

Starboard Tack



WSSC: promoting the sport of sailing and seamanship since 1972

MAY 2023

From The Commodore (including Executive Committee news)

Michael Ingrody



2023 Commodore Michael Ingrody and Lady Naseem Bokhari make their entrance in the Parade of Commodores at the Ball.

Happy start of the sailing season to all!

I'm wishing you the best (read: dry and warm) of days ahead. May your fiberglass lay perfectly and your sealant cure rapidly! And when the going gets tough, just think of the great times ahead of us at the many cruises and races of 2023.

COMMODORE'S BALL

Last month the members, friends, and visiting club dignitaries had a wonderful night out at the annual Commodore's Ball. I'd like to thank Karen Laughner and the rest of the Commodore's Ball Committee for pulling off yet another successful gala. The club enjoyed some of the finest food, drink, and music around.

And don't even get me started on the quality of the attendees... I've heard nothing short of exuberant praise since the event, so it's clear that our tried-and-true party formula is still delivering!

Special thanks to all the others who helped make the event a success: Heather Sims for making banana coconut cake and chocolate cupcakes. Carol Ingrody for her generous donation of homemade frosted brownies and linzer cookies. And Maria Jose Gonzalez Tovar and Demetrio Nasol for capturing pictures and video.

And to all the guest who showed up (or planned) to be part of the special night, I appreciate you!



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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS



FIRST THURSDAYS (except July) Social Gathering starts at 7:00PM MEETING starts at 7:30PM

Meetings are typically "hybrid" — both **LIVE at Whiskeys on the Water** and on **ZOOM**

LIVE MEETING LOCATION: **WHISKEYS ON THE WATER** at 2903 Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte, at the southeast corner of Oak and Biddle. Meeting will be held in the upstairs space — there is an elevator available. Enjoy the upstairs bar. **COME EARLY AND ENJOY DINNER** before (or during) the meeting. The whole menu is available starting at 6:30 and throughout the evening.

Online "ZOOM" MEETING LOCATION is emailed by the Secretary to Members and Friends the week of the meeting.

To join our "Friends" mailing list, send your Name and Email address to WSSCStarboardTack@gmail.com

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LET THE FUN COMMENCE!

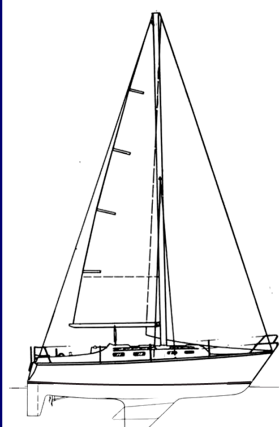
May marks the official start of WSSC's wet events. Please mark up your calendars as you read through the exciting reports of upcoming opportunities from the Vice and Rear Commodores. If there's one thing I can promise you, it's that these events will be fun and entertaining for all who attend! Come on out and join us during the festivities!

It won't be long before we're all back on the water. Happy splashing!

Sincerely,
Commodore Michael Ingrody



Commodore Michael points the way to a bright future for WSSC in his speech at the 2023 Commodore's Ball.



Commodore Michael and Lady Naseem sail GODSPEED, a Hunter 30



Commodore Michael and Lady Naseem were joined by Michael's parents (above), family, and close friends at the 2023 Ball.



WSSC 2023 Bridge: Lady Helena Thornton and Rear Commodore Jonathan Cotter; Lady Naseem Bokhari and Commodore Michael Ingrody; Vice Commodore Anita Bersie-Chabalowski and Gentleman Alec Chabalowski

* WNATR SKIPPERS' MEETING TUESDAY MAY 16TH AT 7PM AT GIYC *

From The Vice Commodore (including Racing Report)

Anita Bersie-Chabalowski

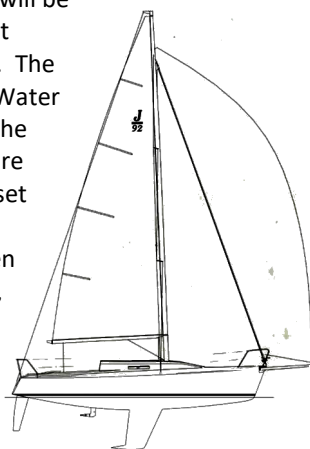
As April ends, I can't wait to get on the water and start sailing. It will be a relaxing break from the busy spring getting ready for the season!

MARCH & APRIL RACE COMMITTEE MEETINGS: Following the March Race Committee meeting, I spent time updating and formatting the WNATR Sailing Instructions in line with the group's recommendations. Meanwhile Chris McCardell worked on race course patterns for the Wednesday night series. Being an engineer, I couldn't help but dust off my trigonometry skills (soh-cah-toa) and break out an Excel spreadsheet to study Chris's courses. I recognized that there were a wide variety of patterns used across the wind directions and saw potential to reduce complexity. I proposed back to the committee to use 5 course patterns (1 Long, 2 Medium, 2 Short) and clock the pattern for wind direction. This was discussed and reviewed at the April 26th Race Committee Meeting, and the proposal was passed. The official courses are listed in the 2023 WNATR Sailing Instructions and will be reviewed at the skippers' meeting on Tuesday May 16th. I think the seasoned racers will be pleased with the new courses for 2023 and hope that they are easy for new racers to understand at the same time.

BUOY WORK PARTY: On Saturday April 29th a group of WSSC volunteers including Jonathan Cotter, Dick Synowiec, Chris McCardell, Dave Monk, Doug Howe, Alec Chabalowski and I got together for our pre-launch buoy work party. We inspected and measured anchor chains and float checked last year's buoys. We painted and taped our 4 new buoys with the markings required by Canada. We moved spare buoys and hardware to their new location as requested by FYC. Alec even showed off his fiberglass repair skills by patching the top of one older buoy. Thanks to everyone for their help, we are ready for launch on Saturday May 13th.

SKIPPERS SEEK CREW MEMBERS FOR RACING SEASON AT RECRUITMENT EVENT: New this year, we will be holding a "Re-crewment" event to connect Skippers and Crew for racing this summer. The event will take place at Whiskey's on the Water on Thursday May 4th at 6:30pm ahead of the General Membership Meeting. Skippers are encouraged to wear their boat shirts and set up tables to identify themselves to prospective crew. The event flyer has been sent far and wide by e-mail and Facebook, so we are hoping for a good turn out.

I could go on about the 2023 racing season and preparations, but I am too tired from washing and waxing the



FAMILY TRUCKSTER today.

