

# Starboard Tack



West Shore Sail Club

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March 2007

## \*\*\*REMINDER\*\*\*

2007 Membership Renewals are due by Thursday, March 1, 2007 at the General Membership Meeting. A fee of \$10.00 will be charged for any renewals received after this date.

## The Luau Was Another Great Evening



Though it was below 30 degrees outside, nearly everyone dressed in their festive Hawaiian duds. Lary Smith braved the cold and came to the party in SHORTS!

There were some grass skirts and everyone adorned a lei. The food was fantastic! There was not much of the 51 lb pig left at the end of the night. We also have Hula Royalty among us. For the men, Chris Hartman won the crown and title of Hula King and for the ladies Roxanne Schamante was the Hula Queen and champion overall. A big THANK YOU to Jody and Fred for roasting a very tasty pig. A second big THANK YOU goes to Dan Williamson and Peg Hillen for getting us a roaster to use for free. Third, but definitely not least, a huge THANK YOU goes out to Amanda and Fred for hosting the party at their home.



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## Future WSSC Activities



### Commodore's Ball

March 24, 2007  
Hungarian Rhapsody  
6pm  
RSVPs needed by March 10th



### Children's Easter Party

Lake Erie Metropark  
Marshland Museum  
Sunday, April 1, 2007  
2:00 pm - 5:00 pm  
\$5 per child  
RSVP needed by  
March 25, 2007

## Commodore

Susan Ashley

Hello all! Hope everyone is having a great winter!. I am looking forward to the spring, as I am sure you all are too. I would like to say thank you to everyone for coming out in the cold weather to attend the monthly meetings, it is good to see old and new faces out there. I would like to also thank Fred Krabach for all his hard work in finding very interesting speakers(it is not an easy job!). Also to thank Jody for his hard work as Vice Commodore(also not an easy task!). Finally, I would like to thank Tina Askins and Amanda Krabach for there many hours of hard work for the benefit of this club!!!! Looking forward to seeing all of you at the Commodore's Ball March 24th.

GM Meeting -Thursday March 1<sup>th</sup> 7:30PM  
At Mr. Nicks. Program will be a presentation about Hypothermia by the Coast Guard Auxiliary.  
Race Committee - 13@ 7:30 pm at Larrows  
Board Meeting March 19<sup>th</sup> at Krabach's  
Commodore's Ball March 24<sup>th</sup> - (see inside)  
Cruising Comm. March 25<sup>th</sup> 1:00 pm at the Howe's

## Rear Commodore

Fred Krabach

Happy February to everyone! I don't know about the rest of you but for me, despite the cold temperatures and recent snow, spring boat chores are now coming to mind on a regular basis. If you have any questions or needs regarding mechanics or rigging when you get to your boats commissioning, feel free to get a hold of me. I have a fair amount of tools, equipment and experience and also have a couple friends that are well experienced in professional marine repair as well as mast, rigging and spinnaker pole building and repair.

At our last General Membership Meeting, Amanda and I put on a presentation based on our tours of Michigan Lighthouses. We had a slide show, stories and passed around a scrap book that Amanda put together.

For our next program Bob Maierle from the Coast Guard Auxiliary will be presenting on hypothermia and talk a little bit about the different classes the Auxiliary offers and I'm sure he will be more than happy to answer any questions you may have. Bob is an instructor with the Auxiliary as well as a member of Ford Yacht Club.

I only have one nomination for the "If Weeda" award and one possibility for Captain Sandbar...do channel banks count as sandbars? We still need nominations for the Sportsmanship and Bertie Cup awards. Please, bring on the nominations and stories!



Our next cruising committee meeting is scheduled for February 25th, 1:00 at the Howe home. We will be looking over charts and sharing input to choose ports and captains for the weeklong cruise. We are planning to visit ports in the western end (Port Clinton, Catawba Island, Maumee, etc.) Feedback is appreciated. Please bring a dish to pass.



**Sharon Kemp**

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## WSSC Race Committee

We've been meeting the last few months getting everything in order for the upcoming season. Just a little over 2 months and we'll be racing again! The calendar has been set and can be found on our website. This year we'll have one more makeup scheduled than we did last year. This is partly because July 4th falls on a Wednesday this year.

Many of you may already know the Free bridge to Grosse Ile will be closed this summer for repair. This will most probably hinder travel to our boats for WNATR. We've discussed several things we can do to minimize the inconvenience. So far we've agreed on: 1) starting all races at the N mark; 2) start the first race a little later (at 1930); and 3) keep all the courses less than 5 miles. There have been several additional ideas proposed and we're still discussing their relative merits. Adjustments will be made if needed after the Spring series.

