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Commodore's Corner



Dave Hamm
Commodore

The great chili/bowling party. I sliced and diced, sweated for hours over my entry. Thanks to the one person who voted for me. I gave it a try anyway. They were all quite tasty. Thanks to all the chefs. It was a fun time with quite a large turnout.

Also thanks to our Rear Cmdr. Steve Antel who did a great job coordinating the event at Mahalls.

I hope to see you all at the Commodore's Ball. I'm sure we will have another memorable event.

Sailing is still just a memory, but not for long. A recent trip with some EMBC friends to go look at a boat in Port Clinton got me dreaming of the wind filling my sails and the sounds of waves dancing off my hull. I think it's time to go down to the marina and get a ladder and crawl under my tarp. Homesick!

See you at the next meeting.

Dave Hamm

From the Vice



Dave Newman
Vice Commodore

It's only a few months until the marina opens and our boats will settle back into the water. Your 2004 board has been hard at work with planning and developing this year's events and social calendar. But, we need your input, attendance and/or participation to make 2004 a great year. Start by attending a general meeting or should I say "the loco socio event". It's a really great feeling to mingle with all the people that show up for the meetings that you haven't seen in a while. Also, try your chance at the 50/50 drawing held at the meetings.

The new amendments to the bylaws were approved during the general meeting held on February 11, 2004. The bylaws committee worked hard throughout 2003 so our membership could have an up to date document. The revised bylaws will be available to all members at the general meeting in May. The bylaws committee as well as all the other various committees deserves our gratification and respect for a job well done.

As the chairperson on the membership committee, I would like to acknowledge everyone that helped to grow the club into what it is today. We have not raised the price of membership in over a decade. Unfortunately, due to the increase in postage and copying services we are forced to increase the membership this year. The rates for a regular member will be \$35 per year and \$20 per year for an associate member. Life membership will not change. Renewals are due by April 15th, 2004. The revised membership renewal form is attached in this newsletter.

Dave Newman

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Rantings from the Rear



Steve Antel
Rear Commodore

Well, the season is coming. We had our first event of 2004 (The Chili Cook-Off) and what a blast. I cannot wait to see what the rest are going to be like. The week after the last meeting there was an open meeting at Inner-city Yacht Club for the general boaters concerning the Lakefront Redevelopment. This is the one I was hoping to get lots of club members to attend. Dave and I attended along with Russ, Mike, John and a group from D-dock. They came out of curiosity, asked some good questions and found out for themselves that this is FOR REAL. Now is the time to get to these meetings. They are free and they are very informative and they are looking for ideas from all boaters. In the past, they have been looking at the plans from the shoreline back, but now they are starting to look at it from the water to the shore. When these meetings come up I would strongly suggest to all who get this newsletter to go to them. You may think you cannot change anything, but we can give them things to think about in the future. I will be updating you as things happen and I will pass on the dates of the meetings.

Well, the ice is finally breaking up. Soon it will be time to take the tarps off. (That is, if they are still there!) We did not get the winter projects done and that was due to the fact that we only went out on the ice once or twice and spent that time playing, not working. As you are well aware, it was just too cold to go out much more. Now we must figure out how to get them done before the boats go in. (We can always use some help.) We will be getting together to put the new grill together. It won't be difficult, just an excuse to get together and see who survived the winter. If you want to be called for these impromptu gatherings, be sure to let me (or any of the officers) know. We assemble quite frequently during the winter and spring weekends and the more the merrier!

We have some great events planned for this season. I have watched our Fleet Captain put in a lot of hard work setting up the poker run. It involves going to other clubs, securing overnight dockage for sailboats and having the cards ready to distribute. I do feel sorry for Put-In-Bay once we all get there because it is going to be something to remember. If by chance you cannot make it, there will be lots of pictures to be placed in the new display case which will be dedicated at the Fitting Out Party on May 15th. Karin, Jennifer and John are back hard at work on some new projects which will make our little summer home nicer and more inviting, so keep an eye out for them.

In closing I would like to say: Renew your

membership. We got so many new members last year. Let's all try to sign up one new member. Think about your dock partners, friends, maybe someone you shared a beer with, or borrowed a wrench. Just do it! You won't be sorry you did. See you around the yard!

Steve Antel

Fleet News & Views



Larry Liou
Fleet Captain

EMBC 2004 Poker Run is taking shape fast:

Dates: 2nd weekend (9, 10, and 11th) of July, 2004
(Mark your calendars!)

