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MAY 2021



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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
submission is the 20th of each
month.



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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS:

Happy May MYC!

Warmer weather is finally here, and boats are arriving at MYC daily. We've had our first Wednesday Night Race, and are about to welcome a couple of dozen crazy Melges 24 crews for the Melges One Design Spring Championship May 14-16!

I'd like to thank the many volunteers that participated in the Work Bee on April 24th! With your hard work, we have knocked the cobwebs off of this place and are ready for the season!

We are hoping to be able to have our Past-Commodore event on the lawn Memorial Day weekend, weather permitting. After having to cancel it in 2020, this is one tradition I would love to see happen again. One of my favorite days of the year!

Also, if you haven't heard, we are hosting the Queen's Cup finish again this year for the first time in 7 years. The finish will be the morning of June 26th. It will be a huge effort for our club. Both Staff and as many volunteers as we can get! If you would like to volunteer, please contact Manager Kim or Jon Ledsworth. If you are a slip holder and plan to be gone that weekend, please let the Dock and Yard Committee or Nicky know! We can definitely use a few more slips for out-of-town finishers.

That is all, it's time to get out and have some fun at MYC!

Best Regards,

Jay Wallace, Jr.
Commodore, Muskegon
Yacht Club



2021 Capital Improvement Fund Update

2021 Collected:

\$ 42,612

+

12/31/20 Balance:

\$ 45,473

2021 Expenditures:

None

Available Balance =

\$ 88,085



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:

Sarah & Adam Comstock	Full Members	Ann Arbor
Vaughn & Tracie Jurgens	Full Members	Grand Rapids
Horia & Jillian Neagos	Full Members	Norton Shores

Kim & Deb Armstrong	Full Member	Norton Shores
Charles Boxer	Full Member	Norton Shores
Randy & Phyllis Cook	Full Members	Kalamazoo
Amy Fetters	Full Member	Norton Shores
Laura Hire	Full Member	Norton Shores
Jay Keessen	Full Member	Norton Shores
David & Erin Medendorp	Full Members	Muskegon
George & Lindsay Mueller	Full Members	Chicago
Christopher & Janet Nedeau	Full Members	San Francisco
Dan & Kendra Roman	Junior Members	Muskegon
Jeff & Stefanie Younts	Full Members	Norton Shores

WELCOME RETURNING MEMBERS!

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

Diane & Brad Coon	Full Members	N. Muskegon
Herman Hoeksema & Kathy Younts	Full Members	Norton Shores



House Committee Report:

Happy May! There is much to be happy about at MYC! The weather is improving and there are boats in the water. The official start of our sailing season is with the Annual Commodore's Cup & Reception and preparations are being made for the 2021 celebration. There are many regattas scheduled throughout the sailing season, as well as "The Finish" to the 2021 Queen's Cup at Muskegon, with festivities to be hosted at our Club. Our event calendar is filling up with private events, so please make arrangements soon if you wish to hold your special event at MYC.

Chef Adam and our kitchen staff continue to provide delicious meals to our membership. Please remember to fill out a food order form to ensure your meal is as you wish and billed accordingly. Although this may seem

unnecessary, it is of great help to our kitchen staff when preparing and delivering your food.

The House Committee will be meeting next on Saturday, May 8, at 10:00 a.m. Should you be interested in attending, we will meet in the Lakeview Room and online. Please contact me should you have any questions or concerns. My email address is kgarvey22@gmail.com.

Karen Garvey
House Committee



Heather Klooster - Bartender
John Kalman - Line Cook



*Mick Homan - Swim Instructor &
Head Lifeguard*



Social Committee Report:

The social committee is very thankful to all our members and staff for the participation and support we have been receiving! April has proven to be a very busy month for us all.

March Madness was very successful- 40+ participants!! A big thank you to Melody Stenstrom for setting this up, and to all who participated.

Many of you may have noticed and have taken part in our book/magazine exchange, this is encouraging to see! Please be sure to look out for the new bookshelf inside the front entrance.



Our next meeting will be held on May 8th from 11 am – 12 pm. The social committee continues to support the planning of events for the 82nd Queen's Cup "The Finish". Please take a moment to visit our website [Muskegon Yacht Club Queens Cup Finish](https://www.muskegonyachtclub.com/queens-cup-finish).

