

MUSKEGON YACHT CLUB

# Portwatch

JULY 2023



84<sup>TH</sup> Annual Queen's Cup Finish – Reach to the Beach

July 1, 2023

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Facilities Manager.....Nicky Anderson  
Chef.....Samantha Angelini  
Bar Manager.....Dianna King

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## Portwatch Submissions:

Please email Kim Nguyen  
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Deadline for content submission  
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## COMMODORE'S COMMENTS:

Summer has officially kicked off! The longest day of the year for the northern hemisphere, or the Summer Solstice, was a noteworthy day at Muskegon Yacht Club. The club was buzzing with summer sounds and smells from rigging as it slapped against the masts, to the scent of smoked wood and burgers on the grill. June 21st was a glorious evening on the water for the participants of our Wednesday night racing series. The following week, it was time to get ready for the 84th Queen's Cup Race® from South Shore Yacht Club to MYC. Our Queen's Cup committee was graced with a few volunteers from Revel marketing group this year, who themed the party "Reach to the Beach." Well, they must've had their premonition caps on because that is exactly what we got! It was the calmest crossing I have personally experienced on Lake Michigan, yet there was consistent breeze on our beam throughout the night. I am so thankful for another beautiful summer sail on the spectacular waters we call home, Lake Michigan. The MYC staff and volunteers really stepped up and welcomed sailors from around the US to celebrate the finish of the Queen's Cup Race®. I am humbled and grateful for each and every one of you. MYC really came out in full force to make that weekend the incredible success that it was, and I deeply appreciate everyone who showed the sailors and their families what a prodigious place Muskegon Yacht Club is.

Jessica Strecker  
MYC Commodore

Please note:

We have decided to cancel the July Board meeting scheduled for 7/20/23. Our next meeting is schedule for 8/17/23.

Good luck to all of our Chicago/Mac Racers! Sail fast!!!!

## 2023 Capital Improvement Fund Update

### 2023 Collected:

\$ 39,956

+

12/31/22

Balance:

\$ 136,380



### 2023

### Expenditures:

\$ 90,872

### Available

Balance =

\$ 85,464

Approved projects  
(pending completion):

\*Seawall repair

## HOURS of OPERATION

	<b>Bar</b>	<b>Kitchen</b>
Monday	Closed	Closed
Tuesday	12 pm – 10 pm	4 pm – 9 pm
Wednesday	12 pm – 11 pm	4 pm – 9 pm
Thursday	12 pm – 10 pm	4 pm – 9 pm
Friday	12 pm – 12 am	4 pm – 9 pm
Saturday	12 pm – 12 am	12 pm – 9 pm
Sunday	12 pm – 9 pm	12 pm – 8 pm



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## MYC Committee Monthly Meeting Reminders:



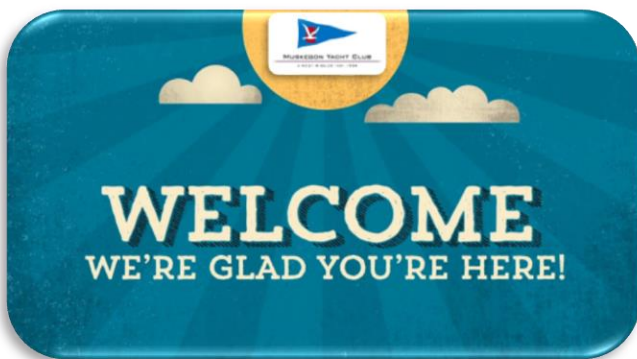
**Dock & Yard Committee – 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday at  
 9:00 am**  
**House Committee – 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday  
 at 10:00 am**  
**Membership Committee – 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday  
 at 11:00am**  
**Race & Regatta Committee – 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed.  
 at 7:00pm**  
**Social Committee – 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday at  
 11:15am**  
**Board Meeting – 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday  
 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:*



Former member: Brendan Pelto – Full Member – Muskegon

### Reminder:

New applications for first time membership **ONLY** on or after July 1 of any calendar year shall be accompanied by a payment based on a month prorated basis plus the entire initiation fee. The prorated amount will be equal to 1/12 of annual applicable membership dues multiplied by the number of remaining months at the time of the application.



