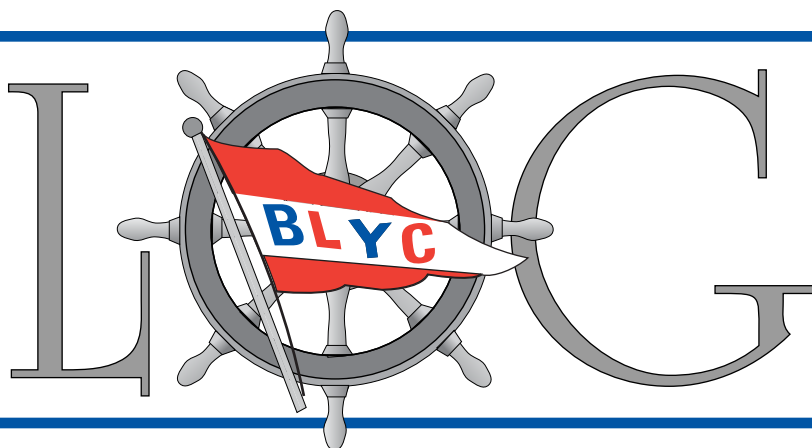


Buckeye Lake Yacht Club



FROM THE BRIDGE ☆☆☆

October, 2011 - Vol. 20, Issue 9



**Commodore
Bob Zeiher**

First I want to express my gratitude for the great board of governors I will have the privilege of serving with this year. I feel each of them are very capable of serving in their assigned positions.

I cannot thank the members and staff enough for the wonderful reception after the election. The food was great and everything went smoothly. Thank you Sue for coming up with a terrific menu and theme. Thanks to all the members who joined in on the "western" theme. It was great to see you in your cowboy duds. And a special thanks to our Native American maiden Zenna Sayre.

It is my hope this year to get our club back in the black financially and avoid using the line of credit. To do this we need more members and for that we need your help. If you know someone who is thinking of joining mention to them that if they join now they will get October, November and December for free. What a great incentive!

Snowball is coming up on October 8 and 9 with a party planned for that Saturday night. It would be a great time to bring a friend who may be a potential member.

We are hoping to use the Log to teach some of the history and traditions of BLYC. If there is something you want to see or learn about let us know and we will try to include it. See you soon.

Bar & Kitchen

Thank you to all for the warm congratulations of being Vice Commodore! I appreciate the welcome. With every congratulation, it seems to be followed by, "the first woman ..."

While I am proud to be something of a "first;" my intention is not to be a suffragist. I am truly proud to be serving the Club as Vice Commodore.

Commodore Zeiher has asked me to be in charge of Bar and Kitchen. I look forward to working with Andrea and Chef Matt to have the Club exceed expectations of the membership and to run smoothly. I intend to have the atmosphere to be warm and inviting, the food delicious and the service exceptional. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the Club!



**Vice Commodore
Gayle Fisher-
Mulvey**

Entertainment

We start our Fall Fun with Reid Coleman, Buckeye Lake's answer to Jimmy Buffett, on Saturday, October 8 at the "Snowball Regatta." Reid is a great entertainer so be sure not to miss him.

On Saturday October 22, we have our very own



**Governor
John Sproat**

"Fall Fest." The featured entertainment is "The Don Beck and Howard Everitt Duo." Please make reservations for this special event.

"The Kay Carter Band" returns by special request on Saturday, October 29 for our "Halloween Costume Party". There will be special prizes for the best costumes.

Please bring the kids and enjoy the "Haunted Yacht Club" on Sunday, October 30. Commodore John Geiger will be preparing the basement of the Club for a "spooktacular" good time. That base-

ment is scary enough as it is!!

Please be sure to mark your calendars for the "Beat Michigan Party" featuring the return of the "Paul Clark Band" on Friday, November 25. We all have to attend to do as much as we can to support the Bucks this year.

See you at the Club

www.buckeyelakeyc.com
Visit our web site for
updates on events,
programs and more.

Our History

In our Club's history, only three other gentlemen, Commodores Kyle

Commodore Steve Harris, Club Historian

Armstrong, "Whitey" Limes, and Frank Foster, III, have filled the position of Club Historian and I am humbled to be counted among them. I would like to express, on behalf of the entire BLYC membership, great thanks and appreciation to Commodore Foster for his years of service in this role. Over the years, Frank has amassed a great library and archives of BLYC historical data and memorabilia. He has entertained and enlightened us with great stories of our past and brought to all of us a better understanding of just who and what we, as a Club, are and what we can become. I would particularly like to thank Frank for making many of our historical documents available in digital format. Thanks to his efforts, many old issues of the Log along with several historical books are now available on the website for all members to enjoy. Frank, thank you for your service, and... don't wander too far. I'm sure to need your help.

