



Bow 'n' Stern

THE SHEBOYGAN YACHT CLUB

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Commodore's Comments

Be safe and stay healthy, and please help "Raise the Deck"

The generosity of SYC members never ceases to amaze me. The "Raise the Deck" fund raising campaign has been a great success. The fund raiser kicked off in early March when an anonymous donor pledged \$16,000 for the project if members raised \$8,000. I am writing this article in mid April and members have already donated \$7,500 towards the goal. If you intended to donate and just didn't get around to it yet, please do so. Donations exceeding our goal and the initial cost of the project will go towards additional improvements to the deck. Outdoor music speakers, lights, new chairs and tables, umbrellas, and outdoor heaters are being considered.

The ash tree came down the second week of April, and the deck was removed Saturday, the 10th. Individual members have

salvaged what they could from old deck materials with the intention of re-purposing them. Don't be surprised if the grounds committee soon shows off a new tool storage shed. Once the tree was down, I am told there was clear evidence of the dreaded ash borer. The wood itself was in good condition and several large logs were harvested. If drying and curing goes well, they should make for nice benches.

I had the opportunity recently to have lunch with several members of our local Coast Guard. Among the several topics discussed was confirming our observation that the water level of Lake Michigan is down 15 inches from last year. The projections they are reading predict the lake level will continue to go down through the summer. They also wanted me to pass the message

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.

that boat speed and wake will be closely monitored in the harbor this year. With continued work on the south pier taking place all summer, there are safety concerns for the contractors working heavy equipment.

The Coast Guard also wanted to be sure everyone is aware of the new law regarding wearable engine kill switches. Effective April 1, boats under 26 ft are required to have wearable engine cut-off switches. The law applies to any motorized boat with 3 or more horsepower that is less than 26 ft long. More detailed information is available at <https://uscgboating.org/recreation>. Please take note of the new law and be particularly safe while out on your inflatable dinghy this summer.

I am honored to give a special note of gratitude and high praise to Ron Abler. For five years Ron has chased down stories and reluctant writers to bring us the history and current events of the club by editing the Bow'n Stern. Thank you Ron for your excellent work. Thank you in advance for providing guidance and help to new editor Dan Peterson, allowing for as smooth a transition as possible. Safe travels Ron, and best wishes Dan, for an exciting future.

Be safe and stay healthy, and please help "Raise the Deck"

Commodore Tom



Our Departing Editor's Envoi

I have enjoyed editing the SYC Bow'n'Stern for the last five years, but am happy to turn over the editorship to Dan Peterson, effective with this, his first issue. As is evident herein, he has some exciting ideas for improving the publication.

Many thanks to all the officers, staff, committee chairs, and members for their kind and prompt observance of the B'n'S' monthly deadlines. I know you will extend to same courtesies to Dan.

My specific appreciation to the several SYC Recording Secretaries with whom I worked during my tenure, especially to BVG, who once sent me word that a wench was to be installed on the Queen of Sheba.

~Ron Abler

SYC Club Hours
Club Closed Mondays

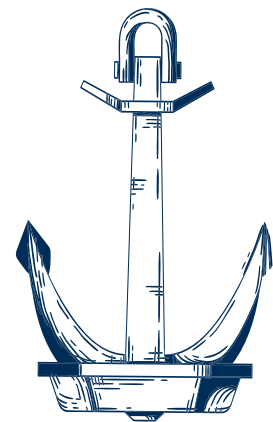
LUNCH
Wed-Friday 11:30 to 1:30

DINING AND CARRY-OUT
Tues-Sat 4:00 to 8:00
Order Carry-out at
920-458-6601
Sunday Breakfast 9:00 to noon

BAR
Tues & Sat 4:00 to close
Wed, Thu, Fri 11:00 to close
Sunday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Dates to Remember

May 13	Membership Meeting
May 13	Boat Owners Meeting
June 10	Membership Meeting
July 2	Venetian Boat Parade
July 8	Membership Meeting
July 16-18	Race to Mackinac
August 12	Membership Meeting
August 28-29	Lightening Brotz Regatta
September 9	Membership Meeting





