

THE SHEBOYGAN YACHT CLUB

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Our club will never cease to amaze me. I was confident that the generosity of our members would shine through during the Christmas season for the Employee Holiday Fund and you definitely were generous. I was able to personally deliver a card to most employees and can tell you firsthand of the smiles and gratitude from each of them. I want to thank everyone that was able to donate to the fund, it was genuinely appreciated by the entire staff. Along with the holiday fund, generous donations were also made to the food bank and Toys for Tots drives we had located in the coat room.

It's great to see our club alive again during the holidays. The annual traditions of the Tom and Jerry Party and Santa's brunch returned and were very well attended. The food and camaraderie at the Tom and Jerry party were excellent and there were a lot of young future members that got to tell Santa and Mrs. Claus how good they have been this year. The club is also alive with Christmas parties and private gatherings. It is great time of year to enjoy the festive decorations and the company of your fellow members.

I wanted to thank everyone for their understanding as we transition the office manager role. We have had members really step up and make sure the bills and staff are paid on time and member statements are processed accordingly. I encourage everyone to visit the member portal on the website to see your up-to-date statements.

Just a reminder that we will be open for a Members/ Staff appreciation party on January 1st. Please plan to come down with a dish to pass for a fun day of football, laughs, and an overall good time. The list of celebrity bartenders has been put together, but we are asking for forgiveness in advance for our lack of skill. Our annual shutdown will begin on Sunday the 2nd there will be an electronic signup sheet coming soon please sign up and help wherever you are able.

As I look back on 2021 and all the success the club has had, I am excited with what we will be able to do in 2022. I look forward to seeing you down there. From my family to yours I wish you a healthy, happy and prosperous new year.

Fair Winds,

Commodore Jason



Our History



The members of Sea Scout Ship #50 gather for a portrait in front of the Clubhouse sometime around 1939. The Ship has been chartered under club sponsorship in 1936.

Staff Appreciation New Years Day Party at The Club

This is a final reminder about the upcoming New Year's Day Party at the club happening on Saturday, January 1 starting at 11:00 PM. Members are asked to brig a dish to pass along with \$15 entry fee and can enjoy free drinks for the day. Complimentary admission is extended to all staff who can enjoy free drinks and food on the house as well!



PC Mark Wessel received a 99 pack of PBR for Christmas from Mike Elmergreen & Sue Dorscheid, presented on Taco Tuesday, December 21st at the club. It's 7 feet long and weighs 80 pounds. Wes reported that he drank the entire pack by Wednesday, December 22nd. Photo courtesy: Mike Elmergreen

SYC Club Hours

Club Closed Mondays

LUNCH Wed-Friday 11:30 to 1:30 Sat & Sun 12-4 Bar Menu

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 Sat & Sun 12-close Wed, Thu, Fri 11:00 to close

Dates to Remember

- Members/Staff Appreciation Party
- Jan 2 Clubhouse Shutdown
- Jan 13 Clubhouse Reopens
- Jan 13 Membership Meeting (7:15)
- Jan 26 Book Club (6 PM)

About the Cover

A standing ovation for the staff of The Sheboygan Yacht Club during the Annual Tom & Jerry party on December 4th. Photo courtesy Megan Butler.



"Bear" Reichelsdorfer celebrated his 87th birthday on December 15th. Pictured here complete with his red and green navigational socks.

Sea Scouts

Our scouts have spent several Saturday mornings working on our donated 18 ft. Cape Dory Typhoon. On this Saturday morning, December 18th, we had the dory in the SEAS wash bay. Our scouts had just finished applying a cleaner/ brightener to all of the teak and they are now applying a cleaner to all of the brass. It was hard to tell if they got more cleaner on themselves or the boat but everything came out looking really good when they were done.

Mark Matthias Ship 50









2022 SYC Book Club Meetings and Selections

All meetings are held at the Yacht Club and anyone is invited to join! Please contact Sharon Matthias at msmatthias@charter.net if you have any questions.

