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Commodore's Corner



John Moldovan (RJ)
Commodore

It is elections time again. I included a nomination form at the end of this newsletter. If you have a candidate in mind for any of the offices please fill out the form and give it to any of our trustees, or just bring it to our next meeting, which is January 9th at Zone Car. To speed up the process, please make sure that the candidate accepts the nomination. I know that we do not have a nominating committee yet, but for now I have placed our trustees in charge of the elections. Maybe this coming meeting we can select a nominating committee, so that there will be no conflict of interest. Please plan to attend and make your voice heard.

The Commodores Ball is fast approaching. Sherry is eagerly waiting for your reservations. Please call ahead of time. It is nice to know how many people will attend before it starts.

I hope that everyone had a safe and happy Holidays (so far). By the time you read this I would probably be enjoying the Jamaican sun, with my feet soaking in the gentle waves, and smoking a big fat one,... cigar that is. So, from the land of Rasta and Reggae, I wish you a Happy New Year.

RJ

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The Social Scene

Sherry Wilke
Entertainment Committee

HAPPY NEW YEAR
2008



MARCH 29TH
COMMADORES' BALL

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

\$50 a PERSON

Send in your reservations early.

Still looking for recipes to put into newsletter, I am sure there are cooks out there, who would like to share.

Sherry Wilke sw2947@earthlink.net 330.276.2813
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Birthday Wishes

Peter L., Hamm	1/1
Micelle Rittenberry	1/1
Joe, Tomazic	1/3
Robert, Perkins	1/3
Joan Gunkler	1/3
Nancy, Barr	1/16
Ray, Bliscik	1/17
Gunther, Wingert	1/20
Tom, Habanek	1/22
Angela Ortiz	1/26
Tom, Banyas	1/29



Committees

Sunshine – Vacant
Entertainment – Sherry Wilke
Refreshment – Dale Gutfranski & Nina Gamin
Membership – Russ Leonardi & Dave Newman
Publicity Director – John Moldovan
By-Laws – Chris Cieplowski
Nominating – Tony Soliwoda & Kathy Patyk
ILYA Delegate – Dave Hamm
GCBA Delegate – Steve Antel

2007 Flag Officers

Commodore – John Moldovan (RJ)
Past Commodore – Dave Newman
Vice Commodore – Dan Othberg
Rear Commodore – Bruce Hill
Fleet Captain – Steve Longa
Treasurer – Dan Othberg
Secretary – Nina Gamin

Board of Trustees

- Buck Wilke Pete Welky
- Dale Gutfranski Chris Cieplowski
- Gunther Wingert Rick Verrell



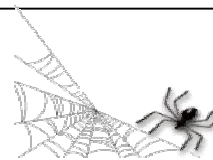
FROM THE SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Our condolences to Wendy Butch and her family on the loss of her father.

Please submit all articles to JoAnne at jdlohy@jonesday.com. Please let her know about any illness, deaths, marriages, births, etc. so that we can publish them in our newsletter. We would also like to send a card, flowers, or whatever is appropriate for the occasion.

Web Stuff

Submitted by Buck Wilke



Happy New Year to ya,

I hope you and yours had a great Christmas.

Need a firewall? Are you going to but one? **Don't!!!** Comodo makes a firewall that is free and recent studies say that it is better than the purchased ones. You can't beat that, it's better and it's free. I have been using this one for a while and it sure seems to work well. There are also other free protection programs at this site, including an anti-virus. I have been using "Avast" anti-virus, which is also free for home use. Here is the link for the Comodo products. <http://www.comodo.com/>

Water In Your Gas

Over the past year, anglers across the country have found that most gas sold at their local filling stations or marinas now contains ethanol, a corn-based additive.

This fuel, dubbed E10 for its 10 percent ethanol content, can cause significant issues for anglers who leave their boats sitting for long periods of time (like winter storage).

At issue is E10's tendency to attract greater amounts of moisture than plain gas. Over time, the fuel can phase separate and form two separate solutions in the gas tank, gas on top of water.

Your engine will not run properly with tainted fuel and you run the risk of serious engine damage. For this reason, leading motor manufacturers like Yamaha now recommend installing a fuel/water separating filter

Water and gas don't mix, or at least they shouldn't in your boat's fuel system as excess moisture can cause problems ranging from decreased fuel efficiency to actual engine damage.

Ironically, a common additive in unleaded gasoline actually absorbs water. Ethanol is a grain alcohol typically produced from corn in the United States, though in other countries it's often made from different raw products, like sugar cane, sugar beets or wheat. In many states it has replaced methyl tertiary-butyl ether (MTBE) as an octane booster and oxygenate in unleaded fuel after MTBE was suspected to be carcinogenic.

