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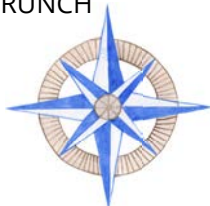
THE SHEBOYGAN YACHT CLUB

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Commodore's Comments



As the year comes to a close, I hope everyone at SYC had a very Merry Christmas and is ready to celebrate the coming of the New Year 2024!

In case you missed this year's Tom and Jerry party - it was an outstanding club event to start the holiday season. Kevin Wyckoff and team (Tiffin, Curt & Beth Schultz) started off serving members the annual Tom and Jerry drinks. Past Commodore Bob Kuehlmann provided a summary of the history of our annual party. Sean, Chef Ben and the SYC staff made sure we were all treated to a bounty of holiday delights and the Christmas ham was outstanding! The Club was looking very festive thanks to Tiffin Wyckoff & crew. Tony Orlebeke and his merry helpers (PC Jason Diener and Jerry Slavens) put up the Holiday tree on the pier in time for all to see. If I missed anyone - thank you for your time and generosity to make this event successful - it was a fun time for all.

2024 will be off to a fast start at the Club as Dave Bronson will be leading our annual shut down January 2nd - 11th. There is a long list of items to complete - please come down and help refresh SYC for the year. This is a great way to work together,

make some new friends and understand why we are a working Club. This year we are looking for "seasoned" club members to volunteer as day/night foremen, to help coordinate work and to provide guidance to new members. Sean will be on vacation during shutdown, so we are in need of some additional supervision. Bonus hours will be rewarded to those who step up for this request.

Looking forward to the Club Calendar - please note Strictly Sail/Chicago Boat Show begins January 10 thru 14, 2024. The Sea Scouts annual Chili Cook-off is February 25th, SYC Mid-Winter Brat Fry is in March, Sailing Banquet and the Commodores Ball is in April. Sean has a few dinner event ideas and a few throwback Thursday specials to come. Stay tuned! There are more fun times to come before we can get back out on the water.

In closing, I want to wish everyone a happy and joyous New Year - Stay Safe and Healthy!!

See you at the club - Commodore Brad



BOW 'N STERN

JANUARY 2004



From the Helm Commodore Mike Rasch

Once again the Tom & Jerry party was a huge success. A great job was done by all; Steve and Russ with the bar and food, Fred Tyszkas group with the decorations, Drew Garczynski for getting all the lights to work on the tree on the end of the pier and Mike Muth who volunteered to test the food to make sure everything was okay.

There are a few big projects planned for club shut-down (19Jan06 – 3Feb04) along with the normal cleaning. This is a good time to get those dues work-off hours (28 members didn't make their 25 hours last year) or apprentice hours. Contact Dale Huenink or Mark Matthias for days and times.

The past few months have been a little slow in the new member department, so if you have a crewmember or that friend who might make a good member, now might be the time to make the membership pitch.

The brunch on the last Sunday of the month has gone over very well. If you have not tried it, it is worth the trip.

New Year's Eve will again be regular menu with a few specials with entertainment by Danny Ognavic.

"To do nothing is sometimes a good remedy"
Hippocrates

Mike



Sabre, the big class M sloop soon to become a yawl (especially after this year's Mackinac) has about 25 in her crew including ships doctor Leslie Tasche. Because of her large crew and to avoid any possibility of epidemics, Sabre requires a lot of whiskey for medicinal purposes. Dick Conrardi and Doc Anhalt are shown with some of their boys.

A 70 year old photograph just resurfacing while the Saber was tied up at the Milwaukee Yacht Club. Photograph was taken by the then Secretary of the Lake Michigan Yacht Association. Left to Right: Terry Kohler, Dick Conrardi, Doc Anhalt, Pete Reichelsdorfer, Victor Radwick, Jim Vercouteren.

