COMMODORE'S REPORT



Wow, it was a very busy first quarter of the year and it went really fast! Not such a bad thing since that means winter is well behind us and summer is almost here. Thank you to those who attended the Spring Meeting in Westlake. We got a lot accomplished in planning for the Regatta's this summer and we also recognized some individuals that have contributed significant efforts to I-LYA over many years. Lady Gail McKee and Connie Miller were recognized with the Commodore's Award for their significant service to I-LYA; Doug Seib was awarded the Yacht Racing Union Trophy for his contributions to Sailing which benefit the I-LYA sail regatta, the I-LYA Mid-America Skipper of the Year is Larry Inguagiato and the honor of Yachtsmen of the Year was awarded to 2001

Commodore Dennis Mintus. Please join me in congratulating these fine individuals and look for the detailed write-up, which includes their significant accomplishments, in the annual yearbook which will be released later this month.

This year the Spring meeting included a Vendor's Fair for the attendees. We had representatives from U.S Customs and Border Protection, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and The Lake Erie Foundation. Also attending were clothing vendors, Skube and Northern Exposure, as well as one of our sponsors, RCR Yachts. I hope you had a chance to visit them during the weekend. They will be back in December with a few additional vendors. We also had a special guest, Scott Croft from Boat U.S., who gave us a legislative and general boating update during the annual member's meeting.

I would like to thank Team 2019 for all of their help at the Spring meeting. They were very busy keeping the hospitality suite stocked with plenty of food and beverage and I hope you all got a chance to enjoy! For those who attended the Ladies Luncheon and the Banquet, thank you for your support. A big congratulations to Lady Gail McKee for all of her efforts in organizing the events and to the hotel staff for a job well done!

The Spring Meeting is also when we elect our Nominating Committee. This year's committee is: 2014 Commodore Steve Harris (BLYC), Chair, 2017 Commodore Andy Krotseng (EYC), 2018 Commodore Mike Powers (MBC), Sharon Kneisel (BVYC), and Todd Duffett (GIYC). Please send your letters of interest to the nominating committee if you wish to run for I-LYA trustee or Rear Commodore.

Now we are preparing for our annual trip to the Island to meet with the Put-in-Bay Chamber of Commerce and the Put-in-Bay Yacht Club as well as many of the Island businesses to make the final arrangements for this year's events. Please review the articles from each of the committee's so you are up to date with the planning for each of the Regatta's and make sure you visit the I-LYA website for important updates. We certainly hope you will join us this year as we have a great Regatta with plenty of competition and fun planned for the attendees whether junior or senior, power or sail. And If you would like to get involved, it is never too late, we are always looking for volunteers as it takes a village to plan and carry-out these events.

I hope to see you on May 17th at the Diamond Jack Cruise Fundraiser which is being organized by 2016 Commodore Chris Amlin who is also the chair of the I-LYA sponsorship committee. Please join us for a fun time! Dennis and I look forward to seeing you soon!



Vice Commodore's Corner...Steven Hyder



Ahoy from the Mid-Ship! Everything seems to on track for some great summertime fun. All the regatta committees are working hard to make sure we all have a great time. Of course these events cannot come together without the all the volunteers and the time they have commit ted to these events. Please if you can lend a hand please do so.

With the event planning underway, I have been working with the sponsorship committee to put together a survey that we can send out to all of our member clubs and their respective members. This survey will be extremely helpful for us to identify our membership demographics. The survey will not ask for your name or personal information. It will be a variety of questions in order to determine I-LYA demographics. This survey will probably come

out after the power boat regatta in August. Once the survey is released we will only have approximately 2 weeks to have it completed. I know this is a couple of months away however time does seem to fly by.

Hope everyone has a great summer and we look forward to seeing as many of you as possible in the upcoming

months.

