

THE SHEBOYGAN YACHT CLUB

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Think Spring. Although we had more snow on the ground the day after Easter than we did the day after Christmas and it was 26 degrees on April 27th, I do believe the nice weather has to show up soon. Boats will begin to fill the basin and the sounds and smells of spring will fill the air. In anticipation of that, the piers have been lowered and they are eagerly awaiting their tenants, the garage has been cleaned out, and the hoists are back on the davits.

Aside from the cold weather, the Easter brunch was a fantastic success again this year. The bunny made his annual visit to take pictures with the kids collecting eggs and even had time to take one with the commodore. Thank you to the entertainment committee, as well as Sean, Chef Benjamin, and the entire SYC staff for putting on an excellent event for the members and families.

At the May general membership meeting we will be discussing two bylaw changes. First, we are asking membership to approve raising the current \$1000 board spending limit to \$5000. The one-thousand-dollar limit was put in place in February of 1979 and is long overdue to be increased. Second, we are also looking at raising the current associate limit of 25% of total membership to 30%. This number was also put in place over 20 years ago when the associate membership status was originally approved. All members are encouraged to attend the May meeting to discuss these issues, but only active and active life members are eligible to vote. Please see the exact wording of these changes printed later in this issue.

Along with a bylaw discussion regarding raising the current associate percentage, the board also sent a survey to the current associate members hoping to get a better understanding of club usage. If you are an associate and have not completed this survey, please take a couple minutes to fill it out before the board meeting next week.

Finally, just a few dates to remember: the first weekend in May will be busy with the Kentucky Derby on Saturday and Mother's Day brunch on Sunday. Make reservations and come on down. Assuming the weather starts to cooperate, and people can actually begin to

work on their boats, the new sailing season will start on Wednesday June 1st. The first weekend regatta will be the Hika Bay full crew on June 4th.

I look forward to seeing you at the club.

Fair Winds,

Commodore Jason





Our History



Tap Room-Sheboygan Yacht Club-Sheboygan, Wisconsin

The original Tap Room and Galley, added in 1940, were located in the basement. In November 1961, the membership approved construction of a bar room and transfer of the galley to the upstairs wing. The \$30,000 project was completed in four months through a combination of contracted and volunteer labor. The Grand Opening was held on May 5, 1962. Furnishings for the newly constructed facility were provided through members' donations and from the Entertainment Committee's activities profits.



SYC Club Hours

Club Closed Mondays

LUNCH Wed-Friday 11:30 to 1:30 Sat & Sun 12-4 Bar Menu

DINING AND CARRY-OUT Tues-Wed-Thur-Fri 4:00 to 8:00

BAR Tues & Sat 4:00 to close Sat & Sun 4:00 to close Wed, Thu, Fri 11:00 to close

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

Dates to Remember

- MAY 7 Kentucky Derby Party
- MAY 8 Mother's Day Brunch (10-2)
- MAY 12 Membership Meeting (7:15 PM)
- JUNE 4 Lakefront Open House
- June 4 Open Boat Night
- JUNE 4 Hika Bay Full Crew
- JUNE 9 Membership Meeting (7:15 PM)
- JUNE 18 Governor's Cup Buoy Regatta

About the Cover: The US Coast Guard enters the breakwater of Sheboygan as the club's marina starts to fill up for the upcoming boating season. **Opposite:** Ecstatic members at the Sailing Banquet

The Sheboygan Yacht Club's

A Blast From the Past

Bow 'n Stern

May 2002

The Commodore's Comments

I'm going way out on a limb here but I think winter is over. As I'm writing this it's 78 out and the grass is really starting to green up. That means that the tarps will do on be off the boats in the yard and launchings will begin. Reminder from the Yard chairman, Kevin, be sure to line up your lifter and sign up early. Also, it is your responsibility to have plenty of help to do the bull work. Come to think of it, there always seems to be no shortage of "bull" around the yard.

It was good to see such a nice turnout of members at the April meeting. Due to some typos causing the proposed by law and motion to be confusing, we tabled the vote until the May meeting. a very constructive (lively, too) discussion, which mostly centered on the assessment, and need thereof, was held. Everyone got to put their 2 cents worth (although some contributed a couple of bucks worth) until no more hands were raised. I hope that we were able to answer most of the questions satisfactorily. You could tell Treas. Jerry Katt's background when he replied to one question, "you can pay me now or pay me later."

Since this is coming into our busiest (best) time of the year and there are lots of important announcements that need to be in the B&S, I'm ta be too wordy. However, I'd like to welcome the new members accepted into the club at our last Board meeting: apprentice-Tony Orlebeke and associates-Scott Sellinger and Beverly Van Der Slice. If you have been Procrastinating on inviting someone to join, ow is a perfect time (to) bring them in. they can still enjoy almost the entire summer at the club seeing the board at the May meeting.

