



MYC Fishing Derby - October 7th, 2018

Will won "Smallest Fish" at a whopping 2 inches! Finn won "Biggest Fish" at a monster 9 ½ inches! Brady won "Most Fish" with 20 caught!

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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS:

A heartfelt "thank you" to everyone who helped put the outdoor portions of our Club away for the season. October 20 was thankfully sunny and dry for the many members who among other things washed windows, took down the awning, stored the grills, drained the kiddie pool, and helped our pool furniture and Adirondack chairs migrate to the Octagon Building. In no particular order (and apologies for any names I've missed) many thanks to the following members who donated their time, knuckles, and sweat on the 20th:

Glynn Stenstrom Barb VanFossen Edgar Marty Tim Wallace Dean Runk Bud Ainsworth Renee Rutz Ross Simpson Bill Richardson Michelle Eitniear John & Jean Nieuwenhuis Ron VanThiel Erin Turrell

As always, Facilities Manager Nicky Anderson and GM Kim Nguyen helped shepherd everyone through the process of buttoning-up the exterior for the season. An honest 80+ man-hours of labor can accomplish a lot on a Saturday morning. Whether you staff the booth at the Boat Show, fix a bad sprinkler head, or struggle through a 9am Saturday committee meeting, your efforts are both important and valued. In that vein, MYC is very pleased to announce its first annual Volunteer Appreciation event, which will be held at 3pm on Saturday, November 17. Event details are in this edition of the Port Watch, hope to see you there.

Happy Fall!

Brad

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

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

Chad & Marcy Bulliner - Full Members - Grand Blanc

2018 Capital Improvement Fund Update



<u>MYC Committee Meeting Reminders:</u> 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



Saturday, November 10, 2018 MYC Dining Room Cocktails 6:00 pm ~ Dinner 6:30 pm

Entrée Selections - \$20.00 per person

Surf and Turf Prime Rib (served medium rare) – Jumbo Shrimp Skewer (3) –Mashed Potato – Green Beans

Truffled Morel Cavatappi Chicken Breast – Cavatappi Pasta - Crispy Pancetta – Arugula – Truffled Mushroom Pesto – Pickled Red Onion – Fresh Parmesan (may be ordered with no meat)

> Homestyle Pot Roast Braised Beef – Candied Root Vegetables – Mashed Potato – Gravy

Junior Sailors Menu - \$10.00 per person

Chicken Tenders & French Fries Mac & Cheese Bowl & French Fries Cheeseburger & French Fries

Family style tossed salad with assorted dressings – Hodge Podge assorted dinner rolls with whipped butter on the table! Self-serve dessert bar will be available after dinner!

Reservations Required to Attend!

All reservations will be member charged. All non-member reservations will be charged to skippers account.

Please make sure to include the boat name in your RSVP. RSVP - kim@muskegonyachtclub.org or call 231-755-1414, or at the bar

RSVP's accepted until 11/6/18

Juniors Committee Report:

2018 HARBOR HOSPICE JUNIORS REGATTA

Like last year, the 2018 Harbor Hospice Regatta event also served as the annual MYC Ulrich Memorial Junior Regatta, where each year the winner of the largest fleet has their name engraved on the Ulrich Cup Trophy. On behalf of the Ulrich family, Van Ulrich presented the Ulrich Cup to Ben Bakran, who placed first in the Butterfly fleet (on the right below).



Butterfly Results	R1	R2	R3	Total
1. Ben Bakran	1	1	2	4
2. Ben Morris	2	2	3	7
3. Hobey (guest)	4	4	1	9
4. Ansel Hartmann	5	3	4	12
5. Garrett Riehl	3	5	5	13

The Optimist fleet racing ended in a three-way tie for first place and it took every tie-breaking rule to finally determine the winner! All three girls, who have become great friends this season, thought this was really fun!

Optimist Results	R1	R2	R3	Total
1. Emilee Nguyen	2	3	1	6
2. Jasmine Nguyen	3	1	2	6
3. Maria Eenigenburg	1	2	3	6



It was all grins as all three Optimist sailors tied for first!

Laser Full Rig Results	R1	R2	R3	Total
1. Braden Johnson (WLYC)	1	1	1	3
2. Josh Corder	2	2	4	8
3. Chance Spencer	3	4	2	9
4. Sarah Corder	4	3	3	10



This was the very last regatta as Juniors for Sarah, Chance and Josh

FALL HIGH SCHOOL SAILING NEWS

As mentioned in last month's Portwatch, MYC Junior Instructor Frank Frisinger sails for the Grand Haven High School Sailing Team. On Oct 21, Frank placed 10th out of 23 sailors at the Michigan High School Singlehanded Laser Radial State Championship. On Oct 27, racing 2-person Club 420s, Frank placed 6th out of 29 teams in Division A at the Pontiac Yacht Club Halloween Regatta.

For lots more info and news about HS sailing, go to https://missa.hssailing.org

COLLEGIATE SAILING

Last month, we reported that the Midwest is currently the fastest growing region in the country for high school sailing. Guess what? The Midwest is also the fastest growing region in the nation for <u>collegiate</u> sailing!