Thursday, January 27, at 6 pm. THE ORCHID THIEF by Susan Orlean (NF/horticulture)

Thursday, February 24, at 6 pm.
THE HIDDEN VALLEY ROAD: INSIDE THE MIND OF AN AMERICAN FAMILY by Robert Kolker (NF)

Thursday, March 24, at 6 pm.
THE ENGINEER'S WIFE by Tracey Emerson Wood (HF)

Thursday, April 28, at 6 pm. AN ANONYMOUS GIRL by Greer Hendricks & Sarah Pekkanen (F/thriller)

Thursday, May 26, at 6 pm. HAVE YOU SEEN LUIS VELEZ by Catherine Ryan Hyde (psychological/F) Thursday, June 23, at 6 pm.
THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD by Colson Whitehead (RF)

Thursday, July 28, at 6 pm. THE ONE-IN-A-MILLION-BOY by Monica Wood (domestic/F)

Thursday, August 25, at 6 pm. THE LAST DUEL by Eric Jager (RF)

Thursday, September 22, at 6 pm. THE LAST THING HE TOLD ME by Laura Dave (domestic thriller/F)

Thursday, October 27, at 6 pm.
THE FOUR WINDS by Kristin Hannah (HF)

Thursday, November 17, at 6 pm.
THE PARIS SEAMSTRESS by Natasha Lester (HF)



New Member Applicants



James Theodoroff - Associate Sponsors: Lisa Giebel & Eric Zufelt



Joseph Saunders - Associate Sponsors: Jason Bemis & Whitney Kent

Sheboygan Yacht Club Membership Report December 2021

Current Membership Numbers						Total	384
Active	137	Apprentice	26	Associate	86	Non-Resident	2
Active Life	27	Flag	25	Associate Life	1	Guest Cards	2
Active Life Emeritus 75/30	48	Active Life Emeritus 65/20	32	Honorary	5	Trial Member ship	0

New Trial Membership Application: None

New Membership Application and/or New Member Interview:

James Theodoroff - Associate Sponsors: Lisa Geibel and Eric Zufelt

Joseph Saunders - Apprentice

Sponsors: Jason Bemis and Whitney Kent

New Member Vote:

Charles K Stone - Apprentice APPROVED Sponsors: Georgia Otto and Stu Stromeyer Robert Angermeier - Associate APPROVED Sponsors: Jason Bemis and Robert Melzer

Change of Status:

Carla Darrah - Apprentice to Associate APPROVED Werner and Linda Binkowski Associate to Apprentice APPROVED

Jeanne Wilson Associate to Apprentice APPROVED
Dan Peterson and Natalie Ashburn Apprentice to Active
APPROVED

Death:

Dennis Dohms - Associate Marvel Harrison - Flag

Guest Card: Board approved issuing two guest cards to: Sea Scout Skipper - Geoffery Woelm USCG Master Chief - Justin Irwin











The Tom & Jerry Party

The clubhouse came to life on the evening of December 4th as members convened for the annual Tom & Jerry party. Photos courtesy of Larry Hanson (this page) and Megan Butler (opposite page) and Diane Harbrecht (page 8-9)

























The Tom & Jerry Party Continued



Diane and Joe Harbrecht



Jeff and Kathy Mohr



Nord and Kathy Larson



Mike and Peggy Schulte



Marie and Rick Larson









What is a Tom & Jerry?

A Tom and Jerry is a traditional Christmastime cocktail in the United States, sometimes attributed to British writer Pierce Egan in the 1820s. It is a variant of eggnog with brandy and rum added and served hot, usually in a mug or a bowl.











Santa's Brunch

Santa came early to the Yacht Club, arriving during the Santa's Brunch on Sunday, December 19th. While there were only a few naughty members this year, he proclaimed there were far more nice members and was happy to proclaim a Merry Christmas to all.























Sheboygan Yacht Club SYC Membership Meeting Minutes December 9, 2021

Call to Order - 1915

Moment of Silence Marvel Harrison and Dennis Dohms

Recording Secretary – Minutes from previous meeting printed in Bow n Stern approved.