The club recently lost 2 truly fine gentleman with the passing of Ernest Lutze and Jerry Douglas. It was my pleasure and privilege to have known both for many years. Both were active life emeritus members having been members since 1946 and 1941 respectively. Our deepest sympathies go out to their families.

Thought for April (just paid my taxes): Did you ever notice: When you put the 2 words "the" and "IRS" together it spells "Theirs"? UGH!

See ya round the club,

Ric

P.S. A big thanks to Jim Curry for organizing the pier work. Many members showed up and the work was finished by 10 AM.

Water Level is Heading Down

According to the US Army Corps of Engineers, forecasted water levels for April 15th are below last year's levels on all lakes, except Lake which Ontario, inches above levels from a year ago. As the lakes continue in period of seasonal rise, the water levels on Superior, Lakes Michigan-Huron, St. Clair, Erie, and Ontario, are 2 to 6 inches above water levels from a month

	MICH-HURON
Forecasted Water Level for Apr 15, 2022 (feet)	579.56
Chart Datum (feet)	577.50
Difference from chart datum (inches)	+25
Difference from average water level for Mar 15, 2022 (inches*)	+5
Difference from average water level for Apr 15, 2021 (inches*)	-12
Difference from long-term monthly average of Apr (inches)	+9
Difference from highest monthly average of record for Apr (inches)	-26
Year of highest recorded monthly mean	2020
Difference from lowest monthly average of record for Apr (inches)	+41
Year of lowest recorded monthly mean	1964
Projected net change in levels by May 15, 2022 (inches)	+3

ago. Lake Superior's the only lake below its long-term average level for April. All the other lakes continue to be above their long-term average April levels. In the next month, water levels on all lakes are forecast to rise by 3 to 4 inches.

SYC Weather App

SYCWeather		r.	Weather Conditions as of: 07:45 Saturday, Mar 12, 2	
6	°F cur	rently	HIGH: 12°F at 00:00 LOW: 6°F at 06:21	
હ	Wind:	9 knots WNW	High gust 23 knots at 00:55	
٥	Humidity:	42%	Feels like -10°F	
<u></u>	Rain:	0.00 in	Seasonal Total 0.47 in	
	Barometer:	30.14 in Hg	Rising Slowly	
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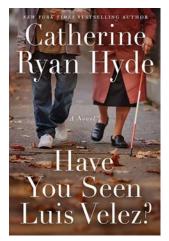
Don't forget to download the DAVIS weather app on your phone so you can keep up with the most

at the club. The weather station, installed last year, has been working tirelesly reminding us of the frigid temperatures we all endure in Sheboygan, WI.

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Book Club



All meetings are held at the Yacht Club and anyone is invited to join! Please contact Sharon Matthias at msmatthias@charter.net if you have any questions.

Thursday, May 26, at 6 pm. HAVE YOU SEEN LUIS VELEZ by Catherine Ryan Hyde (psychological/F)

Thursday, June 23, at 6 pm. THE UNDERGROUND

RAILROAD by Colson Whitehead (RF)

Thursday, July 28, at 6 pm.
THE ONE-IN-A-MILLION-BOY by Monica Wood (domestic/F)

Thursday, August 25, at 6 pm.
THE LAST DUEL by Eric Jager (RF)

Thursday, September 22, at 6 pm.
THE LAST THING HE TOLD ME by Laura Dave (domestic thriller/F)

Thursday, October 27, at 6 pm.
THE FOUR WINDS by Kristin Hannah (HF)

Thursday, November 17, at 6 pm.
THE PARIS SEAMSTRESS by Natasha Lester (HF)



SYC Apparel

Now is the time to buy your SYC Apparel! We've added over 175 new items which include fuzzy sweatshirts, sweater knit jackets, puffer vests, long sleeved tee shirts, baseball caps, beanies, and lined, Heat Last infinity scarves.

We look forward to scheduling a merchandise spring sale soon, date to be determined.



If you'd like a special

order, please contact Kathy Snider (kathinwi@gmail. com) or Bev Davidson (clinicalpsychiatrists@gmail. com).

News From SEAS

Navigation II - Thursdays May 19, 26, and June 2, 6PM-8PM (3 night course)This course will expand upon the concepts introduced in Navigation I, including fundamental chart work, dead reckoning, plotting skills and proper usage of tools, including log keeping methods necessary for prudent navigation. The goal for the student will be to practice how to plot a vessel's position on a chart while underway. Electronics such as GPS, Depth Sounder, Radar and VHF Radio will be expanded upon and used in real world scenarios. This class will be hands on and limited to 6 students. This class is open to the public (limit 6). The class only fee is \$50.00This event will include time on a boat underway. No prior boating experience is required but highly encouraged. Information on what to wear and other considerations will be communicated after registration. All boats will be under the supervision of SEAS staff. To register for this course e-mail mwierzbach@seasheboygan.org or call 920.783.3670

Community Boating rentals are scheduled to open on June 1st.

