

# **COMMODORE'S REPORT**



Seems like just yesterday and we were talking about the Spring meeting. Here we are, mid -June and looking at the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday right around the corner and then our Regattas. The Annual I-LYA Sail and Power Regattas are the highlight of the year for I-LYA. A time we all come together and to show off our sailing and powerboating skills. This year is the 128<sup>th</sup> Regatta and its shaping up to be one of the best Regattas ever.

Our Junior Sailors will start things off with their Junior Bay Regatta running July 18<sup>th</sup> to the 22<sup>nd</sup> with some 100 juniors competing in on the water racing. This is a great event for

junior sailors, a place to compete and make new friends and catch up with old ones. These juniors will be talking the helm of this organization some day and these regattas are a great place to gain experience. If your juniors are not in the program, please ask your club or check out the junior's web page for information.

Our Senior sailors follow with their Regatta starting on the 29<sup>th</sup> of July and ending the 1<sup>st</sup> of August. This year its all about racing and competitions. Registration is available on "Yacht Scoring". The social package has changed from years past and you will be on your own for food. But don't worry, there will be plenty of food available downtown or at the Put-in-Bay Yacht Club. Oh, and by the way; the beer trailer will be fully stocked, and we have the rum party where we can all brag about our sailing skills.

The Powerboat Regatta, both Senior and Junior start on the 4<sup>th</sup> of August and ends the 8<sup>th</sup>. I have been watching registrations and it appears that everyone is ready to get back to normal. We're hoping to have a bigger than ever turnout for our powerboaters. The powerboat regatta is all about family, things to do for kids and adults as well. The committee has been working hard to ensure that you'll have plenty to do. Scott and Josh Kneisel have taken over the Junior Powerboat activities, so bring Juniors.

These Regattas are not only the highlight of the I-LYA year, they are loads of fun for all. Like I have said so many times in the past, "You would have to work really hard to not enjoy the Regatta". Once you have come to the Regatta, be it Sail or Power. You will make it an annual destination. Mark your calendar today! Register today and join us.

The success of our Regattas are the result of the hard work by committee chairs and the countless number of volunteers who make it all happen. Come and join us, see you there.

Captain Bob, Commodore I-LYA



# Vice Commodore's Corner...Michael Fishbaugh



As the Commodore mentions along with our regatta committees, planning is coming along for all events this summer. Please register soon as we are making plans for 4 great events!

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US Sailing Updates: US Sailing is planning on holding their National Sailing Programs Symposium next year in Savannah, GA from January 27 - 29. For information, please visit <u>https://</u><u>nsps.ussailing.org/</u> US Sailing is also looking for hosts for Safety at Sea Training. Due to the impact of the pandemic, Hands-On Safety at Sea Training has been on hold for more than a year! As we get back into the swing of things, there will be many Offshore sailors looking for Hands-On Training. Demand will outpace course availability - You can help! Consider host-ing two "Hands-On" one-day courses back-to-back to help sailors complete training for their

International Offshore Safety at Sea Certificates with Hands-On Training. We are looking for Host Organizers for courses to run this fall, over the winter and into 2022. <u>https://www.ussailing.org/education/adult/safety-at-sea-courses/#host-a-course</u>. The US Sailing May Association report may also be viewed online: <u>https://</u>cdn.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/2021-May-Association-Report-Summary.pdf

### Rear Commodore's Corner...Lloyd Bogue



The boating season is in full swing with many clubs planning a full schedule of events now that the covid pandemic has been throttled.(let's hope) Our organization is no exception we are damn the torpedoes- full speed ahead. With all 4 of regattas in the final planning stages Put in Bay will be back and running at full tilt. So make sure you get on the website (i-lya.org) and get registered for one of these fantastic events. It sure will be great to see people out and about!

Just like your clubs I-LYA is looking for a few good members to take the next step along the leadership trail, maybe to fill a Trustee's position or the Rear Commodore spot. If you are interested in any of these positions please contact our nominating committee Chairperson P/C Dennis Mintus.

