



# I-LYA news

Inter-Lake Yachting Association

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## Fall Meeting Edition

### COMMODORE'S CORNER

Commodore Duane Burgoyne



With almost all the boats out of the water, it's time now to reflect on what a wonderful summer 2015 was. For Lady Dar and me it was a special one. We got to visit many I-LYA member clubs and meet people that we would not have had the privilege of meeting otherwise. We were able to spend time with old friends and find new ones with common interest in boating activities. We were also able to talk about all the things that I-LYA does for the boating community and how we as a group have affected our local area with environmental and safe boating activities. But hands down, with our program of dedicating our lives to this organization and its members, we have been able to reach out to the junior programs, both sail and power, and maybe in our efforts we will have touched

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### VICE COMMODORE'S CORNER

Vice Commodore Chris Amlin



There has been a lot happening since the PIB Regattas and with the December meeting fast approaching I, at times, wonder how we will get everything that needs to be done,

done !!

Since the end of Bay Days, Lady Sharon and I have been in full planning mode with Team 2016. On October 23rd, we had a Bowling Fundraiser at the Monroe Sports Center. I can't thank enough, all those who came out to participate and to those Clubs and friends that sponsored a lane. A huge and heartfelt thank-you to our chairman for this event, P/C Rob Wolas, Lady Carol and Team 2016 for making this event a success and fun.

Together, with the Regatta Chairmen, we are planning some new activities that will be included for the Regattas next year. It's a bit early to let the cat

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### REAR COMMODORE'S CORNER

Rear Commodore Andy Krotseng



The Fall Meeting is a great time to relive the summer! A great time to plan ahead! An even better time to get involved. I-LYA is a volunteer organization that depends on literally hundreds of folks

donating their time and energy. They bring their talents and skills and are rewarded with the satisfaction of being a part of this great association.

I want to keep this message short and to the point. There is a lot you can do to be a part of what happens in I-LYA. If you want to get involved but aren't sure how, please come and enjoy yourselves and I assure you, by the end of the weekend you'll have a rewarding opportunity to help out and have a lot of fun! See you in Perrysburg!!

*I-LYA Fall Meeting  
December 4-5, 2015  
Holiday Inn French Quarter  
Perrysburg, Ohio*



### A message from the Commodore

Please read the candidate bios beginning on page 4 of this newsletter, then plan to attend the "Meet the Candidates" session at 1400 hours on Saturday, December 5, 2015 as part of the Fall Meeting. There you will have the chance to meet and ask questions of the men who will lead your organization for the next few years. For those of you who are not club delegates, the bios and "Meet the Candidates" session will help you advise your club's delegate on an informed decision.

For many of you the most important thing you can do for this organization is to choose our next leaders wisely, so be sure to come to the general meeting and vote, or make sure your club delegate does so.

### I-LYA Slate of Candidates for 2016

#### Rear Commodore:

Mike Powers, Monroe Boat Club  
Bob Sheppard, Alum Creek Sailing Association

#### Trustees:

Matt Davis, Buckeye Lake Yacht Club  
Jim Gallagher, Mentor Harbor Yachting Club  
Arne Hanson, Jolly Roger Sailing Club  
Steve Hyder, Detroit Beach Boat Club  
Bill Pribe, North Cape Yacht Club  
John D Stewart, West River Yacht & Cruising Club

Respectfully submitted by the 2015 Nominating Committee

## Commodore's Corner

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their lives. If so then it was all worth it.

Now we are ending our year as Lady and Commodore and have one more big event in the works. The annual Fall Meeting is shaping up to be a "can't miss" event. Once again we will host a hospitality evening at the Holiday Inn/French Quarter in Perrysburg on December 4, 2015. Bounce around the marine vendor fair in the courtyard and pick up something for your favorite boater for Christmas.

As the evening turns into night we will all dance to music by Mr. Show and remember those summer nights at this year's Bay weeks. Please make your hotel reservations early and don't forget to get the special I-LYA room rate. Further information is on page 13 of this newsletter.

We have filled Saturday once again with meetings to review 2015 and start plans for 2016. We have also lined up some nautical seminars of interest to members in attendance. The annual meeting will start promptly at 1500 hours. I hope everyone will be able to attend to hear our committees' reports. After a day of meeting with committee members and old friends alike we all gather in the ball room for the Commodore's dinner and change of watch ceremonies.

I think I speak for VC Chris and Lady Sharon Amlin when I say I hope you all can make it to share this special night for all of us. It will be a bittersweet night for both Dar and me. A night filled with the joy of a fulfilling year and sadness knowing that we will no longer serve this grand old association as your Commodore and Lady.

As always, thank you to all who have shared in our journey these past few years.

*Commodore Duane and Lady Dar Burgoyne*

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

out of the bag, so please stay tuned for further details. As always, we welcome your thoughts on what we can do better, so please feel free to contact us with your ideas.

As mentioned above, the December meeting is coming up and will be taking place on December 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. The event will be held at the Holiday Inn French Quarter in Perrysburg, Ohio and you will find the registration forms on the I-LYA website. Please plan on attending and help us celebrate with Commodore Burgoyne and Lady Dar as they wrap up their year, and with Lady Sharon and I as our journey as Commodore for I-LYA begins.