And just like in high school sailing, MYC is in on the action! Recent MYC Junior Race Team graduate Sarah Corder is now a member of the Grand Valley State University Sailing Team.

Like high school, most collegiate sailing is raced on 2-person Club 420 sailboats. However, there are also regattas for singlehanded Laser competition as well as events where teams compete on larger offshore sailboats.

On Sep. 15-16, Sarah was one of two freshmen among GVSU's six member sailing team that raced in the 2018 Great Lakes Intercollegiate Offshore Regatta in Chicago. A total of 19 collegiate teams competed at this event on identical 33 foot sailboats generously provided by the Chicago Tartan 10 Fleet.



The starts were busy for GVSU on the blue boat #02



Sarah was part of the foredeck crew for GVSU



Two regular crew members on MYC member Larry Taunt's J35 "Bad Dog", Antoinette Martin and Nicole Kievit, are also members of the Grand Valley State University Sailing Team. In addition to their regular schedule of weekend regattas here in the Midwest, the GVSU Sailing team traveled all the way to Larchmont NY on Oct 6-7 to compete in the Storm Trysail Intercollegiate Offshore Regatta on Long Island Sound. Look for a full report and some great photos in next month's Portwatch.

Here in the state of Michigan, there are collegiate sailing teams at Michigan State, University of Michigan, GVSU, Hope College, Western Michigan University, Northern Michigan and Michigan Technical University. For more info about collegiate sailing in the Midwest go to: https://mcsa.collegesailing.org

2018 MYC JUNIOR SAILING SEASON AWARDS

The Season awards for the Juniors will be presented at the Annual MYC Awards Banquet on November 10. Look for a full report of these results in next month's Portwatch.

CLICK THE LINK BELOW TO FOLLOW THE JUNIORS ON FACEBOOK! https://www.facebook.com/Muskegon-Junior-Sailing-Program-134232283314396/



MYC had some visitors on the lake side lawn on 10/31/18!!



We are looking for some new individuals to join our committee. See Cathy Young or Melody Stenstrom if you are interested! Thank you!

> "Haul Out" Volunteer Day was Saturday, 10/20 Many thanks to those who helped.











Club Hours of Operation

	Bar Hours	Kitchen Hours
Monday:	Club Closed	Club Closed
Tuesday:	Club Closed	Club Closed
Wednesday:	4pm – 10pm	4pm – 9pm
Thursday:	4pm – 10pm	4pm – 9pm
Friday:	12pm – 11pm	12pm – 9pm
Saturday:	12pm – 11pm	12pm – 9pm
Sunday:	1pm – 9pm	1pm – 8pm



The fall season started out fast but now it is time to plan for winter. My extended forecast shows snow next weekend. Yes, SNOW. Now, we all know that will most likely change, but in case it does not, plan accordingly. I am surely not ready for that white stuff to fall from the sky, but it will regardless if I am ready for it or not!!!

October was a fun month at MYC. We hosted numerous events - Thank you to all who came down for one or more of the following: 5th Annual Fishing Derby, Jam Session, Haul Out, Halloween Party, Life Member Luncheon, or the Big Game – Michigan vs Michigan State (GO BLUE). Thank you to the social committee for all the great decorations this month and your help with these events. November will be much of the same! We plan to debut the wine dinners and winter menu this month along with the annual awards banquet, new member orientation, and ice cream social (for all volunteers)!

Thank you to all the members who participated in the end of the season survey. Once the survey is discussed on the House Committee level, we plan to release the results to the membership. Your feedback is valuable and very much appreciated.

I am in the process of stocking the MYC Apparel case with winter gear: Most items have been ordered and will be in soon. You can look forward to long sleeve dry wick shirts, long sleeve cotton shirts, ¼ zip sweatshirts, and full zip sweatshirts. Just ask the bartender on duty for assistance.

The outside bathrooms are now closed and the water has been shut off. Please use the spigots on the outside of the clubhouse should you need any water.

The club will be closed on Thanksgiving Day and will re-open on Friday, 11/23/18 at noon. Wishing each of you a very Happy Thanksgiving!

Thank you, Kim Nguyen 231-755-1414 x1 <u>kim@muskegonyachtclub.org</u>

COME ONE, COME ALL! THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO



Great Costumes at the annual MYC Halloween Party!





Pink Ladies Jen, Barb, Marie, Pat



Nights mixed up: Bud thought it was the Commodore's Ball night. With Spooly.



Social Committee: Renee, Rome & Sharlene



Judy & Dave



Kerri Bennett & Denise Spoelman



Jayne & ?



Trashman Jim Bennett



Rome, Sharlene, ?, Karen, Tim Wallace



Best female costumes



Best costume contest

A Note from the On The Water Race Committee

Happy Fall MYC Friends and Family!

By the time you are reading this, Jess and I should have the fixed race marks all pulled, power washed and put away in the Octagon Building. The Gordon Torresen should be in her hibernation storage at Torresen Marine. And it is time for our Annual Awards Banquet! Thank you to John Marks, Josh Wallace and Sam and the Race and Regatta Committee for planning this fun night. For Jess and I and so many of our MYC family, this all means only one thing: Ski season is just around the corner!

