

MUSKEGON YACHT CLUB

PORTWATCH

AUGUST 2020



Way to Go Brady Wallace & Coach Mick!

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By Laws.....Bill Newman, Ben Broughton
Dock & Yard.....Joel Seifert, Jill Keast
House.....Ross Simpson, Karen Garvey
Juniors.....Scott Corder
Membership.....Melody Stenstrom
Race & Regatta.....Sam Nedeau

MYC STAFF

General Manager.....Kim Nguyen
Business Manager.....Sue Peters
Facilities Manager.....Nicky Anderson
Chef.....Josh Sotzen
Bar Manager.....Dianna Kent

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Portwatch Submissions:

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Deadline for content
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month.



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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS:

Fellow MYC members,

Well July is over and summer is in full swing. At least as full as can safely be! MYC is constantly rising up to meet the ever-changing challenges. Our staff and volunteers exceed expectations on a regular basis. Our membership has also shown their dedication to MYC by cooperating with the rules mandated by the government. These rules have made it hard on EVERYONE and the support and compliance of the membership is a great help to enduring a tough situation. The restaurant and bar are up and running and by all accounts the food is excellent! Please make it a point to support the club and enjoy our beautiful property.

Tim Wallace
Commodore



Amazing Photo of the Storm Clouds over MYC
Photo Credit: J.D. Wallace, Sr. 7/26/2020

2020 Capital Improvement Fund Update

2020 Collected:

\$ 60,101

+

12/31/19 Balance:

\$ 40,624

2020 Expenditures:

None

Available Balance =

\$ 100,725



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:	3-10 pm	Closed
Wednesday:	3-11 pm	4-9 pm
Thursday:	3-10 pm	4-9 pm
Friday:	12-11 pm	12-9 pm
Saturday:	12-11 pm	12-9 pm
Sunday:	1-9 pm	2-8 pm

MYC Committee Meeting Reminders:

- Dock & Yard Committee – 2nd Thursdays at 6:30 pm**
- 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**

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Membership Committee Report:

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

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

Jason Lascola & Dawn McDuffee
Danielle Duplissis

Full Members
Junior Member

Grand Rapids, MI
Muskegon, MI

WELCOME BACK FORMER MEMBERS!

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

Matthew & Susan Dugener

Full Members Muskegon, MI



House Committee Report:

Celebration of kitchen returning back to full strength.

As the kitchen reopened after the Covid 19 closure, we were very fortunate to have Josh Sotzen except the role as Executive Chef for the club. He has embraced this promotion with great gusto. He and the team are putting out superb quality food. We have all our old favorite menus items from Pre-Covid days, with an exciting range of specials each week. The specials have been stunning! I've heard nothing but positive comments regarding the quality of the food and its presentation even with the limitation of take away packaging for the outside diners. Amongst our group of friends, we have been eating at the club both Friday and Saturday nights to be able to try both specials.

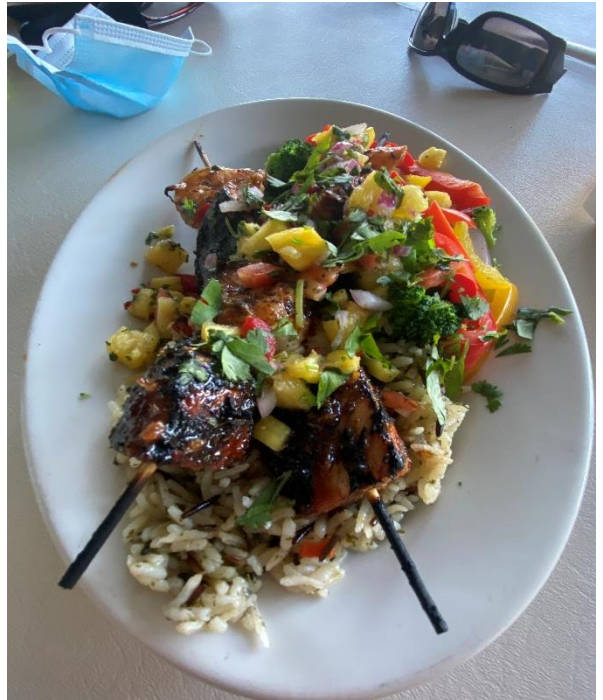
I travel most weeks out of town and the food our kitchen team are producing is equal to the finest restaurants around this great country.

