

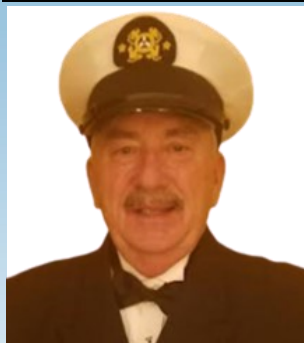


Inter-Lake Yachting Association

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COMMODORE'S REPORT



How can it be May already?? I am sure glad that it is, and can hardly wait to get the boat in the water. With that being said what a spring we are having. The weather has been incredible for the past few weeks and I see quite a few boats are already in the water at the west end. The "Stress Relief" is still under her winter blanket but we plan on getting her off the hard by the first week in May. The month of April started off with a bang with our spring meeting in Westlake with a terrific turnout. Thanks to everyone for making this a **fantastic event**. The vendors fair returned with much success and we plan on having it back in December, so watch for further information from the Vice Commodore. How do you thank all of the people that helped you accomplish an event such as our spring meeting? To all of the chair people for putting together all of the meetings information, to my fleet captains for putting up the displays, flags, booths, tables, chairs, banner etc. and whatever else we needed they were on the

spot to help. Thanks Kevin Stone, Tom Kovach, Dean Reamsnyder, Stan Ziemkiewicz, Scott & Karyn Selle, Diane & Chris Wright, you guys are awesome!! Then what about my hospitality crew, Warren & Marianne Dempster, Linda Leff & Karla Reamsnyder you guys rock too! Then what can you say about our loyal organizations that supports us time & time again. The Associated Yacht Clubs, the Greater Cleveland Boating Association, the Put in Bay Yacht Club, Sandusky Yacht Club along with all 3 of the IOBG districts, we couldn't do this without all of your support!

THANK-YOU!

How about that food, the Doubletree Chef hit a home run with his "Italian Buffet" and we look forward to another fantastic selection in December. The staff under the guidance of the General Manager Carrie Corrigan did a wonderful job ensuring that our stay was very accommodating, and a great experience for all.

One the best experiences a commodore can have is to give out some awards to much deserving people that make our organization what it is. I surely was honored to give out these awards with a lot of surprises for the recipients. Congratulations to Tony Blank BVYC "Skipper of the year" (power) Russ Krock SSC "Skipper of the year" (sail), Eric Osborne (EWYC) with the "Yacht Racing Union of the Great Lakes" trophy. Then what about a guy from a little club on the west end called Jolly Roger Sailing Club, who has made many contributions to our organization for many years, and was long overdue to receive this award. Commodore Arne Hansen was this year's recipient of the "Yachtsman of the Year" Award. For me the best award that I gave out that night was to a crazy guy of small stature but with a big heart. A gentleman that has given to our organization much time and dedication for over 50 years. A guy that has made us all laugh until we cried and has worked tirelessly for all of us on and off the Island. He is also a guy that I am proud to call my friend and another Past Commodore of I-LYA and this year's Honorary Regatta Chairman Commodore Al Gebhardt. I would also like to congratulate Commodore Fishbaugh on receiving his commodores pin.

I am sure I will forget to thank someone but that is not my intention, Thanks to all of you for helping Lady Rhonda & me in making the I-LYA the magnificent organization that it is. I have also included a list of very generous people and other organizations that put together wonderful raffle basket for us to raffle off to help defer the cost of this event. Thanks to Pam Myers (DBBC) for spearheading this effort and to all that contributed.

Hopefully by the time you receive this newsletter our website will have all our regatta information posted and ready for action. So watch our site and the Facebook pages for this very important information. We look forward to seeing all of you once again very soon at the Bay. Have FUN in whatever you do and Stay Safe!

