COMMODORE'S CORNER

Commodore Steven G. Harris



I hope everyone has had a good winter and is ready to thaw out for a great 2014 season. I know I am.

I would like to invite you to join us for the I-LYA Spring Meeting, April 4-6 at the Holiday Inn in Westlake, Ohio. This weekend is a wonderful opportunity to meet, share ideas, and get the latest information on the upcoming boating season.

As in the past, Friday evening will feature hospitality rooms from I-LYA, GCBA, AYC and others along with the trade show booths introduced last year. Saturday will feature meetings to finalize plans for the 2014 regattas and break out "symposium" sessions for topics of interest to power boaters and sailors alike. The preliminary schedule, agenda for the General Meeting, and hotel information are posted on the I-LYA website at www.i-lya.org.

A special rate of \$98 per night, which includes tax and two breakfasts per room, has again been secured for the weekend. When making reservations by phone, please ask for in-house reservations and online, use the group

code IYC to insure that you get the negotiated rate.

I am honored to serve as your Commodore this year and look forward to a great regatta season. While I may be "at the helm" this season, I also firmly believe that, as with any racing team, the skipper is only as good as his crew. I-LYA is blessed, and I am fortunate as the Commodore, to have a great group of volunteers who make the association and our regattas great. It is truly a team effort and everyone is invited to get involved and become part of the team. I look forward to seeing you at the Spring Meeting and this summer at The Bay.



New Look for Sandusky Islands Race

SSC Rear Commodore Steve France

The Sandusky Islands Race/Stein Hospice Cup will have a new look this year with the finish line for PHRF, JAM and Cruising fleets off the entrance to Middle Bass Island Marina. Sandusky Sailing Club and Stein Hospice would like to extend this invitation to you to join this 59th race around the scenic Lake Erie Islands. Keep in mind that it is also the only Lake Erie qualifier race for the National Hospice Regatta Alliance's National Championship Race.



TWO GREAT REGATTAS One Fabulous Sailing Event!

The start for the race, on Saturday, June 28 this year, remains off the Cedar Point Pierhead. Free dockage/rafting for racers will be available at the Sandusky Sailing Club before and after the race. Racers staying at Middle Bass Island Saturday night can dock at MBI State Park Marina.

After-race activities, including the Awards Ceremony, will be at the JF Walleye restaurant pavilion Saturday afternoon and evening for race participants. The restaurant is adjacent to the State Park Marina.

The race weekend begins with a rib roast dinner and live entertainment Friday evening at SSC. Half the dinner proceeds go to benefit Stein Hospice, SSC's partner for the Club's premier annual race. Please consider joining us in support of Hospice.



I-LYA Monument Restoration Project

R/C Chris Amlin, Chairman



Sharon Amlir

The long awaited monument restoration is now ready to begin as soon as the weather breaks. We have decided to do the required repairs in two stages. The first stage will be the repair of the damaged seats, sandstone restoration, cleaning, sealing, repointing and new grout. This work will be done by the time the 2014 I-LYA Put-In-Bay Regattas begin in July. The second phase, the restoration of the bronze plaques bearing the names of the Inter-lake Yachting Association's Past Commodores, is still in need of funding and to date we are about \$7,000.00 short of our goal.

We would like to thank all the affiliated clubs and individuals that have contributed to the effort so far. If you or your club would like to help, please contact me by email at 2016@i-lya.org or by phone at (519) 818-7050 and I will be happy to assist you. Together, we can complete the restoration of this important piece of I-LYA history.



I-LYA Spring Meeting Holiday Inn - Westlake April 4-6, 2014

Plan now to attend this informative and social weekend. Enjoy your favorite hospitality suites and visit our vendors at their booths on Friday night. Saturday is filled with committee meetings and roundtable discussions, followed by cocktails and dinner that evening. Meet your friends and colleagues Sunday morning for breakfast before you depart for your home port.

Hotel registration is available online at <u>www.i-lya.org</u>. Make your reservations by March 28 using code IYC to receive the discounted room rate.

