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Launch Edition

COMMODORE'S CORNER

Commodore Chris Amlin



The months have been pretty busy since the last newsletter. Boats are being waxed and launched and plans for the summer are well underway.

In April we held the annual Spring meeting at the Holiday Inn French Quarter and by all accounts, the weekend was a great success. The Friday night celebrations were enjoyed with food, drink, music and special appearances by "Elvis," "The Village People" and the "Beatles." A big note of thanks to the Associated Yacht Clubs, Put-in-Bay Yacht Club and the Greater Cleveland Boating Association for hosting hospitality rooms on Friday night.

Our Saturday meetings were well attended with a lot of key issues being resolved and clearly, the various committees responsible for the 2016 I-LYA Regattas being held at Put-in-Bay, Ohio, have things well in hand. Regatta registrations are now online and can be found at www.i-lya.org. Please mark your calendars and plan on attending the following:

Junior Sail Regatta	July 17-21
Senior Sail Regatta	August 4-7
Power Boat Regatta	August 10-14
Junior Power Regatta	August 10-14

During the General Membership meeting the delegates approved changes to the I-LYA Code of Regulations. Please see the website if you would like to read up on these approved changes.

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VICE COMMODORE'S CORNER

Vice Commodore Andy Krotseng



Spring is finally here! Lake Erie is 46 degrees as I write this though. Way too cold for anyone to be swimming in, so be careful.

By the time you read this a lot of folks will have descended on the Island for a critical meeting with the Put-in-Bay Chamber of Commerce. This meeting is a great opportunity for us to present I-LYA and how our mutual interests are complimentary.

So now I have to go buy two quarts of bottom paint at West Marine (plug here for Kevin Bem at the Cleveland store). I could spend hours there, not only looking at all the different "stuff" at the store, but talking with everyone that I run in to there. Seems like everyone from the various yards come in.

There are a couple of rather important issues going on right now.

First, Ohio Department of Natural Resources' plan to combine the operations of Parks and Watercraft. The plan eliminates the Water Safety Council, a watchdog group. I had the opportunity to sit with Mike Miller from ODNR, whom I asked to write an article for the News. Mike's point in our conversation is that it would be illegal for watercraft funds to support the Parks. I'm not convinced the government would not find a way to move money once the path is cut.

The other item is an article about an old dumping ground off of Cleveland that is toxic and migrating toward one of Cleveland's four water intakes. The

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REAR COMMODORE'S CORNER

Rear Commodore Mike Powers



The weather continues to confound – last year, we walked in the local March for Babies (March of Dimes for the older amongst us) in shorts and sunscreen. This year, it was long pants and sweatshirts! Many of the boaters I've spoken with have had their boats' launching delayed while they await warmer weather more conducive to waxing fiberglass and doing all those other things needed to prepare the boat for the new season!

In one of my roles in boating, I had the opportunity to listen to a presentation on Ohio's Clean Marina program. Simply put, this is a partnership between marinas and boaters to help keep our coastal and inland waterways clean. By taking simple and often inexpensive steps, we all can reduce the release of harmful substances into our waterways and phase out practices that can damage aquatic environments.

What really made me sit up and take notice was that every yacht, boat, and sailing club listed in Ohio as complying with Clean Marina requirements, as well as those who have pledged to meet those requirements, are also members of the Inter-Lake Yachting Association! After conducting some research, I found that only one Michigan yacht or boating club is currently certified as a Clean Marina. (Yes, it's also an I-LYA member.) I suspect this is true due to those marinas or clubs wishing to become certified in Michigan must pay to support that certification.

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Commodore's Corner

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Many thanks to the Code of Regulations Committee for all the work and time it took to get this up to date and current.

Also during the meeting, the membership voted on the 2016 Nominating Committee. Thank you for accepting these important positions. Your newly elected Committee consists of:

2002 Commodore Doug Hogan - SBC
2008 Commodore Jack Attkisson - PIBYC
2015 Commodore Duane Burgoyne - NCYC
Tracey Davis - BLYC
Pam Meyers - CCYC

I had the honour of handing out a few awards during the banquet on Saturday night. This year, one of the Commodore's Awards was given to our I-LYA Registrar and 2016 Wyandotte Yacht Club Commodore, Dawn Schaumburger and another went to 2008 I-LYA Commodore Jack Attkisson. Both of these individuals exemplify the meaning of commitment and dedication. We thank you for all you have done and are doing for Inter-Lake Yachting Association. Congratulations!

There is another group that received the Commodore's Award this year as well. Detroit Beach Boat Club has been a huge supporter to Lady Sharon and I this year. They have hosted two major fund raisers, given us a storage place for our cargo trailer and have volunteered many hours to our cause. Congratulations Detroit Beach Boat Club and thanks for being there for us and Inter-Lake Yachting Association.

The last two awards of the evening were given to Bob Lang as Yachtsman of the Year and Bruce Sattler as Mid-America Skipper of the Year.

Bob is from West River Yacht and Cruising Club. His dedication and passion for the Junior Power Boat Program has been an all important part of I-LYA. Anyone who knows Bob will tell you he believes with heart and soul in the young adults who will someday run our organization. Thanks, Bob, for everything you do, not only for the junior program, but as committee chair for several of the adult events as well.

Bruce is from South Shore Cruising Club. He was the Power Boat Chairman for 2015 and was given this award by his peers and fellow boaters. Last year Bruce chaired a successful and well-attended regatta that saw increased participation and maintained a balanced budget. Thanks, Bruce, for working so hard on behalf of the power boat group and congratulations on receiving this award.

In wrapping up my report for this issue of the I-LYA News I want to thank the members of Team 2016. There is no way the Spring meeting could have gone off as well as it did without everyone's assistance. You have all helped Lady

Sharon and I keep our sanity throughout the year so far and I just couldn't imagine all of you not being with us. From the Fleet Captains, raffle masters, our amazing team of ladies and guys THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU....

Rear Commodore's Corner

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tion – this is NOT the case in Ohio. Neither New York or Pennsylvania have Clean Marina programs.

I'd like to salute those clubs that have made the commitment to protect our waterways. I am proud to be associated with these clubs and hope all members of I-LYA are as well! Bravo Zulu – Well Done!

Please remember that the *I-LYA News* welcomes submissions from member clubs. These can be about your club, a special award the club or an individual there earned, or a special event the club is planning that it would like to invite area clubs to attend. You can send articles to news@i-lya.org. Don't forget to sign up to receive the I-LYA News at www.i-lya.org! See you around Lake Erie this summer!

Ohio Clean Marina Yacht & Boating Clubs

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Edgewater Yacht Club
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Port Clinton Yacht Club
Sandusky Yacht Club

Pledged:

Cooley Canal Yacht Club
Fairport Harbor Yacht Club
Harbor View Yacht Club
Ottawa River Yacht Club
Point Place Boat Club
Redbrook Boat Club
Riverview Yacht Club

Michigan Clean Marina Yacht Club

Certified:

Grosse Pointe Yacht Club

Vice Commodore's Corner *(continued from page 1)*

article is available via www.Cleveland.com. Though alarming, I'm glad Cleveland seems to be after a solution.

I-LYA along with GCBA keeps on top of issues affecting the boating community. It is very important that we become informed on issues such as these. At the May 10th Greater Cleveland Boating Association General Meeting at Edgewater Yacht Club, speakers included Lt. Comm. Michael Daugherty, the Coast Guard Marine Safety Unit Officer, who spoke on the effects of boating during the Republican National Convention. Also, Chief Mike Miller from ODNR discussed the merger between Parks and the Div. of Watercraft and also Senate Bill 293. These types of discussions are vital to the health and safety of boaters and the communities in which we live.



To: All I-LYA Member Clubs and Membership
From: The 2016 I-LYA Nominating Committee
RE: Call for Rear Commodore and Trustee Nominations

The Nominating Committee is actively soliciting letters of interest from qualified potential candidates. Please contact any member of the Nominating Committee with your notification of interest and submit a letter **before July 1, 2016**. Include a brief bio documenting your club and I-LYA related activities, and contact information. Interviews will be conducted where necessary to help assess candidate potential.

The Committee will present a recommended Slate of Candidates to the I-LYA Board of Trustees no later than September 1, 2016 including one candidate for Commodore, one candidate for Vice Commodore, two candidates for Rear Commodore and six candidates for Trustee (three to be elected).

The term of office of the Commodore, Vice Commodore and Rear Commodore shall be one year. Three Trustees shall be elected each year for terms of three years and serve no more than two consecutive terms.

Thank you for your consideration in supporting Inter-Lake Yachting Association.

Your 2016 Nominating Committee

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ODNR Partnering of Parks and Watercraft:

A Common Sense Approach to Serving Ohio's Boaters and Park Visitors

Mike Miller, ODNR

More than a year ago, in response to Governor John R. Kasich's challenge to make government more efficient, cost-effective and user friendly, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) began coordinating administrative efforts between the divisions of Parks and Watercraft. This initial effort was aimed at eliminating redundant costs and services in order to provide boaters, paddlers and park visitors with a simple, one-stop shop when they visited a state-operated property. This effort also has helped to preserve funds that can be invested in improving recreational opportunities across Ohio.

This partnership has been working for more than a year, and the employees from each division have adapted and worked together to make the transition seamless for our customers. Shared locations alleviate much of the confusion visitors may have when they walk into an ODNR office at a state park property since they can register their boat or check in for their camping weekend at the same location. Also, by sharing office locations, the cost of maintaining Parks and Watercraft offices in separate locations within the same communities has been greatly reduced. This has eliminated lease payments and cut utility and IT costs associated previously with maintaining dual locations.

