



The Waves

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Social: Kris Klein

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& Heidi Koch

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Club Historian: Ron Stokes

Bar Manager: Maureen Shebesta

Letter from Commodore Steve McMahon



AHOY - Permission to come aboard?

The Manitoowoc Yacht Club, the best open secret on the lake shore. People wait years to become members, then forget that they joined.

We have the true "million dollar view", a wonderfully eclectic membership, and host a wide variety of social activities and special events.

MYC is a true Do-It Yourself Club. Because of that, every member is a vital part of the Club. If the membership doesn't do it - it doesn't get done. We are open 365 days a year, the club is available to members everyday and night. COME ON DOWN!

We need more members to come to the membership meetings! Meetings are still the last Tuesday of the month! If there are not at least 10 members present, we can only hold an informational meeting and no business is conducted! It's pretty bad when apprentices out number members. We sure aren't setting a good example for them.

The March Board meeting was preceded by a liver and onions/bacon/eggs/potato/juice/toast breakfast. A big thanks to Keith Shebesta, Fred Foster, Al Geimer, Tracy Virnoche, and Dick Korney for showing up and getting it put together.

April events include the Ladies Auxiliary meeting Monday the 2nd. Good Friday is the 6th and there will be dinner served that night.

Steak Night, Tuesday the 10th, is being sponsored by Bill Webster and crew. Thanks for stepping up Bill!

The monthly Board meeting is the 16th at 6pm, members are welcome. The Board is working on a number of projects and there will have more information when it's available.

A big annual event, the SMELT FRY, starts on Tuesday afternoon the 17th with the cleaning of 160 pounds of the little things. HELP IS NEEDED! Wednesday the 18th is the Smelt Fry, come one - come all.

Vice-Commodore Dick Kornely is hosting the first of what we hope will become a frequent club event, a couples steak night. Bring a steak to cook, the club puts out the fixings. A good time should be had by all.

April's membership meeting is the 24th at 7pm.

Back by popular demand, DDD is putting on his BBQ RIB DINNER, May 19th, watch for more details!

August 11th, Manitoowoc Yacht Club will be hosting the annual Inter-Club party. There are monthly meetings for planning. Come down and give us your input. We will need a lot of members to volunteer that day, sign-up sheets will be posted soon. This is an excellent opportunity to show off our club.

THANKS,

Steve

Committee News

New Daytime Activities at the Club

Join fellow member Al Geimer every Tuesday in April and May at 10am.

Great time for coffee, discussions and planning activities for during the day, throughout summer.

Meet at the club for discussions of numerous topics and participate in activities such as walking to the pier, visit local museums, etc.

Everyone is welcome, members, honorary members, and guests. Coffee will be available.

Great opportunity to get out during the day and talk with fellow members.

Social Committee

Kris Klein, Chairman

The 2012 MYC Cribbage tournament was held March 11th, and we had a great day of fun, camaraderie, good food, and yes cribbage. Thank you to all of you that entered the tournament, and those of you that stopped by to check it out. Sixteen players entered the tournament, and it was a double elimination tournament.

Prizes were awarded to the top four finishers:

- 4th-Terry Hartmann
- 3rd-Kris Klein
- 2nd-Jerry Champeau
- 1st-Joan Champeau

Joan walked away with the first place trophy and bragging rights with her husband Jerry. Joan won from the losers bracket, and had to beat Jerry twice for first. Nice job Joan! Several players stuck around to see the rest of the games and even started a few "pick-up" games on the side.

It was a great day and I encourage new players next year to stop down.

Grounds & Outside Committee

Don Cisler, Chairman

Spring clean-up of the grounds will be scheduled soon. Watch for the sign up sheet on the bulletin board. Activities will include lawn raking, cleaning out around shrubs, trimming shrubs, etc. Please bring your own tools. If anyone has a leaf-blower to bring, it would be a big help for cleaning out around the shrubs and the decorative stone areas. I will provide plastic barrels for debris and a trailer to dump them into. This is a great opportunity for apprentices to gain some hours and it'll be a great excuse for members to get out of doing their own yard work! Donuts and coffee will be provided compliments of the Commodore! So please sign up and come on down to the club.

Ladies Auxiliary

Angela Mueller, Vice President

Our March meeting was very enjoyable! Mike Mayer from the Historical Society did a great job "in character" of showing us how an early immigrant to the area would have survived by: cutting wood into logs to construct their home, making soap and candles, spinning wool to make clothing for their family, and lots more...

Thanks Anita, Jeanne, and Julie for the Yummy desserts.

Our meeting on April 2nd will include a slide presentation from Lynda Voz-Smith on some of her worldly travels.

Don't forget that the Auxiliary will have homemade desserts available on Friday night, April 13th; so stop down and be sure to purchase some sweets after your great meal from Chef Brian!

