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### A Note from the Editor

Summer cruising season is starting for those of us who live in the Northern Hemisphere. Your Editor's trawler has left the boat yard with a much needed new water maker, a freshly scrubbed and painted bottom, and some new electronics ("Of course, you need some new toys." says the Admiral.) *Loon Song* departs Anacortes, Washington, in early June and heads 300 nautical miles north to the top of Vancouver Island in scenic British Columbia, Canada, to cruise in the "Broughtons" for about eight weeks, a wonderful place of deep glacial fjords, splashing waterfalls, lots of birds and bears and whales. Our annual summer voyage will be cut short this year because we need to return home in late August to pack up our "yacht club uniform" to head out to Copenhagen for the 2016 Commodores' Forum.

As a member of the Forum Advisory Committee, I have been fortunate to work with Cdr Lars Ive of the [Kongelig Dansk Yachtklub/Royal Danish Yacht Club](#) during the past several months and watched the forum program develop along with the exciting social program. Read more about the registration procedures below and remember what Cdr Ive says, "Sign up before June 1 and save some money."

See you in Copenhagen,  
Bob Miller, Editor

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### **President's Messages - *A Successful AGM, Reminder for the Commodores' Forum, and We Have a New Leader***

#### **Successful Actions During the April Online AGM**

Our Annual Meeting of Members in April was blessed by a hearty turnout of represented Member Clubs. Sincere thanks to those who joined the meeting online at 0600 or 2400, as the time zone challenges were engaged. Logged-in Members may see a record of all the reports and actions taken by the membership in Secretary Phil Smith's minutes in the [Member Library](#) at ICOYC.org. Among the activities were review and approval of the financial statements and the Financial Review Committee's report, amendment of the Bylaws,

and election of Directors by the Membership, and election of officers by the Board. A full list of those who have volunteered to accept leadership responsibility is attached to the AGM minutes.

### **Remember to Register for the Commodores' Forum**

I sincerely hope that your Club will assure representation at the Forum in Copenhagen this September! The program that has been designed by the Forum Advisory Committee and our hosts, the Royal Danish Yacht Club, promises significant value to those who participate. It appears that we have all survived the recent deep recession, and can now resume usual operations. However, to relax at this point would be folly, simply because it is the rebuilding of momentum and healthy condition that is the most difficult task. This Forum will be offering ideas and perspectives that each of our Clubs may find of real benefit in dealing with that challenge, but you must be present to get the full value, and return to your club with intelligence that will surely make the cost of participating seem minimal. It's just good business sense.

### **John McNeill Passes the Gavel to Andy Anderson Effective September 2016**

At the recent AGM, I was very proud to report our excellent financial health and vigorous range of activities toward providing benefits for our Member Clubs AND the members. Of course, my pride lies in the wonderful support I've received as President from an excellent crew of Officers, Directors and notable volunteers. To me, this has been much like racing my boat, where the work of the crew is the only thing that keeps us moving forward. I was only steering the course we agreed on. In any case, the watch was getting a bit long, and I am delighted that Andy Anderson of the Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron has stepped up to lead us as President for the next leg or two. You'll hear more at Copenhagen, of course, and I know that you will, like me, be eager to continue our efforts with Andy at the helm.



### **Andy Anderson's Message to ICOYC**

Sailing is our passion, the sea is forever in our sight. The reason to join with like-minded individuals and belong to yacht clubs builds on this love for the sport and the ocean. When we join together with clubs from around the world and share our stories it is powerful, relevant and provides knowledge for us to act. I'm incredibly excited about the tremendous opportunities ahead to help grow the sport through the recognition of the ICOYC around the globe and how we can play our small part.

It's a privilege indeed to represent ICOYC as President and to work with a first class board of directors, clubs, committee members and individuals. Together we can share and provide tangible benefits with even great optimism for the clubs. I'm very keen to hear your views about the issues facing our sport in your clubs. A key will be collaboration between individuals and clubs, so I welcome your participation to contribute to ICOYC. A great place to act on this is by

registering early for the next Forum in September 2016 - act now!