So, I will leave you with this reminder of May WSSC racing activities:

- THURSDAY MAY 4TH AT 6:30PM
RE-CREWMENT EVENT @ WHISKEY'S ON THE WATER
- SATURDAY MAY 13TH AT 9:00AM BUOY LAUNCH DAY @ FORD YACHT CLUB
- SATURDAY MAY 13TH AT 5:00PM
WNATR REGISTRATION DEADLINE (WITHOUT PENALTY)
- TUESDAY MAY 16TH AT 7:00PM WNATR SKIPPERS MEETING @ GIYC
- WEDNESDAY MAY 24TH AT 6:50PM
WNATR SPRING#1



Fleet Captain: Racing



Race Committee

Sincerely,

Vice Commodore Anita Bersie-Chabalowski

WSSC 2023 WSSC RACING CALENDAR

Re-crewment Event at Whiskey's on the Water
Thur. May 4th 6:30pm

WNATR Skippers' Meeting at GIYC
Tue. May 16th 7:00pm

Buoy Launch Day at Ford Yacht Club
Sat. May 13th 9:00am

WNATR Registration Deadline (no penalty)
Sat. May 13th 5:00pm

WNATR Skippers Meeting @ GIYC
Tue. May 16th, 7:00pm

WNATR Spring #1
Wed. May 24th 6:50pm

WNATR Spring Series (5/24-6/21)

Doublehanded Race (Saturday 6/24)

WNATR Summer Series (6/28-8/2)

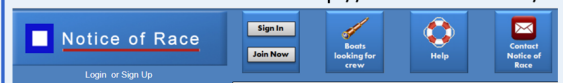
WNATR Fall Series (8/9-8/30)

Lighthouse Challenge (Saturday 8/19)

Jack and Jill Race (Sunday 9/3)

Vice Commodore Anita and Gentleman Alec
sail FAMILY TRUCKSTER a J-92 30'

Registration, courses, and race results can be found on the Notice Of Race website. <http://noticeofrace.net/>



FINDING RACING SIGN-UP AND INFORMATION: Racing registrations, sailing instructions, courses, and **results** for WNATR, WSSC Specialty Races, and races sponsored by other clubs, can be found on the Notice Of Race website at <http://noticeofrace.net>

Vice Commodore

(continued)

CREW FOR WEDNESDAY NIGHT AT THE RACES AND SPECIALTY RACES: As Vice Commodore Anita Bersie-Chabalowski announced the West Shore Sail Club hosts "Re-CREWment" event on May 4th at 6:30pm ahead of our May General Membership meeting at Whiskey's on the Water in Wyandotte. Skippers were encouraged to come, set up a table and wear their boat swag to meet potential crew. **Another opportunity to connect with skippers will be the WNATR Skippers' Meeting at GIYC on Tuesday May 16th at 7:00pm.** Please pass the information along to anyone who may be interested in learning more about crewing on sailboats this summer. Hope to see you all there, and plan to stay for the meeting where we have a speaker from the Army Corps to talk about projects in our area relative to water levels and dredging!"

West Shore Sail Club**Racing Sailors Re-Crewment Evening***Crew looking for boats!**Boats looking for crew!*

*Meet up @ Whiskey's On The Water in Wyandotte
6:30pm Thursday May 4th ahead of the WSSC General
Membership Meeting*

To make Skipper/Crew connections after the "Re-CREWment" event on May 4th, use the "Boats Looking For Crew" tool available on [NOTICEOFRACE.NET](https://www.noticeofrace.net)

* NEXT CRUISE: MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND CRUISE TO TOLEDO BEACH MARINA & CRUISE COMM. MEETING *

From The Rear Commodore (including Cruising Report)

Jonathan "Jon" Cotter

2023 CRUISING CALENDAR

~~May 6th Icebreaker "Cruise" to the Dumke's~~
Sorry—Cancelled Due To Illness

MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND CRUISE

May 27-May 29
to Safe Harbor Toledo Beach Marina
with Cruising Committee Meeting
(watch your email for details
and see flyers on pages 21 & 22)

Deadline for Cruising Award Registration

June 10th

COMMODORE'S TEA

to Leamington
June 17—18

Summer "Weeklong" Cruise

to Leamington, Pelee, Erieau, and Kellys Island
July 15-23

Late Summer Cruise

to *Port Clinton
August 12—13*

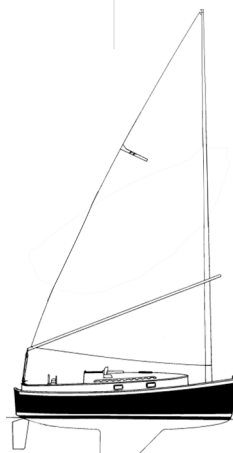
*tentative

WELL DONE to Commodore Ingrody and Lady Naseem for such an excellent job leading the Commodore's Ball! Michaels speech was on point, being both generous and hilarious in his recollection of his sailing life and experiences joining West Shore Sail Club. PC John Kukla's farewell speech and toast were excellent and a great send-off for their own upcoming adventures in the Atlantic. I plan to follow Ana & John's "channel" and have been reminded again to watch "Captain Ron".

CRUISING AWARDS AT COMMODORE'S BALL: It was my honor for my first Commodore's Ball to hand out the cruising flags and awards for Cruising Boat of the Year. Luckily I had Emcee Gale there to keep my first-time awards ceremony on track. Eventually, my lifetime day-sailing totals might add up to Dave and Amy's Great Loop distance.

Congratulations again to Amy Stout for recognition of her courageous solo race, and the special contributions that Lea Ellwood-Filkins has made moving WSSC forward with good humor. Most deserved!

CLUB MEMORY ALBUM: As you have heard, Frank Pavia is no longer keeper of the club's Memory Book. In the meantime, I will be looking after the Memory Book; so if you need pages or need to make updates please contact me directly and I can help you & your boat(s) join this finely-crafted trove. I wish Frank all the best this year



and hope he can rejoin us from time to time.

NEXT CRUISE—MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND TO SAFE HARBOR TOLEDO BEACH MARINA:

Don't miss our annual "family reunion" cruise to Toledo Beach (LaSalle MI). Come by boat or come by car—all are welcome! MORE DETAILS WILL BE COMING SOON IN YOUR EMAIL and flyers are on pages 21 and 22.

IN OTHER NEWS: I am looking forward to helping with the buoy prep and launch, and managed to uncover JOLEE (my boat) and remind myself of all the unrealistic plans I made over the winter.

GYBE HO!

Sincerely,
Rear Commodore Jonathan Cotter



Fleet Captain: Cruising



Port Captain: Cruising



2023 UPCOMING PRESENTATIONS

May 4th GMM—Patrick Kuhne & Deanna Fielder of the Army Corps of Engineers present "2023 Water Levels & Dredging Projects"

June 1 GMM—Luke Clyburn of Noble Odyssey Foundation presents "NOF Projects & Great Lakes Wrecks"

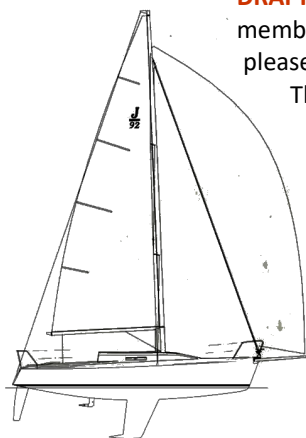
August 3 GMM—Fred Sitkins of Inland Seas Education Association presents "Great Lakes Schooners"

November 2 gmm—Robert Burns of Friends of the Detroit River presents "Detroit River Environmental Update"

Rear Commodore Jon and Lady Helena sail JOLEE—a Nonsuch 28

From the Secretary (including Minutes and Correspondence)

Jane Bersie



DRAFT MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING are included each month in the members "minutes review" email. If you have corrections to the draft minutes, please bring them with you to the next General Membership Meeting (the first Thursday of the month) or send an email to the Secretary. MINUTES OF PAST MEETINGS can be requested by emailing the Secretary at wsscexecutivesecretary@gmail.com.

LETTERS OF RECIPROCITY are on the Corkboard at the GMM, or The (virtual) CorkBoard near the back of the Tack. Review the list of letters and request copies of any you may need.

MAILING LISTS FOR FRIENDS OF THE CLUB: If you know a non-member (perhaps one of your racing crew or a cruising buddy) who would like to receive our meeting notices and/or our club newsletter (Starboard Tack), please send their name and email address to the Secretary.