From the New Editor

Daniel Peterson
editor@sheboyganyachtclub.com



A few weeks ago, while lazily lounging at the club bar on a Wednesday evening, feeling slightly intoxicated with one of John's excellent extra-stiff margaritas in hand, I was waiting for my family to arrive for dinner. As I sat, Tom Atkins approached me for what I thought was a casual conversation about the deck renovation and other current club events. It really was a very pleasant conversation! As my family arrived and were preparing to enjoy another excellent dinner in the dining room, I closed out at the bar and asked John to put Tom's beer on my tab. It was only after I bought Tom his beer that he became slightly more animated, and our small talk quickly transitioned into another more directed and seemingly rehearsed topic.

"Well, Dan," he said with a smile, "I probably should have asked you this before you bought my beer....." I set my excellent extra-stiff margarita

on the bar, sobered up immediately, and listened to what he had to propose. It turned out that Tom wanted to know if I would consider working with Ron Abler in his role as editor of the Bow 'n' Stern. Tom hoped that in time I might transition into the position so Ron could step back and enjoy the good life. Initially reluctant, not understanding the extent of the assignment, I hesitantly agreed to meet with Ron and see just what the job entailed.

I met with Ron a few days later and started learning the ropes with Ron's patient guidance. After about an hour of discussion, I finally decided I would attempt taking this project head on.

In medicine we always referred to the first-year medical students and residents in training as "scut monkeys", forced to do mindless work by their supervisors. This was a term and position I was all too familiar with back in the day



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NEWSLETTER WILL BE.





and I asked Ron to let me serve as his “scut monkey” during the transition. I would do as much of the editing as I could and towards the end of the month, I would present it to Ron for his final critique and hopeful approval.

A heartfelt thanks goes out to Ron Abler. He has spent countless tireless hours writing and editing content, taking photographs and distributing The Bow n’ Stern and has done it every month for over five years. He has served as editor of at least 65 newsletters for our club! It will be no small task following in Ron’s footsteps and dealing with the inherent challenges of writing and compiling a monthly newsletter, but I am willing to give it my best.

With that being said, I plan to fulfil my role as editor by asking for your assistance in improving our newsletter. I need members to send photographs of your daily experiences while at the club or on the water. I would also ask members to consider writing about club events in which they participate. I am also considering writing member spotlights and adding additional informative content over time. The more content created by our membership, the more informative and engaging our newsletter will be. If anyone else has other ideas about what you want to see in the newsletter, please let me know.

Finally, for those of you reading this on your phone, you have already noticed a change in the way the newsletter is being presented to you. The reality is that now over 70% of emails are read on our ubiquitous mobile devices. Unfortunately, newsletters formatted as PDFs are very challenging to read on a small handheld screens, especially when the other hand is holding one of John’s excellent extra-stiff margaritas. Luckily there are now ways to create digitally formatted email newsletters that can be precisely formatted for our devices, and I have decided to embrace this new format as a trial. For now, the formatted emailed version will be an abridged version of the newsletter, only containing general information, photos and news about our club as well as the Board and Membership Minutes. All other content will still be available in the PDF newsletter in its entirety which is easily accessible right from your device.

For those of you on your devices, you will note several labeled blue buttons you can push to open the inclusive

PDF version of the Bow ‘n’ Stern. From there, you can navigate through all the pages as well as download the newsletter as a PDF. You can also always find this and all the newsletter archives in PDF format on the members-only portion of the website like we have been doing since 2009 and a link to that page will be included below. My intention will be to continue providing the newsletter in two formats; the new abridged digital online format you see here and the traditional PDF format with the entire newsletter via a link like you have always been accustomed.

I have also included buttons that will allow you to open the lunch and dinner menus from within the formatted email newsletter. In the future you will also have the ability to click on certain special club events and have the information saved directly to the calendar on your mobile device.

There are still around 55 black and white newsletters that are printed and sent to members on a monthly basis, and this is a time intensive and costly endeavor for our club. Hopefully over time, we will be able to continue the transition away from a printed product and towards a completely digital newsletter that you can open as a PDF file or as a formatted email on your devices. If any members receiving printed newsletters are willing to receive it digitally, please let Kori know.

