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Commodore Scott Mannion

I would like to thank P/C Earl Wank, our GCBA delegate, for putting together our hosting of the April GCBA meeting. It was a good turnout and the topic was the GCBA's support of the Great Lakes Compact to protect our Great Lakes for all boaters.

The GCBA does great work protecting our Great Lakes and if you have not visited their website yet, you may be surprised to learn that in 1954 they assisted our own Wildwood Yacht Club in obtaining a lease from the state and establishing our location. That information is listed in their history tab. Interesting reading!

The club will officially open in two short weeks. The water is now on to the clubhouse, bathrooms and south docks. I will be there this weekend to finish getting the water to the north docks. The painting crew has started to prime and paint the south docks. There is still a lot of work to be done to get the club in ship shape and ready to open. If you need work hours please contact Joe Ferrara or Gary Longstreet and they will assign you a job that needs to be done.

See everyone on the Docks – Soon!!

Vice Commodore Frank Soltesz

Food For Thought

Many may be aware that the club is operating with severe budget constraints. The bridge and trustees have worked very hard to insure a high level of operation while the intake of funds has dwindled. Still we are hoping to make some improvements to the clubhouse with a new bar and carpeting. These improvements will be possible primarily through the donation of the stern of a boat (to be used as a bar) from the Jacksons along with a cash donation by the First Mates.

Adding new members could easily solve our budget problems. Hosting the GCBA meeting at NEYC gave me the opportunity to speak with their Commodore Tim Yearick. He showed me their renovations. They do the majority of their own work also and were able to accomplish these improvements because of a larger membership. If we were able to increase our membership we would be able to ease the budget problems we are experiencing.

I propose that each WWYC member set a goal to recruit one new member this boating season. So start recruiting. It is going to be a beautiful summer at WWYC.

Upcoming Dates to Remember

Monthly Meeting
Wildwood Yacht Club
Monday, 5/14, 7:00PM

Opening Day
Saturday, May 12th
If you're interested in helping clean & set-up the kitchen, come on down on the 12th around noon. All help would be appreciated.

Opening Day Party
Sunday, May 27th

Notables

The weather station on the WWYC web page is up for the season.

Check out the WWYC Calendar of Events for the 2012 Season. It's attached.

Also attached is the I-LYA April Newsletter.

Co-House Chairman

P/C Joe Ferrara

Please be advised... there will be no leniency on work hours not completed this year and if the time for your work has concluded that's it.

This spring has been unusually mild and you would think that a lot more work would have been done down at the Club by now. It seems that every nice day I go down no one is there.

The same few are doing all the work once again. The Club opens in one week and there is still plenty to do.

It's every member's job to contact your work foreman for your work assignments. Foreman it is your responsibility to get these jobs done well and in a timely manner.

If there is anything confusing here just give Gary or me a call and we'll make it right!

Now let's get out there and win one for the skipper! (Commodore Mannion)

**Fleet Captain**

Doug Mekinda

Launch time is upon us, and soon the club will be bustling with fishing, cruising, tanning, reading, storytelling, laughter, and smiles.

While that all brings excitement, remember that prior to you docking your vessel at WWYC we must have a copy of your current (2012 full boating season) Declaration of Insurance and it must show a minimum of \$100,000 property liability. If this is not on file you will not be able to dock your boat at the Club. The declarations can be sent via email from you or your insurance company to fleetcaptainwwyc@yahoo.com, or brought in and put in the insurance envelope on the clubhouse board **prior** to docking. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this, or tying-in.

Also, if you are looking for a pre-launch checklist with some good reminders to print off prior to putting your boat in go to: <http://www.boatus.com/magazine/2012/april/assets/pdf/springfitting.pdf>.

"The sea finds out everything you did wrong." - Francis Stokes

New App for Put-in-Bay Announced

Need help getting from point A to point B on Put-In-Bay? Of course there's an app for that! Checkout the new PIB app available on Apple devices (soon to be on Android).

If you've ever tried to use Google to find places on the Island you know true frustration. This app takes care of all that! Plus, it will tell you where you are and show you your route to your destination. And, it's not just to bars and restaurants! The I-LYA Trustees support the app, so all of the Regatta events are on there too!

Oh yeah, other items of interest as well are all there. Afraid the rum party will be moved and you won't know?? Event organizers can update the PIB app almost immediately, so if something changes – you will know!

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