



Commodore's Corner

Mike Stewart



We have another winter in the record books. Barb and I are looking forward to a fun filled summer at the island. All in all the winter was good. Our boat is back in Port Clinton and hopefully the repairs will be completed soon, so we are told. I know I speak for everyone who attended the land cruise when I say "well done". Paula and Rocky Gross engineered an enjoyable party with delicious food and great music.

Doug and Donna Wilson worked hard to bring all who attended really nice door prizes. Sorry big guys, the little guy won the remote control car. (A remote controlled car was won by Scott Doty's son)

Thanks for your effort and dedication. The club is now opened for another season. With the spiraling price of fuel, lets all make the club a destination to enjoy. I would like to have a commodore's breakfast, chili cook off, card parties, bingo, and maybe a child/grandchild weekend. More details will be posted on the website and in the gazebo. Please contact Paula and Rocky with ideas to fill the weekends. I also would like to thank Dora Dirrman for the fantastic job she did on the MBIYC Year book. This is a reference book that takes many hours to put together, thanks again. See you at the club.

Mike Stewart
Commodore



Entertainment Report

Rocky & Paula Gross

First we would like to say a big **THANK YOU** to all for coming to the Land Cruise and sorry to all that couldn't attend. The turnout was fantastic we had around 108 people for dinner and everyone really enjoyed the great food and MonAmi provided the music with Key Motion in their Chalet, Several returned to the hotel where we had the full use of the hospitality room provided by Fairfield Inn. All in all we hope everyone enjoyed. We received a lot of nice THANK YOU notes for a great party. These were really appreciated.

Well a new season is soon to begin so let's plan some PARTIES.

We would like to try and put together a calendar for different social events for weekends (example: Wine & Cheese, Children Weekend events, etc.) so anyone who would like to volunteer please contact us so we can start planning.

We also would like to know of any weekend cruises you would like to take and volunteers to get them together. We are trying to get one for Pelee Island possibly for the month of July or August.

We will need a lot of help getting the club opened and each Holiday event so let us know if you are interested. We would also like some feedback on how you think we could try and do for the side dishes for these events or how we can make sure we have enough so everyone gets to enjoy.

Well again looking forward to another wonderful season with all.

Rocky & Paula Gross

Vice Commodore

Scott Forward



Can't believe it is Spring already. Our boat is in the water and we are anxious for a great summer. All the dock contracts are in for the season and we have very few changes. If you are interested in working on a committee or helping with an event please let me or one of the other officers know. We are always looking for members who want to pitch in and help.

Opening day was Saturday May 6th. We got a good turn out of volunteers and finished by early afternoon. The Club provided lunch. This is a great way to meet your fellow Club members and kick the season off. Hope to see you at the club. Scott

TREASURER'S REPORT

JOHN WIERZCHOWSKI



Well, six weeks of the 2006 boating season are behind us and we just opened the club. Mystic Flight hit the water on 3/31 but weather prevented us from making our annual March visit to Kelley's.

At this writing membership dues for 2006 have been collected and our membership currently stands at 378. Also completed is the collection of seasonal dock fees for 2006.

Current cash assets are:

Checking Account:	\$ 27,768
Savings Account:	\$ 56,859
Building Funds:	\$ 232,999
Total Cash:	\$ 317,626

The club is now open and we look forward to seeing many of you throughout the season. We also need all the volunteers we can get to help with various jobs throughout the year. This fall we will be electing a new flag and this means we will need new chairpersons for many of the committees.

Thank you to those who indicated their willingness to participate on their membership renewal but don't stop there. If you have not been contacted, please give anyone on the Board of Directors a call and find out how you can help. This is YOUR Club!

I-LYA

Kay Soka

MBIYC was represented at the Fall and Spring I-LYA meetings held in Sandusky, OH. At the Fall meeting, we again hosted a hospitality suite featuring special beers, a selection of wines and hors d'oeuvres. It was a good chance to tell others about MBIYC; several asked for membership applications.

Saturday sessions at both meetings were directed at planning for this year's I-LYA Regattas: Junior Sail, Power and Senior Sail. The Power Regatta is July 26-30 at Put-in-Bay. Senior Sail is July 28-August 2. If you are interested in either of these events and have not received registration materials, visit the I-LYA website at www.i-lya.com. There are deadlines, so don't delay.

New this year is a Junior Power program being chaired by Gary Ryan of Ottawa River Yacht Club. The program will include a variety of boating related topics/activities: personal watercraft, knots, radio etiquette, Rules of the Road, predicted log, navigation, etc. One-day sessions will be held at five I-LYA locations, with a run-off for a trophy to be held in Sandusky Bay. If you have children ages 9-17 who would be interested in this activity, you can find an application on the I-LYA website (June 1 deadline) or contact Gary directly at gryan2161@cs.com.

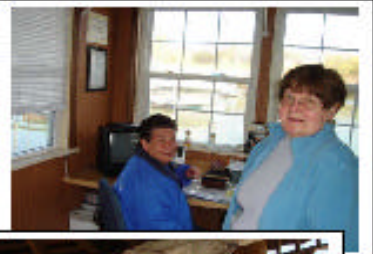
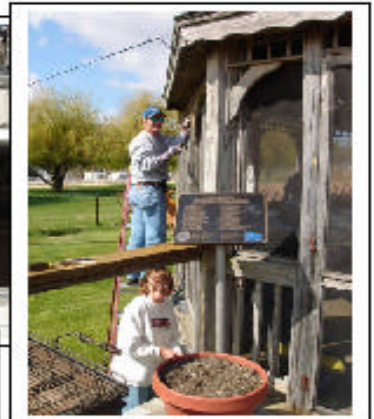
West Marine will again be the title sponsor for the I-LYA Regattas; their financial support is very important to the success of the events. So when you need boating-related products, please consider West Marine first—and be sure to tell them thank you for their support. I will have West Marine coupons available at the club for your use.

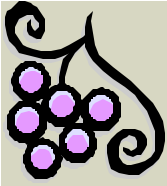
The I-LYA yearbook for 2006 will be available soon. Be sure to ask Judy for your copy when they arrive.

Kaye Soka, Delegate

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The Grapevine

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MBIYC Calendar of Events

May 27, 2006 Memorial Day Picnic
and
Vessel Safety Inspections

June 23-25, 2006 GCBA Rendezvous
Huron Boat Basin

July 1, 2006 Independence Day Picnic
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I-LYA at Put-in-Bay
West Marine Title Sponsor
July 16-20, 2006 I-LYA Junior Sail Regatta
July 26-30, 2006 I-LYA Power Regatta
July 28-31, 2006 I-LYA Deepwater Sail Regatta
July 31-August 3, 2006 I-LYA Senior Sail Regatta