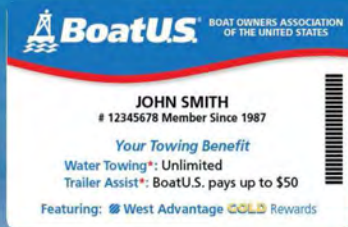
This change will not eliminate jobs, but will help expand the opportunities ODNR staff will have to gain additional

experience as they serve new customers. This will include training for some of ODNR's law enforcement officers as Watercraft, Natural Areas and Park officers will be cross-trained together. This will provide boaters and state parks users with a single office of unified, cross-trained officers ready to assist with service requests and visitor safety no matter if they occur in a campground or a waterway.

By long-standing state law, ODNR's Watercraft operations are funded by watercraft registration and title fees, a percentage of state motor fuel taxes attributable to fuel purchased for boating and funding through the United States Coast Guard. That law is not changing. Transparent separation of dedicated funding sources for the two divisions will be maintained, even as the two operations are merged into one. Stakeholders will be ensured of continuing opportunities for input in the projects and services that impact their particular outdoor pursuits.

Ohioans will be better served by the combining of these two divisions as this bill solidifies the partnership that has already been developed. The resulting savings will free up funding that can be applied in ways that directly enhance the public's outdoor experiences. This is a common sense approach to provide Ohioans with a more convenient way to enjoy their parks, preserves and waterways.





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THE COMMODORES OF I-LYA

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first in a series of articles describing the history and contributions of the Commodores of I-LYA. We welcome submissions from other clubs who have I-LYA Commodores as part of their history.

S.O. Richardson, Jr.

Commodore Ron Gabel, Toledo Yacht Club Historian



THE FAMILY

Commodore S. O. (Solon) Richardson, Jr. was born in Wakefield, Massachusetts near Boston on April 11, 1864. His father S. O. Richardson, Sr. was a prominent manufacturer and capitalist in the Old Bay State of Massachusetts. His paternal great-great-grandfather, Nathan, was a revolutionary patriot who fought in the Battle of Bunker Hill and is mentioned in the Massachusetts State archives. His mother was Abbie (Foster) Richardson, whose father, Capt. Foster, was also a revolutionary crusader.

Solon attended the private school of Bryant & Stratton Commercial College in Boston as a young man. On July 17, 1886, at age 22, he married Miss Jennie Barrett of Melrose, Massachusetts. The Barrett family members fought in the Battle of Lexington and Concord in 1775 and were one of the oldest families in the colonial history of Massachusetts. The Richardsons had three children, two boys who attended Harvard College, and a daughter.

HIS CAREER

In 1881, Solon joined the New England Glass Works in Cambridge, Massachusetts. In 1888, the company moved to Toledo, Ohio and became the Libbey Glass Company. Richardson was Vice President and General Manager and became President upon Mr. Libbey's retirement. The Libbey Glass Co. was known for its high quality products of cut glass, railway globes, lenses and electrical glass ware. At the turn of the century (1900), Libbey Glass was the largest independent manufacturer of glassware in the United States.

SAILING & YACHTING

As a young man, Solon learned to sail on Lake Quannapowitt near his home in Massachusetts. After relocating to Toledo, his interest in sailing continued and he became Commodore of the Toledo Yacht Club (TYC), serving for six years from 1896-97 & 1907-10 and in 1907, was instrumental in the establishment of the Mills Trophy Race. He was elected Commodore of the Inter-Lake Yachting Association (I-LYA) in 1897. His achievements there were so profound that in 1909 he was again prevailed upon to lead I-LYA. In addition to TYC, he was a member the New York Yacht Club, the Toledo Club, Railroad Club of New York, the Castalia Trout Club and several others.

NAYRU IN 1897 TO US SAILING TODAY

In 1897, the North American Yacht Racing Union (NAYRU) was formed by six yachting organizations from the East Coast, West Coast and Great Lakes. The Great Lakes area was represented by the Inter-Lake Yachting Association (I-LYA) when S.O. Richardson was Commodore in 1897. By 1975, NAYRU became known as the United States Yacht Racing Union (USYRU), and by 1991, the United States Sailing Association, better known as US Sailing today.



RICHARDSON'S CONTRIBUTION TO YRUGL

Richardson was I-LYA Commodore at the time of the formation of the Yacht Racing Union of the Great Lakes (YRUGL). In 1906, the Council of YRUGL unanimously elected him as its chairman and during that time, the union adopted the Universal Rule for sailing competitions. Richardson donated a sterling silver Tiffany trophy to encourage match racing among the Great Lakes and the first competition was held in 1912.

THE RICHARDSON YACHTS

Commodore Richardson was both a sailing & power boat enthusiast and owned several yachts. Two of the most notable were the *Puritana* and the *Jessamine*. The sailing yacht *Puritana* was built in 1897 in Racine, Wisconsin as a wooden sloop, and later refitted as an auxiliary schooner. She was 64 feet overall with a 14 ft. beam and a 6 ft. 4 in.

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S.O. Richardson, Jr. (continued from page 5)

draft. She displaced 23 tons, was powered by a 40 hp engine, and carried 2200 sq. ft. of sail.

The *Jessamine*, built by Gardens of Long Island, N.Y. in 1907, was 90 ft. 3 in. overall with a 14 ft. beam and had a 6 ft. 7 in. draft. The *Jessamine* was powered by two gas 4-cycle engines with twin screws. She had a full length keel and weighed 57 gross tons. The *Jessamine* was turned over to the U.S. Navy Dept. in World War I as an auxiliary for the naval reserves on the Great Lakes.

Solon's interest in sailing remained keen and in 1909, he commissioned the building of *Judge* a 15-foot Cat Boat Class craft, which led, two years later, to the building of *Old Sam*, skippered by the legendary George King. He was the undisputed champion of Cat Boat racing well into the 1920s and was once the proud winner of the President Taft Trophy (now awarded for the Mills Trophy Race) which he successfully captured with *Old Sam*.

THE AU SABLE CABIN

S.O. Richardson died on May 1, 1927 at the age of 63 while vacationing at his summer home on the Au Sable River. He was suddenly stricken with what appeared to be an attack of acute indigestion, and died shortly after emergency surgery at a little hospital at Grayling, Michigan. Funeral services were held at his home at 2051 Collingwood, Toledo, Ohio. Solon was a member of the 1st Congregational Church and is interred at Woodlawn Cemetery in Toledo.

POSTSCRIPT

Commodore S. O. Richardson, Jr. (1864 to 1927) was one of the foremost and best known yachtsmen on the Great Lakes at the turn of the century (1900). Few men could walk his footsteps: sportsman, yachtsman, civic leader, corporate executive, six-time Commodore of the Toledo Yacht Club and two-time Commodore of I-LYA. His sailing legacy continues even today through the ongoing activities of various organizations he touched in their formative years.

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REGATTA NEWS



SENIOR SAIL REGATTA

Jim Miller, Chairman

The I-LYA Senior Bay Week is August 4-7 preceded by the Deepwater Feeder Races August 3-4. Go to <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=2754> for the Notice of Race (NOR) and registration for both events.

The Committee has begun work on the Sailing Instructions which will be completed as Principal Race Officers (PROs) are finalized for each of the several courses that are run.

The Senior Sail Committee has completed a number of milestones concerning entertainment, food and awards. Work on recruiting one-design fleets is on-going with the expectation of a number of one-design classes on both the PHRF/JAM and centerboard courses, including J-24s. At the I-LYA Spring Meeting we secured perpetual trophies for the new Junior and Women's Awards.

The opportunity for keg and regatta sponsorship is being offered at the same levels as last year. We currently are accepting keg sponsorships which help offset some of our regatta expenses; a keg sponsorship form is included elsewhere in this issue.

We ask that each participating yacht club help out with race committee boats for the courses we run. The signal boats are set with good progress selecting PROs.

Planning for the Deepwater Feeder Races to Senior Bay Week is also well under way. Races commence in Cleveland, Grosse Ile, Sandusky, Port Clinton and Toledo. These are always well attended and a chance to get to the Bay with your competitors!

We look forward to a great turn-out for this year's Bay Week events. The next Senior Sail Committee Meeting will be Tuesday, May 31 at 7:00 pm at Port Clinton Yacht Club. If you're interested in helping with this great event, please feel free to attend. Until then, get ready for a great sailing season! As always if you have any questions or comments please contact me at seapgrp@aol.com.



POWERBOAT REGATTA

R/C Mike Powers, Chairman

Plans for the 2016 Powerboat Regatta continue to come together! At the Powerboat Committee meeting during the I-LYA Spring Meeting, we discussed and reviewed the contests and events. Registration forms and information for the Powerboat Regatta are now available on the I-LYA website (<http://i-lya.org>). You will be able to submit your registration information online, although you'll still need to mail in your check. Our Registrar, Dawn Schaumburger, has done a great job with the new online form! A printable version of the form is also available if you prefer.

New features for this year include a junior movie night during the Rum Party and a Pub Crawl on the Tour Train. We'll also be continuing the morning "Coffee with the Commodores" and all the other great events you've come to expect at the Senior and Junior Power Regattas!

All clubs are asked once again to bring a large club burgee to fly along the outside wall of "A" Dock as we have the past few years. We're also looking for clubs to sponsor and man a courtesy golf cart a day or more during the regatta. Also, please consider donating the cost of a beer keg in your name or your club's name. A Keg Sponsorship form can be found elsewhere in this issue, on the I-LYA website or you can contact any of the 2016 Powerboat Committee members.

