

# Bay Breeze *October 2017*

<http://www.escanabayachtclub.com/>



Small Sailboats in the Escanaba Harbor during the Wooden Boats Afloat Festival – *photo by Mike Growdon*

## Small Sailboats

A fleet of small sailing boats has been racing and learning sailing skills on Saturday afternoons at 1PM. On a light wind day, they sailed and paddled out of the harbor, and around the Escanaba Light. Thanks to Mike Englund, and Maddie & Greg Gardner, who volunteered as Race Masters for the fleets.



### Participating small sailboat designs were:

Sunfish	Force 5
Lightning	Puffer
Buccaneer	Thistle
Zuma	Snipe

## Upcoming EYC Events

**Halloween Party October 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Saturday 7 PM – 10 PM**

Hot Cider provided or BYOB



Costumes are encouraged, but not mandatory

Bring a Friend!  
Questions? Call Roxy  
at 280-0859

**Annual Dinner January 20<sup>th</sup>**

**at the Terrace – save the date !**

**2018 Calendar See the website**



## Summer 2017 EYC Events

**June 20th EYC Hosts Symetra Tour Golfers** The lady golfers enjoyed a boat ride with EYC members Dr. Anderson, and Mike Sundstrom. Roger Good, and Jim Hansen also volunteered to welcome them.



**Come Sail Away with the EYC July 15<sup>th</sup>** A new, first time event, organized by Greg Gardner and Cindy Anthony was a big success!! The Club welcomed 29 visitors from the central Upper Peninsula to enjoy our beautiful Little Bay de Noc and a free boat ride provided by members of the Escanaba Yacht Club: Moonshadow, Lyda Rose, 7-Up, Gallivant, and Windy. Bob Rosenfeldt and Sue Clifton served hotdogs, chips and water for participants. TV6 and the Daily Press both covered the event. This event is planned to do again in the 2018 season.

**July 4<sup>th</sup> Brunch hosted by Jim & Alice Hansen** served 75 members and visitors, raising \$728 for the Capital Improvements Fund.

**Regatta & Marina Fest, July 29<sup>th</sup>**  
A BIG Thank you to Larry Gravatt, the Escanaba Marina Staff, and Volunteers for a great 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Event

Photo courtesy of John McDonald





The Live Music included an **Open Mic, Sit Down Francis, Harp Hart & Bones, Stolie, Luke Warm and the Not So Hots, and Tohubohu.**

Food Vendors included **Bobaloon's, Rollin' Smoke BBQ and the Debacker Family Dairy.**

Events included the **EYC Sailboat Race, Remote Controlled Sailboat racing, a Beanbag Tournament and the Kid's Raingutter Regatta.**



Supporters were the Escanaba Yacht Club, Hurley Marine, Island Resort & Casino, and the Community Foundation.

## Wooden Boats Afloat August 5<sup>th</sup>

EYC members assisted with this major Bonifas Arts Center program display and activities. The EYC loaned historic photos. A demonstration Rowing Regatta was presented by the UP Rowing Clubs from Marquette and Menominee, and the Wooden Canoe Heritage Association.

