

MUSKEGON YACHT CLUB

PORTWATCH

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Race & Regatta...Sam Nedeau

MYC STAFF

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

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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS:

Happy February MYC, and welcome back!

As we reopen the clubhouse on Wednesday Feb 3, I am filled with optimism. Though it may be a while yet for me, people I know are getting vaccinated. Locally, COVID cases are decreasing. We must stay vigilant and follow the new MDHHS rules when inside the clubhouse, but there is light at the end of the tunnel!

Our staff has been very hard at work deep cleaning the kitchen, and preparing the clubhouse for our return. Check out the new menu! Thank you to our staff and all of the folks 'leaning in' to make our club better! In that same vein, this year the Queens Cup will finish in Muskegon at MYC. Planning for The Finish has begun, and we could use all the help we can get. Please contact Jon Ledsworth or Sam Nedeau if you can help!

We've had member volunteers creating a wind screen for the patio and purchasing a propane fire table and fabricating crazy washing machine tub Chimineas, and fellowship outside the club never did stop. February can be an awesome month at MYC, so come on back to the Club and have some safe, distanced fun!

I wanted to share a few pics of my all-time favorite day at MYC. It was February 28, 2009 and there was sunshine, ice boating, and Hockey and great friends, food and drink.



Guest Bartender



Brian Torresen, Andy Bos, J'nai Wallace, Andy Price, Tracy Price, and The Whistler. BC Cobb still up and running at the East end of the lake.



Can you believe that one day, both of these Yahoos would serve as Commodore?





Old docks, iceboats, and ice-filled boats.



Olaf and his rum drink.



Austin Waggoner, Andy Price, Brian Torresen, Jay Wallace, Beth Olson, Merri Davis J'nai Wallace, Craig Olson, Josh Wallace, Tracy Price. Ralph Edlund, Keek Wickland, and Mark Burns' nose in the background.

See you soon!

Jay Wallace Jr. Commodore, MYC

> Good Times with Good Friends make the Best Memories.

2021 Capital Improvement Fund Update

2021 Collected: \$ 18,290

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12/31/20 Balance: \$ 45,473



2021 Expenditures:

None

Available Balance = \$ 63,763

2021 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

	Bar Hours	Kitchen Hours
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:	4-10 pm	4-9 pm
Saturday:	12-10 pm	12-9 pm
Sunday:	1-9 pm	1-8 pm

HOURS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE BASED ON COVID-19 REGULATIONS

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:

Dan & Judi Bradley Full Members Grand Rapids, MI
Robert & Anita Workman Full Members Greenfield, IN
Aaron & Becky Scott Full Members Rockford, MI (former

members)



2021 Membership Dues – If you haven't yet paid your 2021 Dues, please make sure to do so in the next few weeks to avoid a late payment penalty. Watch your mail for your new membership card!

Reminders:

- In accordance with our Credit Policy (see pages 46-47 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, new boat information, etc. Our 2021

 Roster will be published in the Spring and we want your information to be accurate!
- We encourage you to take advantage of our other convenient options – contact me to sign up:
 - Paperless Emailed Billing Statements
 - Automatic Credit/Debit Card Bill Pay

I hope to see you very soon at the Club!

Sue Peters



Greetings Fellow MYC Members,

I have been humbled to serve as your Treasurer for quite some time and the past 12 months have certainly been the most interesting of times as the club has navigated through the limitations of operating and surviving during a pandemic.

As a private not for profit club (as opposed to a nonprofit charitable organization), we have been excluded from many of the Cares Act programs

that have been available to regular businesses, most crucially the payroll protection grants. That being said, we have benefitted from some aid and assistance. We did receive a \$10,000 SBA grant early on in the pandemic. We also accepted a low interest 30-year loan of \$150,000 at 2.5%, and we have received relief from our payroll taxes via the Cares Act Retention Credit. In total to date, we have received approximately \$45,000 in grants and tax relief and we still have the money from the loan untouched as a reserve. We have an application for a \$15,000 grant pending but early indications are that we are unlikely to receive that.

I would like to take this opportunity to say THANK YOU to our staff for their efforts over the last year. Kim has held the staff together through very challenging times, added new members even with the club closed, and kept MYC on the rails. Sue has been diligent in keeping our finances in order, managing all the government programs and red tape, as well all the many normal things she does day to day. Nicky has kept the building in shape, supervised the new window installation, and managed the increased cleaning requirements that the pandemic has created for us. We received accolades from the County health inspectors for our work and Nicky and Kim as well as all the staff are to be congratulated for that. Of course, our whole kitchen and bar staff is also to be congratulated on the outstanding job they have done through these very difficult times.

