

North Channel Yacht Club

Beacon



What'd the dog say when they cut his tail off?



“Won’t be
Long Now!!”



April 2017

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From the Editor...



I know, I know, the cover phrase is pretty lame. But I couldn't resist.

Given the time of year, we're all thinking launch and all things island. As the following articles will detail, there are many opportunities to get involved and help your club with all the preparations that make it the place we've come to enjoy all summer. It doesn't just happen on its own.

If you haven't yet, take a moment and contact any of the flag or board members to see what projects you would like to join in and help out, or just show up any Saturday around 0900 in the parking lot. Our dues are the lowest on the lakes, given the facilities, primarily because our members perform all the functions of management, maintenance of the building, grounds, and harbor as well as cooking, and cleaning, all in addition to our duties on our work weekends. It can be a lot of fun too; you are after all on an island.

Most importantly please look at page 40 of this Beacon to see the OD Weekend Work Schedule. As of printing, it's not yet complete. Please mention this to members who may not frequent the Beacon. The schedule will be in an upcoming Fan-Out and also posted on the website. If you don't find yourself listed, it's up to you to contact the Secretary Glenn Nixon to set up your work hours. Speaking of work hours, I need some volunteers to help with work weekend hours on Labor Day weekend. This is a big club event and so far it's looking like I'll be hosting a BYOB on the side lawn, and that's no joke.

We'll all soon be floating down the river, see you then,

BlueSkies&Following Seas,

Ron

Ron Draper
Director, Publications
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Commodores Comments...



April is almost here and as always the weather cannot decide if it is spring or winter. Ice is still floating down the channel but it has not kept us from visiting the island. The severe winds we encountered a few weeks ago caused no damage to the clubhouse or grounds and the water levels remain high.

This year's projects are on schedule but require a large number of hours to complete. Please consider attending the Elite Brigade work parties (April 15th, 22nd, 29th and May 6th) or regular work parties (May 13th or 20th). Along with the projects we still have the annual tasks of preparing the fins, clubhouse and harbor and grounds for the upcoming season. Plan on coming out and lending a hand on one or more of these Saturdays. I can guarantee that you will enjoy the experience and you will not regret it.

A reminder for the ladies, the First Mates Annual Fashion Show is May 7th. Don't miss it.

The Club will open in eight short weeks. Please come out and help us make her the showplace that she truly is.

If you have a friend that might be thinking of joining our Club, please be aware of a few initiatives the board has approved. The Initiation Fee can now be paid over two years, an Application Fee of \$250.00 due when filling out the application, \$300.00 due at the interview, and \$550.00 by January 31st of the following year. (The \$700.00 membership dues are still required to be paid at the interview). Another option is to pay the \$250.00 application fee upon applying, the \$700.00 dues paid at the interview, and the remaining \$850 can be auto deducted from your checking account in equal payments over the next 12 months. We hope these incentives will make membership in our club more attractive to prospective members.

Commodore Pat Carroll

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Vice Commodores Comments...



Spring is here and with its arrival is the growing excitement of getting back on the water. Startin' Over is set for an early April launch date. Hopefully the weather will cooperate.

Linda and I attended the "Blessing of the Fleet" on March 12th at Mariners Church in Detroit. It was a moving service with area Yacht Clubs presenting their Flags to be blessed on the altar of the Church. Commodore Pat and first Lady Nancy represented us well. Also in attendance was Rear Commodore Ian Blackburn and his lady Marie, Fleet Captain P/C Tom McHugh and his lady Judy. We also would like to thank Tim Grennan from NCYC for his attendance. I would highly recommend any NCYC member attend next year.

A small contingent of members visited the Yacht Club this past Saturday to make a list of things that need to be accomplished before the work parties begin. Many thanks to Darryl Campbell for getting Fin # 3 in the water this early in the season so we have transportation back and forth to the Club.

The Elite Brigade work parties begin April 15th and continue for four Saturdays. The Club regular work parties take place Saturday, May 13th and May 20th. This is a great way to get reacquainted with your fellow members, and get to know newer members. Mark your calendars to attend one or all of these! Attendance at one of these weekends is a membership requirement.

Linda and I want to wish all of you a very Blessed Easter.

Regards,

V/C Randy Pagel



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Rear Commodores Comments...



On Sunday March 12th the Flag, along with our lovely spouses had the privilege of attending Mariners Church in Detroit for the Blessing of the Fleet. What a humbling experience it was. The Mariners Church is steeped in history starting with its founding in 1842 and construction in 1849. The Blessing of the Fleet ceremony has taken place since the early 1960's. Organizations such as the Ship Masters Association, Sea Cadets, the United States Navy, US and Canadian Coast Guard, and numerous Yacht and Boat Clubs are in attendance to have their Flag or Burgee blessed. It was a memorable service and the choir was second to none. I was proud to be part of the team representing NCYC!

I am sure when this article is posted that the Elite Brigade work parties will be either approaching fast or they will be upon us. Please try and attend as many as you possibly can. There are a lot of seasonal tasks that need to be taken care of and the new projects will also be underway. It's a great way to get the 4-hour work requirement taken care of early in the year and at the same time visit with your NCYC friends! Please reach out to any director to see if they need a hand, I am sure they will appreciate it!

Let's not forget our First Mates Fashion Show, which will be taking place on Sunday May 7th at the Barrister Gardens. I am told that this is a fabulous day, and a major fund raising event for our First Mates. The funds raised each year are definitely used to beautify our island each year and support our projects. Ladies, watch for Fan Out notifications for the registration form. Have you reviewed the online calendar yet? If you want to get involve, contact the activity organizer. Organizers are always looking for an extra helping hand. Another great way to get involve is to manage a week on the island, we still have a few opening weeks and Dick and Vicky Raymond would be delighted to get those filled prior to the opening weekend.

At the time of writing this article there are 18 days until the first Elite Brigade and 59 days until opening weekend. Time is flying by and I can't wait to see everyone on the Island!!!!!!

R/C Ian Blackburn

A Message From Chaplain Art Brooks...



NOTES FROM CHAPLAIN ART BROOKS

I am glad to say that I did not receive any news this month as far as members being ill. Hopefully, that is a true reflection of the condition of all. If you know of someone who may be under the weather, please have them get in touch with me so I can let the membership know.

“One Day at a Time” by Hope Oberhelman,
Live one day at a time, my friend,
Soon the present will be past,
Forget those things that bother you,
And make the good things last...

Live one day at a time, my friend,
Whatever comes along—
What’s past is past, just let it be,
And sing a joyful song...

