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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

Club members had a great time on the Milwaukee River Dinghy Cruise. I thank Dave & Judy Dorner who have been captaining this event for so many years.

Also thanks goes to Dan and Donna Danowski for being very innovative in planning a weekend cruise to Prairie Harbor Yacht Club in Illinois. This event was so successful that I'm sure Dan and Donna will do it again next year. Read about these events elsewhere in this issue.

We still have events coming up in August starting with the Champagne / Cold Duck Party & Air show the 7th, the Gunk Hole the 14th, the cruise to Racine on the 27th / 28th and the Club Picnic Sept. 10th. You have or will be getting E-blasts for these events as they approach.

Russ Berg is planning his cruise across the lake to Saugatuck, MI. He already has two boats signed up and awaits your call to join him. He is working on an exact date for some time in August. However, at this point in time, I'm not sure what year he is thinking about.

MBC boaters will play a role in an event that is planned for August 27th at the Marcus Center on the river. An orchestra called "Present Music" will perform a free concert starting at 8:15 p.m. at the Marcus Center. The orchestra, along with Milwaukee VIPs, will be delivered by MBC member captains and their boats to the Marcus docks at 7:30. If you are interested in attending this free concert, you must obtain an advanced ticket. Email or call me for more information and docking information.

Wayne Happel



BIRTHDAYS

Wish the following members a happy birthday!

AUGUST

- 2 Robert Garnier
- 7 Mary Ann Goetzman
- 8 Sandy Dziubek
- 8 Kathy Martin
- 13 Dick Schmidt
- 15 Craig Hesper
- 20 Kathy Werner
- 23 Bruce Nason
- 29 Dick Harvey

SEPTEMBER

- 2 Rita Tiemann
- 3 Kathy Schnagl
- 3 Ellen Baugher
- 4 Davis Hohn
- 10 Juanita "Nita" Swartwout
- 21 George Finch
- 22 Cindy Halstead
- 24 Gloria Mitchelson
- 26 Peggy Miotke
- 29 Nancy Grabowski
- 30 Barbara Newby

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| August 14 | Gunk Hole at MBC Mooring
Captain Dave Dorner |
| August 27, 28 | Joint MBC/SSYC Cruise to Racine
Captains Dick Grabowski & Dick Harvey |
| September 10 | MBC's Annual Picnic
Captain Jim Heyden |
| September 12 | Captains' (First Mates') Breakfast |
| September 17 | Joint MBC/WCF Wives & Lovers
Dinghy Cruise
Captain Dan Danowski |
| September 24 | "Oktoberfest"
Bavarian Inn
Captains Leo & Sue Wagner |
| September 24 | Louie's Last Regatta
Captain Dick Harvey |

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SCUTTLEBUTT

Great Shot: Milwaukee Boat Club member Christine Grubbs had one of her photos published in the August/September 2011 issue of BoatUS magazine. The photo was taken in September 2010 in the Milwaukee Harbor of two "Tall Ships" that were visiting at Discovery World. Christine entered the photo in a BoatUS contest. She did not win the contest, but BoatUS used the photo for a later article in the magazine. Here is a link to the photo in the magazine: <http://www.boatusmagazine.com/boatus/20110809#pg37>

Freeloader: Russ & Mary Berg used their dinghy on the pub crawl river cruise. At some point, Russ asked another member for a tow because of an alleged fuel problem. Sure, Russ, We all know this was your sneaky way of saving gas.

Da Boss: During the July 18th MBC picnic lunch on the Discovery World dock, Sue Wagner introduced everyone to a sandwich she purchased at the Pick & Save Deli called "THE BOSS." It was huge, and Sue was proud to tell everyone that it only cost \$5.99. The rest of us paid a lot more for a smaller meal from Subway. Next day Lynne Happel told her daughter to pick up one of these sandwiches and tell the deli she wants "The Boss." She responded, "Oh, do you mean you want me to ask for the manager?"

