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Please email Kim Nguyen
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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS:

Fellow MYC members,

We just finished up February with a wonderful weekend! While some of our members were enjoying a ski weekend, others were treated to watching the R/C sailboats race while the Jam session was in full swing. Thanks Tom Udell and band for brightening our day.

It appears we may have an early spring and many members are already preparing for the season. The 9 fixed docks along the seawall are going to be raised to the height of the walkway and our marine contractor assures us it will be completed before we launch.

Our staff is working hard to make MYC the great place it is and it's nice to let them know it is noticed. Likewise, if there is a suggestion, comment, or idea that is not urgent there is a box outside the business office door. If there is a more pressing matter please refer to the bartender on duty or if necessary, bring the matter to Kim or the committee chair. Most of the time I find that questions or disputes are easily solved by reading the RED BOOK. Reading the book might not be a high priority for some but there is a wealth of info that can help us all enjoy this fabulous club together!

I hope to see everyone at MYC soon!

Tim Wallace
Commodore



2020 Capital Improvement Fund Update

2020 Collected:

\$ 34,637

+

12/31/19 Balance:

\$ 40,624

2020 Expenditures:

None

Available Balance =

\$ 75,261



2020 Dock Claim Insurance Settlement Summary

Date	Transaction	Amount	Balance
6/25/18	Ins. Settlement Chk #1 of 2	50,000.00	50,000.00
6/25/18	Tucker Marine Constr. #168	-25,700.00	24,300.00
8/6/18	Ins. Settlement Chk #2 of 2	401,733.43	426,033.43
12/12/18	Tucker Marine Constr. #190	4,800.00	421,233.43
1/31/19	Edgewater Resources #1147	6,180.00	415,053.43
2/28/19	Edgewater Resources #1242	2,896.75	412,156.68
4/11/19	Edgewater Resources #1389	1,105.00	411,051.68
7/19/19	Soils & Structures #68775	9,400.00	401,651.68
7/31/19	Tucker Marine Constr. #219	6,000.00	395,651.68



Club Hours of Operation

	<u>Bar Hours</u>	<u>Kitchen Hours</u>
Monday:	Club Closed	Club Closed
Tuesday:	Club Closed	Club Closed
Wednesday:	4-10 pm	4-9 pm
Thursday:	4-10 pm	4-9 pm
Friday:	12-11 pm	12-9 pm
Saturday:	12-11 pm	12-9 pm
Sunday:	1-9 pm	1-8 pm

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
- Race & Regatta Committee – 3rd Weds at 7:00pm
- Social Committee – as needed
- Board Meeting – 3rd Thursdays at 7:00pm



Membership Committee Report:

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

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

Allan & Nancy Girvin	Full Member	Spring Lake, MI
Brittany & Kristopher Hoffman	Junior Member	Muskegon, MI
Ken McKellar & Suzanne Thomas	Full Member	Keego Harbor, MI
Joe & Mary Schafer	Full Members	Norton Shores, MI
Michael & Sarah Staples	Full Members	Alto, MI
Jeffrey Ward	Full Member	Grand Rapids, MI



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SATURDAY,
APRIL 25, 2020
12:00 PM – 5:00 PM



Apply for membership at our 2020 Open House
and receive **HALF OFF** your **INITIATION FEE!**
Don't miss out on this special offer.
(Valid 4/25 only)

Apply for membership **AND** rent a seasonal slip
for 2020 and we will **WAIVE** the **ENTIRE**
INITIATION FEE.
(Valid for 2020 season)

*Come see what the talk is all about and make MYC your
destination on the lake!*

*****Open to the public all day*****

MYC Custom Apparel



New in Stock

Royal Blue - Quarter Zip Sweatshirt

White - Quarter Zip Sweatshirt

Grey - Light Weight - Full Zip Fleece

Royal Blue & Black - Full Zip Fleece

Plus, Much More:

Cotton & Dry Wick T- Shirts

Cotton & Dry Wick Long Sleeve Shirts

Hats & Visors

Burgee Flags

Iron on patches

Women's Swim Skits

Polo Shirts

Ask the bartender on duty for assistance!



House Committee Report:

The club had an issue in February with members behavior in the bar area. As a member of MYC you have both privileges and obligations. The privileges are to spend time in our wonderful club along with the company of our fellow members.

