

COMMODORE'S comments**Commodore Bob Schappe III**

It is not official yet, but Spring is here. Redwing blackbirds and grackles have returned and I just bought some bottom paint for the boat. And sailing fever is running very high.

On February 15th, the Grosse Pointe Sail Club hosted the winter DRYA meeting at the Tompkins Center. This was a first for us and since DRYA likes to provide refreshments, it fell upon Stu Kevelighan, our First DRYA Representative to see to these things. Stu did an excellent job in putting together eats and drinks for the largest DRYA meeting in memory (He admitted that first-mate, Sandy, helped a little bit). While the meeting was brief, attendees remained long afterward to chat, eat and drink.

Our first Dry Dock of the year was held on February 26th at Grumpy's. Darius Hummel and first-mate, Ruth, put together a super evening! More than 40 people ate and drank and hoped in vain to watch the 4th America's Cup Race. Unfortunately, the wind necessary for the race never appeared so we watched some videotapes of earlier races. In addition, some neat prizes were awarded to raffle winners. Hats off to our Dry Dock chairperson!

Glory and I spent the last week in Punta Gorda, Florida visiting friends and trying to get a tan. We learned that it was about 80 degrees here while we were down there! Among other things we had to prowl different marinas while we were there. Saw very few racing boats but did see very many cruising sailboats and large power cruisers. But then most of the folks there are retired and are too smart to mess around on racing boats.

By the time you receive this issue of the Anchorline, St. Patrick's Day and our party will have come and gone. I know that we will have had a great time. And remember that in less than a month we will have our Commodores' Steak Roast (Sat., April 8) so be sure to get that on your calendar.

MEMBERS ADD TO FAMILY

Torrey and Harold Stackpoole added to their family on Monday, January 17th. Blake Ollison arrived at the dock standing 20 inches tall and weighing 7 pounds, 1 ounce. Congratulations from the club on Suicide Blonde's newest Foredeck crew member.

JUNIOR RACE PROGRAM

Attention all Junior sailors age 9 - 17 and /or parents of Junior sailors. Now is the time to sign up for a summer session of instruction and competition. Some local clubs that sponsor Junior sailing programs graciously enroll children of non-members **as space permits**. Here is some basic information about their programs. Their rosters fill up quickly so call for an application today!

Crescent Sail Yacht Club sponsors two, 3 week ALearn to Sail Flying Juniors@ sessions for 11 to 15 year olds. The first Session begins June 26. Crescent also sponsors a 6 week program for Beginners and 1st year Optimist sailors. You must own your own boat to participate in this class. More experienced 11 to 18 year olds may enroll in a seven week Racing Class. Opti=s, FJ=s, Lazars and 420's will be raced. The first class will meet June 19. The deadline for Crescent members to enroll their children is March 31. For detailed information on the program call Wendy Pfeffer, (248) 349-8580. These classes fill quickly. Don=t wait until after their Members Deadline to inquire. CALL NOW if you think this is a program your Junior sailor would enjoy.

Great Lakes Yacht Club sponsors a Junior program. For further information call the club at (810) 778-9510.

The Grosse Pointe (Little) Club and Bayview Yacht Club will probably not have space for children of non-members this year.

Sue Steiger

Views from the VICE

Vice Commodore Dave Wetzel II

The Grosse Pointe Sail Club, Bayview Yacht Club, Detroit Yacht Club, Edison Boat Club, and Windsor Yacht Club are organizing the 7th Annual Detroit River Challenge. This race will be Sunday, May 21st at 2pm. An invitation is included in this Anchorline. The Entry Form and Sailing Instructions are available on the GPSC Web Site or by contacting me directly. As the Vice Commodore, I am responsible for promoting and running our portion of the race which is the start, so I will be looking for volunteers to do the 2 starts. On the promotion side I would like to point out that the race:

- Is open to Cruisers as well as Racers
- Will give you an opportunity to start a race going in the "wrong direction" (down river)
- Has no entry fee
- Food and drinks will be provided for everyone at the finish at Edison Boat Club
- Is fun

I hear that Dry Dock was quite a success. I am sorry to have missed it. Mary and I were vacationing on the piece of coastline that Alabama has on the Gulf of Mexico. The place was called Gulf Shores. We stayed in a fantastic Bed & Breakfast on the beach overlooking the gulf. Very relaxing. There is a lot to be said for staying at a place that does not have phones and televisions in the room. I am disappointed to report that in the 3 days we stayed there and the following ferry ride across Mobile Bay, I never saw a sailboat. After crossing Mobile Bay we headed for New Orleans and spent a day enjoying Mardi Gras.

Jerry Partridge (our Tuesday Night Race Chairman) just attended Bill Gladstone's Sailboat Racing Seminar at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club and very impressed with the training. Thinking this was something that he would like to see GPSC offer to its members, he approached Bill and was delighted to find out that Bill's requirements were modest. If things work out, GPSC may be presenting a Racing Seminar at the Tompkins Center.

