

COMMODORE'S REPORT



As 2024 starts, Lady Teressa and I want to take this opportunity to express our appreciation to the members and clubs that have placed their trust in us to represent this storied and historic organization this year. We are looking forward to working with everyone this year to make it a great success. Our committees are already hard at work to produce the best events yet! The Power, Sail and Jr. Sail committees have begun meeting and are working toward successful events in 2024. Lady Teressa and I are working with Marilyn Paselsky, editor extraordinaire, to get the yearbook efforts started so that we will have it done in time for the printer this year. Please return your yearbook materials as soon as possible to help us with this goal! If you know of a business that may benefit from advertising with us, please have them reach out to Lady Teressa, our sponsorship chair at 419-367-4171 and she will help them get matched up with an ad or a sponsorship package that fits their needs.

I have to mention that the organization lost one of our greatest pillars this past month.

Commodore Al Ashley passed away at his home on Put-In-Bay just prior to Christmas. Al also served as our Executive Secretary for many years and did an amazing job at it. The hole that this creates in our organization is not just one of the Executive Secretary though. Commodore Ashley was much more than that. He served as a mentor for me and countless others, often giving much sought after (and much unsought advice as well!) that was much appreciated—even if it was after the fact. His endless knowledge of traditions, protocols, relationships (you can't sit those two people next to each other, they used to be married!) and the de facto source for all island gossip and goings on was a never-ending fountain of valuable information. My history with Commodore Ashley goes back to our Detroit Beach Boat Club days, where we both were members. He guided me into and throughout my Commodore year, taught me how to organize Commodore's Balls, and gave me much needed encouragement and "correcting of my course" moving through the chairs of I-LYA. Commodore Ashley, or "Uncle Al" as I referred to him was a great friend, coach and mentor and will be missed greatly by many of us.

We want to thank all of you for attending our Fall Meeting in December to honor Commodore Bogue. The ball was a well decorated event with a huge turnout! With the election being held at meeting, we added Dean Reamsnyder to the bridge as Rear Commodore. Dean's wife is Lady Karla. I know that both myself and V/C Kneisel are looking forward to serving with R/C Dean and Lady Karla this year. It is going to be a great team! I would also like to congratulate our newly elected trustee Todd Duffett- GIYC, and to returning trustees Al Antoine – RVYC and Rich McKee -- CWHYC. I would also like to offer my congratulations to the new leadership of the trustees, President Commodore Steve Hyder & Vice President Commodore Bob Lang. They really will have their work cut out for them this year. My congratulations go out to everyone!

It's also time for the Progressive Cleveland Boat Show at the IX Center in Cleveland. The dates in 2024 have shifted to one week later to January 18th through the 21st. Stop by our booth to see various bridge officers and other organization volunteers. If you are planning on attending the show this year and would like to help, contact me and we will be happy to find a spot for you.

As we look forward, spring meeting time that will be on us before we know it. Vice Commodore Kneisel is heading up the effort for another Vendor Fair to be held on Friday and Saturday during the meeting. The return of the fair was well received last year and many of the vendors reported good sales from our members. We will be having fairs at both the spring & fall meetings and will again be held in the hotel atrium. If you or someone you know would be interested in a FREE booth, contact VC Kneisel at 734-516-0257 for more information.

Speaking of Spring meeting, the dates of this year's meeting will be April 5th and 6th and will once again be at the Doubletree by Hilton in Westlake. There will more information forthcoming in the next issue of this newsletter. We are working with the hotel to ease some of the frustrations with the check-in process that were experienced at the fall meeting. We know that it was an inconvenience to many members.

Vice Commodore's Corner...Scott Kneisel



Happy New Year! I hope that you had a relaxing holiday season enjoying your time with family and friends. Lady Sharon and I are looking forward to continuing our journey through the I-LYA bridge positions. We thoroughly enjoy working with our members to support the great organization that is Inter-Lake Yachting Association.

