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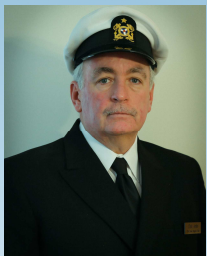
Inter-Lake Yachting Association

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Boat Show Edition

COMMODORE'S CORNER

Commodore Chris Amlin



Lady Sharon and I hope that everyone survived the holidays and that all had a Merry Christmas and very Happy New Year. I would like to take a moment to express my appreciation

and gratitude for the privilege to serve you as your 2016 I-LYA Commodore. It is truly an honor to have the opportunity to be part of the leadership of this great organization along with our Board of Trustees and the newly appointed Flag Offices and Administration. We sincerely look forward to the 2016 season.

During the December meeting, there were several changes as a result of our annual elections. It is my pleasure to introduce to you the following folks who have committed their time, dedication and expertise to the Inter-Lake Yachting Association. Congratulations to the following folks on their recently elected positions:

FLAG OFFICERS

Vice Commodore Andy Krotseng

Rear Commodore Mike Powers

TRUSTEES

Trustee President John Dalessandro

Trustee Vice President Bill Pribe

Trustee Arne Hansen

Trustee Matt Davis

Trustee Steve Hyder

These fine gentlemen join Mike Fishbaugh, John Bedford, Bruce Sattler and Rob Wolas on our Board of Trustees, and I am very excited to begin working with them and our 2016 Administration team. Thanks, guys, for

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VICE COMMODORE'S CORNER

Vice Commodore Andy Krotseng



Patty and I hope that all of you had a very Merry Christmas, and here's to a prosperous New Year!

January brings the Cleveland Boat Show, an opportunity to meet I-LYA members from clubs near and far. We look toward many of the vendors there for ads in the yearbook, as well as sponsorship opportunities. As you travel through the show be sure to mention your club affiliation. Definitely stop by I-LYA's booth and say hello to those manning it – better yet, join the fray! Contact Commodore Amlin to sign up for a few hour shift!

I want to thank all of our members for your continued support, it was great to see many of you at the Fall Meeting! Congratulations to our newly minted Rear Commodore Mike Powers, as well as our new Trustees! A special congratulations to Chris Amlin and wishes for a very successful year as Commodore.

And now as the thermometer heads down, let's all focus our combined energy on making this the best year ever!

REAR COMMODORE'S CORNER

Rear Commodore Mike Powers



I hope that all of you had a very Merry Christmas and New Year's celebrations with friends and family! We've had a rather mild beginning to winter thus far, although I'm still hoping for

some ice cover and good water levels next summer! For now, please be careful in the snow and ice in your travels this winter. Remember, slick spots can cause big problems!

I want to thank all of those who have shown their support for me prior to and during December's elections. It is an honor and privilege to be elected as your Rear Commodore for 2016, and I look forward to representing the Inter-Lake Yachting Association long into the future! I would also like to congratulate the new Trustees, Commodore Chris Amlin, and Vice Commodore Andy Krotseng for their new appointments – 2016 promises to be an exciting year as the I-LYA builds on its successful regattas in 2015!

Preparations for the upcoming Mid-America Boat Show in Cleveland are well underway, and I would encourage

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your time and dedication.

As the planning for the 2016 season begins, the various committees and chairs will begin working hard on preparing budgets and events that will make the 123rd Annual Regatta a time to remember. The folks leading the Regatta charge this year are:

Senior Sail Chairman Jim Miller

Junior Sail Chairman Dave Chapman

Senior Power Chairman Rear Commodore Mike Powers

Junior Power Boat Chairman Bob Lang

Putting on a regatta and chairing one of these events can be a daunting task, so if you have some time and want to get involved, please contact any or all of these folks and let them know. I can tell you first hand, your help will be greatly appreciated.

