



# GREAT LAKE STEEL BOAT CLUB CHANNEL MARKER

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From your Commodore - Greg Tackett

Hello Everyone,

It's only a few more weeks until launch and the weather still isn't cooperating. I know everybody has work to do on their boats so let's all do a little "good weather dance". Maybe it will help!!!

I held up the newsletter again this month because I just couldn't stand it up here in Michigan any longer and just had to get some sunshine (sorry Pat). I have to tell you what a difference a climate change will do to your attitude and energy level, Wow!!

Lady Julie and I were able to represent the club at Ford Yacht Club's Commodore's Ball last month. It was held at The Henry in Dearborn. A good time was had by all, including us. Congrats to Commodore Brian and Lady Dawn Stone.

What we weren't able to do was to go on the class of 2015 cruise. Fortunately, GLSBC had plenty of representation there as several PC's and their Ladies were able to go. Sorry Julie and I couldn't be there as we couldn't take Faith out of school. So instead, we had to suffer through 10 days in Fort Lauderdale during spring break. I know you all feel sorry for us!! Parents do what they have to do, right?

Now that we're all back, let's all get pumped up for the upcoming 2016 boating season. I'm sure that it is going to be another fun filled year. Be sure to check out the sign-up sheet that our Fleet captain has in the clubhouse for upcoming rendezvous and outings that he has planned for us. I for one can't wait!!!

We'll see you all around the club but remember, be safe when working on your vessels. Our goal is to have zero injuries or incidents this year. If you need help, ask somebody. We need everybody safe and healthy so we can all have a great summer!!!

Commodore

Greg Tackett



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Check out GLSBC (Group) on Facebook!

[GLSBC.com](http://GLSBC.com)

## Schedule of Events

### April

7th -First Thursday Think Tank

30th - May 1st - Launch

### May

5th -First Thursday Think Tank

21st - GLSBC Pancake breakfast –  
Coast Guard Inspection

22nd - GLSBC Blessing of the Fleet

27th-29th - GLSBC Poker Run

### June

2nd -First Thursday Think Tank

17th- 19th - GLSBC Algonac Ren-  
dezvous

27th - Detroit Fireworks

30th-3rd - AYC Swan Boat Club  
(July 2 GLSBC Land Cruise)

### July

7th -First Thursday Think Tank

23rd - GLSBC Family Day

### August

4th -First Thursday Think Tank

6th - GLSBC Progressive Party

**From your Vice Commodore / Dock Chairman - Joe Bacile**



Hello,

Spring is finally here. Launch is 25 days away and GLSBC will be an active boat club again. Be sure to check your boat slips for any loose or damaged metal that may have to be welded or any electrical concerns that should be addressed. I have sent out letters to members who have loose or broken dock poles that need to be repaired or replaced. The new dock poles are here and if anyone needs help, please ask.

Some new members have requested electrical outlets for refrigerators to be installed. Our electricians will be happy to take care of this, but the members must pay for the any parts that are bought, usually about \$20.

Max Thomas will be available to paint docks. Look for flyers in the club house.

I would like to welcome Mike and Melissa Pinkowski as active members to our club.

In closing, as the dock chairman, I have some advice. When they put your boat in the water, CHECK YOUR BILGE FOR ANY LEAKS.

Vice Commodore Joe



**From your Rear Commodore /Entertainment- Kevin Stone**



Hello Members,

Wow, where did March go - it just flew by. Hope the weather cooperates now that we are putting the boats in at the end of the month.

I attended our GLSBC Commodore's Ball and it was a very nice party. I had a great time. I also attended Ford Yacht Club's Ball for Brian Stone and Lady Dawn.

Our first Family Day meeting will be April 10<sup>th</sup> at 1PM and everyone is welcome to participate. The theme this year will be Halloween.

