

Lake Erie Water Levels

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. What causes Lake Erie water levels to change?

A. About 80% of the water flowing into Lake Erie comes through the Detroit River from the Upper Great

Lakes. As a result, the level of Lake Erie is determined primarily by precipitation in the watersheds of five states, two Canadian provinces that drain into the Upper Great Lakes, and by evaporation from the surface of the Upper Great Lakes. The volume of water in the Upper Great Lakes and inflow to Lake Erie, increases during periods of higher precipitation and lower evaporation causing the level of Lake Erie to rise. Conversely, the volume of water in the Upper Great Lakes and inflow to Lake Erie decrease during periods of lower precipitation and higher evaporation causing the level of Lake Erie to decline. Present lower levels in Lake Erie are the result of reduced precipitation and increased evaporation in the Upper Great Lakes since the winter of 1997-1998.

Long-term changes in lake level occur when changes in precipitation and evaporation last several years to decades. For example, from 1973 to 1997 normal to above-normal precipitation in the Upper Great lakes increased the inflow of water to Lake Erie, and the lake was above normal for most of this period. Long-term changes range from five to six feet.

Superimposed on the long-term changes in lake level are annual changes that occur as water from melting snow and spring rains enter the Great Lakes drainage system causing lake levels to rise. Lake level normally peaks by early summer, and then declines during the summer and fall in response to decreased precipitation and increased evaporation. The difference between mid-summer high and mid-winter low is typically about 1.5 feet.

Q. What are Lake Erie water levels today?

A. As of December 2001, Lake Erie was about 4 inches below the long-term average for December. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers maintains a Web site

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Ahoy from the Communications Committee!

The Communications Committee, chaired by Pat Geary and co-chaired by Michael Sullivan, is the newest committee formed by the EYC.

To date, the Communications Committee has had four meetings, starting in February 2002. The Communications Committee has a number of purposes and goals. We also have made some fast progress since our first meeting.

The main purpose of the Communications Committee is to create awareness of the Erie Yacht Club within the Erie community and, more specifically, to appeal to younger members of the community to join the Erie Yacht Club. The Communications Committee will identify strengths of the EYC and effectively communicate those strengths to potential members. That includes taking advantage of existing events and creating new events to attract potential members, as well as producing materials that are needed to effectively communicate to future members.

Since its inception, the Communications Committee has produced a 4-color brochure, the first of its kind ever developed by the EYC. The Communications Committee will also participate in an Insight Erie event to be held at the EYC. Representatives will be on hand to promote the EYC and answer any questions.

The Communications Committee has also reviewed membership and initiation fee structures in an attempt to make recommendations to the bridge regarding a reconfiguration of these fees. The goal is to make membership for young people a little less financially burdensome.

The Communications Committee usually meets on Thursdays at the EYC. If anyone would like to participate or submit ideas, contact Pat Geary at pkgsail@yahoo.com.

Thank You, P/C Pat Geary

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<http://huron.lre.usace.army.mil/levels/weekly.html> that provides up-to-date information on current Great Lakes water levels.

Q. What are Lake Erie water levels going to be like this summer?

A. Each month, the U.S. Army corps of Engineers prepares a six-month forecast of lake levels. For June 2002, the Corps forecasts Lake Erie will be eight to ten inches below the long-term mean monthly level for June, which is about the same as the June 2001 levels. These forecasts are available at the U.S. Army corps of Engineers' Web site <http://huron.lre.usace.army.mil/levels/erie.pdf>. Changing climactic conditions complicate the forecasting of future lake levels. A cold winter with above normal snowfall in the Upper Great Lakes, extensive ice cover to reduce evaporation, and normal or above normal spring rain would cause Lake Erie to rise higher than the forecast. Conversely, a mild winter with below normal snow and little ice cover followed by a dry spring would result in a rise lower than the forecast.



Q. How have Lake Erie water levels varied historically?

A. Lake levels were at or slightly above the long-term average in the late 1800s, generally well below the long-term average from 1890 to 1967, and generally above the long-term average from 1968 through 2000. For the period of record (1860-2000), the difference between the highest monthly average and the lowest monthly average is about 6 feet, and the difference between the highest yearly average and the lowest yearly average is about five feet. Long-term changes in lake level result from long-term changes in precipitation and evaporation. Likewise, seasonal changes in lakes level occur in response to annual changes in precipitation and evaporation in the basin, with lake levels generally lower in the winter and higher in the summer. Dramatic short-term changes in lake level (several feet over a few hours) can occur due to strong winds associated with changing weather systems. During severe storm events, the difference in water level between Buffalo and Toledo can exceed 16 feet.

Q. Can we control Lake Erie water levels?

A. No. A common "urban legend" is that there are water-level-control structures located on the Niagara River designed to control Lake Erie water levels; however, no such controls exist. Only Lake Superior and Lake Ontario have water-level-control structures, and regulation of these lakes is governed by treaty with Canada.

Q. Can I get my boat in the water?

A. Most launch ramp facilities provide adequate water for safe launching and retrieval of boats. However, low lake levels may limit access to smaller, shallower draft boats that can navigate through shallow areas to deeper waters. When planning a boating trip on lake Erie, it is advisable to call ahead at your preferred launch area for current conditions.

Q. Where can I get lake Erie charts?

A. Navigation charts for Lake Erie are available from local marinas, bait shops, and other outlets. They are also available on the Internet.

