



News from around the club:

Wind and Waves



Photo above of work crew building composite deck along seawall.

EXTRA!! EXTRA!!

Check out the new SMBC kayak Launch.

Also check out the new deck along the seawall at the hoist.

Members who would like to repair bad boards on their dock may use composite lumber behind the clubhouse.

Season is half over so get out there and sail! You will be glad you did next winter when you have those great memories to look back on!.

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Up Coming Events for SMBC

- o Every Saturday: Skippers meeting at 10:00 AM
- o Every Saturday: Triangle Race starts at 11:00 AM
- o August 1st, Rock Pile Race at 11:00 AM, Skippers meeting at 10:00 AM
- o August 1st General Membership Meeting at 4:00 PM and Potluck immediately after.
- o September 4th – Labor Day Regatta & Cookout (5 pm)
- o September 5th - General Membership Meeting & PotLuck 4:00 PM
- o September 6th – Labor Day Sailboat Watching

Commodore's Message

August is upon us and it's time to relax a bit as the weather gets sultry. We've had another good season of projects completed and you'll want to check out the new decking around the gin pole (Hepp/Terry/Baumann/Drury/Nudge/Sue) and also the new Kayak/Canoe Boarding System (Bensons, Sue) both ready for use. One the latter we have several small boat rack spaces available for YOUR canoe or kayak. No charge for end of season trial spaces. The more non-members see small boats mucking about the more we can attract them to join as they see that we're not just a big boat place. We also have several bicycles now for use along with (4) club sailboats. These can be intimidating, but we have folks that can help rig them and explain what to do if you flip.

We still plan on extending the back lot and do some cleanup on the front parking lot. We were completely full for the Winter Storage last year. I will have forms in the club soon to sign up. We are also looking to refurbish the Club Pontoon (aka Committee Boat or Raft) such that it can be used for member access for short cruises. This will take some rules & regulations, so I'd like your input and comments.

We have also taken some baby steps with changing the look of the clubhouse interior with some window valances, one of those fancy wall stickers near the bathrooms etc. Would like to consider some other things from member ideas, so if you have a flair for decorating, looking for a ringleader.

Lastly, the racing season and Club Championship is up for grabs, with only my boat seemingly out of the running. Whether you want to race your boat, crew with someone, or just spectate on the Committee boat, there are much worse things to do on a Saturday morning. It's also a great way to attract new members, so invite folks along.

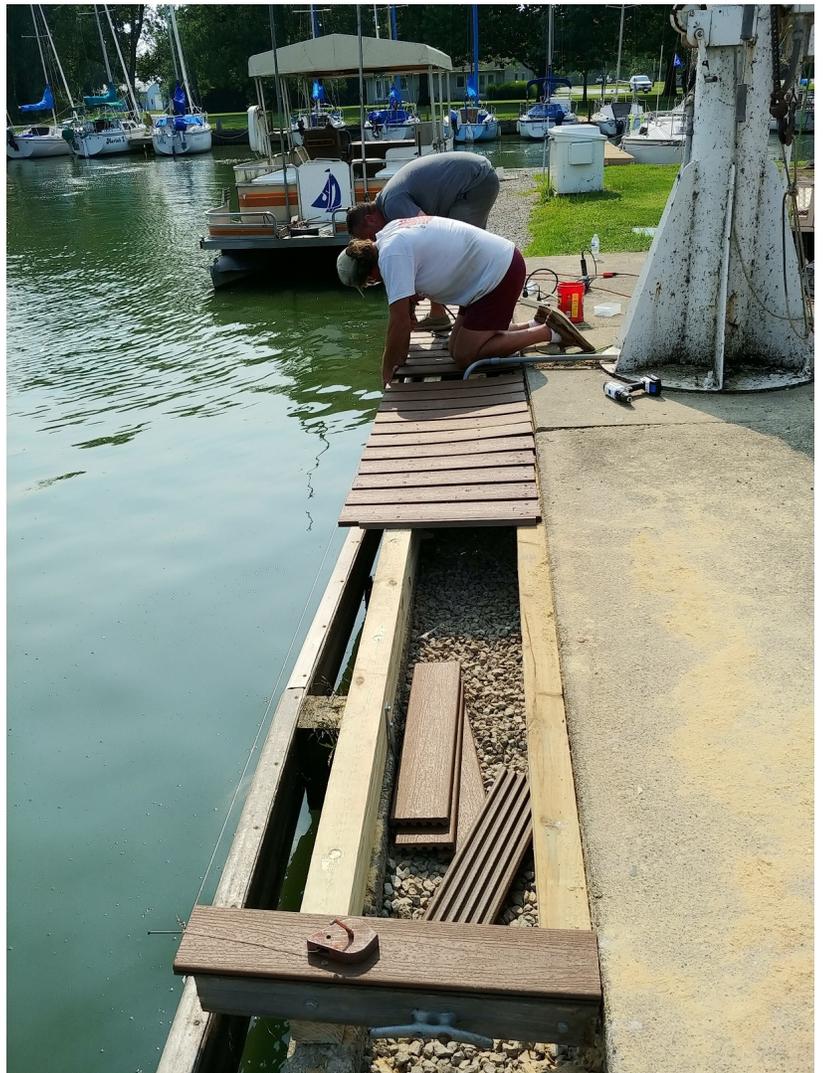
Enjoy the summer!!!

