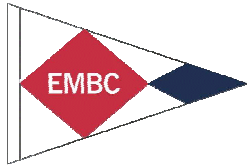
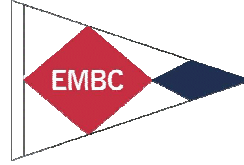


Edgewater Marina Boat Club



Rudder Post



Rantings from the Rear



Rick Verrell - Rear Commodore

Well July has turned out to be pretty busy for everyone. The Fourth-of-July turned out to be very nice. If you did not make it down for the Fireworks, you missed quite a show. The lake calmed down very nicely and made for a great show.

The Dock Crawl turned out to be a great time, even though some of us went to bed a little early. Again the weather turned out to cooperate for most of the evening. Thanks to all of those who participated.

Our next adventure was the installation of some of the new tarps around the pavilion. I had about three people call me to help. We got started on Saturday the 11th and ,thanks to everyone else, we had over a dozen people just come up to the pavilion and help what ever they could do! This is what it means to me to be a Boat Club Member. When something needs to get done everyone, that can, just shows up to help out with whatever they can! I want to again say thanks to all who helped, without naming names and leaving someone

out. We would still like to get the rest of the tarps to the East side done, maybe before the Ox-roast.

I would like to say thanks to Ray and his Crew for a great job done for Christmas in July/Steak Roast. I would also like to thank Bob for helping out with the replacement of the lite string in the pavilion. Next year we need more boats decorated. If anyone had not noticed, over at the Yacht Club, there seemed to be no boats decorated over there. Next year, lets blow them out of the water by decorating as many boats as possible.

I had given Linda some idea as to where to possibly get some extra carts for caring things down to the docks. Hope we could maybe get 1 or 2 this year.

Our next events will be the Poker Run and the Ox-Roast. Hope everyone that can, will attend or participate. Remember, it's the Boat Club, as members, and not the Board that make up the Boat Club. Please remember to recycle those EMPTY cans up at the pavilion. (Helped to defray some costs for the new Lites).

Until next time, have a happy and safe boating season.



Edgewater Marina Boat Club

Events Calendar

- > Poker Run —August 8th
- > Ox Roast —August 15th
- > Margarita/Mexican Night—August 22nd



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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

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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

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



From the Vice



Bruce Hill - Vice Commodore

Hi everyone I hope we all had a good time at the stake roast .Looking forward to the poker run see you all at the Marina

Fleet News and Views



Tom Habanek - Fleet Captain

POKER RUN

Saturday August 8-Sunday August 9th To Vermillion. Get your cards Saturday by 10:00 AM. Then you powerboaters can leave when you want to. Sailboaters will take a while to get there. I just did the trip taking 9.5 hours to get there, 6 to return (motoring the

whole way.)

The remainder of the cards will be given up at Quaker Steak and Lube. Cost is \$15 for members, \$20 for non-members.

All this is WEATHER PERMITTING! If the weather is bad, We go with Plan B...To E.55th for beer and lunch.?

The Social Scene



Ray Bliscik - Entertainment Committee

The Dock Crawl brought in \$106.00 for the club. Thanks to Mike McGinty and Gunnar, Rickey for the sign, and all others who donated their hot air to inflate the balloons. That is always a good time.

The Steakroast came together after the deluge. This is a giant affair. Thanks to all who helped. This is a huge ordeal that takes many hours. The club always needs volunteers to make this happen. Mark that weekend next year to help whoever is in

charge. I am sure they will appreciate it.

August 8 is the poker run. Contact the Fleet Commandant to register. Details are posted in the display case between the rest-rooms.

August 15 is the Ox Roast. You MUST bring a side dish or you will be shot. Again, check the display case for details.

August 22 is Margarita/Mexican night. We may have live music, maybe. You MUST bring a Mexican or spicy dish. See ya somewhere.

Secretary's Escritoire



Kathy Verrell - Secretary

Here it is the end of July already; it feels like summer is just starting and its half over. Any one who missed the dock crawl missed a lot of fun. It started at the gas dock where Randy and Joan decorated the building to look like a grass hut. We had chilled shots of coconut rum, plenty to nibble on and bought 50-50 tickets'. C dock had lots of stops, my favorite was Bob and Chrissy Brandy Alexanders, they were great. D dock was Jello shots, pudding shots and warm apple pie. We had a burial at sea for Bob the bird at Chickys dock; we toasted both Dave and Bob and moved on. The evening ended on E dock with punch and dancing. A good time was had by all. The steak roast was last weekend and it was a great time. We had a good crowd and lots of

gifts for the Chinese raffle. Thanks to all who donated items. Ray and his team did a wonderful job. The steaks were excellent; The 4 boats that were decorated were beautiful. Dustin played some great dance music; I don't know who danced more Ricky or Sherri. Bob and Rick hung up the new lights making the pavilion look fabulous. The rain held off and we did not need to use the new tarps that were hung a couple of weeks ago. 2 sides of the pavilion have the new tarps. We still have to hang the other 2 sides. A special thanks to all of the people who helped out that Saturday afternoon. I am looking forward to the Poker run; hope to see you all in Vermillion. Your secretary, Kathy

Web Stuff

Buck Wilke



Happy August to all. This is by far more important than anything that I could write.