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In 2024 we look forward to supporting Commodore Dale and Lady Teressa, Rear Commodore Dean and Lady Karla, the Trustees, and committees to continue to host our regattas. Congratulations to Commodore Bogue and Lady Rhonda under whose leadership we learned much in 2023 and will continue to learn this year.

Congratulations to 2024 Rear Commodore Dean Reamsnyder from Harbor View

Yacht Club on his election to the bridge; and to Al Antoine, Todd Duffett, and Rich McKee for their election to the Board of Trustees. Many thanks to departing trustee John Dalessandro for his many years as a Trustee and especially as President of the Trustees. Also, welcome aboard to our two new Associate Clubs: Al Koran Mariners Yacht Club and North Coast Sailing Club.

As of this writing we are looking ahead to the Cleveland Boat Show, where I-LYA will have a vendor booth. This event provides an opportunity to promote our organization and to steer potential club members to a club in their geographic area. The show will be held at the IX Center on January 18 - 21, 2024. Looking ahead to the Spring Meeting on April 5 – 6, we will continue the Vendor Fair in the DoubleTree atrium. Please contact me if you or someone you know is interested in participating. Mark your calendars for the 2024 regattas: Junior Bay Week: 7/14/24 - 7/18/24; Power and Junior Power Regattas: 7/24/24 - 7/28/24; and the Sail Regatta: 8/1/24 - 8/4/24. The Power Boat committee is seeking ideas regarding how to increase on-the-water participation, so please contact a member of the committee with your ideas.

My contact info: scott.kneisel@bex.net and 734.516.0257



For those attending the 2024 AYC Commodore's Ball, don't forget to visit the I-LYA hospitality room!

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Rear Commodore's Corner...Dean Reamsnyder



I would like to thank all those who showed their support in electing me as I-LYA Rear Commodore for 2024. A genuine Happy New Year for myself and Lady Karla. We are tuned up and ready to go. Please join us on our journey as we go forward with old friends and Friendships picked up along the way. On that note, it would be great to see your smiling faces at the Cleveland Boat Show. Stop by the I-LYA booth and get your picture taken with the crew. Don't forget to bring a friend so we can show them all the cool stuff about I-LYA.

Keep it Fun! 2024 Rear Commodore I-LYA, Dean Reamsnyder

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On the business side, for those who submit articles for the newsletter, the deadlines are as follows:

Boat Show edition: 12-22-2023 Spring Edition: 02-16-2024 Launch Edition: 04-19-2024 Regatta Edition: 5-31-2024 Results Edition: 08-09-2024

Fall Edition: 10-18-2024

SAVE THE DATES!

2024 Regattas Jr. Bay Championship Series-July14-18 Power Boat Regatta - July24-28 Sr. Sail Regatta - August 1-4

<u>2024 Meeting Schedule</u> Spring Meeting - April 5-6 Fall Meeting - December 6-7



Captain Bob here. Wow! Had a great meeting in December. We discussed moving the Seminar to Thursday with On-The-Water activities on Friday. Junior Fishing and Geo-Guest would move to Saturday. We also, revisited and discussed purchasing 2-way radios for use by the Juniors at the regatta. The radios can be used during Geo-Quest and also at our On-The-Water events. During the Friday seminar, we will use these radios to practice VHF radio etiquette. Improving the Regatta is always on my mind, but the biggest challenge is getting new Juniors involved in the Junior Powerboat Regatta. Another idea was to take the juniors out on a powerboat, provide some hands-on handling of a larger vessel, and look

at the various mechanical systems on board. I like this idea and will be looking for some boat owners to help with this.

For those Juniors who are no longer eligible to participate in the Junior Powerboat Regatta, I would like to 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.