I hope to continue improving our newsletter’s overall presentation and functionality and look forward to your guidance and assistance with the process. Please contact me by email with pictures, articles or other items you feel should be included. Or feel free to call my cell (listed below) with your ideas and critiques. I have created a new email (editor@sheboyganyachtclub.com) that is easily remembered for all of your submissions, questions or comments. And of course, I can almost always be found in person sitting at the bar most Tuesday nights, with one of John’s excellent extra-stiff margaritas in hand.

Oh, and Tom Atkins drinks Pabst Blue Ribbon, in case you decide it’s a good idea to buy him a beer, but you may want to think twice....

~Dan



Easter Brunch

The Easter Day Brunch and Easter Egg Hunt were a huge success thanks to our excellent staff and members. The club was packed with families and friends and served a total of 200 meals. A special thanks to Sandy Diener, Chair of the Entertainment Committee and Naj Liang who helped out with hiding 250 eggs for the hunt (of course with the full direction of the Easter Bunny, also known locally as Niki Zohrab).





2021 SYC Book Club Meetings and Selections

- The May meeting of the SYC Book Club will be held on Thursday, May 27, at 6:00 p.m. Selection: American Dirt, by Jeanine Cummings (thriller F).
- The June meeting of the SYC Book Club will be held on Thursday, June 24, at 6:00 p.m. Selection: Dumplin' by Julie Murphy (humor).
- The July meeting of the SYC Book Club will be held on Thursday, July 22, at 6:00 p.m. Selection: The Shipping News, by Annie Proulx (F).
- The August meeting of the SYC Book Club will be held on Thursday, August 26, at 6:00 p.m. Selection: A Woman is No Man, by Etaf Rum (F).
- The September meeting of the SYC Book Club will be held on Thursday, September 23, at 6:00 p.m. Selection: The Giver of Stars, by Jojo Mayes (HF), and The Bookworm of Troublesome Creek, by Kim Michele Richardson (HF).
- 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 Sha-ben (bio/true adventure).

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

Book Club

Raise the Deck Update

The "Raise the Deck" contributions continue to pour in. As of publication, \$6,800 has been raised towards our goal of \$8,000. The membership has been very generous and the club is confidently we will meet our goal. Remember that for every \$1 donated, a challenge grant will donate \$2. Please donate now and put the challenge grant to work! Many thanks to David Bronson, owner of Bronson Construction, LLC. for donating his time and expertise to replace the outdoor deck.

Right: Easter Sunday marked the last day the club used the deck before its demolition.



The demolition crew. From Left to Right: Tim Pickert, George and Nikki Gruebling, Brad Gruneberg, David Bronson and Jason Diener. Photo by Commodore Tom Atkins



SYC Sailing Banquet

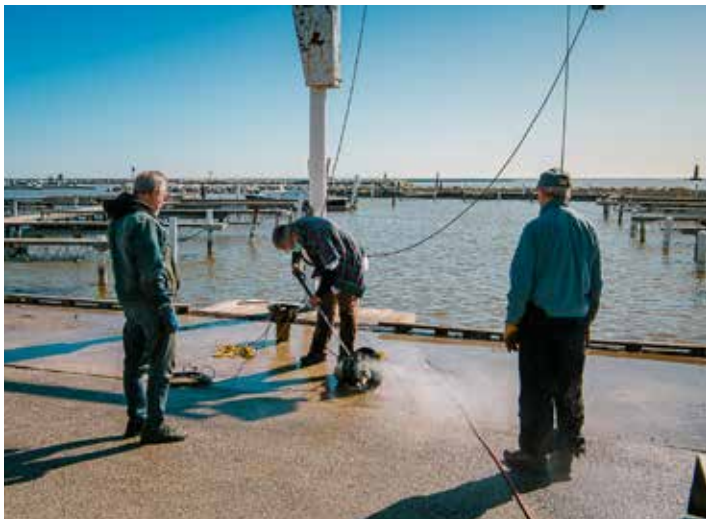


Preparing the Piers



Left and Right: Members met on Saturday April 17th to lower the piers and move, clean and store the aerators in preparation for the beginning of the boating season in Sheboygan. Thanks to Steve Mech, Pier Committee Chair for his leadership. **Below:** The SYC Barge launching Committee. Left to right, Mike Tock, Steve Miecher, Mike Olien, Bill Kuru, Cory Vertz. Photo by Commodore Tom Atkins





