

MUSKEGON YACHT CLUB

PORTWATCH

JUNE 2017



US Sailing Safety At Sea Seminar

The 2nd day of the seminar featured hands-on training held at the MYC Pool.
More photos inside.

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On the Cover: 100 people participated in the 2-day Safety at Sea seminar hosted by MYC.

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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS:

Greetings!

The Club had a successful and productive Launch Day, the Grand Reopening of the MYC Pool, our first Wed night races, a fun Commodores Race, and the traditional Memorial Day weekend Parade of Commodores (led by a bag piper of course). A VERY busy month of May!

We also in May completed the By-Law amendment vote with all three proposals being adopted by significant margins. The most significant of these changes was the creation of a new membership class. The new Junior Membership is open to new Members who are age 35 or younger. The dues structure for the Junior Membership will be finalized at this month's board meeting but it is anticipated that the Junior Membership dues will be approximately 50% of the Full Membership Dues. These Junior Members would automatically become Full Members in the year they turn 36. We already have several people who have inquired about this new membership level and coupled with another existing bylaw provision, my daughter and son-in-law will likely be one of our first Junior Members. Children of Full Members who are under the age of 30 can join MYC without paying any initiation fee. I would encourage all of you with young adult children in the area to seriously look at the new Junior Membership. It would make a great Christmas gift to get them started!

June is already upon us and with the cold and wet spring it sure doesn't feel much like June but, the calendar keeps rolling along. The Torresen and BBS Spring regattas are this coming weekend and we are fast approaching the Tripp Memorial Race (starting in Holland this year on June 21st) and our inaugural Trans Michigan Race from Milwaukee to Muskegon on June 23rd. Entries are flowing in for our new Trans Michigan Race and we are busily preparing for the event.

We will need some volunteer assistance for the Trans Michigan event so please let us know if you are willing. There will be an organization meeting announcement coming soon (if it hasn't gone out already). We will need to shuttle people to the Lake Express terminal, docking assistants, greeters, check

in assistance, t-shirt sales, and more. This is OUR event and to date, most of the entries are out of town boats so we want to put our best face forward and be an outstanding host. We feel this event can grow to be 75- 100 boats strong if run a great event. We are creating a “New” Tradition with the Trans Michigan Race, one that we hope will establish a long legacy. A beautiful custom permanent trophy is being commissioned as well as very cool and useful take home awards. It is also not too late to enter so let’s make this event a great one.

We have also just finalized the date for the Second Annual Commodores Ball. This year it will be on Saturday August 5th starting with cocktails and hors d’oeuvres on our beautiful new pool deck, followed by gourmet fare from Chef Adam and live music to dance the night away. Seating will be limited so be sure to sign up quickly when the announcement comes!

I would like to address our ongoing saga of our dock repairs. HOPEFULLY they will be completed in the coming week with the installation of the permanent ramps. To say that we are disappointed with the extended delays from our contractor would be an understatement. Please know we are pushing hard for completion and I am on them every day.

Finally, I would once again like to thank ALL the many people who devote countless hours of their time, significant talent, boundless generosity to the Muskegon Yacht Club. The place simply could not function without you and your efforts. We would need to contract and staff at a much higher level which would in turn require significantly higher dues if it were not for the considerable and significant efforts of our volunteers.

This month I would again like to highlight our D&Y and Pool Chairman Andy Bos, Steve Johnson, Past Commodores Mike Stewart and Jack Andree for their significant contributions to the transformation of the Muskegon Yacht Club pool. If you haven’t seen it, it is spectacular and we could simply not have done it without the contributions of time, talent, and treasure that they provided. It is now complete except for the top rail which we are still exploring options for. Thank you!

Have a great Month!!

