

SUNSEEKER'S Boating Club



SunSeeker of the Year 2020

April 2021

**Congratulations to
Dale Williams, Dockmaster**



Hours:

Mon-Fri: 5 pm to 11 pm
Sat-Sun: 12 pm to 11pm
(subject to change)

Membership Meetings:

First Wednesday of the month
@ 7:30 pm

Address:

28043 N. Gibraltar Rd
Gibraltar, MI 48173

Phone:

734-672-6543

<http://ssbc.us>



Highlights

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COMMODORE: Teri Upholzer

248.884.0306



Goodbye Winter! Hello Spring, SunSeeker's!

Giving up that hour of time makes is so worthwhile when we see the days getting longer and the days staying lighter out longer. With this change, we know our favorite time of the year is even closer.....boating season!!!

It sure feels good again to have other AYC clubs include us as a stop on their bus trips. It almost feels like old times (pre-COVID). You have made this possible with your generous donations. We have a few more scheduled in April so please be sure to reach out to PC Sue Pitock if you are interested in donating food items or cash (and Sue will do the shopping for you!) Sue can be reached at her email: millerboysfan@gmail.com Be sure to enter your work hours on-line or get a Work Hours form from the bartender and fill it out. If you have any questions on how to input your hours on-line, please reach out to PC Sue or one of the Bridge members. We will guide you through the steps.

After a long hiatus, James was kidnapped by River View Yacht Club when they visited SSBC. James tried to party with them but I heard he stayed on the bus for some of the day. He'll get back into the party scene soon I'm sure! If you weren't aware, James is popular amongst several of the other AYC clubs and they love taking him to visit their clubs. Make sure to follow James adventures on his own Facebook page, Sunseeker James.

AYC VC Jeff and I were able to attend an AYC gathering in Fort Myers, FL. SunSeeker's that also attended were Rick and Kathy Marcum, PC Sue and Gentleman Wayne Pitock and Donna and Bill Tuite. In addition to many familiar faces, we were honored to meet several former AYC Commodores for the first time. We will share with you the date and location for 2022 once we hear. It would be nice to have an even larger presence of SSBC members attend.

Thank you to Chris Jerry and Vi for continuing to keep our club sparkling clean! Your time and effort is greatly appreciated. Members, please watch for cleaning dates. If your calendar permits, come up and help them. You get work hours for each hour you work and an as an extra bonus, an ice cold beverage when done.

Sunday, May 2nd, from 11:00am - 3:00pm, SSBC will hold a Spring Craft Show / Boat Parts / Tackle Swap meet. For those interested in being a part of the Boat Parts / Tackle Swap meet, which will be outside the clubhouse, we are asking for a \$20 donation, which will go towards the SSBC 2021 Commodore's Ball. Member, Scott Bricker of Great Lakes Boats Removal, is working with me to organize this event. Stay tuned for additional information as we are still in the planning the inside & outside event.



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It's that time of year and Humbug 2 will begin hauling boats and splashing them this month and next. Please keep the travel hoist area and the roadways on both sides of the club clear during this time. We want to make sure we don't block them in and not allow them to get their work done as this is a busy time of year for them.

Smoker's (or non-smokers), if you are looking for work hours we are in search of someone to organize a committee to keep the smoking containers cleaned and areas around the outside of the club free of cigarette butts. Please reach out to me if you are interested.

See the bartender if you haven't picked up your 2021 Membership cards. If you have money remaining on your 2020 Membership card, use it up or ask the bartender to transfer those funds onto your 2021 card. You have 6 months from the expiration date on your 2020 card to transfer funds otherwise any remaining funds will be forfeited.

The April membership meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 7th, beginning at 7:30 pm. Please plan to attend in person or via Zoom. Zoom information will be shared ahead of time to the membership via SunSeeker's Scoop and email.

On a personal note, the outpouring of love and concern with the passing of my sister, Andie, has truly meant so much. While I am working to comprehend life without her in it it's hitting me hard. Your support is helping me and from the bottom of my heart, THANK YOU.

Safe travels to our SunSeeker's South groups as they make their way back to us. We look forward to seeing your tan faces again!

Have a wonderful Easter!

Teri Upholzer
2021 Commodore



VICE COMMODORE: Jennifer Gronda



Happy April SunSeekers!

Spring has sprung and boats will soon be hitting the water.

I will continue to post any events I am planning, so be ready to see Scoop posts and emails from me.

Thank you everyone who made the St Patty's dinner a huge success, especially Marty Arvay, Sue Deters and Adam Manchester. There were many more hands and donations to this event so thank you so much to all our amazing members.

Another thank you goes out to Lori Stoddart for hosting Name that Tune another fun filled night.

