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Lorain Sailing and Yacht Club

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June 2017

Coming UP

June 17th – Membership meeting and Steak fry

General Membership meeting at 4:00 pm followed by "cook your own" steak/chicken fry, always a fun event! Reservation with Bobby a must! Watch for a flyer.

June 24th – Big Brother-Big Sister Cruise

Share your boat with kids who may not have the opportunity to enjoy the lake. See Don Kaspar for more info.

Saturday, July 1 – 4th of July party

Celebrate this patriotic holiday on Saturday, <u>July 1</u>. "American Meal", bring your lawn chairs and refreshments to watch the fireworks at 10pm. Watch for a flyer!

Commodore's Corner – Ryan Pinter

Well, I'll try and keep this short and sweet. I'm glad to see everyone finally getting a chance to work on your boats and get them in the water now that the weather seems to be cooperating.

I want to first thank everyone who was able to attend the spring clean-up day and a special thank you to The Yard Works Landscaping of Avon Lake for their generous donation of potted flowers. They look great and bring a fresh pop of color to the property. The clubhouse has also started to receive a much need new coat of paint and color change. The front of the clubhouse was the first done and many of you have commented on the change positively. Now to the much needed update of our dock repairs. We are currently working with a local contractor to re-pile B and D docks which is long overdue and should resolve all the issues we are currently experiencing. We will be letting all of you know once we have an exact date for the work but it should be done before our July 4th party that is actually on July 1st. Any boat owner and docker that will be affected during the work will receive advance notice, and we will be happy to assist you if we need to temporarily relocate your boat.

I hope to see all of you around the club this season and enjoying many of our great events we have planned.



Interlake Nationals

LSYC will be hosting 2017 Interlake Nationals this July 26, 27, 28 and 29. The club has been able to provide camping in the past for participants. This year that is not possible. We would like to offer housing from our members – in a house or on a boat. Most boats have three crews who would prefer staying at same location. If you would like to provide housing, please email Tim Parker at timdparker1@yahoo.com or call me at (440) 263 4365.

We are also putting together a work party to seal and finish the 72 plaques we are making for trophies. Joe Spainhourd is cutting, routing and sanding the plaques. We are thinking of getting a party together in June sometime to apply filler and a gel finish to the plaques. If you are interested in helping please email me, Tim Parker, at timdparker1@yahoo.com or Joe at jms707@windstream.net. Many hands make light work. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

LSYC Fleet Captain – Wes Scott

He's back! After a successful surgery and recovery period I once again feel healthy enough to resume my role as Fleet Captain for the 2017 season. Of course that means I'm still playing a bit of "catch-up" so I hope you will bear with me.

Meetings were held with both the Auxiliary and Star fleets this spring and a schedule has been settled upon. You can find that schedule, race NOR's and applications on the LSYC website under "Racing Information." The location of the fixed mark course has moved NE about half a mile this year so be sure to get a new fixed mark course chart along with all the other racing documents on the recently updated Racing webpages.

Season's Racing Schedule

This season weekly racing is going to run from the first Wednesday in June through to the third Wednesday in September. Our Star fleet will be racing most Sunday afternoons and our Auxiliary fleet will be racing almost every Wednesday except for the last Wednesday of July when the club will be deep into hosting the Interlake National Championship. Active members of the club receive racing fee discounts for our weekly race series.

In addition to weekly racing the club will be hosting three additional races:

- 1. Race the Wrecks MAST Race, Saturday July 1st, 2017. This offshore, mid-distance race will again run a circuit of 10 to 22 miles, weather dependent, and finish in the Lorain harbor. New this year is a Predicted Log division for our powerboat members. Without aid of knotmeter or clock, the powerboat that completes the route closest to their predicted time wins. Stay after for the club's July Fourth fun.
- 2. Lorain One-Design Regatta Saturday July 15th, 2017. This annual event will feature starts for Stars, Interlakes and Jet 14s. It will conclude with a dinner and awards. All members are welcome to attend the dinner even if you aren't racing in the regatta.



Fixed marks were set, racing to start! Thank you Wes! It is great to have you back, we are all happy that about your successful recovery!

3. Tom Gibbs Memorial Kelleys Island Race – Saturday August 26th, 2017. This is our ninth running and the traditional steak fry on the island returns this year. In the spirit of the MAST race we welcome powerboaters to consider doing a Predicted Log race to Kelleys. But really any member is welcome to tag along, by boat or ferry, and join us on the island for this traditional season close-out party.

And don't forget that LSYC will be hosting the Interlake National Championships during the last week of July. Tim Parker has been leading the planning for this event and volunteers are still needed. (Planning meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 8 at 7:00pm at the clubhouse)

Thanks Already Due

Even before the season starts I have a number of thank yous to offer.

Andy Wilson joined me on Great Scot to deploy our fixed marks on the first Saturday of June. It took about two hours to deploy almost all of them. We have one left, the "E" mark, which is still undergoing some repairs from a boat strike last season.

Ryan and Dick Pinter have been doing a bang-up job getting Shamrock sea worthy with a high-quality patch to her port quarter. As many of you have seen, Shamrock experienced a major crack during the last big storm of last season. That blemish is almost gone.

While discussing the Shamrock, my thanks to Ryan, Bryan Golden and Dick Parker/PMI for last season's various engine repairs. I'm looking forward to having Shamrock out shepherding our fleet again this year!

Should be another exciting year on the water! See you on the Start Line!



The newsletter is produced by Paul Burik – enjoy and be active!