One of the first events for the year is the Cleveland Boat Show being held on January 14th through January 18th at the Cleveland I-X Center. As in years past, we are looking for folks to man the booth at the boat show. If you have some time and would like to work the booth for a couple of hours, please contact me at 2016@i-lya.org or give me a call at (519) 978-0607. As I mentioned above, any time you can spare is greatly appreciated. Other dates to keep in mind as we move into 2016 are the meeting dates and of course the Regatta dates. This year the dates for these events are:

Spring Meeting – April 1-2, 2016 Perrysburg, Ohio

Junior Bay week – July 17-21, 2016 Put-In-Bay, Ohio

Senior Sail Regatta – August 4-7, 2016, Put-In-Bay, Ohio

Power Boat Regatta – August 10-14, 2016, Put-In-Bay, Ohio

Junior Power Boat Regatta – August 10-14, 2016, Put-In-Bay, Ohio

Fall Meeting – December 2-3, 2016, Perrysburg, Ohio



2016 Publication Calendar

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Regatta Edition

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Results Edition

Submissions due 8/15/2016

Fall Meeting Edition

Submissions due 10/24/2016

Submissions from I-LYA member clubs, including photos, are encouraged. Include event announcements, regatta results...anything you feel would be of interest to other I-LYA member clubs. Submit by deadline to news@i-lya.org. To subscribe, visit www.i-lya.org and click on "I-LYA News."

In closing my report for this edition of the *I-LYA News*, I would like to take the time to congratulate 2015 I-LYA Commodore Duane Burgoyne and Lady Dar. Life has a way of throwing a lot of curves at us, and it seems that those curves become more frequent and a little sharper when you've committed your time and energy to an organization like I-LYA. These curves come from our home clubs, our families, our jobs and friends outside the boating community as well as within. Our 2015 Commodore and his Lady have dealt with those curves with grace and class. Congratulations Commodore Burgoyne & Lady Dar on a job well done.

Please remember that the Inter-Lake Yachting Association is YOUR organization. If you should have any ideas or thoughts on how make our events more enjoyable, or ideas on improving the way we deliver our programs, please feel free to contact me or the any of the Flag Offices at any time.

Trustee Report

John Dalessandro, President



I would like to start out by saying Happy New Year to everyone. I hope the New Year brings everyone good health, happiness, peace and prosperity. I would like to congratulate our new bridge consisting of Commodore Chris Amlin, Vice Commodore Andy Krotseng, and Rear Commodore Mike Powers. Congratulations also to the new trustees for

2016: Matt Davis, AYC Commodore Steve Hyder, Bill Pribe, and I-LYA PC Arne Hanson. I feel these fine men will do an excellent job representing I-LYA.

If you have the opportunity to go to the Cleveland Boat Show later this month, don't forget to stop by the I-LYA booth and say hello. I am also looking forward to the Spring I-LYA Meeting in Perrysburg, Ohio in April. I hope many of you will join us.

I would like to thank all the Committee Chairpersons of the Junior Sail, Senior Sail and Power Boat Regattas for all their hard work in preparing for the upcoming year. So let's hope for warm weather soon, so spring can BEGIN!!!

Rear Commodore's Corner *(continued from page 1)*

everyone to come out and visit the many booths and brokers. Make sure you mention to those you recognize from the 2015 I-LYA Yearbook that you saw their ad!

Thank you again and see you at the Boat Show!!

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Leaders Gather for BoatUS National Advisory Council Annual Forum Looks at Recreational Boating Issues

WILLIAMSBURG, VA, December 17, 2015 – A panel of 11 distinguished national boating leaders that serve as a sounding board for Boat Owners Association of The United States ([BoatUS](http://BoatUS.com)) gathered with the senior BoatU.S. leadership recently in Williamsburg, VA to discuss key issues impacting recreational boating.