Please remember that this is YOUR REGATTA! If you have any comments or concerns, please contact me or any member of the Powerboat Committee - we're always looking for ideas to improve the regatta and we're especially looking for volunteers! Watch for more information on the 2016 Power Regatta in the next issue of the I-LYA News. Hope to see you at the Bay!

Power Registration Now Online!

Dawn Schaumburger, Power Registrar

The 2016 I-LYA Power Adult, Junior and Children's registration forms are now available on the I-LYA website using an online registration form or a paper registration form. Although we would prefer you use the online form, you may use either one. You must pay your fees via "snail mail," however, because there is no online payment option this year.

All registration forms must be submitted by July 5th to avoid a \$35 late fee. If you have any questions, please call Dawn Schaumburger (734) 558-6129 or email to dschaums22@aol.com.

REGATTA NEWS



Junior Power Regatta August 10-14

Bob Lang, Chairman

Cap't Bob here. The I-LYA Spring meeting, in Perrysburg, Ohio is behind us. We had a great meeting and plans for the 2016 Junior Powerboat regatta are well under way.

The 2016 Regatta is on track to be bigger and better than last year. We have added a Thursday movie night. I can't tell you what the movie is, but you'll love it.

For those who have never attended the Junior Powerboat regatta, you're missing out on some great fun and camaraderie. The fun starts on Wednesday, August 10 and runs concurrent with the Senior Power Boat Regatta. There is fun for the entire family, so mark your calendar. This year, as an incentive to get families and particularly our juniors involved, the power boat committee is offering a \$20.00 rebate per junior who participates in this year's regatta. That's right, a \$20.00 rebate. It's hard to believe. Here is how it works. The rebate is available to all Senior Power boat participants who enroll their juniors (ages 12 thru 18) into the Junior Power Boat regatta. \$20.00 will be returned for each junior who participates in ALL of the educational and junior power contests. This means that your junior must take part in (and complete) the following activities: junior powerboat seminar, weather contest, chart reading and course plotting exercise, on-shore navigation contest, on-the-water (O.T.W) boat handling contest, O.T.W. compass reading, O.T.W. Chicane-boat handling and low speed maneuvering, and O.T.W. docking contest. This is a great opportunity to get your juniors involved and who knows? Maybe they will win it all and come away with a \$300.00 scholarship! Or maybe they will win the Junior Skipper award! No matter what, they will have a great time and learn a little something in the process.

In addition to these award winning activities, we have additional activities for the 12 to 19 age group and those pre-juniors under 12: games for those under 12, Junior Putt-Putt open to all ages, volleyball, Geo-Quest contest, fishing contest, all-new movie night and the regatta wrap-up with Saturday afternoon awards and presentations.

Be sure to check the I-LYA web site at <http://i-lya.org/pages/regattas/power-regatta.php> for registration and schedule information. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me, Captain Bob, 313-938-8414 or send me an email at bob@encoeng.com.

That's all for now. Think boating and I'll see you at the Bay in August!



Junior Sail Regatta

Dave Chapman, Chairman

Hey I-LYA Juniors! Are you getting excited about Junior Bay Week yet? You should be because it's now less than 75 days away! The plans for I-LYA's 61st annual junior sailing regatta are nearly complete and this year is going to be fantastic! If you missed out on the Spring Meeting, here's a quick update - The official I-LYA coaches for JBW are Greg Fisher as Head Coach and his brother Matt Fisher as the C420 coach. Joining them are Mitch Hall on the Laser course and Scott Marriott on the Thistle course. These are ALL great coaches and I'm thrilled about them being a part of our team. **Club/Team directors - please send me an email with contact info for the coach or coaches you'll be sending to JBW this year.** I want to have a conference call with all of them. Our official coaches want to help your club's coaches before we get to JBW.

The NOR is already on the I-LYA website, and online event registration and documents will soon have links there as well. Nearly every required form and document will be available online this year. Please be prepared for this. We're trying to transition away from paper forms/stamps/mailling as much as possible. More information and details will be forthcoming soon.

For the parents, volunteers and JBW committee, we're adding a new event this year on Sunday evening, immediately following the team photo at Perry's Monument - a "meet and greet outdoor happy hour" (just a few hundred feet away)! Everyone will get to meet the parents and volunteers from other clubs early on this way - and by the end of the week, you might just have some new friends! Even if you're leaving the island Sunday night, please take a later ferry and join us for a while!

Again this year, JBW will be a designated "Sailors for the Seas Clean Regatta," and because of that, we will once again be asking all participants to use their own water bottles which can be filled at our water-filling station (please plan for that). We all need to do our part to be environmentally friendly, right? We'll have water available to refill water bottles on the race course, too.

Good luck to all clubs with your junior sailing programs this year! As always, feel free to shoot me an email with questions, thoughts or concerns at ilya.juniorSailing@yahoo.com. See you all at Put-in-Bay!



2016 I-LYA Power Boat Regatta *August 10 – 14, 2016*



This year's I-LYA Power Boat Regatta will be Wednesday, August 10th through noon Sunday, August 14th. Once again, we'll have four full days of boating contests and fun ashore at Put-in-Bay!

Skippers can compete for flags and bragging rights in docking, chicane, flying mile, and predicted log contests.

On shore activities offer fun for all. There will be volleyball, golf, softball, hot dog roast, putt-putt golf, steak & chicken roast, a pub crawl, and a rum party!

You can compete in the inflatable dinghy races, cardboard boat races, and weather predicting. Once again, flags will be awarded in these categories.

Our ladies can attend a Ladies Luncheon.

Our Junior Powerboat Regatta, which runs concurrent with the Senior Powerboat Regatta, is structured with activities for all kids and juniors alike, through the age of 18. The junior program provides organized activities including fishing, sports, putt-putt, movie night, boater safety review, cardboard boat races, and on-the-water contests using motorized inflatables with adult crew on-board. Come and join the fun, meet old friends and make new ones.

Awards will be presented to the clubs for best total participation as well as an award for greatest volunteerism in helping support this year's regatta.

You will have four days of reserved dockage at lower rates than normal Put-in-Bay rates. Conditions permitting, no raft will have more than two boats. Due to increased costs to the I-LYA, dock fees will be slightly higher this year, although we get reduced fees on A Dock on Tuesday for those arriving early!

A request for assistance is being made of all skippers. Once you have secured your boat upon arrival, please remain on the dock and aid in securing a few additional boats before leaving to register for the Regatta. ALSO, we are responsible for maintaining our own security – so let's pitch in and all take a turn! Please see the Dockmaster for the signup sheet. Your help and cooperation will aid in making this another fun time at the Bay! Thanks!!

Questions? Feel free to contact any of the 2016 Powerboat Committee:

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Rich McKee, South Shore Cruising Club	(440) 731-8060
Larry Inguagiato, Monroe Boat Club	(419) 819-0484
Brian Moyer, Monroe Boat Club	(734) 777-6093

We're looking forward to seeing YOU at the Bay!



Renewals postmarked after May 15 will be \$45.00. New application fee remains at \$25.00. The website has been under construction and we apologize that access has been limited. We expect the website to be finalized by May 15 and updated with membership information accordingly.

New boats to our database so far this year are:

Albin-Ballad 30	186
Mini 650 Atlantex	96
Cal 27-3	195

REGATTA NEWS



2016 Day Sailer North American Championship Regatta to be Sailed at Put-In-Bay

Molly Flanagan (photos courtesy of Deb Mason-McCaffrey)

Bay Week is one of the largest fresh-water events in the United States with boats hailing from all over the Great Lakes and Canada. Come August 4-7, the Day Sailer Class will hold its North American Championship Regatta (NACR) as part of this Lake Erie annual event.

The event will be part of the Inter-Lake Yachting Association's Annual Bay Week Regatta, a top-notch event in North America. Put-in-Bay is a major tourist and vacation destination located on South Bass Island in the western end of Lake Erie. Hosted by the Inter-Lake Yachting Association (I-LYA), all events are held at the Put-in-Bay Yacht Club. Day Sailer Fleet 98 out of central Ohio is working with the I-LYA to incorporate the one-design NACR as part of the three-day event. We will share the race course with at least two other one-design fleets (Hobie Cats and Interlakes), but utilize staggered starts.

Bay Week has all the elements for a great regatta. Not only is it one of the best North American venues for sailing, but PIB boasts some of the finest onshore activities to keep family and friends busy while you sail. The weekend sailing format (Fri, Sat, Sun) should make it schedule-friendly and the low-priced social package for meals, parties and refreshments every night make for great times. There will be a DSA board meeting Thursday evening after Junior racing and a full membership meeting the following Friday evening.

Make plans now to attend! August is peak season for the islands, so reserve your housing soon. There is no shortage of lodging options, including hotels, condos, B&Bs, whole house rentals, cottages, and even tent and RV camping at local camp grounds. Those with tents can camp at the yacht club depending on space available (email manager@piyec.org). Check out www.Putinbay.com or the PIB Chamber of Commerce website at www.visitputinbay.com to begin planning what we expect to be an AWESOME event! Online registration is available at <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=2754>



Put-in-Bay Chamber/I-LYA Meeting

Bob Sheppard, Sponsorship Chairman

The I-LYA Bridge, members of the regatta committees, members of the I-LYA Board and the Island Liaison Committee attended the Put-in-Bay Chamber of Commerce meeting at Frosty Bar on Monday, May 9. Commodore Chris Amlin graciously offered the Chamber a full-page inside cover ad in the yearbook as a thank-you to Village businesses for their continued support of the I-LYA and our regattas.