CONGRATULATIONS 2023 SPRING MEETING AWARD WINNERS



2023 HONORARY REGATTA CHAIRMAN
Commodore Al Gebhardt, LCYC



YACHT RACING UNION OF THE GREAT LAKES
Eric (EO) Osborne, EYC



YACHTSMAN OF THE YEAR
Commodore Arne Hansen & Lady Margie, JRSC



MID AMERICA BOATING POWER
SKIPPER OF THE YEAR
Tony Blank, BVYC

Spring Meeting Basket Donations

Wine & Girl Scout Cookies Basket – John & Rita Robbins

Key West Basket—R/C Scott & Sharon Kneisel

Whiskey/Rum/Scotch Basket—Mark Cain

Tito's & Frito's Basket—Com Steve Hyder & Lady Pam

Coffee Basket—Chris & Gina Aune

PIB Wine Basket—Com Al Ashley & Lady Marcia

Mickey Mouse Basket—AYC Class of 2019

Feeling Nauti—Com Bob Lang & Lady Bobbi

Open Bar Basket—Lady Rhonda Rich

Vera Bradley Basket—Scott & Karyn Selle

Pony Tail Palm Basket—Linda Leff

Summer Beach Basket—Kevin Stone & Crystal Moran

Margarita & Daiquiri Basket—Warren & Marianne Dempster

Wine & Wine Rack Basket—Dean & Karla Reamsnyder

5 O'Clock Somewhere Basket—Warren & Marianne Dempster

Easter Basket—V/C Dale Vanderford & Lady Teresa

Circle of Booze—Dawn Lang & Steve Jakubik

Wreath & Lotto Ticket Basket—Julie Ames & Jill Purcell

I-LYA Apparel Basket—Tammy Darr Great Lakes Custom Wear

Margarita Basket—Kathy McCarthy

Cleveland Browns Basket—Louis Glatzer

Great Lakes Cleveland Basket-- Bruce & Pam Sattler

Luau Basket—Rich & Beth McKee

Peach Crown & Lottery Ticket Basket- AYC Com Jay Crum & Lady Denise

Jewelry Basket—Kris Truthan

THANK YOU! We Appreciate Your Support

Vice Commodore's Corner...Dale Vanderford



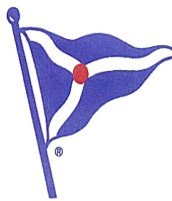
Glad to have a taste of that great spring weather the last few days. In conversations around our club and online everyone is talking about the work ahead of them and when they are finally going to be able to launch their vessels this year. I look forward to this time of year, even with all the work that is required that is somehow not ever pictured in those boat brochures of the families that are out for a leisurely sale or cruising quickly across the lake, not a care in the world. This is our sport, so we love every second of the spring prep!

Lady Teresa and I had a great time at the spring meeting. It was nice to see all the preparations for the summer regattas coming along and the incremental changes that are being made from participant feedback that we can incorporate to make all the regattas better each year. Additionally, we enjoyed coordinating the vendors that we had turn out for the meetings. In talking with many of the vendors that were selling things, nearly all were very pleased with the traffic and sales that they were getting by their booths. Many will be back in December for the winter meeting, and we will be looking for additional vendors to participate as well. If you have a business or know of a business that could benefit from the exposure, let me know and I will be glad to reach out and get them signed up. The booth space is free of charge. Thank you to all of the vendors who came and all of you who supported them!

I would like to thank all of you who came out to DBBC for my recent fundraiser. I had huge support from member organizations and Lady Teresa and I were overwhelmed by the sellout crowd. My fundraising efforts continue, so if you couldn't make it out to the fundraiser, I'm still selling tickets for a chance to win a La-Z-Boy recliner. The drawing for that will be held at the awards ceremony at the Sail Regatta in August. Tickets are available from myself or Lady Teresa or online. You can Venmo \$10 to @DaleVanderford and I will get a ticket filled out for you. Please include your phone number in the message so we can contact you when you win!

We also have some news from the communication front. We have a new Facebook page for both the I-LYA organization and for the Power Regattas. Kris Truthan, the social media chair has been hard at work getting them set up and they look great. See her article below in this very newsletter and give them a follow! The Jr. and Sr. Sail Regattas still maintain their presence that they have had for several years that many of us already follow. It's good to see the growth of the organization in this area and is a positive step.

Speaking of regattas, Sail registration is open now and the Power Regattas will be open on May 1st. I'm glad that we were able to hold the line on pricing, as our regattas are not only a great experience, but also a pretty good value for participant. I hope to see you out on the lake and at our regattas!



