

MUSKEGON YACHT CLUB

PORTWATCH

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Fleet Captain of Sail.....Bobby Cox
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STANDING COMMITTEES

By Laws.....Bill Newman, Ben Broughton
Dock & Yard.....Jeff Blum, Rob Rafson
House.....Karen Garvey
Juniors.....Kim Blum
Membership.....Melody Stenstrom
Race & Regatta.....Sam Nedeau

MYC STAFF

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

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Portwatch Submissions:

Please email Kim Nguyen
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Deadline for content
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month.



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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS:

Greetings fellow members,

Welcome to Spring! It was one year ago now, that Past Commodore Tim wrote in the Portwatch to tell the membership about the closing of the clubhouse and of most of our staff going on unemployment. We knew that we were facing some near term challenges, but I don't think anyone could predict what the next 12 months would REALLY have in store for us.

We have had to work extra hard and make hard decisions. Some popular, some not. Some out of our control entirely. I just want to say again how much I appreciate our Staff, our Board, our committees and volunteers. The last 12 months have been far from normal, but we have come together as a team and our club will not only survive, but it will thrive! At this point, we only have a few slips left open, and we keep adding new members every month. We hope to add a few more this month at the first annual Muskegon Home and Boat show.

Today I had lunch at MYC and saw Jon Ledsworth, Clark Miller, and Mark Reagan unloading our racing marks near the hoist area in preparation for the 2021 racing season. In just a few more weeks we will begin working around the club to wake her up from her long winters rest. Getting out the Adirondack chairs, picnic tables, and gas grills. The Dock and Yard committee is planning multiple work bees this Spring, so stay tuned!

Thanks and see you soon!

Jay Wallace, Jr.
Commodore, Muskegon Yacht Club

2021 Capital Improvement Fund Update

2021 Collected:

\$ 40,424

+

12/31/20 Balance:

\$ 45,473

2021 Expenditures:

None

Available Balance =

\$ 85,897



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
02/26/21	Tucker Marine Constr. #361	25,000.00	370,651.68

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:	4-11 pm	4-9 pm
Saturday:	12-11 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:

Jeff & Nadine Carlson	Full Members	Grand Rapids
Matt & Jennifer Fulkerson	Full Members	Cedar Springs

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

John Bowen	Full Member	Muskegon
Clark Miller	Full Member	Muskegon

MUSKEGON LAKESHORE

HOME, GARDEN + BOAT SHOW



APRIL 16 + 17, 2021

Stop by the MYC booth to say hi!

We will be there!

*** In case of COVID restrictions and the show needs to be postponed, it will be rescheduled for September 2021***



Treasurers Report:

Greetings MYC Members,

It is my privilege as well as a requirement of our bylaws that each April, a budget for the upcoming year is to be reported to the membership. Below please find the budget as approved by the Board of Directors at the March meeting for the 2021-2022 fiscal year which begins May 1st of 2021.

Budgeting this year is a bit of challenge with significant unknowns as we enter the upcoming season coming off of a pandemic year. That being said, we are looking forward to a full, near normal season and have planned accordingly.

Overall, the club has a very strong balance sheet currently and is on solid financial footing heading into the new year. This is especially true given the challenges of the 2020-2021 year. Hats off to our Staff and the Board of Directors for navigating a very challenging year successfully. Remember that last year at this time MYC was under a mandatory shut down. General Manager Kim, and her team have done an exceptional job in keeping our staff together, providing the highest level of services that we have been allowed to provide, keeping our membership and staff safe, and servicing our membership, to a very high standard, under extremely challenging circumstances

I would like to thank our Committee Chairs, staff, and especially Sue Peters for the hard work in putting together the budget. It is a team effort that went very smoothly this year for which I am very grateful.

Below is the 2021-2022 consolidated budget, I am happy to answer any questions or provide more detail upon request. My email is

ltaunt@regalfin.com

Cheers and enjoy the new Season!