The regatta chairmen introduced themselves and gave brief descriptions of this summer's regattas. The newsletter editor and sponsorship chairman will be in contact with Chamber president, Kim Stoiber Morrisson, and newly-appointed Chamber Ambassador, Peter Huston, to discuss reciprocal promotional opportunities.

This meeting was well-received by both groups and will help with on-going communication between the I-LYA and the Village.

REGATTA NEWS

2016 Lake Erie Multihull Championship & Rendezvous, Put-in-Bay, OH August 5-7 on Lake Erie Deepwater/Feeder Race Thursday, August 4 Registration Now Open! Notice of Race Posted!

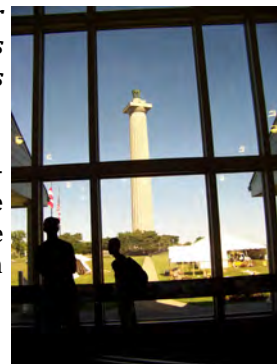
Deb Schaefer, Summer Storm

The I-LYA Senior Sail Regatta, better known as Bay Week, is one of the largest fresh-water events in the United States with boats hailing from all over the Great Lakes and Canada. This year, the Lake Erie Multihull Championship & Rendezvous will be part of this annual event. This event is open to all Corsairs, Farriers and Offshore Multihulls.



Bay Week 2015 - F-22 Raise a Little Hull at finish

We have all the necessary elements required to put on a great regatta! We have the world's greatest venue! We have the **Lake Erie Islands** and we have the wind! We have the weekend format! We have a social package! We have on-line registration! We have South Bass Island, a prime vacation destination!



Deepwater Race to the Bay - Thursday August 3-4

The **Sandusky Deepwater Race** is a separate race with separate registration, fees, scoring and awards that begins from Sandusky Sailing Club on Thursday, August 3. If you wish you may also sail from Cleveland on Wednesday, August 3 or on August 4 from Port Clinton, Toledo or Grosse Ile. Go to <http://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=2753> to see the **Notice of Race** and to register. Entry fee is \$45; registration deadline is Sunday, July 24. Registrations received after the deadline are subject to a late fee of \$10.00 and space availability.

The 2016 Lake Erie Multihull Championship and Rendezvous will be held in concert with the **I-LYA Bay Week Regatta August 5-7. This will be a GLMRA and LEM Counter!**

The **Offshore Multihulls** will race a series of Round-the-Buoys and Round-the-Islands Races. There will also be a Casual Cruising Class for non-racers and Jib & Main boats. Registration deadline for the regatta is Sunday, July 17. See the **Notice of Race** for your entry fee (based on LOA). Registration includes dockage. Registrations received after the deadline are subject to a late fee of \$35.00 if space is available. To see the **Notice of Race** and to register, go to <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=2754>. All activities including all three social events, regatta check-in and awards ceremonies will be held at the Put-in-Bay Yacht Club, 536 Bayview Ave.



Purchase your Social Package Ticket on-line and save \$10! The social package ticket includes three nights of food, beverages (including adult beverages) and live music under the tent. Cost on-line is \$40; on the island, the cost will be \$50. You may also purchase a single-night ticket for \$25 for your friends or family not spending the weekend.

The regatta is held during peak season, so if you're not staying on your boat, make your reservations early. Go to www.visitputinbay.com/pib/lodging/ or www.visitputinbay.org/about.php for lodging options. For state park camping, you can reserve your space online at www.ohiostateparks.org, or contact the PIBYC Manager at manager@PIBYC.org for tent camping availability at the yacht club.

If you don't race in another regatta, this one is for you! See you at The Bay!



Senior Sail Regatta August 4-7, 2016

SPONSORSHIP

The Inter-Lake Yachting Association Senior Sail Regatta will be held at Put-in-Bay, Ohio on South Bass Island in Lake Erie. You, your boat, your yacht club, your company, your poker buddies, or your golf foursome all have an opportunity to be recognized at this premier event by sponsoring us in one of the following areas. Sponsors will be acknowledged with a banner at the event or awards ceremony. Please select from the following areas of sponsorship:

<u>Sponsorship Opportunity</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Total Amount</u>
Sponsor a Keg of Beer*	\$95.00	_____	\$ _____
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Sponsor Set of Flags	\$175.00	_____	\$ _____
Which Set? _____		_____	_____
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Name: _____
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Address: _____

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Make checks payable to I-LYA 2016
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Chris Sheppard
2600 Seneca Dr.
London, OH 43140-9024

----- **Thank you for your support!** -----

For additional sponsorship opportunities or for more information, please contact Bob Sheppard, Sponsorship Chair
740-852-2802 (h) or 614-746-4966 (c) or sailing1@columbus.rr.com.

Visit www.i-lya.org/ for more information.

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



Senior Power Regatta August 10-14, 2016

SPONSORSHIP

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Number of Kegs*: _____ @ \$95/each = _____

Commitment made by: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Commitment on Behalf of: _____

Make checks payable to I-LYA 2016
and mail to:

I-LYA 2016
303 E. 5th St.
Monroe, MI 48161

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JUNIOR NEWS



North Cape Yacht Club Junior Sail Camp

North Cape Yacht Club in LaSalle, MI, offers summer sailing camp for kids ages 7 to 16. Learn to sail, improve your sailing skills, or just have fun hanging out on the water.

Six stand-alone, week-long sessions cater to all levels of junior sailors and is open to the public. The camp runs from 9am to 4pm, Monday through Friday. All instructors are certified by US Sailing and have CPR and first aid training.

For more information, visit www.ncyc.net, click on the "Navigation" link, and then on the "Sail Camp" link or contact Marilyn Mackay at mmackay2@charter.net.



Opti launch at San Francisco Yacht Club



Sara and Grace at USODA Team Trials in San Francisco

Local Opti Sailors Compete in San Francisco

Grace Squires (Hoover Sailing Club) and Sara Schumann (Cowan Lake Sailing Association) capped off their 2015 Opti campaigns by competing at the 2016 USODA Team Trials (<http://teamtrials2016.com/>) hosted by the San Francisco Yacht Club April 19-22. Competition at trials is fierce as all sailors have qualified to attend. Both girls finished in the top half of the 230 boat fleet and posted numerous top 20 finishes. Most importantly, as the smiles show, they had a great time sailing on San Francisco Bay in April.

Junior Sailing Calendar

May	
7	Thistle Class - Hoover
14	Thistle Class - Leatherlips
21	Thistle Class - Cowan
28	Memorial Day Weekend
June	
4	BLYC*
10-12	MHYC - JO's
18	Sandusky*
22	EWYC*
25	Hoover*
July	
2	AMERICA
7-8	NCYC ARC: Thistle, 420, Radial
9-10	Area E Qualifier: Bemis/Smythe
11-2	Area E Qualifier: Sears (Thistles)
15	VBC (w/PCYC)*
17-21	JR Bay Week (PIBYC)
30	CYC*
Aug	
6	Erie*
13	BERLIN* - FINALE!

*Traveler Series.

For more information, go to the Junior Sailing page at <http://i-lya.org/pages/regattas/junior-sailing/traveler-series.php>



Traveler Series Inland Lake Regattas

Dave Chapman, Junior Sailing Council Inland Lake Representative

It's here already! The 2016 Junior Sailing season that is... and your inland lake I-LYA clubs are an active part of it. The season opener for the Traveler Series (TS) regatta is once again hosted by Buckeye Lake Yacht Club even though their lake is lacking one important element - water! But thanks to Alum Creek Sailing Association, the race goes on! Plan on attending the BLYC TS regatta at ACSA on June 4. If you missed it last year, it was a great regatta. ACSA has a nice facility, a big lake to sail on and is easy to get to from both Interstate 71 and State Route 23. There's no reason not to participate! Contact Mac McVey from BLYC at Michael.Mcvey@clearview-mgt.com for more info.

There are two more inland lake TS regattas as well - June 25 at Hoover Sailing Club (and they always host a fun regatta!) and the season finale at Berlin Yacht Club on August 13! BYC had their first junior regatta last year and it was a huge success! For more info on HSC's regatta, contact Jamie Jones at jjone45@columbus.rr.com and for more info on BYC's regatta, contact Tim Harrod at tharrod@kent.edu. All three inland lake regattas are worth the drive, so put them on your schedule now! See you at the races!

2016 Laser Class US National Championships

will be held July 7-10 at Mentor Harbor Yachting Club. All juniors are invited to compete. See page 24 of this newsletter for more information.

JUNIOR NEWS

Where Are They Now? Bryn Bachman

Kathy Bachman

It has been twelve years since Bryn Bachman was a junior sailor at Hoover Sailing Club. Over the years, she has utilized her experiences and sailing skills developed here at HSC in both her personal and work life.

Bryn's introduction to sailing was the result of a must-do item on a bucket list. Not her bucket list, but her dad's. When Tim Bachman turned fifty, he decided it was finally time to do something he had dreamed of since he was a teenager...learn to sail! Fortunately, by this time, he had fathered twins. Twelve-year-olds, Bryn and Nate, loved water and were the perfect size for crew. So in 1999, the family joined Hoover Sailing Club. Tim purchased a Windmill. Bryn and her brother enrolled in sail instruction classes at HSC. Little did we know then, the impact these series of events would have on our family.

Sailing was a perfect sport for Bryn, a natural competitor. She spent her summers on the water at HSC learning to sail. As her skills improved, she, along with other young sailors coached by Jamie Jones, started competing in the I-LYA Traveler's Series Regattas as part of HSC's Junior Race Team. In 2001 Bryn, as crew, and Martha Fisher, as skipper, competed in Junior Bay Week at Put-in-Bay and won second place in the I-LYA Bemis Quarter Finals in the Commodore Division.