My plans for this month are still in the works but we do have our very own Drew Stec hosting open mic every other Sunday currently.

I am still looking for anyone interested in helping with event planning, please let me know if you are interested.

We completed the laundry soap fund raiser for our Commodores Ball 2021 in honor our Commodore Teri Upholzer. We had a huge amount ordered and it will be in around the 8th of April so please watch for an email or the Scoop for pick up times here at the club. Thank you to all who ordered.

Looking forward to this year with hope and excitement.

Stay healthy and stay safe.

YOUR Vice Commodore Let's make 2021 a great year!!

**Thank you,
Jennifer Gronda**



REAR COMMODORE:



Ahoy Sunseekers and happy April!

The weather is getting better and soon the boats will be in the water, with that said I want to remind everyone that we are open seven days a week, Monday-Friday 5:00 pm to 11:00 pm, Sat-Sun 12:00 pm-11:00 pm so while you are at the marina working on your boat stop in and have a frosty beverage and grab a bite to eat from JP's Waterfront also don't forget you will receive a 10% discount and free delivery to the club!

As always bartenders are needed to keep our great club running like a fine watch and a great way to get your work hours in for the year. If you are interested in bartending please call or text me at (313) 600-3174 or email leonard.bradburn@yahoo.com, it might take me a short time to respond but I will get back with you and schedule a day or two for you to train behind the bar.

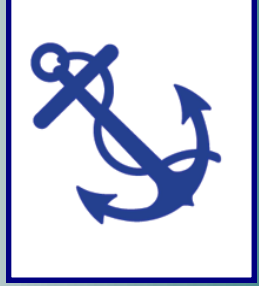
Sunseekers boating club is a wonderful place for all our members to have fun and enjoy but it takes many people and volunteers to keep this club in tip top shape. Chris Jerry is always looking for people to help on the club cleaning days and another great way to get work hours in for the year.

The beginning of the year I heard a lot of people say they couldn't get work hours in due to covid so I have just given a couple of examples of ways to get those hours, there are many other ways also for example; donating food or money to help P/C Sue Pitock with bus trips that come to our club, snow removal, grass cutting, event setup and tear down, help our dockmaster with the docks or many other ways!

Lenny



FLEET CAPTAIN: Kevin Towle



Excited for April Sunseeker's! It's one month closer to boating season.

I have secured the dates for the annual Sunseeker's club trip. It will be the August 6th, 7th and 8th at Seaway marina on Kelley's Island. We have 21 boats registered.

The club bus trip will be April 24.

2021 Poker Runs (Tentative)

June 4-6 - Point Place Boat Club

July 16-18 - River View Yacht Club

July 23-25 - Nugent's Canal Yacht Club

August 13-15 - Ford Yacht Club

August 20-22 - Seaway Boat Club

September 10-12- Detroit Beach Boat Club

SSBC Dates to remember

April 24th SSBC Bus Trip

August 6-8 Kelley's Island club trip.

August 27-29 SSBC Regatta

I am trying to setup a US Coast Guard class "Suddenly in Charge". I will let everyone know once I get it scheduled.

Here is to a fun & safe 2021 boating season!

General Announcements

Welcome to our Newest Members!

Gayle Hiuser * Edward Perry * Ken Camilleri * Nikolas Grias
Lyle Lezotte * Nancy Riley * Mark Martin * William Markovich *
Rebecca Ostrowski * Jacob Weller * Andrew Richardson
266 Members

Reminders

- ✿ At the April membership meeting there will be a vote on Bylaws Proposals. Full proposal can be reviewed in the Members Only section of SSBC website. <https://www.ssbc.us/>
- ✿ Club access is now only available via your 2021 membership card or certain legacy key fobs that are still out there. If you haven't yet picked up your 2021 membership card you need to stop by the club and request it from the bartender.
- ✿ Club Cleaning Schedule– Just show up on April 11th (10 am to 12 pm) and April 25th (9 am to 1 am)
- ✿ NEW YEAR, NEW OPPORTUNITIES TO EARN WORK HOURS!
Enter your work hours online at the SSBC.US website under the Members Only section (Work Hours) or obtain a work hours slip from a bartender. Unfulfilled work hours are \$10 each and must be paid with renewal dues.
- ✿ Stay in touch via the Sunseeker's Scoop; private Facebook group. If you would like to be added to the group please contact PC Sue Cisco or any of the Bridge members.

Bartenders Needed

If you are interested in bartending please contact Rear Commodore Lenny Bradburn. Training will be provided.



It's a great way to meet members, visiting club members and fulfill your work hours.

REMINDER: if you would like to submit articles/announcements/stories/pictures for the newsletter, please send an email to Lori Stoddart at lakeaffect@att.net. All submissions must be received by the 25th, for the following month's newsletter! Thanks!

