



June 2025



Flag Officers 2025

Past Commodore: Jay Bishop
Commodore: Tom Safford
Vice Commodore: Joe Gugino
Rear Commodore: George Burns
Secretary: Chris Piede
Treasurer: Carl Waclawski

Committee Chairs

Facilities: Fred Smith-Dengler
House: Lydia Evans
Membership: Tracy Smith-Dengler
Social: Mike Dinoto
Education: Alan Freville
Race and Recreation: John Ludwig

Appointed

Dockmaster: Brett Christy
Newsletter: Sarah Nash Wallace
Website: Larry Van Deusen

News from the Editor Sarah Nash Wallace

Greetings to a new season of boating! The Club is open, work groups have been busy shaping up our facilities for members to enjoy, and social gatherings have begun. Please check the sign-up sheets in the clubhouse for opportunities to help out: work tasks, Friday night gatherings, events planning, and clubhouse cleaning are all available, and you'll get your work hours completed too!

Notes from the June 2025 DYC Board Meeting

Secretary's Report – Chris Piede:

Jim Priest's dues and deposit will be returned to his widow Judy Thurber as soon as possible.

Treasurer's Report- Carl Waclawski:

Profit and loss looking appropriate for this point in the season. Income taxes have been paid. Costs for ongoing repairs will be updated to the Facilities committees.

Facilities Report: Fred Smith-Dengler

Club repairs as planned are 90% finished. There are still other repairs, including dock repairs that will require work parties to complete. Some dock and finger dock repairs may require members to move their boats temporarily, stayed tuned for details. Quotes for the new gangway entrance were shared and are under review. Work barges and their engines have been repaired, work crews will be necessary to complete planned projects using the barges. Other discussions included training members on using the weed control

Race and Recreation: John Ludwig

The Sunset Bay trip has been rescheduled to July 5th – see attached flyer!!

A Message from the Commordore – Tom Safford

Thanks to the workers that were able to come out for the 5/30 and 6/4 barge work parties and finish the majority of the critical wing dock and main walkway repairs! I feel the club is truly open now that the wing docks have been made safe.

I hope you all noticed that our parking area has been refreshed with new stone and the large puddle and mud at the end that we had to walk thru when it rained, has been eliminated. Thanks to Charlie Kuell and his employees who generously donated their time and equipment. The Dunkirk Mayor and City Council were contacted for their approval and were very appreciative for the DYC donation.

For the Main Walkway Project, the DYC Board has approved the funding to purchase a ~20 foot long gangway with railings that will be mounted at the top of our entrance down to the existing walkway before the gate. This will allow our members to more easily access the walkway and move equipment in and out of our facility and boats. This is the first step of our new walkway project.

The Board and Long Range Planning committee are continuing to develop plans to improve the safety and functionality of our club, and to mitigate ice damage. Our season still seems like it is sputtering to life but I'm happy to see more boats in slips and fewer uprights on our picnic tables. Please continue to install your uprights and free up our tables for member use.

Our Education Committee has been advertising a 3 day sailing course for members and outsiders, kids and adults, with 3 very experienced instructors. Courses will be scheduled during the month of July depending on demand and weather. We will have 2 Flying Scot sailboats (19') available for instructional use and each can carry 4 students and one instructor. (One of the boats has been graciously donated to the club by Mike Lamparelli). The course is free for members and your families, and only \$50 for others. Be sure to sign up your family, friends and acquaintances and come to the June 28th orientation meeting. We have two boating events coming up; the Poker Run on June 28th is a great time going out on the lake collecting playing cards and then coming back to try your hand at winning prizes; and the Day at Sunset where you can boat or drive and share camaraderie with your fellow members at Cabana Sam's, another club favorite event.

Don't forget our Friday night socials and the Commodores Party on July 26th! Look forward to seeing everyone at the club!

Tom Safford
2025 DYC Commodore



Social Committee – Mike DiNoto:

The Commodore Party is scheduled for July 19th. The committee will be formed soon, and invitations will be mailed out by the end of June.

The Dance Party is scheduled for July 18th – stayed tuned for more information!

Education – Alan Freville:

The ownership documents for the Flying Scot sailboats for sailing classes will be transferred to DYC soon. Thanks to Tracy Smith-Dengler for distributing information for signups! Open house for the sailing classes will be held Juneth 10 am to noon for potential students to meet instructors and see the boats in the water.

Dock Master – Brett Christy:

Slip map has been published, all slips are full for the season.

Membership – Tracy Smith-Dengler:

Wait list – 24

Active members – 92, all with assigned slips

New members – Orientation scheduled for June 21, 2025

Next Meeting: Tuesday July 8th 2025 – 7 p.m. Dunkirk Yacht Club

-----Online Meeting via Zoom-----



"Days go by - get out and see the world with your own eyes.." Brett Dennen



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DYC Guest Procedures

Procedures when visitors call for guest docking:

1. Ask if they are an active member of a Yacht, Sailing, or Boating Club.

If not an affiliated member, they need to be referred to Holiday Harbor at Chadwick Bay, a public marina. We are not in competition with their operations.

2. Ask where visitors are coming from, specifically origin, destination, and ETA at DYC.
3. Confirm length and draft of vessel, document details on the message board, then alert the club to be on the lookout. Dockmaster Brett Christy should be contacted at 716.200.2685.

Upon guest's arrival at DYC:

1. Assist visitors to get docked in an appropriate guest slip
2. Once vessel is secured, escort visitors to clubhouse and have them complete visitor log, and pay appropriate fee (1st night: \$1/ft, 2nd free, 3rd: \$1/ft)
3. Provide current gate code, give tour of clubhouse and resources.

DYC's reciprocal affiliations are documented in a book on the desk. If there are questions about guest's affiliation status, please slip them securely, and then contact Dockmaster Brett Christy at 716.200.2685.

Revised Date



DAY AT SUNSET BAY



July 5 2025

Meet at clubhouse at 11:30 AM, boats departing at Noon

Cabana Sam's Captain's Deck Reservation for 1PM.
Call or text John Ludwig, 716-680-4984 questions / ride sharing