SYC CLUB HOURS

Club Closed Mondays

Tuesday

Bar - 4:00 pm - Close
Dinner - 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Wednesday

Bar - 11:00 am - Close
Lunch - 11:30 am - 1:30 pm
Dinner - 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Thursday

Bar - 11:00 am - Close
Lunch - 11:30 am - 1:30 pm
Dinner - 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Friday

Bar - 11:00 am - Close
Lunch - 11:30 am - 1:30 pm
Dinner - 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Saturday

Bar - 4:00 pm - Close
Dinner - 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Sunday

Closed except for Packer games.
Galley is Closed - No food Service

OFFICE

Tues 8:00 AM - noon
Wed, Thu, Fri 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

DATES TO REMEMBER

Jan 1-11 Club Shut Down
Jan 11 Membership Meeting (7:15)
Jan 12 Club Reopens
Jan 17 SEAS Game Night (6:30)
Jan 24 SEAS Line Splicing (6:30)v
Feb 25 Chili Cook-off



SYC BOOK CLUB 2024

It's here! The SYC Book Club schedule / reading selections for JANUARY thru NOVEMBER 2024!!

Thursday, January 25, at 6 pm.
THE WATERGATE GIRL by Jill Wine-Banks (NF)

Thursday, February 22, at 6 pm.
HEALING WOUNDS by Diane Carlson Evans and Bob Welsch (biography)

Thursday, March 21, at 6 pm.
FOURTH MAN MISSING by Robert Baer (NF)

Thursday, April 25, at 6 pm.
A MOST BEAUTIFUL THING by Ashley Cooper (NF)

Thursday, May 23, at 6 pm.
KILLERS OF THE FLOWER MOON by David Grann (HF)

Thursday, June 27, at 6 pm.
LESSONS IN CHEMISTRY by Bonnie Gamus (NF)

Thursday, July 25, at 6 pm.
THE PERSONAL LIBRARIAN by Marie Benedict & Victoria Christopher Murray (NF)

Thursday, August 22, at 6 pm.
THE COVENANT OF WATER by Abraham Verghese (HF)

Thursday, September 26, at 6 pm.
40 Autumns by Nina Willner (HF)

Thursday, October 24, at 6 pm.
THE MAID by Nita Prose (mystery)

Thursday, November 21, at 6 pm.
RESISTANCE WOMEN by Jennifer Chiavenini (HF)

NO DECEMBER MEETING

Please reach out to Sharon Matthias at marksharon5351@charter.net with questions.



THE CLUB ON SOCIAL MEDIA



Instagram:

<https://www.instagram.com/sheboyganyachtclub/>



Twitter:

<https://twitter.com/SheboyganYC>



Facebook Page: The Sheboygan Yacht Club:

<https://www.facebook.com/sheboyganyachtclub>

Facebook Group: Friendliest Club:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/754734488630372>

Members new and old may want to check out The Sheboygan Yacht Club's presence on social media. You can follow the Club on its Public Facebook Page, where you can find informational public posts. We also have a private members-only Facebook Group called "Friendliest Club" that allows members to share posts and pictures. We are also on Instagram and Twitter. Click the links below to be taken to the respective pages.

SYC WEATHER APP



Don't forget to download the DAVIS weather app on your phone so you can keep up with the most current weather at the club.





Annual Chili Cook-Off Fundraiser

Benefiting Sheboygan Sea Scout Ship 5050

Sunday February 25th, 2024

Noon to 3pm
(voting closes at 2:30)

At the Sheboygan Yacht Club
Guests welcome with a Club Member

\$10 per person to taste and cast your vote
Silent Auctions, Raffles, 50/50 Raffle, Bake Sale

Chili Contest participants
please register by February 9th
Email Maria Ranieri at maria.ranieri@yahoo.com

SEA SCOUTS

The ship hosted a Landship advancement ceremony event on Sunday 12/10/23. The Scouts hold the following positions within the ship; Chris C. Boatswain, Xavier R. Boatswain's Mate and Store Keeper, Nigel T. Boatswain's mate and Purser, Aedyn B. Yeoman, Jordan C. Media Specialist, Graham T. Specialist, Lucy R. Mate. The ship is always open to new participants, interested youth (14-21) and adults can contact our Skipper, Mr. Geof Woelm, by phone/text at 920.207.7712 or by e-mail at gscouter3948@gmail.com.