Q. Where can I get more information about changing Lake Erie water levels?

A. For more in-depth information about Lake Erie water levels, check out information on ODNR'S Web site at: <http://ohiodnr.com/water/coastal/costlinks.htm> or call ODNR'S Coastal Services Center at (814) 626-4296 or (888) 644-6267.



for the latest in
Club Activities
www.erieyachtclub.org

You can now read the latest edition of *The Log* on the Club Web site. Just go to **www.erieyachtclub.org** for your copy.

Other items on the Club Web site include:

- The latest updates on all Club activities.
- Junior Sailing updates and the 2002 Sailing Fleet schedule.
- Daily lunch specials. The day's specials will be posted by 10:30 am, Tuesday – Friday.

WELCOME New Members OF THE ERIE YACHT CLUB

The following were elected to
ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

Donald K. Richwine
Martin P. Eisert
Deborah A. Ferretti
William J. Miller
Jeffery D. Jones

The following were elected to
JUNIOR FAMILY MEMBERSHIP

Erin Wolford

Membership Information

If you are interested in transferring to another class of membership, please consult with the Club secretary or Club staff for all questions. All requests for transfer must be in writing to the Board of Directors.

We currently have openings for membership on our waiting list. Please advise your family and friends.

From the General Manager's Desk

As I sit here in the afternoon of April 20th, the staff is in the ballroom preparing for the 50s Dinner Show featuring Ronny Love and the Drifters. The band has just finished setting up and are starting to tune their instruments. They sound very good. I'll be back later to tell you how the night went.

A couple of months ago we sent out a survey to most of the members that our records indicate use the east launch ramp. First, let me say thank you for taking the time to return the information and comments where put to good use by those working on the project. After tabulating the results, it was evident that the top comments concerning the ramp were:

1. The ramp was too short and most trailer wheels were falling off the ramp.
2. The weed growth in and around the ramp was bad.
3. The angle of the ramp was too severe.

The Board decided that work needed to be done. A vote was taken and \$30,000 was approved to repair and upgrade the launch ramp. Work started on April 23rd and should be complete by the time you read this. As far as the weeds are concerned, we will have the area chemically treated and monitor its progress and clean up.

In a previous *Log* article, I believe I mentioned the board approving the installation of (5) fire alarm pull stations located at various points around the basin. These alarms are connected to the Club-house system and when activated will sound an alarm at the pull station as well as the clubhouse. A signal will then be sent to open the gate as well as notify the Fire Department. Each pull station right now has a red light on top. It's been brought to our attention that the light is quite bright and is even brighter than the red light at the entrance to the basin. To avoid a hazard to navigation, we are going to change the

lights to blue. Discussion has taken place in the board room that parents will be held responsible should children of a member open and activate an alarm. Should an alarm be pulled and the siren goes off, please look for anyone running from the pull station and report it to the Club.

The band just started for the evening and WOW! What a great sound. Dave Loose was quoted as saying "I love this s**t". More on that later.

It seems that each spring I write about the vandalism and or theft that has taken place. Well unfortunately, this year is no exception. A month or so ago we found our 6-foot, hand-carved wooden pelican missing. This month the photo of the flagship Niagara was taken off the wall in the lobby. The pelican has been here since the 1996 Winter Carnival, while the Niagara photo was donated by member Bob Nelson back

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Frollic on the Bay

Monday,
July 8, 2002



9:30^{am} - 2:00^{pm}
at the
Erie Yacht Club

If you would like to donate or volunteer, call Jim Finn at
453-6966.

This is the 12th year for this popular charitable event. Last year, over 160 children that are physically challenged, and their families, were able to enjoy this special day, thanks to your support. Once again, we are offering this opportunity to clients of MECA/United Cerebral Palsy, Muscular Dystrophy Association, Make-A-Wish Foundation, Achievement Center, Multiple Sclerosis Society, and Special Kids Network.

Please plan to donate your boat and your time to make this possible. The Erie Yacht Club will hold this event with the support from the Zem Zem Zailors, Commodore Perry Yacht Club and the Presque Isle Yacht Club. Volunteers are also needed to assist in boarding and departing the boats.

Note: Children are assisted and accompanied by a guardian or parent.

Mail-In Boat Registration Form - Frollic on the Bay

Boat Name: _____

Skipper: _____

Phone #: _____

Number of Passengers: 2-4-5-6 or More: _____

(Select a safe number of guests you can accommodate)

Note: Children are assisted and accompanied by a guardian or parent.

Please return to
EYC
by JULY 5, 2002

Send to:

Erie Yacht Club
P.O. Box 648
Erie, PA 16512

U.S. Customs Service

Entering the United States by Private Vessel

The Consolidated Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 1985 authorizes the U.S. Customs Service to collect fees on incoming commercial vehicles, private aircraft, and private vessels. You are required to pay the fee if:

- You operate a vehicle for commercial purposes that enters the United States. **You may pay the per-crossing fee each time the vehicle enters, which is \$5.00** if entering from Canada and \$9.75 if entering from Mexico; **or, you may pay the fee in the form of a decal**, which is purchased annually and affixed to the vehicle. That vehicle can then enter an unlimited number of times during the calendar year.
- You operate a private aircraft, including a corporate aircraft, that enters the United States. In order to qualify as a private aircraft requiring a decal, the aircraft cannot carry passengers who pay airfare.
- You operate a private vessel that is 30 feet or more in length that enters the United States.

