

Commodore's Comments

Welcome to 2023. I can't believe we're only a few months away from the sailing season, but I wish it would get here sooner. We've been lucky so far with some fair weather, but it looks like our fortunes may be turning and the 'real' winter is about to rear its head.

I know we're all occupied with our winter hobbies, work, kids activities and the like and the LBYC might now be top of mind, but it's the season when the Board puts in all the hard work to get the club ready for a great summer.

Sailing schedules, PRO assignments, Social committees and more are all well on their way thanks to the efforts of Sailing Commodore - Tim Lange and Social Chairperson - Christine McNeil. I repeat their thank you's to everyone who has already stepped up to volunteer for the 2023 season. You can find a preliminary schedule on the calendar page of the website.

Membership renewal starts this coming Wednesday, February 1st. Watch your email for a message from me with the renewal link.

I hope you all stay warm and well through the winter season. Reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

- Vicki Clayton

**Membership Renewal starts
February 1st.**

\$50 late fee begins April 1st.

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2022 ILYA Member of the Year



The Inland Lake Yachting Association honored Beulah's Al Haeger with the Hunt Trophy for his endless work promoting scow sailing. Al is the creative force behind SailZing, a website reaching internationally to promote scow sailing. SailZing provides education in the form of rules, tuning guides, videos and interviews with the nation's best.

Al has served the ILYA wearing many hats. For many years he was the MC fleet representative. He was noted for the communication he provided the fleet but listening regularly to their desires via formal surveys and contact. Al led the charge with several others in the 2017 Fair Sailing initiative - an educational series to actively change behavior on the race course by teaching rules in an interactive manner using the SailZing platform - and by his and others' example on the water and shore. In 2022, Al served the ILYA as chair of the Sailing Directors Council which is a body of sailing school directors who collaborate to improve the administration of local schools.

The ILYA is proud of Al's distinguished work and energy to promote scow sailing. Lake Beulah Yacht Club is proud to call him our own.

Congratulations, Al!

From the Sailing Commodore

I hope you all had a wonderful Holiday season and were able to spend time with your loved ones. What a welcome change was 2022 after the previous 2 years! This past year we got some semblance of normal back and we were able to complete another great summer of enjoying sailing. As the calendar turned to 2023, we are focusing on getting our sailing schedule set for this next summer. The good news is we have a tentative schedule posted for you to review. As always it subject to change! This year will be a big year for LBYC, hosting many larger regattas. The X-Fleet will be hosting The Quad Lakes Regatta in June and the C Fleet will be hosting the C-Invite in July. A big thanks goes out to those who have volunteered their time already as well as all those that will lend a hand next summer. The more detailed volunteer schedule will come out in the spring!

I often reflect on how our wonderful volunteers allow LBYC to be so successful and keep the strong tradition of sailing alive and well in our community. This is what makes LBYC TRULY a special place!

- Tim Lange



Candace Porter is the recipient of the **2022 Huse ILYA Sportsmanship Trophy**. We all know Candace's many years of service to the LBYC as board member, social chair, race committee, webmaster, regatta chairperson, the list goes on and on. During these years she's been equally, if not more (if you can believe it) active within the ILYA.

Congratulations Candace, on the well deserved recognition!

Mark your calendars:

**MC & C Warm-Up
Saturday, May 20th**

**Fleet Meetings
Friday, May 26th**

**Opening Party
Saturday, May 27th**

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Socially Speaking

Hello all! Hope the winter is treating you well so far. I have been working through the social schedule for this year. Thank you to those of you who have stepped up to be committee chairs. Thank you in also to all our legal bartenders. I have updated the social assignments incorporating the requests that came in after the first release. The committee changes I have made are in red on the website. I have also added the legal bartender assignments to this revision. I have added a revision number and a date that I last updated the list so you can tell if I have updated it since your requests have been made. **The assignments can be viewed here: <https://lbyc.us/social-committees>.**

If I misspelled your name, didn't accommodate a request you made, or you have a request to change committees – please don't hesitate to reach out (email ceporter17@gmail.com). The sooner the requests come in – the easier it is to make the trades. I would love to make your social volunteer work this summer as enjoyable as possible.

