We are finally here, our boats are in the water and the Club is being visited. The Memorial Day weekend is just around the corner and the calendar is full of fun events. Be sure to check out the entertainment calendar and fliers for events and times.

Mother Nature has not been cooperating, dropping lots of rain and slowing down some of the projects that have been started. The upside though is we have high water levels making navigation easier. Speaking of projects at the Club, Vice Commodore Bill Whitley Jr. our Grounds and Maintenance Chairman, has an ambitious list of work he wants to get accomplished at the Island. Please make contact with him if you are able to help with any of the work. There are many layers of talent that are required that allows anyone to participate.

Anyone who has a SE dinghy well, please contact Don Kersey for a temporary well assignment. All of the SE dinghy wells require work and the bad weather has prevented the marine contractor from completing the work at the Club as quickly as we hoped. Until the work is completed in the SE dinghy wells, **DO NOT** dock in these wells.
This is a reminder as we go into the boating/swimming season that there is no swimming in the harbor. There is an unseen danger in all marinas, electrical currents can escape from a boat or electrical lines on land allowing the current to run through the water which can cause electrical shock drownings. This is a real problem and P/C Bill Whitley Sr. is donating a shock alarm that can detect electrical currents in the water. If there is an electrical current in the water, this device can hopefully help in finding the source. Thank you Bill.

Dave Sokolitz has been upgrading, improving and adding features to the Club website. Be sure to check out the site at clubisland.org and if you see Dave, thank him for his work and he is open to any ideas you may have to further improve the website.

Harbor Patrol (continued from page 1)
by Gene Schaden

This is the final reminder that the May issue of the Soundings is the last to be mailed and the Soundings will be available only online. The online version is in color and high quality and if you like to read the Soundings in your hand, simply print it out.

Hope to see you all soon. Happy boating!

Gene

Entertainment Report

From the desk of Cliff Cohen

Well, we are quickly approaching the beginning of an exciting season of entertainment on Club Island. Included in this month’s Soundings are several activity flyers highlighting the activities for the months of May and June. As you will see, we have a full schedule of activities planned for Memorial Day weekend and many more stretching into June. As we move through the season, I will be featuring the flyers on the website, in the Soundings and inside the clubhouse.
Get your boats ready and head out to the island! As always, if you have a neat idea for an activity or would like to volunteer to host or assist with an event please reach out to me directly, or to the event host. Remember, the more involved you are, the more opportunity to spend time with old friends and make new ones as well!

See you on the Island!

Cliff Cohen
Rear Commodore
Entertainment Chairman

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**Membership**

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

Please help us welcome our new members:

**Greg DeMers and his wife Michelle** of Harrison Township;

**Kevin McDougall and his wife Tina** of Shelby Township.

We also have 4 new applicants:

1) **Richard Morency** – sponsored by Bob Michieluti
2) **Joh Borgne** – sponsored by Chuck Custard
3) **Jeff Papsdorf** – sponsored by Derek Danckaert
4) **Ronald Micallef** – sponsored by John Reesman

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**Social:** 42  
**Boating:** 126
It is with great sadness that the Flag and Board of Directors of Clinton River Boat Club have to report that Therese Schaden, Age 91, passed away. She is the mother of members Commodore Gene Schaden and Greg Schaden, the Grand Mother of P/C David Schaden, Board Member Matt Schaden, Jake Krystoforski and Kayliegh McEachren. Beloved wife of the late Gene. A memorial service was held Friday, May 5th at St. Lucy Catholic Church.

And it is with great sadness that the Flag and Board of Directors of The Clinton River Boat Club have to report that Joseph Cipriano, father of member Matthew Cipriano passed away on April 22, 2017. A memorial service was held Wednesday April 26.

We also received a note from Diane Carlson thanking us for the flower garden we sent on the passing of her mother Jean Mulka.
Grounds & Maintenance Report

From the desk of Bill Whitley, Jr.

It has been a busy spring!

We removed the rented excavator from the Island earlier today after completing a sizable project list. We’ve installed the new drainage system around the Club House. We’ve buried 1100’ of pipe which will directly drain all club house downspouts and collect water via a new network of French drains and surface drains directly into a new underground 1000 gallon septic tank and then pump the water out to the lake. Thank you to P/C Ron James, P/C Bill Whitley, John Caradonna, Moss Rossi, Rob Sogge, Cliff Cohen, Larry Reick and Donna Whitley for helping on this project! We’ll finish the project this upcoming weekend with the final plumbing and electrical connections, smoothing the last of the dirt and fertilizing and grass seed.

Additionally, we have:

- completed a repair to the culvert which connects the South harbor to the middle channel,
- dug out the stump of the pine tree that fell on the SW side over the winter,
- removed the leaning basketball hoop from the small court,
- excavated three tie backs which are in need of repair,
- cleaned up the burn pile and dirt at the end of the SE side and
- moved roughly 150 gator loads of dirt around the Island to raise low areas.

This weekend we’ll be applying fertilizer and grass seed around the Island. The soil on the island was sent to MSU for analysis and the results showed the need for a custom fertilizer application in order to provide soil with the proper nutritional value and pH. Particularly, the pH was well outside of norm testing as high as 8.1, with an ideal range being 6.2 to 7.0.

A marine contractor is scheduled to start at the Island this week, tapping down nearly 70 pilings which have been raised by ice, and installing 30 new pilings to replace pilings which are either missing or rotted. We’ve removed piling caps from all of these pilings so that they can be tapped down without damaging the caps.

A welder is scheduled to be at the island this weekend performing repairs to the seawall cap and repair of some tiebacks on the SE side where we have had three consecutive tie backs which have failed.