Coincidence? The Danowskis at SSYC and Halsteads at McKinley share the same slip number: F-6.Okay, I admit, it's not easy finding scuttlebutt.

CHANGES TO MBC DIRECTORY

Page 22 - Wilde entry should read "John & Karleen", not "Karen" (Sorry about that, Karleen!)

Page 16 - Dick & Nancy Grabowski's e-mail: r.n.grabowski@gmail.com

RECOMMENDED READING

In its August, 2011 issue, Readers Digest published an article listing "8 Quiet Signs of a Person in Trouble" in the water. Find the article and additional information by clicking the link below:

<http://www.rd.com/family/8-quiet-signs-of-someone-drowning/>

Submitted by Gloria Mitchelson

DINGHY CRUISE JULY 16, 2011

It was a perfect day to be out on the water, with waves of less than a foot, mostly sunny and warm. We had a crowd of 37 people show up for all or part of the day's journey. Besides the dinghies, we also had four small power boats and the mother ship pontoon.

The flotilla convened dockside of Discovery World at 12:30 PM for lunch and refreshments. Then it was off to journey up the river. The first stop was at the Sail Loft (formerly Rip Tide). We watched a poker run of over a dozen cigarette boats head out the harbor – quite a parade of rumbling boats. The next leg of the journey took us south and up the KK River to the Horny Goat Hideaway to sample the home brews. We stayed there until it was time to head north up the Milwaukee River to our dinner stop at Ryan Braun's Grafitto's Italian Restaurant. All agreed that the menu selections were very interesting, and the food was great. After settling the bill it was time to head back to our respective ports.

All in all it was a great day with almost no mechanical snafus (Berg and Malloy). No one got pulled over by the coasties, and no one got a ticket for making a wake.

Dave Dorner

CHAMPAGNE / COLD DUCK PARTY AUGUST 7, 2011

We were greeted with great weather at the Champagne / Cold Duck party at the McKinley pavilion on Sunday, August 7th. We did have a brief shower late in the afternoon but since we were able to duck into the shelter, it was no problem.

The site once again proved to be a great place to watch the Thunderbird Airshow, which was spectacular. We had approximately 45 people in attendance, which was somewhat surprising, since after 1:30 pm it was impossible to drive down to the pavilion. The McElwees spent an hour driving around looking for access, but the police blocked off all roads leading to Lake Drive, so they had to return home. They now have to spend a few days eating what was to be their "dish to pass."

Thanks to the Harveys & Halsteads for their work planning and setting up this event. Dick said he will think of alternatives next year regarding the event date.

Wayne Happel

CAPTAIN/FIRST MATE LUNCH AUGUST 8, 2011

Dan & Donna held the Captain/First Mate lunch on the outdoor patio of the Port of Call restaurant on Wells Street. The setting was beautiful with an ample size group table overlooking the river. The weather was just right, not too hot, not too cold, sunny with a slight breeze. The food was excellent and enjoyed by 19 of us.

Thanks again to the Danowskis for coming up with something different.

Submitted by Wayne Happel

PRAIRIE HARBOR CRUISE JULY 29 TO JULY 31, 2011

If you missed this cruise, you missed a bit of heaven! Cindy and Grey Halstead, Russ and Mary Berg, Sam and George Graubner, Donna and Dan Danowski, Joan and Craig Lake with grandson Alex, and, we can't forget the Graubners' three Irish red heads, Kiley, Laci, & Tre, departed SSYC around 10:00 a.m. on Friday the 29th and stopped at Kenosha Yacht Club for lunch. We arrived at Prairie Harbor around 2:30, settled in, cooled off in the pool, cleaned up, enjoyed a few cocktails dockside and then headed to Winthrop Harbor's North Point for dinner at Tropics on the waterfront. The food was terrific, especially the ribs! Sue and Leo Wagner joined us for the evening, and the day ended with nightcaps on the dock listening to soothing music and enjoying cool breezes.