Who: This event is for both power and sail boats
Where: Edgewater Marina to Put-In-Bay (PIB)

Costs: \$15 per poker hand
\$20 per boat per night docking at PIB
\$1.50 per foot docking at Vermilion **(for sail boats only)**

Prizes: If assuming 80 poker hands (four per boat of 20 participating boats), then

1 st Prize	\$300
2 nd Prize	\$200
3 rd Prize	\$200
4 th Prize	\$100

Activities: Friday, July 9 Sail boats sail from Edgewater Marina to Vermilion and dock at Red Clay (previously McGarvie's) Restaurant; collect poker cards.

Saturday, July 10 Sail boats sail from Vermilion to PIB
Power boats sail from Edgewater Marina to PIB with stops at Lorain and Huron to collect additional poker cards
Poker Run Prize Party in the evening with BBQ, music, and much more; BYOB.

Sunday, July 11 Return group trip optional

Organizers: Power Boats—Contact Russ at (216) 898-1762 (Day)

Sail Boats—Contact Larry at (216) 536-9635 (Day & Night)

Registration form will soon be available.

EMBC 2004 Walleye Tournament has a date now:

Fishermen: The Tournament has been scheduled for Saturday, June 26, 2004. Mark your calendars. More details will become available in the near future. Meanwhile, feel free to call the Organizer Walter at (216) 214-4402 to ask questions and share ideas.

Fairport Harbor Yacht Club Reciprocity

The Fairport Harbor Yacht Club Commodore (Ron Weber) cordially extends to the Flag Officers and members of the EMBC the privileges of the Club House for the 2004 boating season.

The Buffalo Yacht Club Reciprocity

The Buffalo Yacht Club Commodore cordially extends to the Flag Officers, Directors and members of the EMBC the privileges of the Club House and anchorage for the 2004 boating season.

Do you have more ideas? Or would you like to be involved in planning or sponsoring one of the above activities? We need your involvement.

Call Larry Liou now. He can be reached at (216) 536-9635 day and night.

The Secretary's Escritoire



Nina Gamin
Secretary

These are very encapsulated minutes of the Feb. 11th meeting. Our next meeting will be March 10th at 7:30PM at Mahall's.

The meeting was called to order at 7:39. There were 30 people in attendance, including all 6 officers and one guest. There was much discussion by the Safety Committee of the physical improvements to be made at the marina before the spring launch begins. In an effort to update and improve the wording and meaning of the Constitution, there was a vote to accept changes which had been pending since the December meeting. The Entertainment Committee talked about the two upcoming events: the Chili Cook-Off and the Commodore's Ball. The Activities Committee reviewed plans for two on-water events: the Walleye Tournament and the Poker Run. The New Business section of the meeting concerned the future sale of hats and tee shirts, other clubs' reciprocity agreements, the emailing versus snail mailing of the Rudder Post, among other items.

There are two topics I would like to emphasize to all who were not in attendance. First is regarding the

"Sunshine Committee". No one has officially stood up to chair or organize the Sunshine Committee. We are counting on all of you to let us know about any events, tragic or happy, that you would like to share with the other members. We have a small flower fund and we would be glad to send flowers, a card, or just mention any news of this nature in the Rudder Post or at the meetings. We all feel it is as important to have the support of our friends in times of sadness as we do in times of joy. Please call or email any of the officers or Rudder Post staff. To this end, I would like to congratulate Maria Wingert on her successful surgery last December. Maria had a pacemaker implanted and is doing very well. We have all felt the love from Maria's enormous heart and are so happy to give it right back to her and Gunther.

Secondly, it was suggested that Edgewater Marina participate in the ACBC program. That is Aluminum Cans for Burned Children sponsored by the Cleveland Fire Department. We will have a container at the marina FOR ALUMINUM CANS ONLY. These programs have failed in the past due to people who throw garbage in the container. Please, please, please help us this summer. Can you imagine how much good we can do by saving all those aluminum cans we go through? Not to mention keeping them out of the land fill. It's a win-win situation and I will be a tireless advocate of this program.

Finally, there is always an ongoing discussion regarding the Lakefront Redevelopment which threatens to disrupt our summer serenity. And an ad hoc committee was formed to discuss the status of Associate Members.

See how much we get done at our meetings? If any of these topics are of interest to you, please attend our future meetings. Also, it would be negligent of me not to mention that we usually stay afterwards in the bar and continue the more spirited discussions over a few cocktails. So let's see you on March 10th at Mahall's. And let's all try to sponsor a new member. The more, the merrier!

The Social Scene

FROM THE ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

The entertainment committee has come up with a list of the major events along with dates:

- ❖ March 6 – Commodore's Ball
- ❖ April – Fish Fry (date TBD)
- ❖ May 15 - Fitting out party
- ❖ July 24 – Xmas in July & Steak Roast
- ❖ August 21 – Doug's Annual Pig Roast
- ❖ September 4 – Labor Day Party
- ❖ October 9 – Clam Bake

There will be other months where we will fill in with:

A fish fry/tournament, which will be handled by Chris Cieplowski, Gunthers famous pancake breakfast, an International taste of the marina and more to come.

