

February



From the Helm



Hello WRYCC members

I hope everyone stayed warm last month as the temperatures were very cold in Michigan. Helps us to look