Live one day at a time, my friend,
Tomorrow’s yet to come—
Today is full of hope and love,
So help yourself to some...

Live one day at a time, my friend,
And happy you will be;
Relax, rejoice, and just let go,
And set your spirit free!

An excerpt from Proverbs 10:21

The lips of the righteous nourish many, but fools die for lack of judgment. —

Righteous people have a way of blessing others with their words. It may be their word of encouragement, their carefully chosen speech, their advice full of wisdom, their message of comfort, their truth in teaching, or their faithfulness to their promises. No matter what form, the words of righteous people are a blessing. But fools don't listen to the righteous. They plot their own course refusing truth, wisdom, and godliness only to find their lives lost to meaninglessness and folly.



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There were 16 people at the last luncheon.

There will not be an April Business Meeting.

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FIRST MATES MENTION

April 2017

Hi Ladies:

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We are looking for spring to arrive any day now. In the meantime:

First Mate Fashion Show, Sunday, May 7, 2017

Debbie Siwek: Email: D53siwek@yahoo.com

Phone: 586-917-5767

Ticket Price: \$37.00

Contributions and donations are being taken for the Fashion Show. If you would like to volunteer for this day, please contact:

Jill Romantz: Email: rromatz69@comcast.net

Phone: 586-265-7793

If you missed the membership deadline of March 31, 2017, please contact:

Cathy Jarvis: Email: jarvis53@yahoo.com

Phone: 248-689-1382

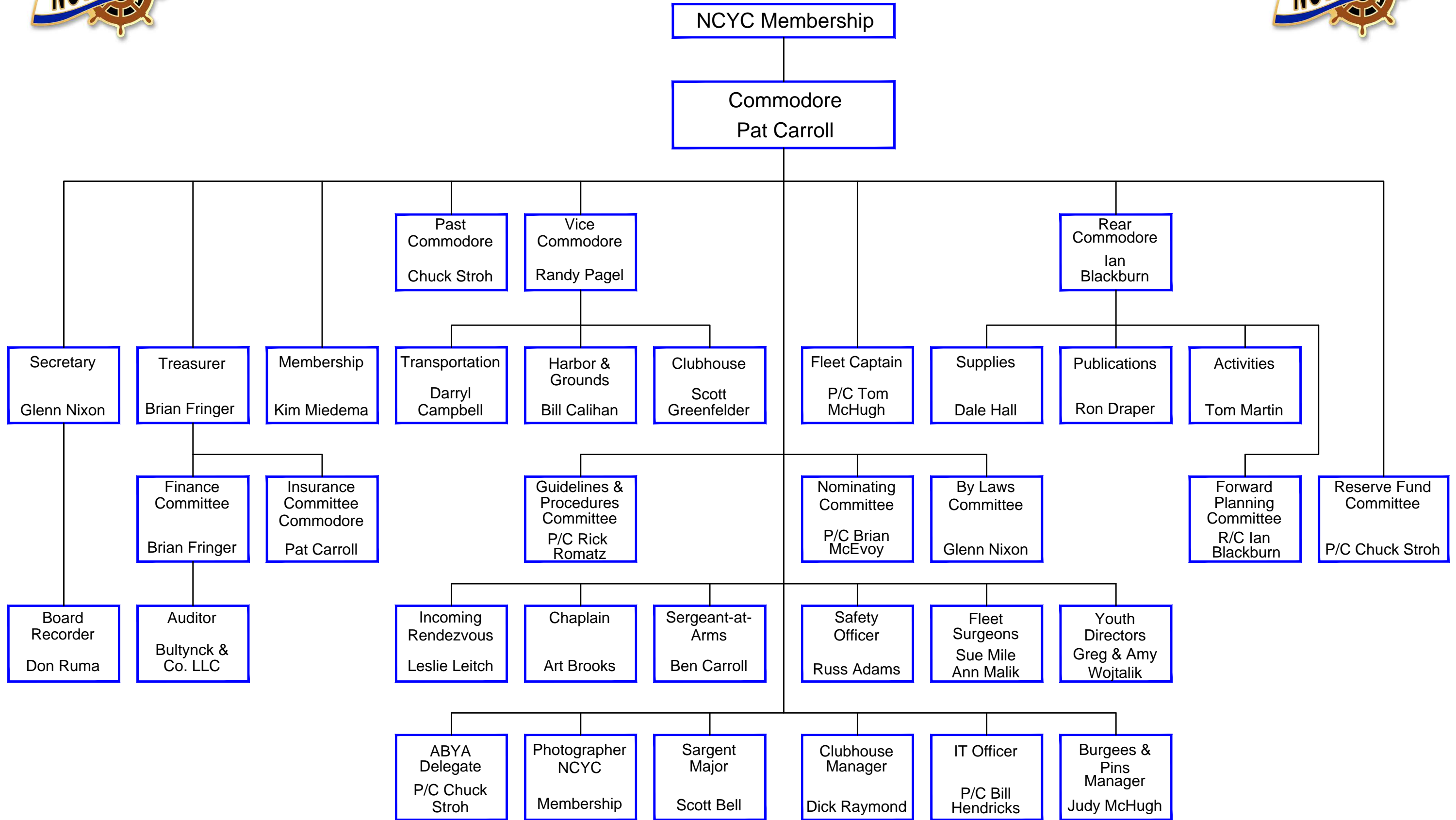
Our membership meeting is scheduled for May 27, 2017, in the clubhouse followed by the annual welcome reception. All are welcome to attend. Just a note, we will be asking First Mates to please bring their favourite appetizer to pass, and of course remember to use a disposable container for easy cleanup. Help is always needed this weekend. Sue Brooks will welcome any volunteers.

Don't forget Ladies Week is a great time for all ladies to relax and enjoy the island. Date to save is June 11 through June 16th, 2017.