Larry Taunt
Treasurer

Muskegon Yacht Club

2021-22 BUDGET CONSOLIDATED FORMAT

May 2021 - Apr
2022

12 months

RESTAURANT OPERATIONS

Sales Revenue	\$465,510.00
Cost of Goods Sold	200,955.00
Staff Expense	173,093.00
Other Misc. Expenses	26,284.00

SURPLUS /

(SHORTFALL)

\$65,178.00

DOCK & YARD OPERATIONS / MARINA

Slip Rental Fee Income	\$188,285.00
Other Misc. Income	28,415.00
Staff Expense	11,470.00
Taxes, Permits & Insurance Expense	32,318.00
Utility Expense	16,300.00
Maintenance & Equipment Expense	36,850.00
Mortgage Expense (Principal & Interest)	108,078.00

SURPLUS /

(SHORTFALL)

\$11,684.00

CLUB & MEMBERSHIP OPERATIONS

Dues & Initiation Fee Income	\$208,965.00
Other Income	63,260.00
Staff Expense	197,088.00
Taxes, Permits & Insurance Expense	37,318.00
Utility Expense	36,085.00
Maintenance & Equipment Expense	15,134.00
Credit Card Processing Expense	15,000.00
Misc Operating Expenses	48,378.00

SURPLUS /

(SHORTFALL)

(\$76,778.00)

RESTAURANT OPERATIONS	\$65,178.00
DOCK & YARD OPERATIONS / MARINA	11,684.00
CLUB & MEMBERSHIP OPERATIONS	(76,778.00)
Net Income from Operations	\$84.00
INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP EQUITY	\$69,654.00

Capital Improvement Fund Income (est)	\$81,520.00
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House Committee Report:

Just a couple friendly reminders:

MYC will be closed on Sunday, April 4, 2021 in observance of the Easter Holiday. Wishing each of you a Happy Easter.

Absolutely NO alcoholic drinks allowed in the MYC parking lot area. Please do not bring your drinks out front. Thank you for your cooperation.

Please remember, you must be seated at a table when visiting inside the clubhouse, per MDHHS orders. We have received a few complaints of members mingling between tables. As the Commodore once stated "Some members may not be as concerned about COVID-19, and others may be very concerned due to underlying health issues. Please do not project your level of concern onto others and respect everyone by taking the safest approach."

Stay Healthy Friends,

MYC House Committee

COVID-19

MDHHS EPIDEMIC ORDER

EFFECTIVE MARCH 5 THROUGH APRIL 19



Limits on attendance at residential gatherings.

- Face masks are required at all times, unless eating or drinking.
- Residents should follow MDHHS [guidelines for safe social gatherings](#) and are encouraged to form a “pod” of people to socialize with consistently.

INDOORS: UP TO 15 PERSONS FROM 3 HOUSEHOLDS

OUTDOORS: UP TO 50 PERSONS



Limits on attendance at non-residential gatherings.

- Everyone must wear a face mask at all times, unless eating or drinking while seated in a designated area.
- Consumption of food or beverages is permitted only while seated in a designated area with a group of no more than 6 people.
- While eating or drinking, each group must be at least 6 feet apart and may not intermingle.

INDOORS: UP TO 25 PERSONS

OUTDOORS: UP TO 300 PERSONS

“Gathering” means any occurrence where two or more persons from more than one household are present in a shared space. Incidental gatherings (where people do not mingle with others outside their group) are excepted. For more information on gathering rules, please see the FAQs.



Face masks are still required.

Businesses, government offices, schools, child care organizations, operators of public transit, and all other gathering organizers must not allow indoor or outdoor gatherings of any kind unless they require individuals to wear a face mask. These entities may not assume that someone who enters the business without a face mask falls in one of the exceptions; but may accept an individual’s verbal representation that they are not wearing a face mask because they fall within a specified exception.



Retail and personal services

- Gatherings at a retail setting, library or museum, may not exceed 50% of total occupancy limits established by the fire marshal. Spaces for indoor dining, including food courts, must comply with the requirements for food service establishments.
- Gatherings to receive personal care services, including hair, nail, tanning, massage, spa, tattoo, body art, and piercing services are permitted by appointment. Masks must be worn at all times except if a customer is receiving a medical or personal care service for which the removal of the face mask is necessary.