Lady Rhonda and I had the honor to attend the opening of the Port in Toledo over Memorial Day weekend. In spite of gale force winds and a lot damage to property, this event turned out wonderfully. Congrats to MRYC, TSC, & BVYC for a fantastic job. As the weather calmed down for the actual holiday we were also honored to participate in the Greater Cleveland Boating Associations annual Memorial Day Service aboard the U.S.S. Cod. This is a moving ceremony honoring our fallen veterans that have made the ultimate sacrifice, so we can enjoy our freedoms that they so gallantly fought for.

I sure hope everyone by now has seen this year's yearbook. Your bridge officers and a few other "merry men" have been delivering them to all of the clubs. As always Marilyn Paselsky has done an outstanding job with the book even though she had less material to work with due to the pandemic. When you see her around the Bay make sure you thank her for her efforts.

I would once again ask our clubs to include us in your clubs mailings for your events and or newsletters so perhaps Lady Rhonda & I could attend one of your events. Please email me at <u>lloydbogue@windstream.net</u> or hard copy me at P.O. Box 681 Geneva, Ohio 44041. If needed don't hesitate to call me at 440-812-4242.

We hope to see you very soon on the water or at the Bay!

# I-LYA 128TH ADULT & JUNIOR POWER BOAT REGATTA PUT-IN-BAY, OHIO AUGUST 4-8, 2021

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

All I-LYA Boaters are invited to join for some fun at the bay! Dock at A&C Dock for only a \$2.05 ft.

Social Packages for adults on boats that are docked with I-LYA are \$50 per person, Those without boats are \$60 per person. Social Packages include all dinner meals Spaghetti, Steak or Chicken, Hot Dog Roast, and a dinner to be determined. It also includes activities listed below for 4 days.

### **ADULT ACTIVITES**

Power Boat Water Contests - Corn Hole Contest - Co-ed Volleyball & Softball Putt Putt Golf - Golf Tournament\* Pub Crawl\* - Mt. Gay Rum Party / Karaoke Party—Inflatable Boat Races Beer Trailer—Ladies Tea\* Kayak Races & Tug of War on the water—Award Ceremony

### KIDS 5-11 yrs. (Free)

Fishing Contest - Geo Quest - Putt Putt Golf Movie Night

\*Small fee may apply

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

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

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

# **2021 I-LYA – POWER BOAT SCHEDULE**

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### ALL EVENT ATTENDEES MUST COMPLY WITH SOCIAL DISTANCING & MASKS REQUIRE-MENTS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE STATE OF OHIO GUIDELINES. HAND SANITIZER STATIONS WILL BE PLACED THROUGHOUT THE EVENT AREAS

#### TUESDAY AUGUST 3, 2021

4:00PM- 7:00PM Registration PIBYC 6:00pm - 8:00pm Spaghetti Dinner PIBYC 7:00pm - 8:00pm Power Boat Committee Meeting PIBYC WEDNESDAY AUGUST 4, 2021 11:00am – 2:30pm Registration PIBYC 10:00am - 2:00pm Power Boat Docking Contest **KEYS ON WATER** Power Boat Contest – Chicane / Flying Mile 11:00am - 1:30pm **ON WATER** Power Boat Regatta Begins - Docking Available 12:00pm 1:00pm - 3:00pm JUNIOR Putt-Putt Golf (all ages) **PERRY'S CAVE** 3:00pm Commodore's Welcome & Flag Raising Ceremony \*Summer Whites **DERIVERA PARK** 3:30pm Commodore's Reception \*Summer Whites **@KEYS** 4:00pm - 8:00pm Beer Trailer Open PIBYC 4:30pm- 8:00 pm Dinner -(RESERVATION REOUIRED) PIBYC

PIBYC

Pub Crawl (EAT EARLY)

#### THURSDAY AUGUST 5, 2021

6:30pm

8:30am - 10:00am	Commodore's Coffee	"A" Dock
9:00am - 10:30am	<u>JUNIOR</u> Fishing Contest (all ages)	"A" Dock
10:00am- 12:00pm	Power Boat Contest – Docking / Chicane / Flying Mile	ON WATER
11:00am - 1:00pm	JUNIOR Geo-Quest Contest (all ages - meet by I-LYA trai	ler)
		<b>DERIVERA PARK</b>
11:00am - 2:30pm	Predicted Log / Navigation Contest	ON WATER
	<pre>**(Skippers meeting 9:00am at Memorial)**</pre>	
2:30pm	Adult Inflatable Boat Races	PIBYC
4:00pm -9:30pm Beer T	railer Open	PIBYC
4:00pm	Men's & Ladies Volleyball Games (15 years & older)	PIBYC
5:00pm - 7:00pm	Hot Dog Cookout	PIBYC
5:00pm	Weather Forecast Submission Deadline	PIBYC
5:00pm – 7:30pm	Cornhole Games (15years & older)	PIBYC
7:30pm - 9:30pm JUNIC	<u>PR</u> Movies	PIBYC
7:30pm - 9:30pm Mount	Gay Rum Party	PIBYC