And finally, a special Mothers’ Day thank you to Donna Whitley, who spent her entire Mothers’ Day, from 8AM until 7PM driving a Gator around the Island moving dirt around the island so that we could take advantage of the last of our time with the rented excavator!
ABYA Report

From the Desk of Chris Nevison

The ABYA May meeting was held on May 1, 2017 at the Mac Ray Harbor Clubhouse. The guest speaker for the evening was Forrest Walker from Boat4Vets a nonprofit group that is dedicated to showing appreciation to our Veterans by planning several boat outings among a few lakes in Southeastern Michigan. This year’s Lake St Clair Chapter outing is planned for July 22, 2017 out of Idle Hour Yacht Club. The group is looking for volunteers, host boats and captains. For more information, visit www.boat4vets.com or contact Forrest Walker directly at (810) 512-4660 or email at walkeroo@comcast.net

Other events of note:

- The Detroit Power Squadron is hosting its annual one-day excursion to Put-in-Bay on August 11, 2017. The Jet Express will leave from the Detroit Yacht Club at 9:00 am and depart Put-in-Bay at 7pm for the return trip. For more information, visit www.detroitpowersquadron.com and see attached flyer.

- The ABYA Spring / Summer Dance on June 3rd at North Channel Yacht Club is fast approaching, if anyone is interested in attending please see the flyer for additional details.

- The next ABYA membership meeting will be held on Monday August 7 at Belvedere Boat Club. Transportation will be provided by the NCYC Fin Runner for those not attending by boat.

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
A Buffet Breakfast will be available at the DYC for $14.00, tax and tip included. Breakfast will start at 7:00 am

A la Carte Sales
Bagels & Donuts $1.00
Coffee & Juice $2.00

All purchases are payable by Visa, Master Card or Cash.

Guests are invited into the grill upon return to DYC.

Come Join The Detroit Power Squadron
On Friday August 11, 2017 for a one day Excursion to Put-N-Bay
The Jet Express II will leave from the Detroit Yacht Club
Boarding will Begin @ 8:30 am, Departure time @ 9:00 am
We will be transported to Downtown Put-N-Bay
Where a day of tourist excitement will await you
We will begin Boarding for Return to DYC @ 6:45 pm
Departure time @ 7:00 pm

If you want to meet us at the DYC by boat, slips will be available

Round trip cost Per Person $89.00 All sales are Final

Make your check payable to the Detroit Power Squadron
Mail To
49940 Gratiot
Chesterfield, MI 48051

Keith Hawkins @ (313) 445-6269
Tony Drewel @ (586) 725-7378
Marlene Drewel @ (586) 725-7378

Registration Form
CALL BEFORE MAILING

NAME ____________________________________________________________

ADDRESS _______________________________________________________

CITY ______________________ STATE _____ ZIP ________________

TELEPHONE ( ) __________________# OF TICKETS ______ $ __________

www.detroitpowersquadron.com (PayPal available)
www.putinbay.com
Anchor Bay Yachting Association
Presents the Annual
Spring Dinner Dance

SAVE THIS WEEKEND / DATE
When:  Saturday, June 3, 2017
Where:  The North Channel Yacht Club
  Limited Wells Available .
  First come, First serve!!!
Pay for Saturday, get Friday FREE

Tickets: ($25.00 Cost to Include; Cocktail Party,
  Entertainment, and Dinner)
  Arrive by Boat or Car

Watch Your E-Mail For Further Information
Craig Skupny – 586-557-3765
craigabya@yahoo.com

Dress – ABYA Officers/PC’s and Club Officers – Summer Whites
Dress - Everyone Else - Floral Casual
(Tentative Schedule)
Patio Cocktail Party:  5:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Pre-Meeting cocktails - clubhouse – 6:00 pm
Short ABYA meeting:  6:30 pm
Dinner:  7:00 pm
Entertainment : Bill Long  8:00 pm – 12:30 am
Make Sure You Purchase your Tickets Early
By car – take the NCYC Fin-Runner
## 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)
- **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 (Kirkkamm)
- **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
CRBC Member Trade Show
Come and Network with Your Fellow CRBC Members

Sunday May 28th.
10:00 AM to 12:00PM

If you wish to host a display table please contact
PC Chris Nevison directly at 586-615-1140

CRBC Tennis Mixer
Saturday May 27th.
9:00 AM

Hosted by the Sogge’s & Grant’s
New Member Orientation Meeting

Saturday May 27th.
1:00 PM
In the Clubhouse

HELLO!
New Members!

Hosted by Commodore Schaden
New Member Cocktail Party

Saturday May 27th.
6:30 PM

Please join in the festivities as we welcome our newest CRBC Members

Members are requested to bring a hot or cold hors d'oeuvres to share with all

Hosted by Scott and Kelly Gutschow
Boat & First Aid Safety Class
Saturday June 17th, 10:00 AM.

Please join Annmarie Schaden in the Clubhouse for a very important interactive presentation.
Scotch / Bourbon / Cigar and Slider Party

Sunday May 28th.
1:30 PM
In the Clubhouse
Adults Only
$25.00

Hosted by: Steve Nikkel, Chris Nevison and Anamarie Schaden

Island Beautification Pot Luck Dinner

Saturday June 3rd. 5:00 PM
After a long day working to make our island home beautiful please join the membership for a CRBC style POTLUCK Dinner

Members with last names beginning with A – H please bring a hot dish

Members with last names beginning with I – Q please bring a salad dish

Members with last names beginning with R – Z please bring a desert dish
CRBC Island Beautification
Lunch

Calling All CRBC Members to Join In on Island Beautification Saturday June 3rd.
Lunch will be provided and expertly prepared by PC Bruce Reichmann

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
1982 Chris Craft 39' Stinger


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 Statement 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