As always any members, spouses/significant others of Members or Apprentices are always welcome to join the Ladies Auxiliary. Just contact me at 629-1324 to join us at our September meeting to kick off our new year.

Happy Easter to you all.



NEW!
There is now a box above the cash register with stickers and pins. Ring up on cash register using the "bar" key for \$5 each.

Calendar

Event Details

Smelt Fry Help Needed

Tuesday April 17 and Wednesday April 18

Tuesday:

Cleaning/Prep - 4pm

Wednesday:

Breading - 8am-Noon

Galley/Dining Room Set-up and Clean-up - 4pm-End.



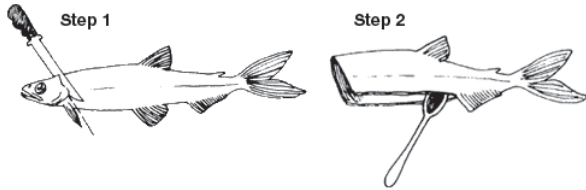
Check out the club bulletin board for:

- Meeting Minutes
- Proposals
- New Member Applicants
- Event Sign-ups
- Snap Shots
- Stag/Steak Night Info
- Club Waiting List
- Plus much more!

Please Sign-up on the Bulletin Board.

Smelt Fry Facts

- 160 lbs of Smelt
- 80 lbs of French Fries
- 60 lbs of Homemade Coleslaw
- 12 guys = 3 hours of cleaning



Note from the Waves: If you notice an incorrect date or time listed on the "Printed Calendar" please compare against the "Website Calendar" which is always up-to-date with any changes in the schedule. www.manitowocoyachtclub.com/calendar.html

April 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Ladies Auxiliary 7pm	3	4	5	6 Peel & Eat Shrimp	7 Private Party
8 Easter	9	10 Steak Night 530pm	11	12	13 Hawaiian Tilapia	14
15	16 Board Meeting 6pm	17 Smelt Clean 4pm	18 Smelt Fry 5pm	19	20 Fresh Walleye or Frog Legs	21 Couple's Steak Night 6pm
22	23	24 Membership Meeting 7pm	25	26 Interclub Meeting 6pm	27 BBQ Ribs	28
29	30					

Online Newsletters

There is an archive of past newsletters on our website.

Events (continued)

Couples Steak Night

Saturday April 21 6pm
\$6 per person



Just like Tuesday Night Steak Night! Bring your own meat to grill, the club will provide the salad bar, baked potato and baked beans. Please sign-up on bulletin board! Volunteers needed.

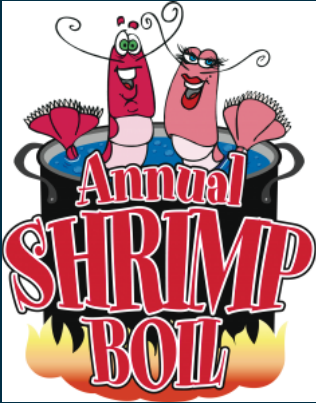
Steak Night & Shrimp Boil

Tuesday May 8 530pm

Dick Kornely and crew will be hosting the Steak Night Shrimp Boil on May 8. One pound of shrimp, plus the fixings. Including the famous Brenda Emmert desserts. You can still grill STEAKS.

Space is limited to 90 people so sign up fast. Only sign up if you want shrimp. Deadline to sign up is April 30th or until full.

Any questions, call Dick: 973-3343



may 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4 Salmon w/Dill Sauce	5 Kentucky Derby Party
6	7 Ladies Auxiliary 7pm	8 Steak Night & Shrimp Boil 530pm	9	10	11 Catfish	12
13 Mother's Day	14	15	16 Hamburger Wednesday	17	18 Fresh Walleye	19 BBQ Ribs Party
20	21 Board Meeting 6pm	22	23	24	25 Peel & Eat Shrimp	26
27	28 Memorial Day	29 Membership Meeting 7pm	30	31		

Thank you!

We would like to thank everyone that helped make the Chicken Dinner a success. This is a big undertaking and it takes a lot of people to make it a success. We could not have done it with out the help of the apprentices, Kevin Winnega and his wife Sue, Terri Birkenstock, Tim Ryan, Matt Wotruba, Jack Spevachek, Tony Hoffman, and Doug Richter. Members that helped were Barb Mott, Kevin Klein, Tim Klein, John Herrmann, Chuck Rodey and his wife Bonnie, Jim Neuser, and Al Geimer and his son Tye. Leone Klein made the desserts and Eldon helped ask for prizes, and Mark and Chris Kellner made the Sauerkraut.

The donation of prizes by Richard Kornely, Vern Gulseth, and Randy Nelson also added to the overall enjoyment of the evening.

