



# SUNSET SHORES YACHT CLUB HAILOR

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### COMMODORE Bill Roberts

Welcome to S.S.Y.C. 2017. Please review your enclosed Shareholder billing to make sure that all of your information is correct: name, address, telephone numbers and E-MAIL addresses. If any information is incorrect, or you want to add new phone numbers or E-MAIL addresses, please make the corrections on the billing and return it to the club's PO Box.

Please read our club rules and follow them to help your Board of Directors run our club. Also, we all need to make sure our renters read and follow our rules. The rules are to help the Board of Directors keep the club fun for everyone.

Our assessment will be \$600.00 this year. Please send your payments to:

Sunset Shores Yacht Club  
PO Box 488, Bay City MI 48706.

Respectfully, William G. Roberts, Commodore

### ANNUAL BOARD MEETING DIRECTORS NEEDED FOR POSITIONS

The **Annual Shareholder's Meeting** will be held April 22, 2017, at Sunset Shores Yacht Club Community Room. The meeting will start at **9:00 a.m.** with coffee and doughnuts provided.

Our Board of Directors is made up of volunteers. This year we need to fill four vacancies on the board and are looking for interested members to serve on the Board of Directors for a three-year term. If you have two hours a month to volunteer, please see any board member or call Bill Roberts at 989-695-2888.

### CLUB OPENING DATE 2017

The club is scheduled to open **April 1, 2017**. The electric will be turned on but not the water so the gates will operate but water will not be available in the bathrooms until about **April 20**.

Keys will be sent to members when the annual dues are paid. **Please be sure your paperwork is in order before using the club.**



**OPERATIONS**  
**Stan Musial**

We will again contract with the following contractors for services in 2017:

Forever Green/Green Valley will maintain the grounds, apply fertilizer/weed control, spray for ants, take care of the maple/locust /ash trees-spraying for cottony scale and ash bore as needed.

Senior Discount lawn service will be doing the lawn mowing and taking care of the leaves in the fall.

Precision Lawn Sprinklers will turn the system on in the spring, check for any leaks and take care of any problems during the season. Help us maintain the sprinkler heads by parking on the pavement not on the grass where the sprinkler heads are located.

Springtime Cleaning will be responsible for the cleaning of the bathhouses,

If you have any concerns about the maintenance of the Club during the boating season, please contact any of the board members for a resolution of the problem.

Board Member, Don Leidke, will again assume the duties of club maintenance person.

**DREDGING**  
**Tom Pomerville**

Our water levels are currently a couple of inches below last year's level but are forecasted to be to be 4 or 5 inches lower than last year this spring then nearing last year's level by mid-July.

We will need to check the depths of the BCYC and SSYC entrance from the river for any possible silting problems. Volunteers will be doing this around the first week in May

BCYC and SSYC have renewed our dredging permit for another 5 years.

**FLEET CAPTAIN**  
**Dennis Reinke**

Welcome to the 2017 boating season. We have had a lot of interest recently in slips for sale and rent.

To list your slip for sale or rent on the SSYC Website please contact Kris Martek, 734-495-0766, [ssyctechdir@sunsetshoresyacht.com](mailto:ssyctechdir@sunsetshoresyacht.com) with your information. There is a \$20 fee to list on the Website. If you do list on the Website please be sure to keep the listing updated.

**BEFORE MOORING A BOAT AT SSYC** you must have your **Proof of Insurance and Mooring Form to the Fleet Captain**. You must have at least \$300,000 liability and the expiration date on the insurance form. Mooring forms can be completed on the Website. Completed Mooring and Insurance forms can be but in the FLEETCAPTAIN BOX by the community room, sent to SSYC PO Box 488, sent via Email to [fleetcaptain@sunsetshoresyachtclub.com](mailto:fleetcaptain@sunsetshoresyachtclub.com) or mailed to 7188 Andrews Rd, St Charles MI. 1-989-928-4627. Please include your slip # and name on all paperwork.

Last year we had 168 boats registered:

133 Powerboats	58 Shareholders
26 Sailboats	101 Renters

**BOAT US**

Sunset Shores Yacht Club is a BoatUS cooperating group (Group ID Number: GA82524Y). SSYC currently has a number of members who have enjoyed half-price BoatUS memberships.

BoatUS represents recreational boaters by working on Capitol Hill, ensuring safe boating and clean water for generations to come and by resolving Member disputes with boat dealers or manufacturers.