We look forward to seeing everyone and I hope that this report finds everyone healthy and happy. See you in December!

## TRUSTEE REPORT

*Bill Pribe, President*



2015 has been a very busy year for me as President of the Trustees. It has also been a very productive year.

The Island Liaison Committee met with the Put-in-Bay Yacht Club and have signed a new four-year contract to hold the Junior Sail, Senior Sail, Junior Power and Senior Power regattas. The Island

Liaison Committee also met with Put-in-Bay Mayor Ruth Scarpelli to secure a dock contract for the 2016 I-LYA Regattas. We hope to have a signed contract before the end of the year.

The Code of Regulations committee consisting of Commodore Clay Mock, Commodore Dan van Heeckeren, Cindy Johnson, Ron Soka and Larry Inguagiato have been reviewing the revisions submitted to them by the committee charged to update the Code of Regulations, bringing them in line with current practices. We hope to have the review completed and submitted to the Trustees at the Fall meeting. If approved by the trustees they will be presented to the delegates at the Spring 2016 meeting.

I have stressed as a trustee that I-LYA should be run more like a business. This year all three regattas were challenged to cover their individual costs. At last report all three regattas are in budget. The chairpersons and their committees are to be commended for all of their efforts.

Getting the policies and procedures together for the I-LYA activities and functions are still a priority of mine and I will continue to gather information to move forward with this project.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the Fall meeting.

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The annual review of ratings will cover the rating band from 201 to 279. We are updating the web site and will be optimized for mobile access and available after January 1. Look for minor changes and clean up of the Class Rules. For more information email [info@phrf-le.org](mailto:info@phrf-le.org).

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### Boat Show Edition

*Submissions due 1/4/2016*

### Spring Meeting Edition

*Submissions due 3/7/2016*

### Launch Edition

*Submissions due 5/2/2016*

### Regatta Edition

*Submissions due 6/27/2016*

### Results Edition

*Submissions due 8/15/2016*

### Fall Meeting Edition

*Submissions due 10/24/2016*



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## CANDIDATE RESUMES



My name is Bob Sheppard and I am running for I-LYA Rear Commodore. I have a passion for boating, having learned to sail over 45 years ago, and a desire to serve. I have skippered sailboats in the BVIs and Gulf of Mexico. I have raced on Lake Huron, Lake Michigan and Lake Erie, and was lucky to have put good crews together to win a first and third in class in two Bayview-Mackinac Races. I worked in the engineering department of a large insurance company for 27 years. I had a boat rental company for 14 years. I had a boat brokerage business and was a dealer representative for a boat manufacturer. I believe my experiences have much to offer I-LYA. Over the years I've proven myself as a strong leader who will listen to all sides, then make decisions based on facts and with the best interest of the members in mind. I look forward to keeping the I-LYA an exciting and viable organization by taking on the responsibilities of Rear Commodore.

My volunteer work has been with the Inter-Lake Yachting Association, Alum Creek Sailing Association, Leatherlips Yacht Club, Sandusky Sailing Club and U.S. Sailing.

### Inter-Lake Yachting Association:

- 2010 Yacht Racing Union of the Great Lakes Skipper of the Year
- 2011 I-LYA Yachtsman of the Year
- Senior Sail Regatta Chairman
- Senior Sail Regatta Vice Chairman
- Sponsorship Chairman
- Co-Chairman Marketing
- Co-Chairman Regatta Support
- Member Off-shore Advisory Committee
- Member Launch/Recovery Team for Junior Sail Regatta
- Organized a team that changed the format of the Senior Sail Regatta, drawing support that increased attendance almost three-fold

### Alum Creek Sailing Association

- Past Commodore
- Past Vice Commodore
- Past PHRF Chairman
- Past Monohull Fleet Captain
- Past Program Chairman
- Current I-LYA Delegate

### Sandusky Sailing Club

- Current Trustee

### Leatherlips Yacht Club

- Past Marketing Chairman

### Other Organization Administrative Experience:

- Current Area E Adult Championship Series Chairman for U.S. Sailing
- Past member of U.S. Sailing Community Programs
- Attended numerous seminars: racing programs, racing rules, safety at sea
- Involved/organized teams to race in multiple state events
- Attended National Sailing Program Symposiums

### Under my watch as Commodore of Alum Creek Sailing Association, our team:

- Received state approval to build a mast-raising system, including a partnership agreement where we provided the materials and the state provided labor and on-going maintenance.
- Received state and federal approval to build a pavilion on our property leased from them.
- Improved the working partnership among ACSA, ODNR and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
- Worked closely with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on their long-term master plan for the park.
- Increased club membership approximately 30%.
- Attended annual Ohio Boating Legislation Days to network with state agencies and government officials to better promote ACSA and boating in Ohio.

I have proven over the years that I can be a team player and get things done. I hope to continue improving I-LYA by getting more folks involved in both the organization and boating. Thank you for your support and I look forward to serving you in 2016 as Rear Commodore.



## CANDIDATE RESUMES



My name is Mike Powers. As one of the nominees for the Inter-Lake Yachting Association's 2016 Rear Commodore, I would like to take this opportunity to briefly introduce myself.

