

COMMODORE'S comments**Commodore David C. Wetzel III**

New millennium, new year, new Commodore, new opportunities, new start. And to get everything started this year we had our first Board Meeting last night. Out of necessity I broke with tradition of having the Board Meeting at the Commodore's home. Mary and I have a small bungalow with an adjoining living and dining room, which some people thought we could fit 20 – 25 people into. The prospect seem a bit ugly to me so our first Board Meeting of the millennium was at Grumpy's Pub (the old Union Street) on Mack in Grosse Pointe Park. About half the attendees gathered an hour early to eat and socialize (a plus). Other than parking being a bit of a problem, people thought it was worth doing again in February.

The Budget for 2001 was approved and advertising on our web site was brought up as a way to generate extra income. This is something we are going to investigate.

Elsewhere in this Anchorline is a schedule of the Club's social events for this year. Please cut it out or mark up your personal calendar and plan on attending all the events you can. The beginning of the schedule is the Commodore's Ball. The Ball will be history by the time you receive this Anchorline – hopefully in the next Anchorline you will be reading what a great time it was.

The next event on our calendar is the GPSC Annual Winter Weekend on February 3rd which will be in Port Austin. Larry and Lynn Haggart have organized this event. Look for more information about this event elsewhere in this Anchorline.

On February 24th George Sirdenis is organizing a Dry Dock. Look for more information about this event elsewhere in this Anchorline.

And Friday, March 16th, is the St. Patrick's Day Party. This will be the first event of the year for our new Entertainment Committee, which is chaired by Tom Caufield. Other members of the Entertainment Committee are Ron and Diane Strickler, Jim and Nam Poole, and Rick and Gloria Rocco. Look for more information about this event elsewhere in this Anchorline.

There are two important things to know about the Entertainment Committee and the events that they put on. The first is that over the year the Entertainment Committee is supposed to break even. Although major consideration is given to keeping prices low, the events are supposed to make money or at least break even. Please keep this in mind and support the 50-50 raffles. The second point is that some of the events require that we know in advance how many people will be attending. The members of this Club have a reputation for making up their minds at the last minute. Don't do this. If the event requires making a reservation and/or sending in money – do it As Soon As Possible.

Have a Happy New Millennium everyone.

First Dry Dock 2001

Mark your calendars for 7:00 PM ,
February 24, 2001 at Grumpy's Pub

For more information, please contact
George Sirdenis at 313-331-6309

Views from the VICE

Vice Commodore Gordon E. Morlan II

The Fifth Armed Service

The Cabinetry has been purchased, the obligatory pictures of moving vans at the White House are appearing, and the real world, or what passes for the real world in our capitol, is returning. Perhaps it will be back to business all too soon.

As tax cuts and overall budgets are considered, one item sail club members should be especially aware of is the budget of our nation's fifth armed service, the U.S. Coast Guard. The Coast Guard is tiny compared to the Army, Navy, Air Force or Marines, with only 34,000 personnel. Its \$4 billion budget is insignificant when compared with our overall defense budget.

The Coast Guard provides a needed service on a daily basis. In a typical year they answer 50,000 distress calls, save 5,000 lives, and provide 34,000 safety inspections, thereby affecting all who use the waters. Add to this the enforcement of both illegal drugs and illegal immigrants entering the country. Then add the enforcement of fishing and environmental laws and the related on-site inspections, which make our waters a better place.

Yet, with all of these worthwhile activities, the Coast Guard budget has been cut 12 percent over the last five years.

As we consider tax cuts, paying off the debt, and ways to strengthen our nation, we should consider this fifth armed service and the many ways it serves us.

Deterioration of this service will affect us all. When you write your usual letters to your U.S. senators and representatives, consider mentioning the need to strengthen support for our important United States Coast Guard.

If you believe that the GPSC should take a more active role in informing officials of our support for such agencies, please discuss your ideas with any member of the bridge.

\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$ Save Money \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$
GPSC members are eligible for BOAT/US's group membership rate of \$9.50 annually, a 50% discount.
For membership and renewal call 1.800.395.2628 and give them the Group # GA816495.

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**

**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.

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Brought up by the REAR . . .

Rear Commodore Norman Samra I

Blow, Blow, Thou Winter Wind;
by William Shakespeare

Blow, blow, thou winter wind.
Thou art so unkind
As man's ingratitude.
Thy tooth is not so keen.
Because thou art not seen,
 Although thy breath be rude.
Heigh ho! Sing, heigh-ho! Unto the green holly.
Most friendship is feigning, most loving mere folly.
Then, heigh-ho, the holly!
 This life most jolly.

Freeze, freeze, thou bitter sky,
That dost not bite so nigh
 As benefits forgot.
Though thou the waters warp
Thy sting is not so sharp
 As friend remembered not.
Heigh ho! Sing, heigh-ho! Unto the green holly.
Most friendship is feigning, most loving mere folly.
Then, heigh-ho, the holly!
 This life most jolly.

