

SUNSEEKER'S Boating Club



Next Meeting March 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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Highlights

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COMMODORE: Lenny Bradburn



Hello SunSeekers!!

February was a lot fun, Lady Tracey and I attended EMBC ball honoring Mike Beason and Lady Jen. We had a great time honoring our 2022 commodore Jennifer Gronda and Gentleman Chad at SunSeeker's ball; AYC ball honoring AYC commodore Jeff Upholzer and Lady Teri; and North Cape Yacht Club ball honoring commodore Steve Straub and Lady Stacy.

We had the honor of watching our own PC Sue Pitock get sworn in as the first female to hold a position on the AYC bridge as Sargent at Arms. Sue has definitely earned this position with all of her hard work and dedication to our club and all of AYC, CONGRADULATIONS SUE!!

VC Bob Cisco, PC Lady Sue and Dale Williams did an amazing job with their vision, ideas, dedication and hard work to make our room amazing for AYC weekend. I am proud and impressed on how well they did!

March is going to be another busy month with three different buses coming to visit us. The first will be HVYC on March 4th and the second will be ORYC March 11th and the third is Sand Point yacht club on March 25th. We will need donations of food for each bus, which is also a great way to get your work hours in. Most of us will be on the AYC cruise, so FC Joe Long will need all the help he can get to get ready of these buses.

I want to remind everyone, when entering our club, or any club, you must either swipe your membership card or sign the book. Any guests that might be with you must sign the book upon entering the club. Your guest cannot stay if you leave unless they re-sign the book under a different member that is present. When you are visiting a different club, they have the right to ask you for your membership card to prove you are a member of an affiliated club.

Thank you, commodore Leonard Bradburn.



VICE COMMODORE: Bob Cisco



Hello SunSeekers!

Brrrrrr...Hope everyone survived the deep freeze if you lost power! February may be the shortest month, but boy do we cram a lot into it! The Ball Committee did an outstanding job with the Ball honoring Commodore Jennifer Gronda and Gentleman Chad. We had a great time celebrating their accomplishments. Kudos to Steve and Roni Briggs for the fabulous job on the pre glow and after glow. For those who were still ready to party, Superbowl Sunday was a great turnout! The game was a real nail biter! Congratulations to the fans of Kansas City!

THANK YOU for all the help with AYC weekend! Whether you helped build, set up, bartended, donated food and/or helped with take down, it was greatly appreciated! Special thanks to Bart Frisbee for the use of his trailer, Teri Prodan for the delicious Charcuterie Board, and Sandy Fox for the awesome Bloody Mary Bar. Thank you to Dale Williams for building an amazing replica of the Chamber. Outstanding job! SunSeekers were out in force with their Captain America shirts on Friday night! Please be sure to submit your work hours within 30 days of the event. Looking forward to a great weekend honoring AYC Commodore Jeff Upholzer and Lady Teri!

Congratulations to PC Sue Pitock for becoming the **FIRST FEMALE** on the AYC Bridge as the 2023 Sergeant at Arms! We are so happy for you and you have our full support!

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. Doors open at 6pm. On March 25th, Half Light Band 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 like 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.

May 5th will be our Cinco de Mayo party with M125! Hoping to have walking tacos or some type of food for the celebration. We are also looking into entertainment during the summer on week nights and Sunday afternoons. Stay tuned for more details on that as well. Save the date of July 15th for the Dinghy Thingy. Thank you to Marcums, Gravlins, and Hanrahans for volunteering to be stops.

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VICE COMMODORE: Bob Cisco



August 25th and 26th is the SSBC regatta! We'll need all hands on deck. Please consider volunteering as we will have the sign up sheet listed soon. We really need help to pull off this great event! So far we have Free Lance playing Friday night and Random Act (who played during the day at AYC weekend) on Saturday night.

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



Hello Lucky SunSeekers! Go Green month!!

February was quieter on the bar side with having the ball for PC Jenn and Gentleman Chad. Also, AYC weekend for PC Jeff and PC/Lady Teri. All those events were amazing. Thank you to the bartenders that helped those weekends and kept the club open!! Kudos to VC Bob and PC/Lady Sue on a great room! It was great to see so many members help set up, tear down and work the weekend. Food was fantastic as well!! PC/Lady Sue and I attended both these events, Elba Mar Ball, Elba Mar PC brunch, VC fundraiser fish fry fundraiser at Bay View and Ford Yacht Club PC spaghetti dinner.

In regards to the bar, we are still having supply issues. It is truly a gamble when the trucks arrive on what we get. They say they have it, then the truck arrives without it. I cannot thank Steve and Chelle enough for all the help with the bar. Then we have the amazing volunteers that give their time to come in and serve drinks, thank you!!

Watch for some fun things coming up on Sunday's. Working on some details. Currently there is a table size Jenga game out, please feel free to use it.

March will be busy with lots of guests coming in and St Patrick's Day. PC/Lady Sue and I will be on the AYC Cruise with many others but will leave the bar in good hands.

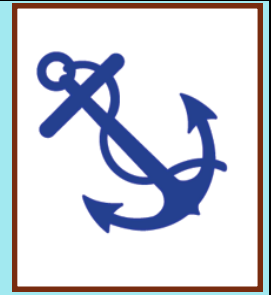
Lastly, congratulations to my wife. She was sworn in at the AYC ball honoring PC Jeff and PC/Lady Teri as the new AYC Sgt at Arms. This is the first time a female will hold a position on the AYC bridge, and I am extremely proud of her. It was very moving to see the standing ovation as she was called to the podium.

Please come support our volunteers and stop at the club.

RC Wayne Pitock



FLEET CAPTAIN: Joe Long



Hello Sunseekers!

The 2023 SSBC rendezvous is August 4-5 at Maumee State Park. I have secured 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 buss 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 buss trip is on March 11th, we will be welcoming Ottawa River yacht Club. This will be 2 busses totaling 100 guests. They will be arriving at 3:30 so be sure to come up and greet them. We will need food donations for this trip also.

Our third incoming Bus Trip will be March 25th, 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.

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

I am holding a boaters safety course March 27th and April 3rd. it is a 2 day course. Open to everyone, free of charge put on by Joe Conflitti. Here is the sign up link, <https://michigan.storefront.kalkomey.com/em/events/3761/?token=fupVpnBLPUtwhQGBz95RFA>

Boating season is only 2 months away!

Your Fleet Captain,

Joe Long

General Announcements

Reminders

- ☼ Membership meeting is March 1st at 7:30pm.
- ☼ 2023 Membership Cards are available to be picked up at the clubhouse. Please see the bartender for your card. Your card has been loaded with \$50 to spend at the club for beverages at the bar and or SunSeeker apparel.
- ☼ 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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Events

SATURDAY APRIL 8TH

Piano Wars!

6pm – 9 pm

(doors open at 5pm)

\$30 pp in advance at: ssbc.us/piano

SSBC Ball Fundraiser

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Commodore Jenn and Gentleman Chad's Ball



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Sunseekers at Large