That's all for now, send me your ideas and thoughts. Captain Bob; 313-938-8414

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Junior Sailing Committee Council Update

The 2023 I-LYA Junior Sailing Committee and Council had a great 2023 and Fall Meeting (meeting minutes are on our website) We are beginning preparations and plans for the 2024 Summer Sailing Season, including the Traveler's Series, US Sailing Courses, and other initiatives, including OPTI Nationals. If you are a junior sailor or know a junior sailor, get yourself and your boat ready to participate. Our area is one-of-a-kind with the ability for 1,000 junior sailors competing at local events throughout the summer months. The Traveler's Series includes Opti (green), Opti, ILCA/ Laser, C420 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.

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

Chair (2023-2024)	Kellie Schaffner	CYC/EWYC	
Vice Chair (2023-2024)	Justin Rodriguez	ACSC / PIBYC	
Inland Rep	Christie Rodriguez	ACSC / PIBYC	
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I-LYA Junior Rep	Jacob Myers	PIBYC	
I-LYA Junior Rep	Bryor Burke	HSC	
Immediate Past Chair	CC Wisniewski	PIBYC	
(2021-22)			

If you are or someone you know is an I-LYA Alumnae, we'd love to share your whereabouts and sailing adventures. Please email ilya.juniors@gmail.com and look for us on Facebook and Instagram.

Kellie Schaffner, Chair

SAIL REGATTA

The Sail Committee met at the Fall Meeting to review the 2023 season and discuss the challenges and opportunities in 2024. Nearly 70 boats competed in the 130th Sail Regatta. New faces Nate Edmonds (registrar), Tony Blank (dockmaster), Chris and Diane Wright, and Stan Ziemkiewicz stepped in to join the Committee and make the event a success. My thanks as well to the team members that show up year after year.

This year is going to be a very unique year in sailing in this area. You will have the opportunity to sail in the Toledo Yacht Club's 100th Mills Trophy Race, the Bayview Yacht Club's 100th Port Huron to Mackinac Race and the Inter - Lake Yachting Association 131st Bayweek Regatta. We are planning to have some special recognition for the boats that race in all three races. We have several boats that are already committed to racing all three races. Stay tuned for details.

For the coming year, we hope to continue to expand our committee. There are plenty of options for you to assist, both off season and during the event. If you are able to help with publicity and planning; have items to donate for the skipper's bags or daily first awards; or are interested in helping onshore or on the water during the event please contact me.

PHRF - LE and PHRF South Shore are working to mesh aspects of their approaches to ratings. During the Fall Meeting Dave Ryan and Arnie Lylo discussed measurement standards, ORC ratings, and the differences between the two rating bodies. The discussion also highlighted differences with PHRF Midwest and DRYA and the importance of race organizers disclosing which rating rules they follow.

There will be at least two opportunities to attend a US Sailing race officer training program. The first one will be hosted by Buckeye Lake Yacht Club on February 17 and the second one will be at North Cape Yacht Club on March 9. These programs are important in developing a pipeline of race officers and judges. Go to the US Sailing website to reserve your spot in the training.

Efforts are also underway to support sending two junior teams from Area E to compete on J22s in San Diego. We hope to augment funds to support the extra team. At the collegiate level, the Lake Erie Intercollegiate Offshore Regatta (LEIOR) was held for the second time this year at North Cape Yacht Club and is now a permanent event on the fall sailing calendar. Twenty teams signed up to compete, but we were unable to accommodate them all - if you can support the event by lending a boat please consider doing so - many of these competitors are former junior sailors who come home from colleges all over the country.

The Sail Committee is tasked with encouraging sailing and racing, not just the annual regatta. If you're interested in sharing input, the Sail Committee meets on the fourth Thursday of the month. January, February, and March meetings will be held over zoom if you would like to join. Please contact me to add your name on the email invitation.

Finally, we know that lodging on the island can be a challenge. Did you know that the South Bass Island State Park offers tent camping, electrical hookups, RV sites, and even has cabin options available? Reservations for the park may be made 180 days in advance. Reservations for late July arrivals will be open in late January.

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Be sure to follow up on Facebook and to check <u>www.i-lya.org/sail</u> for the latest news. Best wishes for a happy new year. See you at the Boat Show!