Pity poor Shakespeare. Here's looking forward to our gentle June winds and true friends in the GPSC, the "friendliest club on the lake."

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.

Mark your Calendars for GPSC 2001 Events!

FEBRUARY

3-4 WINTER WEEKEND
5 BOARD MEETING

24 DRY DOCK

MARCH

5 BOARD MEETING
16 ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY

APRIL

2 BOARD MEETING
7 COMMODORE'S STEAK ROAST
29 FAMILY BRUNCH

MAY

7 BOARD MEETING
12 NSSC TUNE-UP REGATTA
19 GLYC REGATTA
20 DETROIT RIVER CHALLENGE RACE
26 DYC REGATTA
29 SPRING SERIES BEGINS
 POST RACE PARTY
 FLEET BLESSING

JUNE

1-3 BYC NOOD REGATTA
5, 12, 19, 26 SPRING SERIES RACES
8 MILLS RACE
15 WYC OVERNIGHT REGATTA
23-24 SUMMER RENDEZVOUS
30 DBC REGATTA

JULY

7 REGATTA AND AWARDS PARTY
10 LAST SPRING SERIES RACE
17, 31 SUMMER SERIES RACES
21 PORT HURON TO MACKINAC RACE

AUGUST

4 GLYC DOWNRIVER RACE
5 GLYC DEEP WATER RACE
6-8 ILYA BAY WEEK
7, 14, 21, 28 SUMMER SERIES RACES
11-12 GPYC REGATTA
17 LADIES RACE AND PARTY
18 EBC REGATTA
25 CSYC REGATTA
28 POST TUESDAY NIGHT RACE PARTY

SEPTEMBER

1-3 FALL RENDEZVOUS
8 DYC SWEEPSTAKES REGATTA
10 BOARD MEETING
15 BYC/GPYC LONG DISTANCE REGATTA
16 FALL SERIES RACES #1 & #2
22 GPYC BLUENOSE REGATTA
23 FALL SERIES RACES #3 & #4
28 NEW MEMBERS' PARTY
29 BYC NORTH CHANNEL RACE

OCTOBER

1 BOARD MEETING
5 BYC MACKINAC AWARDS

7 FROSTBITE RACE AND CHILI PARTY
20 LOBSTER ROAST

NOVEMBER

- 1 DRYA ANNUAL MEETING – BYC
- 2 DRYA AWARDS DINNER – GPYC
- 5 BOARD MEETING

**GPSC X-COUNTRY SKI WEEKEND
IS ALMOST HERE!!**

Probably the most eagerly anticipated event of the entire year, the Grosse Pointe Sail Club's ever-popular Cross Country Ski Weekend is scheduled to take place **Saturday, February 3, and Sunday, February 4**, at the fabulous **Breakers on the Bay*** (formerly known as The Castaways Hotel) just west of Port Austin, Michigan.

Featuring:

Cross country skiing on groomed trails

- Unforgettable photo opportunities for non-skiers
- Cozy fireside storytelling sessions
- Beverages that will warm the cockles of your heart
- Food so good it will leave you begging for more
- Maybe even a romantic midnight dip in the hot tub
- The unmatched camaraderie of our members and their guests

Look for details and a sign-up sheet in the December Anchorline. Anyone who wants to help make this year's weekend the best ever, please contact Com. Larry Haggart or Lady Lynne at 313-882-6028. See you on February 3 & 4!

*Or other similarly spectacular facility near Port Austin.

2001 ROSTER UPDATE

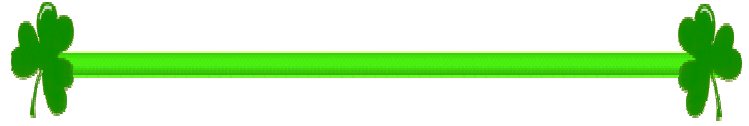
NEW MEMBERS:

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

9 GPSC AWARDS PARTY
17 DRY DOCK

DECEMBER

- 7 ANNUAL MEETING
- 9 CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY



MARK YOUR CALENDARS !!

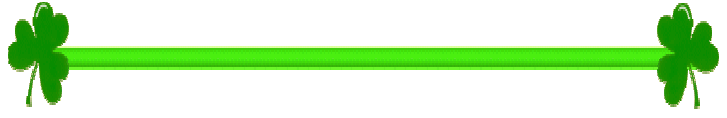
FRIDAY MARCH 16, 2001

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY

**TOMPKINS COMMUNITY
CENTER
WINDMILL POINTE PARK**



**DETAILED INFORMATION WILL
BE IN THE FEBRUARY
ANCHORLINE**



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