

EGG HARBOR YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER

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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

Sometimes a little change can be a good thing. Many of you may have noticed the little change in my slip this season (the notable lack of masts). Likewise, I am looking forward to the little changes the board members of the EHYC have enthusiastically endorsed and pursued. The traditional Third Saturday gatherings have become a bi-weekly, come-as-you-are, Dockside Saturday party open to everyone. The annual picnic will be on the 6th of July instead of Labor Day weekend and we are hosting some new events as well.

As I mentioned in my remarks at the Spring Luncheon, the goal for this season is to build upon our strong tradition of life-

long fellowship by increasing event attendance and growing the membership. I encourage you to add EHYC club dates for the summer to your calendar now and invite a friend to join you for any of our events.

Despite some uncooperative weather, the first Saturday race was cancelled for lack of wind, the 2013 season is off to a good start. The first Dockside Saturday party had beautiful weather, great attendance, including some new faces and delicious food. Thanks to all who participated.

While some things have changed, the best things have stayed the same and we continue to be a great group of enthusiastic and dedicated people who share a love of the water. See you at the Harbor! Keep EHYC a thriving organization.

2013 Schedule of Events

Saturday Series Races

June 15, 22, 29 - July 13, 20, 27 - August 3, 10, 17, 24

SAILBOAT RACE and ANNUAL PICNIC

Saturday, July 6, 2013

10 a.m. Race | p.m. - CATERED PICNIC LUNCH FOR ALL MEMBERS (Guests \$10)

Dockside Saturdays - 4:00 p.m. - Replaces former 3rd Saturday Gatherings

June 22 - July 20 - August 3 & 17 - September 7

Mary Poppins Umbrella Race

July 20

Marina Day

August 10

Small Boat Regatta

August 10 - in conjunction with Marina Day

'Boat Dress Up,' 'Evening get-together,' and 'Marina Sleepover'

August 10, with breakfast on Sunday morning - August 11

Poker Run

August 17

Labor Day Race and Gathering

Sunday, September 1

Fall Luncheon

Tentatively scheduled for Saturday, October 19 at Horseshoe Bay Clubhouse



SMALL BOAT REGATTA IS FUN FOR BOTH BOATERS AND SPECTATORS

To celebrate Marina Day at Egg Harbor the EHYC is sponsoring its second annual Marina Day Small Boat Regatta at noon on Saturday, August 10, 2013, at the Egg Harbor Marina. The regatta will feature a short triangular course placed near the marina seawall creating a perfect venue for spectators to watch the action close-up. We are encouraging fans and friends to bring lawn chairs and to be part of the racing by enthusiastically supporting their favorite sailors. Entry is limited to sailboats 19 feet long overall and smaller. (A Flying Scot is 19') The race is designed to be fun with good sportsmanship and collegiality the rule of the day. Young and inexperienced racers are especially welcome. During the event, a chase boat will remain in the area with an on-the-water umpire on board.

The lower parking lot of the Marina will serve as a rigging area for competitors, and the Marina launch fee is waived for registered boats. Once afloat, boats may need to be towed/rowed/paddled from the ramp to the Marina entry.

A skipper's meeting will begin at 11:00 AM on the deck immediately adjacent to the Marina office. Starting instructions and course information will be discussed/distributed at that time. We anticipate a series of three short-course races with boats scoring points based upon adjusted time finishes based upon the Portsmouth Yardstick. Recognition will be given to the top three overall finishers.

Sailors may enter by completing a registration form and paying the \$5.00 entry fee on the day of the regatta.

To help us plan, we do ask that those who wish to join the fun contact the race committee prior to August 10th via email at smallboatregatta@gmail.com. Let us know who you are and what kind of boat you'll be sailing.

We hope racers and friends not only view the races from the seawall and cheer for the sailors, but also take advantage of the Village's Marina Day activities, which will include boat rides, youth fishing, and other fun events.

For further information contact Bill Freyman at smallboatregatta@gmail.com or 920- 868-1749.



A scene from the 2012 Regatta

SPRING LUNCHEON WAS A TIME OF GOOD FOOD WITH MANY GOOD FRIENDS



Ron Lokken, Sandra Dirks, TC and Linda Johnson, Rich Dirks and Judy Lokken celebrate the beginning of warmer weather. (It was sunny and warm that day!)



Jack Grey and Commodore Jim Rapp and his wife Melissa are discussing the Rapp's switch from sail to power.

wonderful way to kick off the beginning of summer season. Please join us for our Saturday Docksider Gatherings which began on June 8th and are held at 4 p.m. Check the schedule on the front page. Family, friends, and guests are all welcome! Just bring your own drinks and a dish/snack to share.



The photos above were taken at our May 19, 2013 Spring Luncheon at the Sturgeon Bay Yacht Club. It was a

BERNARD "VIC" PFEIFFER



Bernard Victor "Vic" Pfeiffer, Jr., of Ft. Myers, Florida, passed away peacefully on April 24, 2013, at Hope Hospice in Bonita Springs, Florida.