Marina Repairs

Michels Corporation has been contracted to straighten and set 10 pilings in our harbor. They began work on the 4th week of April and plan to be done by the end of the month. Michels is one of the largest, most diversified energy and infrastructure contractors in North America and we were fortunate to have them close by working on the south pier. Contracting with Michels while they are in town rebuilding the south pier saves us the cost of transporting and mobilizing the equipment which would have doubled the project's price.

The repair and realignment of intermediate dock pilings is long overdue as they have not received attention for well over 15 years. Two of the pilings have been lifted so high by freezing ice they are in danger of falling over.

New Members

We welcome new member applicants Ralph and Connie Alvarez. (Apprentice) Sponsors: Leighanne Metter-Jensen and Georgia Otto



April 2021 Membership Report

Current Membership Numbers						Total	360
Active	138	Apprentice	17	Associate	76	Non-Resident	2
Active Life	26	Flag	24	Honorary	6	Guest Cards	0
Active Life Emeritus 75/30	46	Active Life Emeritus 65/20	31			Trial Membership	0

New Trial Membership Application:

Ralph and Connie Alvarez

New Membership Application and/or New Member Interview:

Ralph and Connie Alvarez - Apprentice

Sponsors: Leighanne Metter-Jensen and Georgia Otto

New Member Vote: None

Change of Status: Roma Braun Eiseman - Resigned to Active APPROVED

Apprentice to Active: None

Death: None

Guest Card: None



Left: Nancy Heimbold, Jeanne Wilson and Pete Heimbold enjoying some Irish beer and wine at the bar on St. Patrick's Day! Pete's the one wearing green.







The Memorial Bench

Above: Mike Elmergreen and Mark Wessel stand in front of portion of the Mark Radwick memorial ash tree recently removed from the club deck. The trunk was taken to a sawmill in Muskego in order to start the transformation into the Mike Radwick memorial bench for use on the club property. **Below:** The massive trunk being hoisted off the trailer in preparation for milling. **Right:** After the first cut it will sit to air dry. Photos courtesy of Mark Wessel **Bottom Right:** The memorial ash is taken down. Photo: Jason Diener.



Calendar of Events

MAY

 SYC March 2021 Calendar of Events 						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 February Bar 9:00-noon Sunday Breakfast And Carry-out 9:00-noon No Dinner Service	1 March Club Closed	2 March Bar 4:00-close Dining and Carry-out 4:00-8:00 Taco Tuesday	3 March Bar 11:00-close Lunch 11:30-1:30 Dining and Carry-out 4:00-8:00 Wing Wednesday	4 March Bar 11:00-close Carryout 5:30-8:00 Dining at 6:00, 7:00, and 8:00 p.m.	5 March Bar 11:00-close Lunch 11:30-1:30 Dining and Carry-out 4:00-8:00	6 March Bar 4:00-close Dining and Carry-out 4:00-8:00
7 March Bar 9:00-noon Sunday Breakfast And Carry-out 9:00-noon No Dinner Service	8 March Club Closed	9 March Bar 4:00-close Dining and Carry-out 4:00-8:00 Taco Tuesday ○	10 March Bar 11:00-close Lunch 11:30-1:30 Dining and Carry-out 4:00-8:00 Wing Wednesday	11 March Bar 11:00-close Lunch 11:30-1:30 Dining and Carry-out 4:00-8:00	12 March Bar 11:00-close Lunch 11:30-1:30 Dining and Carry-out 4:00-8:00	13 March Bar 4:00-close Dining and Carry-out 4:00-8:00
14 March Bar 9:00-noon Sunday Breakfast And Carry-out 9:00-noon No Dinner Service	15 March Club Closed	16 March Bar 4:00-close Dining and Carry-out 4:00-8:00 Taco Tuesday	17 March Bar 11:00-close Lunch 11:30-1:30 Dining and Carry-out 4:00-8:00 Wing Wednesday	18 March Bar 11:00-close Lunch 11:30-1:30 Dining and Carry-out 4:00-8:00	19 March Bar 11:00-close Lunch 11:30-1:30 Dining and Carry-out 4:00-8:00	20 March Bar 4:00-close Dining and Carry-out 4:00-8:00
21 March Bar 9:00-noon Sunday Breakfast And Carry-out 9:00-noon No Dinner Service	22 March Club Closed	23 March Bar 4:00-close Dining and Carry-out 4:00-8:00 Taco Tuesday ●	24 March Bar 11:00-close Lunch 11:30-1:30 Dining and Carry-out 4:00-8:00 Wing Wednesday	25 March Bar 11:00-close Lunch 11:30-1:30 Dining and Carry-out 4:00-8:00 SYC Book Club	26 March Bar 11:00-close Lunch 11:30-1:30 Dining and Carry-out 4:00-8:00	27 March Bar 4:00-close Dining and Carry-out 4:00-8:00
28 March Bar 9:00-noon Sunday Breakfast And Carry-out 9:00-noon No Dinner Service	29 March Club Closed	30 March Bar 4:00-close Dining and Carry-out 4:00-8:00 Taco Tuesday	31 March Bar 11:00-close Lunch 11:30-1:30 Dining and Carry-out 4:00-8:00 Wing Wednesday	1 April Bar 11:00-close Lunch 11:30-1:30 Dining and Carry-out 4:00-8:00	2 April Bar 11:00-close Lunch 11:30-1:30 Dining and Carry-out 4:00-8:00	3 April Bar 4:00-close Dining and Carry-out 4:00-8:00
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News from other clubs