Offshore Advisory Committee

Mike Fishbaugh, Chairman

The I-LYA Offshore Advisory Committee will meet at the Spring Meeting at 1:30 PM on Saturday, April 5. This meeting is a great opportunity to discuss racing activities within I-LYA. PHRF and Offshore Multihulls will also be presenting at this meeting. If you have races to promote for your club, please plan on attending this meeting as it is a great opportunity to share your event and promote it.

At this meeting, we will also discuss the Intersectional Racing Committee, a group that further represents racing within I-LYA. All who are interested are encouraged to attend and participate.

US Sailing Race Management Seminar at SSC

This seminar, offered on April 19 at Sandusky Sailing Club, and led by US Sailing Regional Race Officer and I-LYA Commodore, Steve Harris, is designed for newcomers, those with some race committee experience, and officers needing to renew their certification. You will need your own copy of *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016* and must be a member of US Sailing; membership is available with the on-line registration.

The Club Race Officer certification test given at the conclusion of the seminar is optional. However, to be certified as a US Sailing Club Race Officer, you must attend a complete seminar and pass the test. You will also need to have your own copy of the current US Sailing Race Management Handbook (available with registration or at the US Sailing on-line store).

Cost is \$35 plus the cost of materials. On-line registration is available at http://www1.ussailing.org/

<u>Enrollment/ViewPrereq.aspx</u> or contact SSC Commodore Mike Fishbaugh at <u>mfishbaugh@pathmaker.net</u>

for more information.

Sponsorship Opportunities

Bob Sheppard, Chair

Your sponsorship committee, made up of boaters from both the power and sailing worlds, is working hard to recruit all levels of sponsorship for the I-LYA, from individuals sponsoring beer kegs and flags, to title sponsors offering thousands of dollars. We are not only trying to ensure that we meet our contractual obligations to our existing sponsors, but are also beating the bushes looking for other sponsorship opportunities.

If you know of someone or an organization that might be interested in sponsoring the I-LYA or any of its events, or if you have ideas of potential sponsors for us to contact, please let me know at sailing1@columbus.rr.com.



2014 Power Regatta

R/C Chris Amlin, Chairman

So far this year, your 2014 Power Boat Regatta Committee has had two meetings to work on the budget and plan for this year's Regatta. There are a few new things that we will be rolling out this year to bring better value and, we hope, improved attendance.

At the I-LYA Spring Meeting we will introduce a new "all inclusive" social package for those who attend. This social package is important to the financial wellbeing of the Power Boat Regatta and will also help us maintain the existing docking fees that we enjoyed last year.

As we continue to get through the harsh winter, there has been news concerning the new and revamped "A" Dock and "C" Dock construction. The heavy ice has slowed construction considerably, but word is that all will be ready for the 2014 boating season. With the new power, water, docks and forecasted high water lake levels, this will be the year we begin to bring the regatta back to the days of old. Your participation and attendance is critical, so please plan to attend this summer and help make this year's Power Regatta a success.

As of this writing, I am still looking for people to take on the fish fry dinner during the regatta. If you or your club would like to do a dinner, please contact me by email 2016@i-lya.org or by phone (519) 818-7050. Remember, the dinner doesn't have to be a fish dinner; please feel free to change things up and make the event your own!!!

I look forward to seeing you at the spring meeting, April 4-5, at the Westlake Holiday Inn and if not there, at the Power Boat Regatta, August 6-10 at Put-In-Bay. Until then, stay safe and keep warm.



2014 Junior Regatta

Monica Bloomstine, Chairman

Planning a warm weather regatta has inspired the Junior Bay Week Chairs to focus on the light at the end of the tunnel. We are grateful to not have weathered the winter at Put-in Bay, but will be delighted to spend time there in July.

We thank the many sponsors and volunteers who have already stepped up. Please feel free to contact Jane O'Brien (obrjane@gmail.com) or me (mbloomstine@neo.rr.com) with any questions, comments, concerns, or offers of assistance. (Preferably the latter!)

We realize that Junior Bay week is a well-oiled machine, so hopefully we will enhance the experience while focusing on safety, education and fun.