Clearly our operations have been impacted, and this is reflected in our significantly reduced revenues from our restaurant operations. We have been able, through the most recent shutdown, to keep our staff employed by offering "to go" curbside service and further by extending this to the public on a temporary basis. Sales have been enough to essentially breakeven which is typical of the food service portion of our operations. We were also able to continue to serve our membership and build some goodwill in the neighborhood. The loss of the alcohol sales has had a much bigger impact to our bottom line. Overall, however, the lower revenues have largely been offset by reduced expenses and the Cares Act assistance. Our employees, when we were closed, did well on the subsidized unemployment benefits and our membership was very generous with their Holiday contributions to the employees so we are in pretty good shape given the adverse circumstances. We are financially on solid ground and our facilities are in great shape. 2021 should be an outstanding year.

It is VITAL as the club reopens this week, and as more and more people become vaccinated against Covid 19, that our membership reengage with the club. Safely come down for dinner, have a cocktail, use and enjoy the club. Make the effort. No one has to be a member of MYC and we find that members who use the club remain members for life. Our staff misses you, and Muskegon Yacht Club needs you. Have a great month and I hope to see you at MYC soon.

Respectfully,

Larry Taunt
Treasurer MYC



Outer Dock Committee:

Tucker Marine is now onsite at MYC working on the new container/attenuator and is going to be adding three new plying to the outer dock finger piers to help further shore up. The tug barge & crane rig that is moored there now is there's and will be moored off our main dock all winter, as they work on the job. They are now locked into us and committed to finishing this work asap with an early spring completion.

Bud Ainsworth, Jon Ledsworth



Dining during COVID-19

COVID-19 can spread when you are inside, within six feet of others, and not wearing a mask. Michigan health orders require:

For you as a diner:



WEAR MASKS

Only remove your mask to eat or drink. Keep it on when waiting for food or going to the restroom.



MAKE SPACE

Stay six feet apart from those outside your party.



KEEP YOUR PARTY SMALL

No more than six to a table and two households.



Look for Certified COVID-19 Safer Dining establishments, which have taken extra precautions for your safety.

For the restaurant:



WEAR MASKS

Staff must wear masks in the dining area.



LOWER CAPACITY

Restaurant must be at no more than 25% of normal capacity.



PROVIDE SPACE

Tables must be six feet apart.



VENTILATE

Ventilation systems must be working.



CLEAN

Staff must wash hands and sanitize tables frequently.



EXPOSURE NOTIFICATION Restaurant must collect

names and phone numbers.



INFORM

This notice must be posted.



FEB. 1: INDOOR DINING GUIDELINES



Tables of six people or less



Code of Conduct posted



Tents with four sides allowed if these rules are followed

Required



Six feet between tables

Seated service only

10 p.m. curfew



Limit to 25% capacity and no more than 100 people



Wear mask except when eating or drinking



Collect names and numbers for exposure notification

Even with these requirements, indoor dining remains high-risk. Consider reducing your risk:



Choose takeout, delivery, or outdoor dining



Dine only with members of your household



Look for the logo: MI COVID-19 Safer Dining certified bars and restaurants have taken extra steps to make dining safer. Go to Michigan.gov/COVIDSaferDining







Welcome back to MYC for inside dining and merriment! The Clubhouse will reopen on Wednesday, February 3, at 4:00 pm, after a long "Pause to Save Lives." The staff have been working hard on new menu items and making everything shipshape for your return.

We have also added items to the patio for your comfort. A windscreen was custom-made and purchased from Bluffton Bay Sails. Mark and Gary Marchido built a new fire pit that cranks out maximum heat with minimum smoke. Christine Mattson donated a propane fire table that is easy to use. We ask that our members please leave these items as they found them after use. A huge thanks to Christine and the Marchidos for their generosity!

Our inside capacity is limited and will be on a first come, first served basis. With only 11 tables available at the moment and lots of members to serve, please be conscious of your table times for other members who may be waiting. The tables are laid out to accommodate the MDHHS restrictions, so please do not move or add chairs to seating areas. If you are waiting for a table, please do so from our heated patio or your car.

Going forward and per the new MDHHS Pandemic Orders, below are a list of restrictions we will follow:

- Tables of six people or less from no more than two households.
- Six feet between tables.
- Seated Service Only No table-hopping or mingling between parties.
- 10 pm hard close, pursuant to curfew.
- 25% capacity (53 total).
- Mask wearing at all times, except while eating and drinking. Masks
 must be worn while seated and waiting for food and drinks, when
 using restrooms, and when walking to and from your table.
- Contact Tracing by collection of names and phone numbers for exposure notification.