Born in Cleveland, OH and raised in Dayton, OH, I graduated from Belmont High School. I graduated from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy (USCGA), New London, CT and from the Naval Postgraduate School (NPS), Monterey, CA with a Master of Science in Electrical Engineering.

My boating experience began with racing sailboats with my father at Kiser Lake Sailing Club, north of Dayton, improving my skills over the years and winning the club championship, the Commodore's Cup, while a senior in high school. While in college, I continued sailboat racing in the New England Inter-Collegiate circuit and competed in the Sunfish World Championships in Puerto Azul, Venezuela. I also sailed aboard the USCGC EAGLE, a 295 foot barque while at the Academy.

While serving in the Coast Guard, I was assigned aboard four cutters, beginning with USCGC MACKINAW, Cheboygan, MI; as first Executive Officer (XO – second in command) of USCGC MOBILE BAY, Sturgeon Bay, WI; as Commanding Officer of USCGC NEAH BAY, Cleveland, OH; and as XO of USCGC POLAR SEA, Seattle, WA. While aboard POLAR SEA in 1994, the ship became the first United States surface ship to reach the North Pole and, in company with the CCGS LOUIS S. ST-LAURENT, the first surface ships to cross the Arctic Ocean. I worked in communications, information systems, and electronics support when ashore, including my final assignment as Commanding Officer of the Electronic Systems Support Unit, Seattle, WA. I retired in 1998.

Following my Coast Guard career, I was an Electronics Engineering Technology instructor and Dean at ITT Technical Institute campuses in Grand Rapids, MI; Canton, MI; and Maumee, OH. I also was an Assistant Professor and Electrical Engineering Technology Department Chair at Michigan Technological University, Houghton. I am currently an Adjunct Instructor at Owens Community College, Perrysburg.

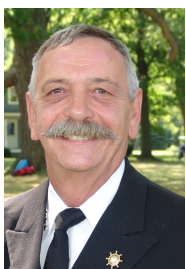
While stationed aboard NEAH BAY, I met my wife, the former Kathy Zeisler, in Cleveland, OH and we were married onboard NEAH BAY while underway on Lake Erie (actually Cleveland Harbor).

Kathy and I arrived in the Monroe area late in 2006 and joined the Monroe Boat Club in early 2008. I served as Power Fleet Captain (2009 & 2011), Financial Secretary (2010), Rear Commodore (2012), Vice Commodore (2013), and Commodore (2014). I continue to serve MBC as a Director and the club's delegate to the I-LYA.

I currently serve the Inter-Lake Yachting Association as the 2016 Chair of the Powerboat Committee and also as a Trustee. In 2015, being club Past Commodore allowed me to actively support all three I-LYA regattas, operating my powerboat as a Race Committee boat for the Jr. Sail Regatta and as a mark and photography support boat for the Sr. Sail Regatta.

Kathy and I can often be found (in season) either racing locally aboard our J/24, MARINER, or cruising the Western Lake Erie basin aboard our Sea Ray Sundancer, SECOND CHANCE. We are both active in local Veteran's organizations and Kathy is the Director for the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots campaign for Monroe County. Kathy will also be the 2016 Commodore of Monroe Boat Club.

I believe my life-long involvement in boating and sea-going activities, as well as the leadership and management opportunities I have had while working and with Monroe Boat Club, provide the preparation for the leadership roles of being I-LYA Rear Commodore, Vice Commodore, and Commodore. I request your favorable consideration of my nomination for the position of I-LYA Rear Commodore in 2016.



By introduction, I am 2010 I-LYA Commodore John D. Stewart and am seeking a second term on the Board of Trustees.

I have served our organization in many facets. In 2002 I was chairman of the Canoe contest. This continued until the time of my election to I-LYA Rear Commodore in 2008. In 2007 I became the Powerboat chair while serving my first term as an I-LYA Trustee and Vice President.

I have worked with several of the Commodores' fleet captains during the Summer regattas, and currently work the Announcement Trailer during Powerboat week. The knowledge and understanding gained throughout the many active years spent in attending the various I-LYA meetings and regattas have allowed me to acquire a valuable insight into the workings of our hallowed organization.

I encourage your support in seeking a second term as your I-LYA Trustee and look forward to representing you, the members. Thank you for your consideration and your vote.

## CANDIDATE RESUMES



My name is Steven M. Hyder and I would appreciate your consideration for the position of Trustee of the Inter-Lakes Yachting Association.

I have been an I-LYA delegate several years for Detroit Beach Boat Club between the years of 2008 and the present. I have attended almost every Fall and Spring meeting since becoming a delegate. I was nominated and elected to the 2010 Power Boat Committee as Treasurer, 2011 Power Boat Vice Chairman, and 2012 Power Boat Chairman for I-LYA Commodore Mike Morton. I currently serve on the Yachtsman Fund and the Admiralty Committee.

Over the years I have been extremely active in both my home club of DBBC and also the Associated Yacht Clubs. I started in 2007 as DBBC Entertainment Chairman and then continued through the chairs and was elected 2010 DBBC Commodore. I have served in many other capacities at DBBC including Treasurer and Finance Committee Chairman. I have also served as Legal Counsel to DBBC.