Respectfully,
Colleen Braun
2017 First Mates Publicity Director



NORTH CHANNEL YACHT CLUB ORGANIZATION CHART 2017



PRELIMINARY with OD Assignments
North Channel Yacht Club 2017 Calendar of Events (1)

- January 21 Commodore's Ball
- February 3, 4, 5 Edgerly/Malik Snowmobile Trip
- March 12 Blessing of the Fleet at Mariner's Church
- March 10 - 12 ABYA Spring Rendezvous Midland
- April 15 Elite Brigade
- April 22 Elite Brigade
- April 29 Elite Brigade
- May 6 Elite Brigade
- May 7 **FASHION SHOW**
- May 13 First Spring Work Party
- May 20 First Spring Work Party
- May 26 – 29 Opening Weekend **Fitting Out (OD: B. Fringer)**
27 First Mates Patio Party
General Membership Meeting 1:00 PM
Fitting Out Dinner – TBD
28 Pride of Michigan
Flag Raising Ceremony 1:00 PM
Complimentary Luncheon following Ceremony
Father Steve Blessing of the Fleet 3:00 PM
- June 3 **ABYA Dinner Dance (OD: P/C Stroh)**
- June 9 – 11 **CIGAR/WHISKEY/WINE TASTING (OD: D. Shepperson) DON RUMA**
- June 11 – 16 **Ladies Week Carroll/McHugh**
- June 16 – 18 **RENDEZVOUS ALGONAC HARBOR CLUB (OD: P/C Dickson)**
- June 22 **ANCIENT MARINERS LUNCHEON 1:00 AT CLUB**
- June 23 -25 **Kid's Weekend GREG (OD: Lockhart)**
- June 30 – July 2 **OPEN (OD: Nixon) Fourth of July Celebration**

PRELIMINARY with OD Assignments
North Channel Yacht Club 2017 Calendar of Events

July 7- 9 **OPEN (OD: Martin)** (fireworks in Lexington)

July 9 – 14 **Commodore's Cruise to Mackinaw Island**

July 14 – 16 **Ancient Mariner's Meat Mania (OD: Miedema)**

JULY 20 ANCIENT MARINERS LUNCHEON 1:00 AT CLUB

July 21 – 23 **CHRISTMAS IN JULY (OD: P/C McHugh) TURKEY DINNER**

July 28 – 30 **FLOAT DOWN (OD: B. Carroll, K. Verkest) BOB/JOHN**

August 4 – 6 **Karaoke (OD: R/C Blackburn)**

August 11 – 13 **OPEN (OD: Calihan)**

AUGUST 17 ANCIENT MARINERS LUNCHEON 1:00 AT CLUB

August 18 – 20 **RENDEZVOUS (OD: Campbell) MACRAY HARBOR - THUNDERBIRDS AIRSHOW**

August 25 – 27 **POT LUCK Swan/Pagel (OD: V/C Pagel)**

September 1 – 4 **Labor Day Weekend (OD: Draper)**

2 General Membership Meeting 1:00 PM Meet the Candidates
P/C Beer Bust after Meeting hot dogs/hamburgers

3 First Mates Dinner

September 8 – 10 **OPEN (OD: P/C McEvoy)**

September 11 **ABYA GMM First Mates Dinner**

September 15 – 17 **(OD: P/C Romatz) RAY FOGG CONCERT ON FRIDAY, 15TH**

SEPTEMBER 21 ANCIENT MARINERS LUNCHEON 1:00 AT CLUB

September 22 – 24 **SMOKE ON THE WATER BBQ COOK OFF (OD: Latowski) GLICK/HART**

September 30 **Commodore's Clays Competition at NMSC (OD: Greenfelder)**

October 6 – 8 **Haul Out Weekend (OD: Hall)**

7 General Membership Meeting 1:00 PM

7 Haul Out Dinner

8 First Mates Haul Out Breakfast

October 14 **Fall Work Party**

October 21 **Fall Work Party**

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First Mates of North Channel Yacht Club

Dear First Mates,

I have been appointed by our President Linda Pagel to chair the 2017 First Mates By-Law Committee.

The Purpose of the Committee will be to review the current First Mates By-Laws and ensure they are inline with the new NCYC By-Laws.

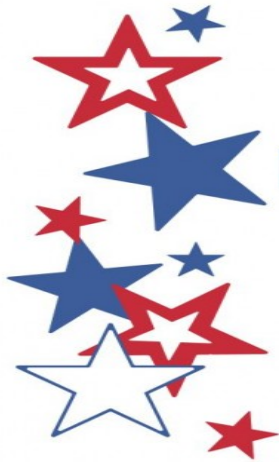
I would like to invite any current First Mates to join our committee who are interested in helping with our 2017 By-Law "review". I am hoping to form a committee of four.

The plan would be to set up monthly "Skype" meetings throughout the winter and hold in person meetings during the summer. *To join the committee, you would need to have access to Skype, as this will be the medium used during the winter months.*

If you have interested, please contact me at mariejospepin@gmail.com

Again thank you, I truly look forward to working with you.

Marie Pepin
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NCYC FITTING OUT 2017

May 26 – 29

Please join us!

Saturday - 10:00 a.m. First Mates General Meeting

Saturday – 11:30 a.m. First Mates Patio Party

Saturday – 1:00 p.m. NCYC General Membership Meeting

Saturday – 6:00 p.m. Dinner

Pork Roast with all the Fixings and Dessert

Adults - \$18.00

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8:00 p.m. Entertainment

Sunday – 1:00 p.m. Flag Raising immediately followed by

Complimentary Luncheon

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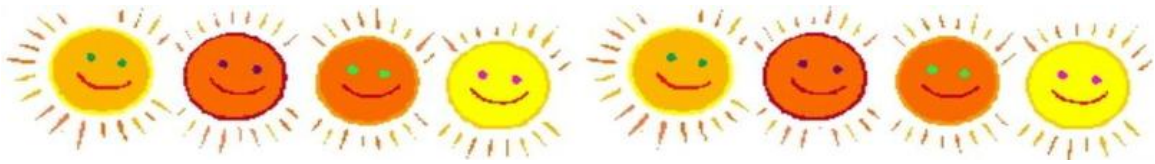
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Sunday: Continental Breakfast and Depart.

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SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE 2017 FLEET CAPTAINS

Hello North Channel Yacht Club:

Special arrangements have been made (with the help of P/C Rick and Jill Romatz-Thank You!) for the NCYC August 18-20, 2017 Rendezvous at MacRay Harbor. MacRay Harbor is the premier spot to see the Thunderbirds at the Selfridge 2017 Air Show. Please see flyer below.

On January 2, 2017 after 10:00 a.m., you will need to call MacRay Member Services (Tammy or Anne) at (586) 468-1900, ext. 434 or 443 and reserve your well. You will need to pay for your well when making your reservation (\$2.25/ft.). Space is limited to 20 plus wells, so if you are interested, please call AFTER January 2, 2017 to reserve your well. More details regarding activities for the weekend will follow, but you can bet that it will be a fun filled weekend!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact P/C Tom or Judy McHugh at (586) 465-7777 or email: tgmchugh@yahoo.com

Thank you,

Tom and Judy McHugh

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2017 NCYC Rendezvous Schedule

Dear NCYC Members: Below is a list of rendezvous events that are scheduled for 2017. Plans are being finalized and will be published as soon as possible.