Bryn sailing with her dad, Tim Bachman, at HSC (2002)

Bryn continued sailing at Hoover. During the summer months she would spend her weekdays assisting as a junior sail instructor, then later as a full-time sail instructor at HSC. In 2003 she was awarded the Jeffrey Ripple Memorial Cup for her achievement in junior sailing. When she was not competing at an I-LYA Junior Regatta on the weekends, she would go sailing with her dad in his Windmill.

During her college years, Bryn competed on the Ohio State University Sailing Club team, and spent her summers teaching sailing at HSC. When she graduated from OSU with a degree in Art and Design, she headed East to Annapolis, secured a position in the marketing department at Annapolis Performance Sailing, then started crewing at Annapolis Yacht Club, where she discovered she liked sailing bigger boats on Chesapeake Bay.

Bryn enjoyed sailing anywhere the winds would take her. And the winds took her. First, crewing on sailboats then on boat deliveries along the East Coast to the Carolinas, Florida, the Virgin Islands, and her longest boat delivery in 2012 - from Honolulu, Hawaii to Anacortes, Washington. Twelve days (and nights) on open water crossing the Pacific Ocean in a 65-foot custom carbon fiber sled sailboat, named the *Icon* (www.iconsailing.com). After this experience, her days on land would be numbered.

In 2013 a position with J/Boats transplanted Bryn to Newport, Rhode Island where she now resides, or rather, where her mail is delivered. She worked a year with J/Boats, then decided to try her hand as a professional sailor. Currently, Bryn competes as race crew on three different sailing programs. She sails on a Melges 24, *Mikey*, owned by Kevin Welch (also owner of *Icon*) out of Anacortes, WA and competes in regattas on both the East and West coasts as well as the Great Lakes and the Columbia Gorge (<https://vimeo.com/102892071>).



Jeff Madrigali, Jim Cunningham, Bryn Bachman and Mark Ivey, Etchells 2014 National Champions. (Photo courtesy of John Payne)

Bryn also participates as a crew member on *Lifted*, an Etchells with its homeport in San Francisco, CA. On *Lifted*, she sails with Jim Cunningham, owner; Jeff Madrigali, Olympic bronze-medalist; and Mark Ivey, two-time US National Coach of the Year. With this much talent and experience on-board, Bryn has refined and improved her skills as a serious sailor. In 2014, the *Lifted* team won the Etchells National Championship at Coral Reef Yacht Club in Miami, FL. (See Scuttlebutt Sailing News article at <https://shar.es/1jclf7>.)

It would seem that Bryn takes this sport to an extreme...especially with her latest "gig" on *Extreme 2*, a C&C 30 whose homeport is Saugatuck, MI. With an enthusiastic owner/sailor like Dan Cherish, it isn't difficult to get passionate about sailing on this seven-crew, one-design C&C 30 class boat. Team *Extreme 2* won first place at the Miami Ocean Challenge in February of this year. (See Scuttlebutt Sailing News www.sailingscuttlebutt.com/2016/02/21/50327/) and has a full schedule of upcoming regattas in 2016.

So, where IS Bryn now? Well, if she is not on an airplane flying to or from a regatta, then she is on a sailboat somewhere competing at or training for the next regatta. And, when she is on land, she freelances as a graphic designer like her Dad, creating websites, ads, banners and catalogs. Did I mention, she loves to sail?



Bryn crewing on *Lifted* with Mark Ivey, Jeff Madrigali and Jim Cunningham at the Etchells 2014 Nationals. (Photo courtesy of John Payne)

JUNIOR NEWS



Sailing for your Ohio School!

Kathy Allyn, Northern Representative for Ohio High School Sailing

(Photos courtesy of Carol Brassell, Shilah Griffeth, D. Michael Harris, Jennifer Kay, Mike Vining and Tom Yanichko via Facebook)

"High School Sailing" is up and running for 7th to 12th graders in Ohio! Students who currently know how to sail are encouraged to start a club at their school. They can practice out of Mentor Harbor Yachting Club and Edgewater Yacht Club in the Cleveland area, Hoover Sailing Club in Columbus, and Cowan Lake in Cincinnati.



How to Get Started

First, experienced junior sailors can have a school club meeting with friends and other students who might have some boating experience or none at all. You will very likely find someone who has sailed in one of the local summer programs. At school meetings, discuss the basics of sailing, show YouTube videos of sailing, and generate interest for those wanting to come aboard. Go to www.missa.hssailing.org to learn more.



MISSA Signup

Once you determine you have at least two or more students who want to sail and participate in the fall regattas, you will need to register your team at www.missa.hssailing.org. MISSA is the governing body for our Midwest Region of the InterScholastic Sailing Association. Make sure you have a faculty advisor. Registration for 2016-17 is \$120/team with unlimited team members. All Ohio regattas will be "Tier 3" which means 7th and 8th graders may participate. Outside of Ohio there are other opportunities to compete as Tier 3, but Tier 1 or Tier 2 regattas are focused on grades 9-12.



Fall Regatta Schedule – Ohio

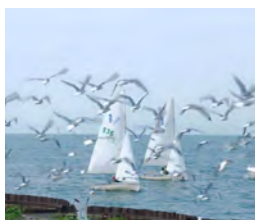
See the MISSA website for more information on regattas outside of Ohio. Ideally, you will have four teammates available for each regatta (see dates below). You will assign a Team A (two people) and Team B (two people) who will compete with other Teams A or B during the regatta where boats are switched off throughout the day. At the end, awards are given to the top three Team A performances, the top three Team B performances, and overall teams. Regattas typically start at 9am and are over by 5pm. Attendance at the regattas is optional and based on each team's availability. Typically 10-20 teams will compete at any given regatta. This is a tentative schedule for in-state regattas.



Aug 27	Edgewater Yacht Club (tentative) (Cleveland area)
Sept. 10	Hoover Sailing Club (Columbus area)
Sept. 18	Mentor Harbor Yachting Club (Mentor/Lake Erie) – Note: This is a Sunday
Sept. 24	CRESSY qualifiers (more advanced teams) – Michigan, weekend event
Oct. 1	Cowan Lake (Cincinnati area)
Oct. 8	Open
Oct. 15	Hoover Sailing Club (Columbus area – Tentative girls-only HS Regatta)



Questions? Northern Ohio: Kathy Allyn (MHYC) mhycsailcamp@gmail.com
Central Ohio: Jamie Jones (Hoover), jjone45@columbus.rr.com
Southern Ohio: Erik Schumann (Cowan Lake) erik.schumann@convergys.com



JUNIOR NEWS



USA Junior Olympics Sailing Festival & Skill Builder Clinic, Ohio Region

Kathy Allyn, Junior Sailing Chairman

Mentor Harbor Yachting Club is proud to host our second annual USA Junior Olympic Sailing Festival and Skill Builder Clinic June 10-12 for junior sailors and coaches in Opti, Laser, c420 and Thistle fleets. It's the only JO between Detroit and Rochester, and a great way to kick off your summer racing season! Save money and register by June 1 (late fees apply to late registrations).

MHYC's Skill Builder Clinic and Junior Olympics Sailing Festival is part of a nationwide series of sailing regattas for youth ages 8 to 18 with the goal to encourage young sailors to enjoy sailing and to develop their skills. Events mix Olympic-style competition with elements of learning and fun for all levels--from beginning racers to those with Olympic aspirations. Junior Olympic Sailing is coordinated by US Sailing and sponsored nationally by Gill, Sperry, and New England Ropes. Locally, we are grateful for the support of Sailing Inc's Quantum Sail Loft, Mentor Harbor Youth Sailing Association, and our numerous volunteer members and friends!

Junior Sailor Registration Fee (\$135 per sailor).

NOTE: 420/Thistle teams REGISTER TOGETHER.

June 10-12: **Skill Builder Clinic and Regatta.** Fleets include: Opti Green, Opti Gold (R/B/W), Laser Radial, c420, and Thistle. Get up close and personal with collegiate-level coaches who will give you professional tips and tricks to improve your sailing over three days on land and on the water. John Pearce, head sailing coach for George Washington University, is organizing the clinics and will lead the Laser fleet. Decorated dinghy sailor Lee Sackett will coach the Thistle Fleet. US Sailing is finalizing c420 and Opti coaches. Professionally-run races (up to 11 races) include debriefs from the lead coaches. Registration for sailors is here: <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/12463>.

Fee includes:

- All meals June 10-12. Breakfast, lunch and dinner plus evening parties on Friday and Saturday night, and awards ceremony on Sunday. Lunch will be served on the water on Saturday and Sunday.
- Official Junior Olympic T-shirt.
- First 150 registrants receive a fantastic swag bag full of sailing stickers, goodies and more!

June 9-10: **Coach-the-Coach Clinic**

Registration: \$100

Specifically geared for junior sailing coaches. Fine-tune your coaching skills, bring new ideas back to your race team or sail camp. Nick Turney will run this clinic on Thursday, June 9 from 6-8 pm and Friday, June 10 from 9 am-4pm. On Saturday and Sunday, watch how our elite collegiate head sailing coaches work with junior sailors on and off the water. Includes daily debriefs.

Fee includes:

- Coaching clinic and debriefs
- Official Junior Olympics T-Shirt
- All meals from June 9-12. Pizza on Thursday night, breakfast, lunch and dinner plus evening parties on Friday and Saturday night, and awards ceremony on Sunday. Lunch will be served on the water on Saturday and Sunday.

Registration for Coaches is here: <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/12523>

While it is not required for your team's coach to register for the Coaching Skill-BUILDER Clinic, each team is required to supply a safety boat with a supervising adult or coach offshore, and a second "shore parent" in case of emergency.