Josh Wyrick is the public face of the kitchen is still going above and beyond the level of service that is required. Just this past weekend, I watched with delight as Josh was greeted by a 4 or 5-year-old young lady calling out to him across the grass in greeting. Then seeing him being greeted by other members of the Club and Josh responding with the warm reply. To round out the kitchen, we have Scott almost back up to full strength after his accident earlier in the year and Brandan is doing great after his first month of work at MYC and is a great addition to the team!

If you have not had a chance to get down for a meal, there are a number of options to explore. We have limited inside dining with appropriate social distancing, under the awning, and the picnic tables out on the grass. Our fellow members are being very respectful of the social distancing rules put in place for our safety by the Governor. Our very professional staff are doing a great job of keeping us safe with the management of the property.

We look forward to seeing you around the club.

Ross Simpson
Co-Chair





Dock & Yard Committee Report:

As this unusual year keeps throwing curve balls, club volunteers keep rising to the challenge. Thank you so much to everyone that helps out with these projects. They simply wouldn't get done without your help and support. So far, the list of accomplishments includes:

- Raising the main electrical panels to ensure power to the dock system.
- 2. Raising the finger piers along the seawall.
- 3. Building and installing another riser on the main walkway.
- 4. Building and installing a walkway on the west wall of the launch ramp.
- Plus, other maintenance and repair projects to keep our club humming along.

Projects still in the works include repairing the outdoor bath peeling paint issue (waiting on estimates); placement of the solar outdoor lights so those of you night owls meandering after dark can see your way around the grounds; placement of "member use only" signage around the property to remind non-members that our assets are for membership use only; final correction of the attenuator issues, which is requiring patience as Tucker Marine finds time to put us on their schedule.

Just a small note to the membership on boat/trailer parking: please be sure to check in with staff or a member of the D&Y committee if you are planning to park anywhere on the property for more than a few hours. It is taking a lot of staff and volunteer time to track down the owners of these trailers/motorhomes/vehicles as they sometimes block those with paid dry sail space from accessing their spot. Thank you for your cooperation.

Also, to those of you exiting or entering the marina (particularly in power boats), please be conscious of your wake in the mooring field area. Our neighbors along Edgewater Street that are dealing with flooding issues are very sensitive to any unnecessary wave action during these high-water times.

Thank you!

Jill Keast

Joel Seifert



Outer Dock Committee Report:

No one is more disappointed than Jon and me that the outer attenuator project has not been completed yet. Tucker Marine has deemed this project somewhat “non-essential” to their overall business and backed this up to a fall project. Our current attenuator system is working so well they feel it is more important to take care of many emergency projects on Lake Michigan before getting to us. Additionally, once they move their barge rig into place on the inside of the attenuator, it would impede MYC boat movement and disrupt their work which we felt would lead to several complaints. With that said, we do have an agreed-upon contract with Tucker at a very fair and favorable rate on MYC’s behalf. Jon and I have cultivated a mutually trusting relationship between MYC and Tucker Marine over the years and there is no question in either of our minds that this project will be completed this fall. Feel free to contact us with any questions.

Bud Ainsworth
Jon Ledsworth



News from the General Manager:

Despite the challenges faced due to the Coronavirus Pandemic we are still having a great summer at MYC. The weather has been exceptional, the lake water levels are dropping, and the comradery at MYC is stronger than ever. Thank you for helping make the best out of this situation. It sure has been a crazy year so far. It is hard to grasp that we are in August already.... WOW. Good luck to all the students and parents as we embark upon another school year. This fall will be unlike any other, I am sure. There is still plenty of enough time to stop down to the club and enjoy what we have to offer. The pool water is warm, the grass is green, and the food and drinks are amazing. We look forward to a great month and hope to see you around the club soon.

Kim Nguyen



Juniors Committee Report:

MYC SAILING SCHOOL CLASSES CANCELLED FOR 2020



After extensive research and abundant, heartfelt deliberation, the *MYC Sailing School* has cancelled all sailing classes for the summer of 2020. As everyone can imagine, this was a very difficult decision to make.

Our number one priority has always been the safety of our young sailors and our instructional staff. To be sure, the Covid-19 pandemic has significantly magnified the importance of conducting our programs in a safe and responsible manner. The appropriate or required preventative measures such as limited class sizes, social-distancing, staff training, equipment sanitization and daily health documentation are simply too cumbersome for us to consistently and confidently accomplish.

While it is too early to predict what 2021 will look like, we are already busy gathering information and studying the experiences of other programs around the country to identify and prepare for what our sailing school programs might look like next summer. Thanks to everyone for your patience and support!