CHICAGO YACHT CLUB

2021 holds much promise for us as we plan for the 112th running of the greatest freshwater distance race in the world, the Chicago Yacht Club Race to Mackinac™ presented by Wintrust. As we take a pragmatic approach to our committee's planning efforts, I look forward to racing with you in July!

On February 1st, we opened registration. Returning skippers who have competed in one of the last four "Mac" Races, will have received an invitation. Over 125 invited competitors have registered to date. For those of you entering a new boat in the race, you may start the process of requesting an invitation via the regatta website.

If you are a skipper who has raced, but not in 5 years or more, we expect that your information will still be in our registration system. Please login on the CYCRTM website using your credentials and then request an invitation to begin this process.

We will be scoring this year's race using the ORC rating rule. If you missed the ORC webinar hosted by

the CYCRTM Committee in January, you can watch here ([click here](#)), it provides a wealth of information on making the transfer to ORC. For other information, or to transfer your ORR measurements to ORC via the US Sailing Offshore office please visit this link: [ORR to ORC Transfer](#).

On behalf of all of us at the Chicago Yacht Club and its Race to Mackinac Committee, thank you for joining us for the race of the season, a destination like no other, the adventure of a lifetime!



Name that Knot

This knot has two names and is used for joining two lines. It is particularly appropriate for very heavy rope or cable that is too large and stiff to be easily formed into other common bends. It will not jam even after carrying a significant load or being soaked with water. It is a member of the basket weave knot family and its aesthetically pleasing interwoven and symmetrical shape has also made it popular for decorative purposes.

What are the two names given to this knot?

Answer in next month's Bow 'n' Stern.

Membership Meeting Minutes



**Commodore
Tom Atkins**



**Treasurer
Jennifer Spicer**



**Vice Commodore
Jason Diener**



**Recording Secretary
Candace Pitts**



**Rear Commodore
Hans Graf**



**Membership Secretary
Georgia Otto**

April 8, 2021

Call to Order by Commodore Tom Atkins at 7:15 pm
Minutes from Previous Meetings – Candace Pitts Motion to not read minutes, as they were printed in the Bow & Stern. Motion by Paul Bartelt and seconded by Ron Adler. Motion passed.