For 2002, the costs of the U.S. Customs User Fee Decal Program are as follows:

- Private Vessel Decal (30 feet or more in length) \$25.00(U.S.) per calendar year
- Commercial Vehicle Decal (Canadian Border) \$100.00(U.S.) per calendar year

- Commercial Vehicle Decal (Mexican Border) \$195.00(U.S.) per calendar year

OPTIONS FOR APPLYING FOR DECALS:

- **ONLINE** – Whether you are ordering decals for the first time, or you are renewing your decals, you can do so by applying for 2002 **online**. If you prefer to use this method to renew your decals, you should disregard the renewal package you will receive in the mail. Applying online is fast and easy, and the system is very user friendly. (To receive your order in 4 to 6 days, use a "ship to" address in the United States and select the overnight courier shipping option.)

Note: Your web browser must be set for 128 bit encryption to apply for decals online.

If you would like to apply for your 2002 decals online, please click on:

<https://tradelinks.mellon.com/cgi-bin/tsmenu.pl/cstm>

- Beginning in September 2001, U.S. Customs will **send** User Fee Decal 2002 renewal applications to all customers who purchased calendar year 2001 User Fee Decals. The renewal form will list all the information the customer provided for the purchase of the 2001 decal. Instructions will be included for the completion of the application. The renewal form has been

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From the General Manager's Desk (cont. from page 3)

in 1991. These things, as well as the continuous writing on the new men's room wall-paper, have to make you wonder what kind of people do this. But on with the good things.

Keep an eye on your flyers and checkout the Club Web site for all the new events we've prepared for you this summer. We'll expand our Express Lunch Buffet to include a cookout on the deck each Friday, weather permitting. We plan on cooking hamburgers, hot dogs and chicken from 11:30 to 1:30.

Watch for Crazy Hat Night in June, Crazy Shirt Night in July, and we finish the summer with Crazy Outfit Night in August. All will be in conjunction with our famous Sunset Happy Hour with DJ Toby.

Most everyone in Erie is familiar with Marty O'Connor; well we have Marty performing for the dinner crowd on one Saturday in June, July and August. The official start of our season will begin on Opening Day, which will feature the great jazz of Mary Alice Brown.

Back from a photo run, I have Commodore Dick doing the Funky Chicken with the bandleader, as well as other photos of members dancing it up. This is a terrific band and a terrific night at the Club.

Remember, just because you don't have a reservation for a Club event doesn't mean you can't come down later and enjoy the music. Although we would love to have all members fully participate in Club events that include dinner, you are more than welcome to come down later with friends to dance and enjoy the entertainment.

This season will mark the first year in over a decade that our old friend John Machuga will not be manning his post at the gate. I ask all members to be a little patient with the new guard as he becomes more familiar with everyone.

That's it for now, and remember to have a safe and enjoyable boating season.

Michael Lynch
General Manager



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MAY 25, 2002**

**7:00 PM
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**7:30 PM
DINNER**

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GRATUITY**

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& PARTYING
BY "THE GRADUATES"**



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SKEWERS
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goes on...**

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DICK ROBERTSON
COMMODORE



Commodore's Report

Did you know that EYC has its own wishing well? Check it out! You can find it by watching our Board and Bridge members. They all go there often! It's our own launch well. Bill Vogel put in a gauge a few years ago when I was Vice Commodore. We all watched it go down, down, down and finally, wishfully, hopefully, it is going up. My guess is we will gain a foot over last year's level.

So thank you goes out to all the members we have had to move. We have been able to keep everyone boating, and that is what our Club's all about.

This year Debbie and I joined the EYC bowling league. This is a hidden gem of fun and quite often you can hear the song "Red, Red Wine" being sung. We could use another four teams.

Kay Fritts is starting two new events this season; the first ever EYC Bocce League and Yoga classes. Both will be held out at the EYC Lighthouse. Call Kay for more information at 866-3981. Lady Di will be selling authentic Yoga matts! Both events sound like fun.

Have a great boating season.

Commodore
Dick

Dinner & Drinks with Marty O'Connor

*performing
7 to 11 pm*

*Saturday,
June 8th*

*Saturday,
July 13th*

*Saturday,
August 10th*



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Entering the United States by Private Vessel

redesigned to include mailing and payment options on the last page of the form, thus eliminating the need to also fill out a separate CF-339 (Annual User Fee Decal Request). Incorrect information should be revised and missing information provided on the preprinted renewal form. Customers who wish to receive 2002 decals for conveyances that did not have them in 2001 may include the new conveyances in the space provided on the renewal form. We recommend that applicants provide all information requested per the instructions to avoid our having to return the application without a decal. Please contact your local Customs office for free assistance if needed.

- If you do not receive a renewal application in the mail, you may obtain an Annual User Fee Decal Request Form (CF-339):
(a) from a local U.S. Customs port, (b) by calling Decal Inquiries at (317) 298-1200, ext. 1245, or (c) by downloadable form via the Internet at <http://www.customs.gov/travel/forms.htm>.

All information on the CF-339 must be complete. No abbreviations are permitted, except certain universally accepted address elements, i.e., state or province, street, drive, avenue, and the like. Applicants from Canada and Mexico should take care not to use abbreviations common only to their particular country as application processors may not be familiar with them. If your address is not clear, the issuance of the decals will be delayed.

REPLACEMENTS:

When a decal has been damaged because of repairs or repainting of the conveyance, the following documents must be submitted to get a replacement decal:

- A copy of the initial CF-339 returned to you with the decal number assigned.
- A copy of the repair or painting bill, signed by the company that performed the work, with the company's name and address on the signed invoice or letterhead. If your conveyance is:

A Vessel - Identify the unit and any name changes. A signed statement with a brief explanation of the circumstances that required the repair or repainting, with a contact name and telephone number.