Currently I am the 2015 AYC Commodore and I am enjoying every minute of being part of a fine organization. As the AYC Commodore I have the opportunity to represent the organization at all the different club functions. Also, as the AYC Commodore I was able to advise and welcome a new club to AYC. Under my leadership, AYC welcomed Lake Front Yacht Club to its membership in the May 2015 meeting. My term as AYC Commodore is completed in February of 2016.

Of course doing everything we do, we cannot do it alone. I have the most dedicated partner, friend, and first mate by my side. Lady Pam has been with me every step of the way through being AYC Vice Commodore and now AYC Commodore. At the same time, she serves on the board of Cooley Canal Yacht Club. She is also a very hard working representative of AYC, CCYC, and all of boating and yacht clubs in general.

I look forward to not only continuing to build on the foundation on which our past leaders have built, but moving the organization in the right direction of growth and prosperity.

I appreciate the opportunity to present myself to the delegates of this great organization and look forward to the challenges ahead.



My name is Jim Gallagher and I am a candidate for 2016 I-LYA Board of Trustees. My experience includes:

- I-LYA Member Club: Mentor Harbor Yachting Club, Mentor-on-the-Lake, Ohio
- I-LYA participant since 1966
- Past and current I-LYA activities include Senior Bay Week - Sailing and Junior Sailing - I-LYA Traveler Series, I-LYA Junior Bay Week
- 3rd generation yachting member of MHYC since 1953
- Committee(s) Member and Chairman at MHYC since 1997
- Commodore of MHYC in 2011, Father (John) Commodore of MHYC in 1986
- Past Chairman of MHYC racing events including MHYC Regatta, Falcon Cup, and Indigo Trophy Race
- Racing Sailor: PHRF; One-Design; Tartan Ten Owner, Hull 276, "Legacy"
- 45+ years of sailboat racing including both Chicago and Bayview Mackinac Races
- Current MHYC Club activities include House Committee Member with emphasis on Property, Grounds, Fundraising, Event Sponsorship, Club History, and Junior Activities
- Father of two Sail Campers (4th generation) and participants in the I-LYA Traveler Series and I-LYA Junior Bay Week

*I pledge my support to "I-LYA ARTICLE II – PURPOSE which looks to encourage, advance, promote, and perpetuate among amateurs, yachting, sail, powerboat, and other amateur aquatic competition, and to unify the rules in connection therewith"*

## CANDIDATE RESUMES



My name is Matthew C. Davis. It is with great honor that I am writing this letter to ask for your endorsement and vote for the position of I-LYA Trustee. Over the past 27 years I have been very active in I-LYA and Buckeye Lake Yacht Club. My philosophy is to jump in and help. Listed below are some of my experience highlights:

- Treasurer for I-LYA Commodore (2014 and 2015)
- Inter-lake Yachtsmen Fund Trustee and Vice President (2011-2015)
- Member of the I-LYA Nominating Committee (2011 and 2013)
- Advisor for Jr. Bay Chairmen (2010-2015)
- Chairman of two Jr. Bay Week Regattas (2009 and 2013)
- Sail Regatta Scorer (2009-2010)
- Jr. Sail Regatta Scorer (2010-2012)
- I-LYA Sponsorship Committee (2008-2015)
- Assisting with I-LYA's perpetual trophies (2005-2014)
- Safety Boat & Mark Boat (1996-2015)
- Organized and worked Launch and Recovery for Junior Bay Week Regattas (2000-2008)
- BLYC's I-LYA Delegate (2014-2015)
- BLYC's I-LYA Alternate Delegate (2010-2013)
- Chairman BLYC Golf Outing (1996-2008)
- BLYC Fundraising Committees (1988-2015)
- BLYC Sailing Instructor (1988)

In my career, I am the Airport Manager at Cleveland-Hopkins for Avis Budget Group, a multi-million dollar business. I oversee 138 employees, payroll, training, operations budgets, hiring, firing and profitability for the business.

I will bring a wide variety of knowledge and experience to the position of I-LYA Trustee. I am looking forward to learning and working together to continue with the great traditions that make Inter-Lake Yachting Association so unique. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you for your time, hard work and consideration.



My name is Bill Pribe and I am running for a second three-year term for the I-LYA Trustees. I have been active in I-LYA since 1986 attending the spring and winter meetings and the Senior Bayweek Sail Regattas. I am also a member of North Cape Yacht Club and 2010 Past Commodore, and have been a member of Jolly

Roger Sailing club since 1985 serving on committees and as Bar chairman and Dock chairman through the years. In the mid 1990's I was the I-LYA delegate for Jolly Roger Sailing Club.

In 1997 I joined North Cape Yacht Club and moved my boat there in 1999. I was elected to the Board of Directors at North Cape Yacht Club in 2003, serving two three-year terms before being elected to Rear Commodore and going through the chairs, becoming Commodore in 2010.

In 2012 I was elected to I-LYA trustees for a three-year

term and have served on the finance committee for the past two years; in 2015 I was elected Trustee President. Throughout my first term as trustee and my year as Trustee President I have stressed the importance of running I-LYA and the three regattas more like a business.