Steve and Pam - 2019 I-LYA Vice Commodore

Rear Commodore's Corner...Bob Lang



Captain Bob here; Well, our Spring meeting is behind us and we're all thinking about getting the boats ready for the water and making plans for the summer. Much of the planning for our regattas takes place at the Spring meeting and this year was certainly no exception. The committees for both sail and power have been working hard to make the 2019 regattas better than ever. The dock contract with the Village of Put-In-Bay is complete and the liaison committee is hard at work negotiating the dockage contracts for the next two years. As I begin my journey through the I-LYA chairs, I got-a tell ya, there's a lot that goes on behind the scenes to make these regattas of ours a success. It's all good, but I still want to see more of our clubs' members involved and taking part in the regattas. So to you delegates out there, get in touch with me, as I would love to make a short presentation at one of your upcoming club meetings to see if we can get some new folks coming

to the regatta. I don't want to sound like a broken record but; these annual regattas are the highlight of the I-LYA organization and our boating season. The regatta brings friendly competition with fellow boaters, a chance to win a first place flag and trophy, and best of all the opportunity to make new friends and reconnect with old buddies.

I hope to see many of you at the Commodores Diamond Jack dinner cruise on May 17th. For me, I will have already had a fund raiser at the Toledo Yacht Club on the 4th of May (kind of a pre Cinco-De-Mayo party). So for all of you who came out to support me, THANKS, I really do appreciate it and all your support.

Okay, that's all for now, hope to see you soon. If you want talk, give me a call (313-938-8414), or send me an email, by the way: I have a new email CaptBobL@Yahoo.com or you can still use bob@encoeng.com Even better yet; stop by the old garage and take a look at the latest project. Captain Bob, Rear Commodore

2019 I-LYA Meetings and Regattas

- Junior Championship July 14 18 Put-In-Bay, Ohio
 - Sail Regatta August 1 4 Put-In-Bay, Ohio
- Powerboat Week August 7 11 Put-In-Bay, Ohio
- **Fall Meeting** December 6-8 Doubletree Hotel, Westlake, OH.





TO: All I-LYA Members, Clubs & Memberships

FROM: The 2019 Nominating Committee

RE: Call for Nominations

At the I-LYA Spring Meeting, the Nominating Committee was elected. The Members are:

Chairman 2014 Commodore Steve Harris, BLYC 2017 Commodore Andy Krotseng, EYC 2018 Commodore Mike Powers, MBC Sharon Kneisel, BVYC Todd Duffett, GIYC sgharris2@gmail.com akrotseng@yahoo.com radideo@radideo.net Sharon.Kneisel@bex.net dufftt@yahoo.com

The Nominating Committee is actively soliciting letters of interest from qualified candidates for the offices of Trustee and Rear Commodore. Please contact any member of the committee with any questions or submit your letter of interest and the position you are applying for along with a brief bio documenting your qualifications and current and past Club and I-LYA related activities and contributions.

Interviews will be conducted where necessary to assess candidate potential and qualifications. Please consult the I-LYA Code of Regulations which is posted on the I-LYA website found at www.I-LYA.org for detailed information regarding candidate requirements.

A Note from your 2019 Powerboat Regatta Chairman

Greetings from the Power Committee! Well after a long winter we can finally see green grass and comfortable temperatures. Now it's time to get the boats ready!! The Power Boat Committee has been hard at work planning for our Power Regatta that opens August 6. Many folks come over early on Tuesday. Although the Regatta starts Wednesday we have secured a discount from the City Docks for dockage on Tuesday for Regatta participants. Also on Tuesday we are planning on trying out a new event, Water Volleyball at the Pool at the Sand Bar. This event is to be themed University of Michigan vs. Ohio State so you're encouraged to wear your colors! We will be meeting at the Bay in early May and will get the details of this and the other events worked out, so that you can make your plans accordingly. We will be doing online registration only this year. You will be able to register soon through the ILYA website. Look for additional emails and at the ILYA website for further information. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to email me at brian@moyerwelding.com and I will get back to you.