EXCHANGES:

Each decal is assigned to a specific conveyance, and therefore cannot be transferred to another one. U.S. Customs will issue a new decal at no charge for a different conveyance if a written request is postmarked no more than 30 days after the original decal was issued. The following items must be submitted with this request:

- The CF-339 returned to you with the decal numbers assigned,
- The unused decals, and
- A new CF-339 for the conveyances that will be assigned new decals

PAYMENT:

PAYMENTS MUST BE MADE PAYABLE TO U. S. CUSTOMS AND DRAWN ON A UNITED STATES BANK IN U.S. DOLLARS. FUNDS DRAWN ON A FOREIGN BANK IN U.S. FUNDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. PAYMENTS THAT DO NOT MEET THIS CRITERION WILL BE RETURNED WITH THE APPLICATION TO THE APPLICANT UNPROCESSED. CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED THROUGH VISA, MasterCard, American Express OR DISCOVER.

DELIVERY OPTIONS:

There are various mailing options available for the delivery of decal orders. The applicant is responsible for the cost of the optional shipping method requested. Selection of the optional shipping method will require a second payment instrument or an additional charge to the credit card for the additional cost involved. Applications will be returned when there is only one payment instrument for the decal order and the optional shipping costs. As used below, the term "per application" for the purpose of determining shipping costs is defined as **the same name and "ship to" address for all the decals requested, regardless of quantity.**

If your "ship to" address is within the United States, your shipping options are:

Standard first class mail. This will be the method used to ship your decal order, unless you select the overnight shipping option. U. S. Customs will provide first class mail service at no cost to the customer.

Overnight courier, usually Airborne Express. There is an additional cost of \$6.00 per application for this service, and it will require 2 payment instruments; 1 for the decals, and 1 for the shipping. If a credit card is the method of payment, Customs will place 2 charges against the card; 1 for the decals, and 1 for the shipping.

QUICK SERVICE:

Applicants who wish to expedite the processing of their applications should use a credit card or money order for the payment, should provide a "ship to" address that is located in the United States, and should take advantage of the optional delivery method. The "ship to" address may be different from the residence or business address.

First Choice:

Applying for decals **online** via the Internet is quick because electronic processing is utilized. This is also the most accurate option for applying. To receive your order in 4 to 6 days, you may use a "ship to" address in the United States and select the optional shipping method. To use this method, click on the **online** button under **Options for Applying for Decals.**

Second Choice:

To receive a decal within 5 to 7 days, you may FAX your application to 412-234-3541, using a credit card for payment, indicating a "ship to" address in the United States, and select-

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PETE TRAPHAGEN
VICE COMMODORE



Vice Report

The good news is that the water level is predicted to be about five inches higher than last season – when I looked this morning it was 10-foot 10-inches in the well. That takes the pressure off, but we will still put together a contingency dredging plan and renewed our permit in case we're faced with a reversal in the near future.

On a cold and dreary day, Bill Vogel, with the help of members Legler, Tucker, Hertel and eight other divers from around the area, searched the basin for debris and obstacles. They placed markers on the spots and their on-shore team marked those spots on a copy of the basin plan. When the Rumbal crew is here for other dock maintenance they will attempt to rid the basin of these obstructions. Thanks, guys and gal!

The J-Dock piers have been lowered with a system that makes it easy to restore them to walkway height in the event of higher water. Why J-Dock piers? In 1985 the entire J-K walkway and finger pier system was raised 12" making it the highest in the basin. The J piers are shorter than the K piers and the smaller boats in these slips are faced with the most difficulty in getting on and off in this low water cycle.

We have a similar problem with the shorter piers at the end of O Dock and H Dock. We

thought floating piers might serve us there. The underwater configuration at H prevents optimum use of floaters. When all the costs were in on the O Dock project, it was obvious that the costs far outweighed the benefits. Consequently, those piers on H and O docks will also be lowered with the two-step system.

As this is being written, planning is being done for improvements to the launch ramp. We are hoping to complete that project by Opening Day. Many thanks to member George Willis for his expert help in this area.

Other projects that are in the works: restoring the integrity of the bulkhead directly in front of the Clubhouse and upgrading A Dock. We hope to have comprehensive plans ready for these projects to be undertaken at the end of this season.

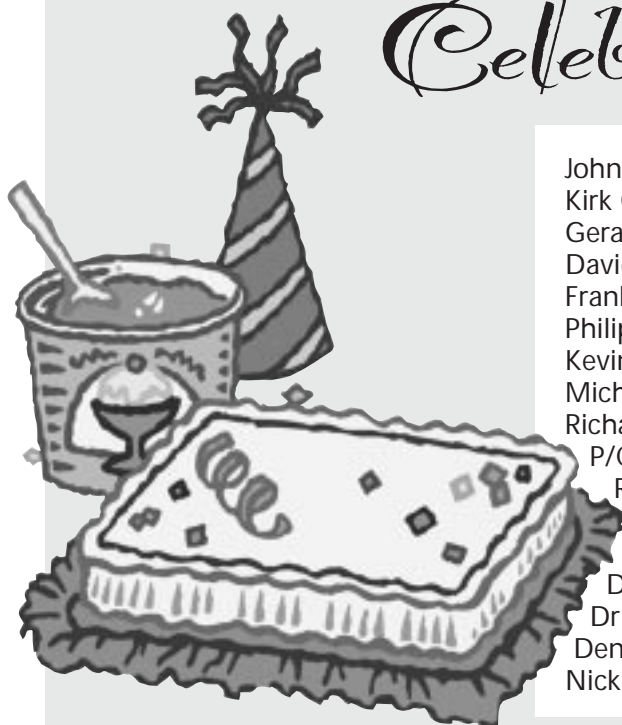
By the time you read this, slip assignments will have been made – all slips are filled.

