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Devils Lake Yacht Club

Annual Fundraising

Auction

August 18th



New fun for this years AUCTION!! We will be having three that's (3) different 50/50 raffles. This means if you would like to participate PLEASE BRING CASH!!! We are in the process of deciding how this is going to be run so details will follow in the next constant contact.

There will be a buffet this year. It will cost \$20.00 plus tax and tip. *Please, please make a reservation so Chef Greg can prepare enough food for everyone.* We will post the buffet menu in the next constant contact as well.

There will be a \$10.00 charge for your bid sheet when you register. If you bring a guest they may register on their own as we now have the use of a credit card machine. Members will use their house account and be billed at the end of the month. The bid sheets will include all listed live auction items along with the schedule for the evening and will also include your bid number for the silent and live auction.

We will have a beer and wine bar under the tent along with a veggie, cheese and fruit station. The bar inside will make sure all other drinks will be available. Both bars will be open throughout the evening. As far as the bar for when our guests order they have a couple of choices - either put on **member's number or pay cash.**

Please contact me for any items needing to be picked up or drop them off to the club and I will get them from there.

Remember all proceeds go towards the new renovation of the club. If you can't think of an item to donate we also take CASH which also goes directly towards the club renovation. If you have any questions at all please call me and ask. If I don't have the answer I'll get it for you.

Thank you in advance for everyone's help and look forward to one of the best (and last) AUCTIONS EVER!

Mary Glowacki

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We are still asking members for silent and live auction items. We would like the silent auction items to be new and exciting so everyone bids high and often. If you could think of something really cool that no one can pass up please donate it or just put any type of basket together. Everyone's COOL IS different!!!

More auction news This year you can preview art in the flag room before the August 18th auction. That will give you time to think about, measure, and make early decisions. We hope to have art hung by August 6th, so we are happily **accepting original artwork now until August 1st.** The flag room is kind of our 'up scale art fair' so all pieces should be original and signed if possible. Prints are great too, but it should be from a limited series with a number at the bottom. **Please be sure that your art donation is framed and ready to be hung.** (If you have a fun print that is mass produced, we'll take that too, but at a later date when we collect items for the silent auction tables.) And....don't forget that photos, ceramic pieces, sculpture and wood are all Art, so we will also accept those items. We would like to see more nautical related items such as nautical artwork and décor. Due to space limitations, however, they will not be displayed before the auction. Please contact Mary Glowacki for a drop off time. (419.346.7688) Or - bring it to DLYC office.



FAMILY FUN DAY

August 5th beginning at 2:00

Join us for an afternoon of free fun and free food! Colors the Clown will be back with her petting zoo and she has lots of stories to tell as well. **Activities also include everyone's favorite balloon toss and minnow races.**

The cardboard boat race is always a highlight! To qualify, boats must be constructed of cardboard and duct tape only. The captain of the boat will row from the starting point out to the buoy and back. Races will be by age group and trophies will be awarded!



75th Annual Bruce Goldsmith Memorial Regatta September 8th and 9th

Saturday races begin at 1:00 PM
Sunday races begin at 10:00 AM

The club's annual regatta will be held on Sept 8th and 9. Expected are about 50 visiting sailors on a dozen Lightening sailboats and 20 Sunfish sailboats. Our regatta will be the Sunfish Class Midwest Championship Regatta.

David Laidlaw is chairman of the regatta. He is looking for members willing to house some of the visiting sailors, either in their rooms at the club or at their homes and cottages. Anyone willing to provide lodging for a couple of sailors on the night of Saturday, September 8th are asked to contact David. The fleet is looking for members to assist with organizing and launching the boats on Saturday morning.

Regatta Sailors will arrive Saturday morning for registration and rigging and launching their boats. There will be a skippers meeting at 12 noon. Saturday races will start at 1:00 pm, planning to do 3 - 4 races. Sunday we will plan to get in 1 - 2 additional races, starting at 10 am. Awards presentations will be made around 1 pm.



Join us for
the final cruise
of the season!

Shipwreck Party

September 8th

6:00 PM

Aye Mateys!

