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Commodore – Carl Butler

I'd like to start my article this month by thanking everyone that helped make the MBC Regatta for 2023 the huge success that it was. Vice Commodore Tony Schippa did an amazing job with planning and executing such a great party. I received numerous

compliments from both members and visitors. As Commodore of this great club I couldn't have been more proud. It was a busy weekend for sure. Power Fleet Captain Dave Volker and I cooked a chicken dinner complete with fixings. Our Dockmaster Henry Santiago was busy all weekend with his crew docking the incoming boats. Rear Commodore Carl Laura kept the drinks flowing with the help of our awesome bar staff. We were treated to a wonderful breakfast both mornings by the Sail Fleet led by Fleet Captain Dan Montgomery. A delicious pulled pork meal was served with the help of Jake Geiger, Barb Johnson and P/C Jeff Morrow.

The cocktail reception was spectacular!!! The room was decorated in a "Friends" theme, with umbrellas hanging from the ceiling and pictures of all of our MBC friends throughout the room. Deana and I were both speechless and in tears. It was truly amazing. Thank you to Jody Thatcher and Kelly Butler along with Kim Fuller and I'm sure many others that helped make the room look so awesome. The food

was equally amazing with a vegetable display that was as beautiful and creative as it was delicious. Thank you to Lady Trish Soto, Cynthia Trendle, Nancy and Mark School along with all the other members that helped serve such a wonderful reception. All of the food was delicious and plentiful.

I'd like to thank F/Sec. Wil Elpers and Treasurer Lance Piedmonte for counting tickets and doing the general accounting. This is a lonely job stuck away in a room till the wee hours. Thank you guys for your dedication.

The MBC-A hosted a children's fishing tournament on Saturday morning, that was very well attended. Thank you to Jamie O Brian for hosting the kids and giving them a fun morning of fishing.

As we enter the last quarter of the business year it is time to start thinking about next year. I have formed a nominating committee with myself P/C Dave Ryan and Don Bluin. We will have a list of open offices posted very soon along with a club email to inform the members what positions are available. If you are interested in running for a position please contact one of us on the committee. This is beautiful club filled with talented and dedicated members. Help keep it that way by getting involved.



Vice Commodore – Tony Schippa

Thank you Monroe Boat Club Members.

Now that I'm almost back to normal I would personally like to thank the membership for yet another awesome Regatta. We had a lot of members step up and help

this year for which I'm very grateful for. It would not have gone as smooth as it did without all your help.

From the beginning, thank you Commodore Carl Butler and Fleet Captain Dave Volker for cooking a delicious chicken dinner Friday night. They sold all 125 meals! Jim Grant along with his team served up this weekend's breakfast- great job Sail Fleet!

Jake Geiger smoked up a whole lot of pork butts, chicken wings and mac &cheese for Saturdays meal, which I got so many complements from everyone on. They all raved about how great the food tasted. I would also like to thank them for continuing to sell food past 8:00pm to accommodate our Regatta guests.

To the Auxiliary - you ladies never cease to amaze me! The "Friends" themed cocktail reception was spot on! Everyone enjoyed it, especially Lady Deana. She was really impressed by the work and detail that went into the room. Thank you, Lady Trish Soto, and her team, for preparing all the food for the visiting Commodore's. Everyone enjoyed their meals. MBC always puts on the best cocktail receptions.

Dock Master Henry Santiago and his committee did an outstanding job in docking all our visitors last week.

Rear Commodore Carl Laura -there is no way the weekend would have gone as smoothly as it did without your help along with the entire bar staff. It's been an honor to work with you this year, great job brother!

My personal thank you to Barb Johnson and P/C Jeff Morrow for helping me with this year's Regatta. Your input made my job a little

less stressful. Barb you took the time to answer the phone, text, and emails for this I'm very thankful.

Finally, thanks to my wife Denise and son Sergei for supporting me as I continue in this journey. I appreciate all their help during the Regatta. They both stepped in and helped wherever I needed it.

I'll be having a some fun events coming up in the next few months so keep an eye out for those events.



