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Great Lakes Steel Boat Club

May 2015

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From your Commodore,

By Greg Tackett



Hello Everyone,

The good news is that launch day is right around the corner, the bad news is that it's still cold!! I just got back from Ft. Lauderdale yesterday and it was 92 degrees there, its 45 degrees here, I'm freezing! What a difference!!

Anyway, I hope you all got most of the work done on your boats. I know I didn't but we still have a few days. We'll see how it goes.

With the start of the 2015 boating season upon us, I'm very pleased to say that our entertainment director (Kevin Stone) and our fleet captain (Dan Goodfellow) has been busy bees making plans for our summer. I don't want to ruin anything for them but I am here to tell you that we are in for a treat. From what I have heard, they have some really nice events planned for us. Be sure to get signed up once they have all of the sign-up sheets out.

Lady Julie and I had the pleasure of representing GLSBC at Seaway and Wyandotte's ball this month. They were both on the same weekend and were both well attended by GLSBC members and PC'S. A good time was to be had by all. Having them back to back was nice from a planning aspect but by the 2<sup>nd</sup> night I sure was worn out. Just about like the 2<sup>nd</sup> night at AYC. I guess I'm not as young as I used to be but I wouldn't have missed either of them as they were equally entertaining and we sure had a great time.

With the boats going into the water comes the first of a wave of events down at the club. Our annual Pancake Breakfast, Coast Guard Inspections and Blessing Of The fleet will come first. If you are a new or newer active member, be sure to sign up for these events. The coast guard inspection alone is worth its weight in gold if you get pulled over. It takes the guesswork out of the situation as the authorities will usually stop right there when you show them your current inspection. Not to mention the fact that those inspections can actually save your life as well. They really provide us with a top notch service, so be sure to take advantage of this "free" service that our members are blessed with.

Right after that weekend comes our annual GLSBC poker run, since you all know how I hate to brag, I won't mention who won last year, ha ha but the boat that flies that flag is called "We've Got Faith". Unless you want me to go "back to back" you had better get signed up and hit all of the stops to increase your odds. Good Luck! One last thing, Praxair has purchased the property on the other side of Great Lakes Ave. They are going to be putting up some warning signs telling people that Great Lakes Ave is a private road but that does not pertain to GLSBC Members so don't get worried when you see it. Just keep on coming down to the club whenever you want.

That's all I have for now, see you all around the club very soon

Commodore  
Greg Tackett

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**From your Vice Commodore / Dock Chairman,**



**By Joe Bacile,**

Hi everyone,

Well Spring has sprung, sort of. I said that last month and look what happened. Today, Friday was nicer than expected and there were a lot of people at the club working on their boats.

Some members pointed out to me that one of the boats has had an oil spill. This is a reminder that we are all responsible for cleaning up own messes. There is a power washer in the garage and in this case some kind of degreaser might be necessary so that we don't track oil onto our boats.

I am looking at June 27, 28, and 29th for our trip to the Lost Arrow Arrow Resort On The Water. The address and phone number are: 1749 Bowman Rd. Gladwin, Mi 48624, Phone: [989-345-7774](tel:989-345-7774) The resort is on the Tittabawassee River. [www.lostarrowresort.net](http://www.lostarrowresort.net)

Right now only Carol and myself are signed up.

There will be a sign up sheet in the club so sign up early. I have 6 rustic cabins available, plus there is the motel. The dates are June 29, 30 and July 1. The rates are a little cheaper during the week. This is an informal trip during the week for club members who don't have to work and those who can get time off. The place is booked during the weekend for weddings. Nothing special, you drive up in your own cars, rent pontoon boats, cook burgers and dogs, drink beer.

See you at launch  
V/C Joe

**From your Rear Commodore,**



**By Kevin Stone**

Hello Members,

I am sure we are all glad to have our boats going back in the water; I know I'm glad to come back to my summer home. I would like to say thank you to all the members that helped out in the kitchen and club house with Launch. Without all your help we would never had been able to have such a successful weekend. I can't thank you all enough!

We hosted Sun Seekers Boat Club Bus trip the last weekend in April. I am always amazed when other clubs or people come to GLSBC, with their reaction to our club. They just can't believe what a nice place we have here. I shouldn't be so surprised, but from time to time we all over look what a gem we have here. Many clubs only wish they had a place such as ours. Hat's off to all that have worked so hard to make it such a great place. Remember it's your club and without your input and participation it would not be a boat club, but just a marina.

The past First Thursday on April 2<sup>nd</sup> was well attended. About 30 people came down to participate. We had lasagna, salad and garlic bread. I'd like to give a special thank you to Cathy LaFrance for all the help she gave me in

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getting the food ready and cleaning up, Thank you!

Our plans for Family Day are moving forward, next meeting is scheduled for May 31st @ 1pm. Meeting is open to all members to come and give your input. Family day is July 18<sup>th</sup> and will be here quicker than you think.

We will be having a Pancake Breakfast on May 16th that starts at 9 and will be serving until 11am. Kids 12 and under eat free. There will be a Coast Guard Inspections after breakfast; a sign up sheet is on counter in club house. See pancake flyer in news letter. Looking forward to seeing many of you coming down to participate, it will be a great breakfast!