Opening Day will soon be here! May this season be even better for you than last.

Peter Traphagen
Vice Commodore



Celebrating Birthdays in J



John Sarbak	May 1	Jon Tushak	May 7
Kirk Groenendaal	May 1	Katie Mascharka	May 10
Gerald Urbaniak	May 2	Betsy Swoap	May 11
David McBrier	May 3	Eugene Martin	May 12
Frank Chiz	May 4	Robert Christensen	May 12
Philip Zacks	May 4	Edward Dahlkemper	May 12
Kevin Smith	May 4	Donald Ackerman	May 14
Michael Hammer	May 4	P/C Kerry Schwab	May 14
Richard Griffith	May 5	Chester Bixby	May 14
P/C Clarke Bressler	May 6	John Hilbert	May 14
Robert Doyle	May 6	David Moore	May 15
Daniel Nowakowski	May 6	Douglas Fisher	May 15
Michael McCormick	May 7	P/C William Lasher	May 15
Dr. John Nicklas	May 7	Vincent Cifelli	May 15
Dr. Jan Brydon	May 7	Timothy Polaski	May 15
Dennis Carlson	May 7	Frank Jarecki Jr.	May 15
Nick Stefanovski	May 7	William Eckert	May 16



ANDY HANKS
REAR COMMODORE

*Thanks to the efforts of
Holly Wolford O'Hare and
Mike Lynch, Erieyachtclub.org
has recently been placed on
the "Ten Best" yacht club
Websites by burgees.com*

Rear Report

This is the time of year we have been longing for. We have a summer full of boating and social events. May is absolutely full, starting with the Derby Day Party, Ladies' Tea, Mother's Day, Lobsterfest, and Opening Day Ceremonies. Make your reservations early.

June starts our always-popular Sunset Happy Hour on the deck. We also have an evening of Karaoke on May 17th, so warm up those vocal cords. We are also going to try grilling-out for the Express Lunch Buffet on Fridays.

Recently, you received a form in the mail asking for corrections to the data sheet provided. If you have not made corrections and returned the form, please do so now. Even if all your information is correct, return it in the stamped pre-addressed envelope. This data will assist the Board and management in our efforts to continually improve communications with the membership. Please include your E-MAIL address. This will be used for EYC purposes only.

Most of us have some access to the Internet these days. If you have not visited our Web site, please do. Thanks to the efforts of Holly Wolford O'Hare and Mike Lynch, Erieyachtclub.org has recently been placed on the "Ten Best" yacht club Web sites by burgees.com. Not much you need to know about the Club, wind, weather or boating that cannot be found at that site.

Let's start the summer out right. Come join us for our traditional 108th Erie Yacht Club Opening Day ceremonies. Let's pray for sunshine, high water and a long, warm, safe boating season. See you there...

— RC Andy

May



Albert Policano	May 17	James Taylor, Jr.	May 22	William Bloomstine	May 28
Garry Minadeo	May 17	Dr. Gary Brotherson	May 23	Dr. John Damcott	May 28
James Pratt	May 17	Gregory Sorce	May 23	David Walker, III	May 28
John Robertson	May 17	John Willow	May 23	Michael Squeglia	May 28
Peter Reyburn	May 18	Carl Berry	May 23	Cynthia Loesel-Taylor	May 29
Peggy Motsch	May 18	Scott Miller	May 23	David Briggs	May 29
L. Tim Brugger	May 19	Bruce Raimy	May 24	Michael Victor	May 29
John Peterson	May 19	Michael Redlawsk	May 24	Donald Steva	May 30
Garrett Fuhrman	May 19	W. A. Pysh	May 25	P/C Roy Strausbaugh	May 30
Richard Nichols	May 20	David Sanner	May 25	Paul Nunes	May 31
Tom Tushak	May 20	David Lasher	May 25	Charles Matts	May 31
Elizabeth Haller	May 21	James Brady	May 26	Nicholas Scott	May 31
Atty. Richard Klaber	May 21	Gary Cermak	May 26	Michael Sullivan	May 31
Dr. Allan Starr	May 21	John Dean	May 26	Aimee Nicolai	May 31
Tracy Ferrier	May 21	William Loose, Jr.	May 26		
Raymond Bujalski	May 22	M. James Merski	May 26		
Roger Richards	May 22	Donald Chase	May 27		



Celebrating Birthdays in June



William Legler June 1
 Ryan Starr June 1
 William Conner June 2
 Robert Nelson June 2
 William Schaaf, Jr. June 2
 Jon Swanson June 3
 Richard J. Weaver June 3
 Mary Porreco June 3
 David Schultz June 4
 Robert Fischer June 5
 Charles Bracken June 5
 Allen Rickloff June 5
 Jack Rozwadowski June 7
 Thomas Halmi June 7
 Richard Myerburg June 7
 Ronald Fretwell June 8
 Anthony Ferrari June 9
 Tyler Weidman June 9
 Michael Geiger June 10

Patrick Carrara June 11
 Douglas Nagle, IV June 11
 Dr. Elmer Stevens June 12
 William Coleman June 12
 Robert Parker, III June 12
 James Piersol June 13
 Gary Fritts June 13
 John Scheler June 13
 William Schaal, Sr. June 14
 William Kaufmann June 14
 Theresa Dietsch June 15
 Gordon Gebhardt June 15
 William Schaaf June 15
 Robert Irish June 15
 Paul Seligson June 16
 Leo J. Brugger, Jr June 16
 William Lillis June 16
 Peter Kalivoda June 16
 David Hunter June 17
 Larie Pinte June 17
 Arthur Kurtz June 17
 Mr. J. Gary Raimy June 18
 David DeMarco June 18
 John Zurn June 18
 William Loew June 19
 Peter Askey June 19