When Commodore Zeiher asked me to take this position, he asked that I have an article ready for this first issue of the Log. In considering what to write about, I reflected back on the sailing events I was involved with this summer and my thoughts went to one of the greatest influences on my involvement both at BLYC and in the sport of sailing... Commodore George Fisher. His contributions over the history of our Club, both to the Club and to the sport of sailing, bear sharing here.

Sailing's Gentleman Champion

It doesn't matter where one goes in the sport of sailing, all around the nation and in multiple one-design classes, sailors know the name George Fisher. A 13-time Interlake National Champion, 4-time Lightning North American Masters Champion, and many more trophies to his name, George was certainly known as a great competitor. But, unique to the sport of sailing and particularly unique to George, he was just as well known for his exemplary sportsmanship and his willingness to help others enjoy the sport. Of all the things I've ever seen written about George, the one phrase that describes him best in my opinion is "Sailing's Gentleman Champion."

George's first sail wasn't until he was in his early twenties. After serving in the Navy during World War II, George returned to central Ohio and began racing with his brother in the Lightning fleet here at BLYC. That was the rather humble beginning of what became a lifelong passion – not only for sailing, but also for BLYC. George's passion for the sport ran so deep that he and Marty spent their honeymoon at the Lightning Class Championships in St. Petersburg in 1953! They sailed together until the kids came along and then George had a new audience with whom to share his passion. George & Marty had three chil-



George Fisher

dren, Greg, Matt, & Gayle. George had the kids sailing at a very young age – around 6 or 7! The boys particularly took to the sport and share George's passion for it. Like their father, both Matt & Greg have established themselves as champions in the sport. But, don't leave Gayle out. According to a 2006 interview with George for the Lightning Class, Gayle "was as talented as anybody but she got into horses when she was nine and she was as goofy about riding as the boys were sailing." Gayle has continued her father's legacy, perhaps not on the race course, but in service to BLYC. She currently serves as our Vice Commodore.

George sailed Lightnings competitively here at BLYC and beyond from the 1940's up into the 21st century. Many of the trophies in our case bear witness to his prowess on the race course. He was very active in our Club, not only as a sailor, but also active on

the Board and participating in Club workdays and other projects. George served as our Commodore in 1958. Although his sailing often took him away from BLYC, he was always available to help and encourage our BLYC sailors. Over the years, he added other classes to his sailing repertoire, including Interlakes and MC Scows, which he continued to sail into his 80's. In those years, he amassed, literally, hundreds of trophies. When asked what his most memorable regatta of all time was, however, he didn't name one which he, personally won as the skipper. Instead he replied "Buffalo Canoe Club – 1977!" – a regatta in which he was crew. Why? Well, 1977 was right in the middle of the heyday of Lightning sailing at our Club. During that time, BLYC was home to many of the best sailors and up-and-coming sailors in the class – Jim Dressel, Willy Petersilge, Mike Hein, and, of course, three guys named Fisher. That year, George crewed for Matt in the North American Championships. When it was all done, Matt won the Championship, with Greg finishing second! George was just as proud to be crew and father of the top two finishers, than winning himself.

As the years went on, he continued to be very competitive in the sport, but became known as much for what he did off the water, as on. He was well known for his rules & tactics seminars both here at BLYC and at Hoover Sailing Club in Columbus. He assisted with the Junior Sailing programs at both clubs, giving freely of his time and talents to help insure the future of the sport. His knowledge of the sport was nearly unparalleled and his opinion highly respected. Very often, rules disputes arising during a race were settled, not though a long drawn-out protest hearing, but by both competitors saying, "Let's see what George thinks." His calm demeanor, humility, and character surely set him apart. I remember several years back I saw George at the Club shortly after the Lightning Midwinters in Miami. I asked him how he sailed. George didn't say much about his regatta, but instead gave a recap of Matt's performance at the event. As it turns out, George won the Masters (again) that year! Never boastful, always an ambassador for the sport, in 2002 he was awarded one of the highest honors in sailing in the United States – US SAILING's J. Van Alan Clark Sportsmanship Trophy.

Race & Regatta

Well, the racing season is almost over. While it was

mostly hot with little wind, I thoroughly enjoyed it. I learned a lot and met a lot of wonderful people, racers and helpers.