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### FRIDAY AUGUST 6, 2021

9:00am - 10:00am	Golf Tournament (Registration & Start) **PRIZES**	
GOLF COU	JRSE	
9:00am - 12:00pm	<u>JUNIOR</u> Powerboat Safe Boating Seminar (ages 12 – 18)	PIBYC
12:00pm - 3:00pm	Ladies Luncheon (Reservations Required)	PIBYC
1:00pm - 2:00pm	Smoker	
PIBYC Pa	vilion	
2:00pm- 4:00pmKay	vak Races/Tug of War (15 & OLDER)	PIBYC
4:00pm – 5:00pm	<u>JUNIOR</u> Kayak Races (12-18)	PIBYC
5:00pm -8:00pm	Beer Trailer Open	PIBYC
6:00pm -8:00pm	Steak & Chicken Roast (Reservation Required)	
PIBYC		
8:30pm	Putt-Putt Golf (Adults 18 +)	Perry's
		Cave

#### SATURDAY AUGUST 7, 2021

9:00am	<u>JUNIOR</u> Navigation Contest (ages 12 – 18)	OAK POINT
11:30am- 2:30pm Softball Game (15 years & older)		BASEBALL FIELD
3:00pm - 4:00pm IOB	G Cocktail Party (Members & Officers) *Summer Whites	PIBYC
3:00pm - 9:00pm Beer Trailer Open		PIBYC
5:00pm	Power Boat Awards Presentations	PIBYC
7:00pm – 9:00 pm	Party (KARAOKE NIGHT @ THE BAY)	PIBYC

### SUNDAY AUGUST 8, 2021

#### 11:00am Power Boat Regatta Ends BOATS MUST CLEAR A -DOCK BY 3:00PM/ C-DOCK BY NOON OR PAY FOR EXTENDED DOCKAGE

11:00am	Commodore's Brunch <b>(By Invitation Only)</b>	TBD
3:00pm	Parade Assembly for Memorial Ceremony	PIBYC
3:30pm	Memorial Ceremony @ I-LYA Memorial *Summer Whites	DERIVERA
PARK		

### \* Summer Whites Include Long Pants & Covers\*

(The basic Summer White uniform is white shirt, white long pants, white belt, white socks, white shoes, and white officer cap/cover)

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The 2021 I-LYA Powerboat Committee and the Shuttle Transportation Chairperson Ms. Sharon Kneisel is asking for your assistance in donating to our transportation costs. All I-LYA affiliated clubs and individuals are welcome to participate. We are asking each club or individual that has participated in the past to consider donating \$80 towards this cost for 2021. If your club is not in the position to contribute at this level the committee will gladly accept any contribution they are willing to make. We transport a large number of your club members whether it's to A or C dock, the PIB Yacht Club, the Putt-Putt Golf Course , and of course to other I-LYA events. Many people are unable to walk long distances and this valuable service provides an efficient way to move our participants to the numerous events & activities.

Our Sponsors will be acknowledged on a banner at the event. Please make checks out to----I-LYA 2021- and mail them to the powerboat Treasurer Grant Rabideau along with this form.

