

THE SHEBOYGAN YACHT CLUB =

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OVID-19 and its real or imagined threats have certainly dominated the policies and atmosphere at the club for the past year. Consider that two weeks after last year's Change of Watch, your new commodore completely closed the club on short notice because of COVID. That incident left a lasting impression with me of the strength of the club's membership and staff when facing a common threat. I remain grateful to everyone who helped the club and helped individuals survive the threat.

Our club continued to function through the pandemic with a lot of creative ideas and willingness to accept many "firsts" for the club. An emergency Bylaw allowed for Zoom Board and Membership meetings, as well as online voting for certain spending issues. Carryout dinner service became "normal" and kept the club and staff functioning. The ever-popular Tom and Jerry party became a carry out event, and New Year's Eve was rather subdued. Sadly, most social events and traditions took what will hopefully be just a one-year hiatus.

Despite the obvious hurdles, the club has many achievements to celebrate. We agreed to remove the diseased memorial ash tree and replace the entire outdoor deck. With matching funds from an anonymous donor doubling generous member donations, the cost of deck replacement was covered and funds were left over for new tables. Many thanks to Dave Bronson and his crew for successfully replacing and improving the deck. The deck continues to receive a tremendous amount of use and there is money left over for continued improvements.

Club boat owners were willing to revise the fee structure for boat lifts and winter storage. Revenue will help fund future improvements to the yard. Two boat owner picture nights were so popular they will likely be repeated next year. You will soon see more pictures in the hallway. Bylaw changes were approved

Thomas Atkins, the Commodore of The Sheboygan Yacht Club, was recently elected into the Lake Michigan Sail Racing Federation's Hall of Fame. The Lake Michigan Sail Racing Federation is a not-for-profit charitable association of individual Yacht Clubs, sailing groups, and individual sailors located in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, and Wisconsin. Atkins was recognized for his lifelong participation and dedication to the sport of sailing, especially for his role in introducing people of all ages who were inspired by his enthusiasm and interest in teaching sailing to others. In addition to intensive local involvement in local youth and adult programs, Tom serves as a U.S. Sailing National Judge and PRO. He attends and speaks at several U.S. Sailing Symposiums and serves on the appeals commission of the LMSRF.

benefitting Associate members. There is now a path available for them to achieve "Associate Life" and "Flag" membership status.

Finally, the club has benefitted from a tremendous number of new members. For several months now we have been interviewing five and six new prospects at a time in a classroom style at each Board meeting. What a great issue to deal with! Thankyou to the membership and especially the sponsors for continuing to bring new members and new energy into the club. Keep up the good work. New membership continues to drive a successful and far more interesting club. It's time to wrap up the club's fiscal year and turn the keys of the club over to the newly elected officers and directors.

I offer a sincere thank you to all volunteers, officers, directors, committee chairs, and committee members for all you do for the sake of the club. Likewise, my gratitude and complete respect goes out to Sean, Chef Ben, Melissa, Kori, and the entire staff for your creativity and flexibility in navigating a difficult year. The professionalism you have all demonstrated, combined with long hours and just plain hard work, is recognized and appreciated. It has been my sincere honor to serve as your commodore for the past year. Thank you to everyone for all the time, expertise, and energy you donate to the club.

Be safe, and stay healthy, Commodore Tom

# **Our History**



SYC played host to the Upper Great Lakes Snipe Championships in the summer of 1939. Nearly two dozen boats participated, coming from Detroit, Chicago, Wilmette, Oshkosh and Fond du Lac. Three local sailors participated in this first regatta held at the club. Dr. H.P. Anhalt, Harold Whitaker and Edward C. Schmidt. The wooden dock was fenced off to control the crowds and curious onlookers.



SYC Club Hours (effective October 10) Club Closed Mondays

LUNCH Wed-Friday 11:30 to 1:30 Sat & Sun Closed

DINING AND CARRY-OUT Tues-Wed-Thur-Sat 4:00 to 8:00 Fridays 4:00 - 9:00

BAR
Tues & Sat 4:00 to close
Wed, Thu, Fri 11:00 to close
Sun closed except 12:00 or 3:35
Packer Games

#### Dates to Remember

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Oct 7	Trivia (7:00 PM)
Oct 14	Change of Guard Dinner 7:00 PM
	Bar Opens at 5:00 PM
Oct 21	Trivia 7:00 PM
Oct 25	Holiday Decorating
Oct 28	Pumpking Carving and Kids Dinner
	(4:00 - 8:00 PM)
Oct 28	Trivia (7:00 PM)
Oct 28	Pumpkin Carving 4-8 PM
Nov 11	Membership Meeting (7:15 PM)
Nov 27	Christmas Decorating (10-2)
Dec 9	Membership Meeting

# About the Cover

Sailing lessons aren't just for the kids and adults. Mark Wessel captured this photo on the evening of Wednesday, September 15th showing that even our "best friends" are learning the ropes on the water



# The Lightning North American Championship

The Sheboygan Yacht Club was well represented at the Lightning North American Championship hosted by Edgewater Yacht Club in Cleveland, Ohio. 60 boats participated in the event and it was a reunion of many old friends who had been separated by COVID for almost two years.

