



THE CLINTON RIVER BOAT CLUB
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Club Island



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SOUNDINGS



Gene Schaden
Commodore

Harbor Patrol

by Gene Schaden



Welcome to the 2017 boating season!

Boats are being launched and Club Island is open for our enjoyment. I would like to say thank you to all of you that came out for Island opening. It was very well attended and once again everyone had a great time bringing the Club out of hibernation. We did find that Club Island has squatters, a nesting pair of Bald Eagles that have set up their home high atop a tree on the east side. The skies were being patrolled by the male eagle while people were working in the area of the nest... very impressive!



The Board of Directors has extended the membership incentive of "no initiation" for boating memberships until July 4th. This is a wonderful opportunity for your boating family and friends to join one of the greatest boating destinations in Southeast Michigan. The Board also has capped the social membership at 45 with a \$500 initiation.

As Grounds and Maintenance Chair, Rear Commodore Bill Whitley Jr. has a full plate of projects planned for this season. He has met with a marine contractor for seawall and dock repairs, has plans for spreading the remaining spoils and a drainage project around the club house. If you are able to assist him in any of these projects or any others around the Island, please seek him out. Another project that P/C Bill Whitley Sr. is heading up is an upgrade to the Club's Wi Fi system.

Your donations to targeted projects have been put to use with the purchase of 8 new resin Adirondack chairs and 4 tables as well as a new adjustable Basketball system. Thank you to everyone that made donations! This is a great way to keep dues down while making upgrades to the Island.

Harbor Patrol (continued from page 1)

by Gene Schaden

This is a reminder that the May Soundings will be the last issue that will be mailed except to the few members that do not have email addresses. The Soundings will be available at the Club website www.clubisland.org. If you enjoy reading a paper version of the Soundings, just print it out from the website, it is a high quality copy that is much better than the mailed version.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the Club in the coming weeks,

Gene



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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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Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, May 10, 2017
Dinner 6:30 / Meeting 7pm

All Members are invited to attend
Juliano's Restaurant
27380 Van Dyke
(I-696 & 11 Mile Rd), Warren

Entertainment Report



Cliff Cohen
Rear Commodore

From the desk of Cliff Cohen



The season is officially underway! We successfully opened the island on Saturday April 15th and served a very hungry crew a hearty lunch and refreshments! Many thanks to Jim Wesenberg for bringing out his famous chili for all to enjoy. Included in this month's Soundings is the updated entertainment schedule. If you have any suggestions or would like to volunteer to help out with an event, please contact me directly.

Looking forward to seeing you at the island!

Cliff

Membership Update:

Social:	40
Boating:	125

As mentioned in the March Soundings, we had 2 new prospective members, which are now approved:

Please help us welcome our new members:

Christopher Hilts and his wife Nicole of Grosse Pointe Farms;

John Meconi and his wife Elizabeth of Grosse Pointe Woods.

We also have 2 additional prospective members:

1) Gregg **DeMers** of Harrison Township. Gregg and his wife, Michelle, have a 38' Sea Ray Sundancer and are sponsored by Kevin Ryan.

2) **Kevin McDougall** of Shelby Township. Kevin and his wife, Tina, have a 21' Bennington and are also sponsored by Kevin Ryan.

Both applicants have met the Board at the April meeting and will be voted on in May.

Grounds & Maintenance Report



Bill Whitley Jr.
Vice Commodore

From the desk of Bill Whitley, Jr.

Club Island is open!

A large crew ignored the forecast morning thunderstorms and headed to the Island for a beautiful Saturday preparing the Island. The Club is looking good with minimal damage over the winter. We lost only one pine tree on the SW side to wind. The pontoon is back at the Island, thank you to South River Marine for storing it for the winter. Caretaker John Space is back at the Island full time preparing for the season.

We are lining up some projects for the Spring to keep improvements coming on the Island. Thanks to all who donated which will help us with these big projects! We are working to schedule preventative maintenance on the seawall, replacing & tapping down pilings, improve drainage around the clubhouse, continued work on the electrical system and installation of a new basketball hoop early in the season.