Once again I would like to thank everyone who has committed to helping by chairing events. We couldn't do this without you, your involvement is what makes our Regatta so great!! Until I have further information to share, I wish you a great spring and look forward to seeing you at Put-in-Bay in August!

Powerboat Committee Chairman Brian Moyer - Monroe Boat Club



Captain Bob here. The I-LYA Spring meeting, in Westlake, Ohio is behind us. We had a great meeting and plans for the 2019 Junior Powerboat regatta are well under way.

The 2019 Regatta is on track to be bigger and better than before. We hope to have Phastar Corp on board to provide safety patrol during the fishing contest as well as our Saturday On-The-Water activities. We also hope to put together a new On-The-Water contest; "Man Overboard" It should prove to be a great new contest for our Juniors; gaining real practical experience to retrieve a man overboard victim.

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 the 7th of August and runs concurrent with the Senior Power boat Regatta. There is fun for the entire family, so mark your calendar. This year, we will continue the incentive program to get families and particularly our juniors involved. The power boat committee is offering a \$20.00 rebate per junior that participates in the regatta. That's right a \$20.00 rebate, its hard to believe. Here is how it works. The rebate is available to all Senior Power boat participants who enroll their juniors (ages 12 to 19) into the Junior Power Boat regatta program. \$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, O.T.W. (On-The-Water) Boat handling contest, O.T.W. compass reading, O.T.W. Chicane-boat handling and low speed maneuvering, 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 group and those pre juniors under 12. Junior Putt-Putt is open to all ages, Geo-Quest contest, the fishing contest, movie night and the regatta wrap-up with Saturday afternoon AWARDS and Presentations.

Be sure to check the I-LYA web site 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; NEW EMAIL ADDRESS CaptBobL@Yahoo.com or bob@encoeng.com

That's all for now; think boating and I'll see you at the Bay in August. Captain Bob; 313-938-8414 CaptBobL@Yahoo.com

Sail Regatta Notes

We are 4 months away from the start of the 126th I-LYA Bayweek. The Sail committee has been meeting since January planning the regatta. The PRO's are all set for the three courses and we are making improvements for the JAM/Cruising Island course. Registration is open on Yacht Scoring and you can pay the early registration rate through July 5th. Rates increase after July 5th and again after July 26 pending dock space and the approval of the Registrar. So get your registration in today.

The social packages for this summer are \$50 in advance. Under 21 no-alcohol wristbands can be purchased for \$30 at the event. These prices are good through July 26th and can be purchased tat registration on Yacht Scoring or separately through Yacht Scoring. Prices go up \$10.00 per person after July 26th. It is very important to register early and purchase the social packages early.

The Sail Committee has to know how many boats and participants are coming to the regatta. In order to run a top notch regatta, we have to make dock assignments and order food and drinks for the social packages. Please help us by registering early. Commodore Cindy has added a steel drum player for the Mount Gay Rum Party on Friday night. This should bring back memories of the Rum Party's from years past. Saturday night will feature Tito's Vodka again this year along with music and dancing on all three nights. 2019 Keg sponsorship's are available for \$95 and include a 2019 I-LYA Keg Sponsor hat – consider supporting us early and wearing it often. This program makes much of the social schedule possible.

In addition to funding, volunteers are crucial to the events possible. We are looking for people to help on Thursday afternoon with the regatta launch (docks, registration) and with the social events each evening. We limit the shifts to two hours so consider bringing your crew or your competitors to staff the tent for a little while – it would really help make the event a success. See you at the Bay.





It's almost sailing season!! Only a few more weeks until our Travelers Series starts on June 1^a! That means only 2 months until the 64^a annual Junior Bay Championships. This year's Championship regatta will be one to remember and a reminder that the dates are July 14-18th. We've had some great feedback from our Junior Committee Members and volunteers, we hope to incorporate their ideas as we continue to plan.