Jason Bemis sailed his boat with Christine Maloney, Kathryn Maloney and Becky Scanlon. They had a ton of fun sailing, finished 6th in the President's Cup and won race 5 going away! Todd Wake, Doug Wake and Amy Simonsen (South Shore YC) raced in the Championship fleet. They sailed a consistent series to finish 5th in a tightly packed top group. Bill Faude crewed for 2 time Rolex Yachtswoman of the year, multiple NA and World Champion Jody Starck. They sailed a good series and finished 7th in the Championship Fleet. This event also served as a qualifier for the World Championship to be held in Wrightsville Beach, NC this spring.

At the awards ceremony Todd Wake was awarded a life membership for his service to the Lightning Class over the years. This was in recognition of many years on the Executive Board, serving as regatta chair for the NAs, two years as class President... Edgewater YC did a great job hosting and it was wonderful to get the whole gang back together! Sheboygan YC will be hosting the Lightning Youth Worlds Championship in July 2022.

Photos Right: Top: (L to R) Becky Scanlon, Christine Maloney and Jason Bemis are awarded the penant for the 5th race in the Lightning President's Cup. Middle: (L to R) Todd Wake, Doug Wake and Amy Simonsen finished 5th in the Championship fleet. Bottom: Todd Wake is awarded life membership by Class President Hugh Hutchison. Photos courtsey of Doug Wake.









# The Club Piano Comes to Life

The newsletter staff was recently notified by Marie Larson that she will be playing the piano on three Friday nights at the club. She will be tickling the ivories between 6-8 PM for the following Friday nights: October 22, November 19, and December 17th, The December date will be all Christmas music. Grab a cocktail and enjoy some dinner with your friends and family and enjoy those melodious tunes.

# Club Race Results

Wednesday night	9/1/21
Wind Speed	16 kts.
Wind Direction	45 degrees
Wave Ht	3-4 ft.
Distance (nm)	nm
B factor	480
Start Time Dvi 1	18:15:00
Start Time Div 2	18:10:00
Start Time Div 3	18:05:00



Yacht Name	Division	handicap	Start	Finish	Elapsed time	Corrected Time	Fleet Place	Div PLACE
Bataluer	3	150	18:05:00	19:01:51	0:56:51	0:58:39	2	1
Peerless	1	18	18:15:00	19:03:18	0:48:18	1:03:03	4	2
Runaway	1	111	18:15:00	19:04:50	0:49:50	0:54:48	1	1
Slip Knot	1	111	18:15:00	DNF			5	4
Three winds	2	135	18:10:00	19:07:07	0:57:07	1:00:22	3	1

Oostburg Two-handed	9/11/2021
Wind Speed	15-20 kts.
Wind Direction	180 degrees
Wave Ht	2-4 ft.
Distance (nm)	14 nm
B factor	550
Start Time Dvi 1	12:15:00
Start Time Div 2	12:10:00
Start Time Div 3	12:05:00

B factor Guide

480 Heavy Air or all off wind 550 Average Conditions 600 Light Air or all upwinD

Corrected time = Elapsed time X 650/(B Factor + PHRF).

Yacht Name	Division	handicap	Start	Finish	Elapsed time	Corrected Time	Fleet Place
Runaway	1	111	12:15:00	15:09:47	2:54:47	2:51:52	1
Peerless	1	18	12:15:00	14:57:40	2:42:40	3:06:09	2
Slip Knot	1	111	12:15:00	15:45:59	3:30:59	3:27:28	3

# **New Officers Elected**

The SYC Membership meeting elected their new officers and board members during the September 9th membership meeting. A special thanks goes to P/C Mike Knop (Chair), Cory Vertz, Steve Mech, Deb Erickson and Larry Hanson for serving on the nominating committee and overseeing the election process during the meeting.

#### **Elected Officers**

Commodore: Jason Diener
Vice Commodore: Brad Gruneberg
Rear Commodore: Chuck Butler
Treasurer: Stu Stromeyer
Membership Secretary: Pat Hanson
Recording Secretary: Candace Pitts

**Board of Directors** 

3 Years: Jason Irish 2 Years: Dawn Vertz

2 Years: (for Chuck Butler): Tom Phillip

1 Year: (PC) Tom Atkins





Above: Top: Chair Mike Knop prepares the membership for the election and also heckles the photographer for forgetting to remove his lens cap. Bottom: Jason Diener is elected Commodore by unanimous vote.

# Sea Scouts

On Sunday September 5<sup>th</sup> our scouts headed south to Port Washington to participate in their Venetian Night Parade celebration. We entered our Boston Whaler and two Lasers sailboats. Our Whaler was decorated with LED lights powered by a portable generator and we strung battery powered lights from the tops of the masts on the Lasers. The parade started and 8:30pm and all boats made two passes around the harbor. It was a great experience for our scouts and they had a wonderful time decorating their boats and taking part in the parade.

