

# SUNSEEKER'S Boating Club



July 2024



happy 4<sup>TH</sup> OF July

INDEPENDENCE DAY



**JULY**  
**MEMBERSHIP**  
**MEETING**  
*changed to*  
**JULY 10TH**

**SUNSEEKERS BOATING CLUB**

28043 N. Gibraltar Rd. Gibraltar MI

Next Meeting July 10th 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

**Address:**

28043 N. Gibraltar Rd  
Gibraltar, MI 48173

**Phone:**

734-672-6543

<http://ssbc.us>



**Highlights**

- ◆ Letters from the Bridge
- ◆ Notes from the Editor
- ◆ Upcoming Events
- ◆ Past Events
- ◆ Photo Collage
- ◆ Reminders
- ◆ Fun Facts
- ◆ New Members
- ◆ Membership Updates



## COMMODORE: Bob Cisco



Hello SunSeekers! I hope everyone is enjoying their time on the boat this summer! Don't forget to post on the Scoop when you're heading out to anchor so others may join you in your raft! It's going to be a great summer!

This past month PC Lady Sue and I attended:

- The Point Place Boat Club Commodore reception honoring Commodore Don Strait and Lady Sharon. It was a beautiful day and enjoyed spending time with everyone!
- The Grosse Ile Yacht Club Ball honoring Commodore Dr Mark Sawka and Lady Sheree. They had a Mackinac Island Somewhere in Time theme and had a great time!
- I attended the Toledo Yacht Club Commodore Reception since PC Lady Sue was busy setting up the Fish Fry. This was honoring Commodore Marilyn Kocevar and Gentleman Mike.
- OOTI Fish Fry – Thank you to our OOTI representatives PC Lady Sue Cisco, Yon and Keith Balcom, FC Kelly and Gentleman Kenny, and our counterparts VC Wayne and PC Lady Sue Pitock for all your hard work on this event! Special shout out to Cathy LaFrance for revising our fish recipe. Everyone raved about the fish this year! Thank you to everyone who volunteered to make this a successful event!
- PC Lady Sue attended the OOTI ceremony at FYC as I had to work again. Heard it was a beautiful day and Gentleman Kenny did a great job as the MC.
- The OOTI Survivor Party at Seaway Boat Club. Congratulations to our very own John Turner who won the Poker Run with a flush of diamonds! It was great to see all the SunSeekers at all these events over the weekend in their swag!
- The Toledo Sailing Club Poker Run – Thank you to everyone who supported me in the \$1.98 contest! I gave it my all even if I don't remember it. Thank you to my entourage Sheila Wignal, Lady Tracey, and Lady Lori who put on my make up and got me ready for the show!
- The Cooley Canal Yacht Club Commodore Reception honoring Commodore Gary Wright and Lady Wendy. We took a bus with a group there and had a great time!
- The Toledo Sailing Club Commodore Reception honoring Commodore Brian Richards and Lady Shannon. We had a fun time throwing water balloons at their bridge afterwards for a donation!
- The Harbor View Yacht Club Commodore Reception honoring Commodore Amanda Zalenski and Gentleman Chris. It was a hot hot day but we got some great pictures with the fan!

Reminder that we still have the Rocker Chair and Solo Stove Raffle for our ball fundraiser. Tickets may be purchased at the bar, or you can venmo PC Lady Sue (@suzipom last 4 of phone number 4517).

Please note the July membership meeting will be postponed a week and will occur on July 10<sup>th</sup> so everyone can enjoy their Independence Day weekend which is also the Swan Boat Club Poker Run. I hope everyone will come out to support their club this year. Please see FC Kelly Shaw to sign the book! Our boat will be there if anyone would like to stop by! Hope you have a safe and enjoyable holiday weekend!

As always, I encourage all of you to join the events and the activities at the club this year! This is your club and the more you get involved, the more you enjoy your membership!

Cheers!