Grab your pirate or your
wench and join us for a
final evening of fun

Entertainment by Act III

***Don't forget to come in costume
lest you want to walk the plank!***



Renovation Update

After nine years of planning and saving, the much anticipated Phase II Renovation of our Grand Ole Clubhouse is about to begin. The Club will close on Sunday September 9th after the Regatta and Krieghoff Builders will begin the project on Monday the 10th. We are closing a little early to facilitate the excavation and to give us plenty of time to pour concrete during good weather. Krieghoff is an old and highly respected commercial/industrial builder and is currently building the new Adrian College Boathouse at the North end of the Lake. The manager of that project will be the manager of our project.

In the Spring of 2019 members will be greeted by a new wrap around deck and patio on the North (lake) side of our clubhouse and a new enclosed dance pavilion to the East. Below the new deck and pavilion will be new ground level bath and locker rooms and a new accounting office for our staff.

Inside we will have a new bar area and our dining rooms will be completely renovated with dramatic new sight lines. The décor will match our Flag room and the club will maintain our casual family friendly atmosphere.

This renovation is the largest improvement to our club since the dining rooms were added in the 1960's and will serve our members now and well into the future.

Mike Clark
Renovation Chairman



Devils Lake Yacht Club Annual Meeting

September 9th at 3:00 PM

In the boathouse

Results from the election of Board of Governors will be announced



MESSAGE FROM THE COMMODORE

It is very difficult for me to believe that it is August already and I am writing my final newsletter column. This summer is going by too fast. August is an important time for the club. Our annual, and possibly final, auction will be held Saturday evening, Aug. 18th. This fun event is one of the club's major sources of funds that will be going into our renovation project beginning this fall; more on that later. So let's all please turn out and support **this event one more time. Credit cards will be accepted for your guests' convenience but you may want to bring some cash also** because you will want to participate in the 50/50 raffles throughout the evening!

August is also the time for the election next year's officers and board of governors. In early August each of our senior members will be mailed a ballot with the current slate of candidates running for the various club positions. Current Vice Commodore Jim Ott will be Commodore for 2019, and Rear Commodore Tom Love will become Vice Commodore. It is my great pleasure to announce that Craig Wynn will be our candidate for Rear Commodore for 2019. Craig has been a great asset on the board of governors over the past two years, and has been very involved on our membership committee, as well as heading up the club's entertainment committee for many years.

Also included with the election ballot mailing will be a copy of proposed changes to the Club's By Laws that the current officers and board are hoping the membership will support. These proposed changes include numerous minor typographical and grammatical corrections, but also includes some fairly major changes. The first of these changes is to change the name of a level of membership. What we now call "Senior" members (Over 21 years of age, pay full dues, have full voting rights) to "Full" members. The current title of "Senior" member often gets confused with the "Associate" member title for those over 65 years of age who apply for Associate member status. The other proposed big change in the By Laws is to replace the position of "Executive Secretary" with a "Member **Recruitment and Retention Chairperson.**" **The board recognizes the importance of recruiting new members to the club to maintain and improve the club's social and financial position, and feels that a person chairing that position should be seated on the board.** Since many of current Executive Secretary duties are membership related, it seemed logical to move those duties to the new "Membership Recruitment and Retention Chairman" position. Many other proposed By Laws changes simply clarify the various duties of each of the **other officer and board positions. It is my hope, and the hope of all of the other officers and board of governors' members** that you the members will support these proposed changes.

I know it is disappointing to all of us that the club will be closed on Tuesdays, as well as Mondays, for the remainder of the season. This was not a decision that we wanted to make, and we will be doing our best to make sure this will not be the case again next year. The reason for closing the club on Tuesdays is because we simply do not have an adequate number of kitchen staff workers available to work the number of hours required to be open six days a week. Manager Steve Gongola has been trying hard since the spring to bring in additional help, but there just haven't been any workers available. This seems to be an industry wide problem. We all owe our current kitchen staff a big "Thank You" for working many long days in a very hot kitchen. Chef Greg alone worked 96 hours the week of the Fourth of July to meet our kitchen's demands. Thank you Greg !!!

For the past several years we have been talking about the future renovation project on our club building. Well, the time is now. The club will be closing for the season on Sunday, September 9th. That weekend we will be ending our season with a wide assortment of activity. The annual DLYC / Bruce Goldsmith Regatta will be going on that weekend, our annual Shipwreck Party will be that Saturday evening, and that Sunday afternoon at 3:00 will be our Annual Membership Meeting in the Boathouse.