Please note that these are the rules set forth by the State of Michigan, not Muskegon Yacht Club, and we will abide by them. They are stricter

than the previous and we entrust our staff to enforce them, with the full support of the House Committee.

We would like to thank everyone who supported the club during the Pause by ordering Curbside To Go. Not only were we able to serve the membership in a modified fashion, but we were able to serve the public as well. Thank you for helping MYC Curbside be a success. MYC To Go will be available to members during open hours.

Come support your club, order some food, and don't forget to tip the staff.

Karen Garvey Chair



The Social committee will be meeting on Feb 11th 2021 from 5-7pm.

Please contact us at socialcommitteemyc@gmail.com for a link to the virtual meeting if you are wishing to attend.

Unable to make the meeting, that's okay! We encourage all members to feel free to provide suggestions/ideas for social events by emailing us at socialcommittemyc@gmail.com.

Kelly Vanos





Tucker Marine has arrived at MYC to begin repair of the outer dock attenuator. Initially Tucker Marine will be preparing materials onshore before moving out to the water to start work on the attenuator itself. D&Y has been informed that work will move forward until ice sets in on the lake. In addition to the attenuator repairs Tucker Marine will be installing three new pilings to provide additional support to the floating docks.

Thank you to the Marchido family for building the wood burning stove for the patio and also to Steve Luehrs for helping keep snow off the patio and starting the fires almost daily. Everyone's efforts to provide a warm place to enjoy the club during the COVID shut-down has been great.

As a reminder, Dock and Yard is working to form the Tuesday Morning Club. Once upon a time this club was comprised of retired members who met on Tuesday mornings for coffee and to complete small projects around the docks and clubhouse. If you have any interest in participating in the Tuesday Morning Club, retired or not, please let us know.

Stay Warm.

Jeff Blum – <u>jblum@wcgrp.com</u>
Rob Rafson – <u>rob@charthouseenergy.com</u>
Dock and Yard Co-chairs



2021 Queen's Cup "The Finish" at MYC!

MYC is excited to welcome back "The Finish" of the 82nd running of the Queen's Cup Race from South Shore Yacht Club on June

25. This event can have as many as 130 plus boats racing across Lake Michigan through the night from Milwaukee to our great Port of Muskegon. In that MYC is hosting "The Finish," we will be planning a great party and we will be seeing a lot of extra boat traffic that weekend. All of the MYC Committees are working together closely with our Board of Directors, Commodore Wallace and our staff to make sure that we disrupt our members as little as possible. However, we also want to ask that our members consider joining the party! Perhaps even volunteer to help with parking lots or docking or other opportunities? Furthermore, if you are considering a boat trip and it falls over that weekend, we ask that you please let our General Manager Kim or our Facilities Manager Nicky know so that we might ask if we could use your slip for Saturday night. This is a great social event for all of us at MYC but it is also a chance for us to showcase MYC and what a wonderful destination that Muskegon has become for the Queens Cup competitors from all over Lake Michigan. Thank you in advance for your understanding and participation.

Cheers, Jon Ledsworth Chair



Race and Regatta Committee Report:

The 2021 MYC Race Schedule:

It is simply uplifting to submit the 2021 racing schedule to our MYC members. We have a great fleet of talented racers, a wonderful staff, a top rate RC, an outstanding race track and generous sponsors. Put these all together and we have expectations that the 2021 season will be unforgettable.

Please review the schedule and get ready to race.