WEST MICHIGAN YOUTH SAILING REGATTAS CANCELLED FOR 2020



After originally postponing the start of its 2020 season until July 6 due to Covid-19, the West Michigan Youth Sailing Association has cancelled its entire 2020 regatta schedule.

2020 WMYA WESTERNS REGATTA CANCELLED



On June 1, the West Michigan Yachting Association (WMYA) Board of Directors announced the cancellation of its annual Westerns Regatta which was originally scheduled to take place at Torch Lake Yacht Club on Aug 6-9. They also announced that the host rotation schedule remains as planned – which means the 2021 Westerns Regatta will take place at Spring Lake Yacht Club.

MYC JUNIOR RACE TEAM NEWS



With all youth regattas in West Michigan cancelled for the summer, the MYC Junior Race Team has been carefully conducting some small-scale, invitation-only practice sessions to safely and responsibly keep a few of its most experienced and veteran Race Team members engaged in sailing this summer.

FOLLOW THE JUNIORS ON FACEBOOK TO STAY UP ON THE LATEST NEWS!!

The following link will take you to our Facebook page: <https://bit.ly/2QLVjLA>

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 separate from MYC. While MYC handles the operational cost of running these programs through instructional and racing fees, the MJSA (not MYC) actually owns the boats and, through an annually-renewing lease, provides this equipment cost-free to MYC. 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/>



“Flashback” Junior Sailing 2019



Race & Regatta Committee Report:



Amended Covid 19 Schedule

Muskegon Yacht Club 2020 Race Calendar

Date	Day	Time	Event (Black=MYC Purple=Non-MYC)
5/27-6/17	Wed	6:30 PM	Practice Races
5/23-24	Sun	See NOR	MYC Commodore's Cup *
6/11	Thurs	8:00 AM	LMSS Double Handed Race (To Port Washington)
6/24	Wed	6:30 PM	First Race of McKenzie Price Series
6/20-21	Sat-Sun	See NOR	MBYC Commodore's Cup (Holland MI)
6/26	Fri	7:00 PM	Running of the Gauntlet, Holland to Weather Buoy and back (MBYC)
6/27	Sat	1:00 PM	McKenzie Price Challenge (2 Races)
7/4	Sat	11 am	Nedeau Cup*
7/5	Sun	12 pm	Craig Powell Memorial
7/15	Wed	6:30 PM	Last Race of McKenzie Price Series
7/22	Wed	6:30 PM	First Race of Lake Michigan Clipper Cup Series
7/11	Sat	12:00 PM	Port Huron to Mac BYC
7/11	Sat	1 pm	Lake Mi Clipper Cup Challenge (2 races)
7/18	Sat	1 pm	Whitehall/ White Lake Race
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, Separate entry for HH scoring)
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
8/12	Wed	6:30 PM	Last Race of Lake Michigan Clipper Cup Series

8/19	Wed	6:30 PM	First Race of Bluffton Bay Sails Series
8/15	Sat	7:00 AM	MYC Pursuit Race to GH
8/15	Sat	12:00 PM	GRSC/ MYC Commodores Invitational *
8/22	Sat	1 pm	BBS Challenge (2 Races)
9/2	Wed	6:15 PM	First Warning Time Changes
9/5-6	Sat/Sun	See NOR	Governor's Cup Regatta *
9/9	Wed	6:15 PM	Last Race of Bluffton Bay Sails Series
9/12	Sat	See NOR	Anchorage Cup (GH to Holland) AYC
9/16	Wed	6:15 PM	First Race of Pigeon Hill Brewing Series
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 (20) scheduled from 3 June 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 five (5) races scored. For example, if nineteen (15) races are scored, then the fleet will receive three (3) throw-outs which can be applied to the nineteen (15) races scored. If the twenty (20) 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 five (5) Wednesday nights followed by the following five (5), the next five (5) and the last five (5) Wednesday nights. Each Sponsor Series will be scored independent of the overall Wednesday Night Racing Series. If five (5) races are scored, each boat will receive one (1) throw-out. If less than five (5) 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 be one 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.

2020 GOVERNOR'S CUP REGATTA

LABOR DAY WEEKEND
SEPTEMBER 4-6, 2020

**Divisions for Spinnaker, Jib and
Main, and Cruisers**

**Signup via Yacht Scoring
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Boat of the Year Competitions**

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30	31					

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