Name of Sponsor:	 
Name of Sponsor:	

Club Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I-LYA 2021 Grant Rabideau 5210 Kilburn Sylvania, Ohio 43560

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**Powerboat Chair** 

Lloyd Bogue, AYC <u>lloydbogue@windstream.net</u> 440-812-4242

Commodore Lang and the 2021 Powerboat Regatta Committee

**Appreciates your Support !** 





# Inter-Lake Yachting Association

### 2021 Powerboat Regatta, Put-in-Bay, August 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>

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

You can reach Grant at 419-360-1988

Number of kegs:	@ \$100.00 =
Sponsor set of Flags:	@ \$175.00 =
Commitment made by:	
Mailing Address:	
Phone:	
Email:	
Commitment on behalf of:	
	(as it will appear on the banner)
Please make checks payable to:	I-LYA 2021
Mail to:	I-LYA 2021 - Grant Rabideau
	5210 Kilburn
	Sylvania, Oh 43560
Commodore Bob Lang	and the 2021 Powerboat Regatta Committee
Thank you for your su	pport of the 2021 I-LYA Powerboat Regatta!
Keg Sponsorships n	nay be used to cover the cost of beer kegs
as well as other social	l event expenses, including other beverages.

# **Powerboat Regatta**

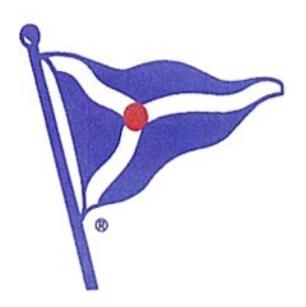
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I can't believe it that is almost time for the regatta to start. Your regatta committee has been working at a fever pitch to ensure that you will get the very best regatta possible. There is still plenty of time to get registered for this year's regatta but the <u>deadline of July 15<sup>th</sup></u> is fast approaching. So get on our on-line website, *@* I-LYA.org and make it happen. This enables our dock master ample time to make his dock assignments.

As I stated in one of the earlier articles we are asking each club to bring one of their club burgees (3' x 5') that we can display at the end of the dock. This sure adds a festive look to the dock and for the event. Quite a few of you have already donated to our keg & shuttle fund but we are still accepting these donations until the registration deadline. Thanks to everyone who has contributed so far! I would like to thank Bruce Sattler and Ed Cantu for going to the Bay and repairing the all-important grill for our Friday night steak fry, I know Al Antoine appreciates your efforts too! **THANKS GUYS!** 

Make sure you sign up for a turn at the helm of the golf carts while you are here. This is a great avenue to meet new people and to have fun! See Sharon Kniesel to get your time slot. Speaking of time slots, I would also like to ask for everyone's help in taking a spot for the dock security. This is for the protection of our boats and belongings and to make sure that we do not have any funny business from any uninvited guests. I sure hope everyone has been practicing docking, singing, rowing and kayaking, corn hole, volleyball, softball, puttputt golf and perhaps beer drinking to ready themselves for their week at the Bay.

### WITH SO MUCH FUN, HOW CAN ANYONE STAY HOME!





Greetings! We have positive signs of life returning to near-normal with the Spring Meeting being held and well attended. Looking ahead to summer, the **Junior Power Regatta** is being planned. This regatta runs concurrently with the Powerboat Regatta held at Put-in-Bay on August 4 - 8, 2021. We are seeking curious boaters

12 - 18 years of age to participate.

The program consists of a safe boating seminar and use of a GPS; on-the-water events include compass reading and boat handling using inflatable boats under direct adult supervision. Results are scored with the opportunity to win a scholarship.

Unfortunately, attendance at this regatta has been declining in recent years. We are seeking a **minimum of 10 eligible juniors** to proceed with the event this year. So, if interested please register! If you or your club need more information, please contact me as I can send a flyer. Additional information will be available at i-lya.org and in the upcoming 2021 I-LYA yearbook.

Scott Kneisel, 734-516-0257, scott.kneisel@bex.net

# Junior Bay Week Championship

The 65th annual ILYA Junior Sailing Championships are quickly approaching. A reminder that the dates for this year's Junior Sail Regatta are July 18-22.

I am thankful for the support of the ILYA Flagline, ILYA Yachtsmen's Fund, every ILYA club, member and volunteer. Please make sure your team is registered by July 2nd to avoid the late fee. Please review all of the detailed information on our website <u>ilyajrchamps.com</u>. Due to unexpected island closures and construction, some last minute changes to schedule and venue may occur so check for updates. If you have any questions after checking the site, you may email me at <u>ilyajrchamps@gmail.com</u>

Mike FitzGibbon - 2021 Junior Sail Regatta Chair



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

You, your boat, your sailing club, your company, your poker buddies, your golf foursome... all have an opportunity to be **recognized at the 2021 Sail Regatta** by sponsoring a keg, flags, or the event overall. Sponsors are crucial to the success of the event and will be acknowledged with a banner at the event daily awards ceremony and on the *I-LYA Bay Week* Facebook page.