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Recreation and entertainment

- The following recreation and entertainment venues are open for enjoyment by individuals or groups of up to 25 persons: auditoriums; arenas; cinemas; concert halls; performance venues; sporting venues; stadiums; theaters; archery ranges; amusement parks; arcades; bingo halls; bowling alleys; gun ranges; laser tag; and trampoline parks.
 - Indoor Facilities: must not exceed 50% of the limits established by the fire marshal, and must not exceed an overall total of 300 people.
 - Outdoor Facilities: must not exceed 50% of the limits established by the fire marshal (if applicable), and must not exceed an overall total of 1000 people.
 - Everyone must wear a face mask at all times, unless eating or drinking while seated in a designated area.
 - Consumption of food or beverages is permitted only while seated in a designated area with a group of no more than 6 people.
 - Groups must be spaced 6 feet apart.
 - Large Indoor Stadiums/Arenas: up to 375 patrons for large venues with a seating capacity up to 10,000 seats, and up to 750 patrons for large venues with a seating capacity up to 10,000 seats



Food service

- Indoor dining at restaurants and bars is permitted up to 50% normal seating capacity or 100 persons, whichever is less.
- Dining is only allowed until 11 p.m. and in designated dining areas where patrons are seated, groups of patrons do not exceed 6 people at a table, and each table is separated by at least 6 feet. This includes dining inside most covered patios, balconies, tents, and other structures, unless they are mostly open to the air. See the [Outdoor Seating Infographic](#) for more details.
- Food service for takeout and delivery is permitted.
- Outdoor dining is permitted so long as no more than 6 persons are seated at each table and tables are spaced 6 feet apart.
- Dining in an igloo, hut, or small tent is permitted so long as there is only one group inside.



Exercise, fitness, and sports

- **Exercise facilities:** Gatherings are permitted both indoors and outdoors for individual exercise, group classes, and individual and group instruction. Exercise facilities include gymnasiums; fitness centers; exercise studios; tracks; sports complexes, pools, yoga, dance, gymnastics, and cycling studios; ice rinks; roller rinks; and trampoline parks.
 - Attendance must not exceed 30% of the total occupancy limits.
 - There must be at least 6 feet of distance between each occupied workout station
 - Spaces and activities must be set up to maintain 6 feet between all persons at all times.
 - Masks are required, except for swimming.
- Capacity limits for ice and roller rinks must not exceed 10 persons per 1,000 square feet (approximately 175 people at once on a typically sized rink).
- **Contact sports** that can be played with a mask can proceed with practice and competition as of February 8. Where a sports organizer has deemed a type of sport to be unsafe to play while masked, all participants across the entire organization must be tested consistent with the testing protocol specified in [MDHHS Interim Guidance for Athletics](#).
- For more information on sports and athletics: [Coronavirus - Sports and Athletics \(michigan.gov\)](#).



Social Committee Report:

The social committee is very thankful to all our members and staff for the participation and support we have been receiving!

As mentioned previously we have put together a 2021 Social Calendar which is driving many amazing ideas.

Employee Appreciation Day as well as our St. Patrick's Day celebration was a great success and an example of promoting camaraderie at the MYC.

Here is a look at what we are planning/celebrating for April.

3/14-4/5: March Madness

- MYC NCAA Men's March Madness Bracket Challenge: <https://picks.cbssports.com/college-basketball/ncaa-tournament/bracket/pools/kbxw63b2gq2tgnrrgu2q====/join>

4/1: Book Club Kick-off

- Giving a "facelift" to the existing free library! Look for a new bookshelf in a new location soon, that will be filled with many new books and magazines for all ages.

4/18 & 4/25: 50/50 Raffle

- Make sure you pay a visit to the MYC and purchase your 50/50 ticket starting Wednesday 4/14 for your chance to win the weekly Sunday draw on 4/18!

Our next meeting will be held on April 14th from 6-7pm where will be discussing our plans for May which include the Kentucky Derby party, Cinco De Mayo celebration, Mother's Day, along with our continued 50/50 raffles!

Friendly reminder, if you would like to participate in the social committee please contact us at socialcommitteemyc@gmail.com or feel free to talk to me if you see me around the club. The more people we have involved the more we can bring to the MYC experience.

Thanks,

Kelly Vanos- Social Committee Chair

Kim Blum- Social Committee Co-Chair

"Kindness is always taken for granted until it's no longer there. Keep being kind, it's always the right answer!"