Rear Commodore – Carl Laura

Well hello everyone. Here we are in the August. Well regatta was a hit with a team that all kicked in to make it possible. What about those bands! Wow! but now it's time to take a deep breath and continue on. I do want to thank the bar staff what amazing job they did.

August will be Margarita Month! Renae will be making margaritas for just \$3.50 each throughout August. So maybe you will want to take one of those margaritas and sit out by the pavilion to enjoy the flowers that Trish Soto has been taking such great care of.

The bar will be doing Hamburger Thursday nights through August. Carol Smith will be chairing! Sign-up sheets on the kitchen door still need a few people to fill some jobs. The dishwasher is being installed soon. Thanks to John Kandler and his son Ben (new MBC



Power Fleet Capt. - Dave Volker

WOW, how time flies when your "Havin' Fun" with

helped. It takes A LOT of help to put on this event and get the full potential out of it. August is packed with Regatta's and the last 3

members!), the sinks under the bar have been re-fabricated to accommodate the dishwasher. Big thanks to them; what a wonderful job they did!

Russ Moore and Dave Cupp always seem to be there when I need something, and they will be finishing the plumbing and the electrical. Thank you guys!

I've made arrangements to have Sunday afternoon music on August 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th from 3 to 6pm.

I hope everybody is having a good summer. I see a lot of members are going on cruise vacations and that sounds like a lot of fun.

That's about all I have. I hope everybody stays well.

poker runs. Check the board out for places, and dates. C'mon out and represent MBC proud and support these other AYC clubs by Regatta's, Poker Run's, and our own MBC events putting on your dancing shoes and havin' some fun! There are going on, it sure doesn't seem like a month went by numerous events happening at our club and other AYC clubs that since my last article. Summer is in full force and it's may interest you. please check the board for a flyer that may catch time to enjoy it. MBC Regatta was a success with the your eye and you can attend. Stay safe on the water and on land. hard work of our VC Tony Schippa and the work of the members that But always, keep "Havin' Fun".

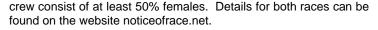


Sail Fleet Capt. - Dan Montgomery

The Monroe Boat Club hosted the 58th Annual "Race for the Sisters" sailboat race on Saturday, July 15. The fleet was greeted with a steady downpour of rain amid moderately light to medium wind strengths. The very first race of this event was held in 1966 and was

won overall by the Cal 36 "Skidoo", from North Cape Yacht Club. This year's race was won in the PHRF Class by David Branson's "Bullet" (NCYC), with Fritz Peterson's "Heartbreaker" (MBC) finishing second, and Dave Ryan's "Relentless" (MBC) finishing third. The JAM Class was won by Dan Montgomery's "Heartbeat" (MBC), followed by Lee Elekonich's "Yeah Buoy" (NCYC) in second place, Andrew Devenish's "Kopite" (MBC) in third place, and Jim Grant's "Magi" in fourth place.

The MBC Sail Fleet is hosting two events in the month of August. On Saturday August 12 we will be hosting the annual Solo Challenge but will be adding a separate division to allow boats to race doublehanded. In the Solo Challenge division each boat is allowed to have only one person aboard, but in the new doublehanded division each boat will be allowed to have two people aboard. On Sunday August 20 we will be hosting the annual Ladies Race, which requires a woman to be at the helm at all times as well as that the



We have been having very positive feedback again from the families of children attending the NCYC Sail Camps with scholarships provided through the MBC Erik Peterson Junior Scholarship These scholarships are extended to children, grandchildren, and nieces/nephews ages 8 through 18 of Monroe Boat Club members. The camps consist of one week of daily instruction, from beginner to advanced skill levels. Applications are due each year by March 31. After attending sail camp this year, the grandchildren of MBC Rear Commodore Carl Laura were treated to an afternoon "big boat" experience aboard the 33-foot "Footloose" with John Davis and Martie Reed. (See photo).

