



BAY BREEZE

OCTOBER 2012

“Listen! The wind is rising, and the air is wild with leaves, We have had our summer evenings, now for October eves!” – Humbert Wolfe

Our fabulous summer weather has continued into fall. Although many boats have been put away, there is still activity on the water, and the view of changing colors on the shoreline cries out for late season boating.

Upcoming EYC Meeting - Next Tuesday, October 9, 2012, the regular monthly Board of Directors meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. At 7:30 p.m., there will be an open member meeting as the Board would like to discuss and get input on a **strategic plan for future years**. The Board feels it is important to look forward to the future of the EYC and get input from the members on upkeep, possible expansion of the clubhouse, and the possibility of new programs. Please consider attending as your input is highly valued.

EYC Closing Party - The closing party will be held on Saturday, October 20, 2012 (not 10/13/12 as listed on the calendar). EYC's own Mark Ammel will bring his culinary skills to this social event. Mark will be creating & cooking artisan grilled pizzas at the club. This is a fun and delicious dinner as many of the Dock 3 people already know from Mark's past parties. The weather has been great this fall, and it is hoped that this day will be no different. Please plan to come down for the final hurrah.

2013 Officers - Ballots for the election of officers and directors are typically sent out in November. Once again the Board is calling on general members to volunteer for service either as a director or officer in the upcoming year. If anyone has interest and would like to be considered for any of the positions, please step forward and let us know by writing to Chip Cipolla at chipusmc@hotmail.com.

Save the Date - The annual EYC Banquet will take place on Saturday, January 19, 2013. We'll get more information out to you a little bit closer to that time but, in the meantime, please save the date!

Late Summer Event Recap, Congratulations & Thanks -

- Congratulations to the crew of *Twister* on winning both their class and first overall among approximately 150 boats in the 74th Sailing of the Queen's Cup Race from Milwaukee, WI, to South Haven, MI, on June 29. *Twister*, owned by Herb Wake of Menominee, included Dan Branson and John Anthony, two of our club sailors as crew.
- Thanks to Larry Gravatt for chairing this year's EYC/GYC party & race on August 4, as well as all the work he did on Marina Fest that weekend. With live bands, food vendors, a beer tent, and great camaraderie, Marina Fest was an event to remember.
- Thanks to the Fish Creek Mariners who visited the Escanaba Marina on August 17-18 for a weekend of fun. About 20 boats joined the cruise, and we thank Todd & Mary Hurley for their work in hosting the event.
- Congratulations go out to Mark Meyer who skippered *Ruffian* to a first place finish in the EYC Regatta on August 25. Second place went to Bill Jasko's *Praise*, and third place to Mike Manning's *Madd Cow*.
- The August race series had huge participation thanks to John Anthony's excellent management & efforts to get people involved in citizen racing.
- Thank you to Roxanne & Dan Branson for hosting a wonderful pasta dinner on September 15. Thanks also to Gail & Randy Rice, Tom & Karen Dubow, and Greg & Sara Gardner for their help with this event.