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CYC Lighted Boat Parade Announced
Hunter's Moon Festival, October 14th



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CYC LIGHTED BOAT PARADE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2017



Something pretty electrifying will be floating by you in the near future! As you know, Grand Rivers is holding its annual Hunter's Moon Festival on Saturday, October 14. It's an entertaining event filled with arts and crafts, great food, and fun opportunities to mingle with our friends and tourists. So we asked ourselves how we could extend that excitement just a bit longer! The Commonwealth Yacht Club is hosting a Lighted Boat Parade, and we are looking for YOU to participate! In addition to inviting boaters from other local marinas, the public is welcomed to join in the fun too! If you have a boat and want to "dress her up" a bit, then contact me or John for more information. Our journey will begin exactly at 6:30 pm on the west side of Kentucky Dam (in the area close to the entrance to Kentucky Dam Marina). We will cross over Kentucky Lake, past Lighthouse Landing (where the judges will be watching closely), through the canal to Barkley Lake and then back up to Green Turtle Bay Resort for food, drinks and prizes at the new Thirsty Turtle Tavern. If you do not have a slip at Green Turtle Bay, the resort is offering free dockage that night for nonresidents / nonmembers at the Thirsty Turtle's docks. Dock Greeters will be on hand with assistance. Are we supposed to save the best for last? You bet! Cash prizes certainly spice things up a bit! The 1st place prize winner takes home \$500 – and this is not a joke! The 2nd place winner will get \$300, while the 3rd place winner earns a respectable \$150. To participate, sign up online by September 30 by emailing either glyeger@yahoo.com or jgraybill812@aol.com. There is NO entry fee to participate. For those of you who simply want to watch the parade, a good viewing spot is at Lighthouse Landing on Kentucky Lake. We hope that you will join us! Gina Yegerlehner (glyeger@yahoo.com or 812-306-6878) or John Graybill (jgraybill812@aol.com or 812-449-0910).



Warrior Bonfire Program

September 7 - 11, Green Turtle Bay Resort

In the later part of 2012, the vision of the Warrior Bonfire Program began to form in the mind of our founder, Dan Fordice, as he often looked-for ways to serve and help his fellow veterans who suffered from injuries both physical and mental. Dan served for a total of 13 years between the U.S. Army and the Mississippi National Guard and it is truly his passion to find resources and connections to relieve any possible obstacle. Dan found himself in a conversation with SFC (RET. USA) Charles Gregory Williams, who sustained a Traumatic Brain Injury when a Rocket Propelled Grenade struck and exploded 50-Cal ammunition box two feet from his head and was later medically retired for wounds received while in combat. Greg commented that he could spend a full day with a PhD certified counselor and not come close to the therapeutic value of sitting around a bonfire with five or six guys who were there. Dan quickly responded, "We will provide the bonfire!".

In January of 2013, the organization held its first Bonfire Trip at Valley Park, Mississippi and the Bonfire has been burning ever since. To date the Warrior Bonfire Program has held forty-two Bonfire Trips and thirty-one other events in sixteen states serving over 300 Purple Heart Recipients from across the nation.

The Warrior Bonfire Program is committed to providing opportunities that improve the lives of Purple Heart recipients on their life long journey of recovery and healing, with focus on creating activity based, stress free environments that promote camaraderie and therapeutic healing. We place warriors, wounded in combat with others of a similar experience, in a stress free, safe and secure setting which promotes wellness and health. We are committed to providing an atmosphere in a simple and straightforward manner by allowing our excursions the freedom to be shaped and changed by the participants to be exactly what they need it to be. The purpose of the Warrior Bonfire Program is to provide an opportunity for wounded veterans and their families to enjoy a favorite activity while partaking in the camaraderie and therapeutic value of spending time around the bonfire with fellow veterans while promoting Post-Traumatic Healing.

Our signature Bonfire Trips are multi-day trips that are reserved primarily for post 9/11 Purple Heart Veterans. Each trip is concluded with a bonfire including a U.S. Flag retirement ceremony providing participants with an opportunity to say their goodbyes to fallen comrades.