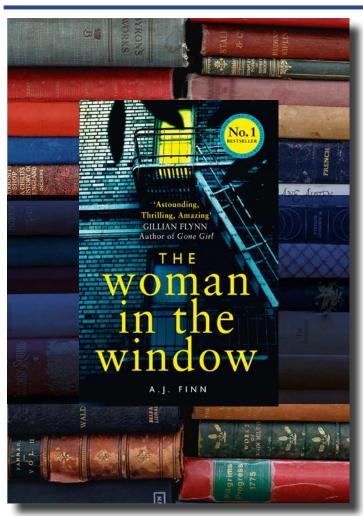


#### Mark Matthias





Photo courtesy of PWYC Commodore Greta Schanen



# 2021 SYC Book Club Meetings and Selections

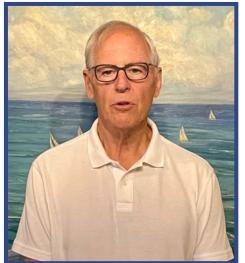
- The October meeting of the SYC Book Club will be held on Thursday, October 28, at 6:00 p.m.
   Selection: The Woman in the Window, by A.J.
   Fynn (mystery).
- The November meeting of the SYC Book Club will be held on Thursday, November 18, at 6:00 p.m. Selection: Into the Abyss, by Carole Shaben (bio/true adventure).

For more information contact Sharon Matthias (msmatthias@charter.net)



Far Right: Kite surfers take advantage of the rough and confused Lake Michigan waters on Wednesday, September 22. Photo: D Peterson

**New Member Applicants** 



**Dr. Paul Gruber - Associate**Sponsors: Zoe Rohde and Jake Gerend



Art Imig - Associate

Sponsors: Zoe Rohde and Jake Gerend



**Jeff and Gladys Weiss - Apprentice** Sponsors: Ken Cornelll and Cory Vertz

**New Trial Membership Application:** None

# New Membership Application and/or New Member Interview:

Dr. Paul and Barbara Gruber - Associate Sponsors: Zoe Rohde and Jake Gerend

Art and Nancy Imig - Associate Sponsors: Zoe Rohde and Jake Gerend

Jeff and Gladys Weiss - Apprentice Sponsors: Ken Cornell and Cory Vertz

# New Member Vote (ALL APPROVED):

Janet Susan Johns-Bullard, M.D. Associate

Sponsors: Fred Tyszka and Todd Wake

Mike and Heidi Watson - Apprentice Sponsors: Jon Irish and Bob Irish

Ann and John Walsworth - Associate Sponsors: Beverly Davidson and Kathy Snider

Marguerite Vollrath - Apprentice

Sponsors: Karen Tock and Georgia Otto

Steven and Nellie Schmitt - Associate Sponsors: Steve Mech and Steve Radovan

## **Change of Status:**

Steve Meicher - Active to LOA
Helen Mullison - Associate to Resignation
Roger Rodewald - Associate to LOA
Kim Stokdyk - Active to Active Life
Olivia Lindstrom - Associate to Resignation
Nancy Heimbold - Active to Flag

Apprentice to Active: Kevin and Tiffin Wycoff Stuart Stromeyer Tim Pinkert and Karen Burg

Death:

Dan Reichelsdorfer

Guest Card: NONE

# September 2021 Membership Report

Current Membersl	Total	379					
Active	139	Apprentice	24	Associate	82	Non-Resident	2
Active Life	27	Flag	26	Honorary	6	Guest Cards	0
Active Life Emeritus 75/30	47	Active Life Emeritus 65/20	32			Trial Membership	0











Caprice Knot Sure Gypsea









Boat Photographs
A special thanks to Jerry Gapinski and Tom Atkins for taking me out on the water in order to capture some of the Wednesday evening activites and photograph all these beautiful boats. We soon hope to start populating our entry hall with pictures of our owner's boats on the water. I took over 1500 pictures of a total of 19 boats and hope to shoot more next year in order to complete this brainchild of Tom's. And to think I never got a picture of Jerry's boat! Dan Peterson



Movado



Stir it Up



Buttercup















Wicked Three Winds Namara







Slip Knot Runaway North Star

# The Transpac 2020 - by Steve Orlebeke



Then I got off the boat in front of Hawaii Yacht Club my wife Dawn asked me if I would do it again. At that point it was a solid "don't ask me that yet, I'm not so sure. That was tough". At that point the lack of sleep for 7 days, being wet practically the entire time, marginal food, hot stuffy stinky conditions inside the boat, and pretty constant hard physical work was still fresh in my mind. But so were the days of sailing downwind in 18-25 knots of wind and 10+ foot waves surfing and planing regularly to speeds over 20 knots.

And so was being part of a group of 10 people that came together into a cohesive unit by the end of the race able to pull of gybes in 25 knots during the night. Brothers for life. Making landfall as the sun came up and blasting down the Molokai channel the last 30 miles to the finish was something I'll never forget. It was simply the most incredible sailing I have ever done. Now that two months have gone by the tough parts seem to slowly fade and the good parts remain strong in my mind. I understand now why they hold this race every two years...that must be enough time to totally forget about how miserable you were during the last race and be dumb enough to do it again!

