

Clear Lake Yacht Club

WINDWORD



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Commodore's Commentary

Greetings from the Commodore's chair...The lazy, hazy, stormy days of summer have finally arrived. Despite some horrendous storms and a lot of water, the Yacht Club has held up well and is providing a place of fun and recreation for all. The ski club has been organizing acts and teaching new members in preparation for the July 26th ski show. The ski club dances have continued to be a success, due not only to the efforts of the ski club members, but also to their parents who help organize and chaperone the events. The sailing club has enjoyed some excellent sailing days with only one race cancelled this year due to weather. The tennis club held their tennis classes with much praise going to Leo Weber and Barb Wenger for their outstanding patience with the students. The bar has been hopping with the success of the TGIFs.

The Commodore's Ball is right around the corner. Hopefully, everyone has received an invitation by now. Since many of us are from the 50's and 60's era, we are hosting the Commodore's Sock Hop. Dig out your letter sweater and poodle skirts and come join the fun. We will have a DJ playing all your old time favorites and we'll be serving barbecued ribs and chicken among other things. The bar staff will even be serving up their own version of chocolate malts. Mark your calendars for August 9th and plan to come and have a ball.

Dan McArdle,
Commodore



Commodore's Ball Sock Hop

Saturday, August 9, 2003

6:30 pm Cocktails
7:30 pm Dinner

\$20.00 / person

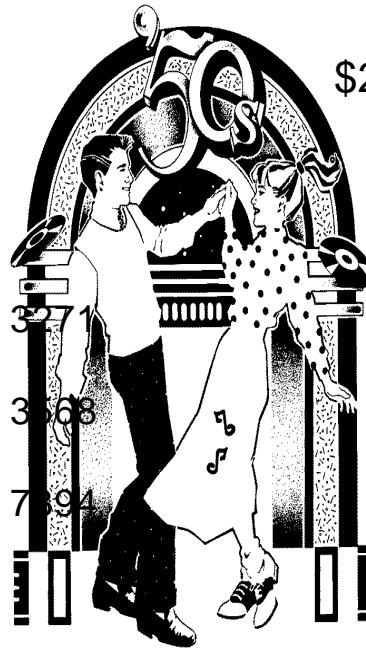
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Dan McArdle

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General Membership Meeting

Sat., August 16
10:00 AM



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Let's Get **Acquainted!**

Please welcome these newest members to the Clear Lake Yacht Club.

Paul and Becky Allison
Don and Sandy Ayres
Jeff and Shelly Bankey, Andy 15
Norm and Judy Hipskind
Abbey Jerger
George and Kathy Schenkel
Alan and Brenda Stephens,
Zachary 12, Erin 7, Tyler 6
Eric and Kit Tyler
Ken and Jeanne Willis
Tom and Gretchen Ziem

We hope to see all of you



POTLUCK GRILL-OUT

Friday, August 1

Purchase your meat at the club. For side dishes, if your last name begins with:

- A - I: Please bring an appetizer
- J - R: Please bring a covered dish
- S - Z: Please bring a dessert



Treasure Hunt

Saturday, August 30, 8:00 PM



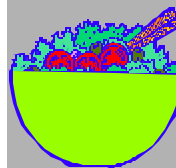
Be at the Yacht Club with your team and a car, flashlights and pen and paper and your thinking cap. Teams can be as many people as you want as long as they all fit in the car. From clue to clue you never know where you'll end up next. This fast paced evening will keep you moving and trying to get an edge on all of the other teams. This evening ranks right up there at the top of the most fun list- if you haven't ventured in, try it- you'll like it. Tricks? You bet! Stumpers? Even better! Don't get left in the

Ladies,

Tired of serving the same foods when you have a house full of company? Come to the yacht club for a recipe exchange. Bring your favorite recipe for breakfast, lunch, dinner, snacks, desserts, etc.

We will meet August 5 at 12:00 noon. Please bring a salad. Beverages will be provided. RSVP to Joyce Schavey at 495-2640.

PS. Dress code very casual (shorts).



Ladies Luncheon

Approximately 52 women were treated to a very special afternoon at the yacht club. Jody

Horein and Sue Dickes hosted the event, consisting of lunch, followed by entertainment. After a delicious meal catered by Caruso's, two of Jody's dear friends presented the program. Ginny Johnson sang for us, while Dona Longbons accompanied her on keyboard. What a delightful and talented twosome! Thank you, Jody and Sue.

Next year's luncheon will be hosted by Molly Nagle. If you or any of your friends would like your name added to the invitation list, contact Molly at 495-7712 or 219-464-4807.



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Thanks Thanks Thanks

We would especially like to thank those families who hosted the Sunset Cruise on July 19th...

Alan & Sue Korte and Rick and Cathy Johnston hosted our first stop with an amazing array of appetizers.

A huge thank you to Jo McGregor & Will Seward along with Leo & Betty Weber for graciously hosting the middle stop. The dinner was exceptional.

Thanks to Mike & Pat Franz for the final stop and all of the remarkable desserts.