Membership Secretary - Pat Hanson (SEE PAGE 5)

Reports:

a) Treasurer - Stu Stromeyer

October 2021 Treasurer's Report (Unaudited)
October 2021 Balance Sheet

Total Cash & Cash Equivalents: Balance of \$276K vs \$173K Prior Year

Line of Credit: Balance of \$31,500 vs \$47,000 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 \$92K vs \$50K Prior Year

AR-House Charges: \$66K vs \$40K Prior Year

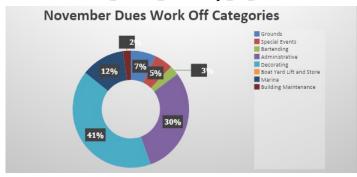
October 2021 Consolidated Income Statement Total Sales: \$59K vs \$32K in Prior Year Gross Profit for October \$57K vs \$43K in Prior Year For the month of October 2021 we posted a Net Profit of \$22K vs (\$13K) loss in Prior Year

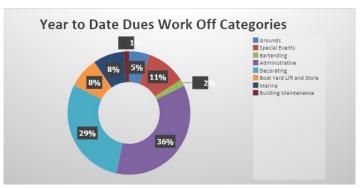
Notes: Our general financial condition is quite favorable, as activities are mostly in full swing. This is evidenced by our October Operating Cash position of \$112K vs \$57K last October.

Our next planned large payout is the January 2022 estimated \$12,000 Property Tax bill. {Prepared 12/08/2021}

b) Rear Commodore - Chuck Butler

Dues Work Off - 115.25 Hours by 21 Members





Rear Commodore Committee Reports:

Barge - Mike Tock Committee Chair

Barge is out of the water and the skyhook is sitting on the barge awaiting more engineering and discussion on proper mounting technique and location.

Building - David Bronson Committee Chair

- Shutdown is coming up.
- Sean is working on developing a list for shutdown.

Derrick Yard - Mike Tock Committee Chair

- Yard has been readied for the winter season.
- Be sure to unplug your boats, when you leave the boat yard.

Electrical – Kenny Ebbers Committee Chair

- The junction box in the cove has been repaired.
- The light switch in the freezer has been replaced. (Per chef request). Good thing, the light switch box and switch had ice in it, and the weather seal was shot, ice removed, and seal replaced.
- The east dusk to dawn light, at the derrick yard building is on backorder 4 to 8 weeks.
- The east fan in the dining room is not operating, I did some testing with no success.
- Please discuss and have Mark Deiner electric come and pull the fan down and investigate more. They are the ones that installed the fans.

Piers - Steve Mech Committee Chair

Nothing to report - Not sure of the status of the aerators

Lunch - Dietmar Wohlgemuth Committee Chair

- There will be lunch Please pay for what you
- I will not be attending the meeting, Erin Huntzinger will be helping me with setting out the food and clean up.



Above: Marv Svoboda, during the meeting, tells the club members an excellent joke about an elephant, a mouse and a very nice sports car! For some reason, the joke was not recorded in the meeting minutes.

Elected Officers

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

Board of Directors

3 Years (term ends 10/2022) - Jeanette Wierzbach

3 Years (term ends 10/2023) - Tom Phillip

3 Years (term ends 10/2024) - Jason Irish

2 Years (term ends 10/2022) - Mark Duff

2 Years (term ends 10/2023) - Dawn Vertz

1 Year (term ends 10/2021) - Thomas 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 Dockmaster - Mike Olien House - Paul Bartelt Race - Dan Kerpe Endowment - Finance Committee Youth Sailing - Whitney Kent Entertainment - Sandy Diener Membership - Julie Svoboda Sail Sheboygan - Jason Bemis Sea Scouts - Mark Mathias

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 - Michael Tock **Building - David Bronson** Derrick Yard - Michael Tock Electrical - Kenny Ebbers Lunch - Dietmar Wohlgemuth Piers - Steve Mech

Finance Committee

Paul Bartelt leff Mohr Jennifer Spicer Michou Reichelsdorfer Treasurer - Stuart Stromeyer

Board Appointed Committees

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

c) Vice Commodore – Brad Gruneberg

Monthly Report to Commodore for Board Meeting Vice Commodore – Brad Gruneberg November 2021

<u>Apprentice Hours</u>: 48.5 Hours completed by 9 Apprentices

Apprentice Status:

Dan Peterson/Natalie Ashburn 6 meetings 97.25 hrs Two Year Review

George & Nicole Gruebling 3 meetings 4 hrs One Year Review

Carla Darrah 1 meeting 3 hrs Request to Associate

Vice Commodore Committee Reports:

HVAC - Chris Aldag

- Looking at a few PM issues that came up. Will provide a priority list and advise cost to fix each
- 'Looking at boiler estimates.