The Transpac experience depends heavily on the type of boat you are on. The boat I sailed on, Callisto, is a Pac 52. Pac 52's were designed to go fast downwind, perfect for this race. The boat is quite light for its size and very

powerful. Half of the boat's weight is in the keel bulb. It's essentially a 52 foot planing offshore dinghy:

LOA (max): 15.85m (52ft) Beam (max): 4.5m (14ft 9in) Draught (max): 3.6m (11ft 9in)

Displacement (min): 6,900kg (15,200lb) Sail area (upwind max): 171m2 (1,840ft2) Asymmetric (max): 272m2 (2,927ft2)

There are no creature comforts inside the Callisto. Inside the boat is black carbon, even white paint weighs too much for this type of boat. There are 5 pipe berths on each side for sleeping. At the foot of the companionway stairs there are two Jet boil burners for heating water for our freeze dried food or an occasional freeze dried coffee and a small carbon sink. Just in front of the mast is a carbon toilet bowl. The rest of the boat in front of the mast is totally empty. In the back half of the boat are the bunks and a navigation station under the cockpit on centerline. Our navigator sat and slept on a spinnaker. The tradeoff for this lack of comfort and extra weight is speed. We covered the 2,225 mile course in 6 days, 22 hours and averaged over 14 knots. Our max speed was 27 knots.

We split the crew into 4 sets of 2 people. 2 pairs, 4 people were on deck sailing the boat at all times. Every two hours a new pair would come up and one would go down. We were on watch for 4 hours and off watch for



4 hours the entire race. The navigator and owner were on call whenever needed.

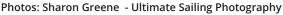
While on deck the sailing was intense. One person steering, one on the mainsheet, one on spinnaker sheet, and the fourth on the grinder pedestal trimming the spin sheet. There was never any time off. At times the wave state made it impossible to avoid stuffing the bow in and sending a wall of water back into the cockpit. Twice we punched to bow in so hard that we shredded two spinnakers. We wiped out several times as well. Night watches were mentally draining because obviously you can't see they waves or horizon. All the helmsman has to guide him/her are 7 digital mast displays with

continuously changing numbers. Heading, boatspeed, true wind angle, heel angle and true wind speed are the primary inputs to keep the boat pointed in the right direction and moving fast

During a typical off watch I would go below and peel of my wet (inside and out) foul weather gear and shoes. Then grab a 5 gallon bucket and bail out the boat. We figured we bailed 5 gallons every 2 hours. This type of boat is impossible to keep totally dry inside. Water finds its way through the mast partners, main hatch, and forward hatch. The headstay is made of carbon and goes through the bow to a hydraulic cylinder. This is another place

for water to get in. Next grab some food. Keeping enough calories coming in was challenging. And then finally lay down in a bunk with my nose about 4 inches under the mainsheet winch and try to get some sleep as the boat is bombing along at 20 knots. Wake up, if I was lucky enough to get some sleep, 30 minutes before the next watch. Try to eat something. Put on the still wet foul weather gear, shoes, and safety gear. Head up on deck, rinse and repeat.

Now would I do it again? A definite maybe.





# New Weather Buoy Located

Russ Green is the Great Lakes Regional Coordinator for NOAA and the Office of National Marine Sanctuaries. Russ recently sent me a note that with a grant from the Great Lakes Observing System (GLOS), they have installed a weather buoy off the coast of Sheboygan to provide real time wind, wave, and water temperature information at four depths. Additional buoys off Two Rivers and Port Washington will provide data for research in addition to information helping recreational boaters be safer.

Buoy/data can be found via the GLOS buoy map at https://glbuoys.glos.us/.

The Sheboygan buoy location is 43 43.8910 - 87 37.4970

Have fun with this new source of information. I would be happy to compile any feedback or ideas you may have for the project and forward them to Russ. While the project is valuable to the science community, a key aim is to provide boaters, divers, surfers, sailors, and fishermen with real time information to help them boat safely.

Tom Atkins



Thursday, October 28, 2021 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Sheboygan Yacht Club Main Hall



Save yourself the mess!



We'll supply the: **Pumpkins, Utensils** & clean up!

Included: Kids Buffet - Chicken Tenders, Mac & Cheese, Tater Tots, Cut Out Halloween Cookies, Milk, Chocolate Milk. Juice Box

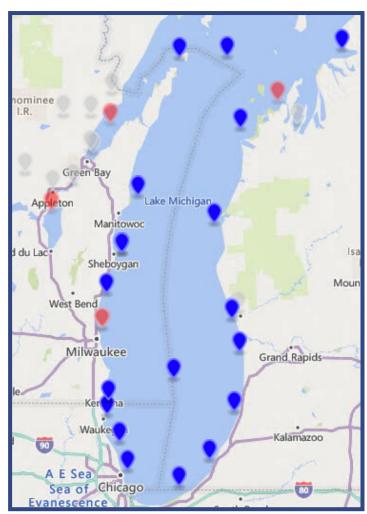
Adult supervision required!

Call soon to reserve a pumpkin. (920)458-6601 or email request



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**Happy Halloween** 



ABOVE: The GLOS buoy map depicting the Lake Michigan buoys currently in place. BELOW: Anders Larson flies the Norwegian Flag on board Nordic Sunna during a breezy day in early September in search of the new weather buoy and contemplates how he has never before had so many beautiful sailors on his boat. He gave up the search after 15 minutes. All friends of Ariel Fibiger. Photo: Ariel Fibiger





Above: Mark Wessel and Runaway anchored outside of Whistling Straits on Sunday afternoon. Photo

# October 2021

# The Ryder Cup

The 43rd Ryder Cup concluded on a breezy, perfect Wisconsin early fall afternoon on Sunday September 26th in a historic American romp over Europe. Steve Stricker's U.S. team needed only 3½ out of a possible 12 points to win and that was accomplished by 3:51 p.m. with seven matches left on the golf course. The tournament was formally wrapped at 4:59 p.m., with the U.S. winning in record fashion, 19-9.

