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# The Bay Views Newsletter



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## Report from the Commodore

Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Hope everyone is enjoying their summer thus far. The weather has really been our favor lately, and I hope everyone has had a chance to enjoy it. Erin and I have been attending Commodores receptions every Saturday and have enjoyed every minute of it. Now that the cat's out of the bag on our future little Commodore LaLonde, we would like to thank everyone for all the love and support we have received. THANK YOU!

Moving on, I would like to remind everyone that the Flip Flop Cruise is on July 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. We also have the Maumee Bay 3 Club Cruise the following weekend on July 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>.

Now to some housekeeping; first half (10) of member work hours are due by July 1st. Please also remember to come out and check your lines and equipment. I have placed signup sheet for plumbing and electrical repairs on the cork board. The phone number of the committee chair is on the sheet. Please sign up for any repairs you might need. We cannot fix things we do not know about. Please give Mike Diangelo and his crew a round of applause for getting the boats in this year.

Your commodore

*Doug LaLonde*



Commodore  
Douglas LaLonde



### Up Coming

#### Events

**Flip Flop Cruise**

**Snow Bird Party**

**Club Cruise**



## Report from the Vice Commadore



**Vice Commadore  
Anthony Blank**

Hope everyone is enjoying the awesome start to the summer. Looks like most of the boats are in the water!! Its been a busy month for me, Attended the Opening of the Island ceremony up at Ford Yacht Club, what a great time that was. We had our 5 club poker run that turned out to be a big success, thanks to F/C Brian Jacobs and R/C Steve Suffety. I also attended TSC \$1.98 beauty contest... If you have never been to this event before you should plan on going next year... a good time had by all. Also attended their Cocktail party which was a good time.

### Upcoming events...

We are having the Flip Flop weekend again this year with TSC. We will be going down to TSC Friday night this year and be back at BVYC on Saturday after a day out at wood tick. There will be food and entertainment!!

Homecoming is fast approaching!! We will have sign up sheets in the club house soon. Be sure to sign up early!! If you have any questions please contact myself or Brian Rogers.

Onto membership, we have had a good run so far with getting new members. Please if you know anyone with a boat, looking to get into boating, or friends that enjoy the boating atmosphere, talk to them about becoming a BVYC member. Membership changes: Active to Resign: Gabriel Horvath, Mike Valiant, Janet Ritter, Terry Staton. Active to Social: Don Hoste, Del Opaczewski. Social to Resign: Craig Timm, Brandon Smith, MaryJo Schmelz, John Lovas,

RuthAnn Murphy assumed her deceased spouse Tom Murphy's Social membership

New members, Fred Henry, Robert Scott, Paul Chandler, Al Holiday, Ray Wagner, Michael Dunphy

Until Next time,  
Vice Commadore,  
Tony Blank  
419-574-2674  
ronski08@gmail.com

## Report from the Rear Commodore



**Rear Commodore  
Steve Suffety**

I hope everyone enjoyed the month of June. I know we sure did. We jump started it May 28<sup>th</sup> with Opening of the Port. Alan Ellison was gracious enough to captain Chapter Five for us. Our cargo was many of the area Rear Commodores. We had a fantastic time, enjoying the company, the sights, a few moons, and the added entertainment of Rear Commodore Greg from Indian Hills, being the first to use the slide! The following weekend Lori and I was craving some one on one time, so we decided to break away and take Chapter Five to the Bay. It was a beautiful 4 hour cruise. We did some sightseeing and golfing. We also ran into Damian and Barb Pflleghaar and spent some quality time with them and Mustang Sally!

On the 10<sup>th</sup> we enjoyed BVYC's Blue Gavel Burgers and Brats and on the following day we had a great showing for the 5 Club Poker Run! On the 18<sup>th</sup> we attended Tom Murphy's Celebration of Life, where Ruthanne Murphy and friends put together a very nice event. There were pictures to view, food to enjoy and Bob Kneisel shared some stories. It was well done and a nice time was had by all.