I also have been on the Senior Sail committee since the fall of 2009 when the plans were made to move the Senior Sail Regatta to the current Friday, Saturday, Sunday format. Additionally, I am also the 2015 AYC Sail Fleet Captain charged with coordinating the AYC Sail Championship.

Outside of I-LYA, my current job is General Manager at Toledo Jet Center located at Toledo Express Airport where we service and maintain business jets and turboprop aircraft. I have been an aircraft Airframe and Powerplant Technician with an Inspection Authorization for 41 years. I feel I have some unique knowledge and experience to continue to bring to the I-LYA Trustees to help lead the organization into the future.



## Monroe grad leads Toledo sailing team to world stage

Ryan Loren, Sports Reporter, Monroe News (reprinted with permission)

When Colin Mackay started his freshman year at the University of Toledo, the Rockets' sailing team was nearly obsolete.

Mackay grew up on the waters of Lake Erie. He and his brother, Ian, started working on their sea legs long before they could walk, and Mackay entered his first regatta when he was 8-years-old. At Monroe High, Mackay played soccer and kicked for the football team while spending his weekends racing down the coast of southeast Michigan.

But at Toledo, only four other students shared his passion enough to join the sailing team. "The sailing team had kind of died down," Mackay said. "But as soon as I got there, a group of friends and I jumped it up and made some big things happen." Big things indeed. By Mackay's sophomore year, the team had expanded to 15 people and was competing in regattas around the county. Last October, the program shocked the collegiate sailing world by winning the Intercollegiate Offshore Regatta in Larchmont, N.Y. The victory came against schools such as the University of Michigan, Ohio State, Michigan State and even the U.S. Naval Academy and U.S. Coast Guard Academy. It also earned the Rockets an invitation to the 47th EDHEC Sailing Cup in La Rochelle, France, in April. "It took me by surprise, but I definitely knew we had the talent to do it," Mackay said. "A lot of people along the east coast don't think the Great Lakes produce great sailors, but we really went out and showed them that we're a force to be reckoned with."

Instantly, Mackay pictured himself sailing down the Atlantic coast of France and racing against the world's best collegiate sailors while competing in one of Europe's largest student offshore regattas. But first he had to get there. "Through winning the New York regatta, they provided us with accommodations, food and a boat," Mackay said. "But we had to come up with the money for plane tickets, rental cars and such." Mackay turned to the North Cape Yacht Club in LaSalle to help raise the necessary funds. North Cape has been a large part of Mackay's life since he was born. His parents, Jeff and Marilyn, started sailing in the 1980s and joined North Cape in 1990. In 2006, Jeff was Commodore of the yacht club. Marilyn sits on the club's board. For nearly a decade, Jeff and Marilyn also helped run North Cape's junior sailing program. That's where Colin and his brother got their start.

"It's much like a travel soccer league," Jeff said. "It's very gratifying. We saw a lot of kids grow up and become adults and still enjoy sailing. That was a big part of our lives while

our kids were growing up." Jeff and Marilyn eventually stepped down from the junior sailing program, but Mackay and his brother later took over the role and became instructors themselves. Ian now is an instructor at Grosse Ile Yacht Club, while Mackay has stuck to his roots, teaching children through North Cape's Learn to Sail program and coaching the junior race team. So it made sense that Mackay would turn to North Cape and other local yacht clubs to help him follow his sailing dreams halfway across the world. "We did a lot of our fundraising through North Cape Yacht Club," Mackay said. "But we also fundraised some through the Monroe Boat Club and through the community of yacht clubs on the western end of Lake Erie."

Mackay easily raised the money and the team made the trip to France in April. Toledo's team joined 123 other programs from around the world, and the Rockets were in the regatta's toughest division. "The organizers of

the regatta wanted us to be in the most competitive class," Mackay said. "Our division all raced in a Grand Surprise sailboat. Every boat was the same, so it was very competitive. It's more of a sportier boat than we were used to. It was a little faster but a little heavier than what we normally sailed."

Toledo finished 17th out of 34 in its division. Not bad for a team that was nearly defunct two years earlier. "It was amazing to travel to Europe for our university, let alone for sailing," Mackay said. "The best part was being able to meet all these sailors that we had so much in common with even though we all live so far away."

Jeff and Marilyn weren't able to travel to France to watch their son sail, but were perhaps the proudest parents in Monroe this spring. "It was somewhat of a surprise in some respects and not a surprise in others, but what an experience," Jeff said. "I don't even know how to describe it. Winning (in New York) was one thing, but they had to put on their own fundraisers and organize events. They raised the money through hard work and that's something that some adults never have to learn."

Mackay begins his junior year at Toledo this fall and isn't sure where his sailing career might take him next. But he knows he'll always be out on the water because he loves the community. "What really holds me to sailing is the people," Mackay said. "I've gotten plenty of friends into the sport and into sailing for pleasure. I'd like to see everybody come out (to North Cape) and see what we have to offer."



