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Saint Joseph River Yacht Club

BILGE BAILINGS

From The Top of the Mast - *David Hertog (commodore@sjryc.com)*

July was a busy month with many social events at the club including the annual Wolf's Dinghy Run. Thanks to Susan Greco, Judd Brown, Cindy Kinney, Carolee Seymour, Beth Bentham, and Sue Hertog for their help on that event on a very warm Saturday afternoon.

New playground equipment has been ordered and should be arriving soon and we will need some help in assembling it.

Please remember that the Life Guards have authority at the pool and are enforcing the SJRYC rules for everyone's safety and enjoyment at the pool. The board fully supports them and the difficult job they are responsible for.

The social committee has events planned during August for all of us to enjoy. The Tri-State Regatta Party is August 31st and we will need volunteers for that, so look for the sign-up sheets at the club.

Election time for the SJRYC board is fast approaching again this year. If you are interested in running for a position more information on the process will be coming soon. In the mean time you can review the by-laws for information on the duties of Directors.

Enjoy the club and see you there.

Treasurers Report - *Gale Cawley*

The Queen's Cup regatta has come and gone. Once again, the weather did not cooperate for a max attendance event. While the club made some money, it was not in the hoped for amount, but we did come out ahead. As of this writing, not all of the bills have been submitted to us, so we are estimating well under \$10,000 for a net income.



St. Joseph River VOLUNTARY NO WAKE ZONE

Due to the unusually high water levels, it is requested that boaters voluntarily comply with a St. Joseph River NO WAKE ZONE.

The wake produced by boats has greatly contributed to the erosion along the banks of the St. Joseph River as depicted below.

Your thoughtful consideration and compliance are greatly appreciated.



Due to the unusually high water levels, The St. Joseph River Yacht Club endorses and requests that boaters voluntarily comply with a NO WAKE ZONE in St. Joseph River. The wake produced by boats greatly contributes to the river bank erosion.

Christopher Quattrin, Berrien County's drain commissioner stated that the waves are like a 55-pound block of cement being thrown into the bank, loosening the soil. With Lake Michigan at a very high level, the river has nowhere to go and backs up when it rains, Quattrin added.

In addition, The Army Corps of Engineers reported this month that Lake Michigan water levels were three feet above sea level in April, two feet above average, and that they are expected to be four feet above sea level by July.

Your thoughtful consideration and cooperation are most appreciated.



Social Report - *Bruce Larson, Rear Commodore*

August 2, 3 & 4: South Haven Boating Rendezvous

Friday: open agenda with many shops and restaurants with walking distance.

Saturday: dinner will be delivered by Gino's East (at 7pm) to the Municipal Harbor dock. Orders must be placed by 3pm...phone (269) 639-4100. Entertainment by Kevin McDaniel (classic R&R music) will be provided at the harbor at 6pm. BYOB. Don't have a boat? No problem! Drive up and join in the dinner and party.

Saturday, August 17: Live Music at the Rhumblin

Caribbean/Calypso Steel Drum music by "Island Breeze" at the Rhumblin Bar...6:30pm

Saturday, August 31: Tri-State Regatta Party

Featuring music by "Catfight". The darlings of the Chicago cover band scene are performing at 8:30pm with their pure-fun party show! From their humble beginnings, to a host of high profile events in Las Vegas, NV and beyond, this litter of kittens has been playing their hearts out for over a decade!

Pool Report - *Julie Migala*

As we begin the final month of the pool and swim season at SJRYC, please take a few moments to review the SJRYC Pool Rules with your family (and guests) to ensure that we are all able to enjoy the pool to the fullest. For the rest of the summer, an additional guard will be stationed at the pool gate on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays to help ensure the following:

- Members sign in properly
- Children three and under have their rubber diaper covers
- Guests get their wrist bands at the Rhumblin (\$2 per guest)
- A parent is present with all children 10 and under

Please show our lifeguards the respect they deserve as they enforce the SJRYC pool rules and keep our pool safe.

We would also like to remind the membership that lap swim time is available every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday morning from 6:30 to 8am. This is a beautiful time of day to swim as the sun rises over our beautiful river basin. Come and give it a try!!

Lastly, our River Rats Swim Team has completed another fun-filled season. Many thanks to Head Coach Wes Beemer, Assistant Coach Lyndsay Marohn, and Swim Mom Maria Jordan – as well as all the other parents who volunteer at every swim meet – on a job well done! And great job swimmers for all the hard work you have put in all summer.



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