Rear Commodore's Corner...Scott Kneisel



Greetings! Snow is falling as I write this article, ugh. I suppose this is only fitting, given that I just uncovered *Sharin's Relief* four days ago. I am now awaiting the return of the warmer weather so that I may perform the annual waxing ritual. As I suspect you are, Sharon and I are looking forward to an enjoyable and safe boating season ahead.

Many thanks to Commodore Lloyd, Lady Rhonda, and the 2023 Team for an enjoyable and productive Spring Meeting. It was great to see everyone and to attend portions of meetings that I had not previously attended. We have so many tireless volunteers that accomplish so much for the benefit of all who attend both the Regattas and the Spring & Fall Meetings. Thank you all! Congratulations to Commodore Al Gebhardt, Commodore Arne Hansen, Eric Osborne, and Tony Blank and for earning their respective awards. Well done!

Attention Sail Regatta attendees: the committee is seeking one 3' x 5' burgee from each attending club. We want to fly each burgee on a pole on the north end of "A" Dock. The purpose is not only to promote your club's attendance, but also to help communicate to the public that the dock is not available. When the fleet is out on the water racing, the empty dock looks very inviting.

Since the Spring Meeting we have attended Vice Commodore Dale and Lady Teresa's fundraiser at Detroit Beach Boat Club, where we enjoyed a fine meal, some entertainment and caught up with friends. We are looking ahead to Memorial Day weekend when we will attend the Opening of the Port in Toledo and the USS Cod ceremony in Cleveland. Two weeks later, we will attend the Opening of the Island Ceremony on Grosse Ile.

I am seeking several member club's burgees so that they may be added to the display of burgees that are hung at the Regattas and Spring/Fall Meetings. The list of club names is below. I may be contacted at scott.kneisel@bex.net or 734.516.0257.

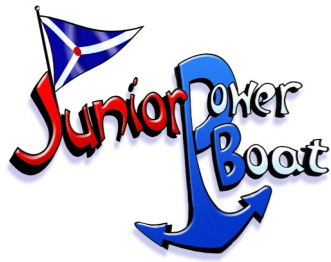
Rear Commodore Scott Kneisel

Cleveland Foundry
Eagle Creek Sailing Club
Fremont Yacht Club
Grosse Point Sail Club
Laguna Yacht Club
Leatherlips Yacht Club

MacRay Yacht Club
Mansfield Sailing Club
North Coast Women's Sailing Association
Port Dover Yacht Club
South Shore Yacht Club

Reminder: The remaining 2023 I-LYA News schedule:

Edition	Due Date
Launch	4/17/23
Regatta	6/5/23
Results	8/21/23
Fall Meeting	10/9/23



Captain Bob Here. WOW another great Spring Meeting for I-LYA Junior Power-boaters. As you all know, I'm always looking for new contests or how to improve on the ones we all know and love. We talked about having a high speed race, NOT sure how to work that into the program, but I'm thinking about it. Anyways, remember a few years ago, 2019 I think, we had a Man Overboard contest. Well, we're trying to get that contest up and going again. Our good friend GCBA Commander Don Young is working on getting the Dumby for our use at the

Regatta. We also discussed expanding our class studies to include proper use of the VHF radio. In that regard, John Dalessandro has 20 walkie-talkie radios that we can use for that purpose. Another idea was to take the juniors out on a powerboat and provide some hands-on handling of a larger vessel, along with looking at the various mechanical systems on-board. I like this idea and will be looking for some boat owners to help out with this.

For those Juniors who are no longer eligibility to participate in the Junior Powerboat Regatta, I invite you to take the next step and get involved in helping out; judging or grading our junior contestants. You are the next generation to take charge of this program and I would like to get you involved and hear your thoughts on how to improve our Junior Powerboat Regatta.

Bob; 313-938-8414 CaptainBobLang@OutLook.com

POWERBOAT REGATTA

As we start working on getting our boats ready for another boating season, I am looking forward to getting out on the lake and enjoying time with family and friends. As we get ready for summer, we have already begun planning for the Powerboat Regatta for this year.

The Powerboat Committee has been busy putting together a great schedule for our upcoming Regatta. Under the helm of Commodore Lloyd Bogue, we believe that we have put together a schedule that has a lot of different events planned for the week of 07/26 – 07/30. Further information will be sent out as we get closer to the actual dates. You will receive registration information within the next month, so keep a look out!