Commodore Bob Cisco



## **VICE COMMODORE: Wayne Pitock**



**Happy July!!**

Hope you all have had a wonderful start to your summer! We have had a slow start due to multiple personal situations. We do appreciate everyone for their condolences on the passing of my wife's grandmother. The cards, flowers, visits, messages, etc. It certainly was a celebration for her, 108 years of a long healthy life. We are now trying to get back to normal and will be working on some more entertainment. Watch for more info!

We thankfully got to attend the 1<sup>st</sup> poker run at TSC. It was great to see so many members cheering our Cherry Commodore on and supporting our Fleet Captain. I hope that you will all come and support me next year. We look forward to seeing you at the next poker run at Swan.

July 4<sup>th</sup>, Gibraltar parade! We need some candy to throw out for the kiddos of Gibraltar. Please drop it off and the club.

July 20<sup>th</sup> we have the dingy thingy, tickets to go on sale soon! Need my secretary to wrap up the flyer and get it ready at the club for sign up. We are limiting each member to buy a total of 4 tickets this year to start. When we return, we will have Alexandria Transit playing. If you do not attend the dingy thingy, you can still come to the club for the band. They are a great band with lots of energy. We will try and get some patio music going for Sundays now that the private party season has slowed down.

Regatta is August 23-25. This is a great way for you to get your work hours in. Signup genius will be out at the end of July to sign up for various places we need help at. There is also the Commodore Cocktail party where the committee will be looking for donations of appetizers for work hours.

**Thank you!**  
**Wayne**



## **REAR COMMODORE: Joe Long**



Hello Sunseekers!

Boating season is now in full swing and I hope everyone is enjoying the summer!

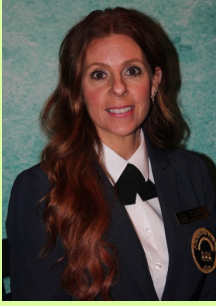
Don't forget when you are coming off the water to stop in the club and have one of our amazing bartenders serve up your favorite beverage!

We are still seeing shortages of some liquors and beers so I have been seeking to get these from other sources. We do have a few new items for you to try, Deep Eddys Vodka Soda. We have three new flavors, Lemon, Lime, and Grapefruit.

I can't stress enough how thankful I am to have such a great group of bartenders, they do a great job at keeping us all hydrated.

As always, if you want to bartend, reach out to me for training.

Rear Commodore  
Joe Long



## **FLEET CAPTAIN: Kelly Shaw**



Hello Sunseekers!

It's been a great start to boating season for the Shaw family! We were able to get a handful of days out on the water and hang out with some of our fellow Sunseekers. Look for the gray tritoon with the Sunseekers & FC burgee flying off the back next time you are out.

THANK YOU for the support at the first Poker Run at TSC. It was awesome to see so many members. We had 3 boats attend, 6 people by boat, 48 via bus/car/motorcycles for total of 54 people! We didn't win anything but had an impressive showing. I attended the TSC cocktail party and we enjoyed the band & DJ Sat night.

Mon June 17th, I attended the AYC meeting at Sun Parlour arriving by boat thanks to the Upholzers. What a fun, fast ride!

Sun June 23rd, gentleman Kenny and I made a road trip down to Sandusky & Port Clinton, OH to visit a few boat clubs and steal burgees. We collected All Ports, Harbor Bay & Nugents. Great hospitality and new friends were made! We proudly have 9 burgees hanging on the wall!

### Upcoming POKER RUN:

July 5th-7th is the second Poker Run @ Swan. If you are going by boat, please call or text 734-497-0172 and use channel 69 when arriving. Include your name, club & boat name, length & beam of boat & dates. Please feel free to drive over since it's so close and see me to sign the FC book! I will have my boat there and would love to host you and share some drinks together! We will be attending the cocktail party at 1pm Saturday so call or text me if you are coming down. 734-818-0362. Feel free to wear your Sunseekers jerseys or any SSBC swag!

-Swan will have food and entertainment all weekend, check the flyer on the scoop.



## **FLEET CAPTAIN: Kelly Shaw**



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#### Classes:

-Boaters Safety Class Mon July 1st & Mon July 8th, 5-9pm. <https://michigan.storefront.kalkomey.com/em/events/7363>

-Suddenly In Command Tuesday July 23rd, 7-9pm.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0E4FAEA729A1F49-50141112-suddenly>

Check your email or the scoop for details.