## From The Business Office

### **NOW AVAILABLE – PAYMENT DIRECTLY FROM YOUR BANK ACCOUNT!**

MYC is pleased to offer ACH Direct Payments - a new, convenient, and secure way to pay your bill electronically.

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This service is available to us from ChoiceOne Bank and is powered by Autobooks...both are Michigan companies.

Beginning this month, you will find the link and QR code on your monthly statements, and on the MYC website (on the home page under "Quick Links"). Of course, we will continue to accept all other forms of payment (cash, checks, debit cards, Visa, Mastercard, American Express and Discover.) Our previously announced 3% surcharge on credit card transactions has not begun yet, but is coming soon and will be announced.

We hope you enjoy this new payment option!



## Race and Regatta Committee Report:

Race and Regatta Committee The biggest news this month was the finish of the Queen's Cup here in Muskegon on July 1st and our Chairperson Kim Blum along with her team knocked it out of the park with the execution of the weekend's events. Club General Manager Kim Nguyen and her fantastic team provided great food, and beverages, along with excellent service to our Members and Guests. Facilities Manager Nicky Anderson and her crew organized and kept our grounds, docks and Clubhouse sparkling. Business Manager Sue Peters, Dock and Yard Chairman Jeff Blum, and House Chairperson Karen Garvey also played critical roles in making the weekend a blazing success! From the docking, to the food, to the excellent entertainment, it couldn't have been better. When you see these fantastic employees and Club volunteers, please thank them for a job well done!

Next up is the Port Huron and Chicago to Mackinac Races and MYC will be well represented! MYC Competitors in the Chicago Mac include: Bad Dog / Larry Taunt, Bulldog / Bill Moe, Flight Risk / Colin Booth, Souvenir / Steve Schiller, Variance / Andy Price, and Vivienne / Tom Tabor. Andy Price and his crew will also be competing in the Port Huron Mac. Follow all the action on Yellowbrick!

Finally, the Western Michigan Yachting Association's 94th Championship Regatta will be held at the Club on August 3-6 and will bring over 150 boats. Classes include Optimist Prams, Butterflies, Lasers, MC Scows, C Scows, and E scows. WMYA Commodore Mark Burns and his committee have been working hard to prepare for this popular Regatta. Please give Mark a call if you can volunteer to help.

Thank you,  
Steve Schiller





*Reach to the Beach*

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### QUEEN'S CUP FINISH 2023

We just want to take a minute to thank our awesome Queen's Cup 2023 "Reach to the Beach" finish sponsors. We appreciate and value all of your support! And a special shout out to Derek Dile from [Pigeon Hill Brewing Co](#) for the awesome design work for this year's finish!

*Start of the Tripp Cup – 6/28/23: Photo Credit: Josh Wallace*





MUSKEGON YACHT CLUB

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## Muskegon Yacht Club 2023 Race Calendar

Date	Day	Time	Event (Black=MYC Blue=Non-MYC Red=Juniors)
5/3	Wed	6:30 PM	Wednesday Spring Challenge Trophy/Bluffton Bay Sail Series
5/16	Tues	6:30 PM	Tuesday Night Melges One-Design Racing Series - 1st race
5/19-21	Fri-Sun	See NOR	Midwest One-Design Spring Championship (MYC)
5/28	Sun	12PM	<b>Commodores Cup*</b>
6/7	Wed	6:30 PM	Last Race of Bluffton Bay Sail Series
6/9-11	Fri-Sun	See NOR	NOOD Regatta (Chicago) Chicago YC
6/14	Wed	6:30 PM	First Race of Clipper Cup Series
6/15	Thurs	See NOR	LMSS Double Handed Race (Muskegon to Port Washington)
6/17-18	Sat Sun	See NOR	Macatawa Bay YC Commodores Cup (Holland)
6/23	Fri	See NOR	WMYSA Regatta @ Spring Lake YC
6/28	Wed	See NOR	Tripp Memorial Cup (Muskegon to Milwaukee) LMSRF
6/30	Fri	See NOR	Queens Cup (Milwaukee to Muskegon) South Shore YC
7/4	Tues		No Tuesday Night Melges 24 Race
7/8	Sat	11 AM	<b>Nedean Cup* (Lake Michigan if feasible)</b>
7/9	Sun	12 PM	Craig Powell Memorial
7/7	Fri	See NOR	WMYSA Regatta @ Macatawa Bay YC
7/11-13	Tues-Thurs	See NOR	Butterfly Nationals @ Crystal Lake YC
7/14	Fri	See NOR	Opti "No Tears" @ Grand Rapids
7/15	Sat	See NOR	Jolly Roger Cup Cruising Race: White Lake YC to Muskegon
7/15	Sat	See NOR	GRSC 5th Annual Maiden Race
7/15	Sat	See NOR	Port Huron to Mackinac Bayview YC
7/19	Wed	6:30 PM	Last Race of Clipper Cup Series
7/21	Fri	See NOR	WMYSA Regatta @ White Lake YC
7/22	Sat	See NOR	Race to Mackinac Chicago YC
7/25	Tues		No Tuesday Night Melges 24 Race
7/26	Wed	6:30 PM	First Race of Pigeon Hill Brewery Series