The most common ethanol/gasoline blend sold at filling stations is called E10, which is 10 percent alcohol and 90 percent gasoline, and is approved for use by all major outboard manufacturers. This is not to be confused with E85 "flex-fuel" that has garnered so much attention lately. This blend contains 85 percent ethanol, and is not approved for use in outboards.

Ethanol, however, is hygroscopic; it mixes easily with water, which means that 10 percent of the fuel load in your boat's tank could become a mixture of water and ethanol. In the worst case, the gas/ethanol/water mixture could undergo a "phase separation," which means the water/ethanol blend sinks to the bottom of your fuel tank where it could be pumped directly to the engine. Since phase-separated fuel cannot be remixed, the only solution is to have the tank drained—a job you should have done by a professional mechanic.

Here are a few facts that can help you eliminate or reduce water-related fuel system problems in your fishing rig:

1. Never mix ethanol blend gasoline with fuel that contains MTBE. When the additives are mixed, especially in the presence of water, they can form a gel that may clog the engine's fuel delivery system.
2. Take steps to keep water out of your fuel tank by maintaining a full tank when the engine is not in use. This decreases the air space above the fuel level and reduces the opportunity for condensation to form.
3. Install a fuel-water separation filter if your boat is not equipped with one. If it is, change the filter at manufacturer recommended intervals.
4. Ethanol acts as a scrubber and will loosen rust and debris inside the fuel tank. Check and replace all fuel filters on a regular basis. It's smart to carry extra filters with you in the event they become clogged when you are using the boat.
5. If the boat is to be stored for an extended period, two or more months, add a fuel stabilizer at the recommended level. However, no additive can prevent phase separation from occurring.

The above was reprinted from The North American Fishing Club Magazine.

See ya soon,

Buck Wilke

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Fish Story

Submitted by Gunther

It was the last "CAJUN 3" fishing trip for the year. It started out just like all the other trips. We found some fish at 40 feet, West of the Stadium. We were doing fine until I hooked a 15 inch perch with a 10 inch one on the same line. As I reached out to help the heavy catch, the line broke and both fish were gone. I could not get over how large the perch was.

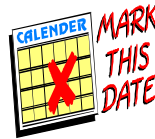
As we reached the limit of 89, I told my

brother and Billy this would be their last cast. We would keep the largest fish if both caught one. To my surprise they both had a nice fish, but Billy's looked twice the size of my brothers. I instantly reached for the net so we would not lose this monster. To my surprise it was the same fish I had lost and he still was hooked to my crappie rig.

This concluded a great fishing trip

Upcoming Meetings

EMBC monthly meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30pm. During the cold months the meetings will be held at Zone Car.



January 9^h

EMBC Monthly Meeting

The monthly meeting will be held at the Zone Car Lounge in the CPPA Hall at 1303 W. 58th Street. The phone number is (216) 631-8455.

The Editor's Notes

Deadline for articles in our February Newsletter is January 29th, 2008

Please send in any and all articles; personal news, things for sale, cruise stories, letters to the editor, etc., etc. Pictures are welcome, include some details.

Items may be sent to the Editor:

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12022 Milan Ave.
Cleveland, OH 44111

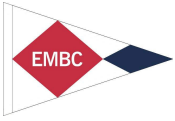


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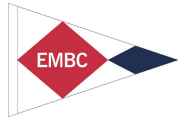
Thank you to all who submitted contributions for this issue. Please let me know of any errors. For Sale items will only run one issue of the Newsletter, unless you let me know before the Deadline.

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<http://www.adobe.com>



2008 EMBC Officer Nomination Form



Please print

I, _____, do hereby nominate _____
(Your name) (Name of nominee)

for the office of (check box):

- | | |
|---|------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commodore | <input type="checkbox"/> Secretary |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vice Commodore | <input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rear Commodore | <input type="checkbox"/> Trustee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fleet Captain | |

Nominee's Address _____

Nominee's Phone _____

Nominee's Email _____

By signing this form, I certify that I am a current EMBC member in good standing.

(Your signature)

(Date)

Please return this form to the Nominating Committee no later than January 10th, 2007 prior to the club meeting.

Nominations

Written or verbal assurance of willingness to serve must be secured from candidates so nominated before he or she is voted upon.

Qualification of Officers

The qualifications to be eligible to be elected by the membership to the office of Commodore, Vice Commodore and Rear Commodore are:

- (1) The candidate must have held a previous elected or appointed office for a period of one year.
- (2) The candidate must also be a registered boat owner, with proof of ownership and must also maintain dockage (in the water, trailer, or summer dry storage) at Edgewater Marina.

For all other elected or appointed offices:

- (1) The member must be in good standing for one year. In elections where there are no members with one year membership interested in running for Executive Board or an officer, except for the top three spots, that the one-year standing can be waived.

Voting procedure

Voting shall be by secret ballot and the officers so elected shall hold office for the succeeding year or until their successors have been elected and qualified.