Colin Mackay (left) and AJ Rush have been sailing partners for years. Mackay recently helped lead the University of Toledo Sailing Team in an international collegiate competition in France. (Photo courtesy of Jeff Mackay)



## Terry's Tip: Lessons From the Protest Room

By Terry Hutchinson for *Sailing World*  
Posted August 25, 2015

At a recent Farr 40 event, I went into the protest room regarding a decision on the question of whether two boats had reached the three-length zone or if it was a port-starboard situation in the open course. The decision wasn't in our favor — a painful outcome and yet an opportunity to learn.

**Lesson 1:** Be prepared with math. Any boat with a computer can yield info regarding boat positioning, speed, and wind speed. In our situation I had an eyewitness who was unbiased and reliable; yet my competition won the protest with well thought out information supported by math, target boat speeds for angles and true wind speed. I learned I need math to back up facts provided by a witness.

**Lesson 2:** Don't rely solely on the umpires. In the Farr 40 class, the umpires will blow a whistle if they witness a situation. However, if there's no whistle, it does not mean there is no foul. In our situation, I mistakenly relied on "no whistle" as an indication of the decision. The DSQ cost us a North American championship; doing a 360 would have cost us three spots. In the heat of the moment it was a tough decision; keeping the big picture in mind will keep you in a regatta-winning mindset.

**Lesson 3:** Write-up discussion points before the protest. Had I organized my thoughts, my presentation would have been clearer. Using boat information plus a clear presentation of facts makes this an easier protest to win. As soon as I received a copy of the protest I should have gone straight to the drawing board and prepared my own facts based off of my recollection of the situation. Knowing what is going to be argued, it would have been very easy to prepare a step-by-step argument using all the facts from our boat. Treating the protest room with the same process that I approach racing is a big lesson. The same methodology is required and while it does not guarantee success it can only improve your chances.

In conclusion: regardless of how strong your case may be, there are always two sides for the judges to consider, don't rely solely on a witness – regardless of credibility, and use all relevant information to get the right decision. A little preparation will go a long way... and when in doubt, stay out of the protest room.



*Terry Hutchinson is a world championship racer and executive vice president for business development worldwide at Quantum Sails. Photo by Ainhua Sanchez.*



## Power Boat Wrap Up

Bruce Sattler, 2015 Chairman

The Power Boat Regatta for 2015 is now only a memory. All that hard work and preparation crammed into five short days. I hope all those memories are good ones for you. They certainly are for me. We were blessed with no injuries, excellent weather, a fantastic turnout which filled our docks and the best bunch of volunteers that I could ever dream of having. If you haven't already, you can visit the Regatta Results Edition of the *I-LYA News* at [www.I-LYA.org](http://www.I-LYA.org) and check out the contest results.

The 2015 Power Committee is already assessing the finer points of this past regatta and will look at what went right and what needs to be improved on in 2016. There is more work in preparing these regattas that you might think. The 2016 Power Regatta will have Mike Powers at the helm and I am confident he will do his best to see that next year's regatta will be second to none. Our 2016 I-LYA Commodore would have it no other way!

This will be my last official article as Power Boat Chairman and I want to thank all committees and individuals who in any way helped me this year. We did meet our goal!

## MEMBER CLUB NEWS



### Hoover Highlights

Kathy Bachman, Publicity

#### High School Sailing Tests the Waters in Ohio... and HSC

(Photos courtesy of Doug Squires)



Ohio High School Sailing Regatta at HSC

Did you know that until just recently there were 515 High School Sailing Teams in the USA, but none in Ohio? Well, that has changed due to an initiative resulting from discussions during last winter's National Sailing Program Symposium, and enacted by Kathy Allyn of Mentor, Eric Schumann of Cowan and Jamie Jones of HSC to bring High School Sailing to Ohio.

So far, the three represented districts (Northern, Central and Southern) participating in launching High School Sailing in Ohio have hosted several regattas and dozens of on-the-water practices. To date, they have enrolled 60 sailors in the Ohio High School Sailing Association. At Hoover Sailing Club, we have thirty high school student-sailors representing twelve school districts in central Ohio. Throughout the fall sailing season, these teen sailors practice maneuvers on Hoover Reservoir in Westerville every Tuesday and

Thursday evenings.

The first-ever Ohio High School Sailing Association Regatta was held at Mentor Harbor Yachting Club on August 29th. A group of 16 teen sailors from central Ohio competed at this event. Scott Trask and Eli Trobridge, in a mixed team representing Dublin High School and New Albany High School,



Ready to launch Ohio High School Sailing Regatta at HSC

finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in Division A sailing. Grace Yingling and Zoe Hocht, representing Westerville South High School and Thomas Worthington High School respectively, received a first place finish in the last race of Division B.

On Saturday September 12<sup>th</sup>, HSC hosted the first Central Ohio High School Regatta. Nine teams representing 16 schools competed in 12 to 18 knot breezes. Twenty teen sailors from central Ohio high schools competed with teen sailors from other districts at this regatta. Ryan and Grace Squires, representing Thomas Worthington High School, finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in Division A, while the Olentangy Orange High School sailing team of Susannah Schroeder and Kent Howell finished in 4<sup>th</sup> place for Division B. Lots of wind and happy faces!