The Labor Day race, the Commodore Dwight R Haggard *Long Distance* Race, went smoothly and we had wind. The VanGilders won their second long distance race of the year (two out of three for 2011). Bob Snow took second and Don Harris took third. Way to go!

The last two races of the year are part of

**Governor
Michael McVey**

the Commodore Chris Lambrecht Cup Series. They will be held September 25 and October 2; same time same station as always!

The Snowball Regatta will be held on October 8 and 9. Please see John Watson's article for details. He has also put up signs around the club. Please come out, bring friends and family; have a great time!

Our end of the year awards ceremony will be held Sunday, October 16, at 1 pm. We will be awarding the Commodore Chris Lambrecht Cup Series top three and the top three for the three long distance

races, the:

Memorial Day, Commodore Edward C Metzgar Race

Fourth of July, Commodore Earl O Williams Race

Labor Day, Commodore Dwight R Haggard Race

Finally, I want to congratulate David Luttenberger who was just elected to the BLYC Board of Governors; he will take over my role as the Race & Regatta Governor. I will move over to replace Wes Cartwright as the Junior Sailing Governor.

See you at the club!

Membership

The elections are over and results are in. We have a great Board for the future.

For all of you Members that have not made it out on Election morning, you have missed a great event. All of the Board Members prepare and serve breakfast on the porch. You have a great opportunity to meet and chat with all of us along with other Club members.

This year you will once again be treated to Me as the Governor in charge of Membership.

There are great events planned for the year so get out and use the Club. We need you support. This Club can't maintain and grow without the support of the Membership, we need you to enjoy the Club, eat at the Club and drink at the Club.



**Rear Commodore
Tim Ryan**

Docks & Rentals

I would like to thank all the members who came out to support and participate in the election process. This is an important tradition for our club.

I have been asked by Commodore Zeiher, to continue to serve as Docks & Rental Governor.

200 feet of fringe pennant was installed on the Eastport docks, to help keep the seagulls at bay. I would encourage each dock holder to install deterrents of your own, available at Bird B Gone.com.

The two-story rental property is vacant at this time. We are reviewing any needed renovations and considering installing city water.

The west side of Area 8 is available to club members for temporary docking, while you visit the club.

Any member wishing to rent a dock, boat yard space, or make any changes, should complete a Rental Request Form. It is available on the BLYC web site under facilities and docks, and at the club office.

Have a great fall season.

**Governor
Charles Wadley**

*Join Us For A
Gypsy Dinner!
Thursday, October 20*

"A 7 course meal prepared by Chef Matt paired with spectacular wines from around the world."

It's a NIGHT FIT FOR ROYALTY!!

6:30 Social Hour
7:15 Dinner

The price is \$80 per person plus tax and gratuity. The menu will be a surprise (and well worth it) and I will post the wine selections on the web closer to the event.

Reservations are required and the seating is limited, so make your reservations early. We will have normal open dining for those who do not wish to partake in this event.

Our History *continued*

I would imagine that everyone in this life wonders just how much of an impact they've had on others. George should have had no doubt. In 2006, in conjunction with celebrating BLYC's 100th anniversary, that year's Snowball Regatta also celebrated George's 80th birthday. It was, by far, one of the largest Snowballs in years – nearly 30 Lightnings, 10 Interlakes, several Flying Scots, and a full compliment of PHRF

Cruising boats from BLYC. Sailors came from all over the nation to sail at "George's Regatta" that year. Some came just to be here and didn't sail. It was a truly amazing event, recognizing a pretty amazing man. He really was a great ambassador for the sport and for our Club!

George passed in 2008, following a battle with cancer. His torch has been passed to the rest of us, not only to promote the sport

of sailing, but our Club as well. I'm certain that he would be happy to see the increased interest and activity in sailing taking place currently at BLYC. And, in his own, typical, quiet way, I think he's encouraging us to keep going and keep improving.

Have an idea for another Our History article? Share it with Commodore Harris at sgharris2@gmail.com

Auxiliary

The September Auxiliary meeting was our Annual Meeting. The following new officers were elected:

President: Tracey Davis
Vice President: Tami Schroeder
Treasurer: Gail Beck
Secretary: Claire Sanzone

Lots of items from the Showcase were sold on the porch on Election Day. Tully Rodgers won the Parking Space Raffle.

Outgoing President Marcia Henderson thanked everyone that worked on our fundraiser, An Affair to Remember. It turned out to be a very successful

fundraiser.