The RRC



Muskegon Yacht Club 2021 Race Calendar

Date	Day	Time	Event (Black=MYC Purple=Non-MYC Red=Juniors)
5/5	Wed	6:30 PM	Wednesday Spring Challenge Trophy/First Race of
5/15-16	Sat-Sun	See NOR	Bluffton Bay Sails (BBS) Series Midwest One-Design Spring Championship (MYC)
5/30	Sun	occ won	MYC Commodores Cup*
6/9	Wed	6:30 PM	Last Race of Bluffton Bay Sails Serires
6/10	Thurs	8:00 AM	LMSS Double Handed Race (To Port Washington)
6/11-13	Fri-Sat-Sun	See NOR	Chicago NOOD Regatta CYC
6/16	Wed	6:30 PM	First Race of Lake Michigan Clipper Cup Series
6/18-20	Fri-Sat-Sun	See NOR	C Scow National @ MYC
6/19-20	Sat Sun	See NOR	Macatawa Bay YC Commodores Cup
6/23	Wed	See NOR	Tripp Memorial Cup (Muskegon to Milw. LMSRF)
6/25	Fri	7:00 PM	Queens Cup (Milw. To Muskegon) SSYC
6/25	Fri		WMYSA Regatta at Macatawa Bay YC
7/3	Sat	11 am	Nedeau Cup*
7/4	Sun	12 pm	Craig Powell Memorial
7/10	Fri		WMYSA Regatta White Lake YC
7/17	Sat	See NOR	CYC Race to Mackinac
7/13-15	Tues-Thurs		Butterfly Nationals Spring Lake YC
7/18	Sat	1:00 pm	Whitehall/ White Lake Race
7/21	Wed	6:30 PM	Last Race of Lake Michigan Clipper Cup Series
7/23	Fri		WMYSA Regatta Spring Lake YC
7/24	Sat	12:00 PM	Port Huron to Mac BYC
7/28	Wed	6:30PM	First Race of McKenzie Price Insurance Series
7/28-31	Wed-Sat		Westerns at Spring Lake YC
7/31-8/01	Sat/ Sun	See NOR	Ugotta Regatta LTYC (Harbor Springs)
8/6	Fri		WMYSA Regatta at Muskegon YC
8/11	Wed	6:30 PM	Harbor Hospice Race (part of Wed Night Series)

8/6-8	Fri-Sat-Sun	See NOR	Verve Cup Chicago CYC
8/6	Fri	See NOR	Lake Michigan Clipper Cup (to Port Wash) LMSRF
8/14	Sat	7:00 AM	MYC Pursuit Race to GH
8/14	Sat	12:00 PM	GRSC/ MYC Commodores Invitational *
9/1	Wed	6:15 PM	Last Race of McKenzie Price Insurance Series/First Warning Time Changes
9/4-5	Sat/Sun	See NOR	MYC Governors Cup*
9/8	Wed	6:15 PM	First Race of Pigeon Hill Brewing Series
9/10-12	Fri-Sun	See NOR	WETA Nationals at MYC
9/11	Sat	See NOR	Anchorage Cup (GH to Holland) AYC
10/13	Wed	6:15 PM	Wednesday Fall Challenge/Last Race of Pigeon Hill Brewing Series
11/6	Sat	6:00 PM	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 5 May 2021 through 13 October 2021. First Warning is 6:30 PM until 2 September 2021 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 2021 Nedeau Cup will be awarded to the Overall Winner of the Nedeau Cup Regatta scheduled for 3 July 2021. It is the intent of MYC RC to set the course for this event on Lake Michigan.

Boat of the Year Scoring:

The 2021 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: 2021 Muskegon Yacht Club Race & Regatta Committee - 02/02/2021

RRC has our "kicker motor" from our "new to us" RC boat FOR SALE:

1989 Yamaha FT 9.9 ELF 4-stroke outboard offered for sale first to our membership by the MYC Race and Regatta Committee. This motor is in excellent condition and was impeccably maintained. It is off of our new RC boat purchased last spring. It runs great with electric start and a 20" shaft. It is Yamaha's high thrust with a 3-blade prop and a spare prop as well. It is stored indoors at Torresen and can be seen anytime by calling Jon Ledsworth at 616-889-3802. MYC Race and Regatta Committee is offering this motor first to our MYC members for \$1000. If it does not sell to a member by March 1st, we will go to the public for a price of \$1200.





IT'S TIME TO START PLANNING FOR 2021 SUMMER SAILING.

Regular youth sailing classes will start the week of June 21 and will run weekly through the week of August 9. Monday evening adult and family sessions will also run from June 21 through August 9.

Race Team practices will start June 9 to prepare for the first regatta scheduled for June 25th at the Macatawa Bay Yacht Club.

Stay in the loop on the MYC Junior Sailing Program and the MYC Race Team by signing up for our <u>email list</u>.

February 15th the Junior's website with updated registration information will be live. Stay Tuned.

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

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 the Muskegon Junior Sailing Association part of your year-end giving with a tax-deductible donation. Follow the link for online donations. Give Today!

For more info on the program please click the link below:

http://www.muskegonyachtclub.org/myc-juniors/mjsa/



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7	8	9	10	11 Social Committe e Meeting	12	13 Committee Meetings
14 HAPPY Valentine's DAY	15	16	17	18 Board Meeting 7 pm	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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If you have events or meetings you'd like added to the Portwatch or website calendars, please contact Kim Nguyen - kim@muskegonyachtclub.org