Over five days of public viewing, Whistling Straits provided an excellent edifice for golf's Super Bowl. The emerald and tawny hues of Herbert Kohler Jr. and Pete Dye's imagination providing a contrast against the slate of Lake Michigan and the blue of the Wisconsin sky.

Many club members anchored outside the course and enjoyed the scenery from afar and celebrated in fashion when the U.S. team won! It was the perfect weekend!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27 Club Closed	Taco Tuesday Bar: 4 p - close Dinner: 4p - 8p	29 Bar: 11a - close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 8p	30 Bar: 11a - close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 8p TRIVIA - 7pm	1 Bar: 11a - close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 9p	Bar: 12 - Close Bar Menu: 12pm - 4pm Dinner: 4pm - 8pm
Bar: 12p - Close Dinner: 4p - 8p	4 Club Closed	5 Taco Tuesday Bar: 4 p - close Dinner: 4p - 8p	6 Bar: 11a - close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 8p	7 Bar: 11a - close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 8p TRIVIA - 7pm	8 Bar: 11a - close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 9p	9 Bar: 4pm - Close Dinner: 4pm - 8pm
Packer Game: Bar: 11a - 4p Kitchen Closed	11 Club Closed	Taco Tuesday Bar: 4 p - close Dinner: 4p - 8p	13 Bar: 11a - close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 8p	14 Bar: 11a - close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Change of Watch Dinner 6pm Cocktails/7pm Dinner No Regular Dining	15 Bar: 11a - close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 9p	16 Bar: 4pm - Close Dinner: 4pm - 8pm
Packer Game: Bar: 11a - 4p Kitchen Closed	18 Club Closed	Taco Tuesday Bar: 4 p - close Dinner: 4p - 8p	20 Bar: 11a - close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 8p	21 Bar: 11a - close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 8p TRIVIA - 7pm	22 Bar: 11a - close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 9p	Bar: 4pm - Close Dinner: 4pm - 8pm
Packer Game: Bar: 11a - 4p Kitchen Closed	25 Club Closed	26 Taco Tuesday Bar: 4 p - close Dinner: 4p - 8p	27 Bar: 11a - close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 8p	28 Bar: 11a - close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 8p TRIVIA - 7pm Pumpkin Carving 4p-8p	29 Bar: 11a - close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 9p	30 Bar: 4pm - Close Dinner: 4pm - 8pm
31 Club Closed	1 Club Closed	Notes				



# Call to Order at 7:15pm by Commodore Tom Atkins. A moment of silence for Dan Reichelsdorfer.

**Recording Secretary** – Minutes from previous meeting printed in Bow n Stern. If no corrections, motion to approve minutes passed.

# **Membership Secretary**

New Membership approvals; Associate: John & Teresa Belanger, Laura Halvorsen

Apprentice: Ernest & Erin Huntzinger, Julie & Mary

Svoboda, Mary Weaver

Change of Status: Active to Flag: Nils Lemke, LOA to

Associate: Sharron Quasius

Active to Active Life Emeritus (75/30): John Weber

#### **Reports:**

# **Treasurer - Jennifer Spicer**

September 7,2021 Treasurer's Report August 2021 Balance Sheet

We continue to monitor cash on a weekly basis, and we are in a good position at the moment.

Because of timing, we made a \$3000 payment on the LOC versus \$1500. Balance is at \$33K currently, compared to \$54K last year and \$62K in 2019. (Down \$21,000 from 2020 and \$29,000 from 2019)

AR looks to be up on the balance sheet, but with the increased sales that is expected.

On the Consolidated Income statement for August as compared to 2020 and 2019

Total Sales/other Income – for the month we are up from 2020 and 2019. \$78K - \$59K - \$76K respectively YTD sales are exceeding 2020 by about \$41K from 2020 and are about \$110,000 below 2019.

Donation income is included in this with \$43K in 2021, \$9,5 in 2020 and \$11,200K in 2019

For the month of August Gross profit is up \$3,500K from 2020 and \$6,770K to 2019

YTD Gross Profit is \$693K versus \$608K in 2020 and \$645K in 2019

YTD - Overall payroll and other expenses are in line and much better than 2019 and are expected to be higher than 2020 due to the PY closure.

Net surplus for the month is \$16,470 compared to PY of \$17K and a surplus of \$5800 in 2019.

YTD, we have a surplus of \$127K compared to a surplus of \$44K in 2020 and \$33K in 2019.

ERC Credits of ~\$62K vs PY of ~\$33K

An increase of almost \$83,000.

Next round of large expenses

Club Essentials in September

Insurance in September

# **Commodore - Tom Atkins Committee Reports**

By-Law - Eric Zufelt - By Law changes have been reviewed by the Board, ready for membership approval. Tom explained the changes. Motion to vote on changes passed.

Changes to By-Laws for Associates passed.

**Dockmaster - Mike Olien - Boat owners, please** advise Fleet Captain when vacating your slip. Many transients this time of year.