See you all soon!

Kevin Stone  
Rear Commodore / Entertainment

**From your Fleet Captain,**

**By Dan Goodfellow**



Blessing of the Fleet is May 17, 2015 @ 2 PM. Please remember to sign-up in the clubhouse if you wish to participate in this year's blessing. Please bring an appetizer or dessert for our reception in the clubhouse, following the ceremony.

Memorial day weekend is our annual GLSBC poker run. I will post the names of the poker run clubs at 5 PM on Friday, May 22, 2015. Come to Wyandotte Yacht Club (Silver Shores Marina) between 5 PM and 11 PM for a brandy alexander and a bonus card! An additional bonus card will be awarded to those who travel to the five clubs by boat. Keep your cards in their envelopes! We will open them together at 6 PM on Sunday, May 24, 2015. Cost for the poker run is \$10 per person. Please call or write if you have any questions!

Great Lakes Steel Boat Club has 20 slips reserved at Keen's Marina for this year's June rendezvous. As recently announced, singer and song writer, Jimmy Buffet is having a riverside concert Thursday night. Our slips at Keen's are in high demand. Our twenty slip hold is only good for two weeks. A shuttle is available for those who wish to attend the concert and add an additional night to our rendezvous. Tickets are still available through Ticketmaster. Also on the same weekend, the Detroit Tigers are at home with the Chicago White Sox for either a Friday evening (7 PM) or Saturdayafternoon (4 PM). Please sign the book and in the clubhouse and please call or write if you have any comments or questions.

Dan Goodfellow  
2015 Fleet Captain



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# Pancake Breakfast

Pancake  
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**May 16 2015**

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**9 AM to 11AM**



On The Menu

**Pancakes, Eggs, Biscuits & Gravy  
Sausage, Fruit, Toast, Bagels,  
Coffee, OJ, Milk  
Eye Openers !!!**



**Cost \$8.00**

“Kids 12 & under Eat Free”



**Coast Guard Inspection  
Same Day Free !!!**





## **GLSBC Annual Blessing of the Fleet**

When: Sunday, May 17, 2015 @ 2 PM

Where: Great Lakes Steel Boat Club – Pilot House

Bring a dish to pass and supply your slip number on the sign-up sheet if you would like to receive a blessing.



## **GLSBC's Annual Poker Run**

Date: Friday, May 22, 2015 @ 5 PM – Sunday, May 24, 2015 @ 5 PM Dinner @ 6 PM on Sunday

Place: Great Lakes Steel Boat Club

Cost is \$10.00 per person

Please direct any questions/comments to:

Dan Goodfellow GLSBC Fleet Captain 2015 (734) 748-8888 goodtym@gmail.com

## **Opening of the Island**

Friday June 5 **Wyandotte Yacht Club**

Fish Fry 6-9PM Entertainment

Saturday June 6 **Ford Yacht Club**

Breakfast 8-11:30AM Bar opens 8AM

Registration 9AM-NOON \* Ceremonies 1PM

**Elba-Mar Boat Club**

Dinner 5-9PM Entertainment 9PM-1AM

Sunday June 7 **Ford Yacht Club**

Breakfast 9-11:30AM Bar opens 9AM

**Seaway Boat Club** Afterglow Party 2:30PM-???

Entertainment Munchies & Snacks

**Please try to support all clubs this weekend!!**

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From your quartermaster:

Randy Pearce

The ship store will be open launch weekend from 10am to 3pm.

The store has new black club jacket available for order, come in and try on samples for sizing

Thanks! Randy

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			New Member	Gary Convery
			New Member Assistant	Randy Pearce
			Dock Chairman	Joe Bacile

# Important Dates

<b>May 2 &amp; 3</b>	<b>Launch Weekend</b>
<b>May 16</b>	<b>Pancake Breakfast &amp; CC Inspections</b>
<b>May 17</b>	<b>Blessing of the Fleet</b>
<b>May 22, 23, &amp; 24</b>	<b>Poker Run</b>
<b>May 23</b>	<b>Shakedown Rendezvous - Silver Shores/WYC</b>
<b>June 5, 6, &amp; 7</b>	<b>Opening of the Island</b>
<b>June 26, 27, &amp; 28</b>	<b>Rendezvous - Keans Marina</b>
<b>July 18</b>	<b>Family Day</b>
<b>July 25, 26, &amp; 27</b>	<b>Rendezvous - MacRay Harbor</b>
<b>August 5 - 8</b>	<b>ILYA Powerboat Bay Week, Put-in-Bay</b>
<b>August 14, 15, &amp; 16</b>	<b>Rendezvous - Toledo Beach</b>
<b>Aug 22</b>	<b>Steak Roast</b>
<b>Sept 5, 6, &amp; 7</b>	<b>Rendezvous - Holiday Harbor</b>
<b>Sept 12</b>	<b>Blue Gavel Dinner - Zukin BBQ</b>
<b>Sept 19</b>	<b>Silent Auction Fundraiser @ GLSBC</b>
<b>Oct 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>Haul Out Weekend</b>
<b>Dec 5</b>	<b>Annual Meeting</b>
<b>Dec 11, 12, 13, 14</b>	<b>Chicago Rendezvous</b>

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