To sponsor a keg or set of flags please complete your Event Purchase on Yacht Scoring OR complete and submit this form. Visit <u>https://i-lya.org/sponsorship/</u> for more information on other sponsorship opportunities.

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

Name:

as it will appear on banner

Contact:

Email:

Make checks payable to I-LYA 2021 and mail to 28 Edgewater Square, Lakewood OH 44107.

Commodore Bob Lang and the 2021 Sail Regatta Committee thank you for your support!

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



# I-LYA 2021 SAIL REGATTA UPDATES

Qualifying races for the **I-LYA 2021 PHRF Championship** started Memorial Day weekend and continue through September. 5 qualifying races are necessary and the 128<sup>th</sup> Bayweek Regatta is a double counter. Check out the NOR at <u>www.i-lya.org</u> for more information and register before the deadline on July 25.

If you'd like to get warmed up, consider **Deepwater Racing** to the island departing from Cleveland and Toledo or the **Steeplechase** race from Sandusky Bay! NOR is posted on Yachtscoring and these races also count for the I -LYA PHRF Championships Series.

Race Chair Doug Seib PIBYC is putting together a great on the water team. The 128<sup>th</sup> Bayweek Regatta will have four separate racecourses run by **Professional Race Officers** C Steve Harris BLYC/ PIBYC, C Duane Burgoyne NCYC, and Geoff Endris ECSC. Registrar C Dennis Mintus AYC and Judges Ed Theisen DYC; and Bobby Bennett EYC are on board to help us provide a quality competitive event.

- **PHRF** boats will be racing around the islands with possible Windward /Leeward races if time and conditions allow. The 2021 I-LYA Bayweek Regatta is also a double-counter towards the 2020 I-LYA PHRF Championship Series.
- **JAM** fleet will do at least one island race per day with the possibility of a second race if time and conditions allow. **Cruising** fleet will do only one island race per day.
- Hobie Formula Wave National Championship fleet will do multiple Triangle Windward Leeward races each day.
- **Portsmouth Dinghy** boats will do multiple Windward Leeward and possible Triangle Windward Leeward races each day.

The **2021 Bayweek NOR** is on Yacht Scoring. We regret that registration fees this year increased slightly due to changes in Village dockage rates, so we have made changes to activities ashore to control costs. **Register by July 5** to take advantage of reduced registration fees.

This year we are eliminating the paid party and nightly dinner. Instead we will have **FREE BEER** each evening during the Daily Awards and we are thrilled that **Mount Gay** will support a rum party! PIBYC will be open and offer food for purchase each evening.

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

The Ladies Tea will be held Saturday at the Miller Pavilion and registration will be available at PIBYC.

There really is no such thing as **Free Beer**. We cannot underestimate the value of sponsorship of the event. Please consider **sponsoring** a keg, a set of flags, or the event overall. You can even make your purchase online at Yachtscoring.com. Be sure to include how you want to be recognized – by your name, your boat, or even your business.

Help is always wanted! From pouring beer to serving on the race committee to sharing your boat for on the water race management or photos we are always looking for assistance. Let us know if you'd like to help or join the 2021 Regatta Committee. We look forward to seeing you this summer! Bill Pribe NCYC, Sail Regatta Chair



# I-LYA Sailing

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I-LYA 2021 PHRF Championship series includes 24 races across Lake Erie from May to September. FIVE (5) qualifying races are necessary and the 128th Bayweek Regatta is a DOUBLE COUNTER. I-LYA Bayweek Regatta July 30-August 1 At Put-in-Bay Yacht Club, Put-in-Bay, Ohio

### — PRO-fessionally Run Race Courses: —

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

JAM Fleet One to two island races per day.

**Cruising Fleet** One island race per day.

Hobie Formula Wave National Championship Multiple triangle windward/leeward races each day.

**Portsmouth Dinghy** Multiple windward/leeward or triangle windward/leeward races each day.

Race to PIB
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Deepwater Racing from Cleveland (7/29) & Toledo (7/30)
Steeplechase Race from Sandusky Bay!