The scouts continue to work on the dock carts. They have made needed repairs to the frame and primed the metal pieces. New wood panels have been cut and are in various stages of priming and painting. They will continue to work on them during the winter work days at the SEAS building.

The Chili Cook-off is scheduled for Sunday February 25th noon to 3pm. Chili Cook registration is now open. So perfect those chili recipes during these cold days and register to compete for bragging rights as the best chili of 2024. Please email Maria Ranieri at maria.ranieri@yahoo.com by Feb. 9th to register. This year's cook-off will be a blind tasting. Chili cooks will bring their warmed chili entry to the club galley. Their entry will be transferred into non-descript soup warmers and served by the Sea Scouts. All chili's will be labeled with a number and simple description of beans, meat and spice level. Chili cooks will be announced prior to awards. Tasting bowls are \$10 each. The main fundraiser element of the event is the raffle and silent auction. To register as a Chili Cook or donate a raffle or silent auction item please contact Maria at maria.ranieri@yahoo.com.





SSS GRIFFIN

Sea Scout Ship 5050

Chartered by the
Sheboygan Yacht Club
since 1932

Programs

Sailing Instruction
Sail Racing
Keelboat Handling
Navigation
Kayaking
Stand-up Paddleboarding
Winter Boatbuilding
Ice Boating



Sea Scout Ship 5050
214 Pennsylvania Avenue
Sheboygan WI 53081

Fellow SYC Club Members,

As many of you know, Ship 50 has been sponsored by the Sheboygan Yacht Club since 1932 and is the 26th oldest continuously sponsored sea scout ship in the nation. We are a co-ed BSA Ship that offers watercraft instruction to scouts ages 14 through 20. We maintain a fleet of five Laser sailboats, eight kayaks & four stand-up paddleboards, a 18ft Cape Dory with access to six Vanguard 420's at Youth Sailing.

2023 was a great summer for our scouts! Our scouts have found they enjoy sailing our Cape Dory, "Griffin Dory" more than any other watercraft. Even though the Lasers are faster, the Dory is more stable and because of its size it accomodates four to five scouts at a time. They like to sail in groups. It promotes discussion of tactics, sail trim choices, safety considerations and whatever else they want to talk about. We also rotate job duties so all scouts get a chance to trim sails and steer. Details attached.

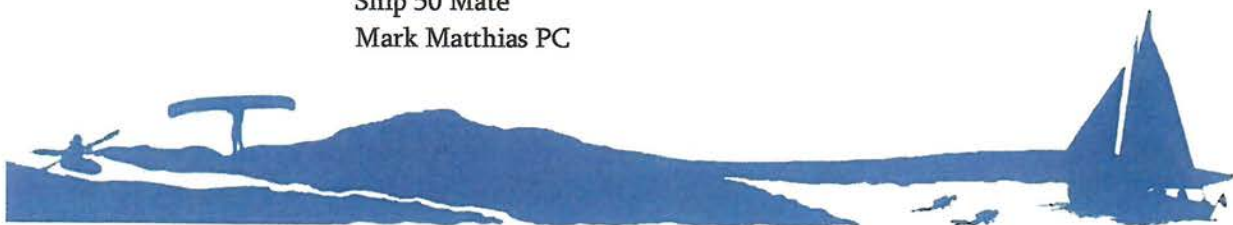
Our winter boatbuilding program continues as our scouts finished refurbishing all of our Lasers by replacing all damaged rigging, buffing out the hulls and even painting two hulls so they look like new. Our scouts are now re-building the two dock carts for the Club.

