill our empty slips with congenial, happy, skilled river rats; or just fill our empty slips.
3. Police my own boat and slip area, pick up after myself.
4. Fix the stuff around me if I can, report it to the staff if I can't.
5. Greet every new face on the docks with a hearty "may I help you find something? someone?"
6. Attend all SPYC social functions.
7. Learn to love the Taste of Minnesota or be out of town for the weekend.
8. Always lock the gate.
9. Respect our staff, thank them for their efforts.
10. Happy New Year / see you on the river.

Peter Kramer, Commodore SPYC

SLIP COVERS



Slip covers - do you have one to sell? Are you looking for one? Call the office at 651-292-8964 and we'll help connect you with someone who may have what you need.

Don't forget the SPYC Elections next month! Tuesday, February 12th, 7:00p.m. at George's on Plato (formerly Awada's). There will be the Club's annual meeting and then elections for 2008 board members and officers. Look for candidate information in next month's Anchor & Line.



Thanks again to everyone who helped out at the Holiday Party! Tom & Julie Marrone, Pat Michaud, Denise Jorgenson, and Sydney Olson. Please, if I missed anyone don't be offended.

I thought it was a great party with really tasty food. Thanks also to all who participated in the raffles we held, we raised some good money to help with the General this next season.

As we go into the "hard" portion of the winter (January & February) things quiet down a little around here. If you're lucky, maybe you can get somewhere warm for a couple weeks, I know I'd like to.

I've decided not to run for the board again, thanks to those who elected me and have assisted me in the social committee over the last season. It's time for me to return to "civilian" life for a while.

Richie

Who is this Santa?

Santa made a visit during the Holidays this year. Do you know who he is? First caller to Wanda Pichelman (651-773-5881) with correct name will get a prize!

Good luck and a Happy New Year!



MINNEAPOLIS BOAT SHOW

See the St. Paul Yacht Club in booth #1306!

Show Hours

Wed, Jan 23 5pm - 10pm
Thu, Jan 24 12pm - 10pm
Fri, Jan 25 12pm - 10pm
Sat, Jan 26 10am - 10pm
Sun, Jan 27 10am - 6pm

See what's new at the 36th Minneapolis Boat Show. Find your dream boat and everything that goes with it at the Minneapolis Convention Center. With the upper Midwest's best selection of new boats and hundreds of booths showcasing the very latest in engines, electronics, fishing gear and accessories, there's no better place to get a head start on a summer full of fun! From canoes to cruisers, from pontoons to personal watercraft there are boats for every lifestyle, activity and budget. And new for 2008—SailFest, an all-sailing showcase featuring sailboats, gear and accessories plus sailing seminars. The 5-day event is also the best time to buy, offering you a once-a-year chance to compare makes and models, secure insurance and financing and gear up with the latest accessories all at one time, under one roof!

- U69 Scuttlebutt -

I hope everyone had a great holiday season and is thinking about the 2008 boating season. Happy New year...lets go boating!

Pay your bill – We have made some good progress on the past due accounts but still have \$17,600 in receivables from last year. Thank you to those who took action last month, this went a long way. If you owe the club any amount, please pay it promptly. Thank you for your full cooperation on this issue.

Elections – It is time to elect the 2008 board of directors. Make sure you vote. If you can not attend the February meeting, send your ballot back to the office to be tallied. If you don't know a candidate or have a question on his or her position on issues that you are concerned about, get in touch with them. Get the information you need before voting blindly. Good luck to all the candidates running for the board this year.

Managing of the marina – The board is processing applications and resumes for the position of marina manager. There will be one manager that will over see both the office and yard functions. This should be more efficient and cost effective. More on this as it develops.

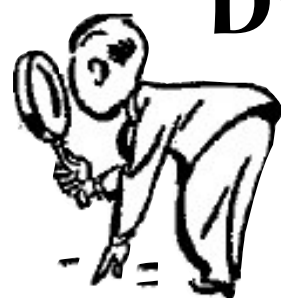
Boat show – We will have a booth in the Minneapolis Boat Show to sell slips and transient dockage. If you have any sales experience and time to contribute, please contact the office for a time slot. We need to fill our slips to pay the bills. Also, the \$100 finder fee is still paid to anyone who gets a boater to slip at the SPYC.

Vessel Safety Checks – This is not an issue to ignore. If you have had your vessel checked in 2007, please get the report into the office to be recorded. If you have not had a check performed on you boat, you need to get this done. This is now a standing rule that operations is enforcing. The club is requiring that each boat have a current survey, or a safety inspection performed by either the coastguard auxiliary (free) or staff (charge) and proof that the boat meets minimum requirements of Fire Extinguishers, Ventilation, Backfire Flame Control (if applicable), Marine Sanitation Devises (No discharge of untreated waste possible), Overall Vessel condition: Clean bilge, electrical system, fuel system, No automotive parts. Not complying with this rule could impede your launch. By now all boats should have had an initial check. Every boat needs to get this done NOW!

With that said...Lets go boating!

Gordy Mergens

the History Mystery of the Month is... Dick Kramer?



The History Committee needs your help!

Does anyone know how to get in touch with Dick Kremer who was the dockmaster for SPYC for many years? Where is he? What's he doing now?

If you have any information for us, please contact Penny Miller by e-mail at pensmiles@aol.com OR by snail mail at 227 Prescott St., St. Paul, MN 55107. Thanks!

St. Paul Yacht Club Board Meeting 11/26/07

Board Members present: Commodore Peter Kramer, Vice Commodore Jim McGowan, Secretary Dennis Sando, Treasurer Jerry Quaal, Ralph DeLong, Gordy Mergens, Mark Mosby, Rich Wright

Guests Present: Mike Radford, Anne Hoffman

Meeting called to order at 7:03

Open forum - A member made an appeal to keep his live-aboard status, citing his recent move and other circumstances. The board will take his appeal under advisement.

The minutes were approved as presented.

Treasurer's report - cash on hand, accounts receivable, accounts payable given. We owe the city rent on Dec. 15, and must deposit the clubhouse funds into the clubhouse account."If" everyone pays current and past due amounts, we should just about break even for the year. The treasurer's report was accepted.

Roger's written report was accepted.

Operations report:

EOR presented a preliminary report, not quite what we expected, they will reevaluate the information. The yard is pretty well set for the winter. A damaged finger from the Miller Dock was removed and will be repaired over the winter. The report was approved as submitted.

A motion was made and seconded to allow a member to maintain his live-aboard status providing he pays his winter fees and moves back onto the boat by May 1. Motion passed.

Social:

Holiday party is on Dec 22 at the Pool & Yacht club. The Commodore's Ball will be in May aboard the Padelford.

Membership:

Carol Pine is working on the history project.

Green Marina:

Boat US Foundation has a number of brochures and handbooks available on-line for printed for organizations. We should try to get some for slipholders.

Clubhouse:

No action yet.

We will put together a committee to update the boat show booth for better marketing. Some instruction will be given for talking to the attendees about the marina.

Executive session started at 8:01

Meeting adjourned at 8:40

Respectfully submitted, Dennis Sando, Secretary