Marcia also thanked numerous members that helped her throughout the year. Donna Parker was commended on her fantastic job of keeping the grounds around the Yacht Club so beautiful. Donna said that she can always use volunteers to help her so let her know if you would be interested.

President Tracey Davis talked about the plans for the year ahead and asked for volunteers to help on our various committees. She also announced that Vice President Tami Schroeder has agreed to be Chair of our Showcase. The Auxiliary membership dues are \$25 for this year.

Come and join your friends and family and feel like a kid again at our October meeting. The BLYC Auxiliary will be having pumpkin painting at the October 13 meeting, 6:30 p.m., at the Yacht Club. There will be a dinner buffet with fried chicken, mashed potatoes, rolls and butter, cookies and brownies, iced tea, lemonade and coffee. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children, 12 and under. Please make your reservations at 740-929-9941 so we will have enough pumpkins for everyone.

Claire Sanzone, Secretary

BLYC's Got Talent!



JOIN US FOR A GREAT SAILING WEEKEND!

THE 2011 GEORGE FISHER SNOWBALL REGATTA

Saturday, October 8

- Racing will begin at 12:30 pm and conclude at 4 pm
- \$1 draft beer at the bar and awards will follow racing
- Cocktails (cash bar) – 6:30 pm
- Limited menu – \$8 - \$15
- Live entertainment with Reid Coleman – 8 pm



Sunday, October 9

- More sailboat racing will begin at 11 am
- Awards will follow at 2:30 pm
- Regular breakfast and later daily dining available

Top 10 Reasons To Come to the Snowball Regatta

10. Will spend time with fellow sailors and other funsters
9. Will enjoy the swell rocking chairs on the BLYC porch
8. Will have Buck-O-Beer (\$1) after Saturday's racing
7. Will see competition for "fabulous" sailing prizes
6. Will be able to shout out things like "ahoy," "port," "starboard," "ready about," etc., and not feel embarrassed
5. Will be able to drive through beautiful downtown Buckeye Lake
4. Will eat great food
3. Will enjoy free entertainment on Saturday
2. Will be able to wear clothes with anchors and sailboats on them and fit right in
1. You might see some great sailing!

**ALL SAILORS AND NON SAILORS ...
COME OUT AND ENJOY THE
RACING AND FUN!**



Join us for a special Autumn celebration!

Entertainment provided by the dynamic duo of Don Beck and Howard Everitt. Come enjoy the music and a special Fall menu. Reservations appreciated.

Saturday, October 22

ELECTION DAY 2011

Welcome and congratulations to our 2011-2012 Board of Governors, and our Auxiliary Board. Also, a special thank you to all members who came out to vote and who gave a hearty "yee-haw" to Commodore Bob Zeiher on his first day on the job. Best wishes to all for a great year ahead.





Halloween 2011

SATURDAY, October 29

Dinner served from 5:30-9pm

Please specify what time you would like to eat when making reservations

Entertainment begins at 7:30pm with the Kay Carter Band

Costumes welcome!

ZOMBIE STARTERS

Voodoo BBQ Shrimp

Butter Beer Glaze, Cheezy Grits

\$8.99

Flash Fried Sea Spiders (Calamari)

Shang Hai Chili Glaze

\$6.99

Smoked Bat Wings (Chicken Wings)

Dracula's Blood Glaze (BBQ)

\$6.99

DEATHLY FINISH

Pan Seared Owls Breast (Chicken)

With Spinach and Pumpkin Patch Risotto

Rum Spider (Cider) Glaze

\$12.99

Hot Dead Cow (Sirloin)

Bordello of Blood Sauce, Blue Vein Cheese Crumbles, Vampire Proof Mashed Potatoes,

Veg of the Dead

\$16.99

Slow Roasted Spiced Swine Loin (Pork)

Hogs Breath Apple Compot

Vampire Proof Mashed Potatoes,

Veg of the Dead

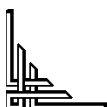
\$13.99

Seared Steel Head Demon Fish (Trout)

Sauce of the Undead

Yetti Foraged Rice, Veg of the Dead

\$14.99





The House & Grounds Governor Needs You!

Fall Work Day

Sunday, October 16th 9am-1pm

Donuts and coffee in the morning, pizza and beer for lunch. Compliments of House and Grounds

Bring your rakes, shovels, hand tools, wheelbarrows, etc.

