



# Docklines



Casual Atmosphere - Serious Sailing

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## *From the Commodore*

Hello fellow Sailors,

What monumental changes can and do occur over a very short period of time. In my last writing I found myself with the bittersweet thoughts of annual change from winter friends to the ones of summer. In the end I did admit that it was time and pined for the water. Before the electrons were dry on the email in Sandy's outbox the world had changed to a point that we in rural New York State found ourselves in community with the rest of the world. That light that I referenced in my last message seemed a little dimmer and the tunnel had indeed lengthened.

It started with "Distancing" moved on to "Stay at Home" and then without warning the closing of the States marinas. We now had what officials would describe as pandemic. Truly as a community of sailors if any of us were not affected up to this point we very much are now. In keeping with best practices your board has met via video conference to plan for the upcoming season. We are moving forward with the schedule with the idea of flexibility being our policy. At this time we are keeping the timing of events in place with moves to defer or cancel to be made as we go. The first event to postpone is the Spring Meeting that was scheduled to be held on April 25<sup>th</sup> and as the state is "paused" as of this writing to May 15<sup>th</sup> any events up to that time will also have to be pushed back.

The crisis has now hit very close to home for our group. I would like to sound 8 Bells for the Krupke family three of whom have passed from what appears to be complications attributed to the current pandemic. Surviving family includes longtime members Bill and Julie Krupke.

Chuck Krupke (1938 – 2020)

Jane Krupke (1938 – 2020)

Bruce Krupke (1958 – 2020)

Fair winds and calm sea to each and every one.....

*Tom Firsching, Commodore*

## *From the Race Captain*

Last month I reported that because of the COVID-19 pandemic things were a bit uncertain regarding our race program. This month I can report one certainty based on the extension of restrictions on group behavior and the fact that the marinas are now also closed. Accordingly, our season will not start as scheduled on May 13<sup>th</sup>. I am recommending we adopt a wait and see posture. Once the marina ops are permitted and a reasonable number of boats can be launched, we will plan our first race on the following Wednesday. The season will then progress as shown on the club calendar. We will not attempt to make up Open or White Sail races that get cancelled. It is likely that one or more of the special races, such as the Frenchman's Island Race, will have to be rescheduled to a later date. It is also quite probable that we will have to postpone the J/24 Regatta.

Wish I had better news to report, but the situation is way out of my hands. Stay tuned.

*Lou Scheiderich, Race Captain*