Larry Taunt, Commodore

MYC Committee Meeting Reminders:

Dock & Yard Committee – 2nd Saturdays at 9:00 am
 House Committee – 2nd Saturdays at 10:00 am
 Membership Committee – 2nd Saturdays at 11:00am
 Social Committee – as needed
 Board Meeting – 3rd Thursdays at 7:00pm

2017 Capital Improvement Fund Update

2017 Collected

To-Date:

\$ 28,922

+

12/31/16 Balance:

\$22,217



2017 Expenditures:

Pool Fence Project

\$7,467

Available Balance =

\$43,672

Hours of Operation for June 2017

| | <u>Bar Hours</u> | <u>Kitchen Hours</u> |
|-----------|------------------|----------------------|
| Mon: | Club Closed | Club Closed |
| Tues: | 4pm – 10pm | 4pm – 9pm |
| Wed: | 4pm – 11pm | 4pm – 9pm |
| Thursday: | 4pm – 10pm | 4pm – 9pm |
| Friday: | 12pm – 12am | 12pm – 9pm |
| Saturday: | 12pm – 12am | 12pm – 9pm |
| Sunday: | 12pm – 9pm | 12pm – 8pm |



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

On behalf of the Membership Committee, we are happy to announce the following additions to the MYC Family:

| | | |
|---------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Jeff & Pam Derks | Regular Members | Muskegon, MI |
| Barbara & John Hermanson | Regular Members | N. Muskegon, MI |
| Chad & Traci Riehl | Regular Members | Lansing, MI |
| Michael Smith & Kim Faber | Regular Members | Grandville, MI |
| Tom & Christine Winkelman | Regular Members | Muskegon, MI |

and Welcome Back to returning members:

| | | |
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| Tom & Jackie Lindrup | Regular Members | Muskegon, MI |
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See What You're Doing

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Race Hard, Play Hard, GO HOME
Or

Buoy Racing on Saturday in Muskegon

Awards for:

- First to Finish
- Top Three Overall
- Top Three Corrected In Each Class
-

PHRF - ORR - One Design Classes

- Cruising Classes
- Racer Cruiser Classes
- Grand Prix
- 2017 AREA IV Off Shore Qualifying Race
- 2017 ORR Great Lakes Qualifying Race



Milwaukee WI to Muskegon MI

A Mid-Day Start

A Sunset Finish

A New Tradition

FRIDAY, June 23

1st Start - 12:00 noon

- Sunset Finishes
- "Turn & Burn" Packages
- Registration and Real Time Scoring at www.yachtscoring.com or www.muskegonyachtclub.org



- Shuttle service to the Lake Express
- LAKE EXPRESS*
- Protected Port & Dockage
 - MYC Grill & Bar Open to 2:00 am
 - Bring your Swim Suit – Heated Pool Open Late

• **TRANS-MICHIGAN SERIES**

- TRIPP MEMORIAL (Holland to Milwaukee) June 21st
- TRANS-MICHIGAN (to Muskegon) JUNE 23rd
OR
- QUEEN'S CUP (to South Haven) JUNE 23rd
 - CLIPPER CUP (Muskegon to Port Washington WI) AUGUST 11th
- **BEST THREE OF FOUR**



Juniors Committee Report:

IT'S TIME TO SIGN UP FOR 2017 SAILING SCHOOL CLASSES!



Information, schedules and registration forms for 2017 Sailing School Classes are now available at www.mysailingschool.org

The MYC Sailing School is open to the public, so please spread the word to all your friends and neighbors. We also offer a free shuttle service to and from Pointe Marine for those who live on the north shore of Muskegon Lake!

Afternoon youth classes take place during the following sessions:

| | |
|--------------|-------------------------|
| June 19-23 | Race Camp |
| June 26-29 | Week 1 |
| July 5-7 | Week 2 (shortened week) |
| July 10-13 | Week 3 |
| July 17-20 | Week 4 |
| July 24-27 | Week 5 |
| Jul 31-Aug 3 | Week 6 |
| Aug 7-11 | Week 7 |
| Aug 14-17 | Week 8 |

In addition to our youth classes, be sure to check out our Monday evening class for adults, teens and families. Our flexible schedule and payment options make these Monday night sessions a great opportunity to meet new friends and spend time on the water.

THE 2017 JUNIOR RACE TEAM WANTS YOU!



Youth regattas are really fun and help kids be better sailors!!