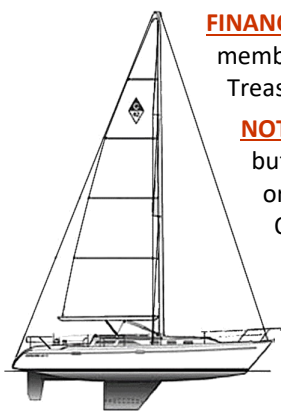
Secretary Jane is co-owner and sails with her family on FAMILY TRUCKSTER a J-92 30'

Sincerely,
Secretary Jane Bersie



From the Treasurer

Doug Howe



FINANCE AND BUDGET: The complete spreadsheet report is available to WSSC members from the Treasurer at our General Membership Meetings, or contact the Treasurer at wsscfinancial@gmail.com.

NOTABLE LAST MONTH: We had a great Commodore's Ball, and there is still some, but not a lot, of money in the bank. We had a great turnout, and unlike many organizations, the more that attend the better the club fares. The club is renewed as a Member Organization of US Sailing.

Our bills are paid, and we are in the black. Finances should improve shortly with the boating season starting, along with our racing and cruising events.

Treasurer PC Doug and PC Kathy sail WINDQUEST, a Catalina 42

Sincerely,
Treasurer PC Doug Howe



From the Membership Officer

Ana Kukla

HELLO WSSC MEMBERS!

WELCOME "NEW" MEMBER: Please join me in welcoming our new members Paul Goddard and Marcie Gracey, Paul has been sailing all his life and has been a crew member of Shenanigan. Paul and Marcie recently purchased a Plastrend 30 (PT30) and they will race on WNATR, we wish them a successful season.

NEW MEMBERSHIP OFFICER: I am happy to announce that one of our newest members, Lana Hawkins, has stepped up to be our new Membership Officer. I have met with Lana to discuss the workings of this position and she's ready to start. I am confident Lana

will do a great job; please welcome her and give her all the support you have given me during this past year.

THIS IS A FAREWELL FOR NOW: John and I plan to leave town around May 15th to start sailing the Atlantic coast. And when it gets cold, we will head south to Florida and The Bahamas. We will try to log in the Zoom GMM as much as we can. Thank you all for all your support and encouragement. We wouldn't be doing this trip without the help we received from all of you!

Sincerely,
Membership Officer Ana Kukla



Membership Officer Ana and PC John sail KEY OF SEA — a Beneteau 473

WSSC Membership Report	
Type of membership	as of 5/1/2023
Regular Memberships	48
Associate Memberships	11
Total Memberships	59
Total Paid Memberships	56

WSSC memberships are also subdivided as follows:

Individual Membership	17
Family Membership (2 people)	42
Life Memberships	5
Honorary Memberships	0



STANDING COMMITTEE NEWS ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE *



7 VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES—ONE CAR CRUISE EACH:

Our off-season Car Cruises make great opportunities to renew old friendShips and make new friendShips. **WE NEED 7 INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE WILLING TO COORDINATE ONE CAR CRUISE EACH.** We have seven car cruises each year in the off-season months—October through April.

You don't even have to come up with the ideas; we just need seven individuals who are willing to coordinate one car cruise each. The Car Cruise Coordinator would:

- * Contact the venue or host to coordinate the details like date, time, cost, parking, etc.
- * Send information out to the membership (the Secretary and Starboard Tack Editor will help you with this).
- * Greet the Car Cruisers at the event.
- * Follow-up to thank the venue/host.
- * Report at the next membership meeting about how much fun your Car Cruise was!

PLEASE VOLUNTEER TO CHAIR ONE OF THE CLUB'S CAR

CRUISES by calling or emailing Commodore Michael Ingrody or Membership Officer Ana Kukla.

NEXT CAR CRUISE:



Club Car Cruises are on hiatus until October. BUT REMEMBER, just in case you don't have your boat in the water yet, or in case you want to join the fun but don't have time to cruise to the destination, you can always "cruise" your car to any of the boat cruises during sailing season! Our motto is "The more, the merrier!"

Sincerely,

The Mysterious Phantom Activities Chairperson

**NEXT MONTH WE'LL HEAR FROM OUR NEW
ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON—AMY WRIGHT!
Thanks for stepping up, Amy!**



Other Committee News: ANNIVERSARY ALBUM IN OUR 51ST YEAR! *



Frank Pavia displays the Club's Memory Album at an "E-Z Page" event last year, helping members post pictures to their pages.

The Memory Book (a.k.a. Anniversary Album) acts as the WSSC "picture wall" and is displayed and enjoyed at our meetings, cruising, and race afterglow events. Is YOUR page in the Memory Album? It's easy! All you need to start is your name and one photo.



Our busy Rear Commodore, Jon Cotter, has stepped in to be the "Interim" Album Keeper. Thanks Jon!

We want to keep Frank's fun and inspirational work moving forward. As you continue your cruising, racing, family, and solo adventures on the water, be sure to send your photos for the memory album to leaef@ameritech.net for printing and posting in the Album.

Sincerely,

**Jonathan Cotter, Rear Commodore and
"Interim" Club Album-Keeper**

Other Committee News: STARBOARD TACK NEWSLETTER

DISTRIBUTION: The Starboard Tack is distributed via the club website, via Facebook, and via email to members and friends of the club. This issue has been sent to over 150 unique email addresses. If you know of someone (crew members and friends) who might like to receive the Tack, be sure to send their email address to: wsscstarboardtack@gmail.com

THIS MONTH'S STORY & PHOTO CREDITS: Special thanks to this month's story contributors: **PC Mike Jablonski** and **Rear Commodore Jon Cotter**. And many thanks to photographers: **Maria Jose González Tovar**, **Ana Kukla**, **PC John Kukla**, and friend-of-the-commadore **Demetrio Nasol**. (Did we miss anybody?) Thank you all for making the Tack more informative & more fun!

Sincerely,

Lea Ellwood-Filkins, Starboard Tack Editor

SEND YOUR PHOTO(S) TO THE STARBOARD TACK NEWSLETTER



DO YOU HAVE A PHOTO OF A WSSC ACTIVITY OR EVENT? A DRAMATIC RESCUE AT SEA? A BEAUTIFUL SUNSET ON THE WATER? OR EVEN A BORING DAY WITH NO WIND BUT A GREAT CREW?

Submit your photos to Starboard Tack Editor at wsscstarboardtack@gmail.com. Photos will be shared on the "Member Photo Fun" pages in upcoming issues of the Starboard Tack.

Be an "On-the-Spot Reporter" for the Starboard Tack and get the coveted LifeSavers Award!

Other Committee News: COMMODORE'S BALL COMMITTEE

WE HAD A GREAT TURNOUT FOR THE COMMODORE'S BALL. The decorations were beautiful and the food was delicious. I want to thank my Commodore's Ball Committee for all their help. Thanks for decorating and preparation to Naseem Bokhari; Anita Bersie-Chabalowski, Alec Chabalowski, Ryan, and Holly; Helena Thornton; Amy Klinkenberger; Dave Monk; Lance Yee. A big thanks to Allison Dumke and Christy Yee for helping with the invitations & replies. Christy thanks for doing the placecards. A big shout out to Carol Ingrody for the delicious brownies & cookies, and to Heather Sims for the delicious chocolate cupcakes & banana coconut cake. It takes many helpers to make the night happen, but without all of you coming there would be no Commodore's Ball. Mostly we want to congratulate all of our Bridge on a job well done.

