

HARBOR LIGHT

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* MONROE BOAT CLUB *

July 2017



**Club Commodore,
Dave Fetterly**



**Vice Commodore,
Dan Thomas**



**Rear Commodore,
Doug Sharp**

Hello all!
Hard to believe its July already.

Preparations for Regatta and Commodore's Receptions are in full swing, Lady Nicole and I have attended PPBC, TSC, CCYC and HVYC. I also competed in the TSC \$1.98 contest, though I'm told I was pretty I didn't bring home the trophy. Also, Harbor View kicked of the Poker Run Season setting the bar high for the rest of us.

Many people are working diligently to make the 2017 Poker Run Regatta one for the record books. Please lend a hand wherever you can. Sign-up sheets are in the hallway at the club.

On a final note, I ask that everyone remember that we all belong to the club for the friendships and similar interests so please be polite to workers and staff. Let's all take a stroll in the other's shoes before judging.

Commodore
David Fetterly

A good mid-summer hello to all of the MBC membership. Yes, I am still dealing with the sewer problem. We did finally get a second camera inspection (viewed at the recent Board meeting) and we are awaiting the contractor's quote. We still have the woman's bathroom closed although the one shower is operable as well as the sinks. As to those stained tiles in the bar, the roof repair contractor has tried a couple of times to repair the leaks. We're waiting for a good downpour so he can take another look and verify if he has the leaks fixed. We have found the leak in the sprinkler system in the yard from the recent retaining wall repair; and we will be addressing it after Regatta. The club is the members and the members make the club. A big thanks goes out to those individuals who have been assisting me with the numerous maintenance tasks around the club

Carol Smith has volunteered to manage Burger Nights for July. We still need a volunteer for August Burger Nights.

Now for the BIG ONE!! The Monroe Boat Club Regatta "Bourbon Street Bash" July 21st and 22nd with East River Drive and Distant Cousins bands. With only 3 weeks to go and the signup sheets for Regatta posted, we still need volunteers to sign up. Again, not only is this is an excellent chance, but possibly one of the last best chances to get your work hours in for this year. Let's get together to make our Regatta a success. We have scheduled a Regatta planning meeting for July 5th at 7:00 PM. Please attend.

Hello MBC members from the bar team. June has been challenging here at the bar, but we're making a lot of great progress. I would like to address the membership in regard to house rule 10.

"The Rear Commodore or bartender on duty shall receive respectful cooperation from all Club members and guest in maintaining reasonable order, discipline and/or decorum in the Club House. Those members and or guest who, in the judgement of the bartender or a member of the Board of Directors, are in violation of good order, discipline, and/or decorum, shall leave the premises of the Club House upon request to do so by the said bartender on duty or a member of the Board of Directors." Just know that disrespect, towards bartenders, myself, a board member, or any other person will not be tolerated. The bar staff is employed by the Rear Commodore, and the Board of Directors, they do not work for the members, a member isn't to give direction, and or discipline to any of our bar staff. Also, I will also close bar when I feel necessary, or a bartender feels it's time to call last call. With that being said, I hope that we all can have a wonderful, fun filled time here in our Club House.

Well Regatta is coming up fast, and we have some very cool things planned. We're going to have 3 bars set up for Regatta. The inside bar will be open with tables and chairs, with the air conditioning going for a more laid-back experience. The outside bar will be popping too, we also are planning on have a third bar station set up West of food tent. The 3rd bar will have all our can beer selections and some mixed drinks too. Looking forward to seeing u all there, and having fun at our Regatta.

I also would love to welcome a new Bartender aboard, Miranda Chelbos! Make sure to stop in and welcome her to our Club.

Our lunch specials have had a great following, and I'd like to thank everyone for their support! We'll be trying all kinds of new menu items. Make sure to check our Facebook page for our menu weekly.

So, from the bar team here at MBC, have a great July, boat a lot, have a cocktail or lunch here at the club. Boat safe, drive safe, and have fun!

Doug Sharp
Rear Commodore

MBC

2017

Regatta

July 21-23!