The obligation is to be respectful to members and staff at all times. I would like to remind members that the only person with the authority to criticize or train staff is the General Manager. We, as members, have no right to criticize staff for the job they're doing. If a member has an issue with any staff member or fellow member for any reason, you must follow the procedures in the Redbook and report the issue to the General Manager for her to take action as needed. If you're unhappy with the result of your comments or complaints you have the right to discuss it with the House committee or Rear Commodore. Please be courteous to the members of the Board and the various committees. They do a tremendous amount of work, on a voluntary basis, for the betterment of the club. Feel free to get involved with a committee if you want to see something changed or improved upon.

Positive note:

Everybody's giving rave reviews about the food come on down and try it. We look forward to your feedback.

Graduation season is coming up - don't forget to book your party at the club. It's also a great place for birthday parties or even retirement parties! We look forward to your ongoing support.

Thank you,

Ross Simpson
Chair



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Dock & Yard Committee Report:

As of now, we are prepared to be fully operational for the season. Our electrical situation was corrected in September 2019 and all slips now have power. New junction boxes were installed with ample height to not be compromised with the forecasted rise in water levels this summer. The main electrical panel is a concern and we have a plan to address that should the water rise to a level considered to be unsafe for that to be energized. We plan to address the water in the parking lot by constructing a wood platform sections to be placed at the water's edge so that anyone using the hoist will not be standing in water on a slimy, algae covered surface.

Thank you,

Jill Keast
Joel Seifert
Co-Chairs

2020 OPEN SLIPS





From the Business Office:

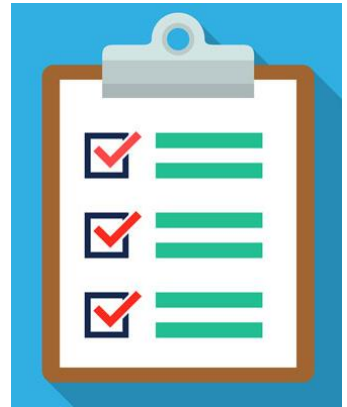
2020 Membership Dues – If you haven't yet paid your 2020 Membership Dues, please make sure to do so before March 15, 2020 to avoid a late payment penalty. Thank you!

Reminders:

In accordance with our credit policy (see pages 44-45 in the Handbook), please make sure we have valid credit or debit card information on file for your account.

Please update us with any changes in your contact information – address, phone, email, boat information, etc. Our 2020 Roster will be published soon and we want your information to be accurate!

Thank you,
Sue Peters



Sunday, March 8, 2020



Social Committee Report:

Thank you to Wasserman's Floral at 1595 Lakeshore Drive for their generous donation of flowers for Valentine's Day. They sure were beautiful and put special touch to our dining room tables.

MYC Social Committee is selling Green Shamrocks for the month of March to help MYC "Go Green!" You may purchase one from the bartender on duty for \$5 each!

Thank you for your support!



FREE - 2020 Boater Safety Course at MYC

Hosted by the Muskegon Police Department –
Marine/ORV/Snowmobile Division

June 23rd & June 24th

8 am – noon

MYC Lakeview Room

Ages 12 – 16

Sign-up sheet located on the MYC foyer countertop!



Juniors Committee Report:

REGISTER NOW FOR 2020 SUMMER SAILING CLASSES!

The MYC Sailing School web site has been be updated for the 2020 season. Click the following link to view and register for 2020 summer classes:

<http://www.mycsailingschool.org>

NEW FOR 2020: FREE INTRODUCTORY SESSIONS DURING WELCOME WEEK!

MYC Sailing School “Welcome Week” will take place June 15-18. This special week of introductory sessions offers a variety of fantastic opportunities for youth of nearly all ages to sample our summer sailing programs at no cost!

Click the following link to learn more about **Welcome Week**:

<http://www.mycsailingschool.org/classes-schedules-fees/>

SAILING SCHOOL CLASSES AREN'T JUST FOR KIDS!! Be sure to check out our Monday evening class for adults, families and teens who have daytime jobs!

2020 JUNIOR RACE TEAM SEASON SCHEDULE

The schedule for the WMYSA “Friday” Regattas for 2020 will be as follows:

- Friday June 19: Club 420 Spinnaker Clinic at Macatawa Bay YC
- Friday June 26: Regatta at Macatawa Bay YC
- Friday July 10: Regatta at Spring Lake YC
- Friday July 24: Regatta at Muskegon YC
- Friday July 31: Regatta at White Lake YC

Note that the usual pattern of a regatta happening every two weeks will be a little bit different this year. The last two regattas will be back-to-back due to where the Westerns Regatta lands on the calendar in 2020.