Questions? Contact Kathy Allyn mhycsailcamp@gmail.com. Please see the Notice of Race for details on housing information and make your plans early as hotel space is limited due to this event being scheduled right before the Republican National Convention in Cleveland.

Online registration is now live at: <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/12513>

MEMBER CLUB NEWS



North Cape Yacht Club

A West End Racing Trifecta

Kick off your sailing season with two great weekends!

Cancer Society Race for Hope

Saturday, June 4

Commodore Perry Race

Sunday, June 5

Mills Trophy Race

Friday, June 10

The sponsors of the Cancer Society's **Race for Hope** are offering a two-for-one weekend!! Participants are invited to register for the Race for Hope and participate in this very enjoyable fund-raising event. The entry fee for the Race for Hope will also cover the entry fee for the Perry Race on Sunday – "two for one." Details and entry forms can be found on our website at www.ncyc.net.

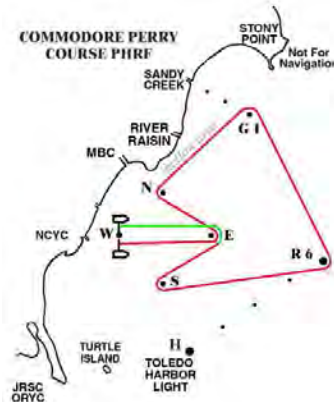
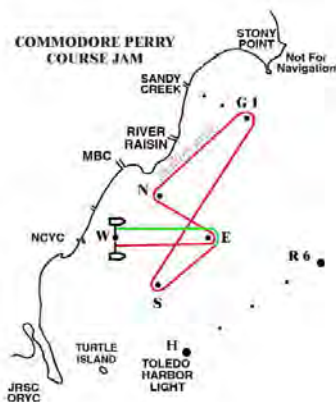
The Commodore Perry Race is held on the Sunday morning before the Mills Trophy Race. Our intent is to allow racers to transport on Saturday, then race the 25 nm course on Sunday morning. Finish by mid-afternoon – then leave your boat at NCYC in preparation for the Mills Trophy Race the following Friday. We have the best staging area for the Mills!!

The Perry course is medium distance but offers seven different legs -- just what you need to get the team ready. *Note: The Perry is an AYC Counter race.*

Registration: Registration is available on-line at the North Cape Yacht Club website at www.ncyc.net. Applications are also available on the NCYC Fireplace. The entry fee is \$45.00. All required documents, fee and registration forms can be given to NCYC Yachting Activities or to NCYC bar personnel prior to 9:00PM, June 4, 2016.

**Remember - If you are planning on racing the Mills Trophy Race docking is available for the week!!
We look forward to seeing you!!!**

Questions? Call: Jeff Mackay, Home: 734-243-6026, Cell: 734-621-3802, Email: jeff6026@charter.net



MEMBER CLUB NEWS



The members of Toledo Yacht Club invite all I-LYA sailors to participate in this year's Mills Trophy Race, June 10, 2016.

New this year, the Mills Committee allocated a few additional docks for **non-racing** power or sail boats that wish to cruise in and enjoy the Mills Race experience on Put-in-Bay. Check

the Mills Trophy Race website for details and register at <http://mi6657.wix.com/mills-trophy-race#!cruising-fleet/s9tqt> to join the Cruising Fleet. If your club is planning a PIB Cruise for 2016, this is an opportunity to join in the fun at Put-in-Bay. Contact the Mills Committee at mills@toledoyachtclub.com for details.

The Mills Trophy Race is held each year on the second weekend following Memorial Day. The race is open to the following classes: PHRF, JAM, Double-Handed, Multi-Hull and Classics. The three courses offered, depending on class and boat rating, all begin near the Toledo Harbor Light and end at a finish line off of South Bass Island (Put-in-Bay).

Since the deed of gift for the Mills Trophy requires the race to be a test of navigational skill, starts begin in the late afternoon Friday and sailing continues through the evening and night. Upon finishing, the boats proceed to the reserved public docks in downtown Put-in-Bay.

On Wednesday, June 8, preceding the race, the winners of the previous year's race are feted at a banquet and awards presentation. Thursday evening, June 9, is the famous Mills Party held on the lawn of the Toledo Yacht Club. This party is open to the public and offers an opportunity to see many of the boats which will race the next evening. Boats arriving on Thursday are welcomed with a cannon salute. The post-race party, held on Saturday afternoon, June 11, at the Put-in-Bay Yacht Club, includes music, refreshments and the posting of the race results. Before heading home on Sunday, flags are presented to the winning skippers, followed by a champagne toast and farewell...

Visit the Mills Trophy Race website at <http://mi6657.wix.com/mills-trophy-race> for details on the **revised Mills Trophy Course** and <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=1683> for race registration.

Key Dates

Friday, June 3	Mills Masters Party
Wednesday, June 8	2015 Awards Banquet
Thursday, June 9	TYC Mills Party
Friday, June 10	Mills Trophy Race
Saturday, June 11	PIB Mills Party
Sunday, June 12	PIB Flag Awards



Mills Trophy Race...

not just for sailors.

Have you always wanted to be part of the Mills Trophy Race, but don't sail?

Perhaps you sail, but don't race?

You can still be part of the fun by registering for the Cruising Fleet!

For the \$140 Cruising Fleet fee, participants receive overnight dockage at Put-in-Bay both Friday and Saturday nights, an event gift bag and may attend the Saturday afternoon Sailor's Party at the Put-in-Bay Yacht Club (additional fee for party).

2016 registration information is available on the Mills Trophy Race website. There are a limited number of slips available for the Cruising Fleet, so sign up early to assure your spot.

2016 Mills Trophy Race

June 10-12, 2016

MEMBER CLUB NEWS



North Cape Yacht Club presents **2016 ADULT LEARN to SAIL PROGRAM**

**Great opportunity to learn new skills, build confidence and increase
your knowledge on easy-to-sail 26' keel boats**

Session I: Tuesday/Thursday 6:30-9:00pm
June 14, 16, 21, 23

Session II: Tuesday/Thursday 6:30-9:00pm
July 5, 7, 12, 14

Session III: Tuesday/Thursday 6:30-9:00pm
July 26, 28 - August 2, 4

Cost per session: only \$100 for NCYC members; \$200 for non-members
Class size is limited! Visit www.ncyc.net or call 734.430.0930

Once a sailor always a sailor!



Instructor Training Courses Posted

Jamie Jones, US Sailing Regional Training Coordinator

After much schedule negotiation, the following US Sailing Instructor Training Courses have been set for the I-LYA this spring. Space is limited, so get on it soon!

- Level 1: Lake Chautauqua - May 27-30
- Level 1: Edgewater - June 2-5
- Level 1: Sandusky - June 6-9
- Level 1: Port Clinton - June 16-19
- Level 2: Mentor Harbor - June 4-5
- Level 3: Mentor Harbor - June 6-7

The super exciting news is that Allison Jolly is the Instructor Trainer for the Level 2 and 3 courses at MHYC. Allison is the Head Women's Sailing Coach at the University of South Florida, a past Collegiate Sailing National Champion and a former Olympic Gold Medalist in the 470 class. She's a top notch sailor and instructor...a true once in a lifetime experience! Register early for these courses. Once they're full, they're full, and nothing else is being offered in this area.

To register for any of these classes, go to <http://www.ussailing.org/education/calendar/>, find the course you're looking for on the calendar, and click "Enroll Now." Remember, you need to be a current member of US Sailing, have your First Aid/CPR certification and your NASBLA Safe Boaters Certificate in order to be a Level 1 Certified Instructor (as well as successfully pass the course!). These are the only courses that I know of to date. If your club is planning to offer a course, please let me know as soon as you can so I can coordinate Instructor Trainers for the area.

If you have any questions, please email me at jjone45@columbus.rr.com.

MEMBER CLUB NEWS



Hoover Highlights

Kathy Bachman, Publicity

Wind, Water and Women! MCSA Women's Championship Regatta

Denison University Sailing Club hosted the Midwest Collegiate Sailing Association's Women's Championship Regatta at Hoover Sailing Club on April 23. Nine collegiate sailing teams hailing from Michigan State University, Northwestern University, University of Wisconsin, The Ohio State University, University of Notre Dame, Denison University, University of Toledo, University of Minnesota and University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee competed on FJs in 7-12 knot winds. A total of 20 races (10 A and 10 B) were sailed.

Women sailors from University of Wisconsin dominated, scoring only 33 points in 20 races to take the title. University of Minnesota finished in second place with Northwestern University winning third place by one point over Michigan State University. For complete results from the 2016 MCSA Women's Championship Regatta, go to

<http://scores.collegesailing.org/s16/mcsa-women/>.



MCSA Women's Championship Regatta on Hoover Reservoir – Westerville, Ohio



Collegiate sailing teams competing in 7-12 knot winds at HSC



Jamie Jones reviewing rules and tactics

Get Smart Seminars...

Hoover Sailing Club hosted a series of *Get Smart Race Management* seminars presented by Jamie Jones, US Sailing Regional Race Officer, and Chris Fogle, HSC Safety Committee Chairperson, on April 13 and 27. These two-hour Q & A workshops included topics ranging from safety boat operation, race committee responsibilities and actions, course setting and starting sequences.

On April 20 a *Rules & Tactics* seminar was presented to members by Jamie Jones and special guest, Skip Dieball, 2015 Etchells World Champion. Skip shared his wealth of sailing experience and tactics. During his slide presentation, he detailed his team's strategy to plan, train, compete and win the extremely competitive Etchells World Championship in Hong Kong.