As always, we will be looking for volunteers, so stand up and be counted.

Sherry Wilke & Sue Sigley



Chili-Cook-Off Bowling Party

The Chili Fest was a great success, with about 45 people in attendance and 10 chili entries. About half of those in attendance bowled. There was a three way tie for top honors. Cash prizes were awarded to the following:

Dave Meister, "B Dock Brew"
Dave Newman and Joann, "Hanky Panky Meatballs"
Gunner and Marie Wingert, "100% American Buffalo"

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

A big thanks goes out to Steve Antel and Terry Wilke and all the others who helped with this event.

A special thanks to Mahall's for accommodating our Chili Fest.

Hope to see you all at the Commodore's Ball March 6th.

PLEASE!
DO NOT WAIT TILL THE LAST DAY TO RSVP FOR ANY EVENT.

COMMIT YOURSELF AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE!

2004 Flag Officers

Commodore - Dave Hamm
Past Commodore – Michael Nagy
Vice Commodore - Dave Newman
Rear Commodore - Steve Antel
Fleet Captain – Larry Liou
Treasurer - Al Noelker
Secretary – Nina Gamin

Board of Trustees

Tom Hitsman	Michael Nagy
Doug Gawthrop	Dennis Owen
Gunther Wingert	Chris Cieplowski

Committees

Sunshine – vacant
Entertainment – Sherry Wilke & Sue Sigley
Membership – Nina Gamin & Dave Newman
Publicity Director – Dave Newman
By-Laws – Chris Cieplowski
ILYA Delegate – Dave Hamm
GCBA Delegate – Steve Antel

Membership Committee

Several questions regarding membership status was raised during our February meeting. A group was formed to gather relevant information in order to make a reasonable decision in the best interest of the club. A regular member in good standing is classified as "A person (or persons) who own a boat, or a member of his/her immediate family. Associate members are described in the bylaws as persons who do not own a boat but are associated with a regular member in good standing. They shall have all privileges of the CLUB... They cannot hold office, vote, or hold rights to the CLUB. Associates do not receive ILYA cards and do not pay more for the EMBC sponsored events. Honorary and life members remain unchanged. Obviously, there may be a select few members that might need guidance with this policy with the help from the membership committee. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused in the past.

Discount BoatUS Membership

Hello fellow members! Please don't forget to take advantage of an agreement that we have on behalf of our members with BoatUS! All members of the EMBC can join or renew their membership on BoatUS for half the regular rate. All you need to do is to mention our Group Member Number (**GA82220B**) when you join or renew.

FROM THE SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

A smile is an inexpensive way
to improve your looks!



FISHING NEWS

Dennis Owen (Everyday) has volunteered to submit articles for this new column. Stay tuned for future tips on the hottest spots and latest techniques to land that fish Ohio.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Greater Cleveland Auto Show
February 28th – March 7th

Cleveland Sport, Travel & Outdoor Show
March 13th – 21st

TIPS & TRIX

Vigor's denaming ceremony

Submitted by Dan Othberg

Renaming a boat? How bad could that be?

Superstition got you down? John Vigor offers tips for renaming your boat and keeping it lucky. "In the name of all who have sailed aboard this ship in the past, and in the name of all who may sail aboard her in the future, we invoke the ancient gods of the wind and the sea to favor us with their blessing today. "Mighty Neptune, king of all that moves in or on the waves; and mighty Aeolus (pronounced EE-oh-lus), guardian of the winds and all that blows before them: "We offer you our thanks for the protection you have afforded this vessel in the past. We voice our gratitude that she has always found shelter from tempest and storm and enjoyed safe passage to port. "Now, wherefore, we submit this supplication, that the name whereby this vessel has hitherto been known _____, be struck and removed from your records. "Further, we ask that when she is again presented for blessing with another name, she shall be recognized and shall be accorded once again the selfsame privileges she previously enjoyed. "In return for which, we rededicate this vessel to your domain in full knowledge that she shall be subject as always to the immutable laws of the gods of the wind and the sea. "In consequence whereof, and in good faith, we seal this pact with a libation offered according to the hallowed ritual of the sea."

Christening ceremony

After a boat is denamed, you simply need to rename it using the traditional christening ceremony, preferably with Queen Elizabeth breaking a bottle of champagne on the bow, and saying the words:

"I name this ship _____, and may she bring fair winds and good fortune to all who sail on her."