June 16, 17 & 18, 2017

Our first rendezvous is at Algonac Harbor Club. For well reservations, please call Cassandra or Susan at (810) 794-4448. The wells are \$55.00 per night and we recommend that you make your reservations now. The daily event program will be out as soon as the plans are finalized. **Please see flyer in this month's Beacon.**

July 21, 22 & 23, 2017

Our second rendezvous is at NCYC. Christmas in July has been brought back by popular demand with a visit from Santa. More details to follow.

August 18, 19 & 20, 2017

Our third rendezvous is at MacRay Harbor. The Thunderbirds will be performing this weekend at Selfridge Air Base. This is a premier place to watch this air show.

Please call MacRay Member Services (Tammy or Anne) at (586) 468-1900, ext. 434 or 443 and reserve your well. You will need to pay for your well when making your reservation (\$2.25/ft.). Space is limited to 20 plus wells, so if you are interested, please call and reserve your well.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact P/C Tom or Judy McHugh at

(586) 465-7777 or email: tgmchugh@yahoo.com

Anchors away,

Tom and Judy McHugh



**North Channel Yacht Club
Board of Directors - Regular Meeting
9 February 2017**



Call to Order

Commodore, Pat Carroll

Commodore Pat Carroll called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. The meeting was held at Mac Ray's.

Roll Call

Secretary, Glenn Nixon

FLAG OFFICERS		<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>	
Commodore	Pat Carroll	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Vice Commodore	Randy Pagel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Rear Commodore	Ian Blackburn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
DIRECTORS				
Transportation	Darryl Campbell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Harbor & Grounds	Bill Calihan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<i>Excused</i>
Activities	Tom Martin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Treasurer	Brian Fringer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Publications	Ron Draper	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Telecon</i>
Secretary	Glenn Nixon	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Membership	Kim Miedema	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Telecon</i>
Supplies	Dale Hall	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Club House	Scott Greenfelder	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
IMMEDIATE PAST COMMODORE	P/C Chuck Stroh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
APPOINTED POSITIONS				
Fleet Captain	P/C Tom McHugh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Board Recorder	Don Ruma	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Pledge of Allegiance

All

Approval of Agenda

All

MOTION: Moved by Darryl Campbell and seconded by Scott Greenfelder to approve the agenda.

Motion Carried

Approval of Meeting Minutes

All

MOTION: Moved by Scott Greenfelder and seconded by Glenn Nixon to approve the 12 January 2017 Board Meeting Minutes. **Motion Carried**

Commodore's Comments

Commodore, Pat Carroll

Nancy and I would like to thank all of you for attending our ball, and we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did. I would like to once again thank those who helped us in planning and preparing for our Ball. Randy and Ian, start preparing now, your time will be here sooner than you know.

It's February and in roughly six weeks, we will begin our Saturday trips to the Island, waking it up from its winter slumber and slowly preparing her for another season. It is time a for each of us to take a good look at what we need to accomplish, and what we need to do to make this year a success.



Tonight, the First Mates will present their 2017 improvement project to the board for approval and we will also vote to approve this year's committees. I will also present a special project that the Flag seriously has taken under their wing.

For NCYC's Board, the winter has ended, and it is time to spring into action.

Vice-Commodore's Comments

Vice Commodore, Randy Pagel

For those of you who attended the Commodore's Ball, I'm sure you'll agree that it was a fantastic venue, and a great time was had by all. It was wonderful to see so many of our members in attendance, especially our past Commodores. Many thanks to our Commodore Pat and his Lady Nancy for hosting an enjoyable evening.

The opening of the club is just over three months away. Our club Secretary, Glenn Nixon, is working hard on assigning dates for everyone to get their work hours in for 2017; please give him all the cooperation you can.

Rear-Commodore's Comments

Rear Commodore, Ian Blackburn

I would like to thank Commodore Pat and his Lady Nancy for a wonderful Ball. Everyone sure had fun! I would also like to congratulate Debbie Siwek and the Nixon's on their awards. They are very deserving individuals.

Upcoming events in the boating world are the ABYA Spring Rendezvous in Midland and the Blessing of the Fleet at Mariners' Church. Try to attend if you can.

First Mates Presentation

First Mates President, Linda Pagel

Linda Pagel presented the First Mates 2017 project proposal to add air conditioning / heat to the second-floor of the clubhouse. Air conditioning / heat would be added to all of the guest rooms and the manager's apartment. The First Mates will cover the cost of the air conditioning equipment (9 evaporator units in the rooms and 2 condensers on the roof); the Ancient Mariners will cover the cost of the electrical supplies, and the installation will be donated by Bumler Mechanical. The total cost is expected to be \$10,500 with any overages to be paid by an anonymous donor up to \$3000.

The board discussed the proposal, and a recommendation was made to add wording to the Week Manager's manual to check to ensure the units are turned off when appropriate.

MOTION: Moved by R/C Ian Blackburn and seconded by Dale Hall to approve the proposal by the First Mates to install air conditioning / heat to the second-floor rooms and the manager's apartment. **Motion Carried**

Financial Report

Treasurer, Brian Fringer

The financial report was distributed via e-mail prior to the meeting and summarized. January 2017 revenue was \$58,099; the largest contributors were the Commodore's Ball and membership dues. The total gain for the month was \$31,063.

All Director accounts are now open at Fifth-Third Bank; Debit Cards will be distributed to facilitate online banking and expense reporting. All funds have been transferred from First-Merit to Fifth-Third Bank and the accounts are being closed. The Membership Notes were all funded on 13 January, and the main account at First-Merit will remain active until the Membership Notes are cleared.

Fifth-Third Bank stated that they will entertain loans to NCYC through their Small Business Group.

MOTION: Moved by V/C Randy Pagel and seconded by Scott Greenfelder to approve the Financial Report. **Motion Carried**



ABYA Report

P/C Chuck Stroh

The last ABYA meeting was at Huron Pointe Yacht Club. ABYA will have a booth at the Detroit Boat Show and they are looking for volunteers to man the booth. They are also lobbying at the State level to write bills to eliminate the land leases for social clubs. The ABYA Spring Rendezvous in Midland will be held on 10-12 March; they are trying to raise interest for the rubber-band boat races. The 2017 Commodore's Christmas Ball will be held at Barrister Gardens at the end of the year. ABYA is soliciting involvement in the Lake St. Clair Clean-up activity.