The cruise was most definitely a memorable evening for all those who attended. The weather was perfect and the hosts most gracious. Thanks also to the boat drivers who volunteered to drive for the evening. One sure-fire way of going on the cruise is to be a host. We are always looking for families to host the "future" Sunset Cruises. If interested, please call Joyce Schavey, our social chairperson for 2004, at 495-2640.

Thanks

More thank you's go out to those people who have hosted the Friday night TGIFs. Thanks to JoAnn Sweeney, Patti Dresser, Kay Short, Julie Monson and Molly Nagel who coordinated a Friday evening. Thank you to the Tennis Club for hosting another spectacular evening. Thanks to Marty & Julie Zachrich and Larry & Joyce Schavey for hosting the second annual Steak-Out.

The attendance has been outstanding on Friday nights and we've had lots and lots of fun!

If you have not yet hosted a Friday TGIF, please consider doing so for next season. Get together with another family (or even two) and start making plans for next year! What fun we will have!!!

Thank you to Cricket Gay for all of his work in providing the Rib Dinner for the ski club. What a great dinner - great food, great friends!

Tradition of the CLYC

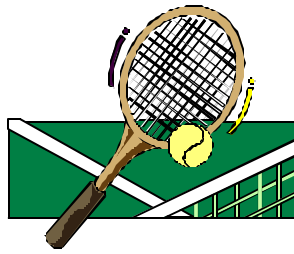
Sitting on the Clear Lake Yacht Club deck last weekend watching a full moon rise over the east shore, I paused to contemplate how many conversions have enjoyed such views from our club. For almost 70 years, this club sat on the west shore of Clear Lake. Twenty-eight years ago, I enjoyed coming to the ski club dances and feeling the floor move as 200 teenagers dances. Now I am watching my children enjoy the company of summer friends as they dance to an entirely different style of music. Tradition. In our increasingly fast paced society, it is comforting to know that some things continue unchanged. The club and its grounds look much as they did so many years ago. Up to four generations of a single family has walked through its doors. Of all the lakes that surround us, many long standing traditions have fallen to progress. How many lakes would love to have what we often take for granted. I think it is an honor and a challenge that all of us continue to work to ensure that the tradition of the yacht club remains in place for our children's children and for all those who follow them. If we take what we have for granted, it would not take long for us to lose what we Clear Lakers have to share. Sailing, Ski Club, Tennis Club, and social, it all brings us together as a community to enjoy each other's company. Our children take their lead from our efforts. I know my children's lives have been enhanced by the relationships they have had because of our association with this club. Enjoy it and use it as so many of our counterparts have done in the past. I thank those who have carried the weight of continuing the club tradition in the past and challenge all of us to keep this tradition going.

Dan Hanson



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Tennis



Many thanks to those who contributed food for the Tennis Group sponsored TGIF on July 18th. It is important for our members to realize that CLYC is not just a sailing and skiing club. In June, we had friendly tennis games that were followed by a chicken dinner and a wonderful selection of side dishes and desserts. Thanks to those who attended.

The ladies are playing tennis on **Monday and Wednesday mornings** at 8:30 am. This is good, but not-too-serious, tennis. Come join the fun. New players are always welcome! Just show up at the courts ready to play.

Thanks to the coordination efforts of Kimberly Wenger, we now have a tennis backboard at the courts. This is a great vehicle for players to improve their game. Thanks to Leo Weber, Jack Cochrane, Barb Wenger, Daniel Dresser, Sara Mowry and Jim Horein for their assistance.

There are some real tennis talents developing among our Junior Tennis kids. Thanks to Leo Weber and Barb Wenger for teaching in June and July.

If you do not have a **key to the courts**, please contact me #166 (495-5885), the Horein's #162 (495-9734), the Eckrich's #950 (495-9190) or the Weber's #502 (495-4882). **“Temporary memberships”** are available to non-members for \$50 per week. Call “key people” for details.

Barb Wenger
Tennis Chairman
495-5885
heideldog2@aol.com

Thank you to Kate Hastings for volunteering to act as tennis chairman for the 2004 season.

Ski Club



The ski show is over and it's time to relax. Thank you to all the dads and moms for helping us to build pyramids and organize our acts for the ski show. You guys are AWESOME. Thank you to Derold Covell for being our announcer during the show. It's teamwork and it took all of us to make this happen.

Our Rib Dinner Appreciation to all parents and affiliates for helping us with the ski show was Sunday, July 20th. Thank you Cricket Gay for making your awesome ribs for us.

We have two more dances left. They have been extremely successful. Thank you to all the parents that chaperoned. We wouldn't be able to have dances without you guys.

Ski Club Dances




Tuesday, August 5

Sunday, August 31

Ages 12 and under: 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm \$3.00

Ages 13 and up: 8:30pm - 11:00 pm \$5.00



Sailor's Cookouts

Aug. 16 - hosted by Jack Stenger

Aug. 30 - hosted by Brian Barr

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Sailing News

Many thanks to Jim Grant who brought his sewing machine to the club and repaired sails and canvas covers for sailors. Isn't it great having a sail maker in the club?

