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SHIPS COMPASS by Commodore Fran



Nationals -what a rush!!!

This week has turned into a great week with all the excitement in the air! As I sit here watching the water and feeling the breeze off of the lake -- thinking about the past few days - what an awesome feeling! The boats are out on the water, the Club house is quiet after the morning's rush of interlake boaters anxious to get out on the water and get the race started. Lynn Ensinger, Brad Balmert and their committees have done such a great job. This was a large undertaking with only a few months for planning after the Travers City Club burned and LSYC took over the regatta. What a team effort to pull this off and it looks as though it will be without a hitch! Thanks again! What a wonderful experience! I am sure Lynn will have an article to give all the results
THANKS TO LYNN ENSINGER FOR ALL OF HER EFFORTS!!!! GREAT JOB!!!!

The Sea Scouts had a great time in Annapolis! Look for the article and pictures about their experiences at the International Koch Cup.

Regatta time is surely in the air! We went from the One Design Regatta to Nationals, Nationals to the Sea Scout Regatta, and the LSYC regatta followed by the ILYA Youth Regatta. Six weeks of intense racing at LSYC!

We appreciate all the work that everyone put in to help get the club house and facilities ready for all of the events. If you worked and did not receive LSYC bucks, please let Darryll Headley or myself know and we will issue them to you. Have you noticed the new picnic tables? We will be rearranging the tables after all of the regattas are completed.

If you are asked to help with any of the events coming up, please try to give a few hours of your time. A little of your time helps the Club and the events run smoother.

Summer is going so fast. Hope everyone is having a good boating season. We have had a lot of fun events at the club and a very successful year. We are looking forward to all of the regattas coming up and meeting new people. Our club has a lot to be proud of this year! We have been on the front page of the Morning Journal and the Chronicle.

Cruise week was a big success from what I hear. Please see Roy's article to find out all the details!

Hope to see you around the Club or on the water this summer!

Thanks to everyone!!!

Fran Burik, Your Commodore



COMMODORE'S CORNER

This month I would like to recognize Brad Balmert for all he does. Brad, thanks for all the support and encouragement you give the Club and our members!

Brad grew up sailing and boating with his family. He has been a member of Lorain Sailing & Yacht Club for over 30 years. Growing up in Lorain, Brad raced Force Fives and Star Boats. He has sailed on his Interlake on and off for the past 25 years. Currently, Brad is crewing on a Star Boat and traveling with LSYC member, Mike Phinney to Star events. Brad races his Interlake and crews or skippers on other racing boats when time permits. For the past several years, Brad has helped run the LSYC Jr. Sail Camp and is the Principal Race Officer of the LSYC Jr. Regatta.

This winter, Brad was named U.S. Sailing Sailor of the Week for his contribution to the sailing community. Three years ago, Brad became a Certified Level 1 U. S. Sailing Instructor. Currently, he is the Northern Ohio Vice President for the Interlake Sailing Class Association.

You will usually find Brad in or around the Club helping others. His passion is sailing, racing and being around the water. Brad and his partner, LSYC Past Commodore Kathy LaValley, live in Lorain. They own KB Marine, Ltd., a marine parts business they began three years ago.

Next time you see Brad, be sure to say thanks!!! We appreciate you!!!



Junior Sail Program

Lynn Ensinger, Chairman

*Lorain Sailing & Yacht Club
2008 Interlake Nationals,
July 24-27
Lynn Ensinger, Event
Chairman*

Hosting the Interlake Nationals was a huge success! We had 33 boats, skippers and crew plus Women's and Junior's sailing. Skippers who participated enjoyed four days of great racing. The food, entertainment, and venue were well received. Compliments were abundant and a positive appreciation of Lorain Sailing and Yacht Club hospitality was apparent. Thanks go out to several people who made it happen are as follows: Our board members, Bobby and Joyce Rhodes, Kathy LaValley, Fran Burik, Brad Balmert, and Merle Dusek. Followed by: Chris Merkle, Don Kwilecki (and sons), Darryl Headley, Dee and kids, Tim and Teri Parker.