The 11 leaders attending the annual meeting included 1.) John Alter, Past Chief Commander, United States Power Squadrons; 2.) Kris Carroll, President, Grady-White Boats, Inc.; 3.) Lenora S. Clark, Former California Boating Commissioner, Former RBOC President; 4.) Dean Travis Clarke, Former Executive Editor, Bonnier Marine Group; 5.) Thom Dammrich, President, National Marine Manufacturers Association; 6.) John Flynn, Public Policy Advisor, Squire Patton Boggs; 7.) Chuck Hawley, Director, U.S. Sailing; 8.) Ralph Longfellow, President, Recreational Boaters of California; 9.) Darren Rider, President, National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA) 10.) Jim Ellis, Former President, BoatUS and 11.) Bob Adriance, Former Editor, Seaworthy. BoatUS leadership included CEO Kirk La, President Margaret Podlich and BoatUS Foundation President Chris Edmonston.

Topics on the day-long agenda included the Peer-to-Peer boat rental market, a new online fuel dock spill prevention course by the BoatUS Foundation, life jacket developments and a recent demonstrations of alternatives to flares, as well as state issues including boater user fees, uniform titling bills, boating safety education requirements and anchoring challenges. Also discussed was the threat that invasive species pose to recreational boat owners and how industry and agencies are working together to ensure boating access is preserved and waterways protected.

The day wrapped up with a look at national topics including the federal Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund, which uses existing boating and fishing taxes to fund related programs at the state level, the U.S. Coast Guard budget authorization (boating safety), the Water Resources Development Act (funding for dredging projects), and the Renewable Fuel Standard (changing the government's ethanol fuel mandate).

Some takeaways from the discussions offered by BoatUS include:

- New ownership/rental models make boating available to more people. Peer-to-Peer services such as Boatbound, boat clubs and fractional membership programs are transforming the traditional boat ownership model.
- Stand-up paddleboard and other human powered craft are a growing water-user segment, but some of these paddler's come to the water with little or no experience leading to user conflicts, not unlike during the growth of the personal watercraft (PWC) market.
- Flares, required by federal law on many boats, expire every 3 years, but are deemed hazardous waste, creating a legal disposal quagmire across the country. There are multiple benefits but also limits to alternative devices to replace the pyrotechnic flares, and BoatU.S. will continue to work with others on long-term solutions.
- Helping to shape smart laws and regulations dealing with boat ownership continues to matter to boaters and the businesses that depend on them.
- The recent renewal of the Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund demonstrated how the boating and angling community is doing a better job of working together on common legislative concerns, and boaters and anglers are reaping the rewards.

About Boat Owners Association of The United States (BoatUS):

BoatUS is the nation's largest organization of recreational boaters with over a half million members. We are the boat owners' voice on Capitol Hill and fight for their rights. We help ensure a roadside breakdown doesn't end a boating or fishing trip before it begins, and on the water, we bring boaters safely back to the launch ramp or dock when their boat won't, day or night. The BoatUS Insurance Program gives boat owners the specialized coverage and superior service they need, and we help keep boaters safe and our waters clean with assistance from the non-profit BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety and Clean Water. Visit BoatUS.com.

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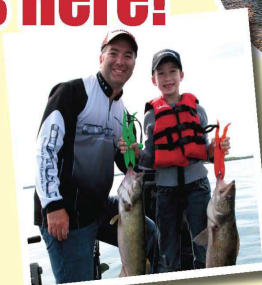
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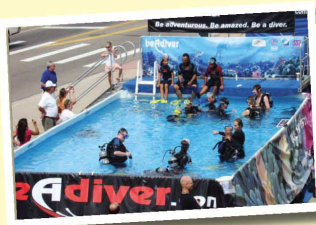
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Powerboat Regatta

R/C Mike Powers, Chair

The Powerboat Committee met during the I-LYA's Fall Meeting in Perrysburg, Ohio. We reviewed last year's regatta and discussed our preparations for the 2016 regatta. Thanks to the great job done by last year's chair, Bruce Sattler (SSCC), and the superb weather, we had a great regatta in 2015! We welcomed Brian Moyer (MBC) on the committee, joining Larry Inguagiato (MBC), Rich McKee (SSCC) and myself (MBC). We will be hard at work to make the 2016 Powerboat Regatta a fun, safe, and financially successful event!