We are still looking for volunteers to chair some of the specialty races like the Double Handed and the Jack-N-Jill races. Please let any Race Committee member know if you'd like to help with one of these races. I promise it'll be fun!

Your PHRF certificate renewal should have reached you by now. Don't forget to send in your dues to avoid the late surcharges!

Our RC this year is: Amanda Krabach, Chris Jablonski, Craig Morris, Dan Synowiec, Doug Howe, Fred Krabach, Jody Larrow, John Cairns, Matt Jablonski, Tina Askins. Please let any of us know if you'd like to help the race committee, if you'd like to race but don't have a skipper, or if you're a skipper that would like to race and are in need of crew.

The next Race Committee meeting is at Jody & Tina's place on Mar 13 at 1930.

Jody Larrow, VC

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- Sep 1 Port-to-Port
- Sep 2 Port-to-Port
- Sep 3 Port-to-Port
- Aug 26 Peg Spriggs Memorial
- Sep 9 Jack-N-Jill
- Oct 20 Awards Night

## West Shore Sail Club Calendar 2007

### March

- 1- GMM at Mr. Nicks
- 13- Race Committee Meeting @ Larrow's 1930
- 19 - Board meeting at John Cairn's 8:00pm
- 24- Commodore's Ball  
at Hungarian Rhapsody

### April

- 1 - Children's Easter Party  
at Lake Erie MetroPark Marshlands  
Museum, from 2 pm to 5 pm.
- 5 - GMM at Mr. Nicks
- 9 - Race Committee Meeting
- 16 - Board meeting at Krabach's 8:00pm

### May

- 3- GMM at Mr Nick's
- 12-13: Ice Breaker- LaSalle Mariners
- 16 - WNATR Spring #1
- 21 - Board Meeting
- 23 - WNATR Spring #2
- 26-28: Memorial Day-Toledo Beach
- 30 - WNATR Spring #3

## 2007 Racing Calendar

- May 16 WNATR Spring #1
- May 23 WNATR Spring #2
- May 30 WNATR Spring #3
- Jun 6 WNATR Spring #4
- Jun 13 WNATR Summer #1
- Jun 20 WNATR Summer #2
- Jun 27 WNATR Summer #3
- Jul 11 WNATR Summer #4
- Jul 18 WNATR makeup
- Aug 8 WNATR Fall #1
- Aug 15 WNATR Fall #2
- Aug 29 WNATR Fall #3
- Sep 5 WNATR Fall #4
- Sep 12 WNATR makeup
- Jun 23 Lighthouse Challenge
- Jun 24 Lighthouse Challenge



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## A Fresh Start

Amanda Krabach



Fred and I have inventoried, stocked and organized WSSC items stored at the Howe Home.

There is a Supply & Equipment List which anyone hosting or chairing an event will be required to fill out. Please use the supplies currently on hand before purchasing more. Also, please restock the containers before returning them to the Howes and submit your receipt to the treasurer for reimbursement. In an effort to keep things clean and dry, please use the ziploc bags included to store paper products and utensils.

I was also pleasantly surprised to find materials from previous Commodore's Balls that can be embellished and repurposed to save money. As a small club, we need to be conscious of waste and unnecessary expenses. I am counting on everyone to help in my efforts.

There is also a file cabinet full of information on previous races, cruises and events. These folders could be quite useful for future planning. If you are hosting or chairing, be sure to take a peak!

## Heating and Cooling

Peter Krabach  
248 343 5459

## Minutes from February GMM

WSSC - General Membership Meeting

February 1, 2007

23 Members in attendance

Call to order @ 7:30 pm

Minutes accepted as submitted to Matt Colie.

--Lary Smith motioned to accept, Dan Williamson second, all in favor, motion carried.

Commodore - Susan Ashley

Mail - Bank statements, Tax Documents, Swan Boat Club Commodores Ball Invitation, Lead Line from Wyandotte Yacht Club, Delta College Power & Sail Course Offerings/Descriptions.

Vice Commodore - Jody Larrow

Race Committee - Tuesday, January 9th @ Howe Home. Topics included GI bridge closing and the need for shorter legs, earlier start time of 7:30 pm, and calling race at 10 pm as well as calendar changes for WNATR to allow for 2 makeup races, and race chair volunteers/assignments. Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 13 @ Craig Morris Home. All future meetings scheduled for 2nd Tuesday of each month.