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:

April was a busy month for Dock and Yard as we worked with volunteers to prepare for outdoor activities on the patio and the docks. Many volunteers gathered over two separate weekends to complete several spring projects. Docks (which were in dire need of cleaning) were power washed, rockers underwent some needed repairs and painting, the patio canvas awning was repaired by Lakeside Canvas before being installed.

Thank you to all the volunteers who completed the long list.

To help preserve the wooden rockers Dock and Yard requests that rockers be moved to the grass after use. The moisture in the grass is contributing to their demise.



Thank you to Kim McDaniel and her volunteer team for their hard work caring for the gardens. Over two separate weekends they managed the grasses by splitting and removing followed by spreading many wheelbarrows of mulch around the club house.



Several of the on-going and planned projects include completing the renovation to the showers, repair of the back-flow preventer so water can be turned on at the docks, and lowering of the raised wooden platform on the fixed dock.

As a reminder to all slip holders attachments to docks must be pre-approved by Dock and Yard. Also, please use dock lines that are sized appropriately for your boat.

The weekend of June 25th and 26th MYC will be hosting the finish of the Queen's Cup race. Dock and Yard is anticipating a very full marina with boats moored, rafted, and docked in as many places as possible. Dock and Yard requesting feedback from slip holders who will be traveling that weekend or who are willing to move their boat to a mooring ball so that we can accommodate as many racers as possible.

Dock and Yard will also be looking for many volunteers to help with handling of the arriving boats over this Queen's Cup weekend. Please reach out to Dock and Yard should you have any questions or to let us know how you can help us out.

Dock and Yard Co-Chairs

Jeff Blum – jblum@wcgrp.com

Rob Rafson – rob@charthouseenergy.com





Race and Regatta Committee Report:

As of the writing of this submission, MYC has 26 boats registered for the 2021 racing season. This number will grow. The club marks are in place, now numbered rather than lettered (a request by the USCG) MYC has a new RC boat and has refined the NOR and SI's to assure even better racing for all. The Section breaks are being finalized and we will be racing Wednesday night, May 5th. YES, THIS WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Wednesday night sailing is just the start of things for the summer of 2021. The Blacklock Cup is back in full force, and will be awarded to the boat with the best finishes in the Commodore's Cup, May 30th, the Nedeau Cup, July 3rd, the GRSC's Commodore's Cup August 14th and the Governor's Cup, September 4-5.

MYC will also host its annual stronghold events such as the Midwest One Design, May 15-16 and the Clipper Cup, August 6th. These events are foundational events for MYC and are growing in popularity thanks to strong committee involvement and leadership.

New for 2021, MYC will host the 2021 C-Scow Nationals, June 18-20, the Queen's Cup finish, June 26th, the WETA Nationals September 9-12 and a second Midwest One Design regatta, October 16-17. Each of the events should allow MYC to showcase our club, our race-track and all that we enjoy at MYC.

MYC is on the rise as a destination for sailors to compete and hold their class regattas. These new 2021 events are a result of continued and focused work by the RRC, and this will continue. We have an amazing race-track to share and a committee of talented and devoted members that are committed to bring MYC desirable events are beneficial to our membership.

Here's to a great 2021 on the water and at our Club

-RRC



Queen's Cup Report:

Queen's Cup "The FINISH" at MYC!

The planning and preparations continue by our QC Sub-Committee as they make certain that the Queen's Cup return to Muskegon Yacht Club will leave the racers in awe of our club's improvements over the last 7 years, as well as the growth of our beautiful community.