Charles Malec June 19
 Eugene Ware June 20
 Robert Ottman June 21
 Douglas Nelson June 21
 Frank Tooze June 22
 Fred Abbott June 22
 John Nowakowski June 22
 Otto Pasquale, Jr. June 22
 Kenneth Greenleaf June 23
 Fred Reymore June 23
 Robert J. McGee June 23
 Eric Ambro June 24
 James Wilcko June 24
 Chris Bloomstine June 24
 David Klett June 26
 Edward Glass June 27
 Frederick Meiser June 28
 Robert Lemon June 28
 Blair Kershaw June 28
 Howard Lincoln June 28
 Dr. Stanley Bogusz June 30
 John Wingerter June 30
 Everett Walker June 30
 Matthew Niemic June 30
 Luddy Corsi June 30



FUTURE "LOG" DATES & DEADLINES

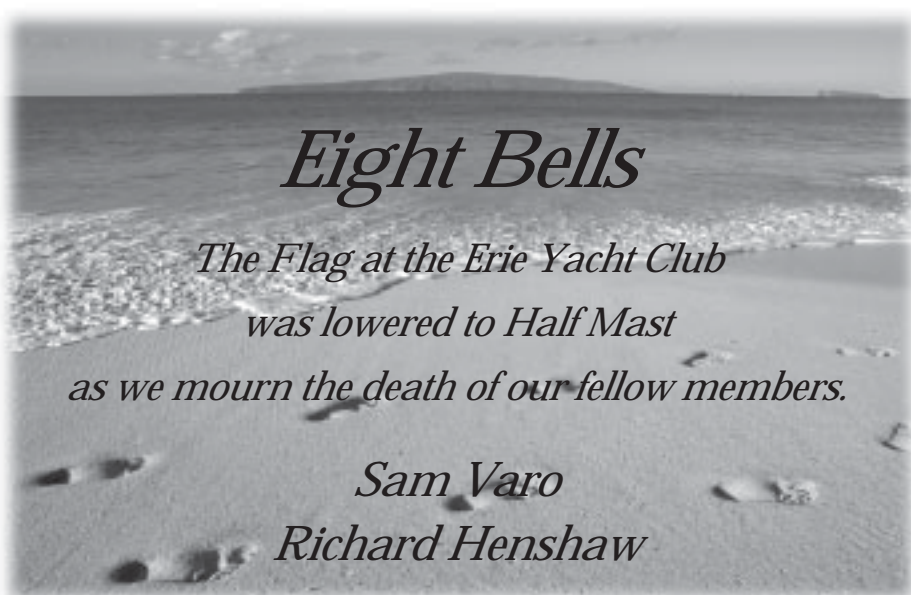
EDITION	DEADLINE
July/August '02	June 7, '02
September/October '02	August 7, '02
November/December '02 ...	October 1, '02 (election issue)
January/February '03	December 5, '02

Eight Bells

*The Flag at the Erie Yacht Club
 was lowered to Half Mast*

as we mourn the death of our fellow members.

*Sam Varo
 Richard Henshaw*



Ladies +1 Celebrity Bartender Nights

THURSDAYS AT 5:00 PM

- May 2nd Fleet Cap't. Richard Vicary
 May 9th Diane Smeragliuolo
 May 16th Amy Gorny
 May 23rd Tag Team of Kirsten McCain
 & Amy Baumann
 May 30th Molly Watts
 (she had so much fun the first
 time she had to do it again)



Do you sing in the shower?
 Do you sing along in the car?
 Are you a "closet" singer?

**Then I'm
talking to YOU!**

**Be the star
you are** 

at the

**EYC
Spring Karaoke Night**
 Friday, May 17, 2002
 9:00 pm
 in the Grill Room

Crazy Hat Night at the Sunset Happy Hour

Thursday, June 20th
5 to 7 pm

Wear the **craziest,
wackiest, most
Ridiculous hat** you
have and win the prize.

Judging will be done by crowd
applause at 6:30 pm



Crazy Shirt Night at the Sunset Happy Hour

Thursday, July 11th
5 to 7 pm

Wear the
**craziest,
wackiest, most
Ridiculous
shirt** you have
and win the
prize.

Judging will be done by crowd applause at
6:30 pm





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Get the pizza you love to eat in,
to Goooo!

FREE
2 LITER BOTTLE
OF PEPSI
OR DIET PEPSI
WITH THIS COUPON

\$7.95 
12 inch pie (8 slices)
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Catering

Members

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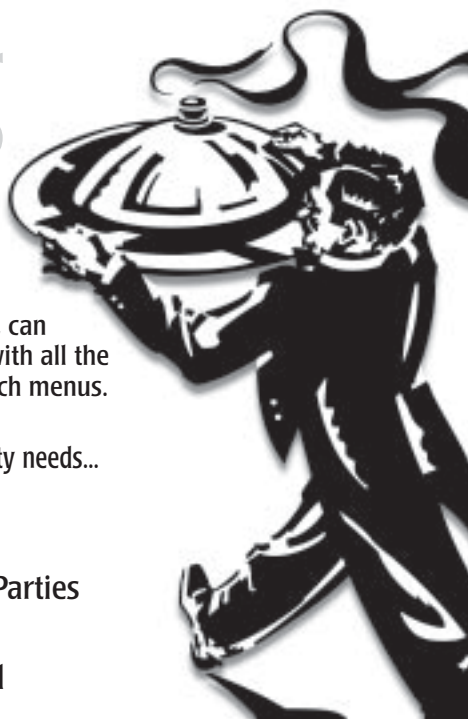
Our catering manager Mary Tarbrake, can help you arrange the perfect meeting with all the audio visual equipment and special lunch menus.