For more WMYSA info, click this link: <http://westmichiganyouthsailing.org>

OTHER IMPORTANT 2020 JUNIOR SAILING DATES

MYC Junior sailors should also update their calendars include the following:

- **June 11-12, 2020: US Sailing Area K Laser and Club 420 National Championship Qualifiers at Muskegon YC. This event will attract lots of talented sailors from throughout the Midwest and will be a great opportunity for MYC members to both volunteer and spectate.**
- July 14-16, 2020: Butterfly Nationals at Spring Lake YC
- Aug 6-9, 2020: “Westerns” Regatta at Torch Lake YC

COLLEGIATE SAILORS STAY BUSY IN THE WINTER MONTHS

College sailors are very busy competing throughout the Fall and Spring seasons. During the Winter, they stay active by recruiting new team members at special student activity fairs that are held regularly on their campuses.



MYC member Corrine Nedeau (on the left) recruited for the MSU Sailing Team.



MYC member Sarah Corder recruited for the Grand Valley Sailing Team.

While Corrine and Sarah were busy indoors recruiting new team members, MYC Junior Instructor Frank Frisinger (*second from the right in the front row below*) and his fellow members of the Old Dominion University Sailing Team braved the winter cold and the frigid temperatures of the Atlantic Ocean when they participated in an annual Polar Plunge at Virginia Beach this winter.



PLEASE SUPPORT MYC JUNIOR PROGRAMS BY GIVING TO THE MJSA



The MYC Sailing School and MYC Junior Programs are made possible through the generous support of the **Muskegon Junior Sailing Association (MJSA)** which is a 501c3 charitable organization. Please consider making a tax-deductible donation to the MJSA. For more info and to make a donation, please click the link below: <http://www.muskegonyachtclub.org/myc-juniors/mjsa/>



SPRING THAW 2020

TORRESEN SPRING THAW
SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 2020
9 AM – 5 PM
STOP DOWN AND CHECK IT OUT!

10:30 a.m. **Activity: Bowline Knot Competition**

11:30 a.m. **Seminar: Sail Care & Maintenance** by Jim Frisinger of Bluffton Bay Sails and Chad Hough of Quantum Sails

1:00 p.m. **Seminar: Growing Up Sailing** by Sarah Angell of Beneteau America

2:30 p.m. **Activity: Bowline Knot Competition**

3:30 p.m. **Seminar: Safety In Shorthanded Sailing** by Ken Verhaeren and Elisabeth Reichling



Race & Regatta Committee Report:

The Race and Regatta Committee has been meeting on the third Wednesday of each month and is excited about the 2020 season. The racing calendar is posted on the MYC web site and as you may have noticed, we will start the season a week earlier than in the past years, with the Challenge Cup sailing on May 6th. The primary reason for the earlier start is that it allows our fantastic sponsors, McKenize Price Insurance, The Clipper Cup, Bluffton Bay Sails and

Pigeon Hill Brewery, equal numbers of Wednesday nights for each of their series. Plus, we basically got excited about sailing and said, let's this get this rolling.

For 2020 the sailing schedule has two significant changes starting with the sponsor series. We will no longer have a spring, summer and fall series, but rather, the sponsor series will divide the season into four separate series. Boats will be scored for each series and each boat will have one throw out per series. The Wednesday Night Series class and overall awards will be based on the entire 24 nights of sailing, May 6th through October 14th.

The other significant change is that MYC will welcome back weekend racing. For starters, the Commodore's Cup (May 23-34) will be a two-day event. The Nedeau Cup, a race started decades ago by my grandfather, Harvey I. Nedeau, is back and is planned to be sailed on July 4th in Lake Michigan. Last but not least, the Governor's Cup is back with a BANG, as a two-day regatta, September 5/6, with significant festivities planned, including a band and lots of other fun.

In addition to our local club racing, MYC will host three significant regattas in 2020. The C-Scow Nationals will sail 6/19-21 followed by the Bemis/Smyth Qualifier, 7/10-12 and then the weekend after Labor Day, the WETA Nationals 9/11-13. Each of these events is expected to draw a nice fleet and allow us to showcase our club and lake, but the impact on the club should be minimal in contrast to the E-Scow Nationals.

