As I sit in my office looking out through the window, there is just one desperate thought on this extremely chilly morning: "Summer... please hurry up and get here". On the bright side, we are in the home stretch with just about 8 weeks until ‘Island Opener’!

The CRBC Budget Committee has held two meetings thus far to finalize the 2020 budget. Treasurer, Chuck Custard provided the draft budget to the Board at the February meeting for review. We intend to discuss and vote on the proposed budget at the March meeting.

During the February Board Meeting, P/C Whitley Sr., High Water Committee Chairperson, provided a summarized forecast of the expected lake levels for the upcoming season. This summary is based on the variances that have been reported by NOAA for the past 3 months (Dec, Jan, Feb). These variances make it a little more difficult to trust the data... however, the Flag and Board remain confident in the plans that were provided to the membership a few weeks ago. So, as of the February report, NOAA has now indicated that peak water levels will be the same as they were in 2019. The committee is committed to monitor and report any changes to the Board as the data becomes available.

As a final reminder, please send your RSVP to attend the 2020 Commodores Ball on March 21st. This year’s event is being held at the beautiful DoubleTree by Hilton in Port Huron. Sarah and I look forward to a fun filled and memorable evening. Official invitations were mailed out a few weeks ago.

May a fine wind follow you,
Richard Rozewicz
Commodore
**GROUND & MAINTENANCE UPDATE**

From the Desk of Don Kersey

John Kehrig brought the final finishes for the women’s restroom to the February meeting. It is going to look great when it is finished.

Plans for water mitigation are moving forward and a trip to the island by the end of February is being planned. There will be much more in next month’s report... less than 60 days to island opening!!

See everyone at the Commodores' Ball!

Don

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**Going on Vacation? PACK YOUR BURGEES!**

Take your CRBC Burgee, CRBC Island Wear or a copy of the Soundings with you when you travel over the holidays! 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

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**ENTERTAINMENT UPDATE**

From the Desk of John Kehrig

Hello CRBC Friends!

We have heard from many people who are helping and hosting events. However, we still have not heard from a few. If you are hosting an event, please contact Debbie or me.

We do have one event we are still looking for help with, which is the kids’ games. If you would like to host this event, please let me know asap so we can get planned.

There are only 8 weeks left until Island opening!!

Thank You,

John Kehrig
Rear Commodore
Entertainment

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**meeting**

Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, March 11, 2020
Dinner 6:30 / Meeting 7pm

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

All Members are invited to attend
The Good of the Order
-Chuck Custard, Secretary

It is with great sadness that the Flag and Board of Directors of the Clinton River Boat Club report that Wilma Jean McEnary, mother of Amy (PC Cliff) Cohen passed on Monday, January 20th. A Funeral Mass will was held, January 24 at St. Vincent de Paul Church, with Fr. Stephen Willard officiating. May our thoughts and prayers be with the family in this time of loss.

P/C Chris Nevison had shoulder surgery. He’s healing and doing fine.

It is also with great sadness that the Flag and Board of Directors report that a long-time member and a great friend Gwen Gutschow, wife of P/C Fred Gutschow and Mother of Scott (Kelly) Gutschow passed on Thursday, February 13th. Services will be held at Wasik funeral Home in Shelby Township on March 30th. A Luncheon will be held following the service. Details for this will be available at the service. Please keep the family in your thoughts and prayers in this time of loss.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

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RSVP

We are less one month away from the 2020 Commodore’s Ball. As you know the ball is the kickoff to our boating season and always a great time. This is an extra special year as we celebrate our 80th anniversary of the club. It won’t be the same without you!

So… mail in your RSVP cards as soon as possible! Final count for the venue is due March 12th.

Some accommodations may still be available. Please Call the Double Tree By Hilton at 810-984-8000.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you—
Commodore Rich and Lady Sara

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
Tentative Entertainment Calendar

**March**
21st – Commodores Ball

**April**
11th – Island Opening
11th – Island Opening Lunch (Kehrig)

**May**
16th – Shake Down Cruise (J.C., Kehrig)
23rd – New Member Orientation (Rozewicz)
23rd – New Member Cocktail Party (J. Gutowski)
24th – Scotch & Cigar (Nikkel)
24th – Snoop & Sip (Rossi)

**June**
6th – Island Beautification Lunch (P/C Reichmann)
6th – Beautification Pot Luck (Kehrig)
12th – Island Cookout (Borgne)
13th – Small Boat Rally (Van De Winkle, Bridge)
13th – Euchre (Buccellato)
14th – Island Breakfast (Caradonna, P/C James)
27th – Kids Games (?)
27th – Adult Games (Kenny, Jarrett)
27th – Ice Cream Social (Sogge)
27th – Bingo (Kassidy Custard)

**July**
3rd – Wine and Cheese Party (Faircloth)
4th – Kids Fishing Tournament (Turansky)
4th – Independence Day Observance (Rozewicz)
4th – Rob’s vs Bob’s Lunch (P/C Leonetti)
4th – Friendship River Cruise (P/C Nevison)
5th – Tennis Mixer (Sogge)
5th – CRBC townhall meeting (Faircloth)
5th – Townhall Meeting Lunch (P/C James)
10th – 12th – Rendezvous St. Clair (Winn)
13th – 15th – Rendezvous Lexington (Winn)
16th – 18th – Rendezvous Port Huron (Winn)
24th – Island Cookout (Flag & Board)
25th – Kids Christmas Crafts (Kehrig)
25th – Virtual Teen (P/C Leonetti)
25th – Euchre (Buccellato)
26th – Island Breakfast (Faircloth)

**August**
1st – Dodge Ball (Sogge)
1st – Family fun Day (Kehrig)
1st – Pina Colada/Keg Party (Palco, Kehrig)
8th – Barge Party (J. Gutowski, P/C Whitley Jr)
8th – Hand & Foot Tournament (Kersey)
21st – Island Cookout (?)
22nd – Ice Cream Social (J. Gutowski)
22nd – Euchre (Buccellato)
23rd – Island Breakfast (Parkers)
29th – Antique Boat Show (TBD)
29th – Pizza on the Grill (Donna Whitley)
29th – Bingo (Balick)

**September**
5th – Diva Party (Miller)
5th – Fleet Review (CRBC Flag)
5th – Cocktail & Dessert party (Kehrig)
5th – Boat Decorating/Skits (Custard)
6th – Tennis Mixer (Grant)
6th – Rubber Ducky Race (TBD)
6th – Labor Day Dinner (Rieck)
19th – Halloween (Kehrig)
19th – Chili cookoff/Potluck (Kehrig)

**October**
10th Island Close
10th Island Close Lunch (Kehrig)

**November**
13th – Annual Meeting (Faircloth)
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Boat for Sale

1982 Chris Craft 39' Stinger