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Newsletter of the Cayuga Lake Cruising Fleet

Ricky's Ruminations [Fleet Captain's Notes]

Hello Cruising Fleet!

I'm not sure I can call this an official Pennant, so let's just call it Ricky's Ruminations :-)

On Saturday, a few of us came together to pull, clean, and store the marks for the season. It was an incredibly beautiful day, and the conditions couldn't be any better! We had mild temps, sunny skies, and no wind. This made the water calm as can be, which allowed our mighty pontoon boat and RIB to make it's way around the lake and pull marks without too much trouble! In fact, the "OG marksman", Keith even said this may have been the nicest, most pleasant marks out he has even been part of... I'd like to think it was my company on board... but I think it was more due to the conditions.

I want to give a special thanks to Keith Rice, AJ Mills, Bill Schweizer, and Lauren Cranidiotis for all their help on the water pulling marks, and thank you to Richard Stephens, John Ford, and also Lauren Cranidiotis for all their help cleaning the marks on shore.

And finally, and big thank you to Keith Rice, and Clare Fewtrell for cleaning up the pontoon boat, and Keith for also cleaning out the RIB. We are fortunate to be able to use these to greatly expedite the process of putting marks in, and pulling them out. Consequently, we want to be mindful of the condition we leave them in.

[Who else caught the Oxford comma in there? Go Ricky!]

It's almost time for the awards banquet! As mentioned in a previous Pennant, the festivities will be held at the common room at David Feaveryear's home from 5:00 - 8:30 on Sunday, November 3rd. The address is: 218 Rachel Carson Way from 5 to 8:30PM. We request that you bring a side or dessert and \$5 a person to help defray costs on the main dishes and beverages that the Fleet will provide. We will be ordering two meat entrees and a vegetarian entree, and will bring all the beer left over from the season along with some additional soda. You are welcome to bring your own adult beverages to enjoy! :0)

If you have any pictures you would like added to the slideshow, please feel free to share them with Ricky at <u>cayugalakecruisingfleet@gmail.com</u>.

In an effort to insure we have enough food, and to make sure we don't have a rediculous [sic, eh?] surplus, we are asking you to RSVP via this link (http://bit.ly/2019clcfbanquet) by Wednesday, Oct 30th. Thank you to Clare, Austin, Gwen, Lauren C, and Bill for filling out the RSVP already, I look forward to seeing more come in!! [Please please please sign up but if you don't please come anyway. Pretty please?]

In closing, I want to thank all of you for an amazing 2 years; it has been my pleasure to serve you as Fleet Captain. I am grateful for the team of officers I have been able to rely on and learn from. I look forward to celebrating with you all on the 3rd. [3rd. Right after 2nd. He's saying that he'll put himself forward for FC for a third year! Whoa! Well, that position as well as Vice or Rear or Second or whatever it is Fleet Captain is up for a vote! We will vote on the other positions, as well, so if you really (really) want to help out you should volunteer to be VRS (Vice, Rear, Second or whatever) Fleet Captain (number 2 in charge) because, well, that's the one position that I know of that doesn't have a person in it for next year! Still, hey, you can put yourself out there for any position – we are an all-volunteer organization and we're totally democratic and such!]

Sincerely, ~ ricky

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