**Club/Community
Events Committee,
Charlotte Neuhauser**

ACTIVITIES

- July 12, 12:00, MBC Book Club
- July 21-22, Regatta Used Book Sale
- July 22, 10-12, Kids Fishing Derby



MBC Book Club...Judy Peterson leads the group and writes, "We had a nice meeting on June 7 with 6 members attending. Everyone reported on books they had read and we enjoyed a lively discussion and a good lunch! For the remainder of the summer, we will continue to report on "reader's choice" books. Our next meeting is July 12 -- one week later than usual because of the July 4 holiday." If you have any questions, please e-mail Judy Peterson at jpeterston4647@aol.com.

Thank You!

to all those who helped make the 2017 Environmental Career Day for 7th graders a success! Nathaniel Hoffman, lead teacher, wrote, "I first want to thank you for providing this wonderful opportunity for my students at the Monroe Boat Club. They really had a great time with the mix of programming and experiences while there. The boat ride and walking tour were favorites for the kids. In addition, please pass along a heartfelt thank you to all of your members who volunteered their time to provide boat rides and support throughout the day. That was greatly appreciated. I also want to thank you for having a delicious lunch and snacks throughout the day. The kids gave a big thumbs up for those tasty morsels."

Those wonderful volunteers included: Greg and Kelly Arndt, Ray and Pam Barker, Don Blouin, Rick and Wendy Campbell, John Davis and Martie Reed, Don Fillion, Fred Hoitash, Jim and Grant Kozlowski, Chuck Kresbach, Fred Lemerand, Al Michaud, Barbara Valmassei, and Jim Vanisacker. Finally, this event could not have happened so successfully without the tremendous support of Commodore Dave Fetterly, Vice Commodore Dan Thomas, and Rear Commodore Doug Sharp. The presenters from the U.S. Customs and Border Protection and Ohio State University's Stone Lab at Put-in-Bay commented on how friendly and courteous the MBC members were. Special Agent Tyler Fox of the U.S. Customs and Border Protection commented, as he was going out the door, "We love coming here."

Our appreciation also goes to the Monroe County Health Department Environmental Fund and the Monroe County Community Foundation for providing the funds for food, materials (chemicals), and bus transportation from Monroe Middle School to MBC and Monroe County Community College.

This year we administered a tougher assessment at the end of the two days. Over 90% of the students were able to tell why it is important to have clean lake water, what an invasive species in Lake Erie is, and what pollutes Lake Erie. 92% said they learned quite a bit to a lot during the two days. Over the two-day period, 29 students did not go on the boats due to their failure to turn in their liability waiver forms. Those that took the boat ride said they learned from the boat captains, the boat ride, and measurement of the

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**Power Fleet Capt.
Bill LeVally**

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water quality, and all should be included next year. I had to smile at a suggestion by one student for next year as his/her writing got larger and bolder as he/she wrote: "Keep the dog. I liked the outdoor activities. I really liked the water ceremony. I LOVED the Boat Ride. Please keep the boat ride."



Kids Fishing Derby, Saturday, July 22, 10-12 am. Bring your children, grandchildren, neighbor's children to Hoffman Park...all are welcome. Ages 5-12. Registration begins at 9:45

with a fishing clinic at 10:00. Fishing begins at 10:15-11:45 with prizes awarded around noon. We're hoping it will be a little cooler than last year; the adults pettered out a bit but not the kids. And don't forget the **Regatta Used Book Sale** from Friday afternoon, July 21, through Saturday evening, July 22. Bring your books, CDs, cyber games to the Commodore's Room during the prior week.