The committees may change as we see the membership dues come in and gain or lose members. In case you missed it, we will be offering average points (not redress) to sailors that serve on social committees on Wednesday nights. There are a few members who I have double tapped for social this year – so please look for all the listings of your name.

I hope you all have a great rest of the winter and can't wait to see you on the water in Spring/Summer!

– *Christine McNeil*



Christmas Party in Photos

Big thanks to the Committee pictured below: Tonja & Max Hall, Seaverson Family, Karen Peters & Charles Frank, Don & Carol Stein and Lisa Whittet. Fun was had by all! Great and plentiful food, live music, a holiday cocktail and games to top it off!!



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House & Grounds

by: Greg Thomas

The big waggle began on December 13 when an earlier sunrise was greeted by a sunset that occurred later in the day. Spring is coming besides the gloomy January overcast skies when the sun seems to disappear. There was only nine (9) hours and four (4) minutes of daylight hours at the Winter Solstice, but daylight hours have improved after the Solstice on December 21 at 15:47.

Work Day: Saturday, October 15, 2022

The tradition of a Work Week preceding Word Day was once again offered this year. Starting on Monday, October 10, Work Day activities occurred at the building from 9:00 to 1:00 offering the opportunity to anyone who wants to help but had a schedule conflict on the Saturday October 15 date.

Tools and materials were provided with a list of projects at tables set up in the foyer. Donuts, Coffee and Juice as always were provided on Work Day.

Twenty seven people participated in work week and work day; the sign in sheet included **Charles Kaska, John Becker, Pat Thomas, Steve Rotier Tom/ Barb Atkinson, Randy Schmidt, Marie LeRoy, Jay Hiller, Carol Klement, Joe Katcha, John Porter, Carrie/ Don Franzene, Steve/ Janet DeRaLeau, Dave Hazenfield, Vicki Clayton, Kathy Barth, Julie Haeger, Melanie Urben, Melissa Pruessing, Anne Muller, Ella Muller, Mike/ Dawn/ Riley Greeson.**

The building looked great and smelled better with the scent of Lysol permeating the air. Flags were removed, Volleyball Net Removed, Adirondack Chairs stored in shed, Touch-up painted walls, Repaired and touch-up painted kitchen walls, Replaced Office Fluorescent Tubes, Exterior cobwebs were brushed away.

Tennis nets were removed, rolling tractor put to bed in the shed and the shed was miraculous reorganization by **Mike Greeson** all of the outdoor furniture found a winter home in the transformed shed. Praise should go to **Don Franzene, Dave Hazenfield** and **John Porter** as the shed work team.

Joe Katcha showed his brush removal skills along the East Tennis court fence cutting down overgrowth and yanking buckthorn out by its roots. Rhamnus cathartica, the European buckthorn, common buckthorn, purging buckthorn, or just buckthorn, is a species of small tree in the flowering plant family Rhamnaceae. It is native to Europe, northwest Africa and western Asia. It is not native to Wisconsin.

Snow/ Ice Management

Past snow removal was accomplished by Lindey's for overflow parking permission during ice fishing season.

This year John Tamuzian has offered to plow the driveway and parking areas in exchange for parking privileges on the North side of the building.

No Parking Signs

Four new No Parking signs were placed around the parking lot area in early January. The signs were recommended by the Town of East Troy police to further reinforce the existing posted No Parking signs. The wording on the new No Parking signs mirrors the parking ordinance of the Town of East Troy. The police needed this type of sign to enforce the No Parking on LBYC property.

The Town of East Troy parking ordinance does not allow on street parking alone East Shore Road North and South of the intersection of Beach Road.

Tennis Courts

The sprinkler system was drained and winterized on Saturday, October 8. No damage was incurred by early in the season overnight low temperatures.

Irrigation Works plans to improve the intake system from the channel and to enclose the pump in a small pre-fab pump house. The intake to the sprinkler system is currently submerged in the channel between LBYC and Dockside. Access to the intake is difficult.

Ready for Next Summer

A mud plate was installed on November 22 at the intersection of the outreach and longitudinal sections of the Community pier. This was made necessary due to increased boat wake on the Lake and the load of numerous boats moored to the pier.