All of these activities are made possible through your generosity. Consider a donation for our 2024 program. Please make your check out to: "Sea Scout Ship 50 Foundation Ltd.", and send it to the Club in the enclosed envelope. Your donation is tax deductible because Sea Scout Ship 50 Foundation Ltd. is a 501C3 charitable organization. Our State of WI Charitable Org. Credential number is: 11680-800.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Ship 50 Mate
Mark Matthias PC



ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE CORNER

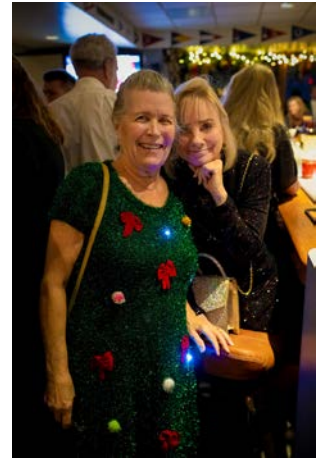
Wow, it is hard to believe that 2023 Holiday Season is now behind us, but the memories made with family and friends during the Holiday's will live on for years to come. Now that the holidays are over, on January 7th at 9:00 am, we will be taking down the beautiful decorations and return them back to storage. We do need a few volunteers to help us with this project. This is a perfect time to get in those Apprentice Hours and to meet new people! If you are interested in helping with this, please reach out to Tiffin.

This year we received an anonymous donation of a New Pre-Lite Christmas Tree for 2024. If anyone is interested in the current Christmas Tree, please let Tiffin know before January 5th. If more than one member is interested in the tree, we will do a drawing for it. If no one is interested, the tree will be donated. (This is for the tree only).

With the start of 2024, the Entertainment Committee is excited to start planning this year's events! Watch for updates on the events and any volunteer's that will be needed.

The Entertainment Committee wishes you a Happy New Year!





THE TOM & JERRY PARTY



MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES



Commodore
Brad Gruneberg



Treasurer
Steve Harrison



Vice Commodore
Chris Werner



Recording Secretary
Candace Pitts



Rear Commodore
Eric Zufelt



Membership Secretary
Marie Ranieri

Elected Officers

Commodore - Brad Gruneberg
Vice Commodore - Chris Werner
Rear Commodore - Eric Zufelt
Treasurer - Steve Harrison
Membership Secretary - Maria Ranieri
Recording Secretary - Candace Pitts

Board of Directors

3 Years (term ends 10/2025) - Jennifer Spicer
3 Years (term ends 10/2024) - Jason Irish
3 Years (term ends 10/2026) - Tim Pinkert
2 Years (term ends 10/2024) - Matt Wierzbach
2 Years (term ends 10/2025) - Jane Gapinski
1 Year (term ends 10/2024) - Jason Diener (PC)

Appointed Officers

Bow 'n' Stern Editor - Daniel Peterson
Chaplain - Dione Knop
Counsel - Robert Melzer
Flag Lieutenant - Mark Mickelson
Fleet Captain - Mike Olien
Fleet Surgeon - Phil Detrana
Librarian/Historian - David Hillebrand
Measurer - Mark Wessel (PC)
Parliamentarian - Peter Mayer (PC)

Commodore Committees

Bylaws - Eric Zufelt
Dockmaster - Mike Olien
House - Paul Bartelt
Race - Dan Kerpe
Endowment - Finance Committee
Youth Sailing - Whitney Kent
Entertainment - Tiffin Wyckoff
Membership - Tiffin Wyckoff
Sail Sheboygan - Jason Bemis
Sea Scouts - Maria Ranieri
SEAS - Jerry Slavens

Vice Commodore Committees

HVAC - Werner Binkowski
Education - Matt Wierzbach
Grounds - Deb Erickson, Floyd Leo
Historical - Dave Hillebrand
Web/Publicity - Jason Irish
SYC Apparel - Kathy Nonhoff, Kim Esche
Yachting Activities - Dawn Vertz

Rear Commodore Committees

Barge - Michael Tock
Building - David Bronson
Derrick Yard - Michael Tock
Electrical - Kenny Ebbers
Lunch - Gladis & Jeff Weiss
Piers - Derek Rupp

Finance Committee

Paul Bartelt
Jeff Mohr
Jennifer Spicer
Michou Reichelsdorfer
Treasurer - Steve Harrison

Board Appointed Committees

Tech Team - Mark Duff



SEAS UPDATE

Dear Friends and Supporters,

As I concluded the end of my third season as SEAS' Executive Director, I had an opportunity to reflect on SEAS progress from its inception 11 years ago to present. One primary example of this progress is SEAS' community boating program's continued growth as it provided 312 hours on the water and 376 hours of private lessons in 2023. SEAS is elated to have the opportunity to further its mission of "Boating for Everyone" through supplying its valuable resources to the community at an affordable and below-market cost.