The club just concluded another successful MBC Regatta July 21 through 23, with MBC Sail Fleet hosting the Regatta Breakfasts once again on Friday and Saturday mornings during the event. A huge thank-you goes out to Jim Grant who took on chairing duties for the breakfasts, as well as all MBC members who helped out working the event and those who donated food items.

I can be contacted via email at danmont@umich.edu, or via text message or phone call at (734) 905-0449.



Dock Master – Henry Santiago

Wow!! What a great Regatta. A big Thank You to all who helped, signed up, and participated in making this wonderful event happen. If I missed anyone's work hours, I apologize, please contact me and I will make it right.

Looking at just a couple projects for the rest of the year. I ordered number plates that we will be putting on the docks so we can see the dock number while on the docks. Great for family and friends that are visiting. Also, we will continue to repair loose boards throughout the main docks.

Enjoy the rest of the boating season!



Auxiliary – Linda Lamb

Another Regatta is done, and the weather cooperated this year. My thanks go out to everyone who helped decorate and cook and serve food for the Commodores Reception. I heard a lot of compliments on everything. The next Auxiliary meeting will be

September 11, in the banquet room Board at 6:30 General at 7:00.

We need to plan for the members annual dinner, and we need people to run for office at our annual dinner. This was my third time and I plan to stay on the board for the next year. It was a great experience and I had lots of help with everything. Consider running for an office you always have a lot of help, and you can have input on some of the things that go on in the club. I hope to see everyone at the club.

MBC-A (501c3) Update - David Ryan

The Club's 501c3 arm is the MBC-Association. MBC-A is able to provide educational programs for youth and adults without any cash expense to the Boat Club.

Kids Fishing Derby July 22 during Regatta!

The Saturday morning of Regatta featured a Kids Fishing Derby for area kids and their friends aged from about 5 to 12 years old. Members and the general public were welcomed at the Hoffman Fishing Site and many kids caught multiple fish!

Fishing times are staggered so different ages get to fish together. Kids were treated to Cabela's hats, fun games between their fishing times, plenty of food, juice and water, and even face painting!

DNR officers were on hand to help with rigging the poles, extracting hooks and measuring each fish that was caught.

Jamie O'Brien organized this year's event with a full staff of volunteers and had many RSVP's from kids a week before the Derby. Volunteers include individuals from the Monroe Rotary, three DNR officers, and enthusiastic parents from the Grade School Fishing Club and our valued MBC members

!Announcement from MBC Association!

MBC-A pays the standard room rental rates for every meeting and event held at the Boat Club. MBC-A will be paying \$4,500.00 to the Club's general fund for the meeting spaces we estimate will be needed through the next year. This will cover events such as the Grade School Fishing Club, quarterly board meetings, Environmental Career Days and more.

Thank you, MBC, for providing the facilities for these events!

MBC Association is its own distinct corporation; it is fully registered with the State of Michigan and the IRS. It currently has 7 people serving as Directors, with a maximum of 9 authorized. YOU can help as a board member! The objective of MBC-A is to provide programs and projects that promote a clean-water harbor community and have fun doing it. That is a fairly broad statement which can include a lot of things that Monroe Boat Club members are interested in.

If you can lend a hand, we'd love to hear from you. Please contact David Ryan at DRyan@bex.net to see how you can participate!

You can make a positive difference!