In addition to weekly practices every Wednesday afternoon, the MYC Junior Race Team joins hundreds of youth sailors from all over West Michigan for a huge fun regatta every other week throughout the summer.

Race Team members grow their sailing skills, make lots of new friends and enjoy a sense of adventure as they travel to other clubs and sail on different lakes.

Youth sailors age 8-18 are welcome. Beginners are gently introduced to competitive sailing and more experienced sailors gain valuable knowledge about sail trim and tactics. Regardless of skill level, everyone improves and develops greater confidence.

More information and registration forms for the 2017 MYC Junior Race Team are all available at www.muskegontachtclub.org

2017 JUNIOR RACE TEAM CALENDAR

| | |
|---------|---|
| June 30 | WMYSA Friday Regatta at Macatawa Bay YC |
| July 14 | WMYSA Friday Regatta at Spring Lake YC |
| July 21 | WMYSA No Tears Opti Regatta at Saugatuck YC |
| July 28 | WMYSA Friday Regatta at White Lake YC |
| Aug 11 | WMYSA Friday Regatta at Muskegon YC |
| Aug 19 | Harbor Hospice Regatta at Muskegon YC |

OTHER 2017 REGATTAS THAT MAY INTEREST JUNIORS

July 18-20 Butterfly Nationals at Torch Lake YC

Aug 3-6 WMYA Westerns Regatta at Crystal Lake YC

CLICK LINK BELOW TO FOLLOW THE JUNIORS ON FACEBOOK!

<https://www.facebook.com/Muskegon-Junior-Sailing-Program-134232283314396/>

JUNIOR SAILING AT MYC NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT!

The Junior Program and Sailing School are anticipating the need to invest in several equipment upgrades and probably an additional multi-boat trailer in 2017.

You can find more info about donating to the Muskegon Junior Sailing Association on the MYC web site. Or you can easily click on the link below to instantly donate to the MJSA. You'll automatically receive a receipt for your tax-deductible donation and your donation will go directly to the MJSA bank account!

<http://www.gofundme.com/MJSAailing>

More images from the 2nd day of the Safety At Sea Seminar May 7th

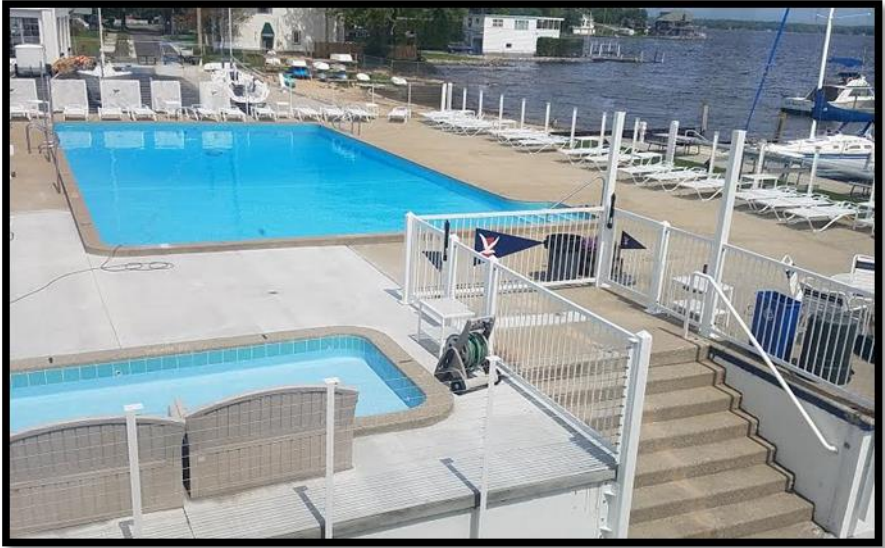






Melges 24 Regatta May 10-21
Photo Credits: Erin Turrell & Matt Fisher





We are pleased to announce the Grand Reopening of the newly renovated MYC Pool on Friday May 26th at 10am! Beginning last season and completed this spring, the MYC pool has gone through a significant renovation. The bathhouse bathrooms have been repainted and revitalized, the pool pump and heater have been replaced, and we have all new furniture as well. The HUGE difference however, has been the removal and replacement of the decrepit and unsightly chain link fence with our new custom-made cable fencing and new entrance gates. Many thanks to all who have helped make this project possible, Andy Bos, Mike Stewart, Steve Johnson, Jack Andree just to name a few who have generously donated significant time, talent and materials! Your dedication and generosity to the MYC is admirable and very much appreciated.