Donna and Dan Danowski planned a pancake breakfast Saturday in the yacht center, featuring pancakes, pork sausage links and patties, bacon, yogurt, tomato juice, orange juice and fresh peaches. This yacht center is absolutely gorgeous. The open concept with soaring ceilings and walls of cognac-colored wood plank boasts walls of windows that bring the breathtaking views of the water into the room. This place could be a great party room, or a solitary escape with a novel in front of the stone fireplace. As incredible as the view is, there's plenty to keep you busy: tennis courts, swimming pool, volleyball court, horseshoes and your own private sandy beach. This yacht club (PHYC) is a gated private boat community – very secure. And the area businesses support a local

private minibus, which will pick you up and take you where you want to go. No Charge - but Debbie does accept tips.

We spent Saturday afternoon enjoying the pool and chatting with friends. Captain Dan and Admiral Donna planned an evening cruise aboard the Libero. We enjoyed appetizers, drinks, and good conversations while touring the two other marinas: Skipper Bud's and North Point. Then we took the minibus to Winthrop Harbor Park to listen to the sounds of the Great Lakes Navy Band. Yes, they were real Navy guys and very talented. Donna and Dan showed the crowd how to step out and have a great time swinging to the beat, and after some liquid encouragement, Mary and Sam joined in.

After the music in the park, it was time for dinner at Ray Radigan's Supper Club. What a treat! This place is charming and has a lot of history. The food was really great, service was terrific, and we were introduced to a new drink – a Berry Highball: 1-1/4 ounces raspberry vodka, 2.5 equal of cranberry juice and diet sprite. Cool and refreshing!

Sadly, Sunday morning came much too quickly. Soon it was time to head back to home port on water as smooth as ice. It was a wonderful weekend and all who attended owe a great debt of gratitude to Dan and Donna Danowski for such a well-organized event. Thanks so much! I'm ready for the next one....don't miss it!

Submitted by Sam Graubner

MBC DINGHY CRUISE JULY 16, 2011



Our first stop - the dock at Discovery World



Grubbs family with Christine's parents



Dave Risch and Nita Swartwout



Pete Merryfield, Grey Halstead, and Jim Palmieri



Bernie Larsen, JoAnn & Steve Shaw



Dave Risch, guest, Wayne Happel, Dave Dorner

MBC DINGHY CRUISE JULY 16, 2011



Donna Danowski, Mary Berg, guest,
Nita Swartwout and Sam Graubner



Sue Ring-Wagner, Judy Dorner,
Bonnie Merryfield, Cindy Halstead,
Gloria Larsen, Lynne Happel, Patty Heibel



Pat Moran and Denis Molloy



The "Mother Ship" captained by Dave Dorner
and his first mate Judy Dorner



Wayne Happel ties up his little dinghy



Russ Berg & George Graubner



On our way to the "Horny Goat"
Wayne Happel & Pete Merryfield



The Danowski Family



MBC DINGHY CRUISE JULY 16, 2011



Maybe Captain Dave Dorner and his crew should take a look behind them!

MBC CRUISE TO PRAIRIE HARBOR, WISCONSIN JULY 29-31, 2011



Good Music, Good Wine, Good Friends Winthrop Harbor Music Night



Saturday morning breakfast cooked by Donna & Dan Danowski and Russ Berg



Enjoying our breakfast at the Prairie Harbor clubhouse



Sam & George Graubner enjoying breakfast on the patio



Cleanup crew includes Donna, Mary Berg, Sam Graubner, Grey & Cindy Halstead

MBC CRUISE TO PRAIRIE HARBOR, WISCONSIN JULY 29-31, 2011



Keeping cool and having fun in the pool



Harbor cruise on Dan & Donna Danowskis' boat – Dan, Grey, Russ, and Craig Lake (from Waukesha Cruise Fleet)



Enjoying the harbor cruise - Joan Lake (Waukesha Cruise Fleet), Mary Berg, Cindy Halstead, Sam Graubner, and Donna Danowski



Winthrop Harbor Music Night

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