Your 2014 I-LYA Team

Commodore: Steve Harris *Vice Commodore: Duane Burgoyne* Rear Commodore: Chris Amlin Executive Secretary: Allen Ashley

Board of Trustees: President: Ron Soka Vice President: John Dalessandro Members: John Bedford, Mike Fishbaugh, John Hopper, Bill Pribe, John Rose, Bruce Sattler, P/C John Stewart

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2014 Senior Sail Regatta

Bob Sheppard, Chairman

With all the snow and cold weather this winter, we're hoping the lake will be thawed enough by August to hold the Senior Sail Regatta!! But let's think positive and mark your calendars for July 31-August 3 at Put-in-Bay. The Deepwater feeder races will leave from Cleveland on July 30 and from Port Clinton, Sandusky, Toledo and Grosse Ile on July 31. PIBYC will be the event headquarters, including three evenings of food, beverages and live entertainment under the tent. You don't want to miss the annual rum party!

We're excited to announce that Corsair has chosen to hold their Nationals at Bay Week adding another level of excitement to this year's event.

Be a part of the fun that is Bay Week by volunteering to help with registration, scoring, race committee, taking tickets at the social events, set-up/tear -down, or many other duties that help make this event run smoothly. You can also be a part of the team by sharing your ideas at the Senior Sail meeting at the I-LYA Spring meeting at the Holiday Inn-Westlake April 5. Your opinion counts!

Watch this newsletter and the I-LYA web site at www.i-lya.org for event and registration information. We hope to see you at the Bay!

CLEVELAND BOAT SHOW

Special thanks to all who volun- Erie and enjoy the streaming photos teered to work the I-LYA booth at the from last summer. Mid-America Boat Show in Cleveland

for setting up and Trustee PROGRESSIVE MID-AMERICA John Bedford for technical support and booth checks. The show was

by to enjoy the laser-cut map of Lake become active members in the future.

Bob Kansa is also working on a map in January, especially PC Jack Attkisson which will include burgees for each

> organization. We are certainly all proud of our clubs! Still, the majority of visitors to the booth

certainly a wonderful opportunity to were not affiliated with an I-LYA club, connect with people in our organiza- which means there are plenty of boattion. Many boat show visitors stopped ers and sailors out there who might

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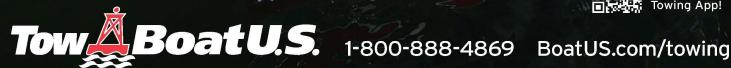
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JUNIOR SAILING NEWS

2014 Advanced Racing Clinic June 24-28, 2014

North Cape Yacht Club's Advanced Racing Clinic will be the experience for their sailors in the future. Provisions will held again this year. Come learn from the best coaches and be made for coach boats. Make plans now for your sailors and coaches to attend.

jump start your summer! This clinic will be held in Laser Full Rigs, Laser Radials, Club 420's, Thistles, and Lightnings. It is a BRING YOUR OWN BOAT Clinic. NCYC enjoys a reputation for the highest quality coaching, fabulous hospitality, fresh water sailing conditions and remarkable volunteers.

Coaches from participants' clubs are encouraged to attend so they can learn from our program and coaches to improve

Confirmed clinic coaches for this year are Dave Dellenbaugh for Thistles and Lightnings, Canadian Olympic-hopeful Lee Parkhill for Lasers, and Cornell coach Brian Clancy and All-American Emily Dellenbaugh for C420s.

Complete details and bios for all the coaches are available at http://www.ncyc.net/ARC. Be sure to follow the ARC on Facebook and Twitter.

NCYC Advanced Race Clinic Coach Spotlight: Dave Dellenbaugh

David Dellenbaugh was the tactician and starting helmsman on America3 during her successful defense of the America's Cup in 1992. Dave is also a seven-time Thistle national champion, Lightning world champion and has received many other notable trophies. He also runs clinics and seminars and coached Team Maclaren in their match racing campaign from 2010 through the 2012 Olympics. Dellenbaugh was an associate editor of Sailing World and the original author of its popular "Around The Buoys" column. He is a co-author of Smallboat Sailing, published by Sports Illustrated, and wrote and narrated the Learn The Racing Rules video set. As director of marketing for North Sails, Dave helped write the North U. Fast, Smart, One-Design and Cruising courses. He is currently a member of the US Sailing Racing Rules Committee and was its chairman from 2005-2008. As a board member of the Southport Sailing Foundation, he created the Clever-Pig.org website for aspiring young racing sailors.