7/28	Fri	See NOR	WMYSA Regatta @ Muskegon YC
7/28-30	Sat-Sun	See NOR	Ugotta Regatta (Harbor Springs) Little Traverse YC
8/1	Tue	6:00 PM	Ulrich Cup @ Muskegon Yacht Club
8/3-6	Thurs-Sun	See NOR	Westerns @ Muskegon Yacht Club
8/9	Wed	6:30 PM	Harbor Hospice Race (part of Wed Night Series)
8/11	Fri	See NOR	Lake Michigan Clipper Cup (Muskegon to Port Washington)
8/19	Sat	7:00 AM	MYC Pursuit Race to Grand Haven
8/19	Sat	12:00 PM	GRSC/MYC Commodores Invitational *
8/30	Wed	6:30 PM	Last Race of Pigeon Hill Brewery Series
9/2	Sat	See NOR	Governor's Cup*
9/6	Wed	6:15 PM	First Race of Series
9/9	Sat	See NOR	Anchorage Cup (Grand Haven to Holland) Anchorage YC
9/26	Tues	6:15 PM	Tuesday Night Melges One-Design Racing Series - Last race
10/11	Wed	6:15 PM	Fall Challenge / Last Race of Series
11/4	Sat	6:00 PM	Annual Awards Banquet



#### 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.



## Dock and Yard Committee Report

**Shore power safety** – while walking the docks it is not uncommon to find shore power cords in the water or shore power cords plugged in, breaker on, and not connected to a boat. ***Dock and Yard are now requiring that all shore power cords be rated suitable for Marine Use, or better still, “UL-Marine” listed for marine shore power applications.***

Standard “outdoor use” extension cords to provide electrical shore power to the boat or any equipment, such as a battery charger on board the boat is not allowed. These cords are not rated for and are not suitable for the severity of a marine environment. They can deteriorate and/or overheat causing electrical shock, a short circuit, or a fire.

All shore power cords should have male (plug) and female (connector) ends of the locking type. Make sure that plugs and connector are turned to the fully locked position by pulling on them. If they are properly locked, they will not pull out. A plug or connector not properly locked will become loose and possibly cause arcing (sparks) on the contacts, resulting a failure and/or fire.

All male ends must be molded on or have weather-proof boots in order to provide a weatherproof seal when plugged into a receptacle.

All female connector ends must have a locking ring to secure the power cord to the inlet on the boat and provide a weatherproof seal.

Adapters should always be used at the shore end of a power cord.

Always make sure that the “Main” circuit breaker on the boat is turned “OFF” before connecting or disconnecting the shore power cord. Additionally, when departing your slip make sure that the shore power circuit breaker is turned “OFF”. Should you forget it is MYC policy for dock hands to turn off breakers to any empty slip. So upon your return be aware that the shore power may be turned off.

**Always connect the female end of the cord to the boat before plugging the male end into the shore power receptacle. Always disconnect the male end from the shore power receptacle before disconnecting the female end from the boat.**

**Never leave a shore power cord on the dock with only the plug end connected. A live cord end is dangerous, especially if it accidentally falls into the water.**

Periodically check shore power cords for the following:

- Cuts, cracks, or severe abrasions on the yellow cord covering.
- Bent, broken, or loose plug blades.
- Plug blades or connector slots that show signs of overheating or arcing, such as:
  - Brown or black discoloration on insulation around blades or slots.
  - Discoloration and/or corrosion of blade material.
- Faulty locking rings due to cracking or damaged threads.