Commodore Phil Fuerst

I attached a photo of the work on the gin pole deck project

Dockmaster Report – we have about (5) slips available in the boat basin and we now have some plastic board to replace any cracked or warped boards on your dock. These are behind the building if you want to take a go at it. We will soon be moving the trailers currently in the grass along the east side to make way for the lot extension. If one of them is yours, we'd appreciate it migrating west.

Phil



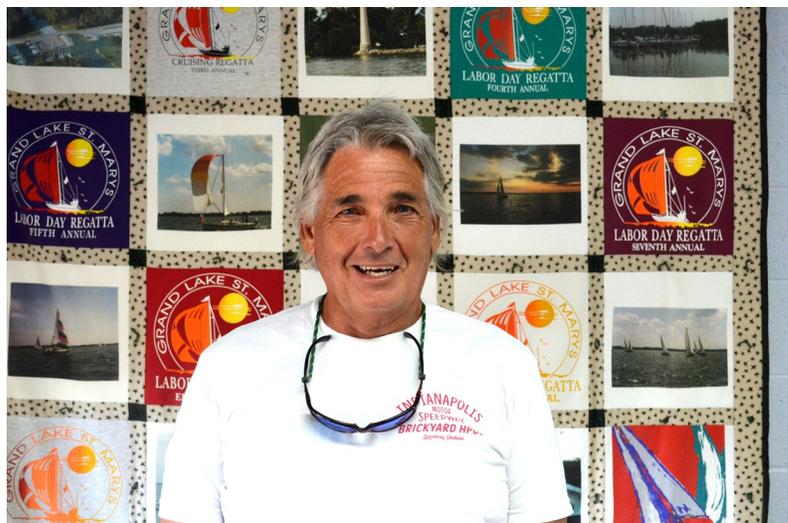
Please Welcome New Members to SMBC



Brian and Kelly Moser reside in Linn Grove IN., 6 miles west of Berne IN.

“I grew up on a small lake west side of Berne where I enjoyed water skiing, and sailing a 14 foot Laser. Since I retired two months ago, I purchased a Catalina 22 and joined the SMBC.

Looking forward to meeting everyone.”



This is Scott York.

“My family is in the boating business in St John Virgin Islands which is our home. If you go to calypsovi.com and click on **about** it tells about us in the Caribbean. I grew up in Celina and we have a summer home on the lake there. We have 2 boats on grand lake a pontoon boat and a stiletto 27 catamaran (the one that was flipped at freedom outdoors), and have owned that boat for 5 years. My first boat I bought was a 12ft hydroplane when I was 12 on grand lake. I have been boating for 52 years and hold a 100 ton masters license. My wife and I built our catamaran Blown Away and sailed her up and down the east coast, Chesapeake bay, Bermuda, Bahamas, the windward and leeward islands down to Trinidad and South America.”



What is a Fair Price for a Boat? By John Myers

Recent events have got me thinking about this subject. I recently got an email from a person who has a Watkins 36 ft. sailboat, and it is FREE for the taking. They wanted me to spread the word. I had sailed with the previous owner but not on that boat. The boat has not moved on its own power for over 10 years. Free could end up being expensive considering the work and money that will be needed to bring a boat of this size back to life. Where Cindi and I live in Florida during the winter there are lots of homeless people who live on boats! Derelict boats are easy to come by. Derelict boats usually are missing one or more of the basic elements, either the engine is bad, or the sails are deteriorated, or the mast/rigging is damaged. Hulls typically survive almost anything, but it is these other expensive things that need to be replaced or repaired.

