As you read this note we are just about ready to celebrate Labor Day! Hard to believe how quickly the summer has gone by. With all the challenges we have faced this year with high water levels and flooding we are still fully functioning and “Open for Business”!

Don Kersey has a full schedule of great activities planned for the holiday weekend and the remaining weekends into the fall boating season. Please make your plans to include weekends at the island. This time of year provides spectacular boating opportunities!

At the August Board Meeting PC Whitley presented a very comprehensive review of the water levels experienced this summer and a look at the forecast into early 2020. We identified several potential measures we might take to protect the island in the event of another season of high water. A committee has also been identified and will be working on researching, developing, and implementing the most appropriate plan. Your island will be in good hands as we look towards next boating season.
Membership is always top of mind when looking ahead to the future of our club. As a reminder, the fall boating season offers an excellent opportunity to have prospective members experience the island. Great cool weather, memorable sunsets, and the ability to join the club and not have to pay dues for the balance of the 2019 boating season! Please be a supporter and cheerleader for our club!

I look forward to seeing you all on the island for the Labor Day weekend!

Wishing you fair winds and calm seas,

Cliff Cohen

Going on Vacation?

PACK YOUR BURGEES!

Take your CRBC Burgee, CRBC Island Wear or a copy of the Soundings with you when you travel! Take a photo displaying your Burgee and send it to the Soundings Editor with names, date, and place to be posted in the next issue!

Email: triciaschaden@mac.com

Cruising Lake Erie and enjoying a weekend at Catawba Island Club:

P/C Gene and Annmarie Schaden, Sara & Rich Rozewicz with their kids Henry and Louise, and Tricia & Matt Schaden with their kids Andrew, Kathryn and Julia.
It’s hard to believe summer is quickly coming to an end and I hope that everyone will try and make it out for the upcoming Labor Day weekend! I am pleased to report that water levels have begun to drop and the grounds around the island are drying out! The Army Corps of Engineers released an update on July 26th that suggests water levels may drop another 4 inches by early September. We all have our fingers crossed that this forecast is accurate - everyone around the lake needs a break!

Significant progress was made prior to the water dropping with the purchase of 2 additional trash pumps and the building of a few pallet bridges. I want to thank Carl Beltz for helping keep the pumps running during the week while JC was enjoying his days off. The pallet bridges have allowed for dry passage to and from the clubhouse via the 3 harbors. There are several people to thank for their donation of time, materials and equipment! We received over 80 pallets thanks to James Faircloth and Scott Reeder for securing them and for getting a crew together to deliver them to the island. Thanks to Wayne Eversole for delivering them to the River House and Middle Channel Marina for pick up via CRBC barge.

In other maintenance news...

The 6-wheel Gator was put back in action thanks to P/C Gutowski and his team. Thank you to Bob & Sharon Gutowski, Marty Castano, Chuck Custard and Don Kersey for your help getting the job done! I also want to thank P/C Nevison and Jason Gutowski for dealing with the purchase, delivery and return of a new motor for the same machine…luckily the issues with the gator were smaller than we initially thought, and a replacement was not necessary.

Our electrical contractor, Moss Rossi was out to the island the middle of July. During the visit his team was able to repair several failed breakers on the SE side. Unfortunately, they were not able to replace underground wire connectors due to the high-water level in the various junction boxes. We will continue to monitor these areas and once the water recedes to a safe level, work will resume!

As a side note, have you noticed the placement of two “No Wake” buoys in the Middle Channel recently? Our request was recently approved by the Michigan DNR and both have been placed as we intended. The first is north of the North Harbor entrance (thanks to the County Sheriff and/or DNR) and the second was placed south of the South Harbor entrance (CRBC owned). We’ve noticed an immediate change with boats entering the Middle Channel from the lake… I’ll chalk this up as a WIN for us! Thanks to P/C Whitley Sr. for helping secure this approval.

See you at the island!

Rich Rozewicz
Vice Commodore
2019 Grounds & Maintenance Chairperson
MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

Fellow CRBC Members,

Please help us welcome New Member Scott Pappas. Scott and his Wife Karen reside in Shelby Township with their two children, Nicholas (age 7), and Alyse (age 5). Scott is the Executive Director at The Resolution Center, where he has been employed for 20 years. The Pappas family keeps their 30' Rinker, Good Day Sun, at Hideaway Harbor in Harrison Township.

Welcome New Members Craig, Karen and family!

Save the Date!

Please join us for the 80th Annual Commodore’s Ball honoring Commodore Rich Rozewicz and his Lady Sarah

Saturday March 21, 2020
Double Tree by Hilton in Port Huron
A block of rooms have been reserved for this event

meeting

Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, September 11, 2019
Dinner 6:30 / Meeting 7pm

Sajos of Clinton
36470 Moravian Dr.
Clinton Twp, MI 48035

All Members are invited to attend
ENTERTAINMENT REPORT

From the Desk of Don Kersey

Thanks to all who hosted wonderful events recently: the Ternullos for the rendezvous, Ken Emigh, Jason Gutowski and Ron and Kathy James for the cardboard boat race and barge party, Marilyn Caradonna, Cindy Agusti and Carl & Elyse Beltz for bingo, Jon Ayers and Fred Gutschow for the antique boat show, the 3 Robs for the ice cream social and the Buccellatos for the Euchre tournament!