Dock and Yard Committee Report:

Recently volunteers completed a few tasks in the marina including removal, cleaning, and storage of the de-icers, tightening of loose dock cleats, and a few other small projects around the yard. In a few more weeks Dock and Yard will be requesting volunteers for the Spring Work Bee to set up furniture, install the awning, power wash the docks, set up the grills, etc, etc. Please stay tuned as many hands will make light work.

A common question Dock and Yard has been asked is what is being planned for the raised dock platform now that the water level has receded. It is anticipated by the Army Corps of Engineers that the water level will rise as spring arrives so Dock and Yard is currently in a wait and see.



The Tuesday Morning Club is currently working on small projects around the club. If you are interested in joining the Tuesday Morning Club please let us know.

Jeff Blum – jblum@wcgrp.com

Rob Rafson – rob@charthouseenergy.com

Dock and Yard Co-chairs



Dock and Yard Committee Report:

The Good the Bad & the Ugly

The good, Tucker Marine is on-site and not going anywhere until the attenuator is further repaired. Additionally, we have paid them a deposit and have a signed contract with them. They are as anxious as we are to get this project finished and wrapped up.

The bad, other than some materials on-site to get the project started, we are not seeing any real progress YTD. We have heard a lot of excuses; mostly labor-related due to the times we are in right now. We continue to be in weekly contact with them to get moving on our project.

The ugly, I think everyone that has supported & frequented the club this winter (thanks) is getting tired of their rig blocking the view of the lake.

I have had the question asked to me a couple of times by members new & old, “will we ever be able to walk out on the attenuator like in the past”? The answer to that is no. The way it was originally designed and built; all six sections were rigidly fastened together. This was great in the summer and during calm water times for walking out on or mooring a boat on the inside. The problem was during storms and rough water, with it being rigidly fastened, the twisting and torquing action from the movement from the waves, the steel twists, and breaks.

After the first time it was destroyed in a storm, it was even rebuilt by building it back even more heavy-duty.

The problem is during storms one section of the attenuator



is lifted by the crest of a wave and the other sections are down in the trough of the wave. This constant twisting and torquing action have snapped 18” wide I-beams in half. The fix is to have the sections separated 12’ to 15’ and have bumpers in between them and let them rock & roll on their own. This will defuse the waves from doing damage to our inter marina. Unfortunately, with the sections being separated, you would not be able to walk between them.

Aesthetically, it should look better. Functionally, it is not going to be much different than it is now, which has been holding up great the last couple of years and protecting our marina docks.

Bud Ainsworth
Jon Ledsworth



Race and Regatta Committee Report:

Like Déjà vu all over again. In preparing for this submission, I reread the 2020 March Portwatch submission from the RRC. Oh, what could have been ... Then again, we did in fact get some great racing done in 2020. In 2020, we instituted some changes that will remain and for 2021 we are making some additional tweaks to the racing calendar, (now posted) with the goal of simply having better racing. Our wonderful sponsors, McKenzie Price Insurance, The Clipper Cup, Bluffton Bay Sails and Pigeon Hill Brewery, are back and we have a fantastic new RC boat, which will improve our on the water experience even more.

In addition to our local club racing, MYC will host at least four significant regattas in 2021. The Spring One Design returns, 5/15-16, the C-Scow Nationals will sail 6/18-20, then the weekend after Labor Day, the WETA Nationals 9/10-12. We will cap the season with a new event, the Midwest Fall One Design Championship, 10/16-17. Each of these events is expected to draw a nice fleet and allow us to showcase our club.

And don't forget, the Queen's Cup finish, 6/25-26.

Sail Fast

Sam Nedeau
Chair, Race and Regatta Committee



Queen's Cup Report:

The many hard working, volunteer committees of MYC continue to work together very closely with our incredible staff to facilitate a Queen's Cup FINISH that will be one of the best that the competitors have seen in many years. Perhaps in as many years as the last time they finished at MYC!