On Shore Socialize at PIBYC with FREE BEER\* during Daily Awards and a Friday night Mount Gay Rum Party!

Ladies Tea Saturday at Miller Pavilion. Register at PIBYC.

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

\* Free Beer with wristband

For more information visit: i-lya.org

2021 Bayweek NOTICE OF RACE is on Yacht Scoring. Register by July 5 for reduced registration fees.



### Boaters: 5 Things You Can Do to Take the 'Search' out of Search and Rescue Are you making it difficult to be found in an emergency?

ANNAPOLIS, MD., May 25, 2021 – "Do I know how to be found in an emergency?" That's a question every boater should ask at the beginning of the boating season. The answer, however, is likely to go far beyond simply having a cellphone aboard. The <u>BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety and Clean Water</u> offers five tips that can potentially speed a rescuer's response to a boater in need of emergency help.

- **File a float plan:** Telling a responsible family member or friend, leaving a note (on your vehicle's dashboard) at the launch ramp, or using a <u>smart phone float plan app</u>, are great ways to allow someone else to trigger the alarm if you fail to return by an appointed time.
- Have a VHF radio aboard but not just any old VHF radio: All VHF radios are not alike. One of the best ways to speed an on-water rescue is to have a Digital Selective Calling (DSC) VHF radio aboard. A DSC-VHF radio does all of the things a regular VHF does, but it also has a unique press-one-button mayday feature that gives rescuers your vessel's location taking the "search" out of search and rescue. The newest waterproof handheld DSC-VHF radios are great for small boats. Before you install your DSC-VHF radio, be sure to get your radio's <u>Maritime Mobile Service Identity Number (MMSI)</u> that is your vessel's unique ID. BoatUS members can request one for free.
- Label your SUP, canoe, or kayak: Adding contact information on the inside of your paddlecraft with a waterproof marker could mean less time U.S. Coast Guard and first responders need to spend chasing down false alarms. This frees up valuable resources when time really counts. And let's face it, another benefit is that you may get your paddlecraft back after it blows down the lake. It's also a good idea to let authorities know if your paddlecraft has gone missing.
- **Do not leave shore** ... without a fully charged phone: Smartphones are part of life ashore and aboard. The reality, however, is that many boaters put all their safety eggs in one basket and rely solely on a cell-phone to call for help. Cellphone batteries generally don't do well after a long day of running apps,

listening to music, texting, and taking photos. And for many phones, water is the enemy. Consider keeping your phone a waterproof pouch or case. If you need help for routine, nonemergency assistance, such as a tow home, battery jump, fuel delivery or soft ungrounding, download the <u>BoatUS App</u> that connects boaters to closest local TowBoatUS response vessel.

**Register your EPIRB or PLB**: The U.S. Coast Guard receives hundreds of false alerts each year from these critical safety devices. To free up more time for responding to real emergencies, boaters need to properly <u>register their</u> <u>Emergency Position Indicating Rescue Beacon (EPIRB) or</u> <u>Personal Locator Beacon (PLB)</u>. If you need a beacon for only a short period of time, rent one from the affordable <u>BoatUS Foundation EPIRB/PLB rental program</u>.



Are you making it harder for rescuers to find you in an emergency?

# Inter-Lake Yachting Association Junior Powerboat Regatta

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An Educational program for Juniors interested in Powerboats. Juniors 12 through 18 are eligible to participate. The program is to be initiated at the Club level with ongoing class studies, organized practical training and competitive events. All Juniors are invited to participate at the annual I-LYA Regatta to compete and match their Powerboat skills with other Juniors. Competitions include both academic and hands on.

Only those Juniors who are members of boat Clubs affiliated with I-LYA will be eligible to receive Scholarship Awards. **Scholarships** are based on the results from two days of competitions at the annual I-LYA Regatta. General Knowledge and Seamanship, Charting and Course Plotting, GPS Navigation Competition, Weather contest On-The-Water Contests (Using Motorized Inflatables) "Course A" Boat Handling "Course B" Compass Reading Docking Chicane Man Overboard

# Yachtsmen's Fund Update

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There's nothing like a year of disruption to make "normal" feel so good. The Yachtsmen's Fund is thrilled to have funds budgeted to support both the Junior Sail and Junior Power Regattas in 2021. Often, these events are the first time that our area youth are introduced to the I-LYA bridge. They come to appreciate the organization behind their fun and some will go on to leadership roles at their clubs and in I-LYA.