September 7 – 11 the Warrior Bonfire Program will be bringing six Purple Heart Veterans to Green Turtle Bay for some fishing, sailing, relaxing and a Bonfire on the beach. On Saturday evening, they will provide the entertainment at the Commonwealth Yacht Club with Lloyd "Hurricane" Munn, who is a member of the Bonfire Board of Directors and one of the most entertaining harmonica and guitar players around.

Warrior Bonfire Program founder Dan Fordice and his wife Ann Claire are members of the Green Turtle Bay family and have kept their Carver on Pier 12 for a little over a year. Green Turtle Bay is gladly helping to sponsor this worthwhile organization during their trip to our waters.

For more information about the Warrior Bonfire Program visit www.warriorbonfireprogram.org and www.facebook.com/warriorbonfire





September Featured Boats



72' STARDUST, 2000

T/302 Volvo

New! \$199,000



70' JAMESTOWNER, 1991

T/MerCruiser

New! \$129,000



52' SEA RAY, 2006

T/Cummins Diesel

New! \$449,900



46' MAXUM, 1999

T/Cummins Diesel

Reduced! \$199,900



44' GULFSTAR, 1985

T/3208 Cat Diesel

New! \$129,000



44' TROJAN, 1980

T/Detroit Diesel

\$74,900



42' RINKER, 2007

T/MerCruiser 8.1

New! \$199,000



41' MAXUM SCR, 1997

T/8.2L Gas

New! \$69,900



39' MERIDIAN, 2008

T/MerCruiser 8.2

Reduced! \$225,000



38' FOUR WINNS, 2008

T/Volvo Diesel

Reduced! \$174,900



26' SEA RAY, 2004

T/6.2 Mercruiser

New! \$38,000



25' ATLAS ACADIA, 1996

Yanmar Diesel

\$35,000

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UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

- 2ND GRAND RIVERS ARTS & CRAFTS FESTIVAL
- 2ND LABOR DAY PARTY AT CYC
- 9TH CRUISE IN CAR SHOW IN DOWNTOWN GRAND RIVERS
- 10TH GRANDPARENT'S DAY BRUNCH AT CYC
- 22ND KLRW BEGINS
- 30TH COMMONWEALTH CUP REGATTA

AUGUST

- 12TH MARINA DAY CELEBRATION
- 12TH CARDBOARD BOAT RACES FOR ST. JUDE CHARITY
- 12TH CRUISE-IN CAR SHOW DOWNTOWN GRAND RIVERS
- 19TH SOLAR ECLIPSE PARTY AT CYC
- 21ST SOLAR ECLIPSE
- 21ST SOLAR ECLIPSE "MOONSHINE" PARTY AT THE THIRSTY TURTLE TAVERN
- 26TH HOT AUGUST BLUES IN AURORA



Happy Birthday

- JETTY 2: VANCE KLINE (09/20)
- JETTY 3: MARK DURHAM (09/03)
- PIER 4: CHRIS NUNNERY (09/21)
- PIER 5: RICHARD TURLEY (09/15), KIM VINEYARD (09/21), STEVE (CHIP) VANAMBURG (09/25), CATHY MORRISON (09/29), SCOTT MOORE (09/29)
- PIER 6: LARRY (09/07) AND CARMEN MUSGRAVE (09/14), ELLEN MOORE (09/10), GERRY YOUNG (09/15)
- PIER 7: CATHERINE JETTER (09/29)
- PIER 8: KENNETH HENRICHS (09/01), CAROL FINN (09/03) MIKE FINN (09/19)
- PIER 9A: CALEB SUNDERMAN (09/03), CHRISTI JOHNSON (09/13), LAVERNE BRAND (09/16), SANDI PYLE (09/28)
- PIER 9C: ANDREW PORTER (09/28)
- PIER 10: KENNY FERGUSON (09/02), CATHY BABB (09/05)
- PIER 11: CLAIRE FORD (09/17), PAUL DEMAY (09/26)
- PIER 12: JEFF WELLEMEYER (09/12), ANN FORDICE (09/16)