Lastly, before all the on the water fun starts, the RRC will host two preseason fleet meetings, March 11th and April 15th, each at 7:00 PM, to discuss various topics such as procedure, section splits, participation and anything else the fleet would like to discuss. Please plan on attending along with your crew.

Please be sure to either attend the RRC meeting on Wednesday, March 11th at 7:00 PM or check out April's Port Watch for updates on the Commodore's Cup Challenge, the Queen's Cup and how the Trans-Michigan trophy will be awarded.

Sail Fast

Sam Nedeau
Chair, Race and Regatta Committee



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Muskegon Yacht Club 2020 Race Calendar

Date	Day	Time	Event (Black=MYC Purple=Non-MYC Red=Juniors)
5/6	Wed	6:30 PM	Wednesday Spring Challenge Trophy/First Race of McKenzie Price Series
5/16-17	Sat-Sun	See NOR	Midwest One-Design Spring Championship (MYC)
5/23-24	Sat-Sun	See NOR	MYC Commodore's Cup *
6/10	Wed	6:30 PM	Last Race of McKenzie Price Series
6/11	Thurs	8:00 AM	LMSS Double Handed Race (To Port Washington)
6/12-14	Fri-Sat-Sun	See NOR	Chicago NOOD Regatta CYC
6/17	Wed	6:30 PM	First Race of Lake Michigan Clipper Cup Series
6/19-21	Fri-Sat-Sun	See NOR	C Scow National
6/20-21	Sat-Sun	See NOR	MBYC Commodore's Cup (Holland MI)
6/24	Wed	See NOR	Tripp Cup (Grand Haven to Milwaukee) LMSRF
6/26	Fri	7:00 PM	Queens Cup (Milw. To Grand Haven) SSYC
6/26	Fri		WMYSA Regatta at Macatawa Bay YC
7/4	Sat	11 am	Nedeau Cup*
7/5	Sun	12 pm	Craig Powell Memorial
7/10	Fri		WMYSA Regatta Spring Lake YC
7/10-12	Sat-Sun		Bemis/ Smyth Qualifiers
7/11	Sat	12:00 PM	Port Huron to Mac BYC
7/14-16	Tues-Thurs		Butterfly Nationals Spring Lake YC
7/18	Sat	1 pm	Whitehall/ White Lake Race
7/18	Sat	See NOR	CYC Race to Mackinac
7/22	Wed	6:30 PM	Last Race of Lake Michigan Clipper Cup Series
7/24	Fri		WMYSA Regatta Muskegon YC
7/25-26	Sat/ Sun	See NOR	Ugotta Regatta LTyc (Harbor Springs)
7/29	Wed	6:30 PM	Harbor Hospice Race (part of Wed Night Series)/First Race of Bluffton Bay Sails Series
7/31	Fri		WMYSA Regatta at White Lake YC
8/6-9	Thurs. -Sun		Westerns at Torch Lake
8/7	Fri	See NOR	Lake Michigan Clipper Cup (to Port Wash) LMSRF

8/7-9	Fri-Sat-Sun	See NOR	Verve Cup Chicago CYC
8/15	Sat	7:00 AM	MYC Pursuit Race to GH
8/15	Sat	12:00 PM	GRSC/ MYC Commodores Invitational *
9/2	Wed	6:15 PM	Last Race of Bluffton Bay Sails Series/First Warning Time Changes
9/5-6	Sat/Sun	See NOR	Governor's Cup Regatta *
9/5	Sat	See NOR	Anchorage Cup (GH to Holland) AYC
9/9	Wed	6:15 PM	First Race of Pigeon Hill Brewing Series
9/11-13	Fri-Sun	See NOR	WETA Nationals at MYC
10/14	Wed	6:15 PM	Wednesday Fall Challenge/Last Race of Pigeon Hill Brewing Series
11/7	Sat	6:00 PM	MYC Annual Awards Banquet

Wednesday Night Racing Series Scoring:

Season scoring will be based on individual "high point" overall scoring of the best twenty (20) Wednesday night finishes of the total twenty-four (24) scheduled from 6 May 2020 through 14 October 2020. First Warning is 6:30 PM until 2 September 2020 when the First Warning is 6:15 PM for the rest of the season. The fleet will obtain one (1) throw-out race for every six (6) races scored. For example, if nineteen (19) races are scored, then the fleet will receive three (3) throw-outs which can be applied to the nineteen (19) races scored. If the twenty-fourth (24) race is scored, the fleet will receive a fourth (4th) throw-out. The class winners and overall winner of the Wednesday Night Racing Series will be the boat(s) with the highest amount of points after the allowable throw-outs. One (1) race sailed shall constitute the summer series.

