

# HARBOR LIGHT

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\* MONROE BOAT CLUB \*

September 2018



**Club Commodore**  
**Dan Thomas**



**Vice Commodore**  
**P/C Jeff Morrow**



**Rear Commodore**  
**Mike Anteau**

With the fiscal year winding down (September 31) so far, we have been able to turn the General Fund around; and with the financial success from the Regatta for the General Fund we have positioned the club in a favorable financial status. Today, the General Fund is considerably stronger than it has been in recent years. Not great, but such that without a major crisis we should be able to again maintain membership dues at their current level for yet another year. Again, as I have alluded to in the past, having volunteers completing the tasks/jobs requiring to be completed around the Club keeps our financial obligated outlay down.

It is again that time of the year to be looking to fill next year's board positions. A mail chimp to the membership was sent out earlier in July concerning this. I have asked and appointed P/C Dave Ryan, Don Blouin and Bennett Stein for the nominating committee. Please contact the committee members if you have any questions concerning serving MBC in a leadership role and/or let the nominating committee know if you wish to serve on the Board. The General Meeting on September 26th is when the candidates for the 2019 Board will be chosen. The following monthly General Meeting will be held on Friday October 26th and is when the elections will be held.

August was just about as busy as July with Lady Mary and I, representing MBC at Commodore's receptions at Maumee River Yacht Club, Indian Hill Boat Club, YLIA Regatta at PIB, Bay View Yacht Club, and Ford Yacht Club. Due to this schedule and other commitments I must apologize to our sail fleet for my absence in the Sisters Race. That being said we still have some summer season weather left and the algae bloom is not yet upon us. Get out there and enjoy this boating season.

Dan Thomas  
2018 Commodore

Hello fellow members, As I write this letter I have a boat again that runs and the green water has been minimal. Thanks to some members I got a boat fix a few times this summer, a little slower but cannot complain because that just meant more beer time between stops. To the club members that helped with the success of the Regatta, you deserve another big Thank You. I hope members continue to volunteer. I have turned in all the hours that I received or wrote up for members during Regatta, if short let me know I will take care of the hours. Speaking of volunteering I need the Commodore's meeting room straightened up (move Regatta paraphernalia up in attic). The parking lot was sealed and striped after Regatta. The Blue Gavel has paid for the work. Thanks Blue Gavel! Nominations are up for offices, come join in and help the successes this Club can have in 2019. As always striving to be friendliest Club on the Lake!

Jeff Morrow  
2018 Vice Commodore

Greetings from Nicole & Mike I think we are finally getting back to normal after the successful 2018 MBC Regatta. Again, many thanks to a good number of our Members who helped make this Regatta a success. For those of you who continue to enjoy the delicious Brandy Alexander we have GREAT NEWS! The Bar was approved to purchase a replacement Slushy Machine for our very own. So, you will see Brandy Alexander's and now refreshing Rum Runners along with many mystery drinks throughout the year. We have decided to streamline our food offerings and menu. We believe it will give the members a good selection and consistent quality. Look for the table top menus very soon. We will still have our fresh tuna, egg salad and chicken salad sandwiches. Our Bar entertainment schedule is now completed with The Elixir Band finishing their last performance on Saturday the 25th. I will be looking to bring in some other talent September and October. If anyone has suggestions, we would be glad to look into.

Best Regards!

Mike Anteau  
2018 Rear Commodore





**CCEC and MBC-A**  
**Charlotte Neuhauser**

**ACTIVITIES**

- September 12, 12:00, MBC Book Club
- October 9, The Maritime Trades Career Day

**MBC CLUB EVENTS**



**MBC Book Club.** Judy Peterson reports, "We read *The President is Missing* for August. Many felt it was difficult to start, but the story was good overall. Those that finished it encouraged those who did not finish it or did not read it to do so—it is worth reading! Even though it had a slow start, it certainly made the reader aware of how fragile we are as a country.