On the water at Ohio High School Sailing Regatta at HSC

#### Collegiate Sailing - Winds and Wins of Autumn

(photos courtesy of Kathy Bachman)



OSU 2015 Buckeye Invitational Regatta at HSC

The Ohio State University's fall Buckeye Invitational was held on September 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> at Hoover Sailing Club. Lots of wind and competition! Fourteen teams representing eleven universities, including The Ohio State University, University of Toledo, Indiana University, Wittenberg University, Michigan State University, Miami University, Grand Valley State University, Ohio University, Hope College, Denison University and Michigan Technological University competed at this event.

Eight races were completed on Saturday with steady 8-knot winds from the south building to 10-15 knots. On Sunday, two more race rotations were completed under steady wind conditions of 5-7 knots.

Kudos to The Ohio State University, University of Toledo, Grand Valley State University, Miami University and Hope College sailing teams for top finishes.



OSU Buckeye Invitational Regatta on Hoover Reservoir in Westerville

#### Hoover Sailing Club on Facebook

Our 2015 sailing season at Hoover Sailing Club may be ending, but Hoover sailors will be busy competing at other sailing venues throughout the winter months and getting ready for our 2016 sailing season. Follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/HooverSailingClub>.

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## MEMBER CLUB NEWS



### Cruisers Race to Vermilion Under a Double Rainbow

Larry Hurst, Harbor Bay Yacht Club

As part of the Labor Day cruise to Vermilion, HBVC organizes the Cruiser Race. You're going anyway and everybody knows there is a race if there is another boat in sight. Who wants to cruise slowly? This year we had eight boats participate including one power boat. Each boat is assigned a rating based on the US Sailing PHRF database and the individual boat equipment.

The wind was light after the Skipper's Meeting and there was a storm brewing at the western end of the bay. We wanted to wait for the storm to blow through and the wind to build. The wind gradually built and the storm seemed to stall over Toledo, so many of us decided to go. In addition to Barb and me, Nancy Sergi and Peggy Mintus sailed "Waypoint" to the start line off the Sandusky Bay Light.



The Start line is between the Sandusky Breakwater Light and the Green "1" Bell buoy. The Finish is when you are within .2 nautical miles of the "C" light on the breakwater at the entrance to Vermilion. The course distance is 14.6 nautical miles. A little navigation and strategy comes into play, but it is really simple.

With reasonable southwest wind, we picked a favorable course and off we sailed. In our Cruiser Races, you keep your own time, so you want to start your watch just as you cross the start line. We sailed as long as we could until the wind started to fade and the speed dropped.

In our cruiser races, you are allowed to use your engine when the wind velocity drops, but you must keep track of the time motoring and report that to the Race Committee. Your motoring time is then added to the elapsed time. Now there is a bit of math involved in when to start the engine and when to shut it down, just like the Big Boys in the Newport to Ensenada Race.

We sailed, motored, sailed, motored, and sailed again to the finish as the wind fell and rose through the course. It took us 2 hours and 50 minutes with 29 minutes of motoring to finish.

This year we split the fleet into two groups, JAM-A and JAM-B based on the ratings. Fabulous prizes were awarded, including the traditional jar of pickles for finishing last in each group. New members **Dave & Joanne Foster** on *Lady Lillie* took first place for their group while **Larry & Barb Hurst** on *Waypoint* captured the honors for the second group. The Pickle Jar recipients for each group were **Don & Marge Gross** on the boat formerly known as *Mariposa* and **Chris & Deb Crall** aboard *First Light*.



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classes is easily accessible from your home computer or tablet. Several new instructors have joined the GLCCSchool faculty in support of its recently expanded offerings. For example, long time pacific coast cruisers, authors and seminar speakers Robert and Virginia Gleser are bringing their popular "Living and Working Together on a Boat 24X7" to GLCCSchool this season. Check the GLCCSchool.com web site for more information on this and other new and refreshed classes.

GLCCSchool sessions typically run 60-90 minutes. On average webinar registration is only \$20.00, discounted to \$15.00 for current Great Lakes Cruising Club (GLCC), United States Power Squadron (USPS) and Canadian Power & Sail Squadron (CPS) members. Selected webinars like the above-referenced Safety for Cruising Couples webinar are further discounted for all registrants.

GLCCSchool is an offering of the Great Lakes Cruising Club, a non-profit organization of roughly 2500 US and Canadian members dedicated to encouraging recreational boaters to safely explore our five beautiful Great Lakes and connecting waterways. The club's business offices are located at 405 Water Street, Suite 101, Port Huron, MI 48060-5469 USA. For more information click [www.glccclub.com](http://www.glccclub.com).

The Cruising Club of America is dedicated to offshore cruising, voyaging and the "adventurous use of the sea" through efforts to improve seamanship, the design of seaworthy yachts, safe yachting procedures and environmental awareness. Founded in 1922, the Club has 11 stations throughout the U.S., Canada and Bermuda, with approximately 1300 members who are qualified by their experience in offshore passage making. For more information on the CCA, go to <http://www.cruisingclub.org>.



