



# Clark Lake Yacht Club

Box 178  
Jackson, Michigan 49204

*A member managed sailing, boating, and social club.*

**Rebel Fleet No. 2**  
**Interlake Fleet No. 7**  
**Buccaneer Fleet No. 1**  
**Sunfish Fleet No. 676**

**Member**  
**US Sailing**

September 10, 2021

Dear Fellow Members

I hope you had a chance to attend the Labor Day party. It was a well-attended event directed by Jenna Chmielewski and her helpers. It's great that we can again gather safely and celebrate another holiday together.

We are proud to announce the return of the CLYC Invitational Sailing Regatta, September 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> at the club. After cancelation last year, due to the pandemic, it will be great to hold this annual event that showcases our club. Sailors from many states and Canada have come to our lake to compete in the past. If you have signed up to help work this event, we thank you. If not, and you would like to help, please contact Hugh at [hharris@voyager.net](mailto:hharris@voyager.net) for information. It's a good chance to get some of the 8 service hours your family is responsible for and also to enjoy seeing a lot of sailboats on the lake.

The boats and boat lifts have to be out by October 3<sup>rd</sup> as docks will start to come out as of October 4<sup>th</sup>. If you haven't put your name on your lift, please do so by that date. Be reminded to put your name on your trailer for next year if you plan on summer storing your trailer at the club. We are trying to organize a lift party for those who would like to help with lift in and out. If we can get enough able-bodied seaman we can save money by removing the manageable lifts ourselves. If you would like to help with the lift in/out process, please contact Clint at [clintwhite@gmail.com](mailto:clintwhite@gmail.com).

The annual Batten Down the Season Dinner (formerly The Commodore's Ball) is being held October 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Cascades Manor House in Jackson. If you're not familiar with the venue, it's in Cascades Park. The Sparks family built the beautiful manor house in 1932 with Tudor style English architecture. [www.cascadesmanor.com](http://www.cascadesmanor.com) The meal menu will be prime rib and shrimp, with their famous spring vegetable salad and dessert. There will be a cash bar with soft drinks provided. The cost per person and detailed information will be relayed soon. In the past, this has been an adult event, where the business of voting for and installing new board members and directors takes place. If there is interest in bringing children please let me know.

Election of directors and officers for 2022 will be held at the Batten Down the Season Dinner. The board has nominated the following:

Commodore one year term	Pat O'Harris
Vice Commodore one year term	Steve Cummings
Rear Commodore one year term	Bruce Chipman
Secretary/Treasurer one year term	Bob Krusky
Director three year term	Michael Sabourin

Additional nominations for these positions can be made by contacting me before the Batten Down the Season Dinner, or from the floor during the dinner.

Put two dates on your calendar. The Fall Work Party will be held on Saturday October 9<sup>th</sup> and the Fall Leaf Cleanup Party will be held on November 13<sup>th</sup> (rain date Nov 20<sup>th</sup>). The Fall Work party is the date when we do all the tasks needed to close the clubhouse for the winter. Both the Fall Work Party and the Fall Leaf Cleanup Party are opportunities to fulfill your service hours and have a lot of fun in the crisp fall weather. Again this year Bill Locke will be heading the Fall Leaf Cleanup Party and has this operation down to a science. It starts at 9am. Bring rakes and leaf blowers, and a 4 wheeler if you have one. With a lot of helpers it should take no longer than noon to finish. Bill is providing Hinckley's donuts and water. Don't forget to sign the sign-up sheet at the event to get your hours. Bill can be reached at 517-581-2855 if you have any questions.

As the 2021 season winds down I want to thank everyone for making this a special season. A shout out to Rick Joseph for all the work he has done on club grounds, Ann O'Harris for making house improvements and streamlining the rental process and Pat O'Harris for having the club sailboats rigged, docked on the water and ready for any club member who would like to use them. Outstanding dedication to the club!

Stay safe and enjoy the rest of the year.

Harry Sabourin  
Commodore 2021