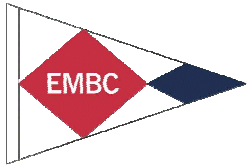
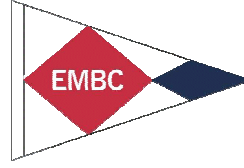


Edgewater Marina Boat Club



Rudder Post



Commodore's Corner



Steve Longa - Commodore

Baptism by Fire is an appropriate intro for any new Commodore; Wicked. My brow was sweating, my knees were shaking and I have my constituency to thank for my stuttering, and placing me in this position. RJ had to step in, setting up the format of our last meeting. Actually this was all intentional. I needed to test the waters. Waters ankle deep I could handle, but there was no holy water in this meeting.

Just the same we did follow our agenda. Realizing our last fiscal audit was conducted in 2003, I elected to perform an audit this year. The received reception was unwarranted. Granted we all beefed, making insinuations and innuendos but grief like this we don't need. The formality of conducting an audit emphasizes to our boat club members that they can entrust the elected board, trustees and committees. Enough said.

(Audit Committee: Ray B., Nora C., Terry W., Dan O., and I'm an interested observer)

We confirmed the Commodores Ball for this year and associated expenses. We confirmed our Labor Day entertainment event provided by 'Dan Zola' and associated expenses. We accepted all events our Entertainment Committee Chairman (Ray B.), listed for the year. In addition, our Vice Commodore, Bruce H., agreed to coordinate the Coast Guard Auxiliary and ODNR boating inspection for our Fitting-Out event May 23. We accomplished what we set out to do. That's goodness.

The Gavel:

I quickly learned shouting back-and-forth doesn't work. I looked in the briefcase I was provided, along with our clubs past history, I found the 'Gavel' with a broken striking plate, apparently broken by the

previous Commodore. A bit of trivia, which month did RJ break the plate? Better yet, which year?

The Commodores Ball:

A tradition as always, this is the event of the year. It was spectacular, gracious, and we mingled enjoying each others company. Ordeurve's, Dinner was fabulous, along with an open bar. The ladies were tantalizing, as always. The gents were well groomed, but dungarees are inappropriate, maybe it's my old values, or times are indeed changing. We awarded several plaques and awards for distinguished service to our boat club members. It was a pleasure to feel we have a private community, familiar faces, endeavored to succeed.

Sightings and Tidbits:

- Electrical power will be turn-on April 1
- Dock A, water line needs major repair
- Dock B, C, D, need pylons ~ repairs scheduled for mid April timeframe
- Water to all docks scheduled ~ mid-April
- Public boat docks are in the basin

Expenditure:

- Grill – replaced burners and ceramic plates 125.00 (Propane tanks - \$\$)

Next Month's Agenda:

- Fitting-Out Event: ODNR, Coast Guard (auxiliary) inspection, Blessing-of-the-Fleet
- VC. Bruce H. to provide input Round table discussion focused on improvements:

Edgewater Marina Boat Club

Events Calendar

- > Boat Auction at Edgewater Marina—April 4th
- > Fitting Out Party—May 23rd
- > Taste of the Marina—June 13th



Inside this issue:

Commodores Corner	1
From the Vice	2
Fleet News and Views	2
The Social Scene	3
Bylaw Bits	3
Jacks Place	3
Web Stuff	4
Upcoming Meetings	4
Editor Notes	4

Birthday Wishes

Dan Gibbons	4	3
Joan	4	3
Skip Stanley	4	4
Pete L Welky	4	6
Gary M Brandt	4	9
Matthew Foraker	4	9
Kathy Miller	4	11
Dave Michael Bubna	4	20
Richard Verrell	4	24
Allen Michael Welky	4	25
Sabina Moldovan	4	28



2009 Flag Officers

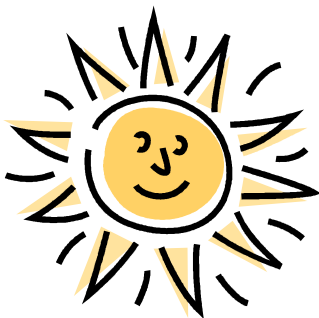
Commodore – Steve Longa
 Past Commodore – John Moldovan
 Vice Commodore – Bruce Hill
 Rear Commodore – Rick Verrell
 Fleet Captain – Tom Habanek
 Treasurer – Dan Othberg
 Secretary – Kathy Verrell