MBC Libraries

Did you know MBC has two libraries? One is the library in the playroom where members bring books to share with others. These tend to be novels or "fun" reads. The other library is in the Commodore's Room and was started in 2008-09 with funds from a grant by Boat U.S. These resources focus on environmental, astronomy, bird watching, sailing and power boat maintenance and techniques, yacht club protocols, and science-oriented topics. They are free for you to borrow and then return. A new book that was recently contributed by the Western Lake Erie Cluster is Living in the Oak Openings: A Guide to one of the World's Last Great Places. Interestingly, the Oak Openings is in our backyard. The area ranges from Wayne County covering Ypsilanti to I75, south to just west of Monroe to Petersburg, south into Ohio to Waterville. This area was formed as the glacier receded about 15,000 years ago and left sandy areas. The book covers the geology, plant communities, rare plants, birds, mammals, amphibians & reptiles, insects & spiders, and the Oak Openings at risk. It includes many beautiful pictures. Stop in, look at some of the books in the library, and especially this book.



Past Event which was on the 2017 Drawing Board. Special Thank you to Gary Kaye, an MBC member and 30+ year kayak user. His presentation on June 15 was

helpful and generated interest in kayaking in the attendees. Now we hope to see you kayaking on the channel. Power-boaters and sail-boaters...please watch out for the kayakers!



**Auxiliary,
Christine Rowland**

I want to take this opportunity to thank Nancy School again for an awesome job that she did on the Memorial Day Brunch! People from other clubs are still complimenting me on the job that she did at that brunch. Cheryl O'Connor and Nancy Sauer hats off to you for getting to the club 6:00 a.m. to help her out that early in the morning on Monday! I could not do it, as I am not a morning person and you really do not want to be around me that early. Thank you again to EVERYONE who helped her out that weekend to make it such a memorable event.

Thank you Bill LeVally for the recognition in your last newsletter. It was mine and Ken's pleasure to help you out for the DBBC Shakedown. We had a lot of fun (even though you did most of it). Besides, that is what a club is all about - helping each other.

Auxiliary had burger nights in the month of June. Wow, was I overwhelmed. I did not realize what I was getting myself into. If it were not for Rick and Wendy Campbell, I think I would not have come back after chairing my first night. They were there with me from morning until night each burger night. They taught me everything from how to run the dishwasher, clean the ketchup containers, and take care of ordering/buying everything to have successful burger nights. I was approaching my 12th hour of working my first burger night when I started to cry. Wendy looked at me and said, "you are almost done". Trish Soto told me not to mop myself into a corner. Well, really, that did not go over very well, I did not listen... (Trish came to the club straight from work, and started cooking until Tim Whittico could get there). Then there was the second week where my burgers were not delivered and I did not have a cook. My armpits started sweating, my face was turning white, and the tears were going to come out like a waterfall. Then my burgers eventually got delivered, but I forgot to turn on the grill!!! Thank you to Brian and Lori Moyer for saving that night! Amy Brooks was there every week doing the preparation for me, so I could either go to work for a couple hours, or do the Gordon's shopping. (Charlie just wanted to see what kind of soup there was!!). Now that I know what I am doing, I am looking forward to chairing the September Burger Nights. Wendy's idea for the fresh chicken breasts went over very well and I believe everyone appreciated the change.

It was a pleasure meeting and working with each and every one of you during these burger nights and I would like to thank you all for signing up and volunteering your time to work. I hope you will all consider signing up again in September.

Thank you to every club member and/or visitor who contributed to the 50/50. The proceeds will be going toward the children's parties.

Mary Jo is asking for help with appetizers for the Commodore's Reception, so please make sure to see the sign-up sheet in the bar, or feel free to contact her directly. There is also a sign-up sheet for help to work the Ship Store during the Regatta.

There has been a change in plans regarding the food tent for the Regatta, so you will note at this time there is no sign-up sheet for work hours. However, please keep an eye out for a sign-up sheet as the plans become final.

Lastly, Auxiliary will be looking for volunteers to fill positions for next year (i.e., President, Vice President and Board Member). Please let us know if you are interested. Our next meeting will be September 13, 2017 (Auxiliary Board @ 6:30p.m. and Auxiliary General @ 7:00 p.m.).