# House - Paul Bartelt

Lesley Kohler suggested we raise the dues to help pay for Chef and Sean. Bill suggested we raise the monthly minimum.

Race: one more race Peter Meyer reported.

**Endowment** Nothing to report

**Youth Sailing - Whitney Kent**- No Report- Jerry Slavens reported: They've Busy all summer long. Seen a record amount of people. They will be very busy in the next few weeks. 29 kids in the high school sailing team.

Sea Scouts-Mark Matthias- The scouts took part at Port Washington Venetian night, which turned out to be a real good time for the kids. In the winter, they will finish their kayaks.

Sail Sheboygan – Jason Bemis – Hosting Optimist Dinghy Great Lakes Championship September 10, 11 and 12. Volunteers needed on shore and water, plus housing.

SEAS – Jerry Slavens reported "Brats for Sail" Sept 10 at SEAS at 1837 Superior Avenue from 4-6.

#### **Education Matt Wierzbach**

Will have three programs; safety, being in the water, in the spring program started through Central Highschool. South high has a sailing program through their phy ed program. North has a program as well. Working on a weather class



Matt Wierzbach updating the club

Entertainment - Sandy Diener - Committee meeting proposing the following events:

- Monday 10-25-2021, 1400 to 1600, Decorate club for Fall and Halloween.
- Thursday 10-28-2021, 1600 to 2000, Halloween Pumpkin carving & kids dinner.
- Saturday, 11-27-2021, 1000 to 1400, Decorate club for Christmas.

Membership - Cori Kaplan - Nothing to report

#### EFFECTIVE 10/14/2021

#### **Elected Officers**

Commodore - Jason Diener Vice Commodore - Brad Gruneberg Rear Commodore - Chuck Butler Treasurer - Stu Stromeyer Membership Secretary - Pat Hanson Recording Secretary - Candace Pitts

#### **Board of Directors**

3 Years (term ends 10/2024) - Jason Irish 3 Years (term ends 10/2023) - Tom Philip 3 Years (term ends 10/2022) - Jeanette Wierzbach 2 Years (term ends 10/2023) - Dawn Vertz 2 Years (term ends 10/2022) - Mark Duff

1 Year (term ends 10/2022) - Tom Atkins (PC)

# **Appointed Officers**

Bow 'n' Stern Editor - Daniel Peterson Chaplain - Dione Knop Counsel - Robert Melzer Flag Lieutenant - Mark Mickelson Fleet Captain - Mike Olien Fleet Surgeon - Phil Detrana Librarian/Historian - David Hillebrand Measurer - Mark Wessel (PC) Parliamentarian - Peter Mayer (PC)

#### **Commodore Committees**

Bylaws - Eric Zufelt, John Travis, Michael Larson (PC) Dockmaster - Mike Olien House - Paul Bartelt Race - Peter Mayer (PC), Mike Knop (PC) **Endowment - Finance Committee** Youth Sailing - Whitney Kent Entertainment - Sandy Diener Membership - Cori Kaplan Sail Sheboygan - Jason Bemis Sea Scouts - Karen Fisher

#### **Vice Commodore Committees**

**HVAC - Chris Aldag** Education - Matt Wierzbach Grounds - Deb Erickson, Floyd Leo Historical - Dave Hillebrand Web/Publicity - Jason Irish, Daniel Peterson SYC Apparel - Bev Davidson, Kathy Snider Yachting Activities - Dawn Vertz

## **Rear Commodore Committees**

Barge - Steve Meicher Building - Chris Aldag Derrick Yard - Kevin Werner, Steve Meicher Electrical - Kenny Ebbers Lunch -Piers - Steve Mech

#### **Finance Committee**

Paul Bartelt (term ends 10/2022) Jeff Mohr (term ends 10/2023) Treasurer - Stuart Stromeyer

### **Board Appointed Committees**

Tech Team - David Fisher, Mark Duff ad hoc Piers - Tom Holtan, Steve Meicher, Peter Mayer (PC), Bob Kuehlmann (PC)

#### **Vice Commodore-Jason Diener- Committee Reports**

#### **Apprentice Hours:**

51 Hours completed by 9 Apprentices

### **Apprentice Status Change:**

Ap	prei	ntice	to	<b>Active</b>

Tiffin and Kevin Wykoff	3 mtg	51.5 hrs
Tim Pinkert and Karen Burg	7 mtg	51hrs
Stu and Mary Stromeyer	4 mtg	61 hrs

#### One year review

21 hrs Derrick Rupp 2 mtg

**HVAC - Chris Aldag - Nothing to report** 

Education – Matt Wierzbach- Jerry Slavens and Leslie Kohler reported that classes are planned for the winter.

# Grounds - Deb Erickson & Floyd Leo

Special projects committee will be contacted this week to schedule seasonal projects

Thank you to all the volunteers this summer, and reminder to contact Deb directly if you'd like a tour, have questions, list of tasks, etc

Looking to purchase leaf blower

September and October will be finishing up some projects.



Historical - Dave Hillebrand Nothing to report

Publicity – Jason Irish-Website being updated.

#### SYC Apparel – Bev Davidson & Kathy Snider

Fall apparel is ready for pickup and should be priced and displayed soon. Please send custom orders to Bev or Kathy and they take about 2-4 weeks

## Yachting Activities - Dawn Vertz

Looking at some September dates, but weekends are full

#### **Rear Commodore – Hans Graf-Committee Reports**

Dues Work Off – 106.5 hours by 11 members.