There was discussion regarding the need for a new ABYA flag; the flags last a couple of years. Scott Greenfelder will check the condition of the flag when he is on the island, and determine if a new flag is needed.

Correspondence

All

A letter was received from the 2017 ABYA Commodore, Ed Bolsendahl, expressing his enjoyment in attending the NCYC Commodore's Ball in January 2017.

Jefferson Yacht Club (JYC) Commodore, Mike Winter, sent a letter to 'mend fences' regarding an incident that occurred last year when JYC visited NCYC and offered a formal apology. In 2016, the Board of Directors banned JYC from visiting NCYC for that year. The board discussed the issue and agreed that there is no reason to extend the ban. Commodore, Pat Carroll, will contact JYC's Commodore to let them know that a request to visit NCYC would be entertained.

I. CURRENT BUSINESS

Activities – Tom Martin

The list of activities with hosts was assembled by Commodore, Pat Carroll, and was sent out late last year; an updated list will be sent to Tom Martin.

Club House – Scott Greenfelder

No Report.

Harbor & Grounds – Bill Calihan

No Report.

Membership – Kim Miedema

So far \$106,800 has been collected in membership dues which includes \$18,000 on-hold for May; there is approximately \$14,000 outstanding.

Status Changes:

- David Trendell – Boating to Non-Boating
- Janice Saur – Boating to Non-Boating
- Rex Oliver – Boating to Senior
- Andy Heller – Resignation
- John Kotcher – Resignation
- Ron Kahl – Resignation
- Eric Hagendorff – Resignation
- Robert Carnaghi Jr. – Resignation
- Michael Pilaroski - Resignation
- Scott Oliver – Junior to Non-Boating



- Breanna Scarpace – New Junior Member
- Nick Watson – Junior to Non-Boating (pending receipt of his dues)

Membership Requests:

- Debra Jacott – Requested to go from Boating to Senior, however she cannot become a Senior member until she turns 62 per the By-Laws. She can remain a Boating member or move to a Non-Boating membership.

- Tony Serra – Request a second-year Leave of Absence

MOTION: Moved by Kim Miedema and seconded by Darryl Campbell to approve Tony Serra's request for a Leave-of-Absence in 2017. **Motion Carried**

- P/C John Sevald – Requested a work waiver for health reasons.

MOTION: Moved by P/C Chuck Stroh and seconded by V/C Randy Pagel to approve P/C John Sevald's request for a work waiver. **Motion Carried**

Waiting List / Interviewer Assignments:

- Andrew Housey – Commodore, Pat Carroll
- Stewart Ireland III – Scott Greenfelder
- Scott Goemmel – Kim Miedema
- Sharon Sheroski – Dale Hall
- Paul Urbano – V/C Randy Pagel

Kim will send interview packages to the interviewers by e-mail.

Publications – Ron Draper

The FlippingBook subscription was renewed for the year, and the February Beacon is ready to go out. Over the last couple years, Beacon views have been in the range of 25-85 per month. Roster preparation is in process.

Secretary – Glenn Nixon

ODs have been assigned for all 20 weekends, and 13 of 20 weekends have a full complement of workers so far. Several weekends are significantly short on assignments. Glenn will contact ODs for specific requests to fill openings before making final assignments.

Party weekends that receive extra work hours for 2017 were discussed:

- Fitting Out – 176 hours
- ABYA Dinner Dance – 136 hours
- Kids Weekend – 136 hours
- Christmas in July – 136 hours
- Karaoke – 136 hours
- Smoke on the Water – 136 hours
- Labor Day – 176 hours
- Haul-Out – 136 hours

Commodore, Pat Carroll will provide the incoming rendezvous list to Glenn for planning purposes.



Supplies – Dale Hall

Training is scheduled for the POS System on 3 March, Dale will send information to the Board and Flag for those interested in learning more about the system. R/C Ian Blackburn is preparing training aids / videos for operating the POS, and Dale is assembling quick reference guides for workers.

Transportation – Darryl Campbell

No Report.

Fleet Captain – P/C Tom McHugh

The 2017 NCYC Rendezvous Schedule was distributed.

16-18 June 2017 at Algonac Harbor Club – Contact Cassandra or Susan at (810)794-4448 to reserve a boat well; wells are \$55 per night. The daily event schedule will be published as soon as plans are finalized.

21-23 July 2017 at NCYC – Christmas in July returns to NCYC by popular demand!

18-20 August 2017 at Mac Ray Harbor – The Thunderbirds will be performing at Selfridge Air Base, and this will be a premier location to watch the show. Call Mac Ray Member Services (Tammy or Anne) at (586)-468-1900 ext. 434 or 443 to reserve a boat well. Payment of \$2.25 per foot will be required at the time of reservation. Space is limited to 20 wells, so make a reservation soon.

II. OLD BUSINESS

Incoming Rendezvous:

A request was received from the Water Warriors (Barb Vanover) to use the club as a stop for a poker run on Wednesday, 28 June 2017, with 350 to 370 people on 25 to 54 boats.

MOTION: Moved by P/C Chuck Stroh and seconded by Darryl Campbell to allow the Water Warriors to stop at the club on 28 June 2017. **Motion Carried**

2017 Committees:

Nominating Committee:

- P/C Brian McEvoy Chair
- P/C Scott Bell
- P/C Bill Hendricks
- P/C Rick Romatz
- Diane French
- Frank Corcoran

MOTION: Moved by V/C Randy Pagel and seconded by R/C Ian Blackburn to approve the Nominating Committee members for 2017. **Motion Carried**



Forward Planning Committee:

- R/C Ian Blackburn Chair
- Glenn Nixon Secretary
- Scott Greenfelder 2015-2016-2017
- Greg Criner
- Steve Marten 2016-2017-2018
- P/C Bill Bauer 2016-2017-2018
- Don Ruma 2017-2018-2019
- Ben Carroll 2017-2018-2019

MOTION: Moved by Scott Greenfelder and seconded by Tom Martin to approve the Forward Planning Committee members for 2017. **Motion Carried**

Guidelines and Policy Committee:

- P/C Rick Romatz Chair
- P/C Hugh Vestil
- P/C Tom McHugh
- P/C Brian McEvoy
- P/C Chuck Stroh
- Brian Michel
- Larry Malik
- Art Brooks

MOTION: Moved by Tom Martin and seconded by Darryl Campbell to approve the Guidelines and Policy Committee members for 2017. **Motion Carried**

Insurance Committee:

- P/C Tom McHugh Chair
- P/C Bob Watson
- R/C Ian Blackburn
- V/C Randy Pagel
- Commodore Pat Carroll

