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## ILYA Mourns Passing of Walter Schmidt -Okauchee



It is with a heavy heart, the ILYA reports the passing of another Past Commodore of the Association, 1977-78. Wally was known as a man with an even hand and a heart that contained sailing blood. He perhaps is the most decorated Commodore the association has seen. He was the champion of the C Wisconsin Yachting Association six times - a feat surpassed only by his own son, Stephen. Wally served as Commodore of that association in 1962-64. He also served as Admiral of the ILYA Bilge Pullers from 1973-74. The above photo shows Walter's induction into the ILYA Hall of Fame. He was present at the christening of the ILYA Hall of Fame site at Lake Geneva Yacht Club. As his record demonstrates, Wally was a man of service. Below Wally is shown right of Jane Pegel cutting the ribbon to mark the permanent home of the HOF.



What really stands out so glaringly is the sense of family Wally maintained. It was rare to attend any event at Okauchee where he did not put in an appearance to watch his son, his daughter and assorted grandsons as they participated. As recently as last year's ILYA Championship event, daughter-in-law Wendy assured he attended the ILYA Bilge Pullers annual dinner. His marriage of 67 years is exemplified with this statement from daughter Jeannie Andreski, "He died of a broken heart four months four days and 14 hours after his wife of 67 years". He held all his children and grandchildren in his heart with the same regard, love and devotion.



From the editor -- there is a special club for ILYA Past Commodores. Perhaps it is the care for those who share in a pastime you carry in common for the eight years you serve on the Executive Committee or the multitude of years of service before and after that eight years.

But there is a bond with that special small group of individuals, a silent trust that denotes a willingness to listen and guide. I knew Wally was "in my corner" during a most difficult time in this organization. He was my personal cheerleader and was always sure to thank me for any task he saw me completing. For me it was his smile; his quick, determined, characteristic step - he had a bounce; that mischievous sparkle that belied the fun he enjoyed with sailing, his family, his friends; but, most importantly, his honesty in all he approached in my dealings with him. He was a voice I could hear. ---- There was nothing prouder than a dad watching his son surpass his own record wins in the WYA, shown below.



Here is the family's formal obituary:

After a lifetime blessed by God, Wallie entered into eternal life on July 22, at the age of 90 and rejoins his beloved wife Nancy P. Schmidt of 67 years. Proud Father of Peter (Donna) Schmidt, Stephen (Wendy) Schmidt, Paul (Pamela) Schmidt and Jean (Christopher) Andreski; loving Papa to 12 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren. He is further survived by nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Wallie graduated from Marquette University in 1951 and Marquette Law School in 1954. He went into private practice and after many years of being a sole practitioner, founded the firm now known as Schmidt Rupke Tess-Mattner & Fox.

In his lifetime, he enjoyed memberships and friendships, and served at the highest level of many organizations including; Okauchee Lake Yacht Club, Inland Lakes Yachting Assoc., ILYA Bilge Pullers, Chenequa Country Club as well as others. Wallie was an excellent sailor and won many championships over the years as recognized by his admittance into the ILYA Hall of Fame in 2010. He loved competition whether it was in the court room, sailing, golfing, playing cards or throwing jarts in the yard.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held for family only, Saturday, August 1, 2020 at St. Jude the Apostle in Wauwatosa, WI at 10am for both Wallie and Nancy. Masks and social distancing are required. There will be no visitation. The family thanks all of you who contributed to their lifetime of joy.

Memorials to Marquette University High School or Marquette Law School would be appreciated.

## Lake Geneva to Host Dinghyfest Week

## GLSS Dinghyfest is ON August 10-13! - Registration posted next week

### X's - Monday Aug. 10 – Tuesday Aug 11

All YC's will be assigned a launching location and kept together:

 Fontana (14 X's) – Dry sail from Fontana boat launch, Gordy's/Boathouse restrooms available

。 Williams Bay (20 X's) – Launch Sunday evening or Monday morning w/

mooring/anchoring off of Edgewater Park Sunday and Monday (BYO Mooring). Private use of Williams Bay Police Dept. launch and Café Calamari parking lot for vehicle/trailer storage

• South Shore Club (15 X's, launch Sunday from LGYC)

• Launch assignments/locations by sailor and club, along with detailed maps of each location, will be issued after registration.