The 2016 I-LYA Powerboat Regatta will be Wednesday, August 10th through Sunday, August 14th. We're once again planning on four full days of boating contests and fun ashore at Put-in-Bay! We will be changing some things around and adding an event or two to increase overall participation. This includes a children's movie night (to coincide with the Rum Party) and possibly a land-based pub crawl one evening - we'll have more on these and others as we get closer to the regatta!

We plan on continuing the well-received social package and while docking fees will have to increase, they'll still be well below the going rate for dockage at the Bay. Also, conditions permitting, no raft will have more than two boats again this year.

Please remember that this is YOUR REGATTA! If you have any comments or concerns, please contact me or any member of the Powerboat Committee - we're always looking for ideas to improve the regatta and we're especially looking for volunteers! I can be reached at mnpowers@radideo.net or 745-546-2382.

The I-LYA's Spring Meeting will be held at the French Quarter in Perrysburg, Ohio on April 2nd. I look forward to seeing everyone there!

Local Commodore Finds Sailing Just His Speed

Matt Markey, *Blade Outdoors Editor* (reprinted with permission)

LA SALLE, Mich. — Duane Burgoyne was born in one of the auto racing centers of the world, and he grew up just across the street from the historic Indianapolis Motor Speedway. His father worked on one of the pit crews at the track. Burgoyne seemed destined to be a gearhead and maintain a very tight association with finely-tuned machines that produced huge horsepower and were adept at high-speed maneuvering on sweeping oval tracks.

He worked with race cars, and that razor-edged smell of the fuel, the incredible amounts of noise, the blast of air movement as the cars zipped by at more than 200 miles per hour — his senses would feast on repeated servings of those racing elements.

"I thought every kid grew up like that," Burgoyne said about his proximity to auto racing, and his natural affinity for the sport. But while working for an automation company in 1980, Burgoyne was transferred to this corner of the Great Lakes, and a friend took him sailing. And his sporting life changed dramatically.

The wind became a faint whisper, or a barely detectable swoosh. The speeds were reduced by more than 95 percent. The noise was softened to that of a sleek hull slicing cleanly through the water, or the breeze fattening the sail. The smell was now that of endless water and fresh air.

"It's pretty simple — I was hooked the very first time," Burgoyne said about his introductory date with sailing. "I love the competition and, although we are only doing about six knots [approximately seven miles per hour], you are sitting on the very edge of control all of the time. You can wipe out a sailboat real fast."

A veteran of several decades in the sport and of many prestigious sailing races, Burgoyne just completed his one-year term as commodore of the 50,000 member Inter-Lake Yachting Association (I-LYA). The 130-year-old organization has 145 member clubs in a broad geographic area that stretches roughly from Buffalo to Chicago, and from Alpena (Mich.) to Cincinnati and his native Indianapolis, and includes several member clubs in Ontario.

Burgoyne is a member of the North Cape Yacht Club, a facility that is tucked here in the extreme western shore of Lake Erie on Toledo Beach Road. The club has successful

learn-to-sail programs for adults and junior sailors, and Burgoyne is its resident evangelist for the sport.

His zeal got him the invitation to be active in the leadership of I-LYA, and he spent his term as its commodore on a full-speed crusade to energize the organization while also nurturing the next generation of local sailors.

Burgoyne and his wife, Dar, decided to put the wind at their backs and take advantage of the doors that would open with the commodoreship. During his yearlong term as commodore and in the months leading up to that, they visited more than 100 yacht clubs and attended the commodore's ball at more than 50 clubs. The ball is a major social event, and one that recognizes the accomplishments and contributions of the club's leadership. "The travel was nonstop and the sacrifices were huge, but we don't regret it at all," Burgoyne said. "If we were invited to something, we made sure we

were there."