Education - Matt Wierzbach

Report given by Jerry Slavens

- Tammy Thompson presentation on the 27th
- Splicing coming a weather in March; February Steve R with shipwrecks
- Adding basics in boating, anchoring, registering your boat

Grounds - Deb Erickson & Floyd Leo

- Floyd gave a report on the snow shoveling list which is online. Machines are gassed and ready
- 214 is the combination to the garage.

Historical - Dave Hillebrand

No Report

Publicity - Jason Irish

 Dan Peterson is seeking additional volunteers to help provide regular content for the Bow 'n' Stern newsletter, the Club website and the Yacht Club Facebook Page. This would include individuals with skills in photography, graphic design and writing. Interested individuals are asked to contact Dan for more information.

SYC Apparel - Bev Davidson & Kathy Snider

 An additional merchandise order is due to arrive just before the holidays, so we will be holding an additional. Holiday Sale over the next couple of weeks at the club. Items include jackets, puffer vests, sweatshirts, long-sleeve shirts, hats, and scarves which will make great gifts for your family and friends. Keep an eye on a notice for upcoming dates from Sean. Happy Holidays! Come down in the next couple weeks much is on sale.

Yachting Activities - Dawn Vertz

- No Report
- d) Commodore Jason Diener

Monthly Commodore's Report for Board Meeting Jason Diener - Commodore December 7, 2021

Commodore Committee Reports:

By-Laws - Eric Zufelt - No Report

Dockmaster - Mike Olien - No Report

House - Paul Bartelt

Detailed performance data for October and November is still pending publications of complete financials. We are in the midst of the busy holiday season and the House Team is doing a fantastic job of hosting a variety of dinners and events for club members and outside groups. Despite a challenging labor and food cost environment the House Team is finding a way to get it done.

Thank you for contributing to the House Holiday Fund if you have already and if you haven't please extend some generous holiday spirit and contribute to the fund to recognize our great team!

Race - Dan Kerpe

Looking to have a quick informal skippers meeting after the January club meeting. Topics to include potential new races and division changes. An email with an agenda will be sent to all skippers that participated last year as we get closer. If you would like to be added to the list please contact Dan Kerpe

Endowment - Finance Committee

- Michou Reichelsdorfer - No report

Youth Sailing - Whitney Kent- No Report

Sea Scouts - Mark Mathias -

Scouts continuing to work on boats; completed bow covers and bulkheads, now working on gunnels. Gunnels on these boats are more complicated than in the past but still hoping to be done early 2022 Will be hosting a chili cook off the 27th of February. First organizational meeting will be discussed. Hours are 11-3pm for the cook off. Will send emails later this month.

Sail Sheboygan - Jason Bemis -4th of July Lightening International. Will be looking for volunteer hosts.

SEAS – Matt Wierzbach – No report

Entertainment - Sandy Diener

I want to thank everyone that helped decorate the club for the holidays. There have been many compliments on how beautiful the club looks. After the work was done for the day we relaxed and were joined by members for the pot luck and Packers game.

The club is ready for the annual SYC Tom and Jerry party featuring the grand dinner and dessert buffet with entertainment by Alex Simmons.

Breakfast with Santa is Sunday, December 19th with Santa making an appearance from 11:30 - 12:30 p.m.

Something new for 2022. The Club will be open New Year's Day for a member and staff appreciation party. Come down to enjoy some great football and good fellowship. We are asking members to bring dishes to share with staff and members. We will be asking some of you to be guest bartenders during the day. Watch your email as plans are finalized.

Membership - Julie Svboda - No Report

1) Old Business Four aerators have been ordered of the six that were approved. Will be delivered by this coming week.

2) New Business

3) Good of the Club

- a) Thank Kori
- b) Donations for Christmas bonus for staff going well have until 12/17
- c) Bow 'N Stern looking for help
- d) Apprentice meeting in the cove
- e) Shutdown from Jan 2-13th, depending if things get done early. We won't shut down any longer than we have to.

Adjourned at 7:51pm.

Respectfully submitted by Candace Pitts





CORRECTION: The Editor wishes to apologize to Brad Gruneberg for repeatedly attributing his sailboat Bataleur's ownership to Dan Kerpe in several previous newsletters. The Editor also believes he overheard Brad mumbling something under his breath, while walking away, to the effect that Dan Kerpe could only dream to have a boat as nice as Bataleur, but this can not be independently verified.



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Contact the club to get a brochure, arrange a visit or request a one-time one day pass.

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