



THE CLINTON RIVER BOAT CLUB
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on
Club Island



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SOUNDINGS



Gene Schaden
Commodore

Harbor Patrol

by Gene Schaden



We are almost through the winter season! By next month, temperatures will start to rise and the following month the Island is opening. I hope that everyone has made the most of the winter season by getting away or enjoying winter activities. Annmarie and I were fortunate enough to get out of the cold and to the beaches of St. Croix.

I am happy to say that membership is at a healthy level and there are applications in process. This translates to a balanced budget and the funding of our capital assets savings account. With the revenue generated from reserved wells and donations, we are able to continue with the electrical pedestal project, the upgrading of the gazebo deck, the purchase of more resin adirondack chairs for the deck and replacement of the basketball hoops with adjustable baskets. If you have not done so, please consider making a donation to one or more of these projects.

The current membership incentive that waives the initiation fee expires on April 12th, so if you know of anyone who is a potential member, get an application to them. Every new member translates into an average of \$1000 to the Club.

A great season is ahead of us. Annmarie and I hope to see you at the Commodores Ball!



Happy
VALENTINE'S
DAY



Grounds & Maintenance Report



Bill Whitley Jr.
Vice Commodore

From the desk of Bill Whitley, Jr.

With less than two months until Island opening, planning continues for the upcoming season.

Plans for a major electrical and drainage project, combined with the movement of dredging spoils, means it promises to be a busy year!

We received news recently that repairs on the Gator have been completed over the winter and it will be fully operational for the upcoming season.

Additionally, a new prospect for grill replacement has been identified and we hope to have this fully researched before the beginning of the season.

Island Opening is April 15. See you soon!

Entertainment Report



Cliff Cohen
Rear Commodore

From the desk of Cliff Cohen

The schedule is continuing to come together and we are working on a few surprises that should prove to be quite popular.....Stay tuned!! The 2017 tentative schedule of events is included again in this issue of the Soundings.

Cliff Cohen
Rear Commodore
Entertainment Chair

FEBRUARY



Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, March 8, 2017

Dinner 6:30 / Meeting 7pm

All Members are invited to attend

Juliano's Restaurant

27380 Van Dyke

(I-696 & 11 Mile Rd), Warren

ROSTER ADVERTISING

Support the Publication of the CRBC Membership Roster by placing a personal or business ad.

Business Card: \$50

¼ page: \$75

½ page: \$150

full page: \$225

contact Gene Schaden

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The Good of the Order

-Don Kersey, Secretary

The CRBC Board of Directors and its members regretfully announce the death of Bob Stewart on January 25th, 2017. Bob was the father of Debbie Kehrig, father in law of Director John Kehrig.

A private military burial was held on Tuesday January 31st at Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly, Michigan.

May our thoughts and prayers be with the entire family at this time.



PACK YOUR BURGEES!

Going on Vacation?

If so, take your CRBC Burgee and a copy of the Soundings! Take a photo displaying your Burgee or reading the Soundings and send it to the Soundings Editor with names, date, and place to be posted in the next issue!

Email: triciaschaden@mac.com

CRBC Burgee with Commodore Gene Schaden and Lady Annmarie in beautiful St. Croix!





Anchor Bay Yachting Association



Safety, Charity, Education...

"Working Together for the Good of the Boating Community!"

ABYA Report

From the Desk of Chris Nevison

The ABYA February meeting was called to order by Commodore Ed Bolsendahl at 7:30pm on Monday February 6th at the FOE Eagles on Greater Mack in St Clair Shores. A motion passed to suspend the July meeting indefinitely as it historically conflicts with most delegates' schedules and results in low attendance. It was brought up that a bill is being put before the state legislature to eliminate bottomland leases for private citizens and clubs and reduce the leases for commercial marinas... more to follow as information becomes available.

There was much discussion about upcoming events:

- The ABYA Spring Rendezvous in Midland, MI is March 10th through the 12th. All members of any ABYA member club are invited to participate.
- Two fundraising Millionaire's parties are scheduled for April 12-15 and April 19-22. Participation in these events is crucial as they make up a significant portion of the monies generated by the ABYA which in turn are used to donate to ABYA Charities.
- July 5, 2017 marks the 100 year anniversary of Selfridge Air National Guard Base. There will be a flurry of activities in celebration of this milestone.

Visit the ABYA.org website for more information about any of these activities that you may wish to participate in.



COMMODORE'S BALL

We hope to see everyone at the
COMMODORE'S BALL in just a few weeks!

6pm on February 25th at Blossom Heath Inn.

Dinner and an open **premium** bar are included!





2017 CRBC Entertainment Events

February

25 Commodore's Ball (McEachren)

April

15 *Island Open (Whitley)
Lunch (Wesenberg)

May

27 Tennis Mixer (Sogge/Grant)
Member "Trade Show" (Nevison)
New Member Orientation (G Schaden)
Scotch/Bourbon/Cigar Party (Nikkel/AM Schaden)
New Member Cocktail Party (Gutschow)
29 Memorial Day

June

3 Island Beautification Lunch (Reichmann)
Island Beautification Dinner (TBD)
10 Island Cookout (Ayers)
17 Boat First Aid Safety Class (AM Schaden)
Old Club/CRBC tennis (Sogge)
Euchre (Buccellato)
18 Father's Day Breakfast (Whitley)

