



Commodore's Comments

We wrapped up the season well with 2 great regattas. Thanks to the Ward and Barr families for being such great hosts to our guests and showing the Lake Beulah hospitality.

As we head into fall we are starting work on the club renovations. The building committee has been hard at work with plans, bids, and getting work started. We are moving along with plans for tree removal, parking expansion, and tennis court work. The patio is not far behind as we solidify details on the bids. Thanks to the hard work of the committee led by Ted Kennedy with Lance Rosenmayer and John Russell and recent additions Andy Stein and Kate Haeger.

Work week is upon us so help close up the club. Thanks to the Challenge race committee crew of Candace Porter, Don Franzene, and Charles Kaska for cleaning out the committee boat and putting things away for winter storage.

Hopefully some of you will help us empty our kegs with the 2 Badger game days featuring free beer so we don't pour so much down the drain and some Friday Night Bites fare.

Hope to see some of you for the final weeks on the water, wrapping up with USODA opti regatta on Lake Geneva and C Worlds on Delavan this weekend.

- Anne Muller

Welcome New Board Members:

Kate Dorn Lillwitz, Melissa Pruessing & Caroline Skotarzak. *Get to know them inside*

Last day to use the Crane Sunday, October 13th

Beulah goes 1-2-4-5 at C Blue Chip



Kent Haeger and Mike Greeson win! Haeger now tops the list with most C Blue Chips wins in history.

Augie and Ron Jarecki 2nd. Mystery guest Steph Roble with Cullen Barr tied for third but lost the tie-breaker. Peter Keck and Ben Porter were 5th.



WATCH PARTIES

9.28 @ USC



10.12 @ RUTGERS

Get to Know LBYC's New Board Members



Greetings from your new Social Chair! I am about to celebrate my three year anniversary of living on Beulah – I love it here! I grew up in Madison on Lake Mendota and it's a novel concept that you can get CLEAN in the lake.

A little about me: I spend most of my time here (I live in the Skotartzak house, on Mill), but occasionally you can find me at my house in Andersonville on the north side of Chicago. I prefer to spend my time hosting friends and family, in/on the water, or being with my dogs, but I finance it by serving as Chief Marketing and Customer Experience Officer for a private equity-backed dermatology roll-up based in Cincinnati. My dogs Henry and Myles are my constant companions, and my parents Peter and Lori spend a fair amount of time at the lake with us.

I've loved getting to know Lake Beulah via the passionate group that is the LBYC membership. I was helped along by some nudges (shoves?) from Judy Skotartzak and I am looking forward to leading the charge to keeping our traditions fresh and lively, while also increasing programming with new ideas.

As Judy and her posse have taught me, it takes a village! Thank you in advance for contributing your time, ideas and creativity to work alongside me to keep this member-run club active and vibrant. Please reach out any time via phone, text or email. Or better yet, stop by for a glass of wine.

Melissa Pruessing

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Hello Lake Beulah Yacht Club. My Name is Kate Dorn Lillwitz. I grew up sailing on this lake and love that that the tradition is now being pass on to my 3 sons – George, Charlie, and John. You can find them sailing X-boats and optis. We spend winters in Arlington Heights, IL and in the summers we are in the bay just south of the yacht club. We are lucky enough to live next door to my mom, Mitzy Dorn. The Lake Beulah community has meant so much to me over the years and is foundational to the person I am today. I'm so happy to be able to give back by serving on the board.

Kate Lillwitz

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Hi, I'm Caroline Skotartzak, and I'll be the LBYC secretary for the next three years. I am a third generation yacht club member, and have loved growing up in this community. I'm excited to be able to start giving back. Many of you know me, but please reach out if you have any questions or just want to connect! (In the summers you can find me on the C boat course under the pink numbers.) Looking forward to working with all of you.

Caroline Skotartzak

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From the Sailing Commodore

It's been a great summer and hard to believe fall is here. With all the regattas on the lake this summer, it provided a great opportunity to show the sailing community what a special place the Lake Beulah Yacht Club truly is. The trophy dinner, the Dorn, and Challenge all were success events. Thanks to all the volunteers this past year that served on the race committee, chase, and judge boats. This club only operates as well as we do because we have many volunteers that make this club work.

We have reached out to a few members to serve as regatta chairs and fleet captains. Thanks to everyone that has stepped up already as we make plans for another great sailing season in 2025. If anyone has any comments or suggestion for the 2025 sailing season, please don't hesitate to email me at kennedytedj@gmail.com.

- Ted Kennedy

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Socially Speaking

As I dive in head first (if you haven't figured it out yet, I'm not a wader!) I want to thank all of the people who are helping me get my arms around the breadth and depth of this Social Chair gig. There are too many to name but I would be remiss not to send **a huge thank you to Christine McNeil** not only for all of the effort she put into transitioning her knowledge, but also all of the work she did over the past two years to advance the social program to meet the needs and desires of members. I have big shoes to fill.