Do not allow cords to be pinched by a closed door or hatch. Pinch points create resistance and generate heat that can result in a fire.

Never coil a live cord tightly on the dock. Such a coil acts as a heat generator and can cause a fire. Hang the cord loosely on a hook or support, or lay it out in a loose coil of only a few turns.

### **Queen's Cup "Reach to the Beach" Finish Wrap Up**

132 boats competed in the 2023 Queen's Cup race from South Shore Yacht Club in Milwaukee Wisconsin to the Muskegon Yacht Club. Each boat was asked by SSYC to come to MYC and participate in the Finish Party but at a minimum they each needed to stop long enough to turn in score cards and trackers prior to heading to their home ports. The first boats arrived at MYC shortly after midnight and were greeted by our volunteer dock crew who tirelessly worked the night to assist in dockage of every boat. By daylight it was estimated that there were nearly 70 competitor boats in the marina. Thank you to the dock crew volunteers Josh Wallace, Jeff Allen, Mark Marchido, Ross Simpson, Clark Miller, Tim Wallace, and Tom Lamont who worked through the early morning until the last boat came in late

morning.



Thank you to the members who provided use of their slips for Queen's Cup competitors. In terms of docking things went very well for this Queen's Cup finish.

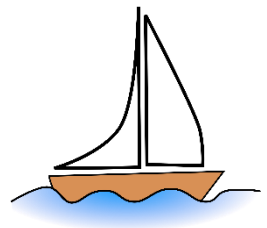
Should you wish to get involved the Dock & Yard meets the second Saturday of every month at 9am at the club. Everyone is welcome to attend the meetings.

Please reach out to Dock and Yard should you have any questions.

Dock and Yard Co-Chairs

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Rob Rafson – [rob@charthouseenergy.com](mailto:rob@charthouseenergy.com)





**Are you registered for the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Harbor Hospice Regatta?**  
**Wednesday, August 9 – All proceeds support Harbor Hospice Foundation.**

The **16th Annual Harbor Hospice Regatta** race raising funds and awareness for the Harbor Hospice Foundation is coming Wednesday evening, August 9.

You do not have to race in the regatta to purchase merchandise, raffle tickets, or raise donations in the Judy Miller Memorial Skipper-to-Skipper Challenge.

**Sponsor a race division** in the annual Judy Miller Memorial Challenge can make an online donation until August 9.



Challenge packets also available in club lobby.

The Harbor Hospice Regatta evening will consist of the following:

- **4:30 PM** - Skipper registration, merchandise sales, raffle sales and Judy Miller Memorial Challenge submissions
- **5:45 PM** - Final registration for 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Harbor Hospice Regatta
- **6:30 PM** - First signal warning by race committee
- **Awards and Announcements** - following tally of race results & Judy Miller Memorial Challenge
- **Final merchandise sales and raffle ticket sales**
- **Raffle winner announcement** - need not be present to win.

Questions? Contact Amber Wallace, volunteer, and events coordinator at 231.728.6805.

*Start of the Tripp Cup 6/28/23: Photo Credit: Josh Wallace*







## Sailing School Committee Report:

**SIGN UP FOR 2023 SAILING SCHOOL CLASSES!**

**ADULT CLASSES TOO!**

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**SAILING SCHOOL**

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Information, schedules and registration for 2023 Sailing School Classes are available online at <http://www.mycsailingschool.com>

The MYC Sailing School is open to the public. Please spread the word to your friends and neighbors. We also offer a shuttle service to and from Pointe Marine for those who live on the north side of Muskegon Lake!

## WMYSA YOUTH REGATTA COMING TO MYC JULY 28th!!!

On Friday July 28, youth sailors from throughout West Michigan will travel to MYC to compete in the final 2023 WMYSA summer regatta.



This is a fantastic opportunity for MYC Juniors, especially beginners, to sail in a large, fun regatta on familiar waters.

We will also need volunteers to help wrangle traffic, parking, and lots of trailers full of little boats. It is really fun to have the MYC property full of grinning young sailors!



We want your used sails!! If you have used, even torn sails that have not delaminated, please donate them to the junior sailing program.