THANK YOU to all volunteers that came out for Island Opening: Cliff Cohen, John & Marilyn Caradonna, Chuck Custard, P/C Bob Gutowski, Jason Gutowski, P/C Ron & Kathy James, Al Kalinin Sr, Al Kalinin Jr, Tom Kalinin, John Kehrig, Don & Deby Kersey, P/C Gary Kirrkamm, P/C Rob Leonetti, Brian Miller, Josh Miller, Jeff Parker, Larry Rieck, Moss & Dyann Rossi, Rich Rozewicz, Gene Schaden, Claire Schaden, Rob Sogge, Janice Wynn and especially to Jim Wesenberg for a fabulous lunch!



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ABYA Report

From the Desk of Chris Nevison

The ABYA April Board Meeting was held on April 3, 2017 at the North Star Sail Club in Harrison Township hosted by Sand Pointe Yacht Club. There were presentations by the Noble Odyssey Foundation and the Great Lakes Division of the US Naval Sea Cadets. The Noble Odyssey Foundation's purpose is to enhance public understanding of Great Lakes Science and History by bringing together scientists and people with an interest in underwater research. The Sea Cadet Program is a non-profit youth organization for boys and girls ages 13 through 17 who receive hands on deck and engineering training aboard The Pride of Michigan based out of Mt Clemens. For more information about either of these programs visit their websites at www.nobleodyssey.org and www.prideofmichigan.org

It was reported that the Spring Rendezvous in Midland, MI was a success and that fundraising efforts at the event generated \$2000.00 revenue for ABYA. Upcoming events include the May General Membership meeting which will be held May 1 from 7:30-9:00pm at MacRay Harbor, 30675 N River Road in Harrison Township. Any members wishing to accompany me are welcome to do so!

Further upcoming events include the ABYA Charity Spring Dinner Dance June 2-4, held at the NCYC. The cost is \$25.00 per person and dockage is free on Friday for those that want to make a night or weekend out of it. Otherwise, the Fin Runner will be shuttling people to and from the mainland. Also, ABYA & MacRay Celebrate the Lakes will be held June 10-11, 2017 at MacRay Harbor.

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

Burgee-licious appetizer!

Major creativity points to Annmarie Schaden for fashioning this burgee in phyllo dough on top of her baked brie appetizer! How cute it this!?

Try this out for your next cocktail party or for an island potluck!





2017 CRBC Entertainment Events

February

25 Commodore's Ball (McEachren)

April

15 Island Open (Whitley Jr)
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)
Crest Pontoon Boat Demo Day
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)
Diva Party (V Miller)
Entertainment: Same Old Guys (D Miller)
2 Bingo (Balick/Henderson)
3 July 4 dinner (Parker)
4 CRBC BOD Meeting (Kersey)
3 Robs' BBQ Lunch (Sogge/Grant/Leonetti)
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)

July (continued)

22 Bonfire & S'mores (Cohen)
Craft Beer Event (Cusic/Faircloth)
28-30 CRBC Rendezvous @ GPYC (Nevison/Cohen)

August

5 Ice Cream Social (Sogge/Leonetti)
"Special Island Cookout" (Irish)
Euchre (Buccellato)
19 Barge Party (Cohen/Raymo)
Cardboard Boat Races (Kirrkamm)
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 (TBD)
Chili Cook-off (Cohen)

October

14 *Island Closing (Whitley Jr/Cohen)

November

15 *Annual Meeting (Kersey)

* tentative dates/events

What's New at the Island Store?



Wine tote \$23



Tote Bag (16 x 13) - \$29.00
Handmade and embroidered with
the CRBC Burgee!



** Pre-orders accepted
Contact Deby Kersey at
debbandmom@gmail.com or [586-904-5106](tel:586-904-5106)

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-Don Kersey, Secretary

The CRBC Board of Directors and its members regretfully announce the death of Genevieve "Jean" Mulka, beloved mother of Diane Carlson. Genevieve died peacefully on March 10th, in Harrison Twp, MI. She lived a full and abundant life for more than 93 years. She was a resident of Saint Clair Shores and Port St Lucie, Florida.

Jean was an original "Rosie the Riveter" on the WWII home front. She was proud to serve her country during the war effort. Her story is documented in the San Francisco "Rosie Museum".

Private services are planned for the immediate family at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield, MI.



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:

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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.



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