Our Marketing/Sponsorship Team has aligned tiers for sponsorship and has successfully identified some of our sponsor partners already. Our House/Social Team has music lined up and a great party planned as we forge forward with the assumption that vaccinations will continue and we can hopefully have some form of a safe, hybrid social gathering with set parameters for health safety. Our Dock & Yards Team has laid out some great docking plans, even given the uncertainty of our attenuator situation. Their team is diligently preparing for an organized docking experience. Our RC Team has everything in place to assist the South Shore Yacht Club Race Committee. It is going to be an incredibly fun event. Even if you are not racing, plan on being at the club the weekend of June 25 and joining in on the party!

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS! We will need parking lot help for Nicky Anderson. Jeff Blum will need a team to help coordinate docking as boats come in throughout the night. Please see these folks or myself if you would like to volunteer. Cheers to the 2021 sailing season, my fellow MYC Family!

Jon Ledsworth, QC Committee Chair
Kelly Vanos, QC Committee Co-Chair





Juniors Committee Report:

REGISTER NOW FOR 2021 SAILING SCHOOL CLASSES

The dates, information and online registration for 2021 Sailing School classes are now available on the MYC Sailing School web site at www.mycsailingschool.com

The Sailing School's Learn-to-Sail classes are designed for both beginner and experienced youth sailors age 6-18. There are also evening classes for adults, teens and families. Classes are taught by trained, certified instructors on Optimist, Butterfly, Laser, and JY15 sailboats.

Please mark your calendars and make plans for your children, grandchildren and their friends to take advantage of these great Learn-To-Sail opportunities!



MYC JUNIOR RACE TEAM SCHEDULE FOR 2021

In addition to the Learn-To-Sail opportunities offered by the MYC Sailing School, youth sailors can expand their sailing experience by joining the MYC Junior Race Team.

Both experienced and beginner sailors are welcome. Weekly Wednesday practices and participation in several youth regattas help young sailors improve their sailing skills, build confidence, and learn the importance of personal responsibility as part of a supportive, close-knit team.

Information and registration for the MYC Junior Race Team's 2021 activities are now posted on the MYC web site at <https://www.mycsailingschool.com/myc-race-team>

2018 WEST MICHIGAN YOUTH SAILING ASSOCIATION REGATTA DATES

The MYC Junior Race Team's 2021 regatta schedule will include attending four WMYSA "Friday" regattas. At these regattas, both beginner and experienced sailors ages 7-18 gather in one place for the day to compete in separate fleets of Optimists, Butterflies, Lasers and Club 420s.



Each of these events attract well over 100 youth sailors from nine different West Michigan youth sailing programs including St Joseph, South Haven, Saugatuck, Holland, Spring Lake, Muskegon, White Lake, Gull Lake and Grand Rapids.

These large, well-run regattas give youth sailors the opportunity to explore other lakes, improve their sailing skills, earn awards, enjoy a fun meal and make new friends from around the region. The 2021 dates for these regattas will be:

June 25, 2021 at Macatawa Bay Yacht Club

July 9, 2021 at White Lake Yacht Club

July 23, 2021 at Spring Lake Yacht Club

August 6, 2021 at Muskegon Yacht Club

2021 ULRICH MEMORIAL JUNIOR REGATTA

The 2021 Ulrich Memorial Junior Regatta will take place on August 14, 2021 at MYC. This event marks the end of the summer sailing season for the MYC Juniors. Mark your calendars now and look for more details in future issues of the Portwatch.

OTHER 2021 DATES FOR JUNIOR SAILORS

- July 13-15 Butterfly Nationals at White Lake Yacht Club
- July 16 Opti "No Tears" Regatta at Grand Rapids Yacht Club
- July 28 - 31 West Michigan Yachting Association "Westerns" at Spring Lake YC

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 planned 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/>



Respectfully,
Kimberly Blum
Junior's Chairperson



Muskegon Yacht Club 2021 Race Calendar

Date	Day	Time	Event (Black=MYC Purple=Non-MYC)
5/5	Wed	6:30 PM	Wednesday Spring Challenge Trophy/First Race of Bluffton Bay Sails (BBS) Series
5/15-16	Sat-Sun	See NOR	Midwest One-Design Spring Championship (MYC)
5/30	Sun		MYC Commodores Cup*
6/9	Wed	6:30 PM	Last Race of Bluffton Bay Sails Series
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 White 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
8/6	Fri	See NOR	Lake MI Clipper Cup (to Port Wash) LMSRF
8/11	Wed	6:30 PM	Harbor Hospice Race (part of Wed Night Series)
8/12-15	Fri-Sat-Sun	See NOR	Verve Cup Chicago CYC

