WOW, it’s hard to believe how quickly our summer season has gone by! Even with all the challenges mother nature had for us it was still great to get out to the island and enjoy the friends and activities that make CRBC so unique.

We had a very nice turn out for the Labor Day weekend with each harbor close to capacity! I would like to thank each and every boat who gave the Bridge a hearty and raucous welcome as we travelled the harbors for the Fleet Review. It’s quite a sight and experience from our vantage point on the water!!

As the season winds down and we look towards next year and the unknown issues mother nature may throw at us, I want you to know your club leadership is taking a very proactive approach to planning. Thanks to the leadership of PC Bill Whitley Sr. and small group of members, we have developed a very comprehensive flood plan which is based upon several “stages” of water level. The plans call for increasing levels of defensive measures to keep the water at bay in order to keep the island operational and available to members. This begins with the Board's recent approval to purchase some 2,000 feet of protective tubing, very similar to the section of yellow tube deployed on the south harbor wall. If the worst should happen and water levels significantly exceed what we had this year, the plan kicks in which defines specific areas,
buildings and utilities that MUST be protected, and so on as needed. I am confident the fine plan that this team has developed will position us to handle any water level being forecasted for 2020.

Although the official entertainment schedule has ended, we do have one additional “activity” on the docket: Island Closing. This annual ritual, even though it signals the end of our boating season, has always proved to be a fun and energizing event. Please consider coming out and joining your fellow members in preparing our island home for her winter slumber.

Thanks again for a great 2019 season!

Cliff

Cliff Cohen

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The Good of the Order
-Chuck Custard, Secretary

It is with great sadness that the CRBC Flag and Board of Directors announce the passing of Judy Laskowski, mother of Scott (John) Borgne passed on September 11th at the age of 69.

We also regret to announce the passing of long-time member Ed Kalist, father of member John Kalist, on August 31st, at the age of 91.

May our thoughts and prayers be with their families in this time of loss.
ENTERTAINMENT REPORT

From the Desk of Don Kersey

Thanks to all the Labor Day and Halloween event hosts!

The Custards did a great job organizing boat decorating and Trick or Treating, and the Labor Day skits were a big hit thanks to Christa Sokolitz.

The rubber ducky races were as fun as ever after a slight rain delay. Thank you Andy MacLachlan for hosting the race and the bloody mary/mimosa bar. Finally, the delicious Polish dinner by the Jarretts and Kinneys was enjoyed by all!

Thanks to all the members that stepped up to host events this season and all the volunteers that supported them. John & Debbie Kehrig have the 2020 schedule mostly full of fun events, but Chuck and Kristine Custard might tap you on the shoulder to host an event for 2021 - remember all the great events we do at Club Island can't be executed without your help!

Back to the present… There's still time left to come out and enjoy the island and this beautiful fall weather. See you there!

Again, thank you all for a great year.

Don

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

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

MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

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A new applicant was read and approved at the September board meeting: Kathleen Manning, sponsored by Jason Gutowski
Club island sunsets = perfection

Kev Irish had a packed house for his 5 year CRBC anniversary party - thanks for your amazing generosity! What a great event!

Sharks and Hurricanes and Skits - Oh My! The Labor Day Boat Decorating & Skits were tons of fun!
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

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**Boat for Sale**

**1982 Chris Craft 39' Stinger**