**Training Grants:** Instructor training and race management training are essential if we are to grow our sports. We are pleased that in-person training is happening again this summer. There is still grant money available and candidates may apply at our website @ www.yachtsmensfund.org.

**Championship Grants:** Participating at US Sailing National Championships is expensive. The Yachtsmen's Fund has \$600 Championship Grants available for those juniors who qualify at Area Es to represent I-LYA at Chubb Nationals. You must apply online to be eligible for a grant.

**Challenge Team (Travel) Grants:** Juniors attending major events outside of the I-LYA region such as Ida Lewis, Leiter Cup, Orange Bowl, etc. should apply for Challenge Team Grants. Grants up to \$250 are awarded based on distance travelled. Again, please check our website for further information and to apply.

We look forward to seeing boats on the water this summer! Wishing you fair winds and following seas,

Steve Harris - President Yachtsmen's Fund





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#### Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

BOAT RESPONSIBLY WEAR A LIFEJACKET

MADISON, Wis. – Longer days and warmer temps mean more boats are on the water, and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) reminds boaters that wearing a life jacket could save your life.

Three people have died in boating incidents so far this year, in addition to 22 people who died in 2020.

The DNR reminds the public that safety is an important part of water fun. Most drowning victims on Wisconsin waterbodies were not wearing life jackets. Wisconsin rivers and lakes can be relaxing and familyfriendly places to spend a summer day when you put safety first and respect for the water. Click here to read more... National Boating Federation

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### Earl Waesche, NBF Legislative Director

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Push on Capitol to give Chesapeake Bay National Park Status:

Longtime efforts to give the Chesapeake Bay the national recognition it deserves are finally gaining traction. There's a push to make the Bay a National Recreation Area, designated by the National Park Service. U.S. Senator Chris Van Hollen, D-MD and other lawmakers are looking at making the Chesapeake Bay a National Park. It could create new potential parks around the Bay and boost tourism.

A group of lawmakers from Maryland and Virginia, along with a "dream team" of 30 Bay groups (from watermen and sport-fisher to oyster restoration teams and conservationists), are getting to work on legislation to make it a reality.

Latta Introduces Legislation to Define Navigable Waters: WASHINGTON, D.C.– Congressman Bob Latta (R-OH5) introduced the Withstanding Attempts to En-croach on our Resources (WATER) Act.

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Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission

FWC Releases 2020 Boating Accident Statistical Report

With the release of the 2020 Boating Accident Statistical Report, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) encourages boaters to focus on taking the necessary steps for a safer boating experience.

Florida had 836 boating accidents in 2020, which is 113 more accidents than in 2019, a 16% increase. A total of 79 people lost their lives last year in boating accidents, 14 more than the previous year. Since 2003, falling overboard has been the leading type of fatal accident with drowning as the leading cause of death. Of the drowning victims, 88% were not wearing a life jacket.

Today's boaters can choose from several models of light and comfortable, inflatable belt-pack or over-the-shoulder life jackets that can be worn while fishing or enjoying the sun. Events can happen quickly and unexpectedly, and boaters might not The legislation would amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act and define the term "Waters of the United States" (WOTUS).

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"In 2015, the Obama Administration's Corps of Engineers and Environmental Protection Agency revised regulations defining the scope of waters protected and regulated under the Clean Water Act," said Latta. "This significantly expanded Federal jurisdiction over virtually all waters and wet areas in the United States. This decision, known as the 2015 WOTUS rule, infringes on the rights of property owners, particularly in agricultural communities. Landowners, farmers, home builders, and construction companies would have to use limited resources to apply for costly, time-consuming permits for ponds, ditches, or puddles, which they may not even be able to obtain. The rule is an alarming regulatory overreach of the executive branch into policy that should be addressed by Congress through the legislative process. I am proud to introduce the WATER Act because we need to codify and better define the definition of WOTUS and give back the rights to property owners."