Dock Master P/C Ron Soto

This isn't right! July already?! Everyone knows what that means...REGATTA TIME! But first, a few snips. I've kind of slowed down a little as of late around the docks, however there is still a lot of work to be done. I have someone to handle spray painting the west seawall by the banana dock (quite rusty) and we're just waiting for a comfortable non-windy day to do so during the week and early. There are still banister rails that are showing rust that can use fresh paint, dock boards to replace, PVC piping to cover some exposed pilings, and numbers that have already been purchased for the ends of the dock fingers. I can use some help with all, but the last one I'm getting a little anxious to get done and should be done from the water in our row boat. Any one free during the week to help with these projects are encouraged to do so. You will get work hours so just contact me via email or my number in the roster book and we'll start to get these projects rolling again.

On another note, all the docks and buildings and grounds have been sprayed (6/21/17) for bees, spiders and insects. There is no spray as of yet to keep the MAY Flies away!! And now with the regatta quickly approaching, we

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Sail Fleet Captain, John Kauffman

Greetings. We are now 5 weeks into this year's racing season and it has been interesting to say the least. We have had very fast conditions a few of the weeks that made for some very interesting racing. There has been at least one mainsail that has been a victim of the winds this year and we have seen speed in the teens on a few of the boats. It has also made for some interesting sail changes too.

Regatta is coming up soon and it is a great opportunity to get in your required volunteer hours. There are several opportunities and jobs available. I know that both the Dock Master and the Vice Commodore have several functions that need to be filled. The Sail Fleet will be manning the kitchen both regatta mornings to have breakfast available for all those that are interested.

We have 14 sailors that will be attending Sail Camp this year due to the support of the Sail Fleet, Power Fleet, Blue Gavel, Satin Gavel, Auxiliary, Dock Fund and Bar Fund. We will educate and train future sailors to continue our sailing tradition.

With the weather finally getting nice, we now have an even better opportunity to take advantage of everything the club has to offer, come out and enjoy it! See you at the club!

Dock Master continued...

(meaning all of the offices in the club) will be looking for member assistance in getting ready for this POKER RUN. Let's all chip in and help wherever possible to make our largest annual fund raiser a success. Yes, I too personally will be needing help on the docks assisting visiting clubs to dock their boats. If you are available and able to help dock boats contact me or sign the sheet in the club. 6 plus individuals on Thursday would be helpful with at least 10 for Friday.

Lastly, please keep me informed and let me know if your dock will be available for use during regatta. It will make my job a lot easier getting everyone in here!

Happy summer everyone!
P/C Ron Soto
2017 Dock Master

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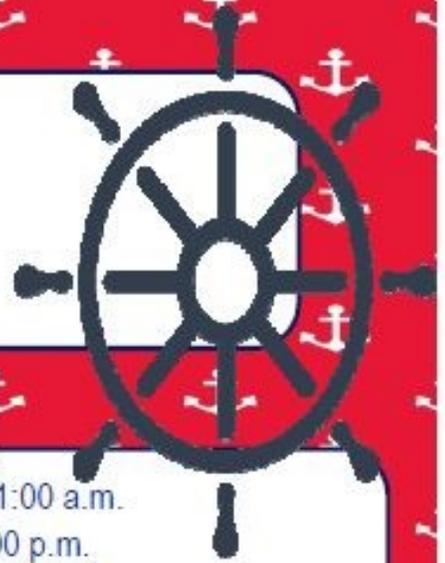
Monroe Boat Club presents REGATTA 2017!

July 21st - 23rd -- Open to the Public!

\$5.00 Cover Charge

Friday, July 21st

- Regatta kicks-off at 5:00 p.m.
- Food will be available under the tents from 5 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
- Blue Gavel Steak Roast 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- Mary Sacco's Pizza will be available from 10:00 p.m. - Midnight
- Live Entertainment: East River Drive Band from 8 p.m. - Midnight



Saturday, July 22nd

- Breakfast will be served inside the club from 8 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
- Food will be available under the tents from Noon – 10:00 p.m.
- Mary Sacco's Pizza will be available from 10:00 p.m. – Midnight
- Live Auction will be held under Main Tent @ 5:30 p.m.
- Live Entertainment provided by Distant Cousinz from 8 p.m. - Midnight

Sunday, July 23rd

- Breakfast will be served inside the club from 9 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.