**THANKS ONE & ALL FOR ANOTHER GREAT COMMODORE'S BALL!
CONGRATULATIONS MICHAEL & NASEEM!**

Sincerely,
Karen Laughner, Committee Chairperson



2023 COMMODORE'S BALL COMMITTEE

Committee members pictured from left to right are Commodore Michael Ingrody, Amy Klingenberger, Lady Helena Thornton, Lady Ana Kukla, Lady Naseem Bokhari, Chairperson Karen Laughner, Lady Christy Yee, Club Secretary Jane Bersie, PC David Monk, and Vice Commodore Anita Bersie-Chabalowski.

Not pictured are PC Lance Yee; Lady Allison Dumke; Lady Heather Sims; and Ryan and Holly Chabalowski.



Setting sail for a fabulous event!
Congratulations to the 2023 Commodore's Ball Committee!

MEMBERS "IN THE NEWS-letter"

MAY BIRTHDAYS



1-May Juliann L.
 4-May Amy K.
 6-May Windel P.
 6-May Alan T.
 7-May PC Susan A.
 9-May Jade S.
 12-May ... Alec J. C.
 12-May ... PC Charles L.
 12-May ... PC Tim L.
 13-May ... Kimberly K.
 26-May ... April C.
 27-May ... Lea E.

WSSC TRADITION: SINGING THE BIRTHDAY SONG

at each General Membership Meeting:

This tribute to our Birthday members is sung with **GUSTO**

(you don't even have to sing it in tune)

to the tune of Ta-Ra-Ra-BOOM-De-Ay!

**This is your
 BIRTHday Song!
 It isn't VErY long!**

We join our birthday celebrants after the meeting for some tasty birthday cake. The birthday cake for our monthly membership meeting is baked by ELLIOTT'S BAKERY.

WSSC Family & Friends Photo Fun

Submit your photos to wsscstarboardtack@gmail.com

BUOY WORK PARTY on April 29th

The Race Committee held a work party on Saturday April 29th, meeting at 9:00am at Ford Yacht Club to get our buoys ready for the 2023 racing season launch. Several people lent a hand, including Vice Commodore Anita Bersie-Chabalowski, Fleet Captain-Racing Chris McCardell, Rear Commodore Jonathan Cotter, PC Dick Synowiec, PC David Monk, PC Doug Howe, and Gentleman Alec Chabalowski. They checked chain lengths, inspected anchors and tackle, updated stripes and markings, moved spare parts, and organized the equipment locker, discarding unusable equipment. A big thank you to FYC for the equipment storage locker—in appreciation, we launch and retrieve the FYC buoys for them. And a great big "Thank you!" to everyone who participated!



Showing great artistic skills with some stencils and a power painter are PC Doug Howe, PC David Monk, and Vice Commodore Anita Bersie-Chabalowski.



Fleet Captain-Racing Chris McCardell drives the big rig to haul the buoys around for inspection and repair. It takes more than sailboats to make a race happen!

The racing buoys will be launched and the race course will be ready on Saturday, May 13. THE WNATR SKIPPERS' MEETING IS ON TUESDAY MAY 16TH AT 7:00PM AT THE GROSSE ILE YACHT CLUB. Find out more at NOTICEOFRACE.NET and on our Facebook page.



We should definitely check to see if these things float before we take them out in the lake and throw them off the boat!

General Membership Meeting—April 6th



Following the agenda (most of the time), our General Membership Meetings always have the latest officers' and committee leaders' reports, good discussions, important information, great food, great friends, sharing memories, our exciting 50/50 raffles—and birthday cake, too! The meetings are where you get the best information first, so we hope you'll join us every **FIRST THURSDAY** (except July) at 7pm. The calendar of meetings, races, cruises, and other events starts on page 17.

SEE YOU JUNE 1st UPSTAIRS AT WHISKEYS ON THE WATER!

Meeting Program—CLUB HISTORIAN PC MIKE JABLONSKI

Club Historian PC Mike Jablonski presented the April program—an oral history of the early WSSC days. Members were excited to greet 1975 PC Ted Moscyński (in the yellow shirt). Ted is pictured below with fellow founding member 1973 PC Dick Synowiec, early member Brenda Woodruff (joined 1973), and early member 1979 PC Mike Jablonski (joined 1974). Ted was escorted by his daughter Paula (in the red shirt). Members enjoyed the stories of the early days of WNATR (where results were hand-calculated while members waited at the bar), rafting in Crystal Bay every summer weekend, the Port-to-Port races to Cedar Island, Ontario, and so much more. Everyone was surprised to see the famous "Spirit of 76" distance race commemorative t-shirt make an appearance—an antique! Here's to the next 50 years of WSSC!



WSSC Family & Friends Photo Fun

Submit your photos to wsscstarboardtack@gmail.com

2023 COMMODORE'S BALL — The Parade of Commodores



Elbamar Boat Club
Vice Commodore Mike Skilliter
and Lady Kristen



Ford Yacht Club
Vice Commodore Dave Tesorero
and Lady Shelly Kenward



Grosse Ile Yacht Club
Commodore Cortney McCarthy
and Gentleman Kevin Porter



North Cape Yacht Club
PC Duane Burgoyne
and Lady Dar



WSSC
PC 1973 Dick Synowiec escorted
by GYIC Commodore McCarthy



WSSC
PC 2001 Kathy Howe with
PC 1997 Doug Howe



WSSC
PC 1998 Jack Wood
and Lady Jo



WSSC
PC 2015 Dick Shackelford



PC 2017-2018 David Monk
escorted by EMBC
Lady Kristen Skilliter



WSSC
PC 2019 Lance Yee
and Lady Christy



WSSC
PC 2021 Russell Sims
and Lady Heather Sims



WSSC
PC 2022 John Kukla
and Lady Ana



WSSC
Rear Commodore Jon Cotter
and Lady Helena Thornton



WSSC
Vice Commodore Anita
Bersie-Chabalowski
and Gentleman Alec



WSSC
Commodore Michael Ingrody
and Lady Naseem Bokhari

The "Parade of Commodores" is one of the elegant moments of any commodore's ball. First the representatives of guest and affiliate yacht clubs, then our own past commodores, then the current bridge officers, and finally our newest commodore!

More fun at the 2023 COMMODORE'S BALL



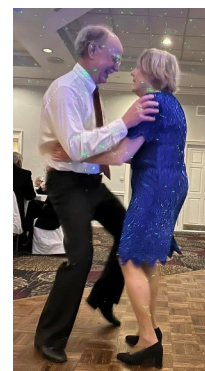
In the long-standing tradition of WSSC, the new Commodore receives the Commodore's Cup—and in that same long-standing tradition, the new Commodore's spouse/partner wonders, "Where on earth are we going to keep that thing?"



