



The Zephyr

IN WITH THE NEW

In November we elected a new slate of board members to serve the needs of the club.

Assuming the Role of Rear Commodore will be Jim Stolla. Jim has participated in our racing programs for many years. Jim sails a Jeanneau 27 *Fantasia*, but you are more likely to find him on an ice boat this time of year.

Stephen Laedtke will be the new Community relations director. Steve will interface with some of the community organizations and the harbor commission. He can be seen racing and cruising his Catalina 25 *Myasis Dragon*

Sail Promotion will be led by Kaycee Des Jarlais. This is Kaycee's 2nd year of club membership. She has been sighted helming *Sails Call*, and the occasional Laser on Thursday night.

Terry Smith will be the new Social Director, responsible for arranging food & beverage for club events. Terry can be found sailing his Tanzer 22 *Up Oars* on Tuesday Nights.

Please welcome the new board and thank the outgoing board for their service over the last few years.

Phil Coe
Dana Ingle
Tim Florek
Bob Staffeld

BULL SESSION

We held a listening session last year during the dead of winter. The goal was an open dialogue between the board and the membership to generate ideas and action. We will be holding a similar event next month on January 16th. Location will be the Aspen Landing (Formerly Naut's Landing). Drinks will be provided, show starts at 7:00 PM.

STRICTLY SAIL

For anyone interested: January 24th thru 27th

The Fairmont Chicago, Millennium Park is extending a special promotional package rate to all Strictly Sail Chicago exhibitors and attendees. Enjoy luxurious accommodations for two, late check-out of 5pm, special discounts on food, beverages and parking and unparalleled convenience to the show's location at Navy Pier - all for just \$109 per night.

[Link to hotel information](#)

[Link to Ticket Sales](#)

HARD WATER SAILING

We have several members who are active ice-boaters. A major regatta may be coming our lake in mid-January (18th-20th), conditions pending. Please see the official announcement here: www.nnyc.org

NEXT YEAR...

Just like the Chicago Bears, we'll get 'em next year.....

We have some new and recycled ideas taking shape for the early season next summer.

We are planning to revisit the Sail Expo for Early June of 2013. In previous years, this event was held earlier, and many club members were too busy getting boats ready to participate. Not to mention the May weather is a wild card.

We will also be holding an informal "swap-meet" where members and public can exchange parts, equipment, or just stories. We aren't sure of the exact format/location just yet, but please stay tuned.

The Pot-luck sunset cruises were great events last year. This indicates that there is a pent up interest in non-racing events. We will continue to hold these gatherings next summer. Watch the calendar for dates.

Upcoming Events

Bull Session—January 16th

Monthly Winter Dinners—
3rd Wednesday Night
(Monthly)
6:00 PM

Strictly Sail
Jan 24th-27th

Spring Fling
March 23rd