**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 non profit program please click the link below:

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

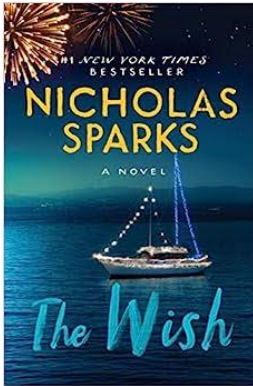
Respectfully,  
Kimberly Blum,  
Junior's Chairperson



Cole Blum hard at work sanding the junior's boat.

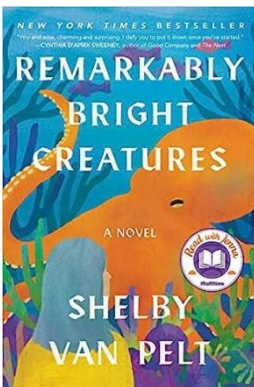
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# MYC BOOK CLUB



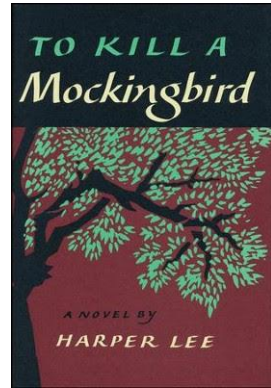
Thursday, August 3rd at 6 pm is our next book club meeting.

The Wish by Nicholas Sparks is our August selection



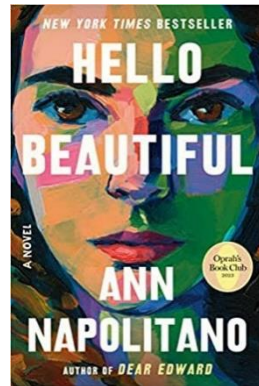
Thursday, September 14th at 6 pm is our September book club.

Remarkably Bright Creatures by Shelby Van Pelt is our choice.



Thursday, October 12th at 6 pm is our October date and time.

To Kill A Mockingbird by Harper Lee is our October selection.



Thursday, November 9th at 6 pm is our November date and time.

Hello Beautiful by Ann Napolitano is our book for November.



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# WINE DINNER

**THURSDAY, July 22, 2023**  
**SOCIAL 6:00 PM - DINNER 6:30 PM**

## First Course - Tropical Fruit Gazpacho

*Mango - Pineapple - Coconut - Cucumber*  
*Pureed and served cold with Yaniqueque Crisp*  
*Wine: TBD*

## Second Course - Caribbean Bruschetta

*Shrimp - Scallop - Tomato - Citrus - Cilantro*  
*Served on grilled French bread*  
*Wine: TBD*

## Third Course - Surf and Turf Poke

*Hawaiian Marinated Ahi Tuna - Teriyaki Glazed Flash Seared Filet - Coconut*  
*Jasmine Rice - Avocado*  
*Wine: TBD*

## Fourth Course - Pineapple Cheesecake

*Toasted Macadamia Nut Graham Cracker Crust - Kahlua Caramel - Toasted Coconut*  
*Wine: TBD*

LIMITED SEATING (36) - RESERVATIONS REQUIRED TO ATTEND

**\$55.00 /PER PERSON** - *Gratuity not included*

Please call the club for reservations 231-755-1414  
 or email [Kim@muskegonyachtclub.org](mailto:Kim@muskegonyachtclub.org)

Join us for this fun evening with Michael Smith - Certified Wine Sommelier!

**\*72 hour cancellation policy\***

cancellations made after 72 hours prior to the event start time will not be refunded.

## 94th WMYA Championship Regatta



**Muskegon Yacht Club**  
 Thursday August 3 –  
 Sunday August 6, 2023

The Western Michigan Yachting Association was formed in December 1929 as a result of an informal agreement between representatives of the three original member clubs; the Spring Lake Yacht Club, the Muskegon Yacht Club and the White Lake Yacht Club. The driving force behind the organization was C.D.R. Mulder, who was a member of both WLYC and SLYC.