8/14	Sat	7:00 AM	MYC Pursuit Race to GH
8/14	Sat	See NOR	Ulrich Cup MYC JR
8/14	Sat	12:00 PM	GRSC/ MYC Commodores Invitational *
8/27-29	Fr—Sun	See NOR	Bayview One Design (BYC)
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
10/16-17	Sat/Sun	See NOR	Midwest OD Fall Championship (Melges 24)
11/6	Sat	6:00 PM	Annual Awards Banquet

Season Class Scoring will be based on individual "Low Point" scoring. The best low point finishes of the twenty (20) Wednesday night finishes of the total twenty-four (24) scheduled from 5 May 2021 through 13 October 2021. This assumes a full race season with no races canceled. See below for throw-out calculations.

Season Overall scoring will be based on individual "High Point" overall scoring of the best high point finishes of the twenty (20) Wednesday night finishes of the total twenty-four (24) scheduled from 5 May 2021 through 13 October 2021. This assumes a full race season with no races canceled. See below for throw-out calculations.

Throw-Outs: 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.

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 of each Sponsor Series will be boat(s) with the lowest amount of points after the allowable throw-out. *A Boat's throw-out for series may differ from the boat's throw for the season.

Blacklock Cup Trophy Scoring:

The Blacklock Cup will be awarded for the Best Overall High Point score for the combined 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 yet to be decided by the MYC Race and Regatta Committee members. The final decision for this award will be determined prior to the warning signal of the first race and it will be posted as an Amendment to this NOR.

Burning of the Socks or (Shoes) a new tradition at MYC?

From New England to the Pacific Northwest, at some of the most elite yacht clubs a yearly tradition and party for its members to shed their socks and throw them in a fire. This tradition was started after a particularly snowy winter one year when one sailor decided to invite a few sailor friends to forgo wearing socks until the cold weather returned. It was a symbolic goodbye to winter and celebration of the Vernal Equinox, the day signaling the beginning of spring and more importantly, the boating season.

Sock burning has caught fire across the country and the event has become quite popular with oyster roasts and other related parties at yacht clubs.

Not to be outdone at MYC this year when hearing of this and wanting to “one up” the other yacht clubs, one member took off their shoes and tossed them into a burning fire. Prior to this also, there might have been a little “shoe shaming” going on, and when they were told by and another member that their grandmother had a pair of shoes like his, off they went and into the fire. All and all, the outside firepits have been a huge hit this winter bringing members to the club helping support it during the Covid months when unable to use the inside of the club. There are many members to thank for the firepits, wood, windshield, and the happening around it, but one deservedly



call out is to Steve Luehrs, for most always being there getting the fires started.

-Bud
Ainsworth

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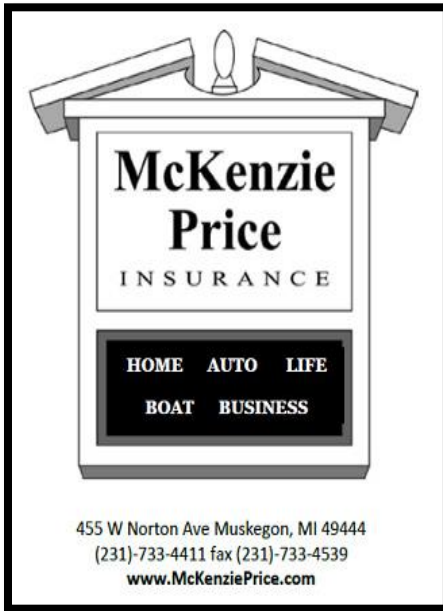
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4 Easter Holiday	5	6	7 Euchre Night	8	9	10 Committee Meetings
11	12	13	14 Euchre Night	15 Board Meeting 7 pm	16 Muskegon Boat Show	17 Muskegon Boat Show
18	19	20	21 Euchre Night	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 Euchre Night	29	30	

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