



SUNSEEKER'S Boating Club



February 2023



Next Meeting February 1st at 7:30pm

Winter Hours:

Closed Monday

Tuesday—Thursday: 6 pm to 10 pm

Friday—Saturday: 6 pm to 2 am

Sundays: 12pm to 8 pm
(subject to change)

Membership Meetings:

First Wednesday of the month
@ 7:30 pm

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<http://ssbc.us>



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COMMODORE: Lenny Bradburn



Hello SunSeekers!

Well, the first month is in the books and January has been an amazing month with so much going on. To start off I would like to thank everyone that came to the amazing surprise birthday party that Lady Tracey put together for me, I was amazed and very surprised with the amount of people that came to celebrate my 50th birthday. Thank you!!

Next was the annual AYC wild game dinner that is held at the Gibraltar community center every year and it is always a great event for our club to show how we as members pull together and shine. VC Bob Cisco and PC Lady Sue, RC Wayne Pitock and PC Lady sue did an amazing job putting this event together, you guys absolutely knocked it out of the park once again!! Thank you to all the volunteers that helped bartend, setup, tear down and everything else that is involved to put this big event together.

VC Bob and Lady PC Sue did a great job with Denim and diamonds party at our club, it was a great turnout that helped raise money for our AYC room, thank you for making this another successful event.

Lady Tracey and I attended ORYC ball honoring, Commodore Mike Murphy, this was a lot of fun and we got to meet a lot of great people!!

Myself, FC Joe Long and AYC fleet captain PC Sue Pitock attended the January AYC meeting, held at DBBC, that night we had the honor of voting our very own PC Sue Pitock in as AYC Sargent at arms, we are all very proud to have you as the first woman on the AYC bridge, congratulations Sue!!! We also voted in a new Yacht club from Sandusky Ohio into the AYC family, Harbor Bay Yacht club is based in Safe Harbor Sandusky Marina and we can't wait to go visit this summer.

Not only has Sue been busting her butt for AYC but she also works very hard for our club as treasurer and doing all of our membership renewals, not to mention she helps to keep (especially me) and the rest of the bridge in line!! lol.

With that being said, membership renewals are due Feb 1st, dock deposits are due Jan 30th and don't forget to get your ball tickets honoring PC Jennifer Gronda and Gentleman Chad. AYC weekend is coming fast and VC Bob Cisco needs all hands on deck to make this year the best and bring home the win for our club!!

March 4th we have an incoming bus from Harbor View Yacht club so we could use some food donations to welcome them, there will be a list of food items coming out shortly and every \$20 spent is one work hour.

Thank you, Commodore Leonard Bradburn



VICE COMMODORE: Bob Cisco



Hello SunSeekers!

January was a great month for the club with all the events! The Denim & Diamonds party was a great time with the JT Hayden band! It was great to see everyone supporting the club and dancing the night away! Special thanks to PC Teri Upholzer for the fabulous centerpieces. The club looked great thanks to PC Teri and Lady Rita! Tobi Lee rocked the club after the AYC Wild Game dinner. It was a great night with a lot of laughs! I appreciate everyone who helped set up and clean up during both events!

We have a busy February coming up! We have a Superbowl party scheduled the day after the SunSeeker's Ball honoring Commodore Jennifer Gronda and Gentleman Chad. Doors open at 6pm and we will have pizza during the game. Unfortunately, our Lions didn't quite make it but there's always next year! We will need a lot of help for AYC weekend February 17th-19th. If anyone is going to be at the hotel early on Friday, we will need help with setting up the room starting at 8am. Please stop by the club's hospitality room at any time to help. Please wear your Captain America shirts on Friday night! Anyone who is wearing their shirt may request a free red, white, or blue complimentary cup from the bartender in our hospitality room while supplies last. We will have a Bloody Mary bar on Saturday at 9am with donuts, bagels and coffee thanks to the Sandys (Fox and LaFrance)! We still have the late night bartender slots available if you would like to volunteer from 11 pm to 1 am both Friday and Saturday. Tear down will start late Saturday night and Sunday morning. Please stop by the hospitality room if you are able to help load the trailer and take down decorations. Looking forward to a great weekend honoring AYC Commodore Jeff Upholzer and Lady Teri!

In March we will have a St. Patrick's day party March 17th with a DJ from 7 pm to 11 pm. If you're out celebrating, be sure to make SunSeeker's one of your stops! Snacks will be provided and possibly pizza. Door open at 6pm. On March 25th, Cheyenne Goff will be playing from 8pm to 11pm. Please come up and support your club!

April 8th the Ball Committee is having a Piano Wars fundraiser for Commodore Lenny and Lady Tracey. Piano Wars is a comedic show similar to Ray Fogg or MadDog. Tickets are on sale at ssbc.us/piano. Be sure to sign up soon as seats are limited! The club will be closed for this special event from 5 pm to 9 pm. We will need volunteers to check in the guests. Please contact PC Lady Sue at 734-341-4517 if you are interested.