Bill Pribe, 2024 I-LYA Sail Chairman; wpribe@gmail.com

Notice of I-LYA Dues Increase - Effective In 2024

I-LYA HAS NOT CHANGED IT CURRENT RATE OF MEMBERSHIP DUES SINCE 2006. DUE TO INCREASED LINE-ITEM EXPENSES, AND IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN A BALANCE BUDGET, IT IS NECESSARY TO IINCREASE THE DUES FEES. Regular Membership (Over 50 Members) - Old Dues \$225 - New Dues \$275 Regular Membership (50 Members or Less) - Old Dues \$150 - New Dues \$175 Associate Membership (Paper Club - No Facilities) - Old Dues \$75 - New Dues \$100 Steven Hyder – President I-LYA Board of Trustees



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Buckeye Lake, Ohio

BLYC will host a US Sailing Basic Race Management Seminar on Saturday, February 17, 2024. This course, which can lead to certification as a US Sailing Club Race Officer, will be taught by I-LYA Race Officers Steve Harris (NRO), Jamie Jones (NRO), and Geoff Endris (RRO).

For more information and to register, please visit

http://www1.ussailing.org/enrollment/selectregistrant.aspx?courseid=13498576 All participants must pre-register through US Sailing at the link above. Registration closes Wednesday, February 7. Walk-in registrations are not allowed.

Questions? Contact Steve Harris at sgharris2@gmail.com

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Happy New Year from the Inter-Lake Yachtsmen's Fund!

We were, along with the rest of I-LYA and the boating community, saddened by the sudden passing of our Yachtsmen's Fund Secretary, Commodore Allen Ashley. Al has been an active and invaluable part of the Fund for many years and his contributions will be sorely missed by us all.

Following over two decades as a Trustee of the Fund, Ed Theisen has elected to move to emeritus status. Ed's contributions have been many through the years and we look forward to his continued participation in his new role. At our fall meeting, the Fund Trustees selected P/C Mike Fishbaugh to fill the vacancy. Welcome aboard Mike! Thank you for your willingness to share your time and talents as a part of the Fund.

The Fund continues to do well financially and we anticipate being able to continue, and possibly expand our support of amateur boating, boating education, and safety in 2024. Some highlights from 2023...

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• We awarded the first "Wyandotte Grant" to Ford Yacht Club to help with the establishment of a "Life Jacket Loaner Station" at their facility. This grant was made possible by a generous donation from WYC upon their dissolution a few years ago.

• We continued our support of both I-LYA Junior Bay Week and Junior Powerboating through instructional/coaching grants, housing, and scholarships awarded to the winners.

• We supported our Area E representatives from Vermilion Boat Club to the Chubb US Youth Triple-Handed Championship for the Sear's Cup held in August in Texas.

• We provided support for the I-LYA Junior Activities Committee Leadership to attend US Sailing's National Sailing Programs Symposium

• We provided support to a former I-LYA Junior Sailor for his Olympic Development Campaign

We awarded nearly \$2,000 in Training Grants for individuals seeking certification in sailing instruction, race management, and judging.

Looking forward to 2024, we have Training Grants available for those who seek training and certification in all boating disciplines. Visit our website at yachtsmensfund.org under the "Grants" tab for more information and examples of qualifying trainings. For 2024, in addition to our other training grants, we will guarantee support to all individuals in I-LYA programs seeking Level I Instructor US Sailing Certification!

It seems like we're stuck in the winter blahs with short days and cool temperatures, but boating season will be here before we know it. Think Spring!

Steve Harris, President Inter-Lake Yachtsmen's Fund



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Powerboat BayWeek July 24 – July 28

Senior Sail BayWeek July 31 – August 4

2025 - Approved Junior Sail BayWeek July 13 – July 17

Powerboat BayWeek July 23 – July 27

Senior Sail BayWeek

July 30 – August 3

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Junior Sail BayWeek July 12 – July 16

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