Yes, it will probably be cool out, so dress accordingly. For those of you who don't tolerate cooler weather well, we have lots to do inside too.

Please come and donate a few hours of your time to help prepare the club for the winter months. See you at the Club.

- Jeff Lyons

CAUTION CAUTION CAUTION

BLYC KIDS HAUNTED YACHT CLUB

**SUNDAY OCT. 30TH
1-4 PM**

KIDS GRANDKIDS FRIENDS

**COSTUME CONTEST
2 PM**

PRIZES AWARDED

**SPONSOR: BLYC JR. SAILING
DONATIONS ACCEPTED**



OCTOBER

Reservations 929-9941

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			Dining 5 - 9 pm	Dining 5 - 9 pm	Dining 5 - 9 pm	1 Dining 11:30 am - 9 pm
2 Dining: 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.	3	4	5 Dining 5 - 9 pm	6 Dining 5 - 9 pm	7 Dining 5 - 9 pm	8 Snowball Regatta Dining 11:30 am - 9 pm
9 Snowball Regatta Dining: 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.	10	11	12 Dining 5 - 9 pm	13 Board Meeting Dining 5 - 9 pm	14 Dining 5 - 9 pm	15 Private Party Dining 11:30 am - 9 pm
16 Fall Work Day Club Closed	17	18	19 Dining 5 - 9 pm	20 Gypsy Dinner - Special Menu Also Dining 5 - 9 pm	21 Dining 5 - 9 pm	22 Fall Fest Special Menu from Chef Matt, see web
23 Dining: 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.	24	25	26 Dining 5 - 9 pm	27 Dining 5 - 9 pm	28 Dining 5 - 9 pm	29 Halloween Party Special Menu 5:30 - 9 pm
30 Haunted BLYC Dining: 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.	31	Keep your eyes peeled for the "Old Geezer's Club" who will be coming back to the Good Ole Club on Wednesdays. If you can spot them ... there will be a prize!!				

Note: BLYC will be closed on Thanksgiving this year so our staff can be with their families.

The 2011-2012 Board
Commodore Bob Zeiher

Vice Commodore
Gayle Fisher-Mulvey
 Bar & Kitchen

Rear Commodore Tim Ryan
 Membership

Governor John Sproat
 Entertainment

Governor Jeff Lyons
 House & Grounds

Gerry Besanceney
 Log & Publications

Chuck Wadley
 Docks & Rentals

Michael McVey
 Race & Regatta

Dave Luttenberger
 Junior Sailing

The Trustees
Commodore Ray Kent
Commodore Joe Campbell
Commodore Mike Jacobs
Commodore Don Harris
Commodore Rick Henderson

2012 Standing Committees

Commodore's Association Commodore Ray Kent
ILYA Delegate Commodore Gus Schell
Alternate Commodore Commodore Steve Harris
Blue Gavel Commodore Commodore Steve Harris
Fleet Captain Commodore Don Harris
Power Fleet Captain Commodore Joe Campbell
Fleet Surgeon Dr. John VanGilder
Fleet Chaplain Fr. Mike Gribble
Parliamentarian Commodore Frank Foster III
Historian Commodore Steve Harris
Insurance Commodore Al Wing and Mark Scarrett
Audit Fred Bair
Gun Club John Doneff
Finance Committee Commodore John Geiger

IMPORTANT DATES

October

- 8 Snowball Regatta
Reid Coleman
- 9 Snowball Regatta
- 13 Board Meeting,
Auxiliary Meeting
- 16 Fall Work Day
(Club closed)
- 20 Gypsy Dinner
- 22 Fall Fest, Beck & Everitt
- 29 Adult Halloween Party
- 30 Haunted BLYC
Sponsored by Jr Sailing

Change of Address

☐ For the winter ☐ For the summer
☐ For a short time ☐ For Good

The following is the address my mail should be sent to, effective: _____

Name _____

Street Address _____

City, _____ State, _____ Zip _____

Mail To: BLYC, P.O. Box 867, Buckeye Lake, Ohio 43008 or **Fax To:** 740-929-2123

2012 Standing Committees

Perpetual Fund Commodore Commodore Howard Clark
Antique Boat Show Commodore Chuck Wadley
Snowball Regatta John Watson
Annual Golf Outing Paul Sanzone
Bob Dye Memorial Poker Run Michael McVey
Commodores Steak Fry Commodore Mike Jacobs
Good Neighbor Committee Commodore Joe Campbell
Classic Car Show Commodore Ray Kent
Marketing Committee Karen McVey

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