The following day, Lori and I had a nice surprise while heading down the dock. Damian and Barb shared the news that Chris and Dianne Sacket were 5 minutes from the lagoon, completing a 5 day cruise back from Canada with their newly purchased vessel, Lucky Duck. As they neared the dock, you could feel the excitement of the moment and also their relief. After all of the hoops, and all of the setbacks of turning their lives upside down, to become BVYC's newest liveaboards, they were just 15 feet away from all of their hard work paying off... Just 15 feet away from success... Just 15 feet away from their new home, good ole dock 53... I could so relate when their boat was stopped short of the mooring point. I could so relate to thinking we are home free, we are there, we made it, and then having yet one more hoop to jump through... Of course he didn't fit the dock... Of course there is always one more obstacle when you turn your life upside down... Stinking center pole... But I could so relate to one of our members stepping up to help when I was mentally spent. Damian alerted Chris of the temporarily open dock next to his, and before you knew it, the celebration was on. It was good to spend some time with Chris and Dianne, their friends, and our friends as we celebrated their moment. When you get a chance, make sure you introduce yourselves to them. They are another great addition to the family!

I am writing this on the 20<sup>th</sup> so the time this reaches you the Cedar Point Cruise scheduled for the 25<sup>th</sup> will have taken place. On July 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> we have the Swan Boat Club Poker Run and then on the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> we have the Flip Flop Cruise. The Snow Bird Party is on the 14<sup>th</sup>. The Maumee Bay 3 Club Cruise on the 15 & 16<sup>th</sup>, followed by the Nugent's Canal Poker Run on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. I hope to see everyone's smiling faces.

Sincerely, Steve

# Special Announcements

Hi Everyone, It's the "Great Snowbird Party" to be held

at Bay View Yacht Club

Thursday, July 14, 2016 2:00 P.M.

Our members & friends who escape to Florida, for the winter,

will be gathering for conversation, finger foods, and cocktails.

Please pass this info to any of your friends who may be interested in

"seeing what it's all about." DON'T MISS THE FUN!

OUR NON-SNOWBIRD MEMBERS ARE MORE THAN WELCOME TO JOIN IN AND MEET THE

PEOPLE NOT TOUGH ENOUGH FOR THE TOLEDO WINTERS.

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ANY QUESTIONS...

PLEASE CALL PHIL BREMER 419-787-3400 OR

SHARON BRANUM-PERRY 419-898-0121

## Annual Homecoming Golf Outing

The annual BVYC Homecoming golf outing will be held at the Bay View Retirees Golf Course on Saturday, August 20, 2016. There will be a shotgun start at 8:00 AM. Put together your four-person team! A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board on the main deck of the club house. The price is \$20.00 per person, which includes green fees, golf cart, skins prize money, and food & beverages afterwards. For additional details contact Scott Kneisel, [scott.kneisel@bex.net](mailto:scott.kneisel@bex.net); 734-516-0257.



# July Birthdays

01 Robert Tobian  
04 Scott Kneisel  
11 Carl Butler  
14 Debbie Trimmer  
16 Alan Bremer  
16 Phil Bremer  
17 James Steele  
18 Joe Welker  
19 Steve Streight  
25 Diane Frank  
27 Raleigh Taylor  
31 Alan Ellison  
31 Allen Rioux



## Bay View Yacht Club

### Bar Hours

Starting May 1<sup>st</sup> 2016

<b>Monday</b>	<b>1 pm - 11pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>1 pm - 11pm</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>1 pm - 11pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>1 pm - 11pm</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>12 pm – 1am</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>12 pm – 1am</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>12 pm - 11pm</b>

**During the week the bar may close early if no members are present. Please call ahead if arriving late during the week.**

## Gas Dock Hours -

**Closed** - Monday and Tuesday. **OPEN** - Wednesday and Thursday 10am till 8pm. Friday, Saturday and Sunday 8am till 8pm. **Note** > ***Open every Holiday Monday***

## The Deadline for the Bay Views

Is the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month. Articles submitted after the 20<sup>th</sup> may be omitted from that months issue. If possible send all reports, notices, flyers, etc. to: [nemo@bex.net](mailto:nemo@bex.net) and/or [rogerjhoffman@outlook.com](mailto:rogerjhoffman@outlook.com)



As you may know, refiners are expanding the distribution of ethanol blended gasoline to meet recent federal requirements. This includes gasoline sold at marinas.

ValvTect Marine Gasoline is the only gasoline specially formulated to prevent problems caused by ethanol. However, due to higher moisture in the marine environment and due to certain incompatible fuel system components used in some older boats, you must also properly prepare your fuel system before switching to fuel containing ethanol or you may experience problems even when using ValvTect Marine Gasoline.

Because of these concerns about ethanol, ValvTect wants to provide important information to help make the transition smoother and help prevent ethanol related problems.