BoatUS provides valuable benefits and services to keep you safe both on and off the water. Join

## VIOLATIONS

### Kris Martek

CHECK VIOLATION(S)	VIOLATION:
☐	Wrong Electrical Cord(s) (Use 3-conductor #10 Marine grade AWG Cord) Rule: 23
☐	Wrong Cleats / Cleat Mount Rule: 5
☐	Dock Box not to standards Rule: 4
☐	Cooler(s) left out Rule: 10
☐	Dock alteration not approved Rule: 5
☐	Vehicle parked on grass Rule: 6
☐	Noise Violation Rigging Rule: 9
☐	Persistent Unsightly Condition Rule: 10
☐	Noise/Language/Behavior Rule: 11
☐	Bike(s) not stored properly Rule: 10
☐	Storing property in buildings Rule: 10
☐	Other (See BOD member)

### Violation Tags (VT):

What are these tags and why did I get one? This is a question that may cross the minds of the few that receive one of these tags during the season. VT's were started a couple of seasons ago to convey messages about problems or violations that come up from time to time. SSYC's Board of Directors (BOD) is composed of volunteers and we don't always have time to wait to talk in person or to try to track down a slip owner to call them about an issue. Most of the issues that the VTs are used for are minor and only require the slip owner to see that the problem is corrected. Most of the time that is the end of it. On rare occasions the matter is escalated into a true violation issue and at that time the BOD follows the process outlined in the Bylaws of SSYC. Sometimes it's a complaint and sometimes we notice the issue that generated the VT. We do our best to monitor our club to keep it safe and fun and we ask that you do the same. Please don't take these VTs personally as their primary use is to save us time and effort in handling these matters. Remember, each slip owner is responsible for knowing and letting their guests know about the SSYC Association Rules. This especially applies to slip owners that rent their slips since renters are considered club guests. All documents are on our website.

### Slip Lease Agreement (SLA):

If you plan to rent your slip, consider having your renter sign a "Slip Lease Agreement" (SLA). We've added a SLA document to our "Documents & Standards" section of the website to help our shareholders and our renters. When entering any type of rental arrangement, you should ensure that you have a valid contract to outline your rights and responsibilities as a landlord or a tenant. This helps both parties to understand what is expected when renting a slip at SSYC.

### New SSYC Association Rules:

Two new rules were added to the Association Rule list by the SSYC board of directors to address some issues that occurred during the 2016 season. **These rules go into effect this 2017 season.** From page 5 of the rule book:

24. **Effective 2017 Season:** To protect our rip-rap, all boats moored at SSYC must be placed bow in first (i.e. bow towards the rip-rap).
25. All grill use must be 5 feet or more from permanent structures.

## NEWS AND REMINDERS

### ANTI-SIPHONING DEVICES

Please do not remove the anti-siphoning devices from the hose hook ups. They are required by law to be there.

### DOCK BOXES

Please level up your dock boxes. Besides being unsightly, many are collecting rain water and providing breeding grounds for mosquitoes.

### DOCK MODIFICATIONS

Modifications to your docks must meet club standards requiring a Modification Form. Variances from the standard can be applied for via a Variance Form. (See Don Leidke for forms). **Owners please inform your renters of this requirement.**

### BIKE RACKS

Please use the racks and do not store bikes in the laundry rooms or back rooms of the bath houses.

### NO FISH GUTS IN THE DUMPSTERS

**Please**, the dumpsters are not emptied often enough to make large deposits of fish guts in the dumpster acceptable.

### CHILD SAFETY

Life jackets are to be worn at all times by all unsupervised children twelve (12) years old or younger when on club property.

### PETS ON LEASH

Dogs must be kept on leashes when not on the boats of members, renters or guests. Please pick up after your pet, No pets allowed in the club buildings.

### PERSONAL STORAGE

Storage of personal items including **gas cans** are not **allowed** in any club buildings. Gas cans on club property cannot exceed **six (6)** gallons.

### POWER SQUADRON

The power squadron will be at the club on June 11, 10:00am to complete a boat safety inspection. Sign up at the club house building and be safe out there.

### EXTRA KEYS/OLD KEYS

If you need an extra key contact Colleen Brandy or Bill Roberts. Please drop old keys in boxes in bath houses.

### DOCK LOWERING/RAISING

Members can adjust their own dock per club recommendations or Don Leidke and his team will adjust your dock for \$100 per side. Remember to discuss this with your dock mate.

## MEMBER PARTICIPATION COMMITTEE

Tom Pomerville

The Member Participation Committee (MPC) was established in 2009 to: (1) help eliminate some of the labor costs associated with the operations and maintenance of OUR Club and (2) Assist OUR Board of Directors with their duties. With the help of our many VOLUNTEERS both Shareholders and Renters, we have saved thousands of dollars for OUR Club.

Some of the Projects scheduled for this year include:  
Spring clean-up (following the annual meeting)  
Power washing the buildings  
Weed spaying the rip-rap  
Bug control in and around the buildings  
Goose spraying  
Edging the blacktop  
Summer boating party  
Fall clean-up  
Other projects will be posted in and around the bathhouses throughout the season  
Luncheons are usually served after work parties

If you are interested in volunteering or leading one of the projects, Please contact any Board Member or me a [tpomervillet@yahoo.com](mailto:tpomervillet@yahoo.com). or 989- 430- 1959.

We would like to welcome our new shareholders and renters, hopefully you will volunteer some of your time to meet new friends and enjoy good times.

Thanks to all of you that volunteered your time last year.