MOTION: Moved by Brian Fringer and seconded by Scott Greenfelder to approve the Insurance Committee members for 2017. **Motion Carried**

Cash Reserve Committee:

- P/C Chuck Stroh Chair
- Commodore Pat Carroll
- Mike Wonderly 2017-2018-2019
- Ken Lipowski 2016-2017-2018
- Peter Frame 2015-2016-2017

MOTION: Moved by R/C Ian Blackburn and seconded by Dale Hall to approve the Cash Reserve Committee members for 2017. **Motion Carried**



Finance Committee:

- Brian Fringer Chair
- Frank Corcoran
- P/C Hugh Vestil
- Steve Martin
- Dan Pienta

MOTION: Moved by Darryl and seconded by Scott Greenfelder to approve the Finance Committee members for 2017. **Motion Carried**

By-Laws Committee:

- Glenn Nixon Chair
- R/C Ian Blackburn
- P/C Harley Burris
- P/C Rick Romatz
- Al Durand
- Kim Miedema
- Frank Corcoran

MOTION: Moved by P/C Chuck Stroh and seconded by R/C Ian Blackburn to approve the By-Laws Committee members for 2017. **Motion Carried**

III. NEW BUSINESS

Flag Project:

Commodore, Pat Carroll

Back in January, after being told that P/C Joe Cox should have been on the Beacon Cover Page, I started looking at all of the club traditions. There are too many to mention, but one thing hit me like a brick: there is no written list of traditions. I thought it was coincidence that we had talked about our club's poor handling of records and our history. Looking further, I found that many traditions that are held without question are contrary to our By-Laws. It is because of these findings that I have established a Traditions Committee.

In trying to come up with a way of sorting this out, I asked the Flag to nominate one P/C and one long time member (at least 20 years of Club Membership). This team, which I trust will have a good memory and vision of what has driven our Traditions and By-Laws, along with the Flag, will get together and attempt to separate tradition from By-Law. The end goal envisioned is a book of Traditions that does not conflict with our By-Laws. There are By-Laws that will require change and a member vote, and the Traditions Committee will present these to the By-Laws Committee for consideration.

I have no intention of disrupting this year's Committees and their duties, as change does not come quickly or easily, and we as a Board have already approved this year's committees.

The Traditions Committee is as follows:

- Commodore Pat Carroll
- V/C Randy Pagel
- R/C Ian Blackburn
- P/C Paul Jarvis
- Ron Kemp
- P/C Rick Romatz
- Diane French



P/C Brian McEvoy
P/C Tom McHugh

I will schedule a meeting in the near future, and I will keep the board informed as to our progress and intentions.

The Board discussed the intentions of the new Committee.

Member of the Month

No nominees were identified.

Good of the Order

Scott Greenfelder identified an unpaid bill from 2016 for defibrillator repair; the bill was paid. The company can provide a training session on the island for \$85 on Memorial Day weekend. The board discussed the proposal, and Kim Miedema will contact Linda Richards to find out if she is still certified and can perform the training.

MOTION: Moved by Brian Fringer and seconded by V/C Randy Pagel to approve \$85 for defibrillator training if Linda Richards is not certified or unable to perform the training. **Motion Carried**

Kim Miedema brought up the need to have document storage in a central data location. Club Express is the current central location, but information stored there isn't easily retrievable. Most documents are currently kept on individual computers and may not be transferred to incoming board members. Ron Draper discussed that a central server or cloud would provide a repository so that documents would not be kept on individual computers, and there would be offsite backups. The board discussed investigating the concern and requested that Ron and Kim report back with potential options.

Adjournment

MOTION: Moved by Darryl Campbell and seconded by Scott Greenfelder to adjourn the meeting. **Motion Carried**

The meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Next Meeting

Date and Time: Thursday, 9 March 2017, 7:00 p.m. Location: Mac Ray's.

2017 WEEK MANAGERS

May 21 – 26	R/C Ian Blackburn & Marie Pepin P/C Bob & Patti Watson
May 28 – June 2	Dick & Vicky Raymond John & Shelley Sweier
June 4 – 9	Tony & Sharon Simion
June 11 – 16	Ladies Week
June 18 – 23	OPEN
June 25 – 30	OPEN
July 2 – 7	Robert & Sandra Fringer Brian & Rachel Fringer
July 9 – 14	Kim & Larry Miedema Ron & Colleen Braun
July 16 – 21	OPEN
July 23 – 28	OPEN
July 30 – August 4	OPEN
August 6 – 11	P/C Ken & Kay Smith Al & Ruth Durand Thurston Dean & Barb Palumbo
August 13 – 18	Leslie Leitch & Patty
August 20 – 25	Frank & Diane Corcoran John & Shelley Sweier
August 27 – September 1	V/C Randy & Linda Pagel Ron & Jeannine Kemp Ed & Diane Romatz
September 3 – 8	Chris & Julie Strzyzewski
September 10 – 15	Darryl & Josette Campbell Russ & Pat Adams
September 17 – 22	Roman Kolodchin Tony Ellul
September 24 – 29	Peter & Norma Frame Al & Ruth Durand
October 1 – 6	Commodore Pat & Nancy Carroll P/C Tom & Judy McHugh

Please call Dick or Vicky Raymond @ (810) 794-4850 if interested in filling an open weekday manager position.