In addition to onboarding and learning the ropes, I am focused on recruiting (and retaining!) the many leaders that we need to chair event committees and shepherd ongoing initiatives such as the bar program, yoga and Friday Night Bites, to name a few. **If there is an activity you'd like to lead or you're ready to step up and be a committee chair, please reach out to me directly.**

I am fleshing out ideas like a regular pickleball league or tournaments, expanding Friday Night Bites to more dates and bringing back the wine tasting series (to name a few) but would love to hear what else you are hoping to see at LBYC. **Do you have an idea for a new event, bringing back a former event or a way to make an existing event even better?** Please share it.

Speaking of former events, if you haven't heard, we are bringing back football viewing at LBYC. I hope to see some of you at the club this Saturday to cheer on the Badgers as they take on USC and we **drink free draft beer**. (The rest of the bar will be available as well, it just won't be free.) If you can't come this weekend, the club will be open again in two weeks when Bucky travels to play Rutgers.

Melissa Pruessing

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PS - Mark your calendars! 2025 Opening Party is Saturday May 24th - see you in 238 days.



WATCH PARTY

09.28.2024

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WATCH PARTY

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LBYC PROJECT UPDATE

The building committee continues to make great strides in reviewing bids and making contracts for the upgrades to our club. The board approved the hiring of Voss Construction for the courts; work to begin as soon as the county approves our permit which should be any day now. We hired Good Touch Painting, to paint the exterior and James Taylor and Sons to replace the roof. Plans for the patio are almost complete, and once complete, we will file a permit and expect the work to begin this fall, as planned.

The committee has also met to discuss the inside renovations that will take place a year from now. Our goal is to complete these renovations with the least amount of interruption to club activities. Thanks for all the great ideas from the members of LBYC!

— TED KENNEDY

Nan Norris Beulah Challenge

18 Boats competed with Kent Haeger and Mike Greeson taking victory with a 1-1-2 finish. Many thanks to the Barr family for the great meals and RC led by Brian Buzzell from Delavan for getting in 3 races on Saturday. Unfortunately, the weather did not allow for Sunday racing.



1st
Kent Haeger & Mike Greeson



2nd
Kate & Will Haeger



3rd
Michael Barr & Hailey Greeson

MC Racing News

Dorn Memorial

Many thanks to the Wards and the Dorn/Knopf and Will families who served up wonderful meals and hospitality. Fred Barkow PRO from Cedar and local support crew pulled together a full 5 race regatta with challenging directions and breezy & cool conditions. The chase boat and spectators alike got in on the action keeping every one of the 34 boats safe on the water. Chris Kubicek top Grand Master and Beulah boat in 3rd. Mike Greeson 5th, David Porter top Mega-Master 7th, Vicki Clayton Top Female 8th, Alex Mueller Top Youth 9th.

MC Blue Chip

5 Beulah sailors (David Porter, Christine McNeil (moonlighting MC'er), Vicki Clayton, Keith Beren & Christy Will) headed to MC Blue Chip at Spring Lake Yacht Club, MI last weekend (Chris Kubicek and Andrea Jarecki also received invitations). Unfortunately, the regatta saw lack luster wind conditions, the story of 2024. None the less 3 races were competed on Saturday afternoon. The story of this event was clearly the level of female participation, with a record 6 female competitors it was a significant moment. To top it off Olivia Windemuller from SLYC won the event, the first ever female winner. Let's keep it going ladies!

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Sidestays' Corner

Hello-

The Sidestays end of season general meeting went well, and some new ideas were suggested for next summer. The old and new boards are meeting September 20 to transfer officer information and start discussing some of these ideas. If there are any activities/events you would like considered, please reach out to me.

Peggy Krueger reported Sidestay's Lunch & Learn programming had a very successful summer. Katie Dorn Lillwitz started us out with her presentation describing her family's four years living in Singapore. So very interesting. Peg SanFilippo followed with a quick course in wine - everything from how she became a wine connoisseur, including journalism, and becoming a level 3 sommelier. We walked away more informed and with many tips. Our August lunch brought out many guests - husbands joined in to hear from George Grubis about his career as a pilot. So many questions answered and so much information shared. Each program was unique but each also was just fantastic.

Dates for next year's business meetings and Lunch and Learns will be shared once they are finalized. Stay in touch.

Warmly,

Lucy Thelin Atac
Sidestays president



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SAT. 9/28 BADGER WATCH PARTY (USC) 2:00p

SAT. 10/5 ET COMMUNITY SILENT AUCTION 5:00p

SAT. 10/12 BADGER WATCH PARTY (RUTGERS) TBD

MON. 10/14 CRANE REMOVED FROM SERVICE

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