Buck Wilke

Dear West Marine Boater

We generally don't stray very far from our mission of trying to provide you with excellent products and services for your boat and boating lifestyle. We also usually keep our political and social opinions to ourselves, believing it's not our place to solicit others, even when the cause is, in our opinion, worthy.

Perhaps it's that West Marine has reached the ripe old age of 40, or perhaps it's the state of some of the world's natural resources, but we feel compelled to make an exception to our normal policy and attempt to help raise the awareness of some significant risks that this and future generations of boaters are facing. In this message today, we're not seeking any business or other gain for West Marine. We're simply trying to be good stewards of the oceans and marine environments, for the benefit of all.

We hope you'll accept our opinions, advice, and call to action as sincere, positive and responsible; as that's how they are intended. What would you do if you knew that many species of fish and other marine life in the ocean will be gone within 30 years if levels of CO₂ continue increasing at their present rate? We believe you would take action to stop this from happening, because informed people make informed choices.

This letter is about what we can and must do together now to help solve a very serious, but little-known problem, Ocean Acidification. Sally-Christine and I are lifelong boaters. What we have learned from sailing across the Pacific over the past 6 years, and especially from scientists focused on marine conservation, is startling. Whether you spend time on the water or not, Ocean Acidification affects all of us and is something we believe you will want to know about.

Ocean Acidification is primarily caused by the burning of fossil fuels. When carbon dioxide in the atmosphere ends up in the ocean it changes the pH, making the sea acidic and less hospitable to life. Over time, CO₂ reduces calcium carbonate, which prevents creatures from forming shells and building reefs. In fact, existing shells will start to dissolve. Oysters and mussels will not be able to build shells. Crabs and lobsters? Your great-grandchildren may wonder what they tasted like. Carbon dioxide concentrated in the oceans is making seawater acidic.

Many of the zooplankton, small animals at the base of the food web, have skeletons that won't form in these conditions, and sea-life further up the food chain - fish, mammals and seabirds that rely on zooplankton for food will also perish. No food - no life. One billion people rely on seafood for their primary source of protein. Many scientific reports document that worldwide, humans are already consuming more food than is being produced. The implications are obvious. The issue of Ocean Acidification is causing irreversible loss to species and habitats, and acidification trends are happening up to ten times faster than projected. We want you to know what this means, how it affects all of us, and what we can do about it. Today, the atmospheric concentration of CO₂ is about 387 parts per million (ppm) and increasing at 2 ppm per year.

If left unaddressed, by 2040 it is projected to be over 450 ppm, and marine scientists believe the collapse of many ocean ecosystems will be irreversible. Acidification has other physiological effects on marine life as well, including changes in reproduction, growth rates, and even respiration in fish. Tropical and coldwater corals are among the oldest and largest living structures on earth; the richest in terms of biodiversity, they provide spawning areas, nursery habitat and feeding grounds for a quarter of all species in the sea. Coral reefs are at risk! As CO₂ concentrations increase, corals, shellfish and other species that make shells will not be able to build their skeletons and will likely become extinct. The good news is we can fix this problem. But, as you guessed, it will be difficult. Ocean Acidification is caused by increased CO₂ in the atmosphere. Solving one will solve the other. The House of Representatives has acted, passing HR 2454, the Waxman-Markey "American Clean Energy and Security Act", but it was severely weakened. Now the Senate has announced that it will move similar legislation this fall. We need the Senate to join the House in its leadership, but to demand far greater emissions reductions than were able to pass the House.

"The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change concluded that in order to stabilize CO₂ in the atmosphere at 350 ppm by 2050, global carbon emissions need to be cut 85% below 2000 levels." That's a very tall order! And the way our political system works (or doesn't) makes it tougher. It will take all of us to step up and take responsibility to make this happen. Here is what you can do: Contact your Senator now using one of these techniques, listed in order of effectiveness.