Burgoyne and his wife attended formal affairs at some of the most prestigious yacht clubs on the Great Lakes, and they also visited many of the smaller clubs, including some that had never hosted an I-LYA commodore before. "Some of them were so small that it was just a pavilion with a sign out front and maybe a few small sailboats tied up down at the water," he said. "We'd sit in Adirondack chairs and visit with those folks, and it was very enjoyable. We saw that sailing is a sport for anyone and everyone."

Burgoyne said his mission during his term as commodore was to bring the organization closer together, update and modernize its methods and regulations, make its regattas a success, and meet as many sailors as he could. "The hope was to leave the organization a little bit better than we found it, and I think we accomplished that," he said. "When you work on the foundation of an organization, you really can change things, but it has to be in small steps. People love progress, but they hate change, so the problem is that change is the evil twin of progress. In order to get progress, you must change, and the first thing you need to change is your mind. We got some things done."

Burgoyne said that while the recreational options in this



Inter-Lake Yachting Association Immediate Past Commodore Duane Burgoyne led the organization's 145 member yacht clubs, which have a combined membership of about 50,000. Commodore Burgoyne's C&C 33 is named Flak-Bait after a World War II B-26 Marauder that flew 207 missions. His father served on the plane.

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Weather to Tether?

Dr. Mark Smith and David Ryan, Jr. (Monroe Boat Club)

Dr. Mark Smith has sailed his C&C 30 "Walkure II" in the last three Lake Erie Solo Challenges sponsored by the Great Lakes Singlehanded Society (GLSS), and he recently commented, "while singlehanded sailing and having been tethered continuously for four days at a time, I can tell you that there are times when I think being tethered actually increases your risk of falling overboard by the awkwardness of doing things while tethered, especially when you're tired and getting clumsy. Nevertheless, when singlehanded, nobody is going to stop the boat and come back for you; it's foolish to do without a tether." Here he recounts his experience with tethers during an early winter discussion.

When singlehanded or short crewed (how many times do you go out when you're not really confident that anybody else on the boat would know how to rescue you?), I still would prefer to be attached to the boat with the option of releasing the tether if I choose to do so. Note that in some documented scenarios the overboarded person was unable to release the tether. Hence the importance of having a quick release shackle and having it at the end of the tether attached to your harness (I've seen people wear them backward). Those shackles will open no matter how much force is on them.

Also, it's safer to be clipped to a stationary point than to a jackline. Jacklines stretch a lot with lateral force. After going forward on a jackline, it may be safer to clip into a stationary point while you're doing your work, then change back for the trip back to the cockpit. Of course, that requires a double tether, which you should always use going forward anyway.

The GLSS recommends another line hanging along the outside of the hull on both sides- not to clip to, but as a handhold and ladder if you go over. I compromise by tying off my jackline about 6-7 feet forward of the transom (so you won't get dragged behind the boat) then forming a loop which hangs down from the tied-off jackline then back up to the toerail. My thinking is that gives me something down near the water to grab or get a foot into to get back onto the boat.

There is a style of harness in which the attachment point is apparently on your back. This is purported to be safer as it drags you face up alongside the boat. I haven't seen one of these harnesses, but hopefully you could still reach the release while being dragged.

It makes sense to have several different styles. A non-elastic tether is best in the cockpit. A 6-foot single arm attached to a fixed point is fine there. The pull of an elastic tether when you're sitting in the cockpit is annoying after a short time.

Going forward, you should always use a two-arm tether so when you have to pass an obstruction (shroud, sheet, etc.) you never have to be unclipped. I clip the unused arm to the harness or stick it in my pocket when going forward so it can't dangle and get wrapped on anything, or I don't trip on it.