SEAS will be running the brat fry for the Lakefront Open House and will be working with youth sailing to help provide free boat rides.

Raffle tickets are still available for the rowing yawl, \$50 per ticket with a max of 200 tickets sold. Any SEAS member can sell them and the drawing will happen during the Lakefront Open House.

We are also looking for seasonal help, particularly helping with the community boating, it's a great summer job for a student or an adult who just wants a few hours here and there.

2022 Racing Dates Scheduled

Race Committee Chair Dan Kerpe has provided the following dates for the upcoming racing season at the club. More information regarding the race details will be available shortly. If you have any questions regarding racing at The Club, please reach out to Dan at dankerpe@yahoo.com.

June 4th: Hika Bay Full Crew

June 18th: Governor's Cup Buoy Regatta

July 9th: Distance Race TBD July 30th: Hika Bay 2 Handed

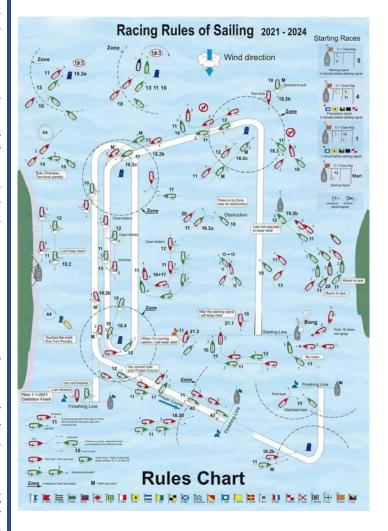
August 13th: Sheboygan To Manitowoc Pursuit Race

August 14th: Manitowac To Sheboygan

September 2: Sheboygan To Port Washington Race

September 10th: Oostburg Two Handed September 17th: Last Chance Buoy Regatta

For those non-racers, below is a simple chart to help you understand the Racing Rules of Sailing. Easy Peasy!







Kentucky Derby Party

Saturday afternoon / evening

May 7, 2022

Bar opens @ 3:00 pm featuring Mint Juleps and other drink specials

Wear your favorite Derby outfit (hats included)

OTB Betting window brought to you by Mr. Ken Cornell

Run for the Roses starts after 5:15pm



We will be offering a limited dinner menu including the <u>Kentucky Hot Brown</u>

Dessert Specials available as well.

Stay for Dinner after the races. Make a **reservation** by calling (920)458-6601 or email your reservation to sean@sheboyganyachtclub.com



Mother's Day Brunch Sunday, May 8, 2022

10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Chef prepared Omelets & Traditional Eggs Benedict with Hollandaise Slow Roasted Prime Rib with Bearnaise Sauce, Creamy Horseradish Sauce Truffled Potato Pancakes with Crème Fraiche Applewood Bacon & Sausage Links, SarVecchio Parmesan Breakfast Potatoes,

Scrambled Eggs with Stag Cheddar Cheese and Chives Caramel Apple French Toast Strata,

Roasted Vegetable Medley,

Schwartz Smoked Salmon, Pickled Herring

Fresh Seasonal Fruit Display

Mediterranean Cous Cous Salad,

Roasted Beet Salad with Goat Cheese and Orange Miso Vinaigrette

Local Wisconsin Cheese and Cured Sausages

Assorted Pastries, House Made Breakfast Breads

House Made Desserts by Helen

Adults: \$39 per person + tax and gratuity

Children ages 6 - 10: \$14

Children 5 & Under: Eat Free

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

Call (920)458-6601 or email reservation request to sean@sheboyganyachtclub.com

Pier Cleanup a Success





Spring pier cleanup took place on Saturday, April 16th. The temperature was a miserable 32 degrees and the windchill was an unverified -5 degrees, but members endured the weather and were able to start the process of lowering the piers back down to the water level which has gone down 12 inches from this time last year. The photographer reported that he felt very guilty walking around at leisure snapping photos as other members suffered while doing real work. Photos: Daniel Peterson