We hope to see all of you on the water and hopefully at the Regatta this year. Please do not hesitate to contact either myself or one of our committee members if you have any questions or concerns. The best way to reach me is at email: bethelou2@aol.com
Thank You!

SAIL REGATTA

I am sure everyone is hard at work getting their boats ready for the season. I know I am. With the launch date coming up soon, it is all hands on deck. Once the boat is in the water and the mast is again in the vertical position don't forget to get your reservations for your crew accommodations and get your boat registered for Bayweek.

Registration is open and we have several boats registered already. Please note that we have added a Double handed class this year. We realized that getting crew for some boats was an issue so we decided to add this class. We are looking forward to having at least as many boats this year as we had last year. The entry fee has not changed. The parties and beer tent will be the same as last year. So get with your crew and get Bayweek on your schedule. Those of you in the Cleveland area, there may be some changes to your Deepwater Race. Please get with your sail fleet captains on some proposals they are looking at.

Bill Pribe NCYC, Sail Regatta Chair

2023 I-LYA Junior Championship Regatta (AKA Junior Bay Week)

The ice is gone, the water's getting warm, and it's time to get serious about preparing for the 2023 I-LYA Junior Championship (Jr. Bay Week). Get out your hiking pants for a fun and challenging week of racing at Put-in-Bay the third week in July.

The Junior Championship committee is hard at work to continue preparing for the premier junior regatta in the region. Make sure to head to the Traveler's Series regattas to prepare for JBW. For more information, check out the website at <https://sites.google.com/view/i-lyajuniorsailing/>



2023 JUNIOR SAILING COMMITTEE

COUNCIL UPDATE

We continue to plan and prepare for the 2023 Sailing Season. To start, we had a fabulous Spring Meeting – thank you to all who contributed and participated! The Meeting Minutes are available online on our page, as well as the 2023 Traveler's Series Schedule, US Sailing Area E Local training classes, and other initiatives.

If you or someone you know at your club is a Junior Sailor, get yourself and your boat ready to participate. Our area is one-of-a-kind in the United States, with the ability for over 1,000 Junior Sailors to compete at local events throughout the summer. The I-LYA Traveler's Series includes Opti, Laser, 420 and Thistle Fleets. If you know a junior sailor, get them involved in their local sailing program to get ready for a great summer of fun and competitive sailboat racing in the inland and open waters of I-LYA member clubs. The I-LYA Junior Sailing website is updated and will continue to be updated with more information as available throughout the season. Information about all the junior sailing that I-LYA has to offer can be found at: <https://sites.google.com/view/i-lyajuniorsailing/> If you'd like to be part of our eNewsletter, please email ilya.juniors@gmail.com to be added to our mailing list.

We are thankful to I-LYA Board and the Yachtsmen's Fund for their continued support of the future of sailing. Follow us on Social Media to get a glimpse of what our I-LYA Sailors are doing on the water after High School.

The I-LYA Junior Sailing Council as voted in at the Fall Meeting:

Chair (2023-2024)	Kellie Schaffner	CYC /
Vice Chair (2023-2024)	Justin Rodriguez	ACSC / PIBYC
Inland Rep	Christie Rodriguez	ACSC / PIBYC
Western Rep	Leslie Dietsch	NCYC
Eastern Rep	Delaney Imbler	MHYC
I-LYA Coach Rep	Rusty Deane	EWYC
I-LYA Junior Rep	Cole Rini	VBC
I-LYA Junior Rep	Evelyn Hannah	LYC
I-LYA Junior Rep	Annaleea Schaub	SJRT
I-LYA Junior Rep	Grant Dunfee	PCYC
I-LYA Junior Rep	Delaney Gehrlein	EYC
Immediate Past Chair	CC Wisniewski	PIBYC

Kellie Schaffner, Chair

SOCIAL MEDIA UPDATE

We're excited to announce new social media options for I-LYA! On Facebook, you'll now find the official I-LYA site page at <https://www.facebook.com/ILYAInterLakeYachtingAssociation>.

We hope you'll choose the option to **follow** the site. We'll share events, important announcements, and other interesting information. We'll create "events" to share what is going on in our member clubs. Over time we may tweak some of the settings to give us the best results after we review how the pages are being used.