1. Visit your Senator at their local office. It is easy to make an appointment. Tell them your concerns about CO₂ and the oceans, and to move strong climate legislation immediately that will reduce our greenhouse gas concentrations to levels that will not threaten our oceans. The experience is rewarding. (Alternatively, drop a letter off at their local office.)
2. Call your Senator and leave a message urging action be taken to reduce CO₂, address Ocean Acidification, and move strong climate legislation immediately that will reduce our greenhouse gas concentrations to levels that will not threaten our oceans.
3. Click on this link to send an email, which will go directly to your Senator based on your address. <http://www.oceana.org/acid>

You may use the letter provided, but it is more effective to edit it, and in your own words urge them to move strong climate legislation immediately that will reduce our greenhouse gas concentrations to levels that will not threaten our oceans. Ocean Acidification is an issue we can do something about. We need a groundswell of informed citizens to get Congress to have the backbone to stand up to the entrenched interests of coal, oil, and gas and not compromise on the reduction of CO₂. We also need real leadership to aggressively create jobs using sustainable technologies. The choice is ours. We can solve this or not. What we do know is that the future facing our children, grandchildren and indeed all of humankind depends on our decision. Please join us in sharing this letter with others. We appreciate your taking the time to contact your Senators; it is easy to do and effective. Thank you for your support. The issue of Ocean Acidification is causing irreversible loss to species and habitats, and acidification trends are happening up to ten times faster than projected. We want you to know what this means, how it affects all of us, and what we can do about it.

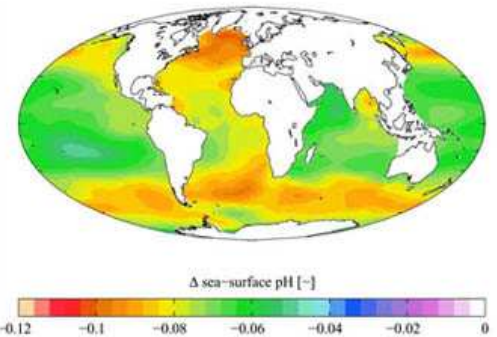
The future facing our children, grandchildren and indeed all of humankind depends on the actions we take today to solve this growing problem.

Randy Repass
Chairman West Marine Sally-
Randy@westmarine.com Board

Christine Rodgers
Member Oceana



Founder - Randy Repass



Bylaw Bits

Nora Cieplowski - Bylaws Assistant

Does it seem our meetings are longer than necessary? Are subjects debated with the same opinions repeated? Did you know there are rules to help shorten meetings and still accomplish business?

There is a time limit that a member can speak on each subject. I'll leave that as a challenge to you to find in Roberts Rules. I will give you a hint that the last meeting was over the limit. Besides the limit on speeches, there is a motion to extend or limit debate. There usually is not a need to extend our debates. However, you can make a motion to limit the debate if you think there needs to be special control over a subject. There are a few different ways to do this. Some examples are:

1. to motion that debate be closed at a certain time, such as 8:00 p.m., and the question be put to vote at that time.
2. to motion that the entire debate be limited to a certain amount of time, such as 15 minutes.
3. to motion that debate be limited to one speech of three minutes per member.

The motion to limit debate can allow members to give their opinions in a time-sensible way. It helps avoid repeated conversations while still giving members their right to speak. It helps the meeting move along so all business can be given proper attention and gives us more time to socialize after the meeting.

Bylaws Revision

Chris Cieplowski - Bylaws

The bylaws committee has completed the revision of the current EMBC Constitution and Bylaws. Thru many hours and hard work of our volunteers, these are the changes being proposed for vote. To view them, please go the EMBC's website, www.embc-cleve.com or follow this [link](#). Anything that is in **red ink** is what the committee would like to add to the current bylaws. Anything that is to be omitted is ~~crossed out and is in blue ink~~. This publication will constitute the first official reading of the changes. At the August meeting the second reading will take place. The third reading and vote to approve the changes will take place at the September meeting.

Please print a copy and bring it to the next meeting, as we will only have a limited number of copies available. If you do not have access to a computer and would like a written copy, please contact the Secretary, Kathy Verrell.

I will be unable to attend the August meeting. If you have any comments about the bylaw changes, you must put them in writing to me before the meeting. The committee will review them for any further consideration if changes are deemed necessary. You can e-mail me at beerhunter1990@yahoo.com.

For Sale

Have a 1987 Fourwinns Sundowner for sale. Has a 305 200hp Merc I/O. Comes with safety equipment and extras. If anyone or anyone you may know please contact me. Rick Verrell at 216-548-8176 or 3-216-252-5720. Asking \$5500.00.

Upcoming Meetings

EMBC monthly meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30pm. During the warm months the meetings will be held at the Marina's Pavilion.



August 12th
EMBC Monthly Meeting

Editor Notes

Deadline for articles in our next Newsletter is August 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:

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