Dave Dellenbaugh with Team Maclaren, including former I-LYA sailor and Olympian Anna Tunnicliffe, Molly Vandemoer, and Deb Capozzi.

LYC Learn to Sail

If you're looking for a summer program for your children, -owned boats. Leatherlips Yacht Club's Youth Learn-to-Sail classes are a great place to start. Just north of Columbus at 9230 Shaw- national governing body for the sport and their mission is to nee Trail in Powell, LYC's Youth Learn-to-Sail program's provide leadership, integrity and advancement for the sport mission is to develop knowledgeable youth sailors and to instill in them a love for the sport of sailing

that will serve as the foundation for their future and the future of the club. Students aged 8-15 will have the opportunity to learn to sail in a variety of small sailboats. Skills learned will easily transfer to larger boats.

Six one-week sessions begin June 9. Each session will provide instruction for both beginner and intermediate sailors; students will be placed based on their experience and skills. Learn-to-Sail programs at LYC, contact Learn-to-Sail director Each session runs from 9:00 am-3:30 pm Monday-Friday (Monday-Thursday week of July 4). Cost is \$200/session www.leatherlips.com/learn-to-sail. (\$160/week of July 4). All classes are held at the club in club

All instructors are U.S. Sailing certified; U.S. Sailing is the

of sailing. The number of instructors and safety boats on the water will depend on the number of students enrolled in the class.

If you don't want your kids to have all the fun, LYC will also offer Learn-to-Sail classes for students 18 and over. Cost is \$250 for one six-week session, Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6:00 pm-9:30 pm June 9-July 17.

For more information about either the Youth or Adult Steve Nearing at steve nearing@yahoo.com or go to



JUNIOR SAILING NEWS

I-LYA JUNIORS ON THE WEB

Everyone interested in Junior Sailing is encouraged to spend a few minutes familiarizing yourself with our website at www.I-LYA.org. Click on Junior Sailing, then on the News page to see the latest news. In addition, the Calendar and Events page has been updated and includes Traveler Series dates and links to Facebook pages and websites including the Junior Olympics Festival at Eagle Creek and the Advanced Race Clinic at North Cape. More information on both of these events is available elsewhere in this edition of the *I-LYA News*, but consider following both on Facebook to stay up to date.

The Club Contacts and Committee page has also been updated and the NOR for Junior Bay Week 2014 has posted. The Traveler Series page has not been revised; that page will be updated after the I-LYA Spring Meeting in April, where decisions will be made about online registration, number of throw outs, and more.

Please make plans now to attend the I-LYA Spring Meeting at the Holiday Inn/Crocker Road in Westlake. We need your input. The Junior Meeting will be Saturday, April 5 from 10:30 to 12:00, but plan on staying for afternoon activities as well. Complete weekend details are at www.I-LYA.org. The agenda for the Junior Meeting will be set following the Spring RSPS as will the topic for an afternoon roundtable. This information will be posted on that News page referenced above. To be added to the junior email list or if you have news to share or agenda items, please contact Jane O'Brien at ilya.juniors@gmail.com.

It's not too late...

...to support Commodore Steve Harris and the I-LYA Yearbook by purchasing an ad. The stated deadline is past, but get your check in the mail now and be included in the book that devotes ten full pages to junior sailing information, photos, and results. From business ads, to personal ads, to "shout-outs" for your favorite competitor, there's something for everyone and every budget. Just click on the Yearbook tab at www.I-LYA.org for forms and pricing.



USA JUNIOR OLYMPICS FESTIVAL AT EAGLE CREEK SAILING CLUB

Eagle Creek Sailing Club will host a USA Junior Olympics Sailing Festival June 14-15, 2014, with FREE coaching available Friday the 13th. Laser Radial, 420 & Opti classes will be on the line. All are welcome. Must be a U. S. Sailing Member. Find complete regatta information at www.regattanetwork.com/event/8094. Check out Eagle Creek's web page at www.ecsail.org for information on camping and other items. Register by May 20 and save.

Registration fee for the Junior Olympics Festival covers Saturday's Traveler Series race. Saturday's races will be scored separately for the Traveler Series, but regatta awards will only be presented for combined Saturday/Sunday racing.