#### Rendezvous Info:

Maumee Bay July 26-28th. The dock reservations have been released but I'm sure they have availability. Cost is \$2.25/foot. Call Kim @ 419-836-0008. Camp sites can be reserved online at [ohiodnr.gov](http://ohiodnr.gov). The hotels are sold out. Plan for Friday is to have the boaters go over to the campers. Sat breakfast all together, then hang out at the pool. Sat night the campers can come over to the boaters. There is a firepit which will include wood & an attendant from 7-11pm for \$85 if everyone wants to chip in. Let me know if you will be attending.

#### Future Poker Runs:

Elba Mar Boat Club July 12-14

Nugent's Canal Yacht Club August 2-4

Bay View Yacht Club August 16-18

I will post more information as I receive it.

Your Fleet Captain,  
Kelly Shaw

# General Announcements

## Reminders

- ☼ Membership meeting is July 10th at 7:30pm.
- ☼ 2024 Membership cards are available from the bartender. Please be sure to pick up your new membership card. Funds from your 2023 membership card may be transferred to your new membership card by the bartender. Your 2023 membership card will expire 6 months after the card expiration date.
- ☼ 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.



## 2024 BRIDGE OFFICERS

COMMODORE  
BOB CISCO  
VICE COMMODORE  
WAYNE PITOCK  
REAR COMMODORE  
JOE LONG  
FLEET CAPTAIN  
KELLY SHAW  
RECORDING SECRETARY  
KATHY HOGAN  
TREASURER  
P/C SUE PITOCK  
SERGEANT AT ARMS  
STEVE BRIGGS

## 2024 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chairman of the board/Docks  
KEITH WADDLE  
Bylaws  
PC SUE CISCO  
Bar Operations  
PC JOHN ROBBINS  
Event Management  
PC JEFF UPHOLZER  
Lottery  
PC JERRY HOLLIS  
Building Management  
KEVIN TOWLE  
Financial Secretary  
STEVE DETERS

**If you are interested in bartending please contact  
Rear Commodore Joe Long**

**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](mailto:kmarcum4911@gmail.com). All submissions must be received by the 25th, for the following month's newsletter. Thanks!

## Committee Leads

Ball - P/C Sue Pitock  
Building- George Marx  
Dock- Angela Stepaniak  
AYC- P/C Teri Upholzer  
ILYA- P/C John Robbins  
Blue Gavel- P/C Lenny Bradburn  
Membership- Cathy LaFrance  
Newsletter- Kat Marcum  
SSBC Website- P/C Jeff Upholzer  
Jr. SunSeekers- TBD  
Swag- Sandi LaFrance

## Attention Ladies!

Are you retired and a member of SSBC or retired and the significant other of a SSBC member?

If so, are you interested in getting together with other SSBC retired ladies once a month for friendship, good conversation, lunch/dinner, outings, etc. because we can?

If you'd like to join this group, please text PC Teri Upholzer at 248-884-0306 for additional information.



# 2024 POKER RUNS

TOLEDO SAILING CLUB

JUNE 14<sup>TH</sup>-16<sup>TH</sup>

SWAN BOAT CLUB

JULY 5<sup>TH</sup>-7<sup>TH</sup>

ELBA MAR BOAT CLUB

JULY 12<sup>TH</sup>-14<sup>TH</sup>

NUGENT'S CANAL YACHT CLUB

AUGUST 2<sup>ND</sup>-4<sup>TH</sup>

BAY VIEW YACHT CLUB

AUGUST 16<sup>TH</sup>-18<sup>TH</sup>



# Fundraisers



## 2024 SSBC BALL FUNDRAISER

HONORING  
COMMODORE BOB CISCO AND LADY SUE  
2 Foldable Rocker Camping Chairs  
And Solo Stove Bonfire + Stand  
*(Estimated value \$500)*

**SUNSEEKERS BOATING CLUB**  
28043 N. Gibraltar Rd.  
Gibraltar MI 48173

**\$10 PER TICKET**  
TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AT SSBC  
OR VENMO SUE CISCO @SUZIPOM  
LIMITED TICKETS SOLD  
DRAWING WINNER AT SSBC  
COMMODORE RECEPTION 8/24/2024.