· No food will be provided or served.

 $_{\odot}$  Lunch break will be on the water with time for teams to run to use restrooms as needed

· GLSS/LGYC facility will be closed to participants except GLSS sailors.

Emergency, portable restrooms will be available on the LGYC grounds near the waterfront, as well as at Williams Bay and Fontana

7 races scheduled (4 Monday, 3 Tuesday)

Sailors and support personnel will be required to wear face coverings while on land and piers.

 All participants will be required to sign releases and waivers in regards to LGYC and GLSS, along with our Attestation & Infection Protocols, plus Sailors and Parents Code(s) of Conduct (via Docusign)

## Opti's – Wednesday Aug 12 – Thursday Aug 13

 $\cdot$  All Opti's will be assigned a socially distanced rigging location in a numbered parking spot

 $\cdot$  No food will be available or served from LGYC and the GLSS/LGYC facility will be closed to participants except GLSS sailors.

Portable restrooms will be available on the LGYC grounds near the waterfront

• Sailors and support personnel will be required to wear face coverings while on land and piers.

 All participants will be required to sign releases and waivers in regards to LGYC and GLSS, along with our Attestation & Infection Protocols, plus Sailors and Parents Code(s) of Conduct (via Docusign)

Support personnel limited to one adult per boat.

## M14's – Wednesday Aug 12 – Thursday Aug 13

· All M14's will be assigned a socially distanced rigging location on the lawn

No food will be available or served from LGYC and the GLSS/LGYC facility will be closed to participants except GLSS sailors.

Portable restrooms will be available on the LGYC grounds near the waterfront

 $\cdot$  Sailors and support personnel will be required to wear face coverings while on land and piers.

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## 2021 Sales and Orders - Comes Sooner than You Know IT!

End of year purchases - with fewer regattas, the opportunity to post boats, sails and trailers is diminished. Scowlines will post equipment for a short month to facilitate the transfer of equipment to continue the growth in our fleets. Remember the Fall discounts from our manufacturers and suppliers. You help with their financial planning with the Fall pre-ordering process. You may also post for a price on the ILYA website which has a more open

readership..

To start us off: **Wanted** - double trailer for X boats. for winter storage. Contact Jennifer Herz from Delavan. 262-903-5848

# 2020 Calendar

#### July

25 - 26 WYA X : Pewaukee
27 ILYA No Tears Opti : North Lake
CANCELLED
27 - Aug 1 ILYA X Champs : Pewaukee
30 - ECESA Regatta - Chautauqua
CANCELLED

### August

3 - 4 ILYA Opti Champs : Pine
7 - 8 X Blue Chip : Cedar
7 - 9 C WYA : NOT Delavan; TBD
10-11 GLSS X
12-13 GLSS Optimist
9 - 11 Opti Blue Chip : LaBelle
CANCELLED
12 - 14 ILYA Champs - A & MC : Okoboji
CANCELLED AT OKOBOJI
16 - 18 ILYA Champs C and E : Okobji CANCELLED AT OKOBOJI
19 - 22 MC Nationals : LOCATION TBD

September 12 - 13 Dorn MC : Beulah - Undetermined at this time 12 - 13 Maxinkuckee C and MC 17 MC Masters - Clear 19 - 20 C Blue Chip : Okauchee -CANCELLED Lake Fenton Michigan Fall Regatta 25 - 27 E Blue Chip : Pewaukee CANCELLED 25 - 27 USODA Midwest Opti : Geneva 26 - 27 Nan Norris C Challenge : Beulah date given to C Nationals, if needed 26 - 27 Lotawana Fall C

October 3-4 Polar Bear C and MC - Davenport

To help regatta organizers plan and create excitement amongst your fleet, register now and invite your fellow sailors.

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