For next month, we are doing a "reader's choice"—since most of us have books we are eager to read. Hopefully, we will all have a good book to tell the club about at the September meeting! Patty Snarey has suggested *The Alice Network* by Quinn to anyone who is looking for a good book to read.

Reminder: Our next book club meeting will be **SEPTEMBER 12, 2018** (due to Labor Day). Lunch for the September meeting will be a Sub Buffet. Contributions are: Connie: cheeses/napkins, plastic ware, Patty: rolls/paper plates, Kim: cold cuts, Wilma: fixin's (lettuce, tomatoes, etc), Linda: condiments, Diane: chips, Judy: dessert, Paula: pickles/etc. Anyone interested in joining us please come and meet us in the back room at noon on September 12!

**SPEAKING OF BOOKS.** Don't forget about the MBC library in the Commodore's Room. There are both fiction and nonfiction boat and science-related books. One entire bookcase contains fun, fiction books and are meant to be borrowed and shared. The other bookcase holds a variety of boat-repair, operation, various types of maintenance books, books on a variety of science topics, such as the planets and stars, and other Great Lakes/water-related reference material. One fellow MBCer told me he visits the library periodically, pulls out a book, and reads for a while. It's quiet and away from the busyness. You are welcome to do this also. If you borrow a book, please return it.

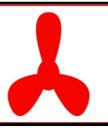
**UPDATE ON CARE OF THE GREAT LAKES.** Senators Bob Portman of Ohio and Debbie Stabenow of Michigan announced that the Senate restored full funding to the Great Lakes Restoration initiative. The 2019 budget had originally nearly eliminated funding for the Great Lakes. Through the bipartisan efforts the funding was restored for the continuous protection of the lakes. The budget bill also maintains current funding for stopping the spread of the Asian carp.



**HOW PREPARED ARE WE?** Do you know what to do if someone is choking and cannot talk? Do you know where the AED is at MBC?

Do you know how to use the AED in case someone collapses and is not breathing? How prepared are we at MBC to help each other? We tend to forget about these things unless it happens to us. Why am I bringing this up? Because it happened to me...Don and I were in an ice cream store that

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**Power Fleet Capt.**  
**Craig Sauer**

Greetings fellow members,  
We have just completed our regatta poker run circuit for the summer of 2018!

The 5th and final stop was at Rivers Edge Marina in Wyandotte and was hosted by Seaway Boat Club.

We had 3 boats in attendance and 17 members. 3 members completed "100% Attendance" this year:

1. Craig and Jamie "Can't Sea Strait"
2. Dan Martin "Expensive Therapy"
3. Rick and Wendy Campbell "Scooter"

I think this year is the 10th time Rick and Wendy have had 100% attendance!

Last year perfect attendance was just myself along with Mike and Kathy Powers.

As promised we will randomly draw 1 winner for each of the (5) poker runs chosen from the boats that attended for the required time. Each Poker Run is worth \$100 in MBC club credit that can be used for things such as meals, merchandise from the Ships Store, or to buy drinks for club officers. I would like this to be an event that the entrants can be present for, such as the General meeting. I will directly contact each entrant when that day and time is selected.

This is the time of year to consider running for the Power Fleet position for the coming year.

Enjoy the many perks of this position!  
See you at the club,

Your Power Fleet Captain.  
Craig Sauer

**CCEC MBC-A continued...**

sold sandwiches. The buns were very dry, crumbly, and different from most buns. I started to cough, breathed in the dry crumbs and suddenly couldn't breath nor talk. When asked if I could talk, nodded "no," and was dragged out of the seat, bent over, and squeezed enough that the crumbs came loose. Donald Blouin, You are my hero! We will be holding a workshop sometime in September-October for us to bring ourselves up-to-date on the Heimlich, the AED, and CPR. Hopefully, all waitstaff, boaters, parents, and officers will participate. Watch for the announcement!