Lighthouse Challenge - MBIYC will be open for the 2007 season. Closing April 2008 for revamping.

Rear Commodore - Fred Krabach

Today's Program - Fred & Amanda Krabach will be presenting on Michigan Lighthouses.

March Program - US Coast Guard Aux will be presenting on Hypothermia & general safety.

April Program - Jody Larrow will be presenting on Knots.

May Program - Swap-meet

Cruising Committee - Sunday, January 14th @ 1pm @ Warchol Home. Excellent meal!

Topics included establishing weekend cruises and port captains, changes necessary to registration and rules for 2007 season. Also need nominations for Ifweeda,

Captain Sandbar, Bertie Cup & Good Samaritan by March GMM. Weeklong cruise, ports and captains will be the focus for the next meeting, which is scheduled for Sunday, February 25th @ Howe Home. Please bring a dish to pass.

Treasurer - John Cairns

Checking account approximately \$2,000.00

CD's remained untouched, but one has expired so he will be shopping for best rate.

Future expenses: Hawaiian Luau, Commodore's Ball

ILYA - John Perry  
No report until April.

MORC  
No report.

PHRF - Doug Howe  
Reviewed several boats. Boat Show  
Trim/Manufacturer Stock has been better defined, see rules for 2007 season. BoatUs CO-OP renewed for 2007. Members receive discounted rate of 1/2 price (\$12.50). US Sailing renewal will be on the 2007 Membership Renewal Application.

Video Librarian - Fred Krabach

The following are still out:

Close Encounter, Andrea Duane 7/7/05

Ocean Adventure, Dave Gardner, 8/4/05

Stupid Boat Tricks, Dave Gardner, 8/4/05

# Happy Birthday!

Terry Armstrong	4th
Barb Deline	6th
Laura Duane	6th
John Perry	16th
Terry Trush	23rd
Marilyn Warchol	23rd
Ann Lyons	29th
Pete Krabach	30th



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Membership - Tina Askins

Membership Applications were mailed out Friday, January 12<sup>th</sup>. Applications must be returned by March GMM. A late fee of \$10 will be charged for any renewals received after March 1st. Thirteen (13) renewals have already been received.

Activities - Tina Askins

Rum Party - January 19th @ Tom Priest Home was a HUGE success. Everyone had a blast playing domino's, doing jello shots & sipping Amarula.  
Hawaiian Luau - February 17th @ the Krabach Home @ 7 pm. We will be roasting a pig so please RSVP to Amanda Krabach @ mandyk515@wowway.com so we can get an exact head count. \$10.00 per person, except children 10 years and younger. Dan Williamson has a friend who will be letting us borrow the roaster at no charge.

Easter Party - Sunday, April 1st @ Lake Erie Metropark Marshlands Museum, from 2 pm to 5 pm. A live animal program will be presented, crafts/activities will be done indoor and the egg hunt will be outdoor. There will be a fee of \$5/child to cover the cost of the indoor facility. Also there will be a 50/50 raffle between meeting and program.

Strictly Sail - February 1st through the 4th. Attendees will meet Saturday at Riva's @ 5:30 pm for dinner. RSVP to Lary Smith @ larysmith@comcast.net.  
Howe's will not be able to attend and have two (2)

tickets available for purchase.

Commodore's Ball - Saturday, March 24th @ 6 pm at the Hungarian Rhapsody in Southgate. Invitations will be mailed out by Saturday, February 10th.

Old Business:

Organizational Chart will be available after the meeting. Please be sure to sign up for an activity or the board will be forced to assign one for you.

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Sleeps 5, Good Bottom, 5 Jack stands  
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New Business:

Dan Williamson encouraged everyone to participate in activities and show support for the club.

Regatta Spinnaker Trophy - Dick Synowiec was kind enough to revamp trophy so it can be put to use for the 2007 Season. Proposed 2007 Budget - John Cairns presented and the GM discussed at length.

Lary Smith motioned to accept with an increase of \$600 income/expense for Commodore's Ball. John Cairns second, all in favor, motion carried. Also, Doug Howe motioned to accept with an increase of \$200 income/expense for cruising deposits.

Dan Williamson second, all in favor, motion carried. Budget carried.

John Perry motioned to adjourn, Dick Synowiec second, all in favor. Adjourned @ 8:20 pm

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