2023 Regatta Schedule (Poker Runs in Yellow)

6/2/2023 - 6/3/2023	Point Place Boat Club	Regatta. Commodore's Reception 6/3/2023.
6/3/23	Jolly Roger Sailing Club	Cattail Regatta
6/16/2023 - 6/18/2023	Cooley Canal Yacht Club	Regatta. Commodore's Reception 4:23PM 6/17.
6/16/2023 - 6/17/2023	Toledo Sailing Club	Homecoming. \$1.98 Contest 6/16. Commodore's Reception 1:23PM 6/17. See the flyer.
6/30/2023 - 7/2/2023	Swan Boat Club	Regatta. Commodore's Reception 7/1 at 2:23PM
7/8/2023 - 7/9/2023	Elba Mar Boat Club	Regatta. Commodore's Reception 7/8.
7/8/2023 - 7/9/2023	Ottawa River Yacht Club	Regatta. Commodore's Reception 7/8 at 4:23PM.
7/14/2023 - 7/15/2023	Perrysburg Boat Club	Regatta. Starts 5PM 7/14. Commodore's Reception 1:23PM 7/15.
7/14/2023 - 7/15/2023	River View Yacht Club	Regatta. Commodore's reception 7/15 at 4:23PM.
7/21/2023 - 7/23/2023	Nugent's Canal Yacht Club	Regattta. Commodore's Reception 7/22 at 1PM.
7/21/2023 - 7/23/2023	Monroe Boat Club	Regatta. Commodore's Reception 7/22 at 4:23PM
7/30/22	Jolly Roger Sailing Club	Gul-Burg Day Regatta
8/4/2023 - 8/6/2023	I-LYA	Sail Regatta. I-LYA website for more information (i-lya.org)
8/11/2023 - 8/12/2023	Ford Yacht Club	Regatta. Commodore's Reception 8/12.
8/18/2023 - 8/19/2023	Bay View Yacht Club	Regatta. Commodore's Reception 8/19.
8/18/2023 - 8/19/2023	Seaway Boat Club	Regatta. Commodore's Reception 8/19 4:23PM.
8/19/23	North Cape Yacht Club	Regatta.
8/25/2023 - 8/27/2023	SunSeeker's Boating Club	Regatta. Commodore's Reception 8/26/2023 at 1:23PM.
8/25/2023 - 8/26/2023	Sun Parlour Boat Club	Regatta. Commodore's Reception 8/26/2023 at 4:23PM.
8/26/23	Jolly Roger Sailing Club	Fall Series Regatta
9/9/23	Grosse lle Yacht Club	Commodore's Reception 4:23PM.
9/8/2023 - 9/10/2023	Detroit Beach Boat Club	Regatta , Commodore's Reception 9/9/2023 at 1:23PM

News from the Nominating Committee

Its Already Time to Think About 2024!!

The Nominating Committee would like to invite each member to consider the possibility of running for an office and serving your fellow members. It is already August, and the Nominations Meeting is just around the corner in September!

MBC is run entirely by volunteers and we need your help. Club Officer nominations are open to each member equally, regardless if you are a brand-new member or have enjoyed the club a long time. Yes, it does take a little of your time and indeed we are all busy. However don't let those things become excuses.

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.

2023-2024 Officer and Board Nominations:

At the September 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 find serving your club to be gratifying and rewarding. Those who have served in the past have no regrets about the time spent as Officers 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 near our 80th year.

Please consider adding YOUR name to the ballot.

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

MBC Nominating Committee:

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MBC Yard Master Update

It is August on Lake Erie with long hot summer days, and it is hard to believe that Labor Day is only about 4 or 5 weeks away. That also means Winter boat storage is approaching quickly! **Turn in your storage agreement now to ensure you get a space.**

The lot has been at or near full capacity for the last two winter seasons. The surface is excellent, power and water is available, and the lot is lighted and secured by a locked gate. Storage applications turned in *after* Labor Day are not guaranteed space, and will only be awarded if available. So be timely and get it turned in Before Labor Day.

Per Club Rules:

- A) When the storage lot is at full capacity and applications (with fee and proof of insurance) are received by Labor Day, any available space will first go to MBC members who stored on club grounds the previous year, secondly to other MBC members and then to AYC/I-LYA members, then to others.
- B) Applications received after Labor Day will be awarded space as available.
- C) All applications shall include a signed Agreement, Proof of Insurance and applicable fee.
- D) Owner shall clearly identify the item with the Owners Name.

MBC Members be sure to use the MBC Members form; non-members have a higher fee schedule!! Please download the current contract in the "Members" tab of the club website www.monroeboatclub.org or directly here Members Storage Contract
Documents can be mailed to MBC or dropped into the slot in the wooden mailbox in the Commodore's Room (access via the door near the BBQ Pavilion). You must be sure to mark your trailer, cradle or boat with your name so we can identify it.