Important Dates:

- Early Bird Registration (\$85 per competitor) ends May 20
- Early Registration (\$110 per competitor) ends June 2
- Late registration (\$125 per competitor) June 3-14

Plan now to attend. Remember to bring a club burgee for your team to march under in the opening ceremony.



Ian Moran topped a fleet of 80 at the USODA Allstate Sugar Bowl Midwinter Championship at Southern Yacht Club in New Orleans in late November, winning first overall, first in age group and the Midwinters Trophy. Cameron and Will Turner of Chautauqua Lake Yacht Club also participated finishing 24th and 26th respectively. A very strong I-LYA showing!

Ian Moran, at 13, was the youngest skipper at the inaugural J70 North Americans in Annapolis and finished 31st out of 89 boats. He is pictured here with teammates Chris Chadwick, Krissy Zillman, and J70 Class president Joe Colling. To learn more about this young sailor, be sure to check out "Young Sailing Talent" in the fall 2013 edition of the J70 class news: http://www.j70class.com/index.php/news/.







SPRING MEETING AGENDA

Saturday, April 5 - 1500 hours

CALL TO ORDER – Commodore Steve Harris

Invocation Fleet Chaplain, Commodore Ed Payne, FYC

Pledge of Allegiance Fleet Captain Ed Skoch, PIBYC

Roll Call Registrar Charlene Schroeder, WRYCC/CCYC

Club Delegates **I-LYA Commodores**

Introduction of Distinguished Guests Commodore Steve Harris, BLYC

Minutes of Fall 2013 Meeting Secretary Donna Payne, FYC

REPORTS – Commodore Steve Harris

Election of Nominating Committee Commodore Steve Harris, BLYC

Commodore Mike Morton, WYC **Advisory Committee Executive Secretary** Commodore Allen Ashley, DBBC

Treasurer Matt Davis, BLYC

I-LYA Trustees Report President Ron Soka, TYC

Delegates Reports

US Sailing Commodore Steve Harris, BLYC Yacht Racing Union of the Great Lakes Commodore Steve Harris, BLYC

National Boating Federation Commodore Ed Payne, FYC

Commodore Dennis Mintus, AYC **Boating Association of Ohio** Michigan Boating Industries

Yachtsmen's Fund Commodore Clay Mock, MHYC

Commodore Clay Mock, MHYC Code of Regulations Committee **Admiralty Committee** Commodore Clay Mock, MHYC

Bob Sheppard, ACSA/SSC/LYC

Sponsorship Committee

Boat Show Hospitality Jane O'Brien, PIBYC

Bill Stewart

Yearbook Committee Marilyn Paselsky, PIBYC

I-LYA Historian Tom Thanisiu, JRSC **Perpetual and Memorial Trophies** Clark Davies, PIBYC Tom Thanisiu, JRSC



AFFAIRS AFLOAT - Vice Commodore Duane Burgoyne

Powerboat Committee Rear Commodore Chris Amlin, SPBC/PIBYC

Powerboat Measurer Commodore Jack Attkisson, PIBYC Senior Sail Committee Bob Sheppard, ACSA/SSC/LYC

Sail Yacht Measurer/PHRF

Sail Yacht Appeals Committee Commodore Dan van Heeckeren, MHYC

Intersectional Racing Committee Mike Fishbaugh, SSC/EWYC

Junior Activities Committee Jane O'Brien, PIBYC

Junior Regatta Committee Mark & Monica Bloomstine, EYC

Tim & Jane O'Brien, PIBYC

Junior Powerboat Committee Bob Lang, WRYCC

AFFAIRS ASHORE - Rear Commodore Chris Amlin

Entertainment Committee Lady Gail McKee, SSCC

Publications Mike Fishbaugh, SSC/EWYC

Shore Courtesy Committee Commodore Mike Morton, WYC

Sports Activities Rich McKee, SSCC

OLD BUSINESS – Commodore Steve Harris

From the Floor...

NEW BUSINESS – Commodore Steve Harris

Teller's Report/Election Results
Motion to destroy the ballots

From the Floor... Announcements **Commodore Steve Harris**

ADJOURNMENT

This evening's Dinner and Awards will be held in the Ballroom

Cocktails - 1800

Dinner - 1900