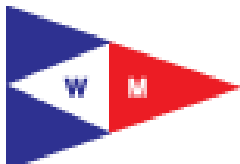
The fledgling association held their first regatta at Muskegon Lake in 1930 as a two-day event. The regatta included only three classes of boats: A Scows, C Scows and E Scows, and involved only a single race in each class. The Muskegon Lake Regatta was so successful that the three clubs decided to formalize their relationship and promote intense inter-club competition. All interested parties were invited to attend a luncheon at the Century Club in Muskegon on September 22, 1930. Delegates from White Lake, Muskegon Lake, Spring Lake and Black Lake (Macatawa Bay) were on hand. Within a short time, the Grand Rapids Yacht Club and the Torch Lake Yacht Club also joined. The organizers chose C.D.R. Mulder (SLYC) Commodore, William R. Munroe (MYC) Vice-Commodore, John G. Guerin (WLYC) Rear Commodore, Clarence E. Pitkin (WLYC) Secretary, and C.A. Crowe (MBYC) Treasurer. By 1938 Pentwater and Crystal Lake had also joined.

The White Lake Yacht Club invited the other members of the association to hold its first official regatta at White Lake in August of 1931. Hoping to improve upon the earlier efforts at Muskegon Lake, the organizers of the White Lake Regatta decided to extend the event to three days (Saturday, Sunday, and Monday) and to have the three classes of boats sail in heats, one for each day of the event, which would supposedly improve the competition. They also added a social side with Sailors Lunch every day and a grand ball to end the regatta.

During the 30. and 40.s the WMYA experimented with another type of regatta known as the Skippers Regatta. The idea was that each club would send a skipper and crew for each of the three classes (E, C, and Crescent). Each crew would rotate from one boat to another until each had sailed each boat, negating advantages of speed or quality on other boats. The winner was based on a point system with the winner having the most points overall. In 1936 the Association decided to let the host club provide all the competing boats. This posed a problem when not all clubs had all the fleets racing on their lake.

In 1939 a cruising boat race from Macatawa to White Lake opened the event and it was made an annual event for several years. During the war years of 1942 and 1943, the regattas were canceled due to war time travel restrictions and lack of competition. The format for the races remained fairly uniform over the years. Each regatta lasted for three days, changing to a Friday to Sunday format, and now to a four day format. The classes of boats raced over the years have included the; A Scow, E Scow, C Scow, Crescent, Y Flyer, Snipe, Lightning, Lawley, Scooter, Wood Pussy, Nipper, MC Scow, Butterfly, Laser, M20, and Melges 17. This Regatta Year Book started in 1959 as the first official program printed for the regatta and it was dedicated to Howard Tremble as a past WMYA Commodore. The position of Resident Agent (now Executive Secretary) began in 1962 with Tom Bloodgood. In 1966 Midge Verplank took over and held the association together with consistency and vitality until retiring in 2003, with Joan Manny replacing him.

To this day the foundation of the WMYA is based on encouraging, promoting, conducting, and supervising amateur yachting and yacht racing on the inland lakes. Its long history has perpetuated through generations of sailing families and will continue to do so in to the future.  
[-www.wmya.org](http://www.wmya.org)



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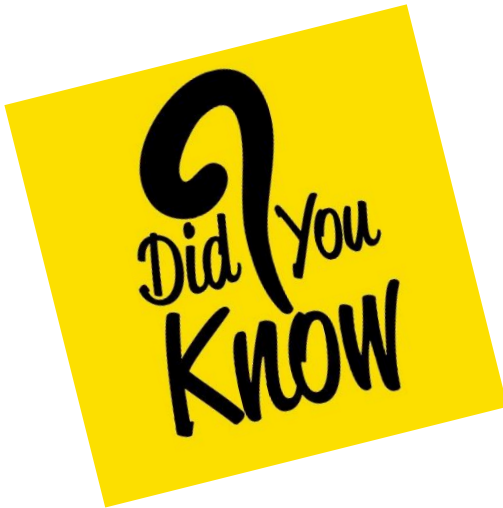
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Queens Cup Finish
2	3 Club Open 12—9pm	4 Happy Birthday America	5 Race Night	6	7 Juniors Regatta at Macatawa	8 Nedeau Cup Jolly Rogers Cup
9 Craig Powell Memorial Cup	10	11 Melges Race Night	12 Race Night	13 Private Member Event	14	15
16	17	18 Melges Race Night	19 Race Night	20 Private Member Event  Board Meeting Canceled	21 Juniors Regatta at White Lake	22 Chicago/ Mac Race
23	24	25 NO Melges Racing	26 Race Night	27 Wine Dinner	28 Juniors Regatta at MYC	29
30	31	1 Melges Racing  Member Private Event	2 Race Night  Member Private Event	3 Westerns at MYC	4 Westerns at MYC	5 Westerns at MYC

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