We are proud to announce all of last year's PROs will be joining us again! Steve Harris is returning as our overall PRO, Jamie Jones will be back on the Thistle/420 course and Geoff Endris will be back on the Laser course. This

year we are fortunate to have Carol Robinson as our Chief Judge. She and her team of judges, Rob Rowland and Clark Chapin will be invaluable to our regatta. If it wasn't for these volunteers and their teams, this regatta wouldn't happen.

Much of the format for Junior Bay Championships will remain the same as last year. Sunday arrival time will be after 12:00 pm. The Laser and 420 fleets will be split after Tuesday's sailing and scores will start over on Wednesday. The Banquet will be on Wednesday night and final sailing on Thursday morning and awards to follow.

This year, our Safety Plan has had a complete overhaul. Thanks to PHASTAR Marine we will have a medical boat on the water during racing. PHASTAR will have a trained EMT aboard along with equipment for all medical needs in case of an emergency. With the help of the Yachtsman's Fund and Rob Ruhlman, they have made donations to help ensure the safety of our competitors.

We are also pleased to announce the creation of a new Code of Conduct Committee. This committee will have representation of past and future Junior Bay Championship Chairs along with the current elected Junior representative. The goal is if a minor infraction of the signed Code of Conduct agreement occurs, a decision will be made by the Committee as to whether that will directly impact the sailor's eligibility and standing in the regatta.

This year we are reaching out to the individual club's Junior Race Team liaisons to set up a "Club Responsibility". It's our hope to have clubs continue to take on this assigned duty over the next few years to ensure this Championship Regatta can be set on cruise control and not have to reinvent the wheel year after year. Please bear with us while we figure this out. Nothing is set in stone, we will be tweaking the system as we go with what works and what doesn't. We just need to start a system where we are all contributing to this regatta together! Please help volunteer for your clubs job this year, we need everyone to get involved.

So, start making plans now to attend this year's Junior Bay Championship! We don't want you to miss out on all the competitive sailing along with the fun we have planned off the water. We have Nationally recognized speakers scheduled on different nights. We have a Maritime round table event set up for the competitors to learn about our community after junior sailing. And we also have high level Collegiate Sailing Coaches on the water to help coach our team coaches and competitors.

Looking forward to July, Kate Keane and Liz Barker





MILLS

2019 MILLS TROPHY RACE 5, 4, 3, 2... 100!

The Toledo Yacht Club and Storm Trysail Club invite all sailors to join us for the Mills Trophy Race on Friday, June 7, 2019. The race, one of the oldest sailing events on the Great Lakes, was first held in 1907. The 2019 edition of the race will mark the 96th running and begins the countdown to the 100th race in 2023.

The race from Toledo Harbor Light to Putin-Bay will be sailed on the Mills Course (67.8 n.m.), the Governor's Course (52.6 n.m.), or the President's Course (37.6 n.m.), depending on the entrant's class. The first of an anticipated fifteen classes is scheduled to start at 5:00 p.m.

In addition to the sailing, the Mills Trophy Race will include a full schedule of social activities. On Wednesday, June 5, over 40 trophies will be presented to the 2018 race winners. On Thursday skippers, crew, TYC members and other supporters will gather at TYC to enjoy an evening of socializing, refreshments, and dancing. Boats arriving during the evening will be welcomed with the traditional cannon salute. The festivities will resume again on Saturday at Put-in-Bay, with sailors celebrating at the hospitality tent at Put-in-Bay Yacht Club. The weekend concludes with the Sunday morning flag presentation to the winners. PIBYC will offer a breakfast buffet preceding the awards.

Registration

On-line registration/payment is currently open on Yacht Scoring where you will find the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions, and the Safety Requirements. Please note that there is a discount for those registering prior to May 11, 2019. Additional information about the race, including links to the registration site is available on the Mills Trophy Race website.