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BLUE GAVEL**

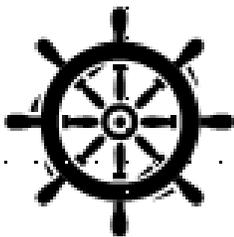
REGATTA STEAK ROAST

July 21ST 5:30PM – 8:00PM

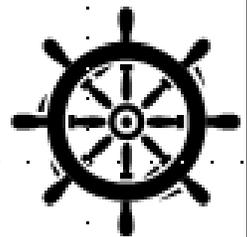
**Join MBC for a great dinner complete
with potato, salad, dessert !!**

STEAK	\$15
CHICKEN	\$12
VEGGIE	\$ 8

**Sign up in the clubhouse to guarantee a
dinner**



**For more info or reservation:
Contact: Rodger Dutton (313) 805-6418**



Free Kids Fishing Derby...July 22



- Ages 5-12
- Must be accompanied by an adult
- Provide own life jacket and pole; a few poles may be provided by DNR
- Bait provided
- Prizes for longest bass, blue gill, crappie, catfish, and carp
- Registration: 9:45-10:00 a.m; Fishing Clinic: 10-10:15
- Fishing , 10:15-11:45**
- Prizes and certificates awarded at 12:00
- Beverages and munchies available for sale

**Location: Hoffman Access Site,
Bolles Harbor, Monroe**

Co-sponsors: Monroe Boat Club and Department of Natural Resources

MONROE BOAT CLUB
ERIK PETERSON JR SAIL SCHOLARSHIP

THANKS TO MBC FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY!!!

**DONATIONS BY: SAILFLEET, POWERFLEET, AUXILIARY,
BLUE GAVEL, SATIN GAVEL, DOCK FUND, BAR FUND**

**DONATIONS MADE IN MEMORY OF: MEL RUSSEL
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ERIC HALL**

**All 14 applicants are able to go thanks to your generosity !!!
Congratulations to the following MBC kids attending NCYC
Sail Camp this summer.**

2017 RECIPIENTS

Lauren Chytil
Erin Fletcher
Clain Johnson
Ashton LaPointe
Duncan McCall
Trent Miller
Alexandra Parris
Camille Parris
Margaret Powell
Adam Schlanser
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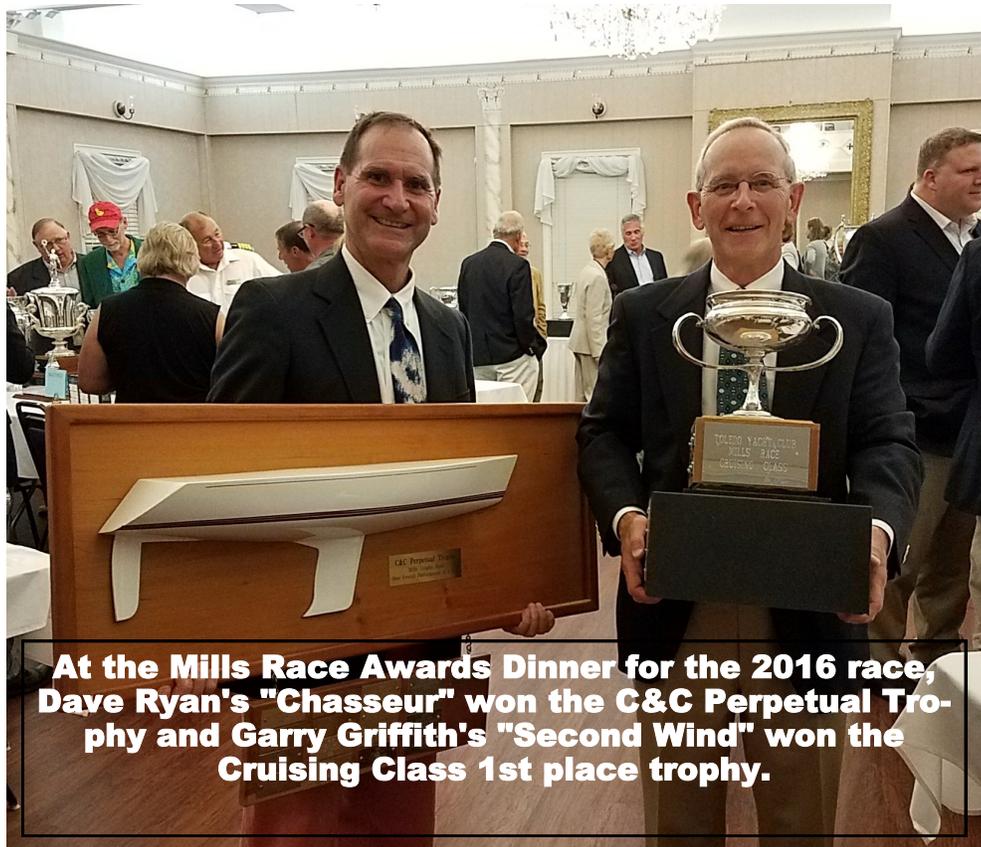
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LEARN IT, LOVE IT, LIVE IT – BOATING!