2017 O.D. AND WEEKEND WORK SCHEDULE

IF YOU CANNOT WORK YOUR SCHEDULED WEEKEND, IT IS UP TO YOU TO FIND A REPLACEMENT

Weekend	1		2		3		4		5	
	Fitting Out		ABYA		Cigar/Whiskey/Wine		NCYC Rendezvous		Kid's Weekend	
	GM Meeting		Dinner Dance		Tasting Event		Algonac Harbour Club		Party (Lockhart)	
Incoming Rendezvous		176	ABYA Incoming	136		128		128		136
Date	5/26	Work	6/2	Work	6/9	Work	6/16	Work	6/23	Work
O.D.	Brian Fringer	Hours	P/C Chuck Stroh	Hours	Don Shepperson	Hours	P/C John Dickson	Hours	Dave Lockhart	Hours
1	Al Herr	8	Mark Schoen	16	P/C Jim Angers	16	Bob Watson	16	Bob Carnaghi	16
2	Gabriel D'Haillecourt	8	Mark Busch	16	Whitney Angers	8	Edgar Atnip	16	Lou Garofalo	16
3	P/C John Anderson	16	Tom Altobelli	16	Lee Angers	16	Mike Reihl	16	Don Carnaghi	16
4	Bob Fringer	16	Bob Breuhan	16	Don Reiss	16	Mark Rathbone	16	Ron Currie	16
5	Bryan Kenzie	16	Greg Murray	8	Dennis Biel	16	Tim Idzikowski	16	Andrew Herzig	16
6	Tony Simion	16	Bob Swatosh	16	Jordan Biel	8	Gary Kohout	16	John Vandenbossche	16
7	Richard Goodman	16	Rocky Richards	16	Rex Oliver	16	Keith McGregor	16	Paul Rener	16
8	P/C Jim Whyard	8	Scott Stay	16	Mike Oliver	16	Courtney Watson	8	Dan Pienta	16
9	Janice Saur	16	Gerald Gostomski	16	Danielle LeVeque	16	Gary Jialanella	16	Aaron Garofalo	8
10					Dave DuVerney	16			Joel Garofalo	8
Total		120		136		144		136		144
Over/Under		56		0		-16		-8		-8
	Pd Bartenders									
	Pd Bartenders		Art Brooks							
	Pd Bartenders									

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Weekend	6		7		8		9		10	
	July 4th Celebration		Open Weekend		Ancient Mariners		Christmas in July		Float Down	
			Commodores Cruise		Meat Mania		Party (McHugh)			
Incoming Rendezvous		128		128		128		136		128
Date	6/30	Work	7/7	Work	7/14	Work	7/21	Work	7/28	Work
O.D.	Glenn Nixon	Hours	Tom Martin	Hours	Kim Miedema	Hours	P/C Tom McHugh	Hours	B. Carroll/ K. Verkest	Hours
1	Peter Frame	16	Debbie Siwek	8	Michael Wonderly	16	Donna Glick	16	Lexi Verkest	8
2	Frank Corcoran	16	James Hogan	8	Greg Freese	16	Terry Hart	16	Tori Verkest	8
3	Dan Coburn	16	Bob Buwalda	16	Dave McKnight	16	Pete Poirier	16	Nikki Werner	16
4	John Sweier	16	Michael Linden	16	Greg Brigman	16	Paul Kelton	16	Steve Scarpaci	16
5	Charles Cook	16	Glen Wagner	16	Arthur Schafer	16	Rick Rzesut	16	Vinnie Scarpaci	8
6	Tim O'Brien	16	Dennis Pomeroy	16	Dennis Alcazar	16	Dave Pelletier	16	Don Ruma	16
7	Bill Edens	16	Jeff Rose	16	Ronald Braun	16	Ashley Pelletier	16	John DeQuick	16
8			John Mantyk	16	Al Vercnocke	16	Allison Weishapt	16	Greg Wojtalik	16
9					Austin Brigman	8	Anthony McHugh	16	Rebekah Pawelczyk	8
10									Breanna Scarpaci	8
Total		112		112		136		144		120
Over/Under		16		16		-8		-8		8
							Paid Bartender			
	P/C Paul Jarvis		Larry Gierlowski				Paid Bartender			
							Paid Bartender			

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Weekend	11		12		13		14		15	
	Karaoke		Open weekend		NCYC Rendezvous		Potluck (??)		GM Meeting	
					at MacRay Harbor				Labor Day	
Incoming Rendezvous	Harbor View (10) Sand Point	136	Harbor View (10)	128	Jefferson Beach Marina	128		128		176
Date	8/4	Work	8/11	Work	8/18	Work	8/25	Work	9/1	Work
O.D.	Ian Blackburn	Hours	Bill Calihan	Hours	Darryl Campbell	Hours	V/C Randy Pagel	Hours	Ron Draper	Hours
1	Bill Rose	16	P/C Bill Hendricks	16	Terry Steinmacher	16	Joe Dequick	16	Cathy D'Andrea	8
2	Michael Napior	16	Brian Roath	16	Tony Ellul	16	Dave Gronbach	8	Scott Goemmel	16
3	Diane French	8	Hunt Taylor	16	Roman Kolodchin	16	Tim Grennan	16		
4	Thurston Dean	8	Caitlin Calihan	8	Leonard Piecuch	16	P/C Bill Bauer	8		
5	John Tucker	16	McKenzie Calihan	8	Daniel Aitken	16	Ron Kemp	8		
6	Bert Skibinski	16	Leslie Leitch	16	John Zych	16	Melissa Winkler	16		
7	Harley Burris	8	David Klicki	16	Al Durand	16	Denise Huntley	16		
8	Debra Jacott	16	Frank Zrepskey	16			Bob Swan	8		
9	Bob Marin	8	Dave White	8			Chuck Penzien	16		
10			Scott Oliver	8			Steve Marten	16		
Total		112		128		112		128		24
Over/Under		24		0		16		0		152
	Gary Barnard								Pd Bartenders	
									Pd Bartenders	
									Pd Bartenders	

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Weekend	16		17		18		19		20	
	Open Weekend		Open Weekend		Smoke on the Water		Commodore's Clay		GM Meeting	
			Ray Fogg		Party		Shoot at NMSC		Haul-Out (Party)	
Incoming Rendezvous	128		128		136		128		136	
Date	9/8	Work	9/15	Work	9/22	Work	9/29	Work	10/6	Work
O.D.	P/C Brian McEvoy	Hours	P/C Rick Romatz	Hours	Ron Latowski	Hours	Scott Greenfelder	Hours	Dale Hall	Hours
1	Chris McEvoy	16	Ed Romatz	8	Mark Snethkamp	16	P/C Don Vanover	16	P/C Hugh Vestal	8
2	Russ Adams	16	Jim Wunderlich	8	Dave Hines	16	Steve Tampa	16	John Wyss	16
3	Jim Mile	16	Robert Mann	16	Keith Hay	16			Thomas Rathbone	16
4	Ted Marini	8	Debbie Hagendorff	16	James Butler	16			Mike Pusateri	16
5	Larry Malik	16	Chris Strzyzewski	16	Dennis Koster	16			Ron Laraia	16
6	Brent Malik	16	Scott Bell	8	Dick Raymond	16			Greg Smith	16
7	Greg Criner	16	Philip Maniaci	16	Doug Bruce	16			Jim Schebil	8
8	Jeff Edgerly	16	John Prochaska	16	Everitt Lancaster	16				
9	Ken Lipowski	16	Tom Powers	16	Vince Day	16				
10			Rick Brown	16						
Total		136		136		144		32		96
Over/Under		-8		-8		-8		96		40
									Pd Bartenders	
									Pd Bartenders	
									Pd Bartenders	

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For Sale



Price Drop!