## SUNSEEKERS BOATING CLUB

### 2024 COMMODORE CRUISE

**Friday Sept 27<sup>th</sup>**

**7pm to 10pm**

\$35/person  
ADVANCED TICKET SALES ONLY  
LIMITED TO THE FIRST 120 PASSENGERS.  
PLEASE PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS  
AT SIGNUP GENIUS  
QUESTIONS???? CONTACT  
PAST COMMODORE SUE CISCO 734-341-4517

BOARDING TIME: 6:45 PM  
At 201 JOSEPH CAMPAU, DETROIT

Ticket includes Pizza, DJ and  
spectacular views aboard the Diamond Belle!  
Cash bar aboard the vessel.  
Raffle Baskets and 50/50!  
NO ALCOHOL MAY BE BROUGHT ON BOARD.

*Ball Fundraiser for Commodore Bob and Lady Sue*

# Events

## Swan Boat Club's 2024 Poker Run & Regatta Party July 4th - 7th

**LIVE MUSIC**

**OPEN TO THE  
PUBLIC \$5**

**THURSDAY: DJ ADAM**

**FRIDAY: THE PUMPS**

**SATURDAY AFTERNOON: DENIREE**

**SATURDAY EVENING: SRO**

**THURSDAY JULY 4TH: STEAK ROAST 5:30P - 7:30P**

**FRIDAY JULY 5TH: HAMBURGERS, WALKING TACOS, NACHOS, FRIES  
5PM-8PM**

**FRIDAY JULY 5TH: RIB ROAST 5:30P - 7:30P  
HOT DOG STAND ON THE DOCKS 5PM TO CLOSE  
PIZZA 9PM TO 12PM**

**SATURDAY JULY 6TH: BREAKFAST 8AM-10AM**

**SATURDAY JULY 6TH: HAMBURGERS, WALKING TACOS, NACHOS, FRIES  
12PM-8PM**

**SATURDAY JULY 6TH: CHICKEN DINNERS 5:30PM-7:30PM  
HOT DOG STAND ON THE DOCKS 12PM TO CLOSE  
PIZZA 9PM TO 12PM**

**SUNDAY JULY 7TH: BREAKFAST 8AM - 10AM**

**KIDS BOOTH & BOUNCE HOUSE**

**COLD DRINKS RAFFLES**

**6332 BRANCHEAU RD, NEWPORT, MI**

**DOCKMASTER  
JODY C.  
7344970172 OR  
HAIL CHANNEL 69**

# Events

## 2024 DINGY THINGY July 20th



11:30 meet at docks get wristband  
12:00 depart to Celeron  
1:30 depart to 1<sup>st</sup> stop w/sandwiches  
3:00 depart to 2<sup>nd</sup> stop  
4:30 depart to 3<sup>rd</sup> stop  
6:00 depart back to clubhouse & pizza  
8:00 pm Alexandria Transit



**\*\*No wristband needed for band\*\***

Limited to 100

Member can purchase 3 nonmember tickets

Member \$35 Nonmember \$40

Limited beer, seltzers and water

21 and over only!

Must show membership card to purchase  
NO REFUNDS

Full payment at club cash/credit card/member card  
By small boat or car (except Celeron)

ALEXANDRIA  
N  
TRANSIT

JULY 20<sup>TH</sup>  
8 P M

OPEN TO  
MEMBERS, AYC,  
ILYA AND GUESTS



# Events



## **SPEND A DAY AT "THE BAY" VISIT PUT-IN-BAY, OHIO**

**TICKET SALES  
JULY 17, 2024**

**JET EXPRESS TRIP  
SEPTEMBER 14, 2024**

**Tickets for the Put-in-Bay Jet Express Trip from Ford Yacht Club will be going on sale at Ford Yacht Club, on Wednesday, July 17, 2024 starting at 7 pm. Tickets for both overnight and day trip will be sold on a first come first serve basis. Numbers given out at 6:00.**