Remember to call Mary for all special party needs... or e-mail her at

catering@erieyachtclub.org

- Weddings • Showers • Christmas Parties
- Company Awards Banquets

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ing the optional overnight courier shipping method for U.S. addresses. If, instead, applicants opt to use first class mail, a check for payment, and/or a "ship to" address outside the United States, it may take 3 to 6 weeks before the decals are received.

MAILING ADDRESSES:

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Please mail your completed **Customs Form CF-339** with payment to:

REQUIRED INFORMATION:

Commercial Vehicle: A company or owner name, address, telephone number, make, year, and VIN.

Vessel: Company or owner name, address, telephone number, manufacturer's name, vessel name, year, and U.S. Coast Guard documentation number. If a Coast Guard documentation number is not available, then a local registration number is required. If neither a Coast Guard number or a local registration number is available, then the hull identification number is required.

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A decal will not be issued if any of the required information is missing. Please review your application carefully, and be sure that your payment is correct for the number and types of decals requested. Incomplete applications or applications that do not match the amount of the payment will have to be returned to you for correction, and we will use first class mail only.

INQUIRIES:

Questions should be directed to Decal Inquiries at (317) 298-1200, extension 1245, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. EST, or via email at decals@customs.treas.gov

The Drifters Dinner Show

Saturday, April 20, 2002



Interclub Racing Schedule

Day	Racing/Cruising	Parties
Friday, June 21	Skippers Meeting Erie	Party 1
Saturday, June 22	Erie Triangle	Party 2
Sunday, June 23	Erie — Port Dover	Party 3
Monday, June 24	Long Point Bay Race	Party 4
Tuesday, June 25	Port Dover to Colborne	Party 5
Wednesday, June 26	Colborne to Point Abino	Party 6
5 RACES		6 PARTIES
		11 EVENTS

For more information and registration forms visit:
www.erieinterclub.com



Sail through the EYC Express Lunch Buffet

featuring
our

Homemade Soup of the Day



Fresh-Cut Deli Meats & Cheeses, Salads and a Daily Hot Item



Hey!

We're Chillin' and Grillin'
on the deck every Friday
at lunch starting in June, weather permitting.

Tuesday thru Friday – 11:30 am to 1:30 pm



EMPLOYEES CELEBRATING *Birthdays in May*

Jacob McBride	Galley Service	May 4
Brian Keinath	Galley/Lounge	May 4
April Brooks	Galley/Lounge	May 5
Abby Gallo	Fuel Dock	May 10
Colleen O'Neil	Fuel Dock	May 12
William Vogel	Docks/Ground	May 18
Linda Cote	Lounge	May 23
Zack Kraut	Galley Service	May 30



EMPLOYEES CELEBRATING *Birthdays in June*

Kathy Rider	Accounting	June 9
Kristen Paul	Galley Service	June 15
Elizabeth King	Fuel Dock	June 18
Kimberly McConahy ...	Fuel Dock	June 24
Mark Eller	Accounting	June 30

C L A S S I F I E D S E C T I O N

27' TIARA. 1984, new outdrive, stand-up head, AM/FM/CD Stereo, sleeps 4 adults, many extras. \$17,000. Please call Ike Robertson at (412) 400-7119.

FOR SALE. 1979 Seafarer 30 Sailboat. Four sails, main jib, 150, and cruising chute. 12 hp Farymann diesel engine. Pressure water system, two batteries, compass, VHF, depth, and knot meter. Asking \$18,500. Contact Bob Russell at (724) 745-4914.

FOR SALE: SAILBOAT, US-1 15-ft. Cat Rig needs just a little work. "Make me an offer I can't refuse." Call Nick at 814/838-6640.

TRADITIONAL CAPE DORY 25'. Sleeps 4. Main, Genoa, Jib, teak trim, great shape. New England-style boat. Loaded. Call 870-1725.

32' ENDEAVOUR SLOOP, 1978. Original owner, family cruiser. Yanmar Dsl 20hp, pedestal steering, RF, fully batten main Dutchman system 110. Jib 150 Genoa cruising spinnaker chute scoop. Full galley, two-burner stove/oven. Ten opening ports/screens. Heat, hot water, sleeps six in comfort. VHF knot meter, depth sounder, documented, many extras. Excellent condition. Asking \$30,900. Call Philip Magnuson at (814) 456-1104.

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1980 CATALINA 27 (Barney). Diesel engine; Folding prop; 8 sails; digital knot and depth meters; auto helm; cockpit cushions; bottom-stripped and 7 coats Interlux epoxy; 3 coats of Baltoplate, professionally applied; storage cradle; two batteries; marine radio; anchor, 6' chain and 150' of nylon rope; cockpit sunshade w/ poles; hatch screens; man-overboard pole; enclosed head; two-burner alcohol stove; galley sink with hand pump; 3-time class champion; \$11,900. Phone Rick Barner: 459-1670 or 881-2208.

