



THE CLINTON RIVER BOAT CLUB
EST. 1940
on
Club Island



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SOUNDINGS



Gene Schaden
Commodore

Harbor Patrol

by Gene Schaden



Greetings everyone! The last of the Club's events have been enjoyed with the Labor Day weekend where we saw a near full harbor even with cold temperatures and high winds. Then there was the chili cook-off and Halloween trick or treating on September 16th with outstanding weather that weekend.

The summer months have come to an end but the Club is still there to enjoy until October 14th. Club Island is a great destination during the fall with fire pits or the clubhouse fireplace to sit around, and quiet times watching the fall colors change. Try it, you'll like it!

The Grosse Pointe Woods Boat Club is coming to CRBC the weekend of September 23rd for their fall rendezvous, please welcome them with open arms and show them what a great place we have.

The Annual Meeting packet will be mailed to you shortly and I hope to see you at the meeting which will be on November 10th at the Watermark restaurant at Jefferson Beach Marina. Within the packet there will be the ballot for the Board of Directors election and the candidates' bios. Please take the time to select the candidates that will best serve the Club in the future. Also in the packet is a proposed by-law change that would tie dues increases to the consumer price index. In 2014, the membership overwhelmingly voted to use this formula for a test period that expires this year. The by-law change would continue to use the CPI to set dues. This measure helps ensure the Club's sustainability by having the dues increases reflect inflation. I strongly encourage everyone to vote YES for this by-law change.

I look forward to seeing everyone soon. ~ Gene



Entertainment Report



Cliff Cohen
Rear Commodore

From the desk of Cliff Cohen



It's hard to believe but the season is quickly coming to an end!

We have had a full agenda of activities this season and Amy and I would like to thank all who volunteered to host events and all of you who pitched in to assist! It could not have been done without teamwork!

Looking back into August we enjoyed the Cardboard Boat Race and BBQ lunch. Many thanks to PC Raymo for providing the music and PC Kirrkamm for hosting the boat building and races. Thanks also to Commodore Gene, Treasurer Rich, Amy Cohen and Sarah Rozewicz for assisting with the grilling and serving!

On August 26th, we were treated to a pizza making event hosted by the Past Commodores and Donna Whitley. No one went away hungry! Thanks PCs and Donna for a memorable event! After the pizza event the kids of CRBC were treated to a kids' movie night in the clubhouse hosted by PC Bob and Sharon Gutowski.

Labor Day weekend was full of activities: First up was the CRBC tennis mixer hosted by the Sogges. A good turnout of players enjoyed tennis and breakfast. Thanks to Rob and Mary Kay and their team of helpers!

The traditional Fleet Review was held Saturday afternoon and the Bridge enjoyed their tour of the harbors. Special thanks to Matt Schaden for the use of his boat and his captain skills! Thanks to Jordan Cohen for manning the CANNON!!! Later that evening, the Reblins hosted the Cocktail Party and the Cohens hosted the Afterglow. Thanks to everyone!

Sunday was another busy day, beginning with the Rubber Duck Races and Bloody Mary Bar, both hosted by Andy MacLachlan and his crew. Special thanks to Jefferson Beach Marine for providing the awesome ingredients for the Bloody Marys.

The highlight of the weekend was the Labor Day dinner hosted by Rich and Sarah Rozewicz and their entire team of helpers! We dined on an assortment of excellent Mexican dishes and quenched our thirsts with ice cold margaritas! A very special thank you to Rich for agreeing to host this important event!

Closing out the official entertainment schedule last weekend, we enjoyed the CRBC Chili Cook-off and Halloween event. We had a record twenty four pots of chili entered into the cook-off which were taste-tested by five of the island's chili experts. In the end, first place was awarded to John Kehrig for his tasty blend and second place went to Dave Sokolitz's entry! Thanks to all who participated and assisted! Later that afternoon, the kids in costume took over Club Island for a rousing time of trick-or-treating behind all of the members' boats. For sure a good time was had by all!!!!