Membership Matters – Georgia Otto
Apprentice/Associate interviews: Ralph and Connie Alvarez
Apprentice/Associate approvals: none
Correspondence/Status Changes – Georgia Otto
Request for LOA or reinstate: None

House Committee Report – Paul Bartelt

See Pages 22-23

Treasurer Report– Jennifer Spicer / Stuart Stromeyer

Balance Sheet

- * Reserve Account: Balance of \$59K vs \$28K Prior Year
- * Line of Credit: Balance of \$40,500 vs \$54,000 Prior Year; note we are now paying back \$1,500 per month and expect to continue at this amount for next several months
- * Capital Projects Fund: Balance of \$82K vs \$48K Prior Year
- * We presently have an estimated \$32K due us from the Emergency CARES Act; also of note the Employee Retention Credit (ERC) has been extended through June 30, 2021
- * The 2nd Slip Fee billing was done in March, producing an Accounts Receivable (Dues) amount of \$27K which is comparable to the \$28K (A/R Dues) for March 2020
- * We received a 2020 4th Qtr ERC check from the US Treasury in an amount of \$2,035

March 2021 Consolidated Income Statement

- * Sales fared much better in March, posting \$57K vs \$56K in Prior Year and up considerably from February's (2021) \$28K
- * Gross Profit for March \$91K vs \$59K Prior Year
- * Overall expenses in March \$49K vs \$47K Prior Year; difference is Payroll as up \$2,400 from Prior Year
- * For month of March 2021 we posted a Net Profit of \$42K vs \$12K Prior Year

Our general financial condition is favorable, as activities are resuming month to month. This is evidenced by our March Operating Cash position of \$49K vs \$17K a year ago. Our next planned large payout is the July 2021 \$11,000 Property Tax bill. We have received Deck donations of \$14,730.

Membership Secretary – Georgia Otto

New Trial Membership Application: Ralph and Connie Alvarez
New Membership Application and/or New Member Interview: Ralph and Connie Alvarez - Associate Sponsors: Leighanne Metter-Jensen and Georgia Otto
New Member Vote: None
Motion to reinstate a former member of the club. Motion by Mark Wessel seconded by Jeanette Wierzbach. Discussion and motion passed.

Current Membership Numbers:

Total 359, Active 137, Apprentice 17, Associate 76, Non-Resident 2, Active Life 26, Flag 24, Honorary 6, Guest Cards 0, Active Life Emeritus 75/30 46, Active Life Emeritus 65/20 31, Trial Membership 0.

Commodore – Tom Atkins

Committee Reports:

By-Law - Eric Zufelt - No Report

Dockmaster – Mike Olien - Member requesting two slips for the season, currently three open slips. Motion to allow members to have two slips for one season, must vacate if a member requests a slip before season ends. Motion made by Mark Wessel and seconded by Jeanette Wierzbach. Motion approved, providing slip is vacated if slip requested by a member.

Race – Mike Knop / Peter Mayer – Sailing banquet scheduled April 24, 2021, please make reservations with Sean. Race schedule emailed to skippers. Revisions tbd based on feedback. NOR being finalized soon.

Endowment – Finance Committee – Michou – No report

Youth Sailing - Whitney Kent- No Report

Sea Scouts – Karen Fischer - No report

Sail Sheboygan – Jason Bemis – Lightning Brotz Regatta scheduled August 28-29, 2021. On water volunteers being recruited. Possible Optimist Great Lakes Championship Regatta in September.

SEAS – Matt Wiersbach – No report

Entertainment – Sandy Diener – Possible brat fry or seafood boil to kick off sailing season. All invited to a committee meeting to be scheduled soon.

Membership – Cori Kaplan - No Report

Vice Commodore – Jason Diener

Apprentice Hours: 17.5 Hours completed by 5 Apprentices

Apprentice Status Change: None

Committee Reports:

HVAC – Chris Aldag - Seasonal HVAC maintenance will take place soon.

Education – Matt Wierzbach

Navigation course is full in April and begins this Wednesday. Knot Tying workshop added to the calendar April 28th 6-8. Likely we will add a few more workshops in early May and then continue with Navigation into the summer if demand persists.

Grounds – Deb Erickson & Floyd Leo

Spring is here, snow is gone, be on the lookout for opportunities to help

Historical – Dave Hillebrand - no report

Web/Publicity – Jason Irish - no report

SYC Apparel – Bev Davidson & Kathy Snider

An order will be placed with warm weather apparel
Please take a look at the clearance rack for discounted merchandise

Yachting Activities – Dawn Vertz

Marine event application was reviewed by USCG and we do not need a special permit for Venetian Night the evening of July 2nd.

