ICE LINKS

NEWS OF THE HUDSON RIVER ICE YACHT CLUB FOUNDED 1885



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Happy New Year!

HRIYC News

It's cold! Its Windy! There's ice somewhere... Well the wind has not been our friend over this week, hindering ice formation. But the winds will subside & the cold looks like it will continue well into next week. Optimism prevails... Some recent ice reports:



Tivoli Bay - 2-3 inches, surface lousy.... Need a snowstorm and melt and refreeze.



Athens: Open water at State Boat Launch - wind keeping river open. (thanks Frank Wall)



Orange Lake- Lake froze over earlier this week; some snow on surface - needing to build to safe thickness.



Stockbridge Bowl: A Facebook post showed open water at the launch site. Again, winds seem to be preventing the ice from locking up.

Ice conditions updated **HERE**

North Shrewsbury Ice Boat & Yacht Club - New Years open house. A half dozen HRIYC members went to Red Bank,NJ, to celebrate the New Year with ice boaters on the Navasink. The Van Nostrand Cup race challenge letter was delivered and accepted. We wait for ice on the Navasink to race for the Van Nostrand Cup. Think Ice. More HERE.



Roosevelt Museum & Library Ice Boat Display The display of three Hyde Park Ice yachts in the Wallace Center at the FDR museum was another success. Many visitors came through over the holiday stretch. It was the first time seeing an ice boat for many of the visitors. We had a wonderful visit from the great grandson of ice yacht builder and racer Samuel R. Rogers. Tim & his son Leo were thrilled to see *Allons* - one of the boats their relative built. They brought a set of racing trophies they have from Samuel Rogers. The display was a good chance to talk about the history of the boats, the sport & the Preservation Trust. Thanks to all who spent time talking with visitors at the Wallace Center & to the takedown crew.



Samuel Rogers skippered many ice yachts to victories from 1900- 1914. His great Grandson brought 5 of trophies to the exhibit at FDR. More of Rogers HERE.



Leo & Tim - Great x2, and great-grandsons of Samuel Rogers, and George Vengrin, current caretaker of Allons.

Hudson River Ice Yacht Preservation Trust

https://www.hriypt.org/

The Hudson River Ice Yacht Preservation Trust hosted a gala benefit at the Wallace Center on Jan. 3. Over 30 interested folks and iceboaters attended. Bob Wills talked about the purpose and goals of establishing the HRIYPT. Reid Beilenberg & Ricky Aldrich gave short talks as well. It was a nice way to celebrate and spread the news of the Trust and the efforts to find a home for our historic yachts.



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Orange Lake Jan 1984

Barrytown, 2/28/82

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