The club's closing date is a little earlier this season, but that does not mean that members can no longer use their boats. Though the club building will be closed, as the renovation of the club building is scheduled to begin on September 10th, members can still access the dock and the beach by walking down the driveway along the east side of the club property by the boat house. The docks will remain open to members until Sept. 23, at which time all boats must be removed from the premises. The renovation project must be started on September 10th to ensure that all of the excavation and concrete work can be completed before winter sets in, so that the remaining construction work can be completed by the club's opening day next May. I can't wait to see the completed building when we come back in the spring.

I would like to thank all of the club members for the support they have given me this season, it has been a pleasure to serve as your Commodore. Also, I would like to thank manager Steve Gongola for his assistance over this season, and I am happy to report that Steve and Pam will be back with us for at least another two years. And finally, a thank you to the other officers and members of the DLYC's board of governors. You people have taken on numerous big projects and made many important decisions this year that will successfully guide our club into the future.

Doug Tagsold, Commodore



Message from the Manager

As I write this, August is next week! How did that happen? As the season flies by, we get closer to the start of the club renovation project, an exciting time for sure. I imagine that by now you know that the Shipwreck Party and the Regatta will be held on the same day, Saturday, September 8th. The following day, Sunday, September 9th, we will serve brunch from 9:00AM until 1:00PM, and the Annual Meeting will take place in the Boat House later that afternoon at 3:00PM. The clubhouse will close for the season after Sunday Brunch. If you are planning to attend the Shipwreck Party or Sunday Brunch, please call and make a reservation (517-547-7352) because those are the last two meals that will be served for the season and we do not want to bring in more food than is needed or not have enough for everyone.

August will be a busy month! The Ladies Day Out is Thursday, August 2nd from 1:00PM until 7:00PM. Invite your friends and neighbors as this event is open to the public. There is a \$5.00 fee for all who attend, which goes to the Ladies Auxiliary, who is responsible for so much of the fun that happens at your club. Next up is Family Fun Day on Sunday, August 5th, beginning at 2:00PM. There will be no charge this year thanks to the generosity of the Ladies Auxiliary. The DLYC auction is on August 18th, and proceeds will benefit the renovation of the club house. Please invite your friends and family to join you for an evening of laughter, fun, good food and plentiful libations! This year, **you may want to bring some cash because the ladies will be selling "Split the Cash" tickets throughout the evening.** Also, for your convenience, we will be accepting Visa and MasterCard at the auction.

I want to take a moment to thank Chef Greg Schiesser for his tireless efforts, creativity, management skills and most importantly, the delicious food he has prepared for all of us over the last three years. Chef Greg has made the decision to leave us at the end of the season for year-round work elsewhere. He arrived at DLYC a stranger but is leaving as our friend. Pam and I wish him the very best as he pursues his new adventure. Pam and I wish all of you a fun-filled winter and we will see you next April! Here to Serve,

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FYI

Devils Lake Yacht Club will be closed on Mondays and Tuesdays until further notice. We are operating with a skeleton crew in the kitchen due to a lack of qualified help in the area. The skeleton crew we have are worn out from trying to cover the amount of hours it takes to prep food every day before we open and clean the kitchen after we close at night, not to mention the hours that we are open and serving food. Management regrets having to make this decision but we simply cannot afford to lose the good kitchen staff that we have. We beg your understanding.

Steve Gongola

Dockmaster's Report

The transient docks were moved early in the season to accommodate boats requiring deep water throughout the season. We still have six transient docks, four of which are located at the west end of the three outermost docks which are oriented east and west and two other transient docks very close to the sea wall and closest to the Club on the main dock which is oriented north and south. These docks were identified with small "Transient Docking" signs. In an effort to make these docks more visible, white 5' poles with barber pole markings have been placed on or near these docks.



While we recommend that all members use lifts for their boats, we do not require them. Lifts are recommended for the safety of the boats and the docks during storms. With this in mind, all members, whether or not lifts are used, are solely responsible for any damage to their boats and any damage to the docks incurred by their boats. All boats not on lifts must be securely tied to four posts augured into the lake bottom. Boats are not allowed to be tied to the dock. These posts must be properly placed to insure that the boat cannot touch the dock even in severe wind. Posts are available at the Club next to the boat house and the tool to drive them in can be obtained from the managers office. Also dock bumpers are available on a first come/first serve basis.