SEAS adaptive program saw growth for the 5th straight year providing 55 hours of sailing experiences to 120 participants. The adaptive program was even able to cross off a "bucket list" activity for Lew Harned, a 99-year-old WWII veteran, by getting him out sailing and making him our oldest sailor to date. He excitingly stated that he will be back next year to keep that title when he turns 100 years old. SEAS has also been able to rekindle its adaptive programs with RCS Empowers, Hearthstone of WI, and Aspire group of Sheboygan, all of which have been on hiatus since Covid. Building and growing these relationships allows SEAS to bring so many more people, who may not otherwise get to experience sailing, the enjoyment and feeling of freedom and independence that being out on the water gives them.

The "Seas the day" adaptive surfing project saw tremendous growth in 2023 with 16 participants. More equipment has been purchased for this program, and in light of the level of participation and enthusiasm for this program, the organizers are hoping to make this a 2-day event in 2024 to afford more adaptive surfers opportunities to enjoy the water.

Row Sheboygan saw fantastic growth with 32 people completing 23 rows that totaled over 50 hours on the water. The organization is actively seeking an increased number of rowers for the upcoming seasons.

The "Northstar" (SEAS 40ft. Tartan sailboat) competed again this year in the Chicago-Mac race with a 7-person crew. Three of this year's crew were participating for their first time in this historical race, adding even more excitement and making lasting memories during the multi-day competition.

As you can see, the 2023 season has seen growth in participants and its programs and provided valuable new opportunities and insight for the SEAS organization. SEAS wants to keep building on this momentum as it moves into 2024 and the organization needs YOUR HELP to achieve its' goals! SEAS keenly recognizes that these are challenging economic times, but we believe the organization is an important community program and asset that provides opportunities for everyone, regardless of socio-economic status, disabilities, or other barriers, to enjoy team building experiences and other unique opportunities that will create an everlasting appreciation of life on the water as well as an awareness for Sheboygan County's most important asset: Lake Michigan.

Please consider making a contribution to SEAS to help further its important mission.

Sincerely,

Jerry Slavens and the SEAS Board of Directors

SEAS is a 501(c)(3), non-profit organization and your contribution is tax-deductible to the extent permitted under the Internal Revenue Code.

JANUARY

January 10 at 6:30PM - SEAS
Line selection and 3 strand splicing

January 17 at 6:30PM - SYC
GameNight

January 24 at 6:30PM - SYC
Technical lines splicing

seas
Sailing Education Association of Sheboygan

PLEASE RSVP AT
[SEASSHEBOYGAN.ORG](https://seassheboygan.org)





2023 Annual Report

Another year of achieving our mission of
Boating for everyone.

SEAS has continued to grow, capitalizing on the
momentum established in prior years.

75%

Increase in Lessons

Highlights



48%

Increase in Community
Boating hours



376 Private lesson
hours in 167 lessons.



Oldest participant yet!
99 year old WWII vet
Lew Harned.



120 participants on the
Adaptive Program.

Help us continue to grow and
provide opportunities for everyone!

Please make a donation to help us provide
access, training, and education to anyone that
is interested, including those with disabilities
or financial needs.

seas
Sailing Education Association of Sheboygan



2023 in Numbers

Private Lessons

167 lessons
with a total of
376 hours.