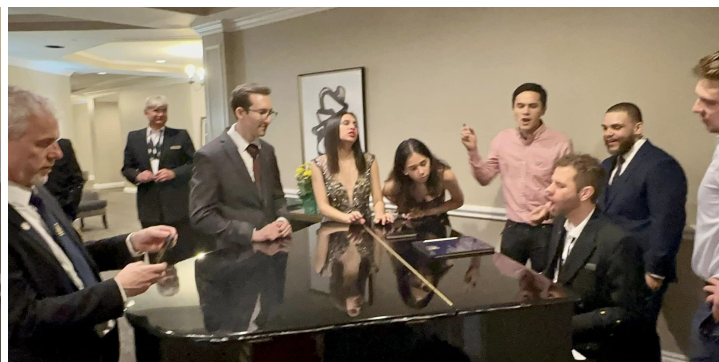
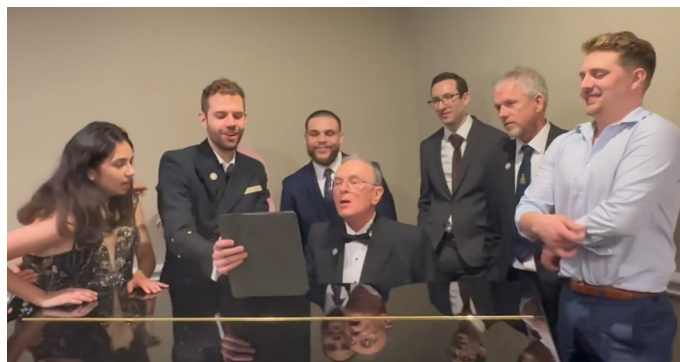
Our newest Past Commodore Kukla gives his "farewell" speech and receives his symbols of office, watched over by MC Gale Laughner.



Incoming Commodore Michael is serenaded by his fellow Commodores and Past Commodores: "We love our Commodore!..."



Move over, John Travolta! Lady Ana takes the floor. Looks like dancing under the stars—a sailor's delight. Commodore Michael and Lady Naseem get to relax after the evening's program, while Cruising Boat of the Year winner Don shakes a leg with Secretary Jane.



When he came on the Bridge several years ago, our newest Past Commodore John started a tradition of the late night sing-along with the Commodore at the end of the Commodore's Ball. Looks like new Commodore Michael has got the talent to continue that tradition.

Flags & Awards at the Commodore's Ball

Cruising honors were awarded by Rear Commodore Jon Cotter. Club racing honors were awarded by Vice Commodore Anita Bersie-Chabalowski. The Bertie Cup and Sans Pareil honors are awarded by Commodore Michael Ingrody.

CRUISING DISTANCE FLAGS:

PC Dan Williamson & Lady Peggy Hillen 214 miles
PC Carver & Lady Allison Dumke 267 miles on Lake Erie

Vice Commodore Anita Bersie-Chabalowski & Gentleman Alec Chabalowski 450 miles on Lake Erie

PC Doug and PC Kathy Howe 640 miles on Lake Erie

PC Chuck and Lady Phae Laskey 795 on Lake Erie

PC John and Lady Ana Kukla 1,844 miles on Lakes Erie, Huron, and Michigan

Fleet Captain-Cruising David and Amy Wright 4,288 miles on Lake Erie and "Anywhere Else"

CRUISING OVERALL DISTANCE HONORS:

Retired Class - PC John and Lady Ana Kukla

Non-retired Class - Fleet Captain-Cruising David and Amy Wright

CRUISING BOAT OF THE YEAR: HEATHER skipped

by Don Baumgartner

CLUB RACING HONORS:

WSSC Racing JAM Boat of the Year—BANG A RANG

skipped by PC Bryce and Sharon Boardman

WSSC Racing Spinnaker Boat of the Year—

TEC OFFENSIVE skipped by Alan and Joyce

Tecmire

THE BERTIE CUP: Amy Stout (*see her story of racing the Lake Erie Solo Challenge in the February 2023 Starboard Tack*)

WSSC SANS PAREIL: Lea Ellwood-Filkins



Don Baumgartner



Jane Bersie, VC Anita Bersie-Chabalowski, Alec Chabalowski



PC David Monk on behalf of BangARang



Joyce & Alan Tecmire, Nathan & Emily Wellman for TEC Offensive



PC Doug & PC Kathy Howe



Fleet Captain-Cruising Dave and Amy Wright



PC John & Lady Ana Kukla



Lady Ana and PC John Kukla



Amy Stout receives the Bertie Cup. (At right) Bertie Synowiec, whose sailing adventures and accomplishments inspired the award, congratulates honoree Amy Stout.



Amy and Dave Wright



Commodore Ingrody awarded Lea Ellwood-Filkins the 2022 San Pareil. Lady Christy Yee literally "supports" Lea during the ceremony. Lea attended virtually via the phone in Christy's hand, while Emcee Gale accepted the award on Lea's behalf.

WSSC Family & Friends Photo Fun

Submit your photos to wsscstarboardtack@gmail.com

LAST MONTH'S CAPTION CONTEST WINNER:

Where is our club SECRETARY and *what* is she doing with that PIRATE!?

*She sure fell for that pirate—
"hook", line, and sinker!*



*Congratulations to our April caption winner
Toni Mann (friend of the club) who wins a gift
certificate to Whiskey's on the Water!*

Secretary Jane Bersie shares that she was "hooked" on treasure hunting at the Mel Fisher Museum on her January trip to Sebastian, FL

THIS MONTH'S CAPTION CONTEST

WHO is this hard-working woman
and WHY does she look so happy?



Submit your clever caption for your chance to
win a gift certificate to Whiskey's on the Water!

BEEP! BEEP!

Car cruises go on hiatus until
October because "real" cruises
start this month!

Of course, you can always join the
sailing cruises by car (or ferry boat).
Get there any way you can to
join in the fun!



See you at the Memorial
Day Weekend Cruise to
Safe Harbor Toledo
Beach Marina
(more info on pg. 21 & 22)



**See pages 17 & 18
for our calendar
of meetings & events.**

AFFILIATE ORGANIZATIONS — NEWS & INFORMATION

NEW INFORMATION IS MARKED WITH *

BoatUS/WEST MARINE

Rep. PC Doug Howe

WSSC remains a co-operating group with BOAT/US. Our membership number is GA81337S. While our members no longer get reduced membership fees, we still can receive discounts on towing insurance and more. See benefits at: <https://www.boatus.com/products-and-services/membership>.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT Doug Howe at d1howe@wowway.com

I-LYA (INTER-LAKE YACHTING ASSOCIATION)

Rep. PC Kathy Howe

WSSC is a member of I-LYA and every member of an I-LYA club is automatically a member of I-LYA.

I-LYA JUNIOR CALENDAR FOR US SAILING TRAINING COURSES

- May 5-7 Level 1 Instructor at North Cape Yacht Club
- May 13-15 Level 1 Instructor at Cleveland Yacht Club

(many more training session available—see I-LYA website)

I-LYA SPRING MEETING was April 1 at the Westlake, Ohio, DoubleTree Inn.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON I-LYA CONTACT Kathy Howe at kahowe@wowway.com



U.S. SAILING.ORG

Rep. PC Doug Howe

WSSC is a member of U.S. Sailing. Individual members can join or renew at a discount at: <https://www1.ussailing.org/membership/MPP/Default.aspx?ycid=117266X>. (See Corkboard page 16.)

Members can download the 2021 Racing Rules onto their phone.

U.S. Sailing and their new membership system: I haven't tried to renew my U.S. Sailing membership, but Dick Synowiec reported that he was not able to renew online. I will try to renew within the next month, and will report anything pertinent.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT Doug Howe d1howe@wowway.com.



