



BAY BREEZE AUGUST 2010

"Rest is not idleness, and to lie sometimes on the grass on a summer day listening to the murmur of water or watching the clouds float across the sky, is hardly a waste of time."- John Lubbock

What a difference a year makes. Although there's been a lot of rain, this summer weather has been incredible for boating. Remember back to last year when we had the "summer that never came." Water in the lake is in the high 70s, allowing this to be one of those years in which swimming is a pleasure. Make the best of this season as we all know it'll end too soon.

EYC/GYC EVENT: One of the best parties of the year will take place **this Friday, August 13**, at the club. At about 6:00 p.m., people will gather for dinner and music. Ivan Malnor has agreed to cook his famous Croatian chicken, and we have the Lark Boys blues band set to play outside on the deck as the weather looks like it will be great. If you haven't attended this event in the past, please know this is one that you don't want to miss. The price is \$15.00, and no reservations are necessary. However, show up early as the amount of food is limited. The party is open to non-members, so gather your friends and make this your plan for Friday night.

THE WEEKEND CONTINUES: This **Saturday, August 14**, is the Gladstone Yacht Club's turn to continue the EYC/GYC weekend. The Wegotta Regatta family fun sailboat race will start at 1:00 p.m., with a skippers' meeting at noon. This is the type of event in which veteran racers and beginners come together to just have some fun as the course is simple and relatively short. For those of you who don't normally race, please think about gathering family and friends and joining us in Gladstone. Saturday evening, the GYC will offer dinner and a band. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. and includes shrimp, crab legs, sausage, baby red potatoes, cob corn, cornbread, salad & dessert. If you haven't had this particular dinner in the past, you don't know what you're missing. The cooks a GYC do a fabulous job, and the dinner is served family style on tables which promotes the ability to meet and have fun with our boating neighbors. The price of the evening is \$20.00 per person. Please show your support for these joint events.

Marina Update - With the beautiful weather have come many transient boats. The number of visitors appears to be way up this summer, and, in speaking with a lot of those people, they are very impressed with our harbor and are spreading the word to other boating friends. Fuel sales are also up which should bode well for the marina's financial picture.

Race Schedule - The August series is nearing Race 3 and will likely be completed on August 25th. There's been a great showing of participants this series and many people on shore watching the start of the races. Thanks again to John Anthony for his organizational skills. Also, upcoming weekend races will be held on August 29 and September 11 or 12.

Upcoming Social Event - On **August 28**, the second annual pig roast will be held at the club. Chip Cipolla is in charge of this event and promises great food and good times. Cocktail hour begins at 5:00 p.m. (bring your own spirits & mix), with dinner following at 6:00 p.m. Dinner includes barbecued beef, pork & turkey for a cost of only \$15.00 per person. **Due to food prep. time, we must limit the event to 60 people.** Reservations required no later than **Monday, August 23, 2009**. Please call Chip Cipolla at 789-0334 or 241-8247 (cell) or e-mail to chipusmc@hotmail.com.

Member Donation - All around good guy, Mark Cini, of *Northern Girl* on Dock A, has shown his appreciation of the EYC by donating a piece of art. The next time you're in the club, you'll notice a new addition which is a beautifully produced and framed depiction of the Great Lakes. Thanks for your thought and generosity, Mark & Deb.

Labor Day Cruise? - For the past few years, a Labor Day cruise has been organized by club members somewhat informally. The club encourages this to happen again this year and hopes that Bob Johnson and others who have been instrumental in the past can put something together again this year. With the weather we've been having this year, September conditions should be great.