Skip Dieball sharing tactics with HSC members.

High School Sailors Test the Waters at HSC

Under the leadership of Program Director Jamie Jones, High School Sailing is thriving in Central Ohio! Established in the fall of 2015, the Central Ohio High School Sailing Association, has grown to 37 student sailors from twelve high schools including Westerville North, Westerville South, Westerville Central, Olentangy Orange, Olentangy Liberty, New Albany, Columbus Academy, Columbus School for Girls, Thomas Worthington, Hilliard Darby, Dublin Scioto and Granville.

Students started their Spring season on April 5th with weekly practice sessions on the water at HSC. The sailing program for high schoolers has expanded to include two High School Sailing Clinics scheduled during the summer. This fall HSC will host the Central Ohio High School Invitational on September 10 and a Girls-Only Regatta scheduled for October 15. Both of these events will be Tier 3 – open to all MISSA teams.



High school students learn sailing skills at HSC (Photo courtesy of Jamie Jones)



High School Sailing. Practice! Practice! Practice! (Photo courtesy of Jamie Jones)

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Join Us at Hoover Sailing Club's Open House

This year's event is scheduled for Saturday, May 28 from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Our Open House provides a wonderful opportunity for the public to learn more about HSC's activities through direct interaction with our members. Visitors experience sailing on Hoover Reservoir while learning about our sail instruction classes, membership, fleet boats, one-design racing and the sailing community in central Ohio. Plan now to join us!

For more information, go to www.hooversailingclub.com.



HOOVER SAILING CLUB  Saturday, May 28th 1 - 4 p.m.

Open House

Discover Sailing

- Free sailboat rides - we'll supply lifejackets
- Bring your family & friends
- Enjoy our beautiful shaded lawn with play area
- Enroll in one of our sailing classes
- Ask about our membership options

hooversailingclub.com
4250 Smothers Road, Westerville, Ohio 43081



Upcoming Regattas at Hoover

In addition to our club races on Sunday afternoons and Wednesday evenings, HSC has a very busy regatta schedule this season. The following is our regatta schedule for May and June 2016.

Dates	Regatta	Host Fleet
May 7	Thistle Regatta	Thistle Fleet 126
May 21-22	Flying Scot Buckeye Regatta	Flying Scot Fleet 37
May 29-30	Memorial Day Club Races	All Fleets
June 4-5	Windmill Midwesterns	Windmill Fleet 60
June 11	Chicks on Sticks	HSC Women Sailors
June 18-19	George Fisher Memorial	Interlake Fleet 24
June 25	I-LYA Traveler Series Regatta	HSC Junior Race Team

For more information about events at HSC, visit our website at www.hooversailingclub.com or follow us on our Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/HooverSailingClub>.



Cheshire Cove Sailing Club Commodore Dave Chapman presents their club burgee to I-LYA Commodore Chris Amlin. CCSC was installed as the newest I-LYA member club at the Spring Meeting in Perrysburg. Despite the name, CCSC has both power and sail members and is located on Alum Creek Lake near Columbus, Ohio. Chapman (on the right) is also I-LYA's 2016 Junior Bay Week chairman and the Junior Sailing Council Inland Lake Representative. Welcome CCSC!

MEMBER CLUB NEWS



West Shore Sail Club

West Shore Sail Club Plans 2016 Season for Racers and Cruisers

David Monk, Vice Commodore

West Shore Sail Club (Trenton, MI) is now ready to provide another great 2016 sailboat cruising and racing season for its membership and participating sail boaters from all over.

WSSC continues to be the only club on this side of the lake with multiple sailboat cruises scheduled throughout the summer and they are open to all; just give us a call! The 2016 Cruising Committee recently confirmed six scheduled sailboat cruises for 2016. These take our members and friends all around the lake... so if you see the WSSC Cruisers around the lake this season, stop by to say hello and join us. The scheduled cruising trips include: Ice Breaker (Boblo Island 5/14-5/15), Memorial Day (Toledo Beach 5/28-5/30), Commodore's Tea (Leamington 6/11-6/12); Late Summer (Pele Island 8/13-8/14); Harvest Moon (Monroe Boat Club 9/24-9/25); and our annual Weeklong Trip (Middle Bass (7/16-7/17), (Huron 7/18-7/19), Vermilion (7/20-7/21), Kelly's Island (7/22-7/23). And other WSSC members plan to head north for even more cruising. Give us a call to see how you can get involved!

WSSC also continues to be heavily involved in supporting sailboat racing by hosting and coordinating weekly racing for PHRF-LE Spinnaker, JAM, and Cruising classes at the mouth of Lake Erie through *Wednesday Night at the Races* (WNATR). The race buoys are ready and will be installed on May 7. Racing for Series 1 starts with the Skipper's meeting on May 15 at GIYC and then the *Spring #1* race on May 18; Series 2 starts with *Summer #1* race on

June 22; and Series 3 starts with the *Fall #1* race starting August 10. Afterglows for each race move between our sister clubs at Ford Yacht Club and Grosse Ile Yacht Club throughout the season. These races are fun and provide some of the most competitive sailing on the lake... ratings are based on PHRF-LE and boats from the US and Canada clubs are welcome to participate and compete.

Along with WNATR, WSSC also hosts our annual "Specialty Races" as well. This year the WSSC Regatta will be held on June 25 with our **13th Annual Light-house Challenge Race**, the ever popular **Jack and Jill** race (male/female double-handed) race is scheduled for September 4, and the **12th Annual Ladies Day - Peg Spriggs Memorial Race** (all female crew) will be held on September 11; with afterglows/parties following each of these events. Also, the **WSSC Double-Handed race**, which will be run August 27 & 28, starts near Grosse Ile and ends at Toledo Beach. The course length for Spinnaker boats is approximately 40 miles and approximately 25 miles for JAM and Cruising boats. This race also incorporates a club fun run for those wishing to join the fun but not participate in an actual race. Still more can choose to sail or drive to Toledo Beach to join the club for this fun, competitive and social event. Finally, WSSC is adding even more racing this year as it partners with Ford Yacht Club for the new **WSSC/FYC Lightning One-Design Invitational Regatta** to be hosted on the last day of the FYC Regatta on August 14.

WSSC racing is open to everyone! Information, Notice of Races, Race Entries, Sailing Instructions, or course cards for any of our races (or cruises, or meetings, or events) can be found at our website www.westshoresailclub.org or by contacting one of our flag officers.

Although WSSC focuses on sailing, the membership is also a very social group with gatherings and events throughout the year as well; these social events include our Commodore's Ball, club car runs, membership gatherings and parties, and our annual golf outing held this year on July 9.

The membership meets the first Thursday of every month at the banquet facilities of Mr. Nick's (1926 West Rd, Trenton, MI 48183). Our buffet dinner starts around 6:30 pm and our monthly general membership meeting starts at 7:30 pm. After a short meeting, an entertaining presentation directed towards the interests of our members is given at each meeting starting around 8:00 pm. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend our monthly dinner, meeting and presentation - it is a great way to find out more about our organization. So mark your calendar and plan to attend one of our meetings -- we look forward to meeting you.

For more information on membership or regarding any of the exciting events we have planned for this season, please visit our website at <http://www.westshoresailclub.org> or contact our Vice Commodore, David Monk at 248-432-6665.



MEMBER CLUB NEWS

Seeking Some Bays to Explore?

Bill Stover

When you walk around South Bay Cove Yacht Haven in Port Severn, Ontario, you will notice some boats flying a unique blue burgee that displays five interconnected chain links forming a complete circle. These five chain links represent the five Great Lakes and this burgee signals that the boat owners are members of the Great Lakes Cruising Club (GLCC). These boaters are often explorers of at least Georgian Bay and the North Channel, and even the waters beyond "The Bay." If you are seeking the very best cruising information regarding the 30,000 Islands and beyond, you really should consider joining the Great Lakes Cruising Club.

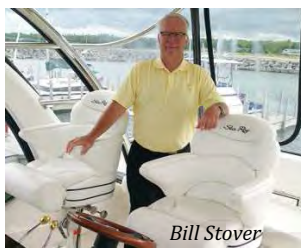
The GLCC is a volunteer organization of friendly, serious boaters who like to explore all or part of the five Great Lakes. These lakes provide some of the best fresh water boating in the world and we have this amazing opportunity to explore just beyond the boundaries of our marina. With a membership of 2,500 boaters from at least 400 harbours and marinas in the five Great Lakes, the GLCC has earned the reputation of being the authoritative voice of "local cruising knowledge" for the Great Lakes. The membership consists of Canadians and Americans who are either sailors or power boaters, thus giving the organization an impressive blend of cruising and boating knowledge. New members are always warmly welcomed!

The GLCC was formed in 1934 and its core purpose, consistently since those early days, has been to share its members' love of the Great Lakes and to provide accurate and timely cruising information to all its membership. Over the years, GLCC members have prepared over 1,100 Harbour Reports which provide an unparalleled collection of information regarding harbours and both popular and remote anchorages. These harbour reports, which contain detailed written summaries complemented by accurate charted information, are

regularly updated by members. The numerous Harbour Reports for the 30,000 Islands and the North Channel are of excellent quality and will get you off to a great start exploring the outstanding anchorages right in our "back yard." All Harbour Reports are available to members on-line at www.glccclub.com - they can be viewed on-line, or printed or stored on your computer for future use. Interestingly, there still remain some remote anchorages in Georgian Bay and Lake Superior where published government charts do not provide the level of detail required when seeking safe anchorages. GLCC Harbour Reports often provide the best information for these remote anchorages.