Dredging Update

More than 60 people members of the Grosse Pointe Sail Club keep their boats at the Windmill Point Park Marina and they like most other people are keenly aware of the low water this year. Obviously one solution to this problem is dredging in the Marina.

I have had two conversations with Dale Krajniak, the City Manager of Grosse Pointe Park. Each of these was an update on actions taken by the city to dredge in the marina. The latest information is that the permit to dredge has been received and that Faust Industries will do the dredging. It is scheduled to begin by April 1st before the boating season begins.

I will keep you posted as I learn more.

Commodore Robert Schappe

Grosse Pointe Sail Club 2000 Activity Calendar

DATE	ACTIVITY
MARCH	17 ST. PATRICK'S PARTY
APRIL	3 BOARD MEETING 8 COMMODORES' STEAK ROAST
MAY	1 BOARD MEETING 21 RIVER CHALLENGE 30 1ST RACE-SPRING SERIES; FLEET BLESSING; PARTY
JUNE	6 2ND RACE-SPRING SERIES 11 FAMILY BRUNCH 13 3RD RACE-SPRING SERIES 20 4TH RACE-SPRING SERIES 24-25 RENDEZVOUS 27 5TH RACE-SPRING SERIES
JULY	8 GPSC REGATTA 11 6TH RACE-SPRING SERIES 15 BYC-MACKINAC RACE 25 1ST RACE-SUMMER SERIES
AUGUST	1 2ND RACE-SUMMER SERIES 8 3RD RACE-SUMMER SERIES 15 4TH RACE-SUMMER SERIES 18 LADIES RACE; PARTY 22 5TH RACE-SUMMER SERIES 29 6TH RACE -SUMMER SERIES; PARTY 2-3 FALL RENDEZVOUS
SEPTEMBER	11 BOARD MEETING 17 FALL SERIES, RACES 1 AND 2 24 FALL SERIES, RACES 3 AND 4 29 NEW MEMBER'S PARTY
OCTOBER	2 BOARD MEETING 8 FROSTBITE RACE; PARTY 14 LOBSTER ROAST
NOVEMBER	6 BOARD MEETING 10 GPSC AWARDS PARTY 18 DRY DOCK
DECEMBER	1 ANNUAL MEETING 3 CHILDRENS' CHRISTMAS PARTY

Brought up by the REAR . . .

Rear Commodore Gordon Morlan I

The American's Cup and the GPSC

Out past North Head toward the beautiful and fortunately dormant volcanic cone of Rangitoto Island is found the racecourse for the 2000 America's Cup, in Auckland's East Bay. The Hauraki Gulf is the most scenic and challenging of all waters for a major sailing contest. When we were on this coastal bay we saw changes in wind direction of 15 degrees or more and wind strength differences of 10 knots for boats racing only 100 meters apart! This is certainly a difficult place to sail well.

As you probably know, for the first time the America's Cup was successfully defended by the Kiwis, overwhelming Italy (Prada) 5-0. This makes New Zealand only the second country to successfully defend the America's Cup.

It was exciting to have been there for a part of this contest, as others in our club will attest!

I believe there are at least three major reasons for the Kiwis dominance in this series. They had a great deal of local knowledge, they had one central and focused national effort. Their skill level and crew work were second to none.

It seems that these same factors make the GPSC a successful organization. We know the 'local conditions', we speak often as a focused group, and certainly we have skilled people who work well together.

Like the Cup, where there are many people working behind the scenes, the shore crews and other essential individuals which we do not hear much about, the effort of many of the GPSC members is not always visible, but is very much appreciated. Please continue to help with committee assignments, short term commitments, as well as with the more visible leadership roles. These are important to us all!

And just like Dawn Riley and other challengers, might we not plan our support and design our efforts for the next America's Cup now? It is my hope that we will be increasingly "True Allies!

Anyone for New Zealand in 2002-3? It will be summer there!

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Heard in Australia:

What is the difference between the America's Cup entry One Australia, and a tea bag?

[Answer: A tea bag stays in the Cup longer!]

Comedy Night Dry Dock

Join us Saturday, April 1st for a lively night of comedy at Joey's Comedy Club in Dearborn. Our own Sheila Loveley (First Mate to Fleet Captain Peter D'Angelo) will be the Featured Comedienne. Show time is 8:15 PM. Call 313.584.8885 for reservations. Look for more information elsewhere in last month's Anchorline.

Dock and Supply

We have an excellent selection of nautical wearing apparel available in our Dock and Supply inventory. Each of the items listed below sport our GPSC Burgee logo.