The Club will close earlier than normal this year due to the renovation project. Construction starts on Monday, September 10th, the day after the Club closes for the season, but everyone will have access to their boats until Sunday, September 23rd. By that date, all boats MUST be removed from the docks. During that time period, anyone can access their boats using the road down to the boat ramp and by walking across the lower lawn. The parking lot closest to the club will be closed to everyone except for construction equipment, so please use the grass parking area off Marsh Drive. Please stay completely clear of the construction area for your safety.

We hope you have a great finish to your boating season!

Tom Love, Dockmaster

Sailing Camp News

The first week of Sail Camp was held June 25-29 with eleven students attending, and the second week was held July 9-13 with eight students. This spring the club's Lightning fleet had purchased a fourth Pico sailboat for the club, to be used in the sailing classes. All four Pico's, plus several of the clubs sunfish sailboats were on the water every day with students honing their boat handling and water safety skills, and even participation in some final day races. Lead instructor Geoff Moehl reported that all students show a marked improvement in sailing skills.



Auxiliary News

I would like to thank all who came to the Whiffle Ball Golf Classic and especially to Doug Haskell for bringing the golfing to the DLYC! A great time was had by all. The Ladies shopping event is August 2nd. If you have any new event ideas you'd like to have at the DLYC please contact me/Terri Clark at terrilclark@gmail.com.

REMINDER: The rooms upstairs must be taken care of, in preparation of Club closing, by September 9th. Make sure rooms are clean, everything is unplugged, air conditioners are removed from windows and windows locked. All liquids and all perishable food must be removed and doors left open wide. A \$100 cleaning fee will be charged to your bill if this is not done.



DLYC Book Club

The DLYC Book Club meets monthly on Monday evenings throughout the year. There is no cost to join. Give it a try! Contact Irma David at ikatdavid@aol.com, or 513-218-1628.

YOGA CLASS

August

- Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8:30—9:30 AM in the Boathouse through **August 30th**
- No need to sign up. Just show up with comfortable clothes, yoga mat & water bottle. Suggested donation \$8.00 per class.

FITNESS CLASSES

August

A fitness class consisting of muscle conditioning, strength and flexibility



- Monday and Wednesday mornings from 8:00—8:45 AM in the Boathouse through **August 29th**
 - Please bring water, a mat for the floor and hand weights if you have them
 - Flat bands, tubes with handles, hoops and exercise balls will be provided
- \$30.00 per month, or \$6.00 per class. Minimum of 6 people enrolled required*



The Last time to Special order merchandise is **July 22nd**. It will take three to four weeks to process this order. The June merchandise ordered is in the Pick-up Drawer and members have been notified by e-mail or phone.



Come join other DLYC members and experience even more fun!

EUCHRE - Wednesdays at 7pm - no partner needed. \$1 to join and 25 cents per euchre.

CORNHOLE - Thursdays at 7pm - no partner needed.

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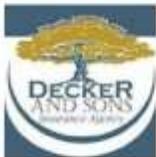
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August Club Hours

Wednesday through Thursday

Lunch: 11:00 - 4:00 Ď Dinner: 5:00 - 9:00

Friday and Saturday

Lunch: 11:00 - 4:00 Ď Dinner: 5:00 - 10:00

Bar: 11:30 am - 12:30 am

Sunday

Brunch: 9:00 - 1:00 Ď Lunch: 1:00—4:00

Dinner: 5:00—8:00

Monday and Tuesday - Club Closed

see calendar for September hours



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2018 DLYC Fleet 31 Race Schedule

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| Sun. | Aug 5th | Summer Series
Masters, Women's, Junior NAs @ Pontiac YC 8/2 -8/5 |
| Sun. | Aug 12th | Summer Series |
| Sun. | Aug 19 | 1 Day Commodore Series |
| Sun. | Aug 26 | Summer Series |
| Sat/Sun. | Sep 1st - 2nd | Labor Day Series |

All racing starts at 11 AM unless otherwise noted.