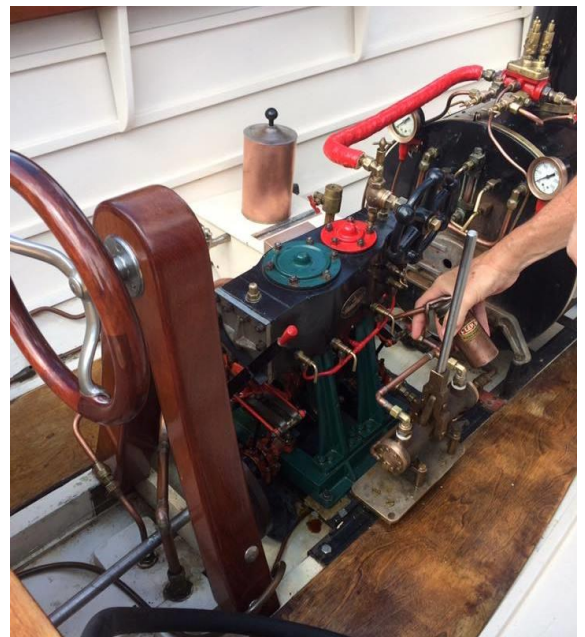


**"Tinker"** An historic steam powered launch, lovingly restored by Bill & MaryKay Movalson



Photos by

<https://www.facebook.com/MarquetteRowing/>



## DockTails Party & Dinner

August 19th, 25 people enjoyed a tour of Gallivant, Dolce, and Alegria from Washington Island. The Hansen's had some wonderful refreshments, and Dr Bob made his famous Caribbean Rum Punch with fresh ground nutmeg. After a superb honey lime ginger pork dinner at the Clubhouse, prepared by Social Chairman, Cindy Anthony, the group enjoyed sitting around the fire table and visiting.

## Frostbite Race

6 Boats on a Lovely Fall Day!

For **Season Race Results** see the website:

<http://www.escanabayachtclub.com/racing.html>

## Frostbite Pasta Dinner

Roxanne Branson with assistance from Bill and Mary Kay Movalson, and Sarah Gardner presented a golden candlelight dinner with gorgeous green hydrangea blooms for the table decorations. Three kinds of pasta and sauces, fresh salad and a chocolate topped dessert were delicious. Also thanks to the clean-up crew: John T and Mary Anthony, Greg Gardner and Tyler Anthony. 53 Members and Guests attended, with a net profit of \$470 to the Capital Fund.

## Welcome New Members!

**Brian & Crystal Porior**, Hook 'Er Up, on the L-dock, Slip 64

**Bob & Tavia Heinrich**, Hobie 16 & a Sunfish

**Mike Englund**, Sabre 30, Lil' 'Ol Bear on Dock 3 Slip 121.

**Jesse & Faustyna Sutton**, new members in 2018

## Condolences

Our condolences to the family of Ann Shipman, who passed away October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Ann was an active member of the Escanaba Yacht Club for many years. Sailing "Portugee" and boating with her family was always a fun adventure. Ann and her husband Dean, cruised the Great Loop in 1997-1998, sharing the voyage with friends, and taking time to welcome their new grandchildren into their lives. Her warm hospitality, kindness and friendship will be greatly missed by all who knew her.



## Wedding Celebration

Jack Lockwood and Sandy Birdsall married in early September, then were off to the Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island for a honeymoon. Best Wishes from the EYC to Captain Jack of "Expeditious" and his beautiful bride!





## 2017 Major Capital Projects

### Escanaba Yacht Club with the new front porch and furniture!



*Photo by Marilyn Kinsey*

### Race Committee Stand Rebuilt



Thanks to Tom Ford and Bob Rosenfeldt for reinstalling Lexan fold-down panels. It took a lot of drilling steel to install all new fasteners.

Thanks to Dave Anthony and family, Terry Reynolds and Alex Sundstrom for rebuilding the stand, painting, and adding steps, earlier in the season.

Anthony & Co built the steps.

*Photo courtesy of Terry Reynolds*

## Cruising Clips

June was cold, wet and windy, but July and August provided nice cruising opportunities in Big and Little Bay de Noc and lower Green Bay. The dock was filled with many **Great Lakes Cruising Club** visiting boats before and after the GLCC Sturgeon Bay Rendezvous. Several are planning to return next summer, after the friendly welcome and superb services of our marina staff, local boaters and city businesses and facilities. Nice to see many of the usual visitors also returning during the summer.

Gregg Bruff, “**Arcturus**” anchored in a little bay northeast of Point DeTour peninsula, which he named Little Sucker Bay, after the small ponds just inland. It was a long, bumpy day, but wonderful!



**Jackson Harbor** had a busy summer of visiting boats, with an active fishing season and tournaments. A new small restaurant, [Jackson Soup](http://www.jacksonharborsoup.com/), has great reviews! [www.jacksonharborsoup.com/](http://www.jacksonharborsoup.com/)

“**Annika**” and “**Amber Waves**” had an end of August cruise to Washington Island and Door County between strong wind systems.

**Fayette Update:** The new docks have been busy this first full season, with the staff working out the kinks of monitoring VHF Channel 9, dock numbers, reservations, Ground Fault Interrupter Sensors and new showers at the Campground. Visitors are advised that Park Staff are usually not at the dock to assist in docking. Be prepared to use your fenders, a mid-ship spring line with a loop and docklines. Please assist other boaters arriving or departing, as has been the tradition at Fayette.

