



## The Ketch Winter 2022

### **Commodore's Letter -- Clancy Cottman**

Dear Members,

As we all manage our way through Winter, I imagine that, like me, you can't wait for another Summer in Maine. KRC will be ready with a fun season of sports, social activities, boating and spending time with family and friends at our wonderful club. Your board has been very busy this off -season making sure that the club is ready. The above picture from Kelly Graham was taken during a high tide and illustrates how weather and tide does not respect our efforts to hold them back.

Following my letter, are more detailed updates from the various board members and chairpersons. Kristen Martin has been spearheading the effort to update our Club Handbook which includes updating contact information and the all the language that describes club activities. This

has been a monumental undertaking that included coordination with other board members, staff and countless updates. Thank you Kristen! Grainne Archer and her Membership Committee has worked tirelessly to process many new applications. John Rinaldi has been managing multiple construction projects to keep our buildings in top shape while Vicky Lamarre and Linda Mahoney have put together a full schedule of social activities sure to make next Summer loads of fun. Brian Lincoln has been busy managing our boating activities, pushing ahead with the planned (2022-2023) dredging project, as well as, physically checking on the club throughout the Winter. Please note important dates in each section.

We have a new accountant, Kirsten Camp. Kirsten has a wealth of experience managing bookkeeping for other clubs and I am confident that she will do a great job for KRC. She will be sending out the 2022 invoices shortly and following up on past due accounts. She can be reached by e-mail at [riverclubbilling@gmail.com](mailto:riverclubbilling@gmail.com).

Our new website should be up and running shortly. I believe everyone will appreciate the new format. We will be sending out details on how to create your account and login. The new Handbook will be on the website and I encourage everyone to review their contact details and send Helen Holway ([hpholway@gmail.com](mailto:hpholway@gmail.com)) any updates/changes.

I am pleased to report that most of our management staff will be back this Summer including Shawn Brooke as General Manager, Joe Mooney as Dock Master, Branden Reynolds as Club Steward, Helen Holway as Office Manager and John Tierney as Head Tennis Pro. This continuity will help keep the club running smoothly.

The board will be meeting in May to discuss protocols to address the Covid situation, which, as we all know, remains an evolving issue.

We will also have a number of membership openings which means we will be welcoming many new people to our club. These new members will bring excitement to the club as we get to know them. I encourage the Sponsors to help integrate these members into the club's activities and am sure we will all make them feel at home.

### **Treasurer's Report -- Kate Baldwin**

Greetings from icy Maine. While the club has been quiet, we have been busy trying to improve upon our billing and invoicing processes. To that note we have hired Kirsten Camp to help us with our bookkeeping. Annual Invoices will be emailed to you around February 15<sup>th</sup> and please respond with any questions or concerns.

Below are the key reported numbers for the club as of December 31, 2021:

<b>SELECTED BALANCE SHEET NUMBERS</b>	<b>Dec-21</b>	<b>Dec-20</b>
KSB Accounts	\$ 773,686	\$ 685,724
Payables	\$ 14,950	\$ 15,900
Receivables	\$ 9,112	\$ 7,389
<b>REVENUE NUMBERS</b>		
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$ 549,849</b>	<b>\$ 540,545</b>
<b>SELECTED REVENUE NUMBERS</b>		
Membership Fees	\$ 362,406	\$ 352,145
Initiation Fees	\$ 40,600	\$ 103,350
Wharf Fees	\$ 103,040	\$ 93,250
<b>EXPENSE NUMBERS</b>		
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 333,058</b>	<b>\$ 334,785</b>
<b>SELECTED EXPENSE NUMBERS</b>		
Payroll	\$ 198,080	\$ 167,628
Administration/Operating	\$ 42,414	\$ 35,863
Grounds/Maintenance	\$ 44,761	\$ 65,104



## **Social Events -- Vicky Lamarre and Linda Mahoney**

We're looking forward to another fun-filled summer at KRC this year, with 18 exciting social events scheduled between May and September. Happily, the new club website will be operational this spring, with the full social events schedule listed with dates and details. Members will be able to sign up for events 2 weeks in advance — online or in person — and all events will be posted on the club bulletin board as well.

We kick off the summer festivities with the Club Commissioning and Commodore's Cocktail Party on May 28th, and will wrap up the season with the traditional Bingo Party, September 3rd. In the months between we've planned many entertaining occasions - some tried and true, and others that are new!