Hold the date for May 5th our Cinco de Mayo party with M125! More details to follow. We are also looking into entertainment during the summer on week nights and Sunday afternoons. Stay tuned for more details on that as well. Also, save the date of July 15th as a tentative date for the Dinghy Thingy. If you are interested in being a stop for the dinghy run, please contact me.

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VICE COMMODORE: Bob Cisco



If you are interested in scheduling an event, please review the event form on the SSBC website. You may review available dates on the Event Calendar on the SSBC website, however please confirm with me as we are still scheduling club events. My contact information is 734-637-5526 (include name if you text) or email vicecommodore@ssbc.us.

Thank you,
VC Bob Cisco

REAR COMMODORE: Wayne Pitock



Love is in the air at SunSeekers.....I love being a SunSeeker. Who wouldn't?

January was a busy month with fun events. Great job to VC Bob and PC/Lady Sue on the entertainment last month. It kept the volunteer bartenders very busy!! Diamonds and Denim was a huge success, lots of thirsty guests. The band was great! We continue to shine every year at the wild game dinner with our AYC friends from other clubs. They packed the community center along with our clubhouse and we all pulled it off with lots of help. Congratulations to PC John Robbins and PC Chuck Shivel on their win at the wild game dinner!

Thank you to all our volunteers in January!! From bartending, bar backing, hauling for the wild game the night before and the night of, restocking after wild game, and waiting on the deliveries. The club would not survive without all of you!!

We are looking at moving out some old items. If we can move them out, we will bring in some new items. To start we now carry Buffalo Trace and a premixed margarita. If you are looking for something different, please let me know and we will see what we can do. As with anything, we are still seeing shortages with alcohol at the state and even Coke was out of Coke on the last delivery.

If you are interested in bartending, please reach out. Also, please remember, every position at our club is volunteer. It is no one persons job sometimes. If you see something pitch in, this is your club too. It takes a village to make this place run and we have a great villagel!

Looking forward to a LOVEly February with Superbowl, SSBC ball honoring Commodore Jennifer and Gentleman Chad, AYC weekend honoring Commodore Jeff and PC/Lady Teri.

RC Wayne Pitock

FLEET CAPTAIN: Joe Long



Hello Sunseekers!

I have secured a place and date for the 2023 SSBC rendezvous. This year will be August 4-5 at Maumee State Park. I was able to secure 20 boat docks so if you are interested in going please reach out to me, as I can only hold these spots until April 1st.

Our first incoming bus trip is on March 4th, we will be welcoming Harbor View Yacht Club. We are expecting 50 guests so we will need food donations. More information will be provided on the Scoop. Our Second incoming Bus Trip will be March 25th, and we will be welcoming Sand Point Yacht Club. This is their first trip to our club so it would be great to have as many Sunseekers as possible to greet them. We are expecting 50 guests and will also need food donations for this incoming trip also, look for more information on the scoop.

On January 8th I attended the annual fleet captains meeting with Commodore Lenny and we finalized the 2023 poker run schedule. We also were able to stop by a few clubs on our way home and steal a few burgees. Detroit Beach, Swan, and Riverview.

2023 Porker Runs

6/16-6/17 Cooley Canal
7/7-7/8 Ottawa River
8/11-8/12 Ford Yacht Club
8/18-8/19 Seaway
8/25-8/27 Sunseekers

On January 23rd, I attended my first AYC meeting. I was proud to be able to vote in our own PC Sue Pitock as the 2023 AYC Sergeant At Arms! We also voted in a new club to the AYC, Harbor Bay Yacht Club out of Sandusky.

On January 28th we are taking our first bus trip of the season, we are heading to the Toledo Ice Yacht Club Winterfest. It should be a very fun and exciting trip.

I am looking into doing a boaters safety course in late March, im hoping to have more information on this at the February membership meeting.

Boating season is only 3 months away!

Fleet Captain

Joe Long

General Announcements

Reminders

- ❁ Membership meeting is February 1st at 7:30pm.
- ❁ Membership renewals are due Wednesday, February 1st. You can renew by using the link provided on your invoice with a fee, bring a check or cash and put in the drop box, or pay by credit card at the club with a fee. If you choose to not renew, we will miss you, however if you owe work hours, you must pay them.
- ❁ Club access is only available via your 2022 membership card or certain legacy key fobs that are still out there. The new membership cards will be available by the end of February.
- ❁ 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. You must submit for work hours within 30 days of earning them. Unfulfilled work hours are \$20 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.
- ❁ Club Keno and Pull Tabs are available to play at the club.



**If you are interested in bartending please contact
Rear Commodore Wayne Pitock**

Training will be provided

**It's a great way to meet SSBC 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 Kat Marcum at kmarcum4911@gmail.com. All submissions must be received by the 25th, for the following month's newsletter. Thanks!

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Feb. 25th 2023 11am -3pm

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