We wanted to take a moment to say thank you to all of our MYC Racers for allowing us to serve you these past five summers. It doesn't seem that long to me, but I think that is because it took me about three and a half summers just to figure it out! We wanted to write this note to express the feelings behind our decision to take some time away from at least the Wednesday night racing. It was a VERY difficult decision that we were already talking about in February as we were covering our last couple of Mountain Host ski shifts at Crystal Mountain. While that was only our second winter as Mountain Hosts with the National Ski Patrol at Crystal, we felt that we wanted to take the next step in training for full ski patrol. However, until we began as Mountain Hosts, we had absolutely no idea of the level of training those wearing that red cross have to pass! This past spring, we found ourselves wishing that we had more time to take the Outdoor Emergency Care course requirements throughout the summer months. It is easily a couple of months' worth of commitment, but we simply could not add that to our already hectic summer schedule. That combined with a somewhat last-minute decision to resign my employment of the last 24 years and the sudden opportunity to purchase a "fixer upper" home in Bluffton right down from our beloved MYC, and we found ourselves buried and stressed out even as the summer was just beginning.

I know there is a lot of talk about the fact that there is a basic lack of respect for Race Officials these days. As Sam Nedeau pointed out in a recent edition of the Port Watch, this is not just a MYC issue. I agree with Sam. But that did not have a major bearing on our decision. We still want to do some regattas for MYC. We love the Melges Regatta, the Hospice Regatta and we would like to help with more Junior events. We just renewed for another three years as US Sailing Race Officials and we will carry on with our continuing education from US Sailing that is required every year.

In summary, please know that you will likely still see us out there in our Scout quite a bit, relaxed and watching you all on Wednesday nights. And on those nights, we will gladly assist the PRO as their mark set boat. The only difference will be that we won't have to make the decisions on a course change, abandonment due to no wind or developing storms, etc. Please know that we will make ourselves a resource to help when asked. But most importantly, we are thankful to all of you for spending so much of YOUR time racing with us these past five years!

Respectfully, Jon and Jess Ledsworth





Did you know socks are the number one requested item in the homeless shelters? Join us during the month of November & December by donating to our sock drive, and as community, we can help those in need. Donations will be given to the Muskegon area Every Woman's Place.

Do you have a pair or two to spare? Bring in two pairs of socks or more and receive \$2 off your Holiday Meal on 12/8/18. Please see the bartender on duty for your voucher!

Let's help spread some MYC Holiday Cheer!



<u>ANNUAL MYC</u> <u>HOLIDAY</u> <u>DINNER!</u>

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2018

12:00 PM - 8:00 PM

<u>MENU</u>

Country Ham Steak, Red Skin Mashed Potatoes with Ham Gravy, Roasted Corn & Sweet Potato Hash, Wild Mushroom & Sage Stuffing, Brioche Roll with Whipped Honey Butter

PRICE

\$10 per person or \$40 for a family style (up to 5 people)

DESSERT

Candied Apple Crisp with Maple Whipped Cream (Additional \$3 per person)

RSVP Not Required







MYC SKI WEEKEND AT CRYSTAL MOUNTAIN 1/18/19 – 1/19/19.

ROOMS AT THE HARBOR LIGHTS INN IN FRANKFORT \$99.00/NIGHT, NO MINIMUM. PLEASE CONTACT CATHY LINDLAND-YOUNG AT 616-836-1994 IF YOU ARE INTERESTED.

Employee Holíday Fund

Season's Greetings!

Muskegon Yacht Club is very fortunate to have an outstanding, loyal staff. This is a result of both their professionalism and the positive relationships they have with our members.

In 2013, our membership had the good sense to create an annual Employee Holiday Fund. This is a convenient way for you to give a holiday gratuity to staff members in conjunction with your monthly account billing. Membership contributions will be divided amongst all our staff and given to them mid-December.

The Employee Holiday Fund is an entirely voluntary program designed to give a heartfelt holiday "Thank You" to our staff. Please consider contributing at whatever level you are comfortable with. Your generosity is always greatly appreciated.

Happy Holidays!

Brad Fisher Commodore

Click here to contribute online with a credit/debit card: http://www.muskegonyachtclub.org/online-payment/

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Or return this form to the MYC business office:

\$200 _	\$150	\$100	\$75	\$50	\$25	Other

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~ MYC November 2018 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 West Mich Ice Yacht Club Swap Meet
4 Jam Session 3pm	5	6 Election Day	7 Euchre Night 7pm	8	9	10 Annual Awards Banquet RSVP
11	12	13	14 Euchre Night 7pm	15 Board Meeting 7pm	16	17 NewMember Orientation 11:30am Volunteer Ice Cream Social 3pm
18 Jam Session 3pm	19	20	21 Euchre Night 7pm	22 Happy Thanksgiving Club Closed	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	
			Euchre Night 7pm			

If you have events or meetings you'd like added to the Portwatch or website calendars, please contact Sue Peters <u>sue@muskegonyachtclub.org</u>