### **June Events:**

- Father's Day Grill Night - Sunday, June 19
- Boat House "Fiesta!" Potluck Supper - Thursday, June 16
- Winslow Homer Studio Tour field trip IN Scarborough, Maine -

Friday, June 24

- **NEW** Lisa Mills, performing on the deck for Live Music Happy Hour - Thursday, June 30

#### July Events:

- **NEW** “Next Generation” Mix n’ Mingle - Calling all current young members & future family members 21+ for cocktails & camaraderie - Saturday, July 2
- Independence Day Lobster Bake - Monday, July 4
- Movie Night - Thursday, July 7
- **NEW** “Bubbles & Bouquets” - Sparkling wine tasting & flower arranging - Thursday, July 14
- Live Music Happy Hour with our favorite guitarist Michael Corleto - Thursday, July 21
- **NEW** Wine Tasting with KRC’s very own vintner, Andy Barowsky - Tuesday, July 26
- Summer Dance Party - Saturday, July 30

#### August Events:

- ADULT CRAFT NIGHT - Monday, August 8
- **NEW** Live Music Happy Hour with the Janet Wentworth Trio - Tuesday, August 16
- **NEW** Get your team together for TRIVIA NIGHT! - Thursday, August 18
- **NEW** The Burt Bacharach Tribute - Deep Blue C Orchestra Band - Thursday, August 25
- **NEW** TEA & CONVERSATION with KRC’s resident expert Ornithologist & Photographer Extraordinaire, Hap Ellis - Sunday, August 28

We welcome any questions and comments! In the meantime, check out the KRC club website for updates and details on all of the fun to come.

See you at the club this summer!

Festively Yours,

Vicky ([vickylamarre@icloud.com](mailto:vickylamarre@icloud.com)) & Linda ([linda.mahoney@att.net](mailto:linda.mahoney@att.net))



#### **Buildings and Grounds -- John Rinaldi**

In preparation for the 2022 season, we have taken on several projects throughout the club. So far, things are moving along nicely and everything should be completed by the official opening date. Work is being done on four of our buildings so the following is a list of

upgrades currently underway:

### Pro's Apartment/Garage

- All the painted exterior window and door trim replaced with Azek material.
- Exterior door to Nick's room replaced.
- Ice machine room updated and entry door replaced.
- Shawn's apartment fiberglass shower/tub removed and replaced with a tile shower.

### Casino

- Three window sash currently being custom made to replace deteriorated units above the front entry porch.

### Boathouse

- Windows on the south side in the kitchen and workshop being custom made to replace existing ones which have rotted.
- A new gate to be installed for access to the north docks.

### Tennis Lounge

- Large double fireplace, which was sinking, has been removed.
- Custom sash currently being made to replace existing units in the bow window located in upper area of the lounge. The two end units will be functional and flank the three center units which are fixed. There are over 150 panes of glass involved in duplicating what's currently there.
- Extensive carpentry underway to fill in all areas of wall and floor affected by the fireplace removal.

### General Work

- Typical repairs and exterior painting will begin once the weather breaks this Spring.



## **Boating -- Brian Lincoln**

Greetings boaters! Hopefully we have seen the last of the sea smoke wafting down the river on a frigid morning (there have been many), and spring is on the way. As mentioned by Clancy, I'm delighted that Joe Mooney will return as dock master for the summer. We'll have some of the same dockhands returning for another year, and Joe and I have been collaborating to arrange for some additional training in advance of the season. I'm also pleased to report that the dredging plans are advancing. Sampling and testing will take place in the coming months, and we then expect to receive all of the required permits. We are in the

process of obtaining bids and are coordinating with others on the river to share some costs. We've had a little movement in the waiting list, but it's still lengthy. Boaters will be receiving a mailing to ensure that we have current wharfage agreements on file for all with indemnifications, etc. Please let me know if you have any suggestions for the season. I look forward to seeing you on the docks and water!

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## **Tennis -- Frank McDougald**

Greetings from the Tennis Committee! Hope you're all wintering well and that by the time we kick off the 2022 Tennis season at KRC this never ending pandemic will be in the rearview mirror!!

No major updates at this point other than we are very pleased that John Tierney will be returning for another season as our head pro. Apparently he's become a highly coveted Head Pro as a number of clubs have attempted to poach him from us... no such luck!