Approximate Breakdown by tasks:

15 Hours Club Officers

4 Committee Members and Chairs

6.5 Entertainment

18.5 Grounds

4 Office Volunteers

10 Derrick Yard

42 Race Management

6.5 Piers

## Barge – Steve Meicher Nothing to report

## **Building - Chris Aldag**

We plan to do the Fall HVAC PM service this week. Roof- We have a quote from Crafts Roofing. And I spoke with Jon Irish a few weeks ago. He should have his quote done and submitted by now.

Jon from Gen 3 plumbing submitted a quote for the men's bathrooms. Dave Bronson was reaching out to another plumber for a 2nd quote.

## Derrick Yard - Kevin Werner & Steve Meicher Nothing to report

#### Electrical - Kenny Ebbers

Davit crane controls replaced and operational. Transient men bathroom shower fan replaced and working.

### Piers - Steve Mech

Lunch - brats and hotdogs

#### **Old Business**

Security alarm progress, new system will cost less and have more benefits.

New phone system has been put in place.

Vote on the By Law changes Mark Wessel motioned we adopt the changes Kevin Werner seconded. Calling the question. Vote passed to change the By Law to create an Associate flag.

#### **New Business**

Vote on plumbing repairs to the men's bathroom. Obtained three quotes to replace automatic flushing urinals to manual flush. Plumbing behind the wall needs to be repaired. Mark Wessel motioned not to exceed \$4500, Dave Bronson seconded. Membership approved motion.

Review issues to be repaired on flat roof areas. Mark Wessel motioned to fix the flat roof not to exceed \$6000 seconded by Jerry Slavens. Motion passed.

#### Good of the Club

-Dione Knop requested a co-chair to help organize employee appreciation day. Bill Burton volunteered to help. Tom Atkins suggested a committee to help them organize boat rides for the staff.

-Second night of boat photos were taken last night.

-Special recognition to Anders Larson for upgrading the transient men's bathroom. He remodeled it. He also donated three microphones for meetings.

# Elections of Officers and Board by 35 active members

There was a motion from the floor for Brad Gruneberg to run for Vice Commodore and a paper ballot was then taken for Vice Commodore.

Commodore: Jason Diener

Vice Commodore: Brad Gruneberg Rear Commodore: Chuck Butler

Treasurer: Stu Stromeyer

Membership Secretary: Pat Hanson **Recording Secretary: Candace Pitts** 

### **Board of Directors:**

3 years: Jason Irish 2 years: Dawn Vertz

2 years (for Chuck Butler): Tom Phillip

1 year (PC): Tom Atkins



Michael Knop leads the election of new officers Adjourn Meeting adjourned by Commodore Tom Atkins.

Apprentice meeting held in the Cove by Commodore Tom Atkins.

Respectfully submitted by Recording Secretary Candace Pitts.



The potty talk was overflowing during the second half of the September meeting as the membership reluctantly learned all about the inner workings of the club urinals.



Above: On Monday September 6, Commodore Elect Jason Diener and Jennifer Diener took time to read the September edition of the Bow 'n' Stern while standing in front of Trevi Fountain, Rome, marking the exact momement the club's newsletter became an international publication.

Below: Kite surfers enjoying the lakefront on a Wednesday as all the club sailboat racers watch from the club wondering why the weather never seemed to to be in their favor. Photo: D. Peterson





#### **SYC House Committee**

# Preliminary Aug 2021 Report to BOD/Membership

9/6/21

House performance is solid given the current labor market and inflationary pressure on food costs. It is important to note that the employee retention credit was not a factor in the past 3 months performance. 2021 performance has been helped by the employee retention credit but there is also core improvement in the operations. House Net Profit is positive YTD and is showing significant improvement compared to 2020 as well as 2019. Similar improvement is shown in Total Adjusted House Cash Profit which for July 2021 is at \$63.209 ytd indication that level of positive cash flow from the house operations.

Use of the house both in terms of member dining and member sponsored events continues to increase. Food cost inflation and labor availability / inflation will continue to be a challenge in this environment.

Overall the House Team continues to do a fantastic job in a tough environment. If you have a chance show your appreciation with a simple thanks the Sean or Chef Benjamin and perhaps even a wee bit larger tip to your serving crew!

			% Change or			% Change or
	"Aug 2021"	"Aug 2020"	Delta	FY 2021 YTD	FY 2020 YTD	Delta
Total House Sales	\$76,880	\$64,187	19.8%	\$582,273	\$512 <mark>,018</mark>	13.7%
Total House COGS	\$22,548	\$19,363	16.4%	\$169,809	\$170,510	-0.4%
Total House Labor	\$37,355	\$31,616	18.2%	\$326,038	\$301,123	8.3%
% COG of Sales	29.3%	30.2%	-0.8%	29.2%	33.3%	-4.1%
%COGS Target	35.0%	35.0%		35.0%	35.0%	
% COGS Delta	-5.7%	-4.8%		-5.8%	-1.7%	
% Labor of Sales	48.6%	49.3%	-0.7%	56.0%	58.8%	-2.8%
% Labor Targ <mark>et</mark>	50.0%	50.0%		50.0%	50.0%	
% Labor De <mark>lta</mark>	-1.4%	-0.7%		6.0%	8.8%	
Total House Profit	\$13,602	\$8,883	-34.7%	\$22,372	(\$15,458)	NA
Total House Cash Profit	\$14,833	\$10,341	-30.3%	\$36,907	\$837	NA
Total Adjusted House Cash Profit	\$17,463	\$12,208	30.1%	\$63,209	\$28,118	124.8%