1985 SEARAY 30' WEEKENDER. Engines have less than 250 hrs. Call Doug at 459-8828.

Club Functions

May

- 1st Mid-Week Buffet — \$9.95
- 2nd Celebrity Bartender Night
with Fleet Captain Richard Vicary
- 4th Kentucky Derby Day 4 pm
in the Grill Room
- 5th Champagne Brunch 11 am - 2 pm
\$9.95
- 7th Ladies Auxiliary Spring
Luncheon and Fashion Show
- 8th Mid-Week Buffet — \$9.95
- 9th Celebrity Bartender Night
with Diane Smeragliuolo
- 12th MOTHER'S DAY BUFFET
serving from Noon to 5:30 pm
- 15th Mid-Week Buffet — \$9.95
- 16th Celebrity Bartender Night
with Amy Gorny
- 17th KARAOKE NIGHT 9 pm
in the Grill Room
- 19th Sunday Champagne Brunch 11 am - 2 pm
\$9.95
- 22nd ... Mid-Week Buffet — \$9.95
- 23rd Celebrity Bartender Night
with Kirsten McCain & Amy Baumann
- 24th LOBSTERFEST
with "Familiar Spirit"
- 25th SURVIVOR Erie Yacht Club
with "The Graduates"
- 26th Sunday Champagne Brunch 11 am - 2 pm
\$9.95
- 27th 108th OPENING DAY CEREMONY
Call to Colors 11:50 am
- 29th Mid-Week Buffet — \$9.95
- 30th Celebrity Bartender Night
with Molly Watts

June

- 2nd Sunday Champagne Brunch 11 am - 2 pm
\$9.95
- 5th Mid-Week Buffet — \$9.95
- 6th Sunset Happy Hour on the Deck 5 pm
with DJ Toby
- 1-lb. LOBSTER NIGHT — \$24.00
- 8th Marty O'Conner Performs 7-11 pm
in the Grill Room
- 9th Sunday Champagne Brunch 11 am - 2 pm
\$9.95
- 12th Mid-Week Buffet — \$9.95
- 13th Sunset Happy Hour on the Deck 5 pm
with DJ Toby
- 1-lb. LOBSTER NIGHT — \$24.00
- 14th Dock Party at the Lighthouse 7 pm
G-H-I Dock
- 16th Sunday Champagne Brunch 11 am - 2 pm
\$9.95
- 19th Mid-Week Buffet — \$9.95
- 20th CRAZY HAT NIGHT at the
SUNSET HAPPY HOUR on the DECK 5 pm
with DJ Toby
- 1-lb. LOBSTER NIGHT — \$24.00
- 21st INTER-CLUB REGATTA 7 pm
entertainment by "Key West Express"
- 22nd ... INTER-CLUB REGATTA 8 pm
with DJ "Special Forces"
- 23rd Sunday Champagne Brunch 11 am - 2 pm
\$9.95
- 26th Mid-Week Buffet — \$9.95
- 27th Sunset Happy Hour on the Deck 5 pm
with DJ Toby
- 1-lb. LOBSTER NIGHT — \$24.00
- 28th Dock Party at the Lighthouse 7 pm
J & K Dock
- 30th Sunday Champagne Brunch 11 am - 2 pm
\$9.95

July

- 3rd Mid-Week Buffet — \$9.95
- 4th Sunset Happy Hour on the Deck 5 pm
with DJ Toby
- 7th Sunday Champagne Brunch 11 am - 2 pm
\$9.95
- 8th FROLIC-ON-THE-BAY Charity Event
- 10th Mid-Week Buffet — \$9.95
- 11th CRAZY HAT NIGHT at the
SUNSET HAPPY HOUR on the DECK 5 pm
with DJ Toby
- 12th Dock Party at the Lighthouse 7 pm
L-M-N-O Docks
- 13th Marty O'Conner Performs 7-11 pm
in the Grill Room
- 14th Sunday Champagne Brunch 11 am - 2 pm
\$9.95
- 17th Mid-Week Buffet — \$9.95
- 18th Sunset Happy Hour on the Deck 5 pm
with DJ Toby
- 19th Dock Party at the Lighthouse 7 pm
A-B-C-D-E-F Docks
- 21st Sunday Champagne Brunch 11 am - 2 pm
\$9.95
- 24th Mid-Week Buffet — \$9.95
- 25th Sunset Happy Hour on the Deck 5 pm
with DJ Toby
- 26th FISH FRY 7 pm
entertainment by "Endless Summer"
- 28th Sunday Champagne Brunch 11 am - 2 pm
\$9.95
- 31st Mid-Week Buffet — \$9.95



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August

- 1st Sunset Happy Hour on the Deck 5 pm
with DJ Toby
- 2nd SECOND ANNUAL EYC CAST-A-WAY
CLASSIC GOLF TOURNAMENT
- 4th Sunday Champagne Brunch 11 am - 2 pm
\$9.95
- 7th Mid-Week Buffet — \$9.95
- 8th Sunset Happy Hour on the Deck 5 pm
with DJ Toby
- 10th Marty O'Conner Performs 7-11 pm
in the Grill Room
- 11th Sunday Champagne Brunch 11 am - 2 pm
\$9.95
- 13th JUNIOR SAILING BANQUET 6:30 pm
- 14th Mid-Week Buffet — \$9.95
- 15th Sunset Happy Hour on the Deck 5 pm
with DJ Toby
- 16th STEAK & CORN ROAST 7 pm
entertainment by "Encore"
- 18th Sunday Champagne Brunch 11 am - 2 pm
\$9.95
- 21st Mid-Week Buffet — \$9.95

- 22nd ... CRAZY OUTFIT NIGHT at the
SUNSET HAPPY HOUR on the DECK 5 pm
with DJ Toby
- 25th Sunday Champagne Brunch 11 am - 2 pm
\$9.95
- MS REGATTA
- 28th Mid-Week Buffet — \$9.95
- 29th Sunset Happy Hour on the Deck 5 pm
with DJ Toby

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