The best tether I've used (I have three or four different brands) is the Kong tether. Lightweight foolproof double-action clip on the jackline end and safety release shackle with a good pull cord on the harness end. It's also cheaper than most of the others. Just as you should be careful in choosing a tether with a quick release at the harness end, look closely at the jackline end also. This should be a double-action clip so it can't come undone accidentally. There are manufacturers making tethers with a single action "carabiner" style clip. I attended a safety-at-sea seminar where the demonstrator showed how this could easily be opened by catching on a loose line or on the tether itself.

My favorite setup after a lot of experimenting is a four-tether system: a fixed length tether on each side of the cockpit attached to fixed points and a double arm tether on each side that I leave attached to the jacklines on each side of the boat at the forward end of the cockpit, ready to be used when going forward. This setup may be awkward on a crewed boat, but singlehanders have a lot more cockpit space to work in. All tethers should be attached forward enough of the transom to keep you from going behind the boat if you go over.

This discussion encourages me to start working again on an autopilot shutoff device. The idea is that if you go overboard, the autopilot will kick the rudder over to one side and lock it there so the boat goes in circles (or heaves to). It will also shut off the engine if it's running. I've got the thing all planned out based on an Arduino microcontroller and relays, but I'm stuck on the actuator, which I'd like to be wireless rather than requiring yet another line attached to the wearer.



We had a nice turnout at the I-LYA Fall Meeting with thirteen people attending. As a result of the meeting, we will try to update the minutes in a more timely fashion and provide more detail where we can. Our website is being updated to a more mobile friendly format and some of our links and information are not working. We ask for your patience through the change. The current fee structure will remain in place for 2016: \$25 for new applications and \$35 for renewals paid before May 1. A review of the class rules will be completed by March 31, 2016. At the moment only minor grammatical and consistency changes have been identified. As our standard protocol dictates, the committee is presently reviewing all new ratings in the last three years as well as the rating band greater than 200 (201 to 279). A report will be provided once the reviews are complete.

JUNIOR NEWS

Orange Bowl International Youth Regatta Miami Florida December 26 -30, 2015

When is sailing season over for I-LYA juniors? Never! Several Optimists and Lasers raced at Hoover Sailing Club's Jack Vanders' frostbiting "therapy sessions" in October, November and December for those addicted to sailing. Several Edgewater YC Optimist sailors nearly won an invitational team racing regatta in Hilton Head, South Carolina in October, coming in a close second.

In December, numerous Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and Pennsylvania license plates could be seen hauling dinghys and support boats down to the 2015 Orange Bowl International Youth Regatta in Miami. Hosted by the beautiful Coconut Grove Yacht Club on Biscayne Bay, this regatta hosts hundreds of youth sailors from all over the world. Some junior sailors took advantage of one of the several clinics offered before the event.

Almost 300 Optimists competed with Cowan Lake Sailing Association's Sara Schumann and Hoover Sailing Club's



Orange Bowl: Lots of smiling faces! Great sailing. Solid finishes. And, most importantly, families from numerous clubs and four different states getting together in Miami and having a great time.

Grace Squires ranking in the top 100 and Sandusky Sailing Club's Jack Vanders' were between 10 and 20 mph all week. Six Lasers from North Cape Yacht Club, Sandusky Sailing Club, Eagle Creek Sailing Club, Erie Yacht Club, and Port Clinton Yacht Club represented the I-LYA well in the 100-boat fleet.


Of the 82 Club 420s sailing, Christian Cyrul and Madeline Lark of North Cape Yacht Club proudly came in 24th with Ryan Squires and Luke Schumann of Hoover Sailing Club taking 43rd in their first C420 regatta. Cyrul and Lark came in 3rd and 4th in the last three races in heavy wind and choppy waters.

The I-LYA was well-represented by sailors, coaches, parents and supporters (the Heins were on hand to help as usual) and all enjoyed the strong winds, warm weather and great sailing over the holiday break.