Total House Cash Profit = Net Profit + depreciation which is a non cash expense

Total Adjusted House Profit =Total House Cash Profit + Minimum Use (would not be charged if we did not have a house operation)

#### **Financial /KPI Comments**

- a. Sales volume UP 19.8% from Aug prior year and 13.7% UP YTD.
- b. COGs as a percentage of sales BELOW target for August 29.3% vs a target of 35% and as compared to 30.2 % for Aug last year. YTD COGS of 29.2% is a DECREASE of 4.1% points from 2020 YTD.
- c. Labor as a percentage of sales for August of 48.6 % vs. a target of 50% BELOW target by 1.4% pts. In addition, is DOWN 0.7% pts. compared to prior August and DOWN 2.8% pts YTD. These numbers compared to 3 previous months to do not have the payroll tax credit impact since our volumes have recovered. Labor costs are right now a greater challenge than food costs as labor shortages are driving higher overtime to meet demand.
- d. Total YTD Adjusted Cash Profit is \$63,209 as compared to \$28,118 for prior year. Sharp eyed readers of this report will notice a downward adjustment from last month. The spreadsheet used to track House performance comes off the preliminary statements and there is a discrepancy between the sums of the preliminary statements and the YTD numbers. Sleuthing is in progress.
- e. Bar has shown a net profit for 9 out of 11 months in 2021 compared to 8 out of 11 in 2020.

#### House Committee Report continued:

- f. Galley has shown a net profit 4 out of 11 months in 2021 compared to 3 out of 11 in 2020
- g. House has shown a net profit 8 out of 11 months in 2021 compared to 3 out of 11 months in 2020

2019 Comparison						
			% Change or			% Change or
	"Aug 2021"	"Aug 2019"	Delta	FY 2021 YTD	FY 2019YTD	Delta
Total House Sales	\$76 <i>,</i> 880	\$73 <i>,</i> 577	4.5%	\$582,273	\$621,716	-6.3%
Total House COGS	\$22,548	\$22,664	-0.5%	\$169,809	\$221,888	-23.5%
Total House Labor	\$37 <i>,</i> 355	\$36,964	1.1%	\$326,038	\$347,662	-6.2%
% COG of Sales	29.3%	30.8%	-1.5%	29.2%	35.7%	-6.5%
%COGS Target	35.0%	35.0%		35.0%	35.0%	
% COGS Delta	-5.7%	-4.2%		-5.8%	0.7%	
% Labor of Sales	48.6%	50.2%	-1.6%	56.0%	55.9%	0.1%
% Labor Target	50.0%	50.0%		50.0%	50.0%	
% Labor Delta	-1.4%	0.2%		6.0%	5.9%	
Total House Profit	\$13,602	\$9,073	-33.3%	\$22,372	\$2,155	NA
Total House Cash Profit	\$14,833	\$10,607	-28.5%	\$36,907	\$18,602	98.4%
Total Adjusted House Cash Profit	\$17,463	\$12,076	30.8%	\$63,209	\$27,688	128.3%

Total House Cash Profit = Net Profit + depreciation which is a non cash expense

Total Adjusted House Profit = Total House Cash Profit + Minimum Use (would not be charged if we did not have a house operation)

#### 2021 vs. 2019 Financial /KPI Comments

- Sales volume UP 4.5% from Aug 2019 year and -6.3% DOWN YTD. a.
- COGs as a percentage of sales BELOW target for August 29.3% vs a target of 35% and as compared to 30.8% b. for August 2019. YTD COGS of 29.2% is a DECREASE of 6.5% points from 2019 YTD.
- Labor as a percentage of sales for July of 48.6 % vs. a target of 50% BELOW target by 1.4% pts. In addition, is c. DOWN 1.6 pts. compared to August 2019 and UP 0.1 pts YTD.
- Total YTD Adjusted Cash Profit is \$66,751 as compared to \$27,688 for 2019 YTD. d.
- Bar has shown a net profit for 9 out of 11 months in 2021 compared to 9 out of 11 in 2019. e.
- Galley has shown a net profit 4 out of 11 months in 2021 compared to 2 out of 11 in 2019 f.
- House has shown a net profit 8 out of 11 months in 2021 compared to 4 out of 11 months in 2019 g.

### Menu

Slimmed down menu is working to keep food costs down. A very challenging environment to provide an interesting selection of entrees and specials at reasonable pricing. Kudos to Chef Benjamin for walking this tight rope effectively. (Repeat)

#### **Equipment**

Chef is making a list of potential equipment needs for the future

Operations

Challenges with labor availability

Challenges with significantly rising food costs

### **Rolling Action Item List**

Work with board and membership to recognize the load on house management and staff to minimize peak hour non-critical requests. Prioritized list of equipment needs for the House with pricing.



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