July

1 Island Breakfast (Nowakowski/Pifer)
Tennis Mixer (Sogge/Grant)
Kids Fishing Contest (Henderson/Turansky)
Bingo (Balick/Henderson)
2 Craft Beer Event (Cusick/Faircloth)
4 CRBC BOD Meeting (Kersey)
3 Robs' BBQ Lunch (Sogge/Grant/Leonetti)
July 4 dinner (Parker)
8 Euchre (Buccellato)
15 Small Boat Rally (Beltz)
Ice Cream Social in the Bay (J Gutowski/Whitley Jr)
Island Cookout (Schaden families: Matt/David/Gene)
16 Island Breakfast (Kersey)
22 Bonfire & S'mores (Cohen)
Diva Party (Miller)

July (continued)

28-30 CRBC Rendezvous (Nevison/Cohen)

August

5 Ice Cream Social (Sogge/Leonetti)
"Special Island Cookout" (Irish)
Euchre (Buccellato)
19 Barge Party (Cohen/Raymo)
Cardboard Boat Races (TBD)
26 Island Cookout (P/Cs)
Movie Night (Gutschow/Gutowski)

September

2 Tennis Mixer (Sogge/Grant)
Fleet Review (Bridge)
Cocktail Party (Reblin)
Boat Decorations/*skits (TBD)
Afterglow (Cohen)
3 Bloody Mary Party (MacLachlan/Rozewicz)
Rubber Ducky Race (MacLachlan)
Labor Day Dinner (Rozewicz)
4 Labor Day
16 *Halloween / Trick-or-treat (Caradonna)
Chili Cook-off (Cohen)

October

14 *Island Closing (Whitley Jr/Cohen)

November

15 *Annual Meeting (Kersey)

* tentative dates/events



EDUCATIONAL SERIES – **free** classes sponsored by MacRay Harbor and ABYA

- THURSDAY 2/23 BOATING SKILLS and VESSEL SAFETY CHECKS

An overview of how to schedule a VSC, prepping for VSC, review of marine safety equipment, government regulations, and how a VSC increases enjoyment of boating

- THURSDAY 3/30 NOAA SKYWARN Storm Spotters

Skywarn spotter training sessions to train individuals to accurately observe weather phenomena such as floods, hail, wind, and its associated damage. Also cloud features that do/do not lead to tornadoes.

- All classes are offered at no charge and take place @ MacRay from 7:30-9pm
- Optional Dinner at North 42 from 5-7:30pm prior to seminar (cash bar 5-9pm)

**** If you are interested in attending these seminars and/or dinner, please RSVP to 586-468-1900 ext 434**

Membership Report:

- Boating Members = 137
- Social Members = 42

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The Island Store Is Looking for Young Artists!!!



We are searching for talented kids at Club Island to draw a design
The design will be imprinted on T-shirts that will be sold in the Club Island
Store for kids (Toddlers to 10 years of age)
The winning design will be selected by the CRBC Store Committee

Design Guidelines:

Designs should be mailed or emailed to the address below by April 15, 2017.

Your Design should be something that is representative of Club Island

Your design should be approximately 5 inches by 5 inches (a square)

Your Design should be a black line drawing - not in color and not filled in

Good Luck and Be Creative!

Send Entries to:

Debra Kersey

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CRBC CLASSIFIEDS

Classified ads are limited to nautical items. There is a one-time charge of \$25 for an ad with a photo, and the photo ad will also be posted on the CRBC website. All ads must be placed by a CRBC member and have a CRBC member contact. Please submit your classified ad to the Soundings Editor prior to the second Wednesday of each month: triciaschaden@mac.com

Boat for Sale



1982 Chris Craft 39' Stinger

1982 Chris Craft 39' Stinger - Miami Vice Season 1. Heavy duty Hull Layup. 14+ hours on New 502's/500+hp each. Super comfortable ride. Bimini, Side and Aft curtains: Tonneau Cover. \$27,900. A chance to own a true Classic at a reasonable price. Call Mitch @ (586) 468-1180.

Boat for Sale



1985 Chris Craft 382 Commander

Closed Cooling
Entire boat painted with Awlgrip
New Bridge Enclosure and Aft Deck Cover (2014)
3 Heat/Air Units
Upper & Lower Stations
Up Galley
25# Icemaker

Dual Refrigerators/Freezers
55 Gallon Holding Tank
Aft Deck Carpet
Teak interior
100 Gallon Water Tank
Complete Maintenance in 2014
Winter Indoor Heated Storage.

This is a great Club Island Boat! A Chris Craft Classic! \$57,000.
Contact Bev Lathrop @ (586) 201-5675 or Steve Lathrop @ (586) 201-5474



1990 43' Tiara Convertible FOR SALE

For Sale, 1990 43 ft. Tiara Convertible. 692 TI Detroit Diesels with only 850 hours. 10KW Westerbeke Generator, Full bridge controls/instruments and lower station trolling gears. Full galley with micro-convection oven, 3 burner stove, fridge, freezer, ice maker etc, Forward Stateroom with Queen bed and head with full shower. Side Stateroom large bunks and head with curtained shower. Three Heat/AC units, TV's, Stereo with surround sound and bridge speakers plus intercom. Also outside freezer and rigged for fishing. Many upgrades/updates and professionally maintained. Epoxy below water line and no blisters in recent 2012 survey which rated it a 9.9 out of possible 10. Owners P/C Donald G.Vonk and Patricia Vonk. Listed at J.B. Yacht Sales by Jim Kehrig jr. (866)490-5297 X132 or jkehrig@jbys.com