Elected Officers

Commodore - Tom Atkins

Vice Commodore - Jason Diener

Rear Commodore - Hans Graf

Treasurer - Jennifer Spicer

Membership Secretary - Georgia Otto

Recording Secretary - Candace Pitts

Board of Directors

3 Years 2018-2021 - David Hillebrand

3 Years 2019-2022 - Jeanette Wierzbach

3 Years 2020-2023 - Chuck Butler

2 Years 2019-2021 - Phil DeTrana

2 Years 2020-2022 - Mark Duff

1 Year 2020-2021 - Mark Wessel (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

2018-2021 - M. Reichelsdorfer (PC)

2019-2022 - Paul Bartelt

2020-2023 - Stu Stromeyer

Treasurer - Jennifer Spicer

Board Appointed Committees

Tech Team - David Fisher, Mark Duff

ad hoc Piers - Tom Holtan, Steve Meicher,

Peter Mayer (PC), Bob Kuehlmann (PC)

Membership Meeting Minutes



April 8, 2021

Rear Commodore - Hans Graf

Dues Work Off – 33.5 Hours by 3 Members.

Approximate Breakdown by task:

28 hours club leadership

4 hours volunteer bartender for meeting

1.5 hours office assistance

Committee Reports:

Barge – Steve Meicher • See Derrick Yard Report

Building – Chris Aldag

1: The building is OK.

2: All HVAC Spring Preventative Maintenance will take place very soon. We need warm days to service the A/C systems.

Derrick Yard – Kevin Werner & Steve Meicher

Kevin arranged the installation of the water meter, water in the yard is now on. Barge was launched April 2nd, the boat yard is open for all boats. Commodore requested a committee be formed to use the barge to pull the sleeves off 6 to 8 piles in the yacht basin before April 14th. The boat yard committee proposed new rates for 2021, this will be presented & addressed by the boat owners after the second membership meeting.

Electrical – Kenny Ebbers, Replaced the northeast outside light, and the west light on the boat yard building with led.

Piers – Steve Mech pier work on Saturday April 17th, removing and cleaning the aerators. Lowering finger piers. Rain day on April 24th, if needed.

Old Business

Security Alarm/Locks - Jason \$28/month for the security system. Jason recommends we get some more quotes on the security system. JSM is our security system now. \$1,000.00 for upgrade to a 5G system.

Deck replacement / Tree Removal / “Raise the Deck” Fundraiser- Goal is to raise \$8,000 towards 2 to 1 challenge match of \$16,000. We are at \$7,000 right now. A second anonymous donor has also pledged a donation outside of the challenge match. Tree will come down Thursday morning. Deck will be gone Saturday. Will start construction on the new deck next weekend.

Piling work/SYC basin, and PVC sleeves – Michels Co. We need to remove PVC sleeves off pilings to save Michels Co. time and save us money. No boats allowed in a slip until Michels is done. Currently scheduled for the first week of May.

New Business

Derrick Yard Committee recommending a 10% (0.40 lf) storage and lift fee increase. Propose flat fee of \$180 per one hour lift for nonmembers. Boat owners meeting after the May membership meeting to discuss.

- +Members requesting two slips for season was discussed during Dockmaster’s report.
- +Derrick yard staging of city fireworks will be used.
- +Restated SYC enforces State Code prohibiting animals in a food establishment.

+Lakefront open house activities will possibly be held this year.

Reminder to members no dogs nor animals are allowed in the club.

The LakeFront Open house is scheduled for early June. The club will participate.

There will be a boatowners meeting after the May 13th meeting. There will be a discussion and vote on increasing the price in the derrick yard to \$40/ft.

Good of the Club

Mask policy for members and staff will remain in effect. We request members to wear masks and staff are on board for requiring masks during work hours.

There will be a pier project Saturday April 24th to put away the deicers and prepare slips for boat season.