PHRF-LE (Performance Handicap Racing Fleet-Lake Erie)

(Measurers PC Doug Howe & PC Dick Synowiec)

Certificate Renewal News: Renewal letters were sent out in March. If you haven't received your renewal letter, check your Spam folder. If you can't find your renewal, contact phrfle@gmail.com

The Club is still looking for a volunteer to be a PHRF-LE representative. Please PC Doug Howe or PC Dick Synowiec to find out more about this important position. The PHRF-LE website is www.phrf-le.org

GLOBAL ENTRY 2021 (Customs & Border Protection - USA RE-ENTRY)

Rep. PC Doug Howe

CANADA ENTRY: To the best of my knowledge, all one needs to enter Canada is a valid passport, and report in upon landing (at a dock or anchoring). ArriveCAN is for flying only.

CBP ROAM REQUIRED: US requires the use of CBP Roam (no mention of CBP One when I last signed in).

DO YOU HAVE YOUR DTOPS DECAL? Boats of length 30' or more need a DTOPS decal to return to the U.S. This number as well as a Trusted Traveler number (may not be required for boaters) should be entered into CBP Roam as well as passport numbers.

From the Homeland Security Website, March 11, 2023: We are currently receiving a high volume of applications. Processing times vary by applicant, but on average you can expect your application to be processed as follows:

These three methods are good for entry / exit to Canada:

METHOD	PROCESSING TIME	COST (FOR 5 YEARS)
NEXUS	12-14 months	\$50 *
Global Entry	4-6 months	\$100 +
SENTRI	10-12 months	\$122.25 *
TSA Precheck	5 years	\$78 +
(only for departures from U.S. Airports)		

+ Includes TSA Precheck

* May include TSA Precheck (everyone I know that has Nexus also has TSA Precheck)

NOTE: It is not clear as to whether Global Entry, Nexus or Sentri are required to return to the U.S. (If someone has been able to return without one of these, please let Doug Howe know at d1howe@wowway.com.)

FOR MORE INFORMATION or to sign-up go to: <https://tftp.cbp.dhs.gov/> (Official Trusted Traveler Program Website | Department of Homeland Security (dhs.gov))



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* indicates Standing Committee

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PHRF-LE Delegate	HELP! We need a volunteer!	
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Port Captains: Cruising Events	(see information on each Event in the "Activities Updates" section or on our website)	
Port Captains: Specialty Races	(see information on each Event in the "Activities Updates" section or on our website)	
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Swap Meet Chairperson	HELP! We need a volunteer!	
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WNATR Race Committee Boat Chairperson	Fleet Captain-Racing	courttofficer@att.net (Chris McCardell)

2023—WSSC CALENDAR OF EVENTS—2023

WSSC Meetings & Events	Date & Time and Location	Event Contact
RED indicates WNATR racing event — ORANGE indicates specialty race/event — BLUE indicates cruising event — PURPLE indicates activities committee event		
JANUARY 2023 Membership Mtg and CHANGE OF WATCH	Jan 5, 2023 *Thurs.—7:30pm at Whiskeys on the Water & Zoom Program: PC Kathy Howe presents "Emergencies at Sea: Are You Prepared?"	Commodore / Vice Commodore / M.C.
January Car Cruise	Jan. 13 *Friday—7:00pm Euchre Night at the Wrights' in Monroe BYOB and Appetizer to share	Activities Chairperson
Winter Cruising Committee Mtg	Jan. 15 *Sunday—1:00pm at Chuck and Phae Laskey's home BYOB and sidedish to share—Chili Cookoff Contest	Rear Commodore / Fleet Captain-Cruising
FEBRUARY 2023 Membership Mtg	Feb. 2 *Thursday—7:30pm at Whiskeys on the Water & Zoom	Commodore
February Car Cruise	Feb. 16 *Thursday—6:30pm Burger Night at MBC	Activities Chairperson
MARCH 2023 Membership Mtg and SWAP MEET	Mar. 2 *Thursday—7:30pm at Whiskeys on the Water & Zoom GET YOUR GEAR READY TO MAKE A GREAT DEAL!	Commodore Activities Chairperson
Racing Committee Meeting	Mar 22 *Wednesday—6pm at Vice Commodore's	Vice Commodore / Fleet Captain—Racing
March Car Cruise	Mar 25 *Saturday—2pm to 5pm CAR CRUISE to Biddle Bowl in Wyandotte	Activities Chairperson
I-LYA Spring Meeting	April 1 in Westlake, OH	Association Rep. PC Kathy Howe
APRIL 2023 Membership Mtg	Apr. 6 *Thursday—7:30pm at Whiskeys on the Water & Zoom PROGRAM: WSSC Historian PC Mike Jablonski presents "The History of WNATR"	Commodore
WSSC COMMODORE'S BALL	Apr. 15 *Saturday—8:00pm at Grosse Ile Golf and Country Club	Karen Laughner, Commodore's Ball Committee Chairperson
Racing Buoy Workday	Apr. 29 *Saturday—9:00am at Ford Yacht Club	Vice Commodore
MAY 2023 Membership Mtg	May 4 *Thursday—7:30pm at Whiskeys on the Water & Zoom PRE-MEETING EVENT at 6:30pm "Re-CREWment" making connections for Skippers & Crew POST-MEETING PROGRAM: Army Corps presentation "2023 Water Levels and Dredging Projects"	Commodore
Icebreaker Cruise	Sorry—Cancelled Due To Illness May 6 *Saturday—3:00pm at the Dunks'	Rear Commodore / Fleet Captain-Cruising
Racing Buoy Launch	May 13 *Saturday—9:00am meet at FYC	Vice Commodore / Fleet Captain-Racing
WNATR Skippers Mtg.	May 16 *Tuesday—7pm at Grosse Ile Yacht Club	Vice Commodore / Fleet Captain-Racing
WNATR - Spring #1	May 24 *Wednesday—6:55pm	Fleet Captain-Racing
Memorial Weekend Cruise	May 27-29 *Saturday-Monday—to Safe Harbor Toledo Beach (with Cruising Committee Meeting)	Rear Commodore / Fleet Captain-Cruising
Cruising Committee Meeting	May 28 *Sunday—2:00pm at Safe Harbor Toledo Beach Marina	Rear Comm./Fleet Captain-Cruising
WNATR - Spring #2	May 31 *Wednesday—6:55pm	Fleet Captain-Racing
JUNE 2023 Membership Mtg	Jun. 1 *Thursday—7:30pm at Whiskeys on the Water & Zoom PROGRAM: "Mission of Noble Odyssey: Projects & Wrecks" with Luke Clyburn of the Noble Odyssey Foundation	Commodore
Cruising Award Pre-Registrations Due	Jun. 10—Registration form on WSSC website	PC Kathy Howe, Cruising Log Master
WNATR - Spring #3	Jun. 14 *Wednesday—6:55pm	Fleet Captain-Racing
Commodore's Tea	Jun. 17—18 *Sat.-Sun. to Leamington, Ontario Port Captains Doug & Kathy Howe	Rear Commodore / Fleet Captain-Cruising
WNATR - Spring #4	Jun. 21 *Wednesday—6:55pm	Fleet Captain-Racing
WSSC Doublehanded Race	Jun. 24 *Saturday—Grosse Ile to NCYC (LaSalle MI)	Vice Comm./Fleet Captain-Racing
WNATR - Summer #1	Jun. 28 *Wednesday—6:55pm	Fleet Captain-Racing

2023—WSSC CALENDAR OF EVENTS—2023 (continued)