**MBC-A UPDATE**



**MARITIME TRADES CAREER DAY...** will be held again this fall at Monroe Boat Club. We will be hosting 30 10-12th grade students from

Monroe High School in the back room on October 9th. The idea for this project emerged from an article in the December, 2016, issue of *Boat U.S.* magazine which discussed the gap between supply and demand of maritime jobs, including ship and boat captains, diesel service technicians and me-

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**Auxiliary**  
**Jody Thatcher**

Hello from the Auxiliary: It's hard to believe summer is almost over. Looking forward to our fall season, the Ship Store is gearing up for fall and winter clothing. These items hopefully will be here soon. Thursday nights Ship Store will be open. A gentle reminder September starts the Auxiliary calendar year for work hours. There will be many events to sign up for your hours. Keep an eye on the board in the bar and also, I will be posting the events that Auxiliary will be chairing in the Harbor Light for you to sign up. October 19th is the Auxiliary Annual Dinner it is also our election of Officers and Board members if anyone would like to represent the Auxiliary in these positions please let a board member or officer know. This way we can include your name on the ballot. October 26th is the General Membership Dinner; the Auxiliary will be chairing this dinner. If you are interested in working, please see Jody Thatcher. Last but not least the Auxiliary will be having a Trick or Trunk party for your children or grandchildren chaired by Shawna Powell. Further details will be posted in the October Newsletter. Enjoy your summer. See you at the club.

Auxiliary President  
Jody Thatcher

**CCEC MBC-A continued...**

chanics, and small engine mechanics. We found that high school students enrolled in the trades courses had never considered maritime-related jobs. It will again be co-sponsored with MBC-A by the Monroe County Intermediate School District Director of Career and Technical Education and the Monroe High School Director of Career/Technical Education. The students will hear presentations from captains/commanding officers/owners of a charter fishing boat, the U.S. Coast Guard, the Michigan Industrial Boater's Association, the Monroe Port, and tours of a custom boat building facility, a small engine repair facility, and a large diesel engine repair facility. The focus of the day is three-pronged: Economy + Environment = Maritime Jobs. One hundred percent of the students evaluated the day last year as one from which they learned and believed it should be offered again.

**Attention those who have trained and/or worked in the trades...** We need your help to make this an informative and fun day for the students. Three ways to help: (1) Easy Kitchen help to dispense pizza, fruit, cookies for lunch, (2) Serve as a mentor and join a table of kids for lunch, chat with them (share your work experiences, answer questions about jobs, regardless of whether they are maritime jobs, and (3) Go along with the students on the tours, walking and talking with them. I will be calling some of you; others, I hope you will volunteer. Please let me know if you can help... 248.982.8199, [cneuhauser@gmail.com](mailto:cneuhauser@gmail.com), or stop me in the club on weekends.



## Dock Master P/C Ron Soto

And just like that it's September! I hope everyone enjoyed their summer activities! I myself am beginning to wind it down.

A couple of notes for dock holders. September 14th and 15th we will be hosting about 10 boats from Bayview Yacht Club and on September 28th through the 30th we will also be hosting West Shore Sailing Club with about 10 boats. So, what I am looking for is for any dock holder anticipating not being at their docks during these dates to please notify me, so I can make arrangements with our visitors during those dates. It would be very much appreciated.

Thank you!

P/C Ron Soto  
Dock Master



## Sail Fleet Captain Dan Montgomery

The month of August found MBC hosting three of its annual sail races. A special thanks goes to Troy Willett who chaired the Race for the Sisters this year (see results on separate page).

The MBC Solo Race was hosted on Saturday August 18. Seven boats participated. A social thanks to Walt Norris for chairing this event. Finishing first in the JAM class was Heartbreaker (Fritz Peterson, MBC), second was One Leg Up (Charlie Simons, MBC), and third was Pokey ((John Snyder, MBC). In PHRF first was Hat Trick (Dan Sadoski, MBC), second was Footloose (John Earhart, PCYC) and third was Slow Ride (Lane Roth, JRSC).