Draft 2016 I-LYA Junior Sailing Schedule

May	
7	Thistle Class - Hoover
14	Thistle Class - Leatherlips
21	Thistle Class - Cowan
28	Memorial Day Weekend
June	
4	BLYC*
10 - 12	MHYC - JO's
18	Sandusky*
22	EWYC*
25	Hoover*
July	
2	AMERICA
7 - 8	NCYC ARC: Thistle, 420, Radial
9 - 10	Area E Qualifier: Bemis/Smythe
11 - 12	Area E Qualifier: Sears (Thistles)
15	VBC (w/ PCYC)*
17-21	Junior Bay Week (PIBYC)
30	CYC*
Aug	
6	Erie*
13	Berlin* - FINALE!

Thanks to Junior Chair Brett Freeman, the Junior Council, the Traveler Series officers and all of our amazing hosting clubs who helped work out the 2016 calendar. The eight Traveler Series events are marked with an asterisk. Great mix of training and racing. Questions should be directed to Brett Freeman (freemanbrett1@gmail.com).



I-LYA Junior Committee
Program Management Workshop
Saturday, February 27 · Sandusky Sailing Club
10 am · 3 pm
To register go to:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/i-lya-program-management-workshop-tickets-20527476234>



I-LYA Fall Meeting Recap

We had a great turnout at the Fall Meeting in Toledo. Minutes don't really capture the energy and enthusiasm in the room, the lobby, at lunch, and even spilling into the parking lot at the end of the day. Three hours of meetings and going strong. We have working committees, a functioning junior council and plans in place to streamline scheduling and provide resources and support for our clubs and their programs.

Leslie Hill ran a very well attended one hour safety meeting. She brought attention to a number of safety related issues. Check out her meeting notes and watch for more

shared resources on the junior pages at <http://i-lya.org/media/15Juniors/Safetymeetingnotes.docx.pdf>

2016 Junior Bay Week chair Dave Chapman announced that age out for JBW will be brought in line with the Traveler Series change voted in a few years back. This change will allow for participation up to and including the summer following senior year of high school. Exact wording to follow. Please note that JBW now has different age requirements than Sears, Bemis, and Smythe. Always read your NOR.

MEMBER CLUB NEWS



Point Yacht Club

Joyce Wuerth, Secretary

Commodore Bradley Cooper and his Lady Jennifer hosted the **Point Yacht Club** Change of Watch & Holiday Party at the Hyatt Regency Cleveland Arcade on December 5, 2015. More than 100 members celebrated the season surrounded by the splendor of the magnificent Victorian era arcade that was adorned with Christmas decorations. Following cocktails and a dinner served by an attentive staff, club members danced the night away.

The 2016 PtYC Executive Board is as follows:

Commodore Donna Marsinick

Vice Commodore Bill Bedford

Rear Commodore Chris Gnall

Fleet Captain Brad Spencer

Secretary Joyce Wuerth

Treasurer Rudy Evanich

Trustees: David Fisher, Brandon Beverick, Sean Kennedy,

Bill Bedford II, George Lipply, Norayne McCreery, Tim Knight



NCSS Presents Safety Seminar April 30

Eileen Hoffman, NCYC PC & Publicity Chair

North Cape Sailing School supporters have prepared a safety seminar not to be missed! The topics are intended to be of interest to shorthanded sailors...two persons, likely a husband and wife. The seminar, scheduled for April 30, 2016, will be held from 8AM to 6PM at North Cape Yacht Club on the shore of Lake Erie in LaSalle, MI.

Topics will include why things go wrong, prevention of issues including boat and crew preparation, man-overboard prevention and recovery, calling for help, fire aboard, first

aid, and weather issues. The cost of registration includes a light snack for breakfast, a box lunch, the seminar sessions, and a copy of Cruising Club of America's "Safety for Cruising Couples" booklet and handouts.

An individual ticket is \$45 and a cruising couple can register for just \$70. After April 1 the price of each person's registration will be raised \$10. Details, FAQs, and a registration form may be found at <https://safeboating2016.eventbrite.com>.