## MEMBER CLUB NEWS

### Mansfield Sailing Club

*Christopher Clarke*

Since our last report in late July our drive to recruit new members has paid off. Now, at the end of the season we can report that our total membership went up from 27 in 2014 to 43 in 2015. This includes seven supporting members and 36 active members. Active members are skippers and crew including spouses and children under 18. In addition to our Lightning fleet, we now have two Flying Scots, two Hunter 170s, one Siren, one Macgregor 21, one Hobie 16 and two Lasers.

We completed a full program of club races on Sundays and our Lightning sailors went to regattas at Indian Lake and Cowan Lake in addition to hosting our twentieth annual Bare Bones Lightning class regatta in September.

We attracted six new adult members as a result of promotion of the club and giving rides at the North Central Ohio Safe Boating Festival on Pleasant Hill Lake in early June and a subsequent local newspaper article. We provided sailing instruc-

tion at the Mohican Outdoor School/Spirit of America Boating Camp in late July and held our own open house immediately afterwards. All of the children from the boating camp brought their families and friends to the open house making it the most successful that we have had in years. The end result was that several families joined and we now have seven

junior sailors.

A major factor this year was offering free sailing lessons to any individual or family who joined the club at the active member level.

Mohican Outdoor School generously agreed to lend us their fleet of three Hunter 140s for the season and we have used

these to teach the juniors. We followed the USSailing basic small boat course and covered almost all the required material with onshore and on the water practice. Towards the end of the season all of the juniors were able to experience, with success, the more breezy conditions that prevail in fall. All want to continue sailing next year.



*Mansfield's junior sailors are, left to right, Ben Hutvera, Kenton McCoy, Aedan Roby, David Newdome, Garrett McCoy and Sam Hahn. The second photo shows them with their instructor.*



## Great Lakes Cruising Club & Cruising Club of America Collaborate on Training Initiative

*Philip May, GLCC*

The Great Lakes Cruising Club (GLCC) is pleased to announce a new collaboration with the Cruising Club of America (CCA) to help make its "Safety for Cruising Couples" seminar more widely and very affordably available over the internet.

Speaking to that new collaboration, CCA Commodore Tad Lhamon stated, "The Cruising Club of America is delighted to support the Great Lakes Cruising Club's offering of the Safety for Cruising Couples webinar. This is a win-win for both clubs. The CCA strongly supports making safe approaches to boating - especially short-handed cruisers - available to the wide audiences of the GLCC webinars."

GLCC Commodore Niels R. Jensen concurred, stating, "As most other boating organizations, the GLCC is focused on helping couples and short-handed crews safely enjoy their cruising experience. We're particularly pleased to collaborate



with the prestigious Cruising Club of America on this important safety initiative."

To register for this and other upcoming webinars visit [www.GLCCSchool.com](http://www.GLCCSchool.com) and click "Upcoming Classes" or "Recordings" to

view the various webinars presently available for registration. To register for a class you must first enroll in GLCCSchool, a simple and free process of clicking "Free Enrollment" at the top of the screen. If you can't make a scheduled live webinar there are opportunities to view and even register for a recording of the live event on demand after initial live broadcast.

GLCCSchool classes are taught by industry specialists and GLCC-accredited sail or power boating colleagues, and cover everything from weather to maintenance, provisioning to navigation, safe boating to anchoring techniques, regional cruising guides to locking skills ... and more. Each of these

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# INTER-LAKE YACHTING ASSOCIATION 2015 FALL MEETING & DINNER INVITATION DECEMBER 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>

LOCATION: Holliday Inn-French Quarter  
10630 Fremont Pike, Perrysburg OH 43551 419-874-3111

Please make your room reservation by November 15, 2015. The I-LYA room rate should be requested when making reservations (\$95 standard room & \$105 King room per night includes taxes). Please call the hotel and ask for the in-house reservations to insure you get the I-LYA rate...book online using the Group Code ILY. Two night hotel stay with dinner reservations includes breakfast on Saturday. **(Note corrected code as of 11/1/15)**

Join us Friday Night for the Hospitality Rooms to socialize and network, and Saturday for the meetings to wrap up and review the 2015 Regattas and begin planning for another great season in 2016! For details on meeting agenda, check out I-LYA.org, also remember to sign up for I-LYA news on our website for more details on upcoming events.

Ladies Luncheon Reservation  
12:00 pm

Saturday, December 5th

Name (s): \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_  
# Attending: \_\_\_\_\_  
Total Cost (\$19 pp)

Menu: Fettuccine Alfredo, Served w/ Garlic Bread & Salad & Toft's Peppermint Ice Cream for Dessert

## FALL DINNER & AWARDS

Saturday, December 5th

Cocktails 6:00pm-6:45pm - Cash Bar- Procession 6:45pm Dinner 7:00pm  
Black Tie Preferred

Banquet Dinner Reservation

Name (s): \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Choice 1: Prime Rib \_\_\_\_\_ Choice 2: Chicken Cordon Bleu \_\_\_\_\_  
Choice 3: Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_

Includes: Baked Potato & Sugar Snap Peas w/Red Peppers (Please let Lady Gail aware of any food allergies)

# Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Cost (\$50pp)

TOTAL REMITTED: \_\_\_\_\_ Deadline for Reservations is November 15, 2015

Send to: Lady Gail McKee- 5584 Skipper Drive, Port Clinton OH 43452 (419)-797-0019