### Phase Separation

Ethanol attracts water. Gasoline tanks containing more than 0.35% water are at risk of having ethanol phase separate into an alcohol and water layer at the bottom of the tank. When this happens, the fuel's top layer contains reduced level of high octane ethanol and a substantially reduced octane gasoline. Engines are not able to effectively burn the lower octane fuel efficiently or the alcohol and water mixture. Do not attempt to "fix" this fuel! the fuel must be properly discarded.



Fig 1. Phase separated fuel from boat tank.

In order to avoid phase separation, make certain there is no water in the boat's gasoline tank before

fueling with ethanol blends. Refuel only when the gasoline level is less than 1/4 tank, especially during the first and second fill after transition.

### Storage of Ethanol Gasoline.

If a boat is to be stored for more than 60 days, it is recommended the tank be filled to 7/8<sup>th</sup> capacity with ValvTect Marine Gasoline which is specially formulated to keep the fuel stable and provide moisture control. This will also help avoid moisture build-up and allow for expansion. Non ValvTect Gasoline should be treated with ValvTect Marine Fuel Stabilizer or ValvTect Ethanol Gasoline Treatment.

### Fiberglass Fuel Tanks

Gasoline containing 10% ethanol has been documented to cause a chemical reaction with certain resins used in some fiberglass fuel tanks. This can result in a deterioration of tank walls and, in extreme cases, leakage with the risk of causing an explosion. In addition, the resin absorbed in the fuel can plate on intake valves. This may result in engine failure.

It is STRONGLY recommended that boaters contact their boat manufacturer to make sure their fuel tank is compatible with ethanol fuel. Older Bertram, Tripp Angler, and Hatteras are some of the boat manufacturers that used these fiberglass fuel tanks and have had tank failure problems.

### Solvent Characteristics of Ethanol

Ethanol acts as a solvent which will breakdown any deposits and sediment buildup in your fuel tank or fuel system. All Certified ValvTect Marinas were advised to pump out all water and/or sediment in their gasoline storage tanks and install special ethanol compatible fuel filters prior to taking delivery of ethanol gasoline.

We recommend that boaters carry additional ethanol compatible fuel filters and tools needed to replace fuel filters in the event a filter becomes clogged. In addition, it is advised that boaters check with their marine dealer or engine manufacturer to be sure the fuel filter being used is suitable for 10% ethanol gasoline.

### Rubber Components

Older engines and their fuel systems components may be susceptible to ethanol damage.

We suggest that all rubber components exposed to fuel on both new and older boats be inspected on a yearly basis and replaced immediately if necessary by an experienced mechanic.

### Fuel Quality

Follow your marine engine manufacturer's recommendations for minimum octane levels. Use ValvTect Marine Gasoline, sold only at Certified ValvTect Marinas, to provide the best possible performance and protection against ethanol related problems. Non-ValvTect marine gasoline should be treated with ValvTect Ethanol Gasoline Treatment available in aftermarket containers.

We encourage you to further research this topic through your marinas, marine engine builders, boat/tank manufacturers, Boat U.S., boating magazines, marine associations, and websites.

For a list of Certified ValvTect Marine Fuel Marinas please visit: [www.valvtect.com](http://www.valvtect.com), click on the ValvTect Marine Fuel Logo and then on the State to narrow your search or call 1-800-728-8258.

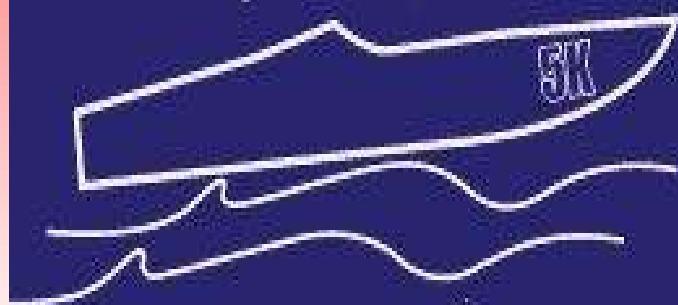
Have a happy and safe boating season!!