MBC has a special discount arrangement with BoatUS. You can get discounts from BoatUS by using our Group Code GA81739B.



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NOTE: Owner must read Conditions of Storage on Page 2 and sign acceptance.

Lake Erie Algal Bloom Forecast for 2023

By: Lake Erie Foundation

The predictive models by NOAA's National Center for Ocean Sciences and its research partners predict a smaller-than-average algal bloom for this summer and less severe than in 2022. The bloom for 2023 is forecasted to measure 3.0 compared to last year's bloom measured 6.8. Harmful algal blooms (HAB) with its blue-green algae can produce toxins that pose health risks to humans and wildlife.

NOAA expects a start of the visible bloom in mid-to-late July. The bloom's duration depends on the frequency of wind events in September. The bloom will remain mostly in areas of the western basin. The lake's central and eastern basins are usually unaffected, although localized blooms may occur around some of the rivers after summer rainstorms.

According to an article written by Tyler Wittkofsky of NOAA, Dr. Chris Winslow, Lake Erie Foundation Board member and Director of Ohio Sea Grant and OSU Stone Lab, states that "Lake Erie HAB Forecast continues to be a valuable resource for Lake Erie residents, visitors, and the state. This NOAA forecast, and the research conducted by academic institutions and state and federal agencies to understand blooms and nutrient runoff, will continue to guide efforts to address these summer bloom events."

To stay updated on the bloom activity, visit **NOAA**'s website here.

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MBC Sisters Race Awards

#1 -- Fritz Peterson, 2nd in PHRF Class

#2 -- Dave Ryan, 3rd in PHRF Class

#3 -- Dan Montgomery, 1st in JAM Class

#4 -- Andrew Devenish, 3rd in JAM Class







Directory of Officers, Board, etc.

Historian......Charlotte Neuhauser/Rob Adkins Obituaries......Jim Brzuchalski-OH / P/C James Kozlowski -MI

ParliamentarianLance Piedmonte

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Dan Montgomery

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To keep things simple, the club's calendar will no longer be displayed in the newsletter.

Please <u>CLICK HERE</u> to go directly to the club's calendar on the website.

CLASSIFIED

Summer Storage Season
Jun 1- Nov 1
Winter Storage Season
Oct 1 - Jun 1
Contact Yard Master
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For Sale: Brand New Dry Suit & Trapeze Boots Neither were ever used. Dry Suit is size Large - \$400 Trapeze Boots are size 11-12 - \$50 If interested contact Hope McEvoy 586-381-3483 (talk or text) Hope0929@aol.com

For Sale: Aqua-cat Catamaran.
Red, White & Blue sail in great shape.
12 ft, 6 in.
\$600 OBO
Contact Jennifer 734-417-8332 (text only)

110 ft long Halyard/Mainsheet/Spin Guy.
Brand New Lanex "Ocean" line.
12mm (1/2") Double Braid Polyester Core/Cordura cover. Eye Splice in One End 6,736 lbs strength.
Color: Flecked Bladk & White (looks great)
\$195
Contact David Ryan 419-260-9578 dryan@bex.net

For Sale: C&C 33-1 Sailboat.
Fully equipped. Dacron and Kevlar sails, Harken removable roller furling, GPS, safety equipment, fenders and cradle.
Winter storage and spring launch included.
\$15,000
Contact David Ryan 419-260-9578 dryan@bex.net

For Sale: 1997 SeaRay 21ft 5 in 1997 Mercruiser 221 HP V8 Winterized every year, No mechanical issues Bottom freshly painted, Includes trailer, boat cover, batteries, anchor. Taken great care of. \$9,500 OBO Call: 734-241-9309 or 734-735-5590 (leave message)

> Mercury Inflatable, Trailer & Motor \$3,500.00 270 Sport - 8' 4" length; 5' 1" beam 4-person capacity/992 weight capacity Genesis Trailer Mercury 5HP 4 stroke motor Purchased new in 2020 Ken - 734-771-0153