## July was unusually wet!



*Storm south of Portage Point July 7<sup>th</sup> 2017*  
*Photo by Jim Hansen*



## North Channel & Killarney Cruising

EYC boats, Solvation, Turbulence and Unshackled, joined the Mannings who chartered a CYC Jeanneau 349 sailboat for a delightful cruise. Mike wrote, *“We had a great experience with CYC and recommend it to others. They also have trawlers and power cats out of Gore Bay”* Photos by Mike Manning



**Dining at the Sportsman's Inn  
Killarney, ON**

**Jeanneau, Solvation and Unshackled rafting together at the South Benjamin Islands**

**Mara and Dave at the stunningly beautiful South Benjamin Islands**



## Model R/C SailBoats

The fleet continues to attract model sailboat sailors and spectators. See video at:

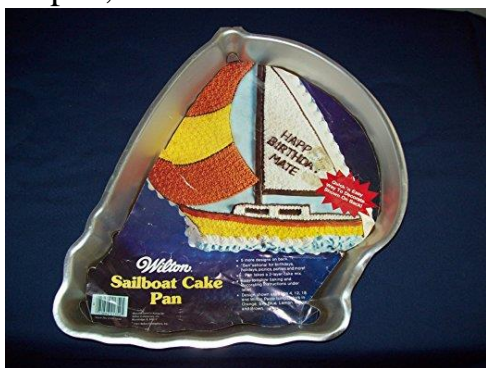
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=blvsPAjVpx4>

A new model sailboat was added to the fleet: Mike Growdon's birthday present – a Soling named “Junkyard Dog”



## Sailboat Cake Pan

A Wilton cake pan, donated to the EYC kitchen is available for members to bake a fancy dessert cake.



## Harbor Advisory Committee

The Harbor Advisory Committee has been meeting, with particular focus on the positive action by the City Council to budget an additional \$150,000 for dock improvement matching funds. The application to the Michigan Waterways Commission to replace the worn out “Baraga” 24’ docks, with 30’ and 35’ docks with water and electric power service will be submitted with a planned installation in the Fall 2018.

The Harbor Advisor Committee needs one more volunteer, who must be a City Resident and has an interest in the Marina. Please contact Larry Gravatt, Harbormaster, if you are interested

## Escanaba Marina Updates

### Harbor Operations Summary

	2015	2016	2017
Seasonal Slip Rentals	-	91	83
Transient Boats	191	153	235
Transient Days	485	214	547
Gasoline, gallons	14,000	17,000	16,000
Diesel, gallons	10,000	7,000	9,000

**22,000 Salmon were stocked in the marina 3 years ago.** A few salmon were seen this summer returning to spawn.

**Invasive weeds** are no longer a problem in the marina. In past years the weeds were a significant problem cited by seasonal and transient boaters, who would not return to our marina.

### Electric Shock Drowning

ESD stickers are on each power post, as a reminder of the danger of ESD – electric shock drowning.

No one should ever swim or go in the water within 150’ of an electrical connection.

If you drop your keys in the lake, or need someone to check your propeller, etc. contact the Harbormaster to have the power shut off in the area, and tested for stray currents from any boat with a 110 power source in the area.





# Safety Tips - Inflatable Lifejackets

Why wear a crotch strap with an inflatable lifejacket?

Video demonstrates how a pfd will quickly rise up and almost choke an in the water victim:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m-CmyKdy3MU>

How to wear an inflatable lifejacket:: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NNfXMLG5pI4>

## Welcome Visitors!

### Jamming at the EYC



Visiting Sailor from the GLCC, Jim Egensperger, from Chagrin River, OH, sailboat “Touch of Grey”, joins Dr. Bob Yin at the clubhouse after a Wednesday night race.

Jim and many other summer visitors wrote notes of appreciation to the Escanaba Marina staff for the excellent marina service. We will welcome many of them again in 2018 and years into the future.

**Don't miss the unscheduled fun at the Clubhouse!**



**Historical photo of powerboats along the south wall.** If you can identify any of the boat names or owners, or the two boys on the sidewalk, please e-mail the information to the [Escanaba Yacht Club](#).