On a final note, a very big thank you to John McNeill, our past president, for steering us through the last few years with enthusiasm, courage and convincing direction. I very much look forward to John's continued involvement and ceremonial handover at Copenhagen. His hard work and booming rally calls for support are heard, now we must all act.

Hope to meet many of you in Copenhagen at the Forum. It will be a blast!

Happy sailing,  
*Andy*

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## Next Commodores' Forum: Copenhagen - 19-23 September 2016

"Register quickly for the 10th Commodores' Forum before June 1. The conference fees will increase after the Early Bird prices expire." These words of wisdom spoken by Commodore Lars Ive of the [Royal Danish Yacht Club](#) were part of his announcement that the registration for the Forum is open. The ICOYC Board of Directors and the mini-AGM will be held on Monday, September 19, while the Forum itself opens on Tuesday and closes with a grand dinner at RDYC's Rungsted Harbor outstation on Friday, September 23.

Full conference details, including the delegates' agenda and the partners program are presented on the Forum's page, [Forums/Next Commodores Forum](#). Read more about the separate processes for conference registration and for hotel reservations below.



Copenhagen



Conference Hotel - Rungstedgaard

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## Commodores' Forum: Copenhagen - Conference Reservations

Register now for the 2016 Forum by going to the RDYC website's [Forum Reservation Page](#). Step-by-step details on the registration process can be found on the ICOYC website under [Forums/Next Commodores Forum](#) in the section "Registration for Conference and Partner Activities."

You can download the [Delegates' Schedule HERE](#) and the exciting [Partners' Program HERE](#).

**NOTE:** The registration page includes sections for both the delegate registration and for the partners' program. It does accept credit card payments, but your credit card may be challenged by the credit card companies with a security check. This is a good thing, so don't worry.

Remember that the prices increase on June 1!!!

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## Commodores' Forum: Copenhagen - Hotel Reservations

Reservation for rooms at the conference venue and hotel, Rungstedgaard, are made on the hotel's reservation page, <https://rungstedgaard.nemilmeld.dk/27/>. The initial view may be in Danish. If so, click on the word *Sprog*

in the upper right corner of the screen to get a list of other languages. More details on the hotel registration process can be found on the ICOYC website under [Forums/Next Commodores Forum](#) in the section "Registration for Hotel Accommodations."

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## **New Officers and Members and Directors Elected During the April 2016 AGM**

During the telephonic Annual General Meeting of 20 April 2016, new Directors were added to the Board of Directors: Michael Campbell of Royal Perth Yacht Club, David Mead of Royal Southern Yacht Club, Bill Torgerson of Annapolis Yacht Club, and John McNeill of St Francis Yacht Club as outgoing president. The outgoing President of ICOYC, John McNeill of St Francis Yacht Club, thanked the outgoing board members: Gero Brugman of Nordeutscher Regatta Verein, Jim Burns of Royal Vancouver, Mark Inkster of Royal Southern Yacht Club, and Phil Smith of Eastern Yacht Club for their services.

Besides the change in the office of President announced at the beginning of this newsletter, Chris Carlile of Sandringham Yacht Club was elected as Regional Vice President - Asia-Pacific. Also, Treasurer since the founding of ICOYC, Larry Fournier of Royal Vancouver Yacht Club has been succeeded by fellow Royal Van member Rob Forsythe as the new Treasurer.

You can see their smiling faces and bios for the officers by going to [About ICOYC/Officers and Directors](#).

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## ***To the Ice and Beyond - An Epic Solo Sailing of the Northwest Passage***

Kiwi yachtsman and member of the Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron, Graeme Kendall was the first person to sail the Northwest Passage solo non-stop. Sailing east to west, he knocked off the "Everest of sailing" in just 12 days - the fastest recorded - as part of his extraordinary solo circumnavigation of the globe. This is a story of determination, meticulous planning and rugged courage. All alone for 193 days in his purpose-built yacht *Astral Express*, Kendall crossed 28,000 miles of ocean, facing some of the Earth's most terrifying seas. An enthralling adventure, *To The Ice And Beyond* will inspire you to live your dreams, and to never give up. For pre-orders with free delivery go to [www.iceandbeyond.com](http://www.iceandbeyond.com).

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