Congressman David B. McKinley, P.E., Republican Leader of the House Energy and Commerce Environment Subcommittee, is an original co-sponsor of the WATER Act.

"In 2020, the Trump Administration thankfully put an end to the Obama-era 'Waters of the U.S.' rule, which extended the federal government's reach to regulate waters on private lands," **said McKinley**. "Codifying the rule will help farmers and businesses operate without fearing overreach of the federal regulators. In so doing they can help us support the economy and build out critical infrastructure projects."

The Obama Administration's WOTUS rule significantly expands the scope and jurisdiction of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Army Corp of Engineers to include the majority of all waters and wet areas in the United States.

On June 22, 2020, the EPA and Army Corps of Engineers under the Trump Administration revisited the 2015 WOTUS rule and finalized a revised definition of WOTUS through their Navigable Waters Protection Rule to address legal, economic, and jurisdictional concerns surrounding the previous definition.

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before finding themselves in the water. The message is clear, "Life Jackets Save Lives."

Click on the link for a copy of the 2020 Boating Accident Statistical Report



National Safe Boating Council Shares Boating Safety Tips for National Safe Boating Week

Americans have flocked to outdoor recreation among COVID restrictions, and recreational boating is experiencing unprecedented growth. With increased participation and new boaters hitting the waterways, safety and education are paramount to enjoying a day on the water. For the annual celebration of National Safe Boating Week, held May 22 – 28, 2021, the National Safe Boating Council provides the recipe for keeping your adventure a safe one.

National Safe Boating Week is the annual kick-off of the Safe Boating Campaign, a global awareness effort that encourages boaters to make the most of their boating adventure by being responsible. It is led by the National Safe Boating Council in partnership with the U.S. Coast Guard. This legislation would codify the definition of WOTUS as revised under the June 22, 2020 Navigable Waters Protection Rule. By codifying the rule, this will ensure that any future efforts to expand the definition of WOTUS that will infringe on the rights of our constituents will need to be considered in Congress.

#### Coast Guard Cutter Munro's \$330M Counter-Drug Op:

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Congratulations to the crew of the Coast Guard Cutter Munro who recently returned from their incredible January-March counter-drug patrol in the Eastern Pacific Ocean. The crew and its helicopter detachment were responsible for 12 major interdictions seizing cocaine and marijuana worth over \$330 million.



The crew of the Coast Guard Cutter Munro gather in formation behind seized contraband during a drug offload in Alameda, California.

"National security cutters like Munro are national-level assets and are game changers for the United States government's maritime interdiction capability," said Vice Adm. Linda Fagan, the commander of Coast Guard Pacific Area.

"As your Coast Guard, we use our unique capabilities and authorities as a military service and a law enforcement agency to secure the nation's maritime border and to disrupt illegal activity of dangerous cartels. This offload demonstrates another successful cycle of justice."

Coast Guard Vice Adm. Linda Fagan, the commander of Coast Guard Pacific Area, speaks to members of the media during a drug offload from the Coast Guard Cutter Munro in Alameda, California.

"Transnational criminal organizations have not slowed down due to the pandemic, and the Coast Guard women and men continue to protect our nation on the frontlines," said Capt. Blake Novak, the commanding officer of the Munro.

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National Boating Under the Influence Prevention Campaign, Operation Dry Water, Publishes Annual Report

Operation Dry Water (ODW) is a year-round boating under the influence awareness and enforcement campaign. The National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA) recently published the <u>2020 Operation Dry Water Annual Report</u>. This report includes more details on the enforcement results, an overview of the campaign's media exposure and highlights from the 2020 weekend.

More than 600 local, state and federal law enforcement agencies participated in the 2020 <u>Operation Dry Water (ODW)</u> campaign. Over the course of the campaign's heightened awareness and enforcement weekend, July 3 – 5, more than 7,600 law enforcement officers made 625 arrests for boating under the influence (BUI). Officers were on patrol as part of the Operation Dry Water initiative, identifying impaired boaters and removing them from the water.

Despite the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, officers were able to take advantage of the increase in boater participation by making a record number of contacts with boaters. Officers made contact with over 305,000 boaters while patrolling our nation's waterways, providing an opportunity for officers to educate boaters and help raise awareness about the dangers related to boating under the influence.



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