As we close out the season, please remember we have Island Closing scheduled for October 14th. This is a fun event to end the season and we will be providing lunch for all.

In closing, again, it has been a pleasure and honor to serve as your Entertainment Chairman this season and I truly thank each and every one of you who supported the events during the season. To all of you I say "Thank You"!!

Cliff Cohen



Anchor Bay Yachting Association



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ABYA Report

From the Desk of Chris Nevison

The ABYA held its September meeting at the North Channel Yacht Club on September 11, 2017.

Guest speakers Marge and Wally Donbrowski from Save the South Channel Lights presented the progress made to preserve the lighthouses through merchandise sales, donations and volunteerism. Tickets for the December 2, 2017 ABYA Christmas Charity Ball at Barrister Gardens in St Clair Shores are \$70.00 per person, please contact me to reserve tickets for the event, so far we have 12 people from CRBC that will be in attendance.

The next meeting will be Sunday October 1, 2017 at Idle Hour Yacht Club at 1pm if anyone is interested in attending.



Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, October 11, 2017
Dinner 6:30 / Meeting 7pm

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



The following thank you letter was sent to the Club Island membership:

Thank you for the sympathy cards and flowers. We were overwhelmed by the comfort and caring shown by the membership at our time of loss.

~ Keith & Janice Winn
(following the passing of Jacqueline Earl)

CRBC SNAPS!

Send all your fun CRBC photos to
triciaschaden@mac.com - we'd love to feature
them in the next Soundings!



This team of strong men hauled the swim dock out of the water for the season!



The Good of the Order

-Don Kersey, Secretary

It is with great sadness that the Flag and Board of Directors of the Clinton River Boat Club have to announce the passing of Frank E. Hoag, father of member Theo Hoag Ellis, on August 28th. A memorial service was held August 31st.

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

We received a thank you from Back 2 the Wild Rehab for our "generous" donation for Clinton the baby eagle. They said that all donations are strictly used for the care and feeding of the animals.

A memorial was given by the North End for new grilles in the name of Ed Fagan who recently passed away.

Grounds & Maintenance Report



Bill Whitley Jr.
Vice Commodore

From the Desk of Bill Whitley, Jr.

Well, the end of our season approaches... please join us for **Island closing on October 14th**. Let me know if you would like to participate and need a ride to the island.

We're wrapping up now, putting finishing touches on grills, making further electrical improvements and preparing for closing with winterization tasks already underway. We're in planning stages for 2018 projects, so please let me know if you see something particular in need of attention, or if there is anything you'd like to lend a hand with.

Many thanks to all who assisted with projects this year. We could not maintain the club we have without your support!

Bill



**DON'T
FORGET!**

The Board of Directors at the June meeting voted to extend the membership incentive that waives initiation fee! This incentive will remain in effect through the end of 2017.

This has been a very successful program and is a great way to convince your friends that this is the right time to join CRBC!!

Join us for
ISLAND CLOSING

On OCTOBER 14





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

This lucky burgee
hitched a ride with
Gene & Bonnie
Thompson to Coco
Cay, Bahamas
~ July 2017



Membership Update:

At the September Board meeting, prospective member Dean Patterson was voted in. Six other prospective members are proposed:

1. Neil O'Donovan (sponsored by Kelly Mitoke)
2. Jinelle Alvarado (sponsored by Kelly Mitoke)
3. James Rutenberg (sponsored by Randall Hadden)
4. Scott Rheeder (sponsored by Scott Cusic)
5. David Kowalski (sponsored by Jon Hollis)
6. Tom Fincham (sponsored by James Rutenberg)

Current standings:

Social:	43
Boating:	134

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.

FOR SALE

1982 Sea Ray 225 Cuddy Cabin

Single 228 Mercruiser. Several recent updates, newer upholstery, plotter, Tonneau cover, convertible top and more. Includes tandem axle EZ loader trailer. \$5000.00

If interested call **Ron James**: 586 - 419 - 3957