P/C Kathy Powers presents the Monroe Yacht Club Trophy for best finish by a Monroe area yacht, to Brad D'Arcangelo of North Cape Yacht Club during the Mills Race Awards Dinner.



At the Mills Race Awards Dinner for the 2016 race, Dave Ryan's "Chasseur" won the C&C Perpetual Trophy and Garry Griffith's "Second Wind" won the Cruising Class 1st place trophy.



MBC 2017 Regatta – Live Auction Segment

The MBC Live Auction will be Saturday July 22, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. Same location as in the past, under the big Regatta tent in the gated parking area. We have started accepting donations, once again using the building closest to the MBC clubhouse on the acquired Knabusch property for item storage and staging. Check with Dan Thomas or Jim Alban (contact info below) for particulars regarding item/s drop off. No volunteer hours will be credited for donated items.

Thanks to the support of the MBC membership and all MBC elected/appointed officials of all boards, committees and supportive organized groups (both past and present) the Live Auction has steadily grown over the years, "Thank You" for your support. There is a Regatta Auction sign-up sheet in the hallway across from Women's bathroom. If you have a donation please contact me; email..... jalban@mwbauctions.com or my cell: **734-625-3009** (you can also text me). *Thank You! Jim Alban-Auction Coordinator*



MBC Auction Item/s Delivery

1. Small Auction items can be brought to MBC and placed in Commodores Room, off Banquet Area (if you're not familiar of location, please ask Bartender).
2. Large Auction Items can be brought to the MBC Property (formerly Knabusch's Building/Cottage (closest to street)

To arrange item drop off, please contact: Jim Alban at 734-625-3009 or Dan Thomas at 734-735-1856.

Thank You! for Your Donations
(No volunteer hours credited for donations)

The Live Auction will start (big tent in fenced parking lot) **at approximately 5:30 p.m. on Saturday July 22nd**

Registration for Bid Number required

Marina Safety (Electric Shock Drowning)

April 2017



August 2011 Michigan teenager Michael Knudsen and his friends jumped into a Traverse Bay marina for a swim, despite the no swimming signs posted at the marina. It was a decision made in a moment of crazy youthful impulsiveness that had devastating consequences. When Knudsen jumped from the dock into the water, he was shocked by electricity. Knudsen's final moments were agonizing. As horrified friends watched, he struggled to pull himself out of the water and away from the electric shock. Unfortunately, he was unsuccessful and drowned. The tragedy reached the entire community.

June 2014 A man died after jumping into water charged with electricity from a boat plugged into the wrong size power outlet. Alec McQueen, 22, and two friends pulled their boat into an open slip at the Bullfrog Marina. McQueen jumped into the lake from the swim deck. After he jumped in, one of his friends heard him call out. She turned and saw him in the water but he then disappeared. She saw something under the swim deck of the boat next to hers so she jumped onto that boat and stuck her arm in the water to see if she could feel anything. When she put her arm in the water, she received an electrical shock. The two emergency responders who first arrived on the scene were also shocked when they touched the water.