Boats 22-26 feet: new sails cost from \$1,500 to \$2,000 each and you usually need two minimum. Used sails with hopefully half of their life left cost \$300-\$500. Sailboats often have several sails, but some boat sellers only provide the minimum and send their extra sails to a used sail auction. Outboard motors can go for as little as \$300 for an old 2 cycle to over \$800 for a newer 4 stroke. Inboard diesels in good shape can add over \$1,500 to the value of a boat.

For smaller boats less than 27 feet there is another expensive item, a trailer. Trailers have a wide range of values. Trailers come in two quality ranges. Yard Trailers are not licensed and are only capable of moving a boat from the boat yard to the launch ramp. Road worthy trailers capable of making a 1,000-mile trip for a big vacation cost much more. Smaller trailers in the size range are usually single axle with a 3,500 Lb. maximum weight limit. Dual axle trailers typically have weight limits of from 5,000 Lbs. to 7,000 Lbs. Trailers also come made of painted steel and galvanized steel. Galvanized steel costs a lot more. Used trailers are the hardest item to purchase on the open market next to masts which are basically impossible to buy. A nice used road worthy single axle trailer starts at about \$1,000 and a dual axle starts at about \$2,000 and goes up. Note the words starts and minimum. New dual axle trailers can cost \$5,000. Over the years I have probably spent as much time and money keeping up my trailer as my boat.

Miscellaneous stuff often includes old life jackets, VHF radio, anchors, dock lines fenders, cockpit cushions, etc. Usually, this stuff is valued at only \$200-\$300. I spent over \$1,500 several years ago to have my interior cushions recovered.

When evaluating a boat to purchase add up all these items based on their condition. Sails beyond the basic set should probably be valued at only \$100-\$150 each. A very nice colorful spinnaker might be worth more. The total of all items should be more than the asking price of the boat. Remember I said the hull and mast are free! Or possibly negative! Does the hull need a bottom job, repairs, ports, fiberglass work?

Currently there are two nice boats for sale on the bulletin board at SMBC which are being sold for much less than the sum of the parts. One boat is for sale for less than the cost of the sails alone and it has a trailer and motor!

I have owned several boats and often I have spent more than the original price of the boat, fixing it. I ended up replacing motors, sails, cushions, lines and major trailer work. Better condition is worth paying extra for! A new motor or new sails are worth a lot more than good used ones. Just my opinion.

Happy hunting for the perfect boat!

Social Calendar for 2021 Season (So Far)

- Spring Splash/Fling at Idlewild – April 17th. A great time over & done with!
- May 2nd – General Membership Meeting & PotLuck 4:00 PM
- May 30th – Day before Memorial Day Regatta & Cookout – 5:00 PM
- May 31 – Rock Pile Race and Memorial Day rocking chair races
- June 6 th - General Membership Meeting & PotLuck 4:00 PM
- July 3rd – Firecracker Regatta & Cookout (5 pm)
- July 4th – Rock Pile Race and General Membership Meeting & PotLuck 4:00 PM
- August 1st - General Membership Meeting & Potluck 4:00 PM
- September 4th – Labor Day Regatta & Cookout (5 pm)
- September 5th - General Membership Meeting & Potluck 4:00 PM
- September 6th – Labor Day Sailboat Watching
- October 3rd - General Membership Meeting & Potluck 4:00 PM
- November 7th - General Membership Meeting & Thanksgiving dinner
- December 4th? Possible End of Season Dinner at Location to be Disclosed

SMBC TECHNOLOGY: (How to add)

Davis Weatherlink on the Point Access Helps you know the weather just off the Club.

- a. To access from your phone download the Davis Instruments "Weatherlink" app (no cost), create account and find the St Marys Boat Club station
- b. To access from a PC visit <https://www.weatherlink.com/> and create an account (just the no-cost basic) and find the St Marys Boat Club station

Wyze Cameras – download Wyze app for your phone. Text Phil F your email address 419-890-5259. See him if you have tried and failed....

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Also if you have pictures you would like shared please feel free to forward them to the above e-mail address. Thank for your support.

If you have something for sale and would like it featured on the Classifieds page please e-mail the information to me and I will get it in the next month's edition.

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