If we missed thanking someone we are sorry, we really appreciate all the help.

We had leftover food and that was taken to the Domestic Violence Center.

Thank You to all,
Dan and Sandy Klein

Kentucky Derby Party!

Fourth Annual Kentucky Derby Party

Saturday May 5, 2012
Party starts - 3pm, Race – 5pm



Please join in the excitement, by not actually being at Churchill Downs, but as close to it as you get by attending this party at our very own Manitowoc Yacht Club. So, grab a hat, a mint julep and place a bet on your favorite horse. Should be a good time! Best Hat Contest & Horse Racing games to be played. Please bring a dish to pass. Open to members, spouses and guests. Any questions, contact Paula Feest 686-4002 (W) / 682-1482 (H) or Dean Duescher 629-1325.

New Member Applications

Sponsor – Steve McMahon
Applicant – David Pahmeier



Please Submit Digital Photos

manitowocyachtclub@gmail.com



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There is wi-fi access at the club. Just hit connect on your device; it will not prompt you for a password.



March Fire!

Sailor's Page

Boat Association: 10 Tips to Get Repairs Done Right

Many boaters and anglers work on their own boats, but there are times when professional help may be needed. With 30 years of experience dealing with marine service industry, the BoatUS Consumer Protection Bureau knows that most marine professionals do the job right. Every year, however, a handful of boat owners wind up coming to the Bureau's Dispute Mediation program for help because of faulty repairs or disagreements with bills. Here are ten tips gleaned from mediating hundreds of cases over the years that will help ensure the job goes smoothly:

1. **A tight budget is OK:** In today's economy, a tight budget is expected – just make this clear before the job begins. The shop may be able to suggest ways to complete the project in stages. Always ask how much similar repairs have cost in the past and what kinds of problems are possible along the way.
2. **Write it up – or take your chances:** Get a written estimate before work begins, and remember that it is based on an approximation of how much the job will cost. With boats, it's not unusual to have unforeseen problems crop up later – so taking your frustrations out on your repairer won't help. You can always ask the shop to obtain your authorization before proceeding with unforeseen repairs or when work goes beyond the estimated price.
3. **Ask for evidence:** Ask to get back old or damaged parts.
4. **OK to second guess:** If you're not comfortable with the first estimate, get a second opinion from another mechanic or a marine surveyor.
5. **Follow a plan:** Once you approve the estimate, a work order should be drawn up. Ask for a target completion date and write this into the work order.
6. **Keep everyone in the loop:** Always be sure the actual mechanic working on your boat has a copy of your work order when the project begins.
7. **Get help with the big stuff:** For complex repairs, it's wise to consult with a marine surveyor and consider having the surveyor serve as a liaison with the repair shop. Ask around for a referral or check out the list of surveyors at www.BoatUS.com/surveyors.
8. **The payment plan:** Understand that when tackling large jobs, boat repair shops often require payments at various stages of completion. Be sure to verify that each stage has been completed before paying. If you cannot be on hand to check progress yourself, consider hiring a marine surveyor to make periodic checks.
9. **Don't be hasty:** If you are unhappy with the work, do not stop payment on your check after you pay your repair bill. This can be interpreted as intent to defraud the repair shop and put you in deep kimchi.
10. **Know when to walk:** Understand that when asking for all of the things above, you may not get everything you want. On the other hand, walk away if you get the feeling a marine repairer isn't interested in helping you with most of these basic protections that get the job done right. Reputable shops know the importance of customer service.

Press Contact: D. Scott Croft

Attention Membership:

Member Proposal Process

Fill out gold "New Member Proposal Form" found next to the bulletin board.

Attend a Board of Directors meeting and bring the form to present to the Board.

The proposals are posted for one month on the bulletin board.

If there are no objections to the proposed members then they will be approved by the Board at the next meeting.

Once approved, an application and letter is sent to the sponsors.

The sponsor is responsible for having the proposed member fill out and return the application to the club within 60 days. The order in which the applications are returned is the order placed on the Wait List.

If the application is not returned, a letter is sent to the sponsor stating the pending applicant was terminated. Failure to return the application prior to the stated date will still count towards yearly sponsorship.

Beginning this year, members are allowed two sponsorships.

Note from The Waves

The Waves needs your help with contributions in the form of letters to the editor, photos – old and new, articles on water activities, suggestions, etc. ANY input is valuable! Drop them off at the club, mail to The Waves' attention or email manitowocyachtclub@gmail.com. We hope to make the waves more informative and interesting!

April Events

April 2 Ladies Auxiliary 7pm

April 10 Steak Night 530pm

April 16 Board Meeting 6pm

April 17 Smelt Clean/Prep 4pm

April 18 Smelt Fry 5pm

April 21 Couple's Steak Night 6pm

April 24 Membership Meeting 7pm