Committees

Sunshine – Nina Gamin
 Entertainment – Ray Bliscik
 Refreshment – Dale Gutfranski & Nina Gamin
 Membership – RJ & Steve Longa
 Publicity Director – RJ
 By-Laws – Chris Cieplowski
 Nominating – Vacant
 ILYA Delegate – Tom Habanek
 GCBA Delegate – Tom Habanek

Board of Trustees

- Buck Wilke
- Roger Nickolas
- Dale Gutfranski
- John Moldovan
- Gunther Wingert
- Terry Wilke



- Obtain costs for Pavilion electrical drops – elect. Engineer's.
 - Obtain costs for Pavilion canvass - Chikee
- Generalities:
- Updated GCBA/EMBC member names - done
 - Update winter, Commodores Ball pictures - RJ
 - Update online member access to By-Laws - RJ
 - Update online minute meetings for

- member access - RJ
 - Update member application printed forms for address
 - Confirmation/validation/boarding - RJ
- Audit Committee updates (no member rhetoric):
 Summary provided by committee chair-person
- Motion to close the meeting:

From the Vice



Bruce Hill - Vice Commodore

It was nice to see everyone at the Commodore's Ball. I had a grate time .See you all at the April

Fleet News and Views



Tom Habanek - Fleet Captain

Aloha! It's supposed to be raining out! The sky is North Carolina blue, the wind is perfect, and my boat is on the hard!! And I want to go sailing. And it's March. The boat is not ready anyway, but I was told I couldn't go in till the 15th of April, same as last year, because of ODNR rules. I checked. I could go in and tie up to the wall, or anchor out, but.... Seems the problem is liveboards who abused some privalege in the past, and now we all pay. No electricity, no water, no boat in the water till it's time. Period. And I had to dig that out of someone. So please, hang your ego at the gate and think of others this season before you do something that will affect others later on. Amongst other things I guess that would include NOT washing oily rags in the new washer, or using it to clean dead fish either! (I heard they are great for scaling fish.) Keeping the rest-rooms clean, showers and all. And picking up the trash along the asphalt walk-way. Then maybe the sins of the past may disappear and next year I may get in earlier. I've discovered Earth Google. My computer can now handle it, and so I have been looking like a bright 5th grader at every-thing! Rome, Paris, my ancestral home

Slovakia, and of course the trip I did from Cleveland to Miami via the Erie Canal and such. Way cool. Robert did some of the Erie Canal and said it was difficult. I did it on EG and he's right because you can't read the backyard type signs with arrows that say "That Way". And they really are backyard hand scrawled signs too! Without those you don't know which way to go. And that brings me to Larry Liou who called and asked for my East Coast paper charts. Seems Dave is going from Brunswick GA. to the Potomac and Larry is going for the ride. I told him he was welcome to them, but that you can now download all the charts from the NOAA sight, and, if you take a wi-fi equipped laptop, you can sail with the DVD version when away from land. And if there is a connection along the way (which I doubt), you can EG the port you are going to, scope it out on EG, and go from there. Another way cool! Incidentally, I have been doing that for Canada for the club. But I always end up at PIB. Go figure. The plan is to do something this summer. One thought is to leave the boat at say PIB for a week. Then, anyone in the club can use it for a floating condo, thereby saving a ton of money for room rental. Course there might be a ton of people on board, and maybe not. But it's a thought. The time I went up there with Florida Steve we went with several people both going

Fleet News and Views cont..**Tom Habanek - Fleet Captain**

there and coming home. The fun part for them was in the sailing and PIB is a close enough drive that you could go there for the weekend, return for work, then drive back for the return trip home (car logistics aside). And it's closer a drive than Can-

ada. But Canada still looks doable. I only have to find out about the beer on board rules they have. I heard you can't drink at all while under way. That's everyone on board, not just the skipper. That's it for this month. And remember to attend the meetings! Now who told me that? Hmmm Aloha!

The Social Scene**Ray Bliscik - Entertainment Committee**

I attended my first Commodore's Ball and was very impressed. The food was great and the presentation of awards was nicely done. Buck and Sheri received a plaque for their work over the years that was well deserved.

Some people have asked that any smokers please refrain while the meeting is in progress. I realize Steve's first meeting was way too long. He promises to try and limit them. He thinks he was getting paid by the min-

ute.

I need suggestions for parties. Someone asked about a Cinco de Maya party in mid-may. If anyone is interested, let me know.