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SUNSHINE COMMITTEE



Once again I have the opportunity to print good news. On Monday, August 28th, Marilyn Andres went for a follow-up with her doctor and got the news that we have all been waiting to hear. There is NO sign of any cancer. The Chemotherapy and Radiation has been hard on her, but we are hoping and praying for her to heal from all of the Cures.

I haven't heard any news from our members this month so I guess this is all that I have to report. Remember, any news, good or bad can be shared with our members. All information is verified and approved before posting. Feel free to contact me at 440-365-6511 or dkkom@alltel.net.

Good news again, we have 2 new members in the month of August. See a new face, stop and say hello.

WASHER & DRYER

LSYC is in need of a nice looking - working washer and dryer. Preferably it is a stacking washer and dryer but we can use a small set. They would go in the hall next to the sink for Club use. We would prefer getting a matching set but if you have one or the other, please let us know.

Please call Fran at 440-934-4420 or let Bobby know



Koch Cup Regatta

LSYC Sea Scouts traveled to Annapolis in July for the Koch International Regatta. It was quite an experience for both, the youth; Adam Frimel and Lance Kaspar, and the adults; Leo Sulda and Paul Burik. Staying and sailing at the Naval Academy was a treat. Early morning muster for raising the colors, Navy style meals in the mess hall, grand buildings and midshipmen in uniforms filled the week. The Navy provided twenty 420's and FJ's plus several motor boats for the race committee. The RC was manned by Annapolis Yacht Club members. AYC also hosted the awards ceremony and dinner.

Seeing 20 boats on the start line was eye opening for our scouts. Relatively light winds were not in favor of the LSYC crew. It was not the placement, but the experience of sailing with kids from New Zealand, Australia, Germany, Sweden and other countries as well as all around the U.S. that made it a memorable event.



LEO ADAM LANCE PAUL

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In addition to all of the numerous volunteers in the kitchen which are too many to name. Further appreciation is extended to our many sponsors: Allstate insurance, Nissan, Phinney Roofing, KB Marine, Blue Moon Sailing, North Sails, Quantum Sails, My Dock Box, Parker Marine, Budweiser, Taylor Rental, Buckeye Sheet Medal, Dr. Rositano, Dr. Gradisek, Coral Reef Sailing Apparel, Riddle Boatworks, Cox Cable, Napa Auto, West Marine, Raymond Plumbing, Giardini, Cook, & Nicol, Inc., Riveredge Drive Thru Beverage, and Customflex, Inc. Again, our membership came together to provide a great event! Everyone's time off of work, commitment, and team spirit resulted in a great accomplishment!

Thank you all for your support, patience, and pride in our club!!



Race Results

Thanks Great Scot for letting us know your race results. Please email your race results to fransails@centurytel.net. We enjoy knowing what our Club members are doing out at the races.

Great Scot took a first in class and 6th boat overall (about 50 boats) at the Princess Pat Race at Forest City YC on July 12th. On the 19th they took 3rd in class in the Leukemia Cup at Cleveland YC. Sunday the race was called off due to winds of around 35 knots.



I understand that Zebra also represented our club at the Leukemia Cup also but do not know the standings.

Please keep us posted. We like know that our Club is doing well in the races! Congrats to Tom Gibbs and Wes Scot.



Sea Scout News

The Sea Scouts in Lorain are quite active and providing leadership for its members and other ships on the north coast of Lake Erie.

First we would like to welcome our newest member of Ship 289, Adrien Hall. He had his first experience at steering our 27 foot Erickson sailboat, Random recently and enjoyed a brisk wind on our Monday sail-aways. He was really surprised how fast things can go wrong when not paying attention to what the wind is doing; i.e. accidental jibe!

This past week Ship 289 invited other ships in Cleveland to participate in the Tom's Country Place's Sea Scout Trophy Regatta. Its format is a little different in-somuch as it teases the brain of the participants with nautical questions, chart reading and knot tying. When that part is finished they must jump on their respective boats and sail to a designated place on Lake Erie and sail back. The Ship that does all the tasks in the least amount of time, wins the trophy.

The Sea Scouts have fun and learn. It's a Win, Win situation.



**At The
HELM**
2008
COMMODORE
FRAN BURIK

Vice Commodore:	Darryll Headley
Rear Commodore:	Roy Holloway
Fleet Captain :	Andy Wilson
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