Pool Hours:

Monday: 10 am - 9 pm

Tuesday: 10 am - 9 pm

Wednesday: 10 am - 9 pm

Thursday: 10 am - 9 pm

Friday: 10 am - 10 pm

Saturday: 10 am - 10 pm

Sunday: 10 am - 9 pm



Please review pages 44 & 45 in your Red Book for a full list MYC Pool Rules. Pets & smoking are prohibited in the pool area.

Reminder: All guests must be signed in with the lifeguard. There is a \$2 per person guest fee that must be member charged - no cash transactions allowed.

Kentucky Derby Party – May 6th





Parade of Commodores & Reception May 28th







News from the General Manager:

I am very excited to feel the warmer weather in the air, as I am sure most of you are also. Now that the summer 2017 season is upon us and the boats are in the water, I hope you are ready for a fun-filled few months. I hope you all were able to join us for one of the many events hosted last month. Thank you to all the volunteers for all your help on Launch Day! The Mother's Day brunch went really well along with the Melges Spring Regatta. The MYC Staff really did an amazing job executing both of these events. A huge shout out goes to the MYC social committee for hosting the Kentucky Derby party, which was well attended!

Looking forward, June is packed with tons of events. A new member orientation / reception is scheduled for June 10th. There will be a short meeting from 12:00-12:30 pm with a meet and greet to follow. Take advantage of this opportunity to meet our newest members and help me in welcoming them to the MYC family. The Power Boat event is scheduled for June 17th and is open to the public. Roger Zuidema has done an amazing job in helping promote this wonderful event via Lake Effect Boat Time. Please visit <http://mkgpowerboat.weebly.com/> for more information. Don't forget about the Tripp Cup and Trans Michigan Race this month also!

Summer hours start the week of June 12th and are as follows:

- Monday: Closed
- Tuesday: 12:00 pm – 10:00 pm
- Wednesday: 12:00 pm – 11:00 pm
- Thursday: 12:00 pm – 10:00 pm
- Friday: 12:00 pm- 12:00 am
- Saturday: 12:00 pm- 12:00 am
- Sunday: 12:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Reminder: Please do not put your glassware in the bus tubs. Please give all glasses to the bartender on duty. Thank you for your help with this. We have added a blue recycling bin outside the patio door so we can recycle all plastic cups. The MYC apparel case is stocked with our summer gear. Stop in and check it out.

The MYC will have the America's Cup races on the big screens and surround sound (during business hours). Join us for the final event for a special America's Cup Viewing Party with a variety of door prizes and giveaways. More info to come soon!

Wishing everyone well and cheers to a great summer on the lakeshore!

Thank you,
Kim Nguyen
General Manager
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Mother's Day Brunch May 14thth





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**2ND ANNUAL
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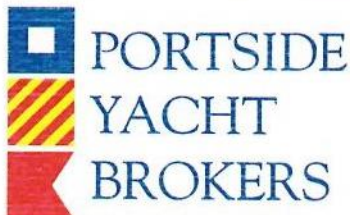
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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
| | | | | 1 | 2 | 3 Torresen Regatta |
| 4 BBS Regatta | 5 | 6 Euchre Night 7pm | 7 Race Night | 8 | 9 | 10 New Member Orientation |
| 11 | 12 | 13 Euchre Night 7pm | 14 Race Night | 15 | 16 | 17 Power Boat Day |
| 18 | 19 | 20 Euchre Night 7pm | 21 Race Night Tripp Cup | 22 | 23 Trans Michigan Race | 24 Trans Michigan Buoys |
| 25 | 26 | 27 Euchre Night 7pm | 28 Race Night | 29 | 30 TGIF Pursuit | |

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