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JULY 2023 Membership Mtg	(TENTATIVELY CANCELLED FOR JULY)	Commodore
WNATR - Summer #2	Jul. 5 *Wednesday—6:55pm	Fleet Captain-Racing
Week-long Cruise	July 15-23 Leamington, Pelee Island, Erieau, Kellys Island Ports and Port Captains TBD Join for all or a portion of this cruising event!	Rear Commodore / Fleet Captain-Cruising
WNATR Summer # 3	Jul. 26 *Wednesday—6:5pm	Fleet Captain-Racing
*AUGUST		
WNATR Summer #4	Aug. 2 *Wednesday—6:55pm	Fleet Captain-Racing
AUGUST 2023 Membership Mtg	Aug. 3 *Thursday—7:30pm at Whiskeys on the Water & Zoom PROGRAM: "Great Lakes Schooners" with Fred Sitkins of the Inland Seas Education Assoc.	Commodore
WNATR Fall #1	Aug. 9 *Wednesday—6:55pm	Fleet Captain-Racing
Late Summer Cruise	Aug. 12-13 *Saturday-Sunday—to Port Clinton Port Captain Lea Ellwood-Filkins	Rear Commodore / Fleet Captain-Cruising
WNATR Fall #2	Aug. 16 *Wednesday—6:55pm	Fleet Captain-Racing
Lighthouse Challenge Regatta	Aug. 19 *Saturday—First start 10:00am Afterglow at Grosse Ile Pavilion (Water's Edge Marina)	Vice Commodore / Fleet Captain-Racing
WNATR Fall #3	Aug. 23 *Wednesday—6:55pm	Vice Comm./Fleet Captain-Racing
WNATR Fall #4	Aug. 30 *Wednesday—6:55pm	Vice Comm./Fleet Captain-Racing
*SEPTEMBER		
WSSC Jack and Jill	Sep. 3 *Sunday	Vice Commodore / Fleet Captain-Racing
WNATR Make Up #1	Sep. 6 *Wednesday—6:55pm	Vice Comm./Fleet Captain-Racing
SEPTEMBER 2023 Membership Mtg	Sep. 7 *Thursday—7:30pm at Whiskeys on the Water & Zoom	Commodore
WNATR Make Up #2	Sep. 13 *Wednesday—6:55pm	Vice Comm./Fleet Captain-Racing
Racing Buoy Pull	Sep. 16 *Saturday—9:00am meet at (TBD)	Vice Commodore
Harvest Moon Cruise	Sep. 23—24 *Sat.-Sun. OR Sep. 30—Oct 1 to Monroe Boat Club / Port Captain Dan Williamson	Rear Commodore / Fleet Captain-Cruising
OCTOBER 2023 Membership Mtg and OFFICER NOMINATIONS	Oct. 5 *Thursday—7:30pm at Whiskeys on the Water & Zoom	Commodore
October CAR CRUISE	(TBD)	Activities Chairperson
WSSC RACING AWARDS NIGHT	(TBD) at Whiskeys on the Water	Vice Commodore / Fleet Captain Racing
NOVEMBER 2023 Membership Mtg and OFFICER ELECTIONS	Nov. 2 *Thursday—7:30pm at Whiskeys on the Water & Zoom PROGRAM: "Detroit River Environmental Update" with Robert Burns of Friends of the Detroit River	Commodore
November Car Cruise	(TBD)	Activities Chairperson
DECEMBER 2023 Membership Mtg and ANNUAL MEETING & HOLIDAY PARTY	Dec. 7 *Thursday—7:30pm at Whiskeys on the Water & Zoom Marine TOYS FOR TOTS charity donation drive	Commodore / Activities Chairperson
New Officer Training	(TBD) New Officer training and document exchange	Commodore
JANUARY 2024 Membership Mtg and CHANGE OF WATCH	Jan. 4, 2024 *Thurs.—7:30pm at Whiskeys on the Water & Zoom	Commodore / Vice Commodore / M.C.

(See next page for calendar of other area racing events.)

2023—WSSC CALENDAR OF EVENTS—2023 (continued)

FOR YOUR PLANNING INFORMATION: OTHER AREA RACING EVENTS

Thursday, May 11, 2023 5:00pm Try Out Sail
 Monday, May 29, 2023 GIYC - Day Race
 Friday, June 9-11, 2023 *TYC Mills Race (AYC) Friday night start
 Sunday, June 25, 2023 FYC Nite Race (AYC Counter)
 Tuesday, July 4, 2023 GIYC Independence Day Race
 Saturday, July 15-18, 2023 Bayview Mackinac Race
 Saturday, July 22-25, 2023 Chicago Mackinac Race
 Friday, August 4-6, 2023 *I-LYA Bay Week Put-in Bay, Ohio
 Tuesday, August 8, 2023 *MBC Ladies Race (50% Women)
 Thursday, August 10-11, 2023 FYC Night Race (AYC)

Saturday, August 12, 2023 FYC Regatta (AYC)
 Tuesday, August 15, 2023 *NCYC Irene Race (Women's Race)
 Saturday, August 26, 2023 LMYC Fighting Island Regatta
 Sunday, September 17-19, 2023 *JRSC Fall Series (AYC)
 Sunday, September 17, 2023 FYC Frostbite #1
 Saturday, September 23-24, 2023 *Fall Bay (AYC)
 Saturday, October 14, 2023 LMYC - River Rat Race
 Monday, October 23, 2023 AYC Awards Banquet
 Saturday, November 4, 2023 FYC Awards Night

THE WSSC "CORKBOARD"

The Starboard Tack would like to give a special **SHOUT OUT** our hard-working "staff" photographers (pictured clockwise from top)

- Maria Jose González Tovar
- Lady Ana Kukla
- PC John Kukla
- Lady Christy Yee
- Demetrio Nasol
(a friend of Commodore Michael)
- Vice Commodore Anita Bersie-Chabalowski
- Rear Commodore Jon Cotter



**THANKS
EVERYONE!**



THE WSSC "CORKBOARD"



WSSC 2023 WNA TR

West Shore Sail Club

2023 Wednesday Night at the Races

Spring Series

May 24
May 31
June 14
June 21

Summer Series

June 28
July 05
July 26
August 02

Fall Series

August 09
August 16
August 23
August 30

Make Up #1: September 06

Make Up #2: September 13



- *Spinnaker A, Spinnaker B, Spinnaker C, JAM A, JAM B Classes based on Lake Erie PHRF Ratings*
- *Class Flags Awarded for each series*
- *Overall Season Awards*
- *Lake Erie racing around fixed marks, multiple courses/lengths per wind direction*
- *Crew matching assistance available upon request*
- *Post-racing afterglow activities at GIYC and FYC locations*

Race Application Available at Notice of Race
(www.noticeofrace.net)

Spring Series Deadline: **May 13, 2023 5:00pm**



THE WSSC "CORKBOARD"

Save the Dates
May 27-28-29



**Memorial Day
Weekend Cruise
& WSSC Annual Reunion
to Safe Harbor
TOLEDO BEACH MARINA**

Cruise on over by boat or by car
to Safe Harbor Toledo Beach (formerly TBM)
and celebrate with us!

ALL ARE WELCOME: Cruisers, Racers, Family, and Friends!