The Beltzes hosted the small boat scavenger hunt - congrats to the Rheeders for their first place win!

Dennis Miller and The Same Old Guys provided us with an afternoon of music. Kevin Irish hosted and sponsored his anniversary party.

There have been a slew of fun events and everyone has enjoyed them immensely. Thanks for all your work!!

Please see the information for the upcoming Labor Day weekend events.

See you at the island!

Don

EVENTS

The Good of the Order
-Chuck Custard, Secretary

Bernice Osborne, mother of Laura (Steve) Nikkel passed away on July 16th at the age of 91. A funeral mass was held on Monday, July 22nd at St. Mary Mystical Rose in Armada.

May our thoughts and prayers be with their family during their time of loss.
Labor Day Events ~ Saturday ~

CRBC Store Labor Day Sale
Sat. August 31st - Mon. September 2nd

Poker Chip Drawing Sale
- 10% off - White Chip
- 20% off - Red Chip
- 30% off - Blue Chip

Store Hours
Saturday 10:30am - 11:30am
Sunday 10:00am - 11:30am and after Dinner
Monday 10:30am - 11:30am

CRBC Fleet Review
Saturday August 31st
4:00pm

Please join the CRBC Flag Officers as they visit each harbor to inspect the CRBC fleet and recognize our Past Commodores

Island Skits and Boat Decorating
Saturday August 31st

Please join your host and hostesses, Chuck & Christine Custard, and Krista Sokolitz for Island Skits and a Boat Decorating Contest

This year’s theme is...

BE THERE and BEWARE!!!

Evening Get Together
Saturday August 31st
7:30pm

Please bring a snack (appetizer) or dessert to share - and your beverage of choice

8:00pm

Skits will be Performed

8:45pm

Boat Decorating Judging

9:30pm

Skit & Decorating Winners Announced
Morning Cocktails

Sunday September 1st
10:00am
Please come to the Clubhouse for a morning cocktail!
Mimosas and Bloody Marys’ will be served!

This event is sponsored by Jefferson Beach Marina

Polish Island Dinner

Sunday September 1st
6:00pm
Please join your host and hostess, Jim & Laurie Jarrett for a Homemade Polish Dinner

Cabbage Rolls, Two kinds of Pierogi, Two kinds of Sausage, Cucumber Salad, Angel Wings and Beverages

Adults $15.00
Ages 5-12 $7.00
Under 5 free

10:00am
Ducks will be for sale - $1.00 each

11:00am
Ducks will race!
Please join your host and hostess, Andy & Karen Maclachlan for some competitive fun!
**2019 CRBC Entertainment Calendar**  
**Updated 07/11/2019**

**JULY**  
13th – Ice Cream Social (Grigal)  
13th – Euchre Tournament (Buccellato)  
14th – Island Breakfast (Faircloth/Cusic)  
19th – 28th – CRBC Lake Erie Rendezvous (Ternello)  
TBD – Tennis Mixer (Sogge)

**AUGUST**  
3rd – Cardboard Boat Race (Emigh, J. Gutowski)  
3rd – Barge Lunch/Party (James)  
3rd – Bingo (Balick)  
10th – Antique and Classic Boat Show (Ayers, Gutschow)  
10th – Ice Cream Social (3 Rob's)  
10th – Nuk Em Tournament (3 Rob's Wives)  
10th – Euchre Tournament (Buccellato)  
11th – Island Breakfast (Whitley Sr.)  
16th – Fish Fry (Pawlitz, Kersey)  
17th – Chip and Putt Tournament (Cohen)  
17th – Small Boat Photo Scavenger Hunt (Beltz)  
17th – Music and Cocktails at Gazebo (Miller)  
24th – Island Dinner (Irish)  
31st – Diva Party (Miller)  
31st – Fleet Review (CRBC Flag)  
31st – Boat Decorating (Custard)  
31st – Labor Day Skits (Sokolitz)  
31st – Cocktail/Dessert Party (Kersey)

**SEPTEMBER (Con't)**  
14th – Trick or Treating (Custard)  
14th – Island Haunted House (Custard)  
14th – Chili Cook Off (Kersey)  
TBD – Tennis Mixer (Sogge)

**OCTOBER**  
12th – Island Closing  
12th – Island Closing Lunch (Kersey)

**NOVEMBER**  
8th – Annual Meeting (Custard)
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

FOR SALE!

Boat for Sale

1982 Chris Craft 39' Stinger


FOR SALE!

E/Z Loader Trailer

Galvanized tandem axle E/Z loader trailer, rollers, four wheel surge brakes, tires in good shape. 20'-26' boat will fit nicely. $1800.00
If interested call Ron James: 586 - 419 - 3957