We also suggest that, in addition to following these pages, you may want to bookmark them to make revisiting them faster for you as searching for them is proving to be, at this point, a bit tricky. Searching just I-LYA currently pulls up several related pages. That search brings up an old, though labeled "new", ILYA The New Bay Week – **PLEASE DO NOT SUBSCRIBE TO THIS**, we'll be working to have it removed, it was created years ago and not used. You'll also see I-LYA Junior Sailors and I-LYA Bay Week, which is Sr Sail. **Searching I-LYA Inter-Lake will pull up our official page** but if you search ILYA, the results are not very helpful.

In addition to the official site listed above, there are 3 sub-groups:

- o [I-LYA Bay Week Sr. Sail](#)
- o [I-LYA Bay Week Power Regattas-Sr and Jr](#) (combined Sr. and Jr. Power)
- o [I-LYA Junior Sailing](#)

The main purpose of these pages is to promote I-LYA events, and fundraisers for the bridge and the organization, and to disseminate news and events for the organization. Member club events may be posted but should not overshadow the message and intent of the main page (we'll create events rather than individual postings). Once on the page, you'll see events as a link on the left. As with any social media, there are rules – play nice, no foul language, be respectful, and participate appropriately. Any posts or comments that aren't appropriate for these pages will be removed.

Please share this information with members of your respective clubs, if you have newsletters and/or social media, please post this information! If you have information to submit for posting, please send it to Kris Truthan, truthank@gmail.com. And don't forget our Twitter account [I-LYA](#)! Searching for I-LYA on Twitter will pull up this account

I - LYA 130th Adult & Jr. Power Boat Regatta **Put - In - Bay, OH** **July 26-30th, 2023**

Come join all the fun! Bring the whole family!!
Kids are welcome and encouraged to join in!

All I-LYA Boaters are invited to join for some fun at the bay!

Dock at A&C Dock for only \$2.05 ft.

Social Packages for adults on boats that are docked with I-LYA are \$50 per person, Those without boats are \$60 per person. Social Packages include all dinner meals Spaghetti, Steak or Chicken, Hot Dog Roast, and a Taco dinner.

It also includes activities listed below for 4 days.

ADULT ACTIVITIES

Power Boat Water Contests
Corn Hole Contest
Co-ed Volleyball & Softball
Putt Putt Golf*
Golf Tournament*
Pub Crawl*

Mt. Gay Rum Party / Tito's Party
Inflatable Boat Races
Beer Trailer
Ladies Tea*

Kayak Races & Tug a War on the water
Award Ceremony

KIDS 5-11 yrs. (Free)

Fishing Contest
Geo Quest
Putt Putt Golf
Movie Night

JR. POWER 12-18yrs. (\$10)

SAFE Boating Seminar &
Navigation Contest
Scholarship Opportunities
Fishing Contest & Geo Quest
Putt Putt Golf & Movie Night
Co-ed Softball, Volley Ball & Corn Hole
Kayak Races & Tug a War on the water
Award Ceremony

*Small fee may apply

Steak, Chicken, and Dinner meals are NOT included for kids or Jr's but may be purchased for a small fee.

Go to the I-LYA Website for On Line Register May 1st- July 9th.
For more information or questions call the Power Boat Registrar,
Dawn Schaumburger at 734-558-6129 or email dschaums22@aol.com

POWER BOAT REGATTA SHUTTLE SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The I-LYA Powerboat Committee and Shuttle Transportation Chairman are inviting the I-LYA affiliated clubs and individuals that have participated in past Powerboat Regattas. We are asking you or your club to consider donating money towards our Golf Cart Shuttle Transportation for the upcoming 2023 Powerboat Regatta. We are asking each club (or interested individuals) that participate in the Regatta if they would consider donating \$80.00 towards this fund so that we can continue to provide transportation to the many events. If your club is not in a position to contribute at this level, the committee will gladly accept contributions in any amount. We transport a large number of your club members whether it's to A or C Dock, the PIB Yacht Club, the Putt-Putt Golf Course, I-LYA events, etc. We have many members that are unable to walk long distances and this valuable service provides an efficient way so that our participants can go to the numerous activities, some of which are quite a distance from where their boats are docked.