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Man Overboard & Safety at Sea

Skippers should particularly note the requirements for certifying that a man overboard drill has been performed and that at least two of the crew has completed a Safety at Sea certificate. The on -line course for coastal safety at sea, available from USSailing satisfies this requirement.

Wristbands

Wristbands are required for entry into the hospitality tent at PIBYC. Purchase of the bands prior to the race is strongly encouraged. They can be purchased at

the time of registration, or separately using the Event Purchases link.

Mills Masters

Membership in the Mills Masters is open to anyone who has sailed in 25 or more

Mills Trophy Races. If you qualify or know someone who does, send a note to mills@toledoyachtclub.com outlining participation.

Frosty Finish Line

The Mills Trophy Race Committee is pleased to announce the inaugural Frosty Finish Line. We know that Mills sailors enjoy heading to the Frosty Bar after a night of racing and we welcome them to our sponsorship family.





Contacts

Questions or requests for additional information should be directed to mills@toledoyachtclub.com or to General Chairman, Ron Soka, 419-297-6663.



A MESSAGE FROM THE YACHTSMEN'S FUND PRESIDENT...

So nice to see everyone in Westlake at the Spring meeting. It makes us all excited that the boating season is right around the corner. Our Centennial Campaign is in full swing and we have many pins to still give away. Please consider a donation. There are many avenues of giving.

The Trustees were very collaborative in considering this year's grants and scholarship awards. The Yachtsmen's Fund has committed to awarding almost \$30,000 for the 2019 year. I was very encouraged by the interest and attendance at the Member's meeting on Saturday afternoon. We may need to book a bigger room next year!

I look forward to seeing many of you at the upcoming summer regattas. Please feel free to reach out to myself or any Trustee if you would like more information about the Yachtsmen's Fund. Or go to our website at www.yachtsmensfund.org and join our database and receive informative and timely emails.

All the best to you, Monica Bloomstine, Yachtsmen's Fund President

YACHTSMEN'S FUND TRAINING GRANTS AVAILABLE

Instructor training courses for sailing and power boating are expensive. And no program wants to ask unpaid volunteers to travel to attend race management seminars. Costs add up quickly. The Yachtsmen's Fund has created Training Grants to help out. Individuals can apply online at www.yachtsmensfund.org. Grants of up to \$100 will be made based on actual incurred expenses and how the training will be used to improve boating instruction and/or competition in our area. There is an annual cap on the total amount available for this grant. Priority will be based on date of submission and proof of registration so apply early.

Yachtsmen's Fund Dollar-per-Member Clubs Rock! Make 2019 the year your club joins in!

Big shout out to all the clubs who have already sent in their Dollar-per-Member donations for 2019. The Dollar-per-Member Program is a way for every club to share in our mission to Educate, Challenge, and Inspire the next generation. Each club received a mailing in late February, but the letter is also available on our website. Donations are accepted throughout the year. An updated list is always available on the "About the Fund" page at www.yachtsmensfund.org.

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Mohican Sailing Club
North Cape Yacht Club
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For Tickets Contact Chris & Sharon Amlin (519) 818-7050 or SPBC2005@cogeco.ca

Or

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Regattas	6/11/19	6/18/19	6/25/19
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Happy New Year! Happy 100th Birthday!



As we celebrate the holidays and begin a New Year, The Yachtsmen's Fund is thankful for our members and supporters, both new and old. We kicked off our Centennial Campaign at the fall meeting and the only thing sweeter than the desserts was the opportunity to connect with so many wonderful people. If you missed our Hospitality Room, be sure to check out our website at www.yachtsmensfund.org where you can view our 2018 year-in-review slide show, past I-LYA Spotlight articles, and online giving options.

In 2018...

Memorial Donations were received in Memory of:

Denny Dieball • Sue Harris • Leo Durocher • Bill Wells • Mary Wells

Scholarships totalling \$2,900 were redeemed by students attending the following schools:

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Grants totalling \$24,896 were awarded...

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In 2019...

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