

Commodore's Corner

John Coultrap



Now that summer has arrived in NE Ohio, plans for a fun filled season of events in and around MBIYC, are underway. All "systems are go" with completion of dock repairs due to winter damage, grounds beautification and a planned event schedule, by our entertainment committee, for all members to enjoy.

Make your plans to visit the club either by personal boat or ferry. Come and enjoy the benefits that island life has to offer and

the uniqueness of our facility. Remember...this is your club!

Your dock committee has worked diligently to enhance docking opportunities

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for non dock renting members through simple guidelines for renting members to follow. These guidelines relative to the reporting of non usage by renters during weekends, will help make

more docks available.

The dock committee reminds all members that dock usage to non-renters continues to be on a first come first served basis. As a result and for members only, be sure and hail Judy on channel 69 before you leave your marina, so she can determine if an appropriate dock, based on your boat size, will be available, when you arrive.

I look forward to meeting and greeting all of you when you visit our club on the "Isle de Fleur".

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF
MIDDLE BASS ISLAND YACHT CLUB

The Grapevine

2004 Yearbook

The Yearbook is out and I wanted to thank John and Cindy Wierzchowski for all their help with printing, and Mary Ann Coultrap for the editing. I hope everyone is enjoying it.

If you didn't get one, stop by the club and pick one up or send a request to have one mailed to you to James Franchello at membership@mbiyc.com.

See you on the 29TH

Dora Dirrman, Yearbook

Correction Regarding Upcoming Election

Rocky's in, John's out.

The Nominating Committee made a MISTAKE. Previously we published in the Grapevine the "Director's opening" was Rocky Gross's position. We were mistaken. It was brought to our attention after the Grapevine came out by several of our members who were on their toes. Thank each of you for notifying us.

The Club's Secretary, Joe Orahoske, has verified the

Director's position up for election is John Wierzchowski's who was voted in at the same time as Rocky. John was to take the "remaining portion" of an existing term. Sorry for the oversight.

The Nominating Committee

HELP!

For the last 2 1/2 years Cindy and I have published the Grapevine. Soon we hope to be moving on to new jobs with the Club.

We need someone to take over the newsletter as our last issue will be the one following Labor Day this year.

Please contact us if you are willing to help keep this Club moving forward.

John Wierzchowski, Editor

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From the Vice Mike Stewart



The club is open for the 2004 season! Welcome one and all!

Thank you to those who put forth effort to repair the winter damage to the docks

and open the club. We have several projects scheduled that will require help in the near future.

The dock committee has decided to put water on A and N docks. We intend to spruce up N dock by covering the main walkway and painting the finger docks. Anyone interested in volunteering with these projects should contact me at 937-836-1304 or e-mail me at vice_commodore@mbiyc.com. Judy, our Dockmaster, will have the schedule for the work parties in her office.



From the Rear Scott Forward



Hey everyone, it is finally warming up outside and we are ready for a fun-filled summer of boating. The dock committee has been working hard to make the club more accessible to all members. We were able to offer docks to quite a few members on the waiting list this season due to some long time members retiring from

boating and the relocation of existing dock holders to better accommodate the larger boats.

The winter is always rough on the docks, but the minor damage from last winter has already been repaired. The club is open, so make plans to visit the club soon.

Please remember that season dock holders must call Judy by 2 p.m. on Friday's to let her know if they are using their season dock. This will give all members the opportunity to enjoy the club.

Membership Matters

James Franchello

Welcome Aboard New Members! The following people are new to the club. We look forward to meeting you soon and wish you a warm welcome to the club!

MARTIN & LINDA DIEPERINK
MIDDLE BASS ISLAND, OH
FRED & DEBBIE SPURCK
TIFFIN, OH
DAVE & PAM MORRIS
VERMILION, OH
ERIC HISE
GENOA, OH
CURTIS (WADE) & MARCY LONG
POWELL, OH
MARK & KAY HEIGH
GAHANNA, OH

The current membership stands at 432. When sponsoring a new member you can get a copy of the current membership application from the club website, from Judy Hill (our Dock Master), or by writing to me by email or snail mail. Please be sure that the new member completes the application fully and that you sign and clearly print your name and membership number on the application. I have no choice but to return incomplete or incorrectly filled in applications.

Here is a quick reminder about keeping track of work hours. When you complete a work detail be sure to put an entry in the workbook in the Dock Master's office. Please print your name and member number along with the job you completed

and the total hours that you worked. This will prevent confusion at the end of the year when we try to credit member accounts. Please write your name and number as clearly as possible to avoid any confusion.

May your season be filled with sunny skies and favorable seas! See you on the water.



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Entertainment Report

Don & Carol Stouder



The Independence weekend picnic will take place on Saturday July 3^d with Lunch starting at 1:00PM. Cost will be \$6.00 per person. (Increase due to higher food and supply costs.) Bring a passing dish to share. This is always a great time with plenty of food, Entertainment, and several raffles. We look forward to seeing you.

Cruises:

Cedar Point: June 25-27. Contact Larry and Ginny Ohler for details. Reservations should be made directly with Cedar Point Marina at 888-273-6257.

Ford Yacht Club: July 23-25. Spots are also going fast for our trek to our friends at the on the Detroit River. Get your reservations and deposit in ASAP this trip usually fills up.

Leamington Marina: August 20-23. Tomato Fest Weekend with lot of activities around town. Guarantees to be

a great time.

To reserve your spot for the Ford and Leamington cruises, fill out the form below, or online at MBIYC.com. Send with check for **\$25.00** made out to MBIYC and submit to Don and Carol Stouder 7622 Wilton Lane North Royalton, OH. 44133. Phone is 440-582-2318.

We are looking for help to coordinate activities with cruises, picnics, and purchasing of club supplies. Great way to get more involved in our club. If interested contact Don and Carol Stouder at entertainment@mbiyc.com.

All members are reminded to call **419.285.9971** to reach the Dockmaster for questions on dock availability. Use of the toll-free club number is intended for use by the members who have paid for seasonal dockage to let the dockmaster know when their dock is available for others to use. **THANKS—MBIYC Board**



Summer's *HERE!*

Reserve Your Slot for great fun with MBIYC Cruises Now

Although charges for the summer cruises have not been finalized yet, we need to know if you plan to participate. Please complete and send this card to us with your cruise choice indicated. We will then be in contact as the cruise planning progresses. Come on along—Have some fun!

? Cedar Point Cruise 6/25-27 Ford Yacht Club Cruise 7/23-25 ? Leamington Cruise 8/21-23
(Reserve with Cedar Point) *(\$25.00 Deposit)* *(\$25.00 Deposit)*

Name _____ MBIYC Member No. _____

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Home Phone _____ Other Phone _____

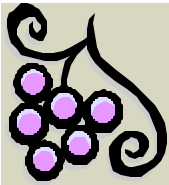
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Mail To: Don Stouder, 7622 Wilton Lane, North Royalton, OH 44133—Call (440) 582-2318 with any questions.





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MBIYC Calendar of Events

May 29, 2004	Memorial Day Picnic MBIYC
June 25-27, 2004	Cedar Point Cruise Cedar Point Marina, Sandusky OH
July 3, 2004	Independence Day Picnic MBIYC
July 23-25, 2004	Ford Yacht Club Cruise Ford Yacht Club, Detroit, MI
August 21-23, 2004	Leamington Cruise Leamington Marina, Leamington, ON
September 4, 2004	Annual Meeting & Labor Day Picnic MBIYC
TBA	MBIYC Club Closing MBIYC
February 2005	LandCruise 2004 TBD