We have had a lot of heavy air in June and Flying Scots sail great in heavy air on windward / leeward courses. It made for a great ride down wind. With their spinnakers up they plane faster than C Scows. Marty Zachrich had a little difficulty finding the straps. His crew looked back and Marty was gone. He had trouble sailing the boat by himself which caused a re-orientation, one that was not conducive to racing. At least his sail got washed.

There was a little bit of damage when Jack Stenger and Terry Cornelius performed the dance of the lead bottom money gobblers at a leeward mark. They locked masts and spun in circles. It was challenging for the rest of us to steer around them without joining the dance. Somebody was guilty of only thinking 2 dimensionally. When masts collide, boats spin.

Jim Grant has taken an early lead in the Series Championship standings which are documented at the Club. Check the board next time you are there.

By the time you read this, Jim Grant and crew Joe Moore will have sailed a regional Flying Scot regatta and John Cochran and I will have sailed in the C Scow ILYA Regional Championship regatta. There should be at least 60 C Scows attending. Ask these guys about their experience and what they learned.

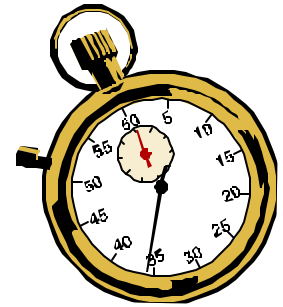
The Club Flying Scot #1563 is available for use. It is the last boat in the second row of boat lifts in front of the club (blue cover). I hope to race it Sundays with my wife, but it's available on Saturdays. CLYC members can use this boat anytime. Contact Jim Horein or Larry Schavey if you would like to use or race it. If you see Jack Lord, thank him for this donation. George Schenkel has joined the Club. He is an accomplished sailor and has purchased a new Flying Scot for delivery this winter. Look for him next year for sure, but we might be able to coax him out in the Club boat this August.

MC and C sailors have a great opportunity to sail a premier regatta close to home. Maxinkuckee Yacht club hosts a regatta the weekend after Labor Day. It is a great place to sail and only 1 hour and 10 minutes from Fort Wayne. Talk to Bruce Matasick or Marty Zachrich regarding this event. Both went last year. CLYC will have at least 4 C Scows going again this year. If you have not been to a regatta, here is your chance without having to drive to Wisconsin.

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See you on the course,

Brian Barr



Results

June 21 (5.27mph)

1. John Cochran
2. Jim Grant
3. Brian Barr
4. Jack Sanderson
5. Marty Zachrich
6. Larry Schavey
7. Leo Weber
8. Jack Horrell
9. Bruce Matasick
10. Terry Cornelius
11. Mike Brodrick
12. Jack McArdle
13. Fred Eckart
14. Jack Stenger
15. Nick Schenkel

July 5 (14.5mph)

1. Jim Grant
2. Jim Horein
3. John Cochran
4. Bob Lewis
5. Brian Barr
6. Marty Zachrich
7. Dan McArdle
8. Stan Robinson
9. Dave Gardiner
10. Nick Schenkel
11. Fred Eckart
12. Greg Reynolds
13. Terry Cornelius
14. Jack Stenger

June 28 (14.93mph)

1. Jim Grant
2. Leo Weber
3. Brian Barr
4. John Cochran
5. Mike Brodrick
6. Terry Cornelius
7. Larry Schavey
8. Jack Sanderson
9. Fred Eckart
10. Nick Schenkel
11. Marty Zachrich
12. Bruce Matasick
13. Jack Horrell
14. Greg Reynolds
15. Dan McArdle

July 12 (8.27mph)

1. Jim Horein
2. Bob Lewis
3. Stan Robinson
4. Marty Zachrich
5. Terry Cornelius
6. John Cochran
7. Dan McArdle
8. Nick Schenkel
9. Jack Stenger
10. Greg Reynolds
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14. Bruce Matasick

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CLUB HOURS

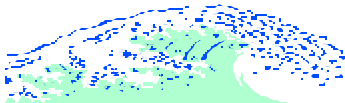
Monday - Thursday: closed
Friday: Kid's program - 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Bar open - TGIF 6:30 PM - ?
Saturday: Noon - 4:00 PM
6 PM - ?

October 11 - Fall Party



hosted by Tom and Sally Eckrich

(more information in the fall Windword)



LAST WAVE OF SUMMER

Aug 1 - Potluck Grill-Out
Aug 5 - Ski Club Dance
Aug 8 - TGIF & Decorating Party
Aug 9 - Commodores Ball Sock Hop
Aug 15 - TGIF
Aug 16 - Sailor's Cookout
Aug 22 - TGIF
Aug 29 - TGIF
Aug 30 - Sailor's Cookout &
Treasure Hunt
Aug 31 - Sailing Awards &
Ski Club Dance
Sept 5 - TGIF
Sept 12 - TGIF
Oct 11 - Fall Party

Triangle Parking



Thanks to a letter written to the town board by our Commodore, Dan McArdle, the "No Parking" signs in the triangle have been removed and parking will once again be allowed. If parking in the triangle, please be careful to pull completely off the road so as to not violate any

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