Wednesday Night Sponsor Series Scoring:

There will be four (4) separate Wednesday Night Sponsor Series. These races will be the first six (6) Wednesday nights followed by the following six (6), the next six (6) and the last six (6) Wednesday nights. Each Sponsor Series will be scored independent of the overall Wednesday Night Racing Series. If six (6) races are scored, each boat will receive one (1) throw-out. If less than six (6) races per series are scored, there shall be no throw-out. The class winners and overall winner of each Sponsor Series will be boat(s) with the highest amount of points after the allowable throw-out. One (1) race scored shall constitute a series.

Blacklock Cup Trophy Scoring:

The Blacklock Cup will be awarded for the Best Overall High Point score for the combined races marked above with a red *: MYC Commodores Cup, MYC Nedeau Cup, GRSC/MYC Commodores Invitational, and MYC Governor's Cup. There will not be a throw-out available for the Blacklock Cup Scoring.

Spring & Fall Challenge Scoring:

The Spring and Fall Challenge will continue to each be awarded as single events. In addition, they will count towards the Wednesday Night Racing Series and they will count towards the one (1) of two (2) of the Sponsor Series that they will fall in on the race schedule, unless either are abandoned.

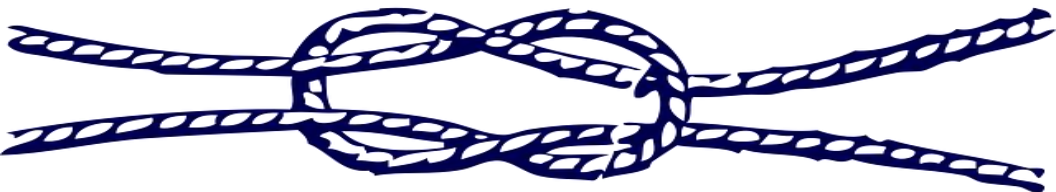
Nedeau Cup:

The 2020 Nedeau Cup will be awarded to the Overall Winner of the Nedeau Cup Regatta scheduled for 4 July 2020. It is the intent of MYC RC to set the course for this event on Lake Michigan.

Boat of the Year Scoring:

The 2020 Boat of the Year Scoring is TBD and will be determined prior to the warning signal of the first race and it will be posted as an Amendment to this NOR.

Prepared by: 2020 Muskegon Yacht Club Race & Regatta Committee - 01/21/2020



2020 Governor's Cup Regatta

LABOR DAY WEEKEND
September 4-6, 2020

Divisions for Spinnaker, Jib and Main, and
Cruisers

Friday Evening,

September 4, 6-10pm

Cocktail Party &
Skipper's Meeting
MYC Pool

BBQ Picnic Dinner
Entertainment &
Dancing

Sunday September 6,

noon

Racing Continues
w/awards following

Saturday, September

5, 11am

Multiple Races

Signup via Yacht Scoring

This regatta earns participants points for Blacklock
Trophy & MYC Boat of the Year Competitions

Look for the official Notice of Race in the early
Spring 2020

2020 C Scow Nationals

June 18 - 21 at MYC!

Fellow C Scow Sailors, the results are in and the fleet has spoken. The 2020 NCSSA Nationals will be held in Muskegon, MI. With over 60% of 1st place votes they truly ran away with it. When your guidance is that clear, the decision is easy. Congratulations to Muskegon Yacht Club and we look forward to 2020 (Andrew Bohl NCSSA President)

More details to come soon!





**EVERY WEDNESDAY
NIGHT**

7 PM

MYC ROUND ROOM

**HAVE A DRINK, EAT SOME
FOOD, PLAY SOME CARDS**



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~ MYC MARCH 2020 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Jam Session 3 pm	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 Daylight Savings Time Begins	9	10	11 Race & Regatta Meeting 7 pm	12 Dock & Yard Meeting 6:30 pm	13	14 House Meeting 10 am Torresen Spring Thaw
15 Jam Session 3 pm	16	17 	18	19 Board Meeting 7 pm	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

If you have events or meetings you'd like added to the Portwatch or website calendars, please contact Kim Nguyen - kim@muskegonyachtclub.org