We are going to need a LOT of volunteers in many different

roles! Please consider being a part of the MYC Team to make this event epic! There are several opportunities to volunteer in many different capacities: Throughout the night of June 25 into the morning of June 26, Jeff Blum and his Dock & Yards Team will need help coordinating the docking procedures. On the afternoon of June 25 and all day June 26, Karen Garvey and her House Committee Team, alongside Manager Kim and our wonderful MYC Staff, will need help preparing all of the food kits and drink specials, etc. MYC Facilities Manager, Nicky, will undoubtedly be seen running all over our MYC Campus from Friday morning until Sunday, setting up alcohol boundaries, tents, exhibitors, bands, etc. When you see Nicky, ask her what you can assist her in accomplishing! Past Commodore Andy Price and Past Commodore Sam Nedeau continue to look for sponsors. This is a GREAT way to promote this event and MYC and gain a lot of exposure for your business in the entire Great Lakes Region. Consider reaching out to them with your debit card in hand and enjoy all the great promoting of your business as a result of your sponsorship! My QC Co-Chair, Kelly Vanos, continues to Program Manage all of the details, just as she does every day in her career, with nothing short of perfection. Past Commodore Tim Wallace is handling the T-shirts. Be sure to purchase one displaying artwork from our very own talented Jayne Wallace. The shirts are going to go quickly, thanks to Jayne's talent and Tim's efforts to help. I think Tim just cleans Jayne's paint brushes when she is done painting, but I am not sure. Let's still thank him for his help regardless though! So many great team members have coordinated marketing and media attention in videos, press releases etc. The team of Cathy Lindland, Kim Blum, Jill Keast, and Rome Palmer have done an amazing job! Lastly Larry Taunt has overseen our budget while

Commodore Jay Wallace Jr. did a fantastic job of promoting MYC and Muskegon in a ZOOM broadcast for all competitors, referred to as the "Queen's Cup 101 Presentation." Thank you Commodore Wallace and Larry! I sure hope that I am not forgetting anyone!

Stay tuned for flyers and more details on the bands, the dedicated trolley to take us downtown via several stops, water taxis, a Dragon Force 65 Remote Control Regatta organized by Scott Miller and Mark Marchido, food, etc. If you have any questions **or are wanting to volunteer to help**, find one of the members mentioned here or email me at jonledsworth@gmail.com or 616-889-3802.

See you all the weekend of June 25 for "The FINISH" of the Queen's Cup hosted by Muskegon Yacht Club!

Cheers to a safe and enjoyable 2021 boating season!

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

MUSKEGON YACHT CLUB

THE FINISH AT MYC 2021





Juniors Committee Report:



You are invited to come and check out the MYC Sailing School. Drop in anytime on Saturday June 5th from 10am to 1pm. Interested in joining the MYC Race Team? Have questions for the instructors? Interested in volunteering? Stop by! You can order apparel. Check out the boats and classroom. Register for lessons, and even pick up some swag.



**MOTIVATION,
COLLABORATION, LEADERSHIP,
COOPERATION, AND GOALS**

If your company does team building events, think about MYC Sailing School for your next outing. Sailing is the ultimate team building exercise, plus a day on the water is always time well spent. Let's set up an event your co workers will love.

REGISTER NOW FOR 2021 SAILING SCHOOL CLASSES for ADULTS AND CHILDREN

Classes begin June 21st. We offer Monday evening adult classes, 4-day sailing camps for kids and more! Dates, information and online registration for 2021 Sailing School classes are now available on the MYC Sailing School web site www.mycsailingschool.com



JOIN THE MYC JUNIOR RACE TEAM

We want you on our team! Weekly Wednesday practices and participation in several area youth regattas throughout the summer. In addition, our junior racers have the opportunity for unlimited tiller time during regular sailing school hours and to be mentors to other students. Build leadership skills, confidence and be part of a team.

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

JUNIOR REGATTA DATES FOR 2021

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
 August 14, 2021 Ulrich Memorial Junior Regatta at MYC

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/>

Make a difference on your Birthday

Consider making Muskegon Junior Sailing Association your non profit of choice for your birthday Facebook fundraiser.



Respectfully,
Kimberly Blum
Junior's Chairperson



*Lessons are 30 minutes in length.
See reverse side for Class Level Skills
(Sessions are Monday-Friday)*

Session 1 June 21 - 25
Session 2 June 28 - July 2nd
Session 3 July 5 - 9
Session 4 July 12 - 16
Session 5 July 19 - 23
Session 6 July 26 - 30

Level #5/#6	9:30-10am	7 years old & up
Level #4/#5	10:15-10:45am	5-6 years old
Level #2	11:00-11:30am	3-4years old
Level #1	11:45-12:15p	2-3 years old

Any questions please contact:
 Mick Homan- MYC Swim Instructor
Swcoach07@gmail.com
 (231) 260-6480

MYC Swim Lesson Levels

Level 1-Introduction to Water Skills (Age 2-3years)

Objective: To help students feel comfortable in the water and to enjoy the water safely

Requirements: None

Skills Covered: Entering and exiting the water safely, learning to submerge mouth, nose and eyes and breath control, front and back float and recovering to a stand, changing direction in the water, swimming 5 feet on front and back.