On the following day MBC hosted the annual Ladies' Race, which drew six participating boats. All boats had to consist of at least half female crew, with a female at the helm at all times. A special thanks goes to Dan Sadoski for chairing this event. First in JAM A class was discover (Leslie Dietsch, NCYC), second was Relentless (Kelly Becker NCYC), and third was Slip Away (Katie Downing, HVYC). In the JAM B class first was Hat Trick (Rebecca Sadoski, MBC), second was Pokey (Joe Snyder, MBC),

## Sail Fleet continued...

and third was One Leg Up (Jessica Hildreth, MBC).

On Friday August 24 MBC had a joint Sail Fleet/Power Fleet cruise with the destination of Catawba Island Yacht Club. The cruises are an enjoyable opportunity to spend time boating and socializing with other MBC members. Watch the bulletin board at the club for a sign-up sheet for an upcoming cruise in the month of September. A special thanks to John Rudy for coordinating these cruises for us.

Dan Montgomery  
Sail Fleet Captain

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# 2018-2019 Officer and Board

The Nominating Committee would like to invite each member to consider the possibility of running for an office and serving your fellow members. Yes, it does take a little time and indeed we are all busy. However don't let those things become excuses. MBC is run entirely by volunteers and we need your help.

The rewards from serving as a Club Officer cannot be measured in financial gain or imagined status; yet you will find serving your club is most gratifying. Being elected to office or serving on an active committee affords the opportunity to learn how our organization functions and participate in its progress.

Please take the time to consider these opportunities. Each member of MBC is eligible to run for and hold any office. Any Board member or Past Commodore would be happy to talk with you to learn more about this rewarding experience.

## 2018-2019 Officer and Board Nominations:

At the September 26 General Membership Meeting, nominations for the slate of officers will be selected. We invite all members to become involved in managing our club and consider serving as an elected Officer. MBC maintains the publication "*Roles and Responsibilities*" describing the duties of each position to assist you in understanding the functions and obligations associated with each elected office.

Don't be bashful or think you can't do this, because YOU CAN! New members and long-time members will both find serving your club to be gratifying and rewarding. Those who have served in the past have no regrets about the time spent as Offices and/or Board members for MBC.

Please contemplate sharing your talents and time to contribute in an essential way to Monroe Boat Club as we prepare for our 75th Anniversary.

Contact any of the Nominating Committee members below about adding YOUR name to the ballot.

What a great thing it is to be part of MBC!

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# 2018 Sisters Race

The 2018 Sisters Race was a great success and a good time was had by all! We could have used a little more wind but all in all we had a good race! There were a lot of people that worked hard to make this happen and I'd like to thank them all! Our Sail Fleet Captain, Dan Montgomery, was instrumental in helping to coordinate the race, design fliers, provide input and compete in the race! Thank you very much Dan! I had many people that helped me along the way by giving advice or support such as Rich Potcova and Al Michaud, thanks guys! Michelle Glanville, Dave Ryan and Charles Simons helped extensively with designing the race course, preparing all the documents for the sailors to follow, and entering the results, many many thanks to you! The banquet was a smashing success thanks to Fred & Celeste Hoitash and their work crew from the Dearborn Sail & Power Squadron. The food was incredible and the steaks were fantastic! You owe it to yourself to come next year for the banquet alone, wow! what a great job! I want to thank Bob Hoffman and Lea Markowski for their efforts as Race Committee, thanks a bunch! Jim Vanisacker suggested we add a cruising fleet and it opened the door for several boats to enter that otherwise may have stayed home. Thanks for the suggestion and for competing Jim! Lastly, I want to thank all (17) Skippers that entered the race and competed! We look forward to seeing you all again next year!