Vic was born on September 26, 1928. Vic was an avid boater all his life and became very involved in both the Milwaukee and Door County,

Wisconsin sailing scene. The Pfeiffer's had a condo at Peninsula Shores for many years and had a boat at Egg Harbor. He and his wife Gabriele were active members of our club. After retiring, he became Commodore of the Gulf Harbour Yacht Club in 2000 and was an active member of the St. Charles Yacht Club, both of Ft. Myers, Florida. He was a member of the Silver Star Organization of both clubs.

A celebration of his life will be held in Door County, Wisconsin, in the summer where his ashes will be laid to rest at Blossomberg Cemetery, Peninsula State Park in Fish Creek, Wisconsin.

LET'S WELCOME THESE NEW MEMBERS!

Laurie & Peter Culp
Minnie & Larry Lutzow
Gwen & Ches Porter
Arliss & Scott Sweigert
Kathy & Bill Wolff

CLUB BURGEES AVAILABLE



The club has burgees available. They can be purchased through Karl Klug, treasurer or at the marina office. The cost is \$20 each.



CHECK THIS OUT! This photo was taken on "A" Dock on a beautiful September day in 2012. T.C. Johnson was preparing for a sail when this gentleman from Madison caught this fish next his boat.

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 Most Recent Past Commodores: Sue Whittemore, Ken Mathys Sr., Rich Dirks, Bill Ward



BOARD CHANGES SOME SOCIAL EVENTS

The Yacht Club Board made some changes regarding some of the social activities. This information was in the last newsletter, but deserves to be accentuated again.

DOCKSIDE SATURDAY GATHERINGS

One of the decisions made was to change the "Third Saturday Gatherings" to "Dockside Saturday Gatherings." All members, marina tenants, and guests are invited to join together on the following dates: June 8 & 22 - July 20 - August 3 & 17 - September 7. Bring an appetizer and your own drinks. Plates, cups, and napkins will be provided. If you would like to help host one of those Saturdays, contact any Yacht Club Board Member.

BOAT DRESS UP, EVENING GET-TOGETHER, SLEEPOVER, BREAKFAST

The Board also has included a new activity which replaces the "Raft Up." The new event includes the following: Boat Dress Up, Evening Get-together, and Marina Sleepover

on August 10, with breakfast on Sunday morning - August 11. Boaters are asked to dress up their boats with flags, lights, etc. Either a potluck or dinner out will be followed by a sleepover at the marina with breakfast at the Alpine the next day. All members are invited to join the activities, but those without a boat might have to sleepover at their own homes.

TAKE A MEMBER SAILING

Another new item scheduled for this summer is "Take a Member Sailing/Boating." For those EHYC members who do not own a boat, they will have the opportunity to go sailing or powerboating on the boats of other members. Ken Mathys, Jr. will be coordinating this over the summer. If you have a boat, Ken will be contacting you to see if you would like to participate. If you wish to sign up to be a guest on a boat or be a host, let Ken know and he will try to arrange a contact. Hopefully, this will get all members out on the water more often.

Ken's phone number is: 920.680.2010.

THE HISTORY OF THE COMPASS ROSE ON THE SEAWALL

by Karl Klug

In 1998 the Egg Harbor Yacht Club Board started discussion of a Memorial for deceased Yacht Club members. Rob Valentine, one of the members, came up with the idea of a compass rose cast in bronze which then could be embedded in the Egg Harbor Marina dock.

So I called several foundries and found Aluma Cast & Bronze in Appleton, WI. They produced the memorial in August, 1999 and it was installed in 2000 with a dedication on Aug. 19th, 2000. There were 25 members at the dedication and we sang the Navy Hymn. Ken Mathys, Sr. was

the commodore and club member Bob Dennison read his dedication litany. The compass rose has since been moved to the rebuilt dock and more recently installed in the new Marina break wall. The cost was \$900. The bronze plaque says "Egg Harbor Yacht Club Memorial."

Following is Bob Dennison's litany:

Today we are gathered here to honor

those members no longer with us. We are indebted to them for the role they had in plotting the course for our club to follow, to perpetuate the joys of boating and the building of friendships.

For some, it's the sound of the starter's gun or the waving of the finish flag that makes the day complete. For some, it is the conversations with other members that stimulate thoughts as to where the next cruise might be.

Maybe it isn't the race or cruise, but one of our many get-togethers that gives one a chance to converse and enjoy the other person - maybe even hear a wild tale or a humorous situation that befell one of our members. It doesn't have to be a scheduled event to make one feel at home and welcomed - just a smile full of warmth or a handshake that will make their day complete.

A Compass Rose depicts a lot of courses, but the one they chose we will always try to follow.

To those that had to leave us, the Compass Rose is a memorial dedicated to you. -Bob Dennison



EGG HARBOR'S JULY 3 AND 4 EVENTS

Independence Day activities will begin at 4 p.m. on July 3 with events in Harbor View Park. The Egg Harbor Men's Club will be selling refreshments, and the downtown restaurants will be open. The beach will be closed at 4 p.m. for fireworks setup. The fireworks will begin after sunset. And of course the marina is one of the best spots to view the fireworks. If this year is like other years, the marina parking lot is usually filled by noon. In addition to parking downtown, parking is available across from the Egan Performing Arts Center on Church Street and on the parking lot on Hwy. 42 which is the future site of the potential new library.

On July 4 the village parade will begin at 1:30 p.m. And of course, people start reserving their favorite spots in the morning.