Saturday May 27

3:00 Welcome Social

5:00 Dinner at the Sandbar Grille

Sunday May 28

3:00 Cruising Committee Meeting
(all are welcome and encouraged to attend)

5:00 MAIN EVENT DINNER

MORE DETAILED INFORMATION LATER VIA EMAIL



THE WSSC "CORKBOARD"



Memorial Day Weekend Cruise

May 27-29

Toledo Beach Marina

<https://shmarinas.com/locations/safe-harbor-toledo-beach/>

By Boat:

If you are planning on attending via water, please contact the marina directly with the following information:

- | | |
|--|-------------------|
| 1) Day of arrival (Friday or Saturday) | 5) Length Overall |
| 2) Length of Stay | 6) Width |
| 3) Boat Name | 7) Draft |
| 4) Phone Number | |

The dock fee is \$2.00 per foot and the phone number is: 734-243-3800

There may be some privately owned dockminium slips available at no charge. Please call or text Mike Paveglio: 517-260-0889

Itinerary:

Saturday May 27, 2023

3:00 – Welcome Social at Still No Agenda (Slip 156 Pelee)

5:00 – Dinner tentatively at the Sandbar Grille – more information to come.

Sunday, May 28, 2023

3:00 – Cruising Meeting (please bring your own chair): Location will be one of the grassy areas on the right as you are driving in on Toledo Beach Road. (Location changed as the Second Annual TBM Dock Crawl is planned for the same day/time.)

5:00 – Pot Luck, BBQs will be available

Amenities:

Toledo Beach Marina is Dog Friendly!

The heated pool will be open!

Lunch, Dinner, Drinks and Music can always be found at the Sandbar Grille.

THE WSSC "CORKBOARD"



Summer Sailing for Kids

Classes will be held on Monday through Thursday (Friday rain day)

Ages 8-18

AM Classes will be from 9am-12pm

PM Classes will be from 1pm-4pm

ONE WEEK Session (All Day 9am-3:30pm)

Session 2 Beginning July 10 - July 14. Beginners

COST for One-Week Session

GIYC Members – \$275 (Child or Grandchild of Active or Social GIYC Members)

General Public – \$325

TWO WEEK Session (Half Days)

Session 1 - Beginning June 19 and ending June 30.

Beginner AM & Opti Race Clinic PM

Session 3 - Beginning July 24 and ending August 4.

Intermediate AM & Beginner PM

Session 4 - Beginning August 7 and ending August 18.

Beginner AM & Intermediate/Opti Race PM

COST for Two-Week Session

GIYC Members – \$250 (Child or Grandchild of Active or Social GIYC Members)

General Public – \$300

JUNIOR RACE TEAM

Tuesdays and Thursdays 5:00-8:00 PM

May 30 - July 27

COST for Season

GIYC Members – \$500 (Child or Grandchild of Active or Social GIYC Member)

General Public – \$550

**Lessons
held at
Grosse Ile
Yacht Club**

Learn to Sail

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sites.google.com/
view/giycsailors/
junior-sailing](https://sites.google.com/view/giycsailors/junior-sailing)

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THE WSSC "CORKBOARD"

FYI from PC Doug Howe: Don't miss out on MEMBERSHIP "PERKS" FROM US SAILING ...



Dear Douglas,

US Sailing members get access to special editions of America's Cup winning tactician David Dellenbaugh's newsletter [Speed and Smarts](#). Below is an excerpt on developing a strong pre-start strategy.

Your strategy is an invaluable guide to keep you on the right track throughout your race. It must be in place when you come off the starting line, and this means you have to begin working on your gameplan well before the start of the race.

There are many things you should consider when putting together a gameplan. Here is a simple three-step process you can use before the start of any race to come up with a solid strategy. The steps are explained in greater detail throughout the rest of this issue.

Step 1: Figure Out What the Wind is Doing

I've put the wind in Step 1 because it is often the most crucial strategic factor. In most races, even a small change in the wind can produce a big change in the results. That's why, in most cases, you should think about the wind more than other strategic factors. The wind is almost always changing in both direction and velocity, and you must consider this when making up your game plan.

For the remainder of this article and other issues of *Speed and Smarts* login to your [My US Sailing](#) account or [click here](#).

As always, we are available to help answer any questions.

Deb Rainey
Member Experience Representative

April 24, 2023

We still have a few slots available for this course. It is not often this course is offered in the state. This course can be taken by your adult sailing instructors for professional development or if your organization has an interest in offering Accredited Certifications to generate additional revenue for your programs.

The direct link to register for the course is, <http://www1.ussailing.org/enrollment/selectregistrant.aspx?courseid=13497458>

Karen Davidson
Adult Program Coordinator, US Sailing

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Please contact PC Doug Howe

THE WSSC "CORKBOARD"

FROM THE OHIO DNR REGARDING DOCK RESERVATIONS AT MIDDLE BASS ISLAND STATE PARK



FROM: OHIO DEPT. OF NATURAL RESOURCES
Andrea.Tibbels@dnr.ohio.gov
RE: MIDDLE BASS ISLAND STATE PARK MARINA RESERVATIONS
DATE: Friday, March 10, 2023

Beginning with the 2023 transient dock season, reservations for transient docks at Middle Bass Island will be available exclusively online through our reservation website, www.reserveohio.com. Reservations for the 2023 dock season will open on May 1 at 7:00AM.

There will be no group reservations for the 2023 season, but we did want to offer up the following information to help you plan ahead for making reservations for multiple docks for your visit to Middle Bass Island State Park Marina.

- There is a **maximum of 5 reservations** per transaction online. You can process 5 reservations, then you can do another five reservations, or you can have multiple people booking sites for your group.
- Full payment for all docks will need to be made at the time of reservation.
- Reservations will be for specific docks. **Marina staff will not be assigning docks or shuffling docks to keep a group together.** You will need to select docks for your group.
- There will be a **maximum boat length for all docks**, so you will need to know the lengths for all boats in your group. You should have that information before making reservations.
- If any of the dock holders have a **Golden Buckeye Discount**, you will need to have that person's Golden Buckeye number.
- We have changed our pricing for docks. Instead of paying by boat foot, the **docks are priced at a flat rate.**

Please follow the Middle Bass Island website for more details on the changes to our reservation policies.

<https://ohiodnr.gov/go-and-do/plan-a-visit/find-a-property/middle-bass-island-state-park>

Please share this email with any other boaters who may be interested in group reservations who may need this information.

We appreciate your patience as we transition to this new way of doing business. In the long run, we think this will be a positive change for all our transient dock guests. Thank you.

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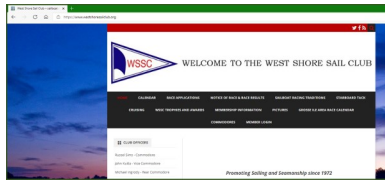
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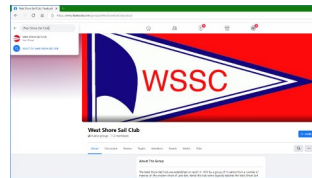


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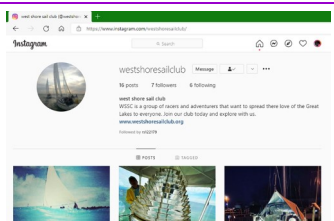


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have been received from the clubs listed below.

If you would like a copy of any letter for your cruising plans, send an email with your request to WSSC Secretary at wsscexecutivesecretary@gmail.com

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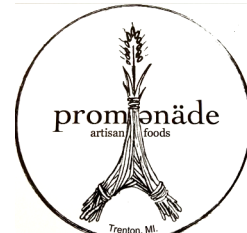
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