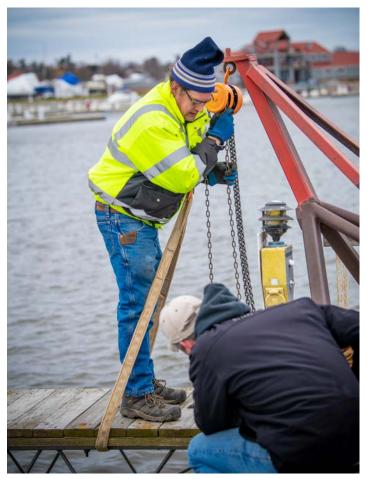
































Easter Brunch

Everyone was in a festive mood on Easter morning as dozens of families celebrated the day enjoying the annual brunch at the Yacht Club! The kids and a few immature adults were over the top excited to see the Easter Bunny come with hundreds of eggs carefully hidden on the grounds of the club. It was a sunny day and despite the chill, the children had a blast finding every last one of them. A special thanks goes out to Sandy Diener, chair of the Entertainment Committee as well as Joe Saunders who impressed the club as one of the all-time favorite bunnies! Pictures continue through page 13 for your viewing pleasure. Photos: Daniel Peterson.









































The Sailing Banquet





The Sailing Banquet, held on the evening of Saturday April 30th, celebrated the club's racing teams. Thanks to Michael Knopp and Peter Mayer for their hard work as committee co-chairs during the 2021 season. The club looks forward to another great racing season for 2022 under the guidance of Dan Kerpe, the 2022 Racing Committee chair.

RESULTS:

Hika Bay Full Crew (June 12) Wicked 2nd, Peerless 1st Oostburg Full Crew (July 10) Runaway 2nd, Peerless 1st. Hika Bay 2-Handed (Aug 7) (no finish)

Sheboygan Manitowoc (Aug 14) Wicked 3rd, Runaway 2nd, Peerless 1st Manitowoc Sheboygan (Aug 15) Peerless 3rd, Runaway 2nd, Three Winds 1st Oostburg 2-Handed (Sept 12) Slip Knot 3rd, Peerless 2nd, Runaway 1st. Deep Water Championship Wicked 3rd, Runaway 2nd, Peerless 1st Boat of the Year Wicked 3rd, Runaway 2nd, Peerless 1st



























Grounds News

Hello fellow volunteers. We will be starting grounds renovations soon. A great way to volunteer your work off dues or come and have fun in the dirt. Our volunteers are so important to keep our yacht grounds looking exceptional. At our May member meeting we will have sign up sheets for watering, weeding and special projects and update when needed. These sign ups sheets will be on line in the near future. Ideas and suggestions are always welcome. If you are not familiar with what we are planning for the grounds I'd more than happy to give tours. The best way to get in touch is to text, next call and if you email please give me a few days to respond.

I am happy to announce we have a new tool shed in our Chef's Garden that will be easier to access items needed for gardening, including extra gloves, bug spray and tools. This year we are asking for donations for the tool shed a list of items will be sent out. So if your cleaning out your garage or shed and have some extra tools you do not need please drop them off at the pavilion. We also would like some larger items like a wheel barrel, plastic rain barrel, water hose container, the one that can hide the hose, a stand composter, hand sprinkler, and watering cans. Our wish List!

If you might be thinning your beds and you might have some of these plants we'd appreciate some of the following: Yellow Daylilies, hostas (any kind), tall clumping grasses. We do not use mulch from the city, we have found out it can contain weeds and diseased material. This can impact our plants.

Our mission for the grounds is to keep low maintance and massive same plantings. Pots for more color.

We will be checking for events at the club so we can keep projects up to date.

I would like to mention the grounds already look good. Our thanks to all who pick up trash and debris through the seasons. Thank you to all who have given their support and help.

Update Chef Ben will be planting the herb and veggie gardens around Memorial Day.

Deb Erickson - Grounds Chair 920-889-8808 dame12 @bluetiehome.com

Looking forward to see and hear from you!

Team Wake Prepares for **Lightning Worlds**



Member Todd Wake and son Douglas will soon be traveling to the Carolina Yacht Club located in Wrightsville Beach, North Carolina to join with sailors from around the globe to participate in the 2022 Lightning Worlds. Lars Osell, currently a cadet at the United States Merchant Marine Academy will join the father and son team as their third crew member. Sailors will gather in Wrightsville Beach for more than a week of competition. The Master Worlds will take place first on May 12th followed by the World Championship race starting on May 17th.

The father and son team traveled to the Carolina Yacht Club early April and prepared their boat for the big day.

You can learn more about this race and get the results link through Yacht Scoring at: https://carolinayachtclub. org/2022-lightning-worlds/



Sea Scouts

Our scouts have been diligently working on our Cape Dory all winter. As the restoration nears completion, I thought an update would be in order.

The photos below show our scouts sanding the hull, applying the anti-fouling paint & after they just oiled the teak.











The photos below show what it looked like when we took delivery of it, and what it looks like now. We have to apply a second coat of anti-fouling, install a new compass, rewire the trailer lights and check the rigging before launch in June.

Mark Matthias, Ship 50



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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.

Also check out our affiliate organizations:

Sea Scouts: www.sheboyganseascouts.org Youth Sailing Club: www.sheboyganyouthsailing.com

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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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