



Commodore's Report

By Mark Waring



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Well, here it is, my final Log Article. After gorgeous weather in September and much of October, old man winter is on our doorstep. My boat is still in the water, but that will be remedied in the next week, and I can put all my focus on my upcoming Commodore Ball which is on February 24, 2024.

I started writing this article, and after spending a couple of hours typing it, I realized what I had written was my speech for my Commodore's Ball and not a log article. So I had to save that (one more thing taken care of for the ball), and start over.

Since my last article, Shannon and I have represented Lake Shore Sail Club at a couple of Commodore Balls, and we have just two more remaining. In early October





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we attended the Port Huron Yacht Club for their ball at the Wrigley Center, adjacent to their clubhouse. The food was great, and the band was even better. The band consisted of eight or nine members and played a lot of Motown and pop favorites. Terry, from Windsor Yacht Club, and I sang our hearts out. I made an inquiry thinking they would be great for our ball but let's just say they were way out of our budget. In fact, their fee was basically our budget. Oh well, back to the drawing board for entertainment. The second ball we attended in October was Crescent Sail Club. This ball was held at Blossom Heath and again was a great evening, and very well attended. This leaves only two balls left for this year. On November 4, we have Windsor Yacht Club's ball and the following Saturday, November 11, we have the Grosse Pointe Farm Boat Club Ball. Thinking back to our first ball we attended was Grosse Pointe Sail Club's for Commodore Mary Fraser, who is also a Lake Shore Sail Club member. When we arrived at the ball, we only knew one or two people that were in attendance and were a little stand-offish. Since then, we have built lasting friendships with many of the Commodores from our "Class".

On November 4, we will all be able to see Past Commodores Denis and Mary Nicole, as Mary hosts our annual Steak Roast. They will be flying in from Florida for the event. Unfortunately, as previously stated, Shannon and I will try to stop in but are unable to stay due to the Windsor Yacht Club Ball. This is always a fun event, and I would encourage you to invite individuals that you think would be a good fit and consider joining our membership.

I received an email from Bark Seski at DRYA, letting me know that two of our members are going to be added to the DRYA Hall of Fame. Past Commodore Danielle Templeton and Linda Evo are going to be honored at the DRYA Awards Dinner and Sailor's Party on Friday November 17 at the Detroit Yacht Club. As many of us as possible should attend this event to honor these two members. Tickets are available at www.drya.org. We are very fortunate to have these two as well as the rest of our awesome Race Committee. I have personally been given numerous compliments for this group of people and the races they run.





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I cannot overstate how honored I am to have served our club over the last three years!! I have said this before, but our club is truly an extended family. When I was talking to Frank Kunick about issues I had, getting my boat back from Mackinac Island, he told me I should have given him a call and he was sure he could have gotten a few, in his words "old timers" to go up and get my boat back home. I don't know why but after making a few calls, I made the decision to hire a captain, and never even thought of inquiring with our club. I am sure that many of us have similar stories.

In two weeks, we will vote on our incoming Bridge and Board of Directors and at this point it will be strange not to be part of that group. I have mixed feelings regarding that. On the one hand I am looking forward to being able to focus on things that I have neglected to some extent while taking this journey. On the other hand, it has been a great learning experience and opportunity to get to know many of you over the past three years.

Thank you all for your friendship, support, and most of all, being who you are. I look forward to many years of camaraderie with you. And of course, thank you Shannon for all your help and support, I LOVE YOU SO MUCH!!!!

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Vice Commodore's Report

By Brian Jenney



We had two very nice cruises this year. The first cruise took place Memorial Day weekend at St. Clair Metropark, and the second cruise was for Labor Day at Belle River Ontario, Canada. It gave me time to slow down and mingle with some of our club members. The Belle River location is high on my list, and I would definitely come back next year. I would strongly encourage more boats to attend the cruise to Belle River if it is scheduled for next year.

The 42nd Inter-Club Team Championship Trophy race was scheduled for Saturday, October 7th. Unfortunately, we had to cancel the race due to low participant numbers. The weather did not help our cause either. I did send an email out to the members and received many good ideas, including, but not limited to, lowering the number of boats required from each club, potentially having one start, moving the date of the race up and getting the word out sooner. I appreciate the time people took to communicate their ideas to me. I will work with Dan Guendelsberger next year to see if we can increase participation.

I always get a little melancholy when the boat goes on the hard. I look forward to all the races and the time spent on the water with the members of Lake Shore Sail Club. Now starts the project list!

The LSSC Holiday Brunch is scheduled for December 9 th at 11:00 am at Fishbones in St. Clair Shores. There is still time to RSVP yes and you can either pay on the LSSC website or you can write a check out to LSSC and mail it to my home address. The brunch menu





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looks great, and we will have two marines from the United States Marine Corp Reserves in attendance collecting toys for the Toys for Tots Program to bring the joy of Christmas to children and to send a message of hope to America's disadvantaged children.

Thank you to all the club members for all their support. I look forward to 2024 and representing our club as your Commodore.



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Rear Commodore's Report

By Dan Guendelsberger



The Sunset and Club Series wrapped up in September, capped off with a well-attended Sunset Awards Party at the K of C Hall. A complete list of flag and trophy winners are posted on the Racing Results page of our LSSC website. Club Series flags and trophies will be awarded at the November General Membership meeting.

Many thanks to everyone who volunteered and made the racing successful.

- Danielle Templeton (PRO)
- Pete Ross (Marks)
- Brian Lank (Protests)
- Matt Savage (Ratings)
- Linda Evo, Kathy McGuire, Marsha Cooper, Kathy Riess, Joyce Rapelje, Carol Walker and Susanne Guendelsberger (Race Committee)
- Beth Baker (Web Site, Results, Photos)
- Greg Doyal (Auxiliary Anchor Supplier)

Now it's time to put the boats away and start dreaming about 2024 racing!





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