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Bay View Yacht Club

# Making Waves for Wishes



**Saturday August 20**

- Registration [Davesrunning.com](http://Davesrunning.com)
- Early packet pickup @ BVYC Friday August 19th 6-8PM
- Race Day Registration 8AM race start 9AM
- Cost \$25 through August 1st, \$30 August 2nd- August 14th, Race Day \$35
- Shirt guaranteed with registration before August 14th

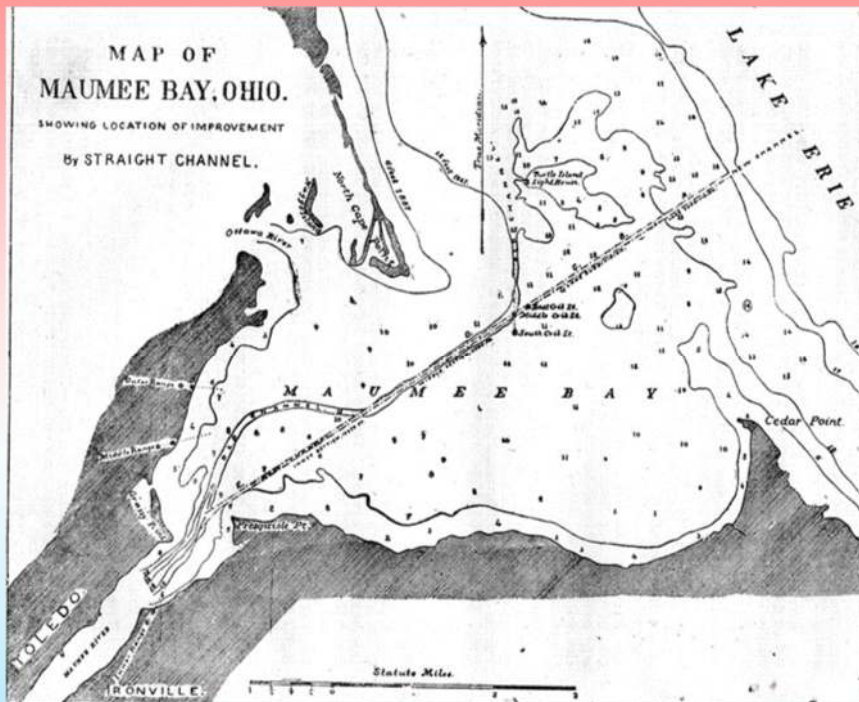
# **BVYC Historical Article**

## **Maumee Bay**

Maumee Bay has changed very much in the last one hundred years. Before there were disposal areas and causeways and mud banks flanking the current channel, the natural channel wound its way from the river mouth to "deep water" west of Turtle Island. From the river mouth that channel veered left in the area of the cut between Squadron Is and Grassy Is., went parallel to the Point Place shore before turning east off Carland Beach, rejoining the current channel at about buoy 40 and following the channel out to about buoy 34, then turning north to Turtle Is.

This chart is from 1900 and shows the new straight channel as well as the old. Five sets of ranges, one at Ironville (current overseas shipping docks), two in Point Place, and two out in

the bay where the old channel turned north, helped vessels navigate this snaky natural channel. The new straight channel was 18 feet deep. This is why the Harbor Light is where it is. When built in 1904 it was at the outer end of the channel. Several times from the '30's to the '60's the channel was deepened to 21, 25, and eventually to 28 feet. Each time it also had to be lengthened so that now the Harbor Light is about in the middle of the bay channel. A set of ranges was added as the channel was lengthened. The Maumee Bay range was built in the center of the channel near present day buoy 34 on a 1200 foot long pile and concrete crib. After many collisions between ships navigating



around this obstruction and between ships and the crib itself, it was removed in the early 1960's. The dredged material from the deepening projects were pumped to an area parallel to and about 2000 feet away from the channel, creating a series of islands and shoals on both sides of the channel. These islands were tree covered and home to many gulls and terns. High water and NE storms during the '70's eroded them away and left the hidden shoals that keep Erie Propeller and South Shore Towing in business even today!

In 1962 the causeway from Cullen Park to Squadron Is. was built to allow rock to be trucked out for the construction of Grassy Is. disposal area. After its completion the portion of the road from Squadron to Grassy was removed to allow water flow and small boat access to North Maumee Bay. The larger disposal area on the east side of the channel past Harbor View was built in the mid '70's.

The north shore of the lagoon was also different. Originally an island, it was a thin strip of land paralleling the current road to the Coast Guard. The land was built out with dredge fill from the river channel and our lagoon. The shoreline was at the current tree line across the road from our club house and a channel existed from our lagoon to the bay at about dock 110. This channel was bridged in the early 1930's and filled in during the late 1940's.



# SHIP SHEWANA

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Trip



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