April 2016 A popular high school cheerleader was killed in a tragic electrical shock drowning when her father tried to help her out. Carmen Johnson, 15, died last month while swimming in Smith Lake in Winston County. A metal ladder lowered into the lake caused an electrical shock in the water. Father Jimmy jumped into save her but he blacked out. Her mother managed to turn off electrical supply, saving Jimmy, their son Eric who had also jumped in, and Carmen's friend Reagan also in the water but Carmen had already disappeared below the surface and drown.

Every summer there are heartbreaking news stories of fun family boating days, weekends, and vacations that expectantly end in sudden and extreme tragedy when someone goes in the water at a marina for a quick, refreshing swim (or minor boat maintenance task) and never comes out. However, many experienced boaters, as well as casual guests are still not aware of the inherent danger of swimming in marinas and/or around powered docks due to ESD (Electric Shock Drowning). This Sailing Safety Article focuses on awareness and education for these ESD dangers and provides references for additional information.

Despite safety oriented designs, regulations, new equipment, and periodic inspections, boat marinas are potentially dangerous locations for swimming due to the co-location of water and electricity, especially in fresh water (which conducts electricity more poorly than salt water, and thus makes the swimmer more electrically conductive than the surrounding water).

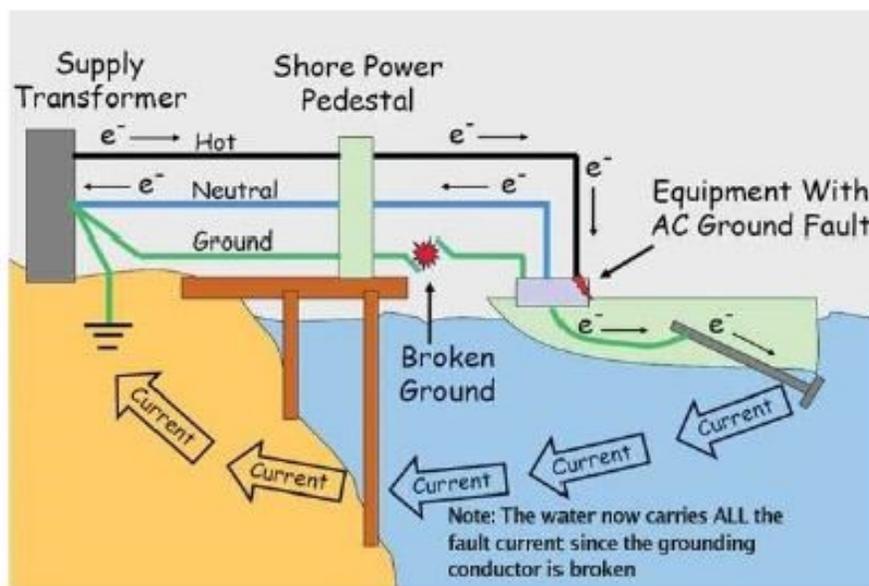
What might be only a minor, non-lethal electrical shock on land, quickly becomes deadly in the water, even for the most experienced or strongest swimmers. The nature of the risk and tragedy is that an electrical shock can very quickly paralyze

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(or partially paralyze) a swimmer's muscles, lead to panic, unconsciousness, and silent drowning; often right in front of friends and family who are rendered helpless to rescue them and/or that are also killed trying. As little as 1-10 milliamps of AC current can be dangerous/deadly when swimming in water.

The root cause of the problem can arise from a non-compliant power installation, an incorrectly performed maintenance repair, damaged/worn/corroded land-side equipment, an incorrect shore-power connector, and/or similar failures on nearby boats in the marina/water as depicted in the picture below. Often there is no warning as many things seem to be working fine on-shore and aboard the boat. However, electrical current may be "leaking" into the water. As a swimmer, there is no way to be assured that "everything" and all boats around you in a marina are correct and safe (even if it was "ok" yesterday, or just 20 minutes ago, or two dock slips over, etc). *Often there is **no** initial feeling of electrical charge for the swimmer in the water, giving a false sense of safety; and/or it can be triggered when a piece of equipment on nearby boat turns on (battery charger, etc).*



The only safe way is to stay out of the water in a marina (or near a powered dock). If you must go in, be sure you are "wearing" a life preserver (you may not even be able to hold-on to a throw-ring if shocked), always have an on-shore observer, and disconnect all nearby shore power connections if possible.