We're still finalizing who our assistant pro will be. We are very optimistic that we will land a highly qualified candidate as we have a number of folks in the mix. We are also actively pursuing a female tennis assistant pro to round out our team.

In our next correspondence, we will provide more detail on when the hard courts will be ready for play, same for our clay courts as well as providing our full schedule of events. Members may reserve group contract court time for the season by contacting the Club's General Manager starting May 1-- please provide the names of members in the group and the requested times.

Happy to say, no major updates or changes in the 2022 season with both Shawn and Nick returning in April.

As my hockey commissioner always says, get off the couch and play some tennis!

Can't wait for longer days, warmer weather and the kick off to another great Season at KRC. Until then, stay safe and be well!

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## **Membership -- Grainne Archer**

It has been a busy time for the membership committee. We have had many candidates apply for membership, and our waiting list has grown to 21! The following candidates have been approved by the membership committee and the board:

- Anthony & Frances Barnes: Sponsored by Kathleen LeMaitre & Brien Daly; Seconded by Sarah & Doug Baird and Vivian & Anthony Mosellie
- Nicholas & Natasha Lawler: Sponsored by Tim & Louise Spang; Seconded by Eliza Chappell and Lela Williams
- Siri Benjamin: Sponsored by Liz & Dave Johnson; Seconded by Frank & Missy McDougald and George & Betsy Longstreth
- Andrew & Alexander Curtis: Sponsored by Herb & Judy Cohen; Seconded by Maxine & Omer Thibodeau and Beth & Gordon Fluke
- Frank & Corrine Canace: Sponsored by Roger & Lisa Kendrick; Seconded by Julie & Al Marquis & Cindy & Bill Weidner
- E Logan & Patricia Snow: Sponsored by Greg & Bev Rodiger; Seconded by Will Rodiger and Bert Rodiger
- Mary Kathleen Earnst & Edmund Spivack: Sponsored by Russell Nype & Gail Gordon; Seconded by Mark & Vicky Lamare and Grainne & Norm Archer
- Dena & Timothy Sims: Sponsored by Abby Goldenfarb & Michael Borowsky; Seconded by Barbara & Howard Goldenfarb and Sandy & Brian Lincoln
- David & Kris Ann Andonian: Sponsored by Marla & Eric Katz; Seconded by Pam & Donald Notman and Tammy Phillips

Please send any comments to the Membership Chair [grainne.j.archer@gmail.com](mailto:grainne.j.archer@gmail.com)

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### **Art Show -- Sarah Baird**

For the past two summers, our annual Art Show and Sale has been cancelled in order to protect the health of members, KRC staff, and participating artists due to the COVID pandemic. As the Show's installation requires multiple people in close contact, it would have been impossible to maintain the suggested 6 foot distance between volunteers. And as Club members can attest, the Casino and Boathouse are filled to capacity on opening night.

While we are hopeful that this popular event will return in 2022, the status of this year's Show will be determined by CDC guidelines as well as by the Committee's and the Board's complete confidence that

all stages of the installation and production can be done safely. At this time, the opening night cocktail party is scheduled for Saturday, August 13. The Art Show Committee will keep the membership informed as summer approaches.



## **Anchor Fund -- Ginny Vatcher**

I am writing to all of you during a Snow Day from school this February 4th. Today, it's icy and snowy outside in Kennebunkport, but not for long! It's definitely a good day for summer dreaming!

This year, for our Club, the Anchor Fund is planning to fund the furniture improvements for the Tennis Lounge renovation which is happening this winter. Thanks to Liz Johnson, we are receiving some great ideas to furnish and enhance that new space which is being created for our Club. It will definitely be a delight for you to see, and use, when KRC opens this spring!

As always, The Anchor Fund will be hosting Family Fun Day this summer. This is an event put on by the Anchor Fund with hopes that all attending, as well as other club members who cannot attend, will be inspired to donate to this fund. Anchor Fund money is used, annually, to help with added improvements to our club, like pickleball, paddle boards, and renovations, in the past. It is made possible by annual donations from members. Family Fun Day will take place, this summer, on Sunday, July 17th. We will have Beau Dalleo and his band returning to entertain us throughout the event. We will also have our grill masters working their grill magic, games for the kids and, of course, canoe races for all ages! It is an afternoon not to be missed.

We can't wait to see everyone bustling around KRC soon. Winter well and dream of summer at KRC!





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