Local Commodore Finds Sailing Just His Speed *(continued from page 6)*

region are many, he is convinced that sailing has a solid footing. The summer regattas at Put-in-Bay are very successful, and growing. "I am encouraged by the numbers and with the outlook for the next generation of sailors," he said. "Our junior sailing programs are busy, and we teach the kids to not only be good sailors but to also be good citizens, be good students, and be good kids. We teach them sailing, but we mold them to become good people."

The outgoing I-LYA commodore is also enthusiastic about the environment he continues to find in sailing — the same aspect of the sport that helped draw him into sailing some 30-plus years ago. "The camaraderie I found in sailing was just unbelievable. I played football and softball, and in those sports you would go celebrate afterward with the guys on your team. In sailing, you race and then you go celebrate with the competition," he said. "And sailing is a sport where you can have a million dollar boat sailing against a \$500 boat, and it's still win-or-lose. Sometimes your best sailors are on the small boats, but everybody has the same passion for the sport."

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Hoover Highlights

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Post-Season Blues

The weather in Ohio has been very cooperative in extending HSC's sailing season which ended in October. For our die-hard sailors, and there are many, Frostbite Sailing provides therapy for those addicted to the sport and suffering from withdrawal. It's a great remedy for those post-season blues...at least until the next scheduled regatta. It's even better when there is no frostbite.

Our SAIL-aholics have been on the water, or rather in therapy, throughout the months of November and December. Junior sailors in Optis and C420s have also participated in post-season sailing in preparation for competition at the Orange Bowl International Youth Regatta held in late December on Biscayne Bay in Florida.

Let's hope the weather holds through January. Remember sailing is not for one season. Sailing is forever!

Orange Bowl International Youth Regatta

Hoover Sailing Club (HSC) junior sailors competed in the Orange Bowl International Youth Regatta held December 26th through December 30th in Coconut Grove, Florida. Hosted by Coral Reef Yacht Club, this event is the largest youth regatta in the United States and attracts hundreds of youth sailors and their families from 25 countries and 20 states. Boats competing at this event include Club 420, Laser Standard, Laser Radial, Laser 4.7 and Optimist class boats.

HSC was represented by junior sailors Grace Squires in Optimist class; Ryan Squires and Luke Schumann in C420 class. Competing in a field of 300 Opti boats, Grace finished in the top 100. Ryan and Luke finished in 43rd place out of 82 teams in their first C420 competition.

What a wonderful experience for junior sailors... and their families.



420 Team Ryan Squires and Luke Schumann practicing at HSC for Orange Bowl International Youth Regatta- Photo by D. Squires.



Ryan Squires and Luke Schumann (#49) competing at 2015 Orange Bowl International Youth Regatta- Photo by D. Squires

2016... Busy Year for Sailing!

Plans for the 2016 sailing season are under way at HSC. Our calendar is filling up fast with weekly racing events, regattas, sail instruction classes, junior sailing practices as well as club-wide social events.

Commodore Matt Fisher and our newly elected Board of Governors are busy making plans for club operations and scheduling safety and racing seminars for club members, as well as Sunday afternoon and Wednesday evening club races, Fleet regattas and collegiate competitions. In addition to our annual Holiday Series racing for members, HSC will host the 2016 Interlake Nationals in July. Our junior sailors (and their parents) will be on-the-go participating in Traveler Series events as well as Junior Bay Week.

Planning for our 2016 Learn To Sail (LTS) program is in full swing. This year, Jamie Jones, Program Director, will offer 8 adult classes and 28 youth classes over the summer months. Our evening adult classes will start early this year on May 22 to accommodate the Interlake Nationals. In addition to our LTS programs, we are continuing our High School Racing program this year with Spring and Fall sessions. Course schedules and applications for our Learn To Sail program are available at www.hooversailingclub.com.

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