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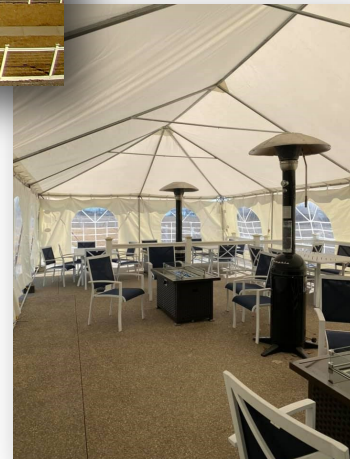
Mark Your Calendars



- ◆ Incoming Bus Trip, Toledo Sail– April 3rd 12 noon
- ◆ SSBC Membership meeting-Wednesday, April 7th, 7:30 p.m.
- ◆ Beginning in March, monthly Bunco has resumed. Contact Kathy Hogan for details. COVID-19 precautions will be implemented.
- ◆ AYC Bowling– Sunday, April 25th, 1:00 p.m.
- ◆ SSBC Bus Trip, April 24th
- ◆ Craft Show/Swap Meet– May 2nd, 11 am – 3 pm Watch for details in the Scoop
- ◆ “Docktail” Party- May 22nd– details to follow in the Scoop and email
- ◆ Opening of the Islands fish fry at SSBC– June 11th, watch for details
- ◆ SSBC trip to Kelley’s Island– August 6-8 (more details forthcoming)
- ◆ SSBC Regatta– August 27-29 (more details forthcoming)

- ◆ Clubhouse cleaning schedule to be announced. Great way to get work hours!
Contact Chris Jerry or PC Lenny Bradburn for details.

Upcoming events are dependent on most current MI mandates and can change at anytime





AYC BOWLING

Join Vice Commodore Jeff Upholzer and Lady Teri
for an afternoon of bowling, refreshments and plain **FUN!**

Sunday, April 25 @ 1 PM

(Arrive an hour early to register)

Fun for all - 9 pin No-Tap

Monroe Sports Center 15425 S. Monroe St. (734-242-0404)

\$20.00PP, includes bowling, balls, shoes, pizza, and more

5 PERSONS PER TEAM-NEED NAMES AND CLUB PLEASE

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Contact Rob Wolas for questions 734-536-0874

30432 Windsor Gibraltar MI 48173

Checks payable to AYC 2023

**ANNUAL
AYC VICE COMMODORE
BOWLING LANE AND GOLF HOLE SPONSORSHIP
FORM**

BOWLING: April 25, 2021

GOLF: September 19, 2021

Monroe Sports Center
15425 S. Monroe St.
Monroe, MI.
\$100.00 Lane Sponsorship

Eagle's Landing Golf
5530 Bay Shore Rd
Oregon, OH
\$150.00 Hole Sponsorship

**Sponsor both a Lane and a Hole for \$200.00
Save \$50.00**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

USE SIGN FROM LAST YEAR? YES NO

SIGN SHOULD READ

Make checks payable to: **AYC 2023**

Return by April 14, 2021 to: **Rob Wolas 734 536-0874**

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AYC



Wild Game Dinner

100% percent of proceeds to support

AYC Vice Commodore Jeff Upholzer

and

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society

Friday, May 21, 2021

Gibraltar Community Center

29340 South Gibraltar Road

Gibraltar, MI 48173

Hors d'oeuvres at 6 pm, Dinner at 7 pm

Tickets \$40 / No sales at door

Door prizes, gun raffles, basket raffles and more



For tickets call:

Jeff Upholzer @ 734-775-7598

Jason Pearson @ 734-558-0317

Mark Balazy @ 313-461-1752



Or pay online at:

Venmo: @aycwgd

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*5th Annual
IOBG District 7, 9 & 25
Wine Tour*



September 17th & 18th 2021

@

*Holiday Inn Express & Suites
Madison, Ohio*



Saturday Bus Wine Tour

Bus Price \$30/Person

LOAD BUS @ 11:45

20 Wineries within 8 miles

Food & Entertainment @ most Wineries along tour

ARRIVE BACK AT HOTEL @ 6pm

***FRIDAY & SATURDAY NIGHT HOSPITALITY ROOM
"OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS & FRIENDS"***

Room Rates \$99.00/night + tax- "IHG" group Hotel

Reservation deadline 08/27/2021

For reservations call 1-440-307-4449

FOR BUS RESERVATIONS EMAIL lloydbogue@windstream.net

**All participants are expected to pay bus fees*

SunSeeker's and Friends



Rescuing James from RVYC



Gathering of AYC Members in FL



Swapping Burgees



Name That Tune



Open Mic Night



St. Paddy's Day Fun