September Anniversaries

Tim & Jaretta Bull	(09/04)	Jetty 2
David & Jama Neuhoff	(09/05)	Pier 6
George & Julie Sandman	(09/08)	Pier 6
Roy & Bunny Schneider	(09/08)	Jetty 2
Don & Carol Portugal	(09/09)	Dry Stack
Gary & Nancy McEwen	(09/11)	Jetty 3
Allan & Jan Grigsby	(09/14)	Pier 7
Andrew & Karen Porter	(09/20)	Pier 9C
Garey & Carol Zimmer	(09/21)	Dry Stack
Allen & Regina Kaisor	(09/24)	Pier 7
Jim & Kim Vineyard	(09/26)	Pier 5
Dennis & Lynn Lee	(09/30)	Pier 7





Commonwealth Yacht Club

To promote and encourage fellowship, friendship and camaraderie among our members and guests, by creating, organizing and providing boating activities for our club members and the surrounding water communities.

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Here we are, blink your eyes and it's September, where has summer gone? Time does fly when you're having fun. September at the Bay includes the Seafood Boil, Commonwealth Cup Regatta and Loopers visit to the Marina, besides all the regular goings on at the Thirsty Turtle and Commonwealth Yacht Club.

First off, let me say the Grand Rivers Dragon Boat Races were so much fun. They were amazing to watch!! Refer to Commonwealth Yacht Club/Green Turtle Bay's "Yachting Turtle's" Team Captain Brian Turners article, but all I have to say is "We Won, We Won, it's so much Fun!!", well we didn't exactly win first place but we still got medals!!

I want to mention the proceeds from the Commonwealth Yacht Club's Land Based Poker Run in July netted \$265.00 all of which was donated to Livingston County Adult Education Center.

Marina Day at the Bay was a blast with so many fun events, entertainment and good food. I especially enjoyed the music by our own 37 Degrees North and the Cruisers. The "funnel cakes" were as always delicious!!

Our Rear Commodore/Long Range Fleet Captain Danny Cope reports—He is sorry but the boat trip to Paducah had to be cancelled. There are not any slips we can dock at and spend the night. Hopefully next year will be better accommodations for us to stay. We do have another trip planned to Ken Lake Lodge Marina on September 9. Will come back on the 10th. As always Everyone will have another great time together. Please contact Danny at dannycop51@gmail.com as soon as possible. He needs boat height and length. So, mark your calendar to cruise to Ken Lake Marina on September 9th and 10th. Contact Danny ASAP if you plan to go—long range cruises are so much fun because only the "FUN" boaters go!!

September 2 begins the CYC's Fall Sailing Series, meet Vice Commodore Sharla Graham Sparks on Kentucky Lake around 10:00am if you want to participate in the races. September 16th is another Fall Sailing Race on Kentucky Lake. September 9 is the CYC Board Meeting at the Commonwealth Yacht Club starting at 8:30am. Contact Commodore Jerry Koerner if you have any event suggestions or comments.

CYC's annual Seafood Boil is September 23 under the tent on the parking lot beside Docker's Restaurant from 5:00pm until 7:00pm, \$25.00 per person which includes crab legs, shrimp, smoked sausage, corn on the cob, potatoes, dessert and water!! Again, this year Carry Outs will not be available. If you like delicious seafood which is cooked on the spot then this is an event you can't miss. Hope to see everyone there.

Calling All Sail Boaters—September 29th, 30th and October 1st is the Commonwealth Yacht Club's weekend of racing with the Commonwealth Cup Regatta. September 29th is the Commonwealth Cup's registration at Green Turtle Bay's Conference Center starting at 5:00pm. Pizza, salad and refreshing drinks will be served. The Captain's meeting will start at 7:00pm. Everyone is welcome to stay and continue to visit after the Captain's meeting. September 30 the Commonwealth Cup Regatta starts at 9:00am on Kentucky Lake. Don't miss watching the race as it is always amazing to see the sailboats with full sails on Kentucky Lake. The post-race awards and dinner party begins at 6:00pm under the tent beside Dockers Restaurant.

