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A Note from the Editor

Fall has arrived in the Pacific Northwest and our *Loon Song* is getting ready for a serious refit during the winter. Many Boat Units of refit costs. We like to talk about Boat Units (BU) as the cost of working on a boat and a BU used to be \$100, but as the boats got larger, the value of a BU jumped to \$1,000. I am still waiting for the final cost estimate from the boat yard (which will turn out to be grossly underestimated) but by Spring, *Loon Song* should be sporting a watermaker, some new electronics, and a better-placed davit for the shore boat. The plan is to make the eight week voyage to Alaska during Summer 2015.

President's Message - CLARIFICATION RE BOAT-SHARING COMMUNICATIONS

Dear fellow members,

In recent days you likely have received communications from the Royal Danish Yacht Club regarding a boat-sharing project named Boatflex. There has been some confusion regarding the position of ICOYC in this proposal. Boatflex is not an ICOYC program, and is not endorsed or sponsored by the Council, and ICOYC cannot comment on its value to Council Member Clubs or their members. The Royal Danish Yacht Club, a valued Council Member, has invested months of effort in developing this as a benefit to the sport, and is presenting it as a proposal to fellow Member Clubs of the ICOYC. We believe that each club should individually determine if it is appropriate for their member offering.

Regards,
John McNeill, President, ICOYC

New Interclub Activities Chair

As of 01 November 2015, the Chair of this ICOYC Committee will be Joachim Isler, Past Commodore of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club, replacing ICOYC Past President John Stork of the Royal Southern, who

established this committee and has guided it for nearly two years. John will continue guiding the Cruise activities in support of Joachim's leadership to assure a smooth transfer. If you have interest in joining this committee's efforts in cruising, youth exchanges or other interclub activity, please contact Chairman Joachim at hj.isler@isler.com.hk. Both large and small jobs are open to suit your commitment toward building interclub relations.

Post Forum Cruise in the Huaraki Gulf, New Zealand, 21-26 February 2015

The post forum cruise in the Huaraki Gulf outside of Auckland, NZ will be held on 21-26 February following the Commodores' Forum and passes through some of Northern New Zealand's most spectacular cruising waters. The cruise is featured on the ICOYC website in [On The Water/Upcoming Cruises/2015 Post Forum New Zealand](#). Please take a look at the lovely photos and plan on attending. If you can't make the trip yourself, remember to tell others in your yacht club that all members of ICOCY clubs are invited on the cruises, not just the Commodores or the Forum attendees.

The Nominations Committee Needs Your Suggestions!

The ICOYC Nominations Committee, under the guidance of Chairman Jack Sullivan of Seattle Yacht Club, is hard at work developing a recommended slate of candidates for the AGM Election in February 2015. Although Jack and his committee members know everyone who has ever been involved with the Council, they do NOT want their personal views to be the only factor involved, bribes notwithstanding. YOUR SUGGESTIONS are earnestly requested, including simply volunteering (don't be shy!) Please contact Jack at dullboy@seanet.com with your best thoughts!!

Royal Southern YC Begins Construction of Prince Philip Yacht Haven

After years of discussion, design, public meetings, and permit gathering, the Royal Southern YC has started construction of a new seawall and yacht harbor, a joint project with nearby RAF Yacht Club. Read the article in the [Currents](#) section on the home page of the ICOYC website, www.ICOYC.org. The Currents feature presents news articles about yachting, ICOYC club activities, and boating in general. We rely upon you, the reader, to find items which will be of general interest to other ICOYC members and send them to webeditor@icoyc.org.

How to Find Members of ICOYC Committees

Logged-in members of ICOYC can find a list of committees and committee members in [Home/Contacts/Internal Contacts](#). These tables present each committee's members and their email addresses. Also logged-in members can download a committee's contact table as an Excel file and use the email addresses in communications to the committee's members. Send your updates to webeditor@icoyc.org.

Commodores' Forum 2015 in Auckland, New Zealand

As of the end of October, we have 40 delegates and 30 partners who have confirmed their attendance at the 2015 Commodores' Forum held in Auckland from 17-20 February 2015. At present, Europe is not well

represented, so it is time for delegates to make their hotel and conference reservations. More information can be found on the [RZNYS forum page](#) and click on the appropriate downloads.

Help Wanted - ICOYC is looking for a new Administrator

Our current Administrator, Louise Sportelli, has requested replacement due to other business needs. ICOYC is looking for a part-time administrator to assist the Board of Directors by organizing the board meetings, posting material on the website, and assisting the President. The administrator must possess good writing ability in English and have strong computer skills. The position reports to the President and the person can reside in any location. Experience with yacht clubs and sailing would be helpful. The position is budgeted for an average 24 hours per month. Please make a recommendation or express interest by email to President@icoyc.org and a full position description with terms can be made available.

The audience of eNEWS is all members of ICOYC as well as selected members of the yachting community and guests of past Forums. While most of the links to the www.icoyc.org website are to the public side, some of the hyperlinks in the text require the members-only login for security. These links can only be used by **signed-in** ICOYC members and will be noted as "**members only**". If you are a member of ICOYC and are having trouble logging into the private side of the website, send an email to webeditor@icoyc.org for help.

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