BOAT PROPELLERS FOR SALE (2) LH & RH

Michigan / Federal Dyna-Jet Nibral (3) blade, 26"x 25" pitch, super cupped trailing edge, 1 3/4 bore, with standard tapered keyway, brand new in cartons.

Johnny's Mich Propellers' current price is \$2900 ea; \$5,800 plus tax with 5-8 week delivery.

Asking price is \$3,500 OBO, no tax, immediate delivery!

Ph. [586-506-6223](tel:586-506-6223), Thurston

Updated March 25, 2017

MAINLAND WELL WAITING LIST							
1		JIM BUTLER (wells 2-6)					
2		CHUCK STROH					
3		DEBBIE SIWEK					
4		RUSS ADAMS					
5		TOM ALTABELLI					
6		TOM FORD					
7		TOM MCHUGH					
8		DENNIS BIEL					
9		JOHN ANDERSON					
10		MICHAEL LINDEN					
11		FRANK CORCORAN					
12		BRIAN ROATH					
13		HUNT TAYLOR					
14		RANDY PAGEL (wells 2-6)					
15		LOU GAROFOLO (wells 2-6)					
16		BILL CALIHAN (wells 2-6)					
17		RICHARD RAYMOND					

MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE: THIS LIST IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT ANY TIME.

Please contact the Transportation Director, Darryl Campbell for the current status of any well; or position of anyone on this list.

EXPIRED MARINE FLARE DISPOSAL BE SAFE AND ENVIRONMENTALLY RESPONSIBLE

As you may or may not be aware, Marine Distress Flares are an explosive. Additionally, they are also toxic and are classified as a hazardous waste material! Yet we all keep them under our helms or packed away on our vessels to satisfy marine safety regulations. The question has always been what to do with our old expired flares. It is certainly ok to keep some recently expired flares on board in addition to current flares but over time they accumulate either on our boats or in our garages. They can be a fire hazard and are certainly known to be hazardous to our ground and water environments. It is not responsible or appropriate to just throw them out for our residential or commercial waste haulers to take on waste collection days. Furthermore, cities, townships and counties will not accept them for recycling or disposal.

Recently PC JD Dickson found that a representative of the Michigan State Police Bomb Squad will take expired marine flares for disposal. In that regard they have offered to pick them up at PC JD Dickson's office located at 8255 Hall Road, Utica, MI 48315. If you have some flares you want to dispose of, please first call PC JD Dickson's office at 586-726-0272 to arrange a convenient drop off time. He will accept flares for disposal through April 30, 2017.



Don't try this at home!!



Anchor Bay Yachting Association Presents the Annual Spring Dinner Dance



SAVE THIS WEEKEND / DATE

When: **Saturday, June 3, 2017**

Where: **The North Channel Yacht Club**

Tickets and Limited Wells Available Soon !!!

**(TBD Cost to Include; Cocktail Party,
Entertainment, and Dinner)**

Arrive by Boat or Car

Watch Your E-Mail For Further Information

Craig Skupny – 586-557-3765

craigabya@yahoo.com

Dress – ABYA Officers/PC's and Club Officers – Summer Whites

Dress - Everyone Else - Floral Casual

(Tentative Schedule)

Patio Cocktail Party: 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Pre-Meeting cocktails - clubhouse – 6:00 pm

Short ABYA meeting: 6:30 pm

Dinner: 7:00 pm

Entertainment: 8:00 pm – 12:30 am

Make Sure You Purchase your Tickets Early

By car – take the NCYC Fin-Runner



EDUCATIONAL SERIES 2017

Seminar/Class
Members, Friends &
Family
No Charge
7:30pm to 9:00pm

Optional North 42 Dinner

5:00pm to 7:30pm

All attendees are invited
to the North 42 before the
seminar to enjoy dinner

**SEE BACK FOR
SPECIAL MENU**

Cash Bar
5:00pm till 9:00pm

Reservations Required

LIMITED SEATING

Please R.S.V.P.

to Member Services

(586) 468-1900 ext 434 or 443

For Dinner and/or Class

**“VALUABLE
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WORTHWHILE”**

Thursday, January 26th, 2017

US Customs and Border Patrol and Canadian Customs Officers



If you are thinking of going to Canada by boat and you are not sure about the US requirements or need to complete and submit your paperwork for re-entry back to the US, this open house is where you can ask questions; get information, forms, and help to complete them.

Thursday, February 23rd, 2017

Expand Your Boating Skills Learn About Vessel Safety Checks



An overview of how to schedule a VSC, Preparing for your VSC, review marine safety equipment, government regulations and how a VSC increases your enjoyment of boating.

Thursday, March 30th, 2017

NOAA SKYWARN Storm Spotters



Skywarn spotter training sessions are held to train individuals on how to accurately observe such weather phenomena as floods, hail, wind and its associated damage, cloud features that lead to tornadoes, and those cloud features that do not lead to tornadoes.

DETROIT POWER SQUADRON
CLASS SCHEDULE

DPS – EDUCATION DEPT. SCHEDULE

ABC Courses

<u>Mac & Ray's (7-9pm)</u>	<u>DYC</u>	<u>KEAN'S (7-9pm)</u>
March 16 th	April 8 th (9:30am) & (12:00pm)	April 26 th
March 23 rd	April 22 nd (9:30am) & (12:00pm)	May 3 rd
April 6 th		May 10 th
April 13 th		May 17 th
April 20 th		May 24 th
CHARTSMART (M&R)	CHARTSMART (DYC)	
May 4 th , 11 th & 18 th	June 6 th , 8 th & 13 th	

SEAMANSHIP COURSE

DYC

September 6th
 September 13th
 September 20th
 September 27th
 October 4th
 October 11th
 October 18th
 October 25th
 November 1st

DYC - PILOTING COURSE – September 13th (tentative) : ADV. PILOTING COURSE- (TBD)
 CRUISE PLANNING- (TBD): SAIL – (TBD): MARINE ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS – (TBD)

New Opportunity for the Members:

Here's an opportunity to display your boat logo.

If you have a boat name like ours that always generates interest or questions on it's origin, send me a logo with the story behind it and I'll publish it here in the Beacon for a few months. Here's ours below.

Bearhooks^{III}



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When fish are biting well, they are known to bite a bare hook;
Jeri is known as the Bear, and in many tournaments the
Bear Hooked more fish than most of the guys.
Since this is our 2nd Bearhooks she's got a double header on the line.



The End