Framed Burgees.....\$
65.00

Lined Lightweight Jackets.....\$
55.00

(navy)
Sweaters.....\$
42.00

(navy and cream)
Polo (Golf) Shirts.....\$
28.50

(navy and white)
Baseball
Caps.....\$
10.00

Sweatshirts.....\$
25.00

Coffee
Mugs.....\$
3.00

License
Plates.....\$
5.00

We will have a display of apparel as well as other items available for sale at many of the social functions. In addition, for quick home purchases, call Kelee or John Teodecki at (313) 331-6512 if you need something between club social events.

www.gpsc.org

Just a reminder, our website features a bulletin board, also known as a discussion group. This area can be used to post or respond to messages on topics related to sailing or club business. For instance, if you have a question on a racing rule and want to get others' opinions, you can post your question on this page. Or, if you want to post a dry dock reminder to club members, this is the forum in which to do it. The page is password-protected and is for GPSC members only. To reach it, click on Club Information on the left-hand side of the page. A window will pop up asking you for a name and password. The name is "port" and the password is "tack," both in lowercase letters. Once logged in, you will be in the members-only section of the website where you can click on Discussion Group.

2000 ROSTER UPDATE

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If you move, change your telephone or fax number or e-mail address, please let us know so we can reach you!

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"We're Invited"

The following clubs have extended Grosse Pointe Sail Club members the privileges of their Clubhouse for the 2000 season.

Jolly Roger Sailing Club, Toledo, Ohio
Maumee River Yacht Club, Toledo, Ohio
North Cape Yacht Club,
Port Huron Yacht Club, Port Huron, Michigan
Presque Isle Yacht Club, Erie, Pennsylvania
Sarnia Yacht Club, Port Edward, Ontario

Racing Rules Quiz #3

Thirty seconds before the starting signal, W was nearly wayless, her sails flapping. At least three hull lengths prior to establishing an overlap to leeward, L hailed 'Leeward boat'. W took no evasive action. Immediately after her overlap was established, L had to bear away to avoid contact with W; meanwhile, W began to trim sails and head up. L protested. The protest committee found that W, having been given adequate warning of the impending situation, failed to keep clear of a leeward boat, thereby breaking rule 11. W appealed asking: 'Does W, under rules 11 and 15, have an obligation to anticipate becoming overlapped to leeward to the extent of having to gather sufficient way to be able to respond once the overlap has been established?'

How would you rule if you were on the appeals committee?

Help Wanted

Reliable GPSC members (or new prospects) to help with the first GPSC Regatta of the 21st Century
All categories are in need of your special talents

Please contact 2000 Regatta Chair Andrew Morlan
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New Commodore Takes Helm

In a grand and regal style that befits the reputation of the Grosse Pointe Sail Club, we held the first Commodore's Ball of the new Millennium for DRYA clubs on January 15th. Our

guests included a large contingent of visiting Commodores from DRYA clubs in both the US and Canada.

Beginning with the GPSC Officers reception line in the War Memorial ballroom to the afterglow at the home of Commodore Robert and Lady Glory Schappe, it was a fun filled evening. Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres were followed by an excellent dinner, the award of Flags of Office, and then an introductory speech by new Past Commodore Frank Ferry.

Dancing was the principle event for the rest of the evening to music that was enjoyed by all ages in attendance. As the second club in DRYA to hold their annual ball for 2000, it was an event for which our planning committee can be very proud, and an evening that other clubs will find difficult to surpass.

GROSSE POINTE SAIL CLUB

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**Bayview Yacht Club
Detroit Yacht Club
Edison Boat Club
Grosse Pointe Sail Club
Windsor Yacht Club**

I n v i t e y o u t o p a r t i c i p a t e i n :

**THE 7TH ANNUAL
*DETROIT RIVER
CHALLENGE***

Sunday - May 21st, 2000

**Jib and Main Race
Open to all Sailboats (Racers and Cruisers)
No entry fee**

**Start in front of Windmill Pointe Park Marina
Warning Signal at 2:00 PM**

Picnic and Awards immediately following at Edison Boat Club

**Sailing Instructions and Entry Form available at the
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Annual Commodore's Steak Roast
Saturday April 8th
PATTY'S OTHER PLACE
(Tompkins Center)

**Chase the late winter Blues away. Think of a Party,
a party that will be given in the great GPSC tradition.**

A bit of beverage,



A little food



and music to accompany this years theme.



This year's theme is the ROARING TWENTIES, prohibition and all other types of good things, dress in period style, bring a party spirit, a sense for games of chance, and humorous thoughts for the contests and awards as contrived as they might be.

The roast this year will be in honor of Commodore Robert H. Schappe and the Volsted Act, our plan is to offer a play upon some of our neighborhood's historical perspective from this period.

- **Doors open at 7:00 PM**
- **Dine on a juicy steak or tender chicken breast prepared to your exacting standards by our beloved Commodores**
- **Includes salad, vegetables, potatoes, dessert, beer, wine and setups**
- **Remember to bring your own plates, bowls, utensils, etc.**

Make your check to: Grosse Pointe Sail Club, Mail this form to: Com. Frank X. Ferry, 554 Barrington Rd. GPP, 48230

Name: _____

Chicken breasts: _____ @ \$17= _____

Steaks: _____ @ \$17= _____

Total enclosed: \$ _____

Reservations must be received by April 1st