In addition to the Harbour Reports, the GLCC offers excellent on-line webinars on a variety of topics and often there are Port Captains available around the Great Lakes who volunteer their time to provide local knowledge and assistance to GLCC members. This year, from June 24 to June 26, there will be a Georgian Bay Rally at the Cedar Springs area of Beausoleil to which all GLCC members in this area of Georgian Bay are invited. This will be an excellent opportunity to meet some GLCC members and to learn more about the GLCC. Please consider joining the GLCC and attending this rally. You can learn more about the GLCC, including the annual dues, by going to the web site at www.glccclub.com. On the home page you will find a "Learn More" button regarding The Great Lakes Cruising Club. Click on this button and then on the next page, click on the video entitled, "Great Lakes Cruising Club Introduction." Or, you can drop by David and Louise Brace's boat, "La Madeleine" or Jan and Bill Stover's boat "The St. Tropez" in our marina. We would be pleased to tell you more about the GLCC.

Although South Bay Cove Yacht Haven is on Georgian Bay in Lake Huron and not a member of the I-LYA, the Great Lakes Cruising Club is a member. Your editor felt this story would be of interest to Lake Erie boaters and potential members of the GLCC.



Bill Stover



David Brace



2016 Laser Class US National Championships & US Singlehanded Men's and Women's Divisions for Laser, Laser Radial and Laser 4.7, July 7-10

Laser National Championship registrations are welcome for competitors of all ages, juniors included, in Laser, Laser Radial, and Laser 4.7. US Singlehanded Men's and Women's Division are open only to those over 18. Mentor Harbor Yachting Club has planned an incredible schedule for this prestigious event. Save money and register by June 30. (Additional fee applies to late registrations.) We expect international sailors to participate, as well as sailors from around the country. Registration includes all meals, plus evening events, the awards ceremony on Sunday and an official Gill-sponsored t-shirt.

Please see the Notice of Race for details on housing information and make your plans early, as hotel space is limited due to this event being scheduled right before the Republican National Convention in Cleveland. Online registration is now live at: <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/12513>.

MEMBER CLUB NEWS



North Coast Women's Sailing Association

Taking the "scary" out of Spinnakers!

- Want to sail PHRF, but don't have anyone onboard who knows how to fly a spinnaker?
- Want to understand better about everything that's going on when flying a spinnaker?

Held on Tartan 10s, this clinic will help you learn **how to rig, set, fly and douse a SYMMETRICAL spinnaker**. Every participant will see and experience all aspects of using a spinnaker.

When: Saturday, June 4, 2016

Time: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM (Arrive by 8:45 AM)

Cost: \$20.00 (Does **NOT** include lunch or beverages - bring your own. Coolers will be available.)

Where: Edgewater Yacht Club, 6700 Memorial Shoreway NW, Cleveland

Who should register? Anyone who needs or wants to know how to use a Spinnaker. (Beginning racers are allowed to participate, but **NO NOVICE racers/sailors!**)

NOTE: You do NOT have to be a member of NCWSA to participate in this clinic. Women registrants will be given priority, but men will be allowed to register and participate as space allows.

We plan to be on the water during lunch. There will be coolers onboard for your lunch and beverages.

SPACE IS LIMITED - REGISTER EARLY

<http://ncwsa.net/event-2236849>



CLEVELAND RACE WEEK

Patty Krotseng, On-Shore Chair

Cleveland Race Week, the largest sailing regatta on Lake Erie and one of the most prominent on the Great Lakes, will be held June 17-26 at Edgewater Yacht Club. The annual event, now in its 36th year, attracts hundreds of boats from across the Great Lakes and beyond. This year's Cleveland Race Week Regatta will also play host to the Tartan 10 Lake Erie Championship.

Founded in 1980, Cleveland Race Week was established to include a series of sailboat races over two days. Only 26 boats competed the first year and by 1987, 320 boats and 1,500 participants took part. Today, Cleveland Race Week continues to be the premiere sailing regatta on Lake Erie and has consistently maintained or increased participation while providing ten days of racing.



*Alum Creek Sailing Association
Alum Creek Lake in Lewis Center, Ohio
(N 40 11.911, W 82 58.436)*

*May Cup Regatta
May 21-22*

Party & Moonlight Sail Saturday Night!

Go to www.alumcreeksailing.com/sailing/race-information to register. Contact Vice Commodore Chad Clark at vicecommodore@alumcreeksailing.com for more information.

Discount to skippers from I-LYA member clubs!

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NEWS From BoatUS



Boat Owners Association of The United States
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Eight Boat Spring Commissioning Goof-Ups We Made *BoatUS Staff Speak Up So You Don't Make the Same Blunders*



Springtime sinkings are often attributed one thing – a rush to get back on the water and forgetting to inspect outdrive bellows, through-hulls, bilge pumps, hoses and clamps.

inventory everything to ensure it gets put back on the boat before launch day. I also check the dates on my flares and ensure my extinguisher is in the green zone.” – Margaret in BoatUS Executive Office

The boat trailer goof-up: “Winter plays havoc on boat trailers and I once departed the parking lot without checking my trailer lights. Thankfully, just a short distance away another motorist advised me of the issue. Now I make sure all is well before departing and also check tires and inspect the bearings and brakes.” – Ted in BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety and Clean Water

The call for help goof-up: “On sailboats with mast-top VHF radio antennas, a common problem on older boats is a rotted antenna coax cable near the mast base. I found this out when I went to use my VHF radio and no one could hear me. Replace the cable now, and if your VHF has DSC or Digital Selective Calling with a one-button mayday feature, be sure the radio is connected to the GPS or chartplotter.” – Scott in BoatUS Public Affairs

The dinghy goof-up: “Sailors need to remember to check their dinghy – it’s often overlooked and winter might have been hard on it with missing pieces, critters inside, etc. Don’t forget to service the dinghy’s motor too. If you don’t, you’re going to be sorry just like I was when it sputtered just as I left the boat.” – Charles in BoatUS Consumer Affairs and Seaworthy Magazine

The transom drain plug goof-up: “If you have a trailerable boat with a transom drain plug, take the plug now and attach it to the boat’s throttle control or steering wheel so it will be impossible for you not to notice to install it before launching. Yes, this does happen. I know. Nothing gets your attention more than a little water around your ankles.” – Chris in BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety and Clean Water

The bottom paint goof-up: “When putting on my bottom paint I used a cheap paint roller and soon found out why it was so cheap – it was shedding a fuzz in every pass I made. I also made the mistake of not saving a little extra paint to finish under the jackstands or trailer rollers just before launching.” – Ted in BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety and Clean Water

The rushing to get it done goof-up: “Every spring, boat sinking claims start to come in. Nearly always you can chalk it up to rushing to get it done. I take my time inspecting engine hoses and hoses clamps, the bilge pump, stern-drive boot, clean out scuppers and double check the through-hulls and sea strainer. I once found a plastic through-hull for a sink drain at the waterline that initially looked fine, but it was only until I took the time for a closer inspection that I found it was cracked nearly in half on the inside.” – Scott in BoatUS Public Affairs

And here’s two “bonus” goof-ups:

The battery goof-up #2: “While this did not happen to me personally, it’s something we see in the claims department every spring: hooking up the battery backwards, causing reverse polarity and a massive electrical short or fire.” – Kerry in BoatUS Marine Insurance
BoatUS has a no cost Spring Fitting Out Safety Checklist ready to print at www.BoatUS.com/springchecklist and comes with the BoatUS towing app that includes tips for a range of boat types.

The be prepared goof-up: “My neighbor went out for the first trip of the season and his engine died and needed help to get back in. He suspected fuel issues. Having spare filters aboard or keeping an eye on the fuel-water separator helps, but when all else failed him, he didn’t have an on water towing plan as a backup. Our towing fleet sees this issue frequently each spring.” – Dennis in the BoatUS Membership Department

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Boat Fire Extinguishers: Four Myths From the BoatUS Foundation



Look closely – is this fire extinguisher ready to put out a fire and does it meet US Coast Guard requirements?

ANNAPOLIS, MD, April 19, 2016 – Every spring, the BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety and Clean Water receives questions from boaters about fire extinguishers. To help set the record straight here are four fire extinguisher myths debunked:

Myth #1: Tapping or striking the extinguisher keeps the contents “fresh.”

Reality: Leave the mallet at home. Unlike days of old, today’s modern fire extinguishers don’t use chemicals that cake, get hard, or need to be broken up. Whacking it with a mallet or hammer could compromise the extinguisher’s ability to put out a fire.

Myth #2: All extinguishers must be mounted with a bracket.

Reality: Mounting a fire extinguisher on a bracket keeps the unit in a handy place and may protect it from being banged around the boat, but it is not a legal requirement. You do, however, need to ensure

the extinguisher is readily accessible, so leaving it at the bottom of a locker or compartment is a big no-no.

Myth #3: Fire extinguishers get old and go “bad” every year.

Reality: Unlike flares, fire extinguishers have no expiration date. To meet US Coast Guard carriage requirements however, the extinguisher must be Coast Guard approved and in “good and serviceable” condition. The charge indicator needs to be in the green zone, the nozzle free of obstruction and the cylinder not rusted.

Myth #4: The law says you only need to carry one extinguisher.

Reality: US Coast Guard minimum equipment requirements dictate that larger vessels require more than one fire extinguisher. While a full list of all minimum safety gear requirements for all boat sizes can be found at www.BoatUS.org/equipment, don’t let that stop you from adding additional extinguishers. Having back-ups may help save your boat and won’t break your budget.

For more on fire extinguishers, go to www.BoatUS.org/fire-extinguishers.

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Submissions due 10/24/2016

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