We ask for your contribution in donating; information is listed below on where you can forward your donation. Checks should be made payable to "I-LYA 2023". If you can donate, please send your check to Nate Edmunds, Powerboat Treasurer. Nate's mailing address is 6950 Maplewood Dr., Temperance, MI 48182.

Thanks for your consideration.

Shuttle Transportation Co-Chairpersons:

Sharon Kneisel, BVYC; 419.367.6503; Sharon.kneisel97@gmail.com

Paula Antoine, RVYC 419.392.6067 paulaantoine@protonmail.com



Inter-Lake Yachting Association

2023 Power Regatta July 26th – 30th
SPONSOR SIGN-UP FOR Keg/Golf Cart

The Inter-Lake Yachting Association's Power Regatta will be held at Put in Bay, Ohio on South Bass Island on Lake Erie. You, your boating club, or your company all have the opportunity to be recognized at this premier event by sponsoring us. Keg Sponsors will be acknowledged with a banner at the event! Golf Carts cover transportation to ALL I-LYA events!

Number of Kegs:	_____	@ \$100.00 =	\$ _____
Golf Cart:	_____	@ \$ 80.00 =	\$ _____
TOTALS:			\$ _____

Name of Person or Club sponsoring: _____

Please make checks payable to: I-LYA 2023

Mail to: Nate Edmunds, Powerboat Treasurer
 6950 Maplewood Drive
 Temperance, MI 48182

**Commodore Lloyd Bogue and the 2023 Power Regatta Committee thank you
 for your support of the 2023 I-LYA Power Regatta.**

Keg sponsorship may be used to cover the cost of beer kegs as well as other social event expenses,
 including other beverages.



I-LYA Sailing

I-LYA 2023 PHRF Championship

series includes
races across Lake
Erie from May to
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FIVE (5)

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2023 Bayweek
NOTICE OF RACE
on **Yacht Scoring.**
Register by July 10

for reduced
registration fees.



For more information
visit: **i-lya.org**

I-LYA Bayweek Regatta August 4-6

At Put-in-Bay Yacht Club, Put-in-Bay, Ohio

Three Professionally Run Race Courses:

PHRF Fleet Race around the islands with
windward/leeward races if time/conditions allow.

JAM Fleet One to two island races per day as conditions
allow. **Cruising Fleet** One island race per day.

Hobie Wave/Portsmouth Dinghy Fleets

Multiple windward/leeward or triangle windward/leeward
races each day.

Race to PIB

Deepwater Racing from Cleveland (8/2) & Toledo (8/3)
or the **Steeplechase Race** (8/3) from Sandusky Bay!

On Shore

Socialize at PIBYC with **FREE BEER*** during
Daily Awards, a Friday night **Mount Gay Rum Party**
and a Saturday **Tito's Party!**

Ladies Tea

Saturday afternoon.

Register online at **i-lya.org** or at PIBYC.

Each skipper will receive an allotment of competitor/crew wristbands with their boat
registration to participate in nightly socializing. Additional wristbands available for purchase
at a nominal fee.

* Free Beer with wristband, rum and vodka parties included.



Inter-Lake Yachting Association

2023 Sail Regatta Sponsorship
August 4-6 at Put-in-Bay

The I-LYA Sail Regatta is a top-tier regatta with U.S. Sailing Certified Race Officers on three courses: Portsmouth Dinghy; PHRF; and JAM/Cruising. Three days of racing, Daily Awards, and complimentary social packages provide an opportunity for sailors from all around Lake Erie to gather, compete, and socialize.

You, your boat, your sailing club, your company, your poker buddies, your golf foursome... all have an opportunity to be **recognized at the 2023 Sail Regatta** by sponsoring a keg, flags, or the event overall. Sponsors are crucial to the success of the event and will be acknowledged with a banner at the event daily awards ceremony and on the *I-LYA Bay Week* Facebook page.

To be an event sponsor you may add to your regatta registration through Yachtscoring; complete an event purchase from the committee; or complete this form.

