



February 2024

Flag Officers 2024

Past Commodore: Brett Christy
Commodore: Jay Bishop
Vice Commodore: Tom Safford
Rear Commodore: Joe Gugino
Secretary: Greg Kowal (Chris Piede assistant)
Treasurer: Carl Waclawski

Committee Chairs

Facilities: Fred Smith-Dengler
House: Kirk Frey
Membership: Tracy Smith-Dengler
Social: George Burns
Education: Alan Freeville
Race and Recreation: John Ludwig

Appointed

Dockmaster: Ken Kuwik
Newsletter: Chris Piede
Website: Larry Van Deusen

News from the Editor

According to the Groundhog we should see an early spring, although the forecast for the rest of the month doesn't look too encouraging. Either way it will be one month closer to boating season, my favorite season of the year! My other favorite recreational activity is skiing, and it seems like this winter the days of good conditions are about as consistent as Lake Erie in the summer! If I know anything it is to take advantage of those good days when you can! There were a few warm and flat lake days (my fav as a powerboater) when I was imagining being out on the water. I guess I will have to stick to dreaming of boating at least for the next few months!

Commodore

Roles and responsibilities will be presented for approval next month to be posted to our website. Thanks to all committees who have submitted their anticipated budgets.

Rear Commodore

Joe reported we are waiting for spring and the weather to begin to improve to begin on the work for the short term projects.

Dockmaster

Second slips will not be authorized at this time for accommodations of all members on west dock to be moved until the remodeling on the west dock is complete.

Membership

Membership Activity Report DYC Board Meeting February 13, 2024

Monthly Membership Correspondence and Activity Summary

Membership Action Items:

Probationary to Senior: 2 Upcoming April 2024

Senior to Life Member: None; Kelly Smith upcoming March 2024

Change in Status: Carl Bjurlin, Deceased; Donna Bjurlin claiming seniority and slip N1

Waiting List Status: 24 on Waiting List

2024 New Member Orientation: Anticipated in June 2024

Membership Planning 2024:

DYC Membership Status: 93 Active Members with 88 assigned slips

Membership Committee Planned Projects: Recruitment, Digitize DYC Member Records

Vice Commodore

Tom has created an automation committee to begin to assess transitioning to paperless. We are currently looking for a server to store our information digitally. There will be at least two administrators for this service. Next, we would like to transition to digital records and registration on our website for submitting work, committees, parties, and other event sign ups. Platforms are being looked at for electronic billing and payments for dues, slips and other club fees. \$850 has been approved for our budget this year to being the transition towards these goals. Donna Bjurlin will be setting up a nonprofit account for us on Microsoft Teams to begin testing the services. Upcoming will be a request to change to the bylaws at our annual meeting to change the method of notice of the annual meeting from USPS mail to email notification.



Rear- Commodore**Long-Range Planning Committee (LRP)****Members**

Brett Christy*	Jay Bishop	Tom Safford	Fred Smith-Dengler
Joe Gugino	Carl Waclawski*	Dave Freshwater	Jim Christy*
Doug Reid*	Jon Washburn	Robert Peterson	Cliff White

Mission of the LRP:

- Envision DYC facilities requirements and changes, 1-2, 5, 10 and 20 years from now
 - Plan for potential future infrastructure changes to clubhouse, docks, utilities, etc.
- Set current and future infrastructure standards for repair and/or replacement projects
 Recommend/manage short term projects (1-2 years) that improve the esthetics, safety, and/or usefulness of the DYC clubhouse and docks (improvement vs repair)
 Help manage long range capital budget planning for major infrastructure changes/replacement.

Projects Scheduled 2024

2024 Planning: To be moved from LRP to execution phase.

- Rebuild infrastructure and docking on West dock using new electrical infrastructure, install (4) 100-amp GFCI breakers to dock electrical legs
- Project 2: Entry from Main Dock to Clubhouse
 - Convert the west staircase of the clubhouse front deck to ramps
 - Construct a ramp up from the main dock to a platform at the clubhouse deck level
 - Construct 2nd ramp from clubhouse deck level platform to west dock
- Set up cameras for Club member access online
- Evaluate bubbler system

Mission and Planning of the LRP

Areas for Planning:

- Docks • Floating Docks • Bubbler System • Sewer System • Water System • Electrical
- Clubhouse • Internet/Wireless Access • Budget

1 to 5 Year Planning:

- Set up Club for remote virtual meetings
- Continue with electrical upgrades to other docks
- Remodel clubhouse bathrooms
- Cosmetic and aesthetic upgrades to the Clubhouse
- Evaluate a section of floating dock

5 to 10 Year Planning:

- Replace/remodel kitchen
- Planning for more demand for electric as electric boats start affecting our club's needs

10 to 20 Year Planning:

- Likely need dock surface and structure replacement project

Education

Pintail expenses will be removed from facilities and added to education. It was also suggested not to use the pintail this year, and instead will be using a boat which the students and instructor can both be on at the same time while teaching. Board as authorized education to sell the pintails and the trailers to purchase a "shark like" sailboat for education.

For the Good of the Club/New Business:

Chautauqua county sheriffs requesting to use the club on April 8 for the eclipse, we will let them know the club is unstable and still closed at that time. Unfinished work hours from last year will be reviewed for discussion for next month's meeting.



Here is a picture of the bubblers at work!

Next Meeting date: Tuesday March 12, 2024 at 7:00pm. Online Via Zoom and in person at the Dunkirk Elks Club.