Level 2-Fundamental Aquatic Skills (3-4years)

Objective: To give students success with fundamental skills

Requirements: Students entering this level must possess a Level 1 certificate or demonstrate all the Level 1 skills

Skills Covered: Entering water by stepping or jumping in from the side, submerging entire head, blowing bubbles, open eyes underwater, front and back glide, swim 15 feet on front and 10 feet on back, swim on side, life jacket use

Level 3-Stroke Development(4-6Years)

Objective: To build on skills in Level 2 through additional guided practice

Requirements: Students entering this level must possess a Level 2 certificate or demonstrate all the Level 2 skills

Skills Covered: Jump into deep water, head first entry from sitting or kneeling, submerging and retrieving an object, bobbing, survival float for 30 seconds, treading water for 30 seconds, front crawl 15 yards, butterfly 15 feet, back crawl 15 yards, elementary rescues, safe diving, check-call-care

Level 4-Stroke Improvement (5-7years)

Objective: To develop confidence in the strokes learned thus far and to improve other aquatic skills by increasing endurance through swimming greater distances

Requirements: Students entering this level must possess a Level 3 certificate or demonstrate all the Level 3 skills

Skills Covered: diving, underwater swimming, feet-first surface dive, 1 minute

of survival floating, treading and back floating, 25 yards of front crawl, breaststroke and back crawl, 15 yards of butterfly and elementary backstroke and sidestroke, compact jump from height in a lifejacket, throwing assists and caring for conscious choking victim

Level 5-Stroke Refinement (6-10years)

Objective: Coordination and refinement of strokes

Requirements: Students entering this level must possess a Level 4 certificate or demonstrate all the Level 4 skills

Skills Covered: Shallow dive, tuck and pike surface dives, 2 minutes of survival floating, back float and treading water, flip turns on front and back, 50 yards front and back crawl, 25 yards butterfly, breaststroke, elementary backstroke and sidestroke, 2 minutes of survival swimming, rescue breathing

Level 6-Swimming and Skill Proficiency (10-up)

Objective: Refine strokes so students swim them with more ease, efficiency, power and smoothness over greater distances; includes "menu options" - Personal Water Safety, Fitness Swimmer and Fundamentals of Diving

Requirements: Students entering this level must possess a Level 5 certificate or demonstrate all the Level 5 skills

Skills Covered: 500 yards continuous swim using 100 yards each of front & back crawl, 50 yards each of breaststroke, elementary backstroke, sidestroke & butterfly and 100 yards choice of any of those strokes, survival floating and back floating 5 minutes each, feet first surface dive & retrieve an object from 7 feet, Cooper 12-minute swim test.





MUSKEGON YACHT CLUB

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Commodore's Cup and Reception

SUNDAY, MAY 30, 2021

Race schedule permitting, the Past Commodores will line up in the parking lot at 2:45pm based upon year of service. The

Parade of Commodores will begin at 3:00pm, led by a bagpiper, to the flagpole. A brief ceremony will take place followed by the blessing of the fleet and flag ceremony.

Due to the ongoing unpredictability of the COVID situation there will be no pot-luck luncheon but we will have other options available. Also, due to indoor capacity restrictions, if inclement weather is predicted the parade event may be canceled with short notice. We apologize for the inconvenience of these issues but would like to try to have an event this year.

Please join us for the rebirth of this annual tradition with our past Commodores who have done so much for Muskegon Yacht Club



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5 Race Night	6	7	8 Committee Meetings
9 Mother's Day	10	11	12 Race Night	13	14 Semi Annual Board Meeting 7 pm Melges Spring Regatta	15 Melges Spring Regatta
16 Melges Spring Regatta	17	18 Happy 8 th Anniversary Dianna!	19 Race Night	20	21	22
23	24	25	26 Race Night	27	28	29
30 Commodores Cup & Parade	31 Memorial Day Happy 4 th Anniversary Josh Wyrick!					

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