Ron Abler was recognized by Commodore Tom for five years of excellent service to the club as editor of the Bow n Stern. Ron received a round of applause for his great work. Dan Peterson has agreed to become the new editor and Ron will work with Dan for a smooth transition.

Adjourn at 8:02pm.

Next Meeting – May 13, 2021

Past Commodore, Michael Larson relays the history of the club to some apprentice members during a tour of the building after the membership meeting.



SYC House Committee

Final March 2021 Report to BOD/Membership

4/6/21

	"Mar 2021"	"Mar 2020"	% Change or Delta	FY 2021 YTD	FY 2020 YTD	% Change or Delta
Total House Sales	\$46,813	\$31,141	50.3%	\$227,250	\$278,468	-18.4%
Total House COGS	\$10,727	\$12,928	-17.0%	\$63,685	\$99,975	-36.3%
Total House Labor	\$26,116	\$23,202	12.6%	\$158,978	\$175,856	-9.6%
% COG of Sales	22.9%	41.5%	-18.6%	28.0%	35.9%	-7.9%
%COGS Target	35.0%	35.0%		35.0%	35.0%	
% COGS Delta	-12.1%	6.5%		-7.0%	0.9%	
% Labor of Sales	55.8%	74.5%	-18.7%	70.0%	63.2%	6.8%
% Labor Target	50.0%	50.0%		50.0%	50.0%	
% Labor Delta	5.8%	24.5%		20.0%	13.2%	
Total House Profit	\$3,637	(\$10,066)	-376.8%	(\$12,537)	(\$28,453)	127.0%
Total House Cash Profit	\$5,044	(\$8,596)	-270.4%	(\$4,044)	(\$19,385)	379.4%
Total Adjusted House Cash Profit	\$6,857	(\$5,815)	184.8%	\$12,769	(\$5,769)	-145.2%
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)						

House operations continue to be impacted by COVID restrictions. Private parties, lunch and general dining continues to be suppressed but volumes are rising as vaccinations ramp up and our members appear to be more comfortable coming down the Club

On the positive side the House operations continue to benefit from the Employee Retention Credit which is showing up as Misc. Income/Sales on the financials. This is had a significantly impact on the profitability of the House again in March. It also skews the operational metrics a bit. Having said that the team continues to manage COGS and Labor as tightly as possible. We need to gut through a few more months and then the improved public health situation and dining outside options should begin to kick in. I would expect that year over year comparisons will improve as we move through the Mar-May time frame.

Financial /KPI Comments

- a. Sales volume UP 50.3% from Mar prior year and -18.4% DOWN YTD. Improvement in Y/Y sales in March driven more by low sales last March due to COVID impact vs. a significant change this year.

- b. COGs as a percentage of sales BELOW target for Mar at 22.9% vs a target of 35% and as compared to 41.5% for Mar last year. YTD COGS of 28.0% is a DECREASE of 7.9% points from 2020 YTD.
- c. Labor as a percentage of sales for Mar of 55.8% vs. a target of 50% ABOVE target by 5.8% pts. In addition, is DOWN 18.3 pts. compared to prior Mar and UP 6.8 pts YTD. Lower volumes relative the fixed salaried labor costs continue to drive the unfavorable performance.
- d. Total YTD Adjusted Cash Profit is \$12,769 as compared to- \$5,769 for prior year.
- e. Bar has shown a net profit for 4 out of 6 months in 2021 compared to 5 out of 6 in 2020.
- f. Galley has shown a net profit 1 out of 6 months in 2021 compared to 0 out of 6 in 2020
- g. House has shown a net profit 3 out of 6 months in 2021 compared to 1 out of 6 months in 2020

1) Menu

- a. Flatbread specials continue to be well received. Taco Tuesday and Wing Wednesday are well attended. Limited specials are being offered. Menu will expand as business conditions allow.

2) Equipment

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

3) Operations

- a. Challenges with reduced volumes

4) Rolling Action Item List

- a. Control labor costs as best as possible in a low volume environment.
- b. Continue to follow appropriate mitigation protocols by the staff.
- c. House financial management challenges when labor subsidy is gone
- d. Prioritized list of equipment needs for the House with pricing.
- e. K-9 Policy for the House



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