[Vigor's denaming ceremony](#)



WEB STUFF

Submitted by Buck Wilke

Top of the month to everybody. Below are four sites submitted by fellow member Dave Bubna. Three of the sites are forums and the fourth is a place where you can find and get what you are looking for. Also for you ice fishers, if we have any, there is some good news. However, that season is quickly coming to an end. Bad for the ice fishers but good for the rest of us.

There are many Boating Forums on the Internet

www.thehulltruth.com

www.boatingabc.com

Just to mention a couple however there is one site that will give you answers to your boating questions for anything from marine detailing to fixing head problems to fixing engine problems. Anyone may reply to the posts, however the forum monitors check and respond at the minimum of once per day, the forum is at www.boatered.com

The engine and electrical portion is hosted by Geroge Van Payrs who has written many articles for Boating Magazine. He also sells marine replacement parts through www.boatfix.com The longest I have waited for a reply was 2 hrs and the shortest time was 8 minutes. Also you cannot beat boatfix prices PERIOD. You can order through them and when they say the parts will be there, they will be there. These are two outstanding web sites.

PORT CLINTON, OH—Camp Perry, Ohio's National Guard base on Lake Erie, has opened its gates to ice fishermen this winter, allowing them access to the lake off the base's beach.

Ralph Green Jr., state administrator at Camp Perry, says ice fishermen can enter and leave the post at the main gate between sunrise and sunset, driving their rigs and gear to the lake and parking on the beach. There is no entry fee.

Till next month,

Buck Wilke

Got some good websites and tips of your own? Send an e-mail to me and we can share them in a future newsletter.

brewer@valkyrie.net

EMBC WEB GUY

Upcoming Meetings

EMBC monthly meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30pm. During the winter months the meetings are held at Mahall's Bowling Lanes, 13200 Madison Ave. in Lakewood.



March 10th
EMBC Monthly Meeting

The Editor's Notes

Deadline for articles in our April newsletter is March 20, 2004

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:

David Newman
13761 Clipper Cove Dr.
Strongsville, OH 44136

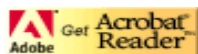


Or email me at david.newman@nasa.gov

Thank you to all who submitted contributions for this issue.

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2004 EMBC MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL APPLICATION



PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION:

NAME OF PRIMARY MEMBER _____ BIRTH DATE: MONTH _____ DAY _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

TELEPHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

NAME OF CO-MEMBER _____ BIRTH DATE: MONTH _____ DAY _____

NAME OF VESSEL _____ TYPE (Power or Sail) _____

BOAT LENGTH: OVERALL _____ BEAM _____ DRAFT _____

CURRENTLY DOCKED AT: _____ DOCK # _____

TYPE OF RENEWAL: _____ REGULAR (\$35.00) _____ LIFE (\$5.00)

_____ ASSOCIATE (\$20.00)

Types of Membership

1. Regular – A person (or persons) who own a boat, or a member of his/her immediate family. Can consist of 1 person or 2 people, living at the same address in which case one person must be designated the Primary Member. The other member (co-member) can be a Spouse, Significant Other, or child eighteen years of age or older. Regular members in good standing shall have all rights and privileges of the CLUB.
2. Associate – Associate membership shall be granted to persons who do not own a boat but are associated with a regular member in good standing. Associate members shall have limited privileges of the CLUB, except those of holding office, voting at meetings or of holding any right, title, or interest in the property or assets of the CLUB.
3. Life – All members in good standing with 10 years or more in the CLUB, upon reaching the age of 62, shall be eligible for a Life Membership Card. A Life Member shall have all rights as that of a regular member.

PLEASE SELECT THE RENEWAL TYPE AND ENCLOSE A CHECK FOR THE AMOUNT DUE, **PAYABLE TO EMBC by APRIL 15, 2004**. GIVE THIS APPLICATION WITH PAYMENT TO A CLUB OFFICER AT A CLUB MEETING OR MAIL TO:

DAVID NEWMAN
13761 CLIPPER COVE
STRONGSVILLE, OH 44136

I (WE) AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE EMBC CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS AND ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS NOW IN EFFECT OR THAT MAY BE ADOPTED BY THE CLUB IN THE FUTURE.

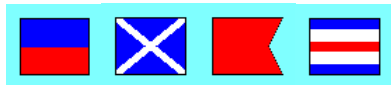
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FOR EMBC MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE PURPOSE

EMBC CARD # _____ DATE _____ CHECK# _____

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE ACTION _____ DATE _____



PLACE
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HERE

Edgewater Marina Boat Club
6500 Memorial Shoreway
Cleveland, Ohio 44102

Mailing Address
Street Number and Name
City, State Zip Code