The Community T-Shaped Pier is an existing self-supporting pier built before April 2012. The proposed mud plat is not supporting the pier. The wood H-supports still sit on the bottom of the lake and act as the piers structural support. The proposed mud plate restricts the movement of the H-Support brackets of the pier resisting wave action and also the tugging force of a moored boat. The proposed mud plate does not restrict the flow of water around the pier. This follows the DNR Guidelines.

Electrical Preventative Maintenance

Foremost Electric provided preventive maintenance on the electrical system on Tuesday, September 27.

They replaced defective GFI exterior outlets discovered during the inspection and also repaired the Men's Bathroom recessed 2' x4' fluorescent light fixture. The fixture ballast was bad; converted the fluorescent to an LED fixture.

The building lost power on Sunday, September 25 for the second time this summer.

The main circuit was shut down when the main ground fault indicator in the electric room showed the building was not operating at full power.

The building still had single phase power but this scenario can damage equipment that uses the full 3 phase 120/208 power.

Foremost Electric submitted a proposal for the installation of a natural gas powered Kohler generator at the back of the building that will power essential equipment/ systems during a power outage. This price tag should be considered somewhat of an insurance policy protecting expensive equipment cooling/ heating equipment.

The cost is \$72,000.

Heating/ Cooling

Conditioned Air Design, LLC completed semi-annual inspection of exhaust fans and Air Handling Units 1 and 2. Recommended repairs to blower ignitor, blower bearings and controls was accomplished on Friday, November 25 on a beautiful fall day. These repairs need to be done to maintain equipment in good operating condition. The equipment cannot be readily replaced due to long lead times. Estimated cost to replace the two Air Handling Units that heat and cool the building is \$40,000.

The current repair bill for the two units was \$2,111.

Grille|

Assessment of exterior grille components made during Work Week involved most of the interior components of the grille. It was noted that the current ignitor does not light the grille but this battery operated spark is not reliable and the Operating Manual states that the ignitor access hole on the right hand side of the grille does a better job.

Replacement parts were ordered for the following:

Replace 4 Burners, 4 Stainless Steel Cooking Grates, Moonrock Heat Dissipating Stones and Grates. \$1,500

The grille is a professional natural gas grille manufactured by Performance Grilling Systems and has a replacement cost of \$6590.

Window Blinds – Dining Room

We received a quote to replace the dining room sun control blinds. The pull cords of the existing blinds are frayed and fragmented. The proposed replacement blinds would be a roller type translucent shade cloth of similar transparency to the existing with a reversed rollup action (the roller is concealed). The side of the blind that faces the glass is a coated solar reduction surface to reduce heat gain and glare. The replacement of the blinds is on hold for further research. \$3,040

House + Grounds to date in 2023

1. Reinforced the Community, T-Shaped pier: \$2,800
2. Repaired the Ground Mounted Air Handling Units; \$2,111
3. Replaced Interior Components of Exterior Gas Grille; \$1,500



House + Grounds in 2022

House + Grounds accomplished three main projects in 2022

1. Replace Lighting with LED Fixtures. Lighting fixtures have a serviceable life of 20 years. \$5,290
 2. Update Water Softener and Iron Curtain. \$3,160 – Eliminated need for multiple tanks reducing space needs
- As [art of the scope of work the well was chlorinated.
3. Installed six (6) High Definition Security Cameras with recording device and monitor. \$5,000
 4. We replaced the electric lock at the kitchen door after a delivery accident dis-lodged the key pad from its mounting pad. The amount of security codes that would unlock the door was reduced from 21 to 2. \$800
 5. The building exterior locksets were re-keyed in the spring. All exterior doors were keyed alike. \$300
 6. A heat exchanger was installed on the ceiling of the walk-in cooler to assist the glycol cooling unit which refrigerates the underground beer lines to the bar tap. This prevents a foamy pour of your beer at the bar. \$300
 7. The trees surrounding the tennis courts were trimmed by Twilight Tree Service . Invasive buckthorn was removed from the boat ramp to East Shore Rd. \$1,195
 8. Town of East Troy, Department of Public Works back-filled the muskrat den cave-in holes in the gravel finish grade around the base of the crane. These holes were just outside the right of way. No Charge
 9. The crane ladder mysteriously disappeared this spring from the seawall adjacent the crane. This will be rebuilt using vertical framing members to assist launching boats into the water. Complete Piers replaced the ladder. \$800



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