**AYC/I-LYA club members only. You will need to show your club identification card in order to purchase tickets.**

**Overnight trip will fill out the Islander Inn Resort form that night so you will need to bring your credit card information with you. (Visa, Mastercard & American Express only).**

**Jet Express tickets for Overnight and Day trip tickets must be purchased with cash or check. You will also need the names of each person staying in your room or that you are purchasing tickets for.**

**The Jet Express is using an e-ticket system. You will be given a code that you must register online. In order to get your e-ticket you will need to enter your name, email, phone and the code you are given on the link that will be provided.**

**Jet Express ticket prices are \$100.00 cash or check, per person and are non-refundable. Hotel for the overnight trip will be at the Islander Inn Resorts for \$179.00 plus tax.**

**Overnight trip will leave Ford Yacht Club at 9:00 am on Saturday and leave Put-In-Bay at 4:00 pm on Sunday, arriving at Ford yacht Club around 5:30 pm.**

**Day trip will leave Ford Yacht Club at 12:30 pm on Saturday and leave Put-In-Bay at 9:45 pm on Sunday arriving at Ford Yacht Club around 11:00 pm.**

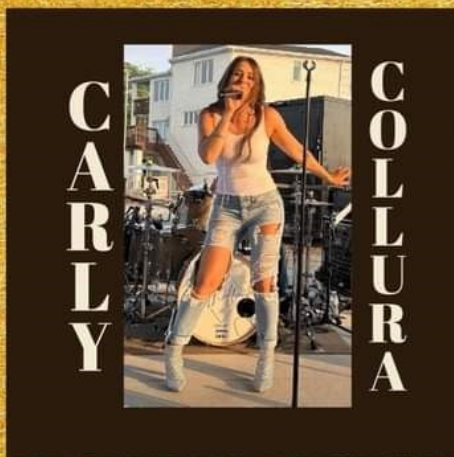
**Opening of the Island Representative - Contact Ron at [ootijetexpress@gmail.com](mailto:ootijetexpress@gmail.com) or 734.260.9432 for more information.**



# Events

## Elba-Mar Days JULY 12-14

Friday 8:30pm  
**CARLY COLLURA BAND**



SATURDAY 8:30PM  
**BIG SHINY TOONS**



**ACOUSTIC  
BEER LEAGUE**  
SATURDAY 1-5PM

**Elba-Mar  
Auction**  
5pm

**SUNDAY  
Family  
Fun Day**

**Open to the Public \$5 Admission**  
**Elba-Mar Boat Club**  
**Grosse Ile, MI**

**FOOD-FULL BAR-BREAKFAST BUFFET**  
**CORNHOLE TOURNEY SATURDAY 3PM•KIDS GAMES**  
**FREE PARKING AND SHUTTLE AT THE AIRPORT**

# Events



Homeland  
Security

**U.S. COAST GUARD**  
Auxiliary



## The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary's *"Suddenly in Command"* Course

The Captain is unable to continue due to injury or some other problem. We intend to help you take charge, assess the situation, establish priorities, protect life and property, get help and move your boat.

### **COURSE OBJECTIVES:**

- **1. Emergency Communication**
- **2. Identifying – "WHERE AM I?"**
- **3. Critical Thinking**
- **4. Protecting Life and Property**
- **5. Starting Your Boat/Vessel**
- **6. Operating at Slow Speeds**
- **7. Simple Boat/Vessel Handling**
- **8. Basics of Anchoring**



**Date:** Tuesday, July 23, 2024  
**Time:** 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
**Location:** Sunseekers Boat Club, 28043 N. Gibraltar Rd., Gibraltar, Mi.  
**Contacts:** Kelly Shaw Phone: 734.818.0362  
Email: [kellyshaw0323@comcast.net](mailto:kellyshaw0323@comcast.net).

There is no charge for this class.

# Flags



# Swag!!!



# SunSeekers At Large