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As a boat owner/skipper, you should always warn guests of the danger of ESD in marinas. Risks to others can also be minimized by having an equipment leakage circuit interrupter (ELCI) on your boat's shore-cord inlet. Just like the ground fault circuit interrupters (GFCI) outlets in your boat galley or home kitchen, an ELCI measures the current flowing through the two or three wires that bring power in and out of your boat. The net current of the wires should always be zero. Any imbalance means electricity is leaking somewhere — which is never good. If/when detected, the ELCI will shut off shore power to the boat in the blink of an eye.



For more information, refer to the links below:

<http://www.boatus.com/seaworthy/magazine/2013/july/electric-shock-drowning-explained.asp>

<http://files.esfi.org/file/Boating-And-Marina-Toolkit-3897.pdf>

<http://www.electricshockdrowning.org/esd--faq.html>

<http://www.boatingmag.com/key-ways-to-prevent-electric-shock-drowning>

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If you have any questions, please contact us at safety@byc.com, macchair@byc.com, office@byc.com or through the BYC office @ 313-822-1853

Note: The purpose of this article is to highlight concepts for how you and your crew can race as safely as possible. As always, ultimate responsibility for the safety of the crew and the decision whether to race or to stop racing is that of the skipper (RRS4, MSR2). This email is meant a courtesy only and you should always refer to the Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions and Safety Regulations, which govern the race.

July 2017

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Exterior Boat Detailing
call Brian Amer for a quote
419-350-9945

Summer Storage Season

May 1 - Nov 1

Winter Storage Season

Nov 1 - May 1

Contact Yard Master

Chuck Taylor

313-570-8961

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Chains & pads included (4) 48"
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Call Bill 734-612-9842

The Harbor Light

For sale: Sailboat Morgan 27
1972, Good condition, Dacron
main, Dacron 150 (good condition),
Polyester/mylar 150 racing jib (4
yrs), Spin pole and spinnaker. Hon-
da outboard 9.9 HP
Asking \$4000
email: keelbolt72@gmail.com
(Ad: Mar 2017)

For sale: Two six foot sections of
Bakers Steel Scaffolds.

Like new condition.

Asking three hundred dollars.

Contact Cyndi Gent

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Using top quality material

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MONROE BOAT CLUB CALENDAR-AT-A-GLANCE

July

- 4 - Independence Day!
- 5 - MBC Regatta Planning Meeting
@ 7pm
- 7-8 - Poker Run to Elba-Mat
Boat Club
- 13 - MBC Book Club @ noon
- 14-16 - Club Cruise to Sandusky
Yacht Club
- 15 - 50th Race for the Sisters
- 21-23 - MBC Regatta and
Poker Run
- 28-29 - Poker Run to Sunseeker's
Boat Club
- 31 - Board of Directors Meeting
@ 6:15pm
- 31 - General Membership Meeting
@ 7pm

Ongoing Events:

- Thurs - Burgers & Soup
- Tues - Sail Races @ 7pm

4th July
★ Happy ★
Independence Day

BURGER NIGHT

Thursdays 5:30-8:00 pm

With Delicious Homemade
Soup!



August

- 2 - MBC Book Club @ noon
- 4-6 - I-LYA Sr. Sail Regatta
- 9-13 - I-LYA Powerboat Regatta
- 13 - MBC Ladies Race
- 18-19 - Poker Run to Ford
Yacht Club
- 19 - MBC Solo Challenge
- 19 - MBC Kayak & Dinghy Races
- 21 - Board of Directors Meeting
@ 6:15pm
- 21 - General Membership Meeting
@ 7pm

Stay up to date with all of the club's events on the web site: www.monroboatclub.org