We had (6) MBC Boats compete this year! Thanks for supporting our race on it's 51st year! Make sure to spread the word and come back again next year! The race started out with a light breeze out of the North around 5knots and steadily shifted towards the East and unfortunately died. The competitors worked hard to make it the 11.13 miles to the R10 Channel Buoy where we shortened the race. The seas were calm and the wind was light as we had (14) competitors finish after nearly (6) hours on the water. The last two boats to finish were neck and neck as they crossed the line only (8) seconds apart! It should have been a photo finish but I didn't have time to get the camera ready (I was too busy fishing...) Again, thanks to all the competitors for participating!!

The results are as follows:

## PHRF Fleet (Spinnaker - Long Course - AYC Championship Series)

- 1st Place - Abracadabra - Roger Stark - TIYC/NCYC
- 2nd Place - Wizard - Ian & Colin Mackay - NCYC
- 3rd Place - Discover - Matt Kerns - NCYC

## JAM Fleet (Jib and Main - Short Course)

- 1st Place - Orange Crate - Jim Davis - NCYC
- 2nd Place - Jagen - Tim Branson - TIYC
- 3rd Place - Wing Jammin - Bill Pribe - NCYC

## Cruising Class Honorable Mentions:

- Zephrus - Jim Vanisacker - MBC
- Wind Climber - Bill Huntley - MBC
- American Pie - Doug Petee - MBC





## ***“Thank You”,***

to all those who donated items for this year’s MBC Regatta Auction and those in attendance. We appreciate your continued support.

There were many volunteers that assisted with making the auction a success, once again Thank You!, for your time and effort. I would like to especially thank, Sue Boose, Rose Kern, Julie Parks and Wilma Alban.

In addition it should be acknowledged that this Regatta Auction Event was originally created by Sally Ganallis.

This year the auction brought in \$ 1,758.00 (net)

*With my sincere gratitude, Jim Alban-Auction Chairperson*

# August 19 Ladies Race Pics



# September 2018

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## MONROE BOAT CLUB CALENDAR-AT-A-GLANCE

# September

- 12 - Book Club @ noon
- 12 - Aux Board Mtg @ 6:30pm
- 12 - Aux Membership Mtg @ 7pm
- 12 - MBC Board Mtg @ 7pm
- 14 - Incoming Cruise, Bayview YC
- 21-23 - Fall Regatta @ PIB
- 25 - Final Sail Race
- 26 - Gen Member Mtg @ 7pm  
(Nominations for 2019 Board)
- 28-30 - Incoming Cruise,  
West Shore SC

**THE ANNUAL MEETING IS THE FOURTH FRIDAY IN OCTOBER. Per the bylaws, at the Membership meeting in September (the regular meeting preceding the annual meeting), all officer candidates must be presented.**

### Ongoing Events:

- Thurs - Burgers & Soup
- Tuesday Night Sailing Begins May 15

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## BURGER NIGHT

Thursdays 5:30-8:00 pm

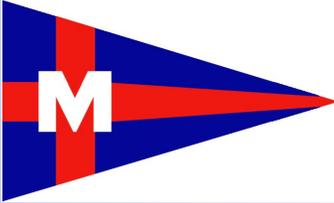
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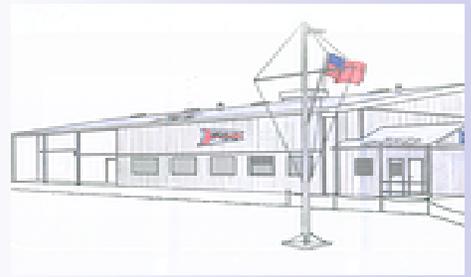
# October

- 9 - Maritime Trades Day @ 8am-2pm
- 10 - MBC Board Mtg @ 7pm
- 13 - Sail Fleet Annual Banquet @ 5:30pm
- 19 - Auxiliary Annual Dinner @ 5:30pm
- 26 - MBC Annual Dinner and Meeting @ 5:30pm
- 26 - Gen Member Mtg @ 7pm  
(2019 Board Voted In)

Stay up to date with all of the club's events on the web site: [www.monroboatclub.org](http://www.monroboatclub.org)



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