The J22's boats will continue racing on Sunday, October 1st starting at 9:00am. Their awards/dinner ceremony will begin around 1:00pm at Green Turtle Bay Marina. To register go to YachtScoring.com or contact Ann Donnelly at donnelly0142@att.net. Also, the Colonel's Revenge Race will begin on Kentucky Lake at 9:00 Sunday. Sailors don't miss this great fun opportunity for racing.

Door Prize Donation Tickets may be purchased to help fund the Regatta from any board member. If anyone would like to make a donation for the prizes contact Commodore Jerry Koerner, Suzy Pence or Ann Donnelly.

October 14th is Grand Rivers Hunter's Moon Festival and the Commonwealth Yacht Club's 2017 Lighted Boat Parade. To register contact Gina Yegerlehner at glyeger@yahoo.com or John Graybill at jgraybill812@aol.com by September 30, there is no entry fee to participate. Boaters can choose their own lighted boat theme to win one of the top three prizes. 1st Place-\$500.00, 2nd Place-\$300.00 and 3rd Place of \$150.00. This is your dream chance to compete with other boaters by adding creative lighting to your boat. The parade will begin close to the west side of Kentucky Dam Marina at 6:30pm and will end at Green Turtle Bay's Thirsty Turtle. Winners will be announced at 9:00pm at the Turtle. There will be free overnight dockage at the Thirsty Turtle piers.

October 14th is another Fall Sailing Series Race on Kentucky Lake. October 20-22nd is Green Turtle Bay's Fall Boat Show weekend.

Commonwealth Yacht Club's Halloween Party is October 28th. Come out and play at the party in your favorite ghoulish goblin costume!!

October ends with another Fall Sailing Series Race on October 28.

See you at the Lake,

Ann Donnelly
Past Commodore



Welcome New Members!

William & Pam Maley

Michael & Carol Finn

Pam Roehr

Ed Jones & Cindy Brinker

Larry & Tammy Maglinger

Commodore's Corner

Fall into Being Involved

The summer may be past but now it's time for Fall Boating. I look forward to Fall Boating. It is a great season for enjoying nights out on the hook and I really enjoy seeing all of the transient vessels that pass through GTB. Meeting these travelers and hearing their stories adds to our Fall Boating enjoyment.

The Fall also marks the coming of the ever popular CYC Seafood Boil which has become a favorite activity for CYC members and transient boaters to attend. Many plan their trip South to be here for the CYC Seafood Boil which is on September 23 this year. If you haven't gotten involved in the Seafood Boil you should. The food is always excellent and when you volunteer a little of your time to help make the event happen it is even more fulfilling. Even if you only come to eat please come, have fun and support our Club. If you want to volunteer to help in setting up, cleaning up, cooking, etc please contact Suzy Pence, Ann Donnelly or Marti May.

NEWS FLASH: The CYC is adding a new function this Fall. We are having a Lighted Boat Parade with Cash Prizes on October 14! The boats will assemble outside of Kentucky Dam Marina and the parade will start between 6:30 and 6:45pm. The boats will cross the Lake, pass by Lighthouse Landing Pavilion where the judges will be, go through the canal and then the parade will culminate at the Thirsty Turtle where the cash prizes will be handed out to the winners. I've always enjoyed watching and participating in Lighted Boat Parades and the crowds on the shoreline really enjoy it too. First Place is \$500, Second Place is \$300 and Third Place is \$150. Sign up to participate in this event. Contact Gina Yeagerlehner, glyeager@yahoo.com, or John Graybill at jgraybill812@aol.com to sign up for the event.

Fall Boating is great. Use your boat this Fall and Fall into being involved with your fellow boaters.

Jerry Koerner

"Latitudes"
Commodore CYC



We would like to emphasize that all CYC members are welcome at any CYC-sponsored event. Get more information on specific events at www.cycforum.ning.com or www.cycgtb.com and www.commonwealthcupregatta.com



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