This is new to me so please help.

My E-mail is embcray59@yahoo.com. Let's have fun this year!

Bylaw Bits**Nora Cieplowski - Bylaws Assistant**

Business of the Club is approved by membership at its monthly meetings. Business includes events, expenditures, and donations. If you have an idea that you think would be beneficial to the Club, the appropriate way to present it is to make a motion.

Any voting member can make a motion. There are six steps to a motion, according to Robert's Rules. The steps are done in the following order:

1. A member makes a motion. The member should phrase the motion exactly as he wants it voted on, stating special details or limits.

2. A member seconds the motion. When a member makes a second, he is not necessarily agreeing with the motion, but he is agreeing that the motion should be discussed.

3. If the motion has a second, the Chair, or Commodore, states the motion and formally places it before the membership.

4. The Chair asks for any discussion.

5. After discussion, the Chair puts the motion to a vote. He must always ask for the affirmative votes as well as the negative votes.

6. The Chair announces the results of the vote and any action that will take place.

This process is repeated for every main motion. When the motions are presented at the correct time during a meeting, the process is simple and is said to shorten meetings.

Jacks Place - February 2009

April 2009

Jack's Laws of Universal Truth (Part eight):

What if there were no hypothetical questions?

If a deaf person swears...does his mother wash his hands with soap?

If someone with multiple personalities threatens to kill themselves...is it

considered a hostage situation?

Where do forest rangers go to 'get away from it all'?

What do you do when you see an endangered animal eating an endangered plant?

If a parsley farmer is sued.....can they 'garnish' his wages?

Till next time, Jack B. Nimble

Web Stuff**Buck Wilke**

Let's get to the boats, its springtime,

Every now and then you bump into a site or program that jumps right out at you. What do you use to open a file with an extension that you don't recognize? You can search the web to try to find what you need, or you can use the "open with" function in your computer. Those are good tries, but sometimes they don't work. Check this out, here is a site that does what it says. There are even free programs at this site that will open the file for you. This site goes by the kind of obvious name of: <http://www.openwith.org/>

Go to the site and look at the left side of the page. There is a download link for the "Desk Top" tool. Right below that is a link for instructions. Click the link and read the instructions, I think you will like it. The bad news is if you have a 64 bit computer it won't work. If you know of a way to make it work on a 64 bit machine, please let me know.

I have been cleaning up my "bookmarks or favorites", or whatever it is that you call them. It never seems to fail that there are some good ones that somehow you just forget about. To avoid overload here are a few.

<https://www.surplusunlimited.com/Merchant2/merchant.mvc?Screen=SFNT>

This is yet another source for boating items, check them out. I have purchased a few things from them, no complaints yet.

<http://www.boatersland.com/index.html>

I have not done any business with this company yet.

<http://www.boatingbookstore.com/>

They have thousands of things at this book store and even offer free shipping on some of the purchases.

<http://www.wholesalemarine.com/>

This is another good place to do some of that springtime shopping."

And now it's time for some more bizarre facts, as reprinted from "Bizarre News":

People who live in the city have longer, thicker nose hairs than people who live in the country.
Your stomach has to produce a new layer of mucus every 2 weeks; otherwise it will digest itself.
Humans are the only primates that don't have pigment in the palms of their hands.
The human heart creates enough pressure while pumping to squirt blood 30 feet.
We shed an average of 40 pounds of dead skin in a lifetime.
When we blush, our stomach lining also turns red.
You can't kill yourself by holding your breath.
Your tongue print is as unique as your fingerprint.
On a square inch of our skin, there are 20 million microscopic animals.

As I was browsing I bumped into another boating site, well it's a wet site anyway. What site could this be? It's called "The Bar", I told you it was wet. Head on over and check it out. Look up drinks by name or ingredients. If you join their site you can even save recipes. And guess what, it's free to join.

So belly up to the bar at www.thebar.com .

See ya at the boat yard,

Buck Wilke brewerbw@embarqmail.com

Upcoming Meetings

EMBC monthly meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30pm. During the winter months the meetings will be held at CPPA hall (Zone Car). 1303 W. 58th Street. <http://www.cppa.org/zonocar.htm>



April 8th
EMBC Monthly Meeting

Editor Notes

Deadline for articles in our May Newsletter is April 30th

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:

John Moldovan
12022 Milan Ave.
Cleveland, OH 44111
You can email your article to: news@embc-cleve.com