Sponsorship Opportunity	Cost	Quantity	Total Amount
Keg of Beer	\$95.00		
Set of Flags	\$175.00		

Banner Listing _____

e.g. Captain Jack Sparrow, the Black Pearl

Contact: _____

Email: _____

Make checks payable to I-LYA 2023 and mail to Bill Pribe 6954 Elden Drive, Sylvania OH 43560

Visit <https://i-lya.org/sponsorship/> for more information on other sponsorship opportunities.

Commodore Lloyd Bogue and the 2023 Regatta Committee thank you for your support!

Please contact Regatta Chair Bill Pribe at wpribe@gmail.com with other questions.



It was nice to see so many friendly and familiar faces at the Spring meeting. The Yachtsmen's Fund had productive trustee and member meetings. We would like to share a few exciting and noteworthy items that happened over the weekend.

We welcomed our newest trustee, Kate Keane. Kate has agreed to help with our social media presence which has been on the lighter side and promises to bring new energy to many of our endeavors.. She most definitely is bringing down our mean age!

We accepted Trustee Ed Thiesen's request to move to emeritus status. Ed has been a valued trustee for many years and has brought both financial expertise and strong connections to the sailing world beyond our region to the Fund. He will continue as an active, valued member of the board. His desire with this status change is that we can continue to move the fund forward, welcoming "new blood" and new ideas to the Yachtsmen's Fund. We thank him for his service and welcome his presence and input for years to come.

The trustees agreed to the creation of a new training grant that will be used by the Junior Activities Committee to help defer costs for the chair, or other leader, to attend the US Sailing National Sailing Programs Symposium. Following the Fund's decision, the I-LYA Board of Trustees voted to match the grant. This will help to ensure that our programs in I-LYA remain on the cutting edge of the sport.

Due to changes in the US Sailing Junior and Youth Championships this year. The Fund is changing our allocation of monies to support our youth sailors that qualify to compete in these events. Please watch our website or upcoming issues of I-LYA News for further details.

We were happy to have the JBW chairs present their budget and agreed to support each sailor for housing and to fund their professional coaches. The Junior Power Regatta will also receive support as in previous years and further funds can be made available if a specific need is identified.

Our annual Dollar per Member Club request went out in the mail earlier this month. A number of clubs have already committed their support to helping the Fund support activities that Educate, Challenge, and Inspire our next generation of boaters. I hope we can count on your Club, too. Want to learn more?... Contact our Treasurer, Jane O'Brien, at treasurer@yachtsmensfund.org.

We welcomed several new life members this past year and were very honored to be designated by the Parsons and Headlee families to receive memorial donations in their loved one's names. Life Memberships and Memorial Donations are invested and help to serve youth and amateur boating and sailing for years into the future - a very appropriate way to remember a loved one who loved boating and the boating community.

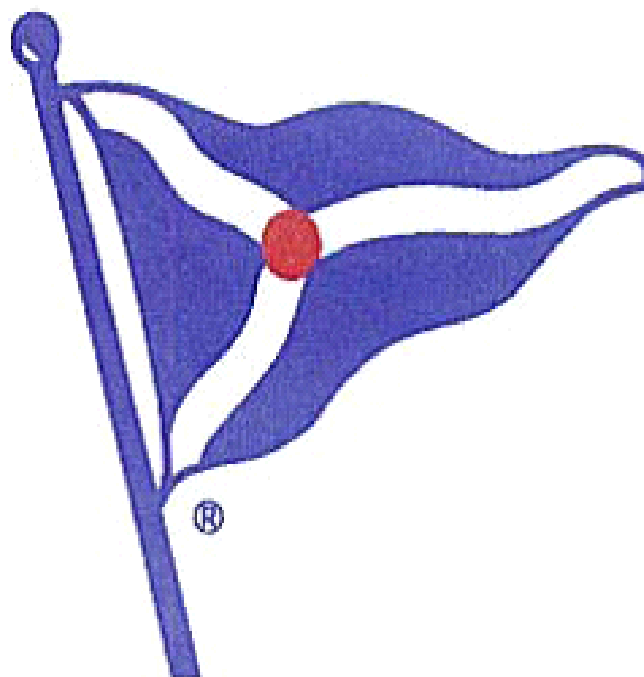
Please check out our website for more information on the Yachtsmen's Fund and also to apply for a grant for training or travel. We wish you fair winds and following seas.

Steve Harris

President - Yachtsmen's Fund



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