- 99% increase over 2022

First Sail

47 outings
94 hours
98 participants

- 42% increase over 2022

Adaptive Sailing

49 outings
55 hours
120 participants

- 40% increase over 2022

Powerboat

16 hours of rentals
on the EW 17
3 hours of Private
Lessons

Community Boating

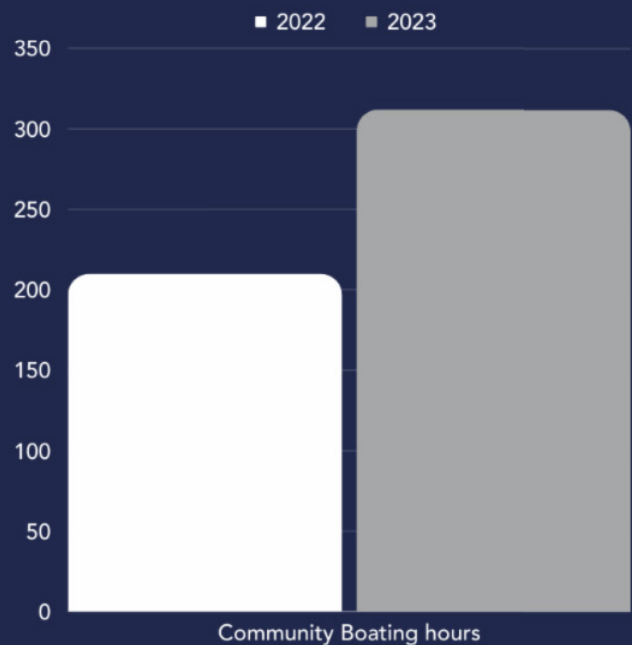
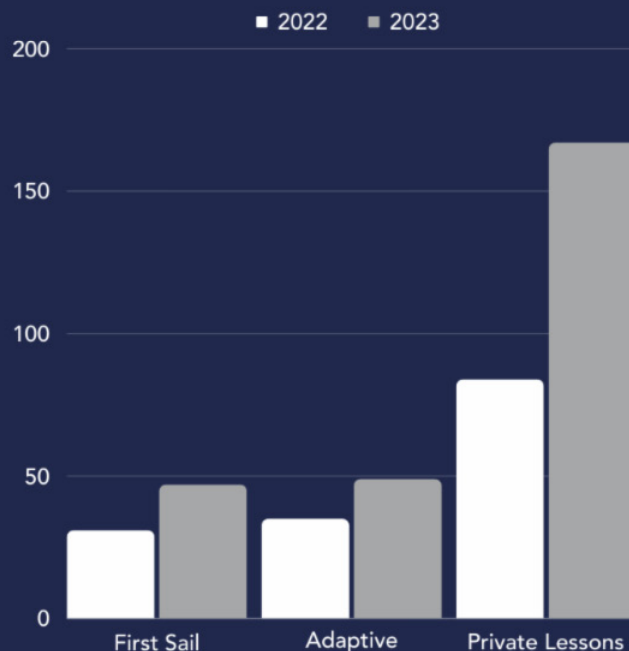
150 reservations
312 hours

- 48% increase over 2022

Membership

26 Annual Individual
4 Annual Family
12 Adaptive
4 Monthly
4 Row Sheboygan

Look at our Growth







SANTA'S BRUNCH



The Friendliest Yacht Club on Lake Michigan

Come and experience what everyone is talking about; from the incredible cuisine and one of the best views on the eastern shore to a place that is the home to some of the most experienced and friendliest sailors on the Great Lakes. Our members will engage you whether your interests are sailing, yachting, learning and sharing maritime knowledge, or simply great camaraderie. Make the SYC your portal to the sea, from easily accessible docks, just steps from your car, you are just minutes away from open water.

Through our affiliation with the U.S. Sailing Center of Sheboygan, one of only four U.S. Sailing Centers in the United States, the Sheboygan Youth Sailing Club and Sea Scouts, we have played host to Olympic training events, The Nation's Cup, Single Handed Sailing competition and have access to a wide array of



equipment with power and sail boat education and training opportunities.

Contact the club to get a brochure, arrange a visit or request a one-time one day pass.

Advertise in the SYC Bow'n'Stern

Monthly rates, billed quarterly:

\$30.00 - business card size

\$50.00 - ¼ page

\$75.00 - ½ page

Submit your ad via e-mail to:

editor@sheboyganyachtclub.com



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