First Thursday in March had about 35 to 40 people who attended. We had two teams cooking due to a little mix up. One team of Alan and Fred Carter along with Scotty and the other team of Jon and Cindy and both teams did an outstanding job, and it all worked out fine. Thanks to all the cooks, the food was very good.

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### August (Continued)

10th-14th - ILYA Powerboat (Put-in-Bay)

19th - 20th - AYC Ford Yacht Club (Aug 20 GLSBC Land Cruise)

### September

1st - First Thursday Think Tank

2nd - 5th - GLSBC Boblo

9th - 11th - AYC Detroit Beach Boat Club (Sept 10 GLSBC Land Cruise)

### October

1st - 2nd - Haul Out

Kevin Stone Continued,

Randy tells me that he has a lot of new stuff in the ship store and First Thursday is a good time to come down and pick up some GLSBC swag clothing.

Upcoming events, as you know, are Launch April 30th and May 1st, Pancake Breakfast on May 21st along with Coast Guard Inspections. There is a sign up sheet in the club house. Please note inspections will be in the order of where your boat is located, not the order of where your name is on the sign up sheet. For example, If there are two boats next to each other then they will get done in that order. This will eliminate the coast guard having to run all over the club. I have been told that we will have a few inspectors on site so things should go smooth. Thanks to Chuck Kato for arranging getting the coast guards.

Please feel free to contact me to give me your input. It's your club and without your input and participation it would not be a boat club but just a marina.

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Kevin Stone

Rear Commodore / Entertainment



**From your Fleet Captain - Dan Goodfellow**

Hello everyone,

The Blessing of the Fleet is a tradition that began centuries ago in Mediterranean fishing communities. It has also been a long lasting tradition of the Great Lakes Steel Boat Club. On May 22, 2016 @ 2 PM, a blessing from Fr Stan Fraiser is meant to ensure a safe and bountiful season. Bring an appetizer or dessert for the reception to follow. You may also indicate you are not attending, but would still like to receive a blessing. Just sign-up and indicate "0" for the number attending on the sign-up sheet in the clubhouse. There is no cost for this event.

A time honored tradition of Great Lakes Steel Boat Club. The "Poker Run" is an opportunity to form teams and build relationships. The names of 5 or more locations are revealed on Friday, May 27, 2016 @ 3 PM. Members are encouraged to travel by land or by sea to as many of the locations as possible in attempt to build a winning poker hand. But remember, bonus cards are awarded for those who travel by sea to 3 or more locations. The cards have been placed in envelopes. Please DO-NOT-OPEN them until dinner on Sunday. You will not need to know how to play poker to participate or win. Opening of the cards and dinner is on Sunday, May 29, 2016 at 5 PM. We will be serving salad, pizza, and beer to our participants. The first, second, and third place poker hands will receive an embroidered GLSBC burgee. Guests are welcome, however, only members or associate members can participate in the card game. The cost is \$20 per person.

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Dan Goodfellow continued,

We will be traveling by land or sea to Algonac Harbour Club for the weekend of June 17 -19, 2016. Members will need to call Algonac Harbour Club to reserve their slip. The cost per night is \$55. Algonac Harbour Club's transient policy is that one night (\$55) will be collected at the time of reservation. If you need to cancel, Algonac Harbour Club will allow you to reschedule. The phone number to reach Algonac Harbour Club is [\(810\) 794-4448](tel:8107944448). Our \$20 meal plan will provide four meals—Friday night, Saturday morning, Saturday evening, and Sunday morning. If you cancel prior to June 8 (10 days prior to the event) you will receive a refund for the meal plan. Sign-up sheets are in the clubhouse. You may also contact me to sign-up for any event. 2016 Fleet Captain events are pre-pay. You can either catch me in person, use the GLSBC office mail slot in the clubhouse, or mail to my attention at P.O. Box 29073. Ecorse, Michigan 48229

Remember: Our club is so much better when we spend some time together!

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#### **From Your Quartermaster**

The ship's store will be open First Thursday. Come by and check out the new products.

Thanks,

Randy