

SUNSET SHORES YACHT CLUB HAILOR

SSYC MARCH 2023 NEWSLETTER

COMMODORE Bill Roberts

Welcome to SSYC's 2023 boating season.

The Annual Meeting is set for 9:00am, Saturday April 29, 2023.

We encourage everyone to visit our website for information. We use it to communicate with our shareholders so please check it out frequently.

Please review our SSYC Association Rules book (located on the Website) and ensure that you, guests and renters know and follow them.

Last year we completed the repair of the remainder of the rip-rap and paid for the disposal of our portion of the dredged material in the berm at Bay City Yacht Club.

This drew down most of our reserve budget.

Additionally, we are working to dredge this year and may need to dispose of the dredged material. These costs required the raising of the assessment this year to \$800.

Now that the club looks its best lets strive to keep it that way. That means no clutter, pick up after yourself and keep your boat in ship shape.

Respectfully, William G. Roberts
SSYC, Commodore

ANNUAL SHAREHOLDER MEETING DIRECTORS NEEDED FOR POSITIONS

The **Annual Shareholder Meeting** date has been set for **9:00, Saturday April 29, 2023** in the yacht club clubhouse. The Board of Directors conduct the meeting and afterward work parties are formed to bring out the grills, picnic tables and other spring tasks. Please stay after the meeting to assist.

Our Board of Directors is made up of volunteers. We need to fill FOUR vacancies on the board and are looking for interested members to serve for three-year terms. If you have time each month to volunteer, please see any board member or call Bill Roberts at (989)751-3693.

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2023 CLUB OPENING DATE

The club is scheduled to open **April 1, 2023** The electric will be turned on but not the water. The gates will operate but no bathrooms until about **April 20th**. Complete opening of the club will take place just before the Annual Meeting.

PAYMENT AND KEYS

Please mail Annual Association Dues (**\$800**) by May 15 and without penalty by **June 15, 2023** to:

Sunset Shores Yacht Club
PO Box 488
Bay City MI 48707

Payments can only be made by slip owners. No renters please. Keys, (2 per slip) are sent through the mail and should arrive in **about two weeks** after **FULL** payment is made. Please pay early to ensure you have keys when they are needed. Keys can be sent to renters if proper information is indicated.

A board member will be available **only** at the annual meeting to accept payment and hand out keys.

Board members will NOT meet an Owner or Renter to accept payment and give keys. Board members are volunteers and their time is just as valuable as yours.

Please ensure we have the correct name, mailing address, Email, phone numbers in our files. Most problems with getting keys are due to wrong information or lack of full payment. Additionally, we may need to be able to contact you for safety reasons or to save your boat.

DREDGING

Mike Stevens/Tom Pomerville

Each year we monitor lake levels and water level depth in our entrance channel and club. We are working with Bay City Yacht Club in getting a permit to dredge and hiring a dredger to dredge this year. It has been a slow and tedious process.

Please keep on eye on our website for more information as it becomes available.

Volunteers will be sounding the channel in early May and marker buoys placed shortly after.

FLEET CAPTAIN

Dennis Reinke

We have had a lot of interest recently in slips for sale and rent. SSYC has clearly become the club of choice on Saginaw Bay.

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 put in the **FLEETCAPTAIN BOX** by the community room, sent to SSYC PO Box 488, sent via Email to:

fleetcaptain@sunsetshoresyachtclub.com

If you plan to rent your slip out, please be sure the mooring form and insurance requirements are filed by your renter. Lastly, please include your slip number and name on all paperwork.

TECHNOLOGY

Dave Dammann

The SSYC website is a useful tool to list a slip for sale or rent. If any member would like their slip listed, please contact me, David Dammann at ssyctechdir@sunsetshoresyachtclub.com with the slip number, price, contact phone and email address. There is a \$20 fee, payable to the club, required for listing. This helps cover website fees.

If you do request a listing, please let me know when you rent or sell the slip so we can keep the site up-to-date. We will do our best to keep the Website updated with upcoming events and activities. Please check it often.

As everyone knows we have a beautiful club. Last year, unfortunately, I was not able to use my slip at SSYC due to the depth of the entrance channel. However, this year that should be remedied. With that said, some may question the increase in our assessment. Please note that the assessment of \$800 this year is still about 1/3rd of what I paid last year to moor my sailboat elsewhere farther up river. From my experience our club is much quieter, cleaner and convenient to the bay.

OPERATIONS Mike Krzyminski

We will be using the same contractors from last season. As a reminder...if there is a maintenance issue that requires attention, there are white boards in both laundry rooms. Simply write down any problems or repairs with SSYC equipment. Don Liedke remains our general repair person. He is a volunteer on the board and will get to the issue as time and priority allows.

Due to the high cost of access keys we ask the members return old keys to the key boxes in the restrooms.

Dock Light Operation: Please leave the right side breaker **-on-** at your dock electrical box. That controls the dock lights.

Owners, please share the information in the Hailor with your renters. The Hailor can also be found on our Website.

VIOLATIONS Charlie Brown

SHABBY BOAT OR DOCK AREA

It was noted this past season that several boats in the club appeared to have not been properly maintained or visited very often. The vessels looked untidy with bird droppings, leaves, and debris cluttering the decks. Other boats exhibited torn or collapsed canvases that collected stagnant water.

Additionally, boats had issues filling with water and in danger of sinking. If that happens and there is any kind of oil/fuel spill the club can be shut down for hours or days while it gets cleaned up: as happened to a couple marinas up north last year.

Conditions like these are a detriment to the overall appearance of the club and lead to the breeding of mosquitoes etc. Please help us all to take pride in the appearance of our environment and grounds for our members and the community.

The Annual Summer Party has been scheduled for **Saturday August 12, 2023**. Check the website for more information or changes

VIOLATIONS Charlie Brown

POWER CORD USE AT SUNSET SHORES

Have you ever noticed the no swimming signs placed along the edge of the boat basin? Have you wondered why we don't allow swimming in the lagoon or the no water play near the boats moored in our facility. It is to prevent the electrocution of our kids (adult and young ones alike). Stray electricity travels well in the water. Many persons have been injured or killed by this invisible killer.

Unfortunately, this past season saw several incidents of the misuse of power cords on or near boats and board members were faced with the need to take action to prevent injury.

Anytime you plug in shore power to your vessel, there is a chance that you could be introducing an electrical current into the water. To prevent this from happening we have a specific set of guidelines that must be followed to control the flow of electricity.

Club Rule 23 specifies the conditions that must be met if a boater is using shore power on or near his boat. It specifies the following:

Shore Power Cords

For safety reasons, improper power cords should never be used. Power cords to provide shore power to individual boats must be of sufficient size to support the current rating of the breaker at the post and must be grounded to reduce electrical shock hazards and prevent possible galvanic corrosion. Power cords must also be capable of withstanding the wet environment normally associated with marine use.

Therefore, **all** power cords supplying power to boats in Sunset Shores Yacht Club must be three conductor #10 marine grade AWG wire with insulation designed for use in wet environments. Where two cables are spliced together an approved marine grade connector must be used. A cable not meeting this specification should never be used to connect shore power to your boat even for short periods of time and must not lie in the water at any time.

These rules apply to the temporary use of vacuum cleaners, power washers, sump pumps, etc also.

We need to be very strict about this requirement. Board members will take action if they note a violation of this guideline by **removal of any plug-in** that is not in compliance with the rules. The slip owner will be informed and an incident report will be filed in the offending slips file. Repeat violations could result in fines or possible banning of the vessel in the harbor.

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 rainwater 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 Liedke 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 always worn 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.

AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB

America's Boating Club of Saginaw Bay will be on site TBD, for boat safety inspections. Sign up at the club house building and be safe out there.

EXTRA KEYS/OLD KEYS

If you need any extra keys, contact Dennis Reinke or Bill Roberts (\$10 each). Please drop old keys in boxes in bath houses.

DOCK LOWERING/RAISING

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

MEMBER PARTICIPATION COMMITTEE

Dennis Reinke

On **Saturday April 29**, after the annual meeting we will need volunteers to bring out the picnic tables and the grills along with some other miscellaneous work.

We will continue to monitor the dock heights related to the changing water levels and raise and lower as needed.

There are volunteer sheets at both bath houses for these projects. The projects are listed on the sheets a couple weeks before volunteers are needed.

Some of projects we need help with this summer include:

- Weed spraying June and August.
- Power washing bath houses and Community Room
- Paint Bath House Entrance floors
- Landscape rocks around flagpole and between the community room and bike rack
- Paint the security fence top rails and posts

Without volunteers we need to pay others to do the tasks that need to be completed to make SSYC viable. This raises the cost of running the club and is passed on through assessments.

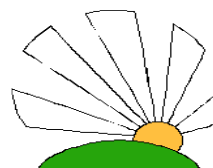
Please help when you can.

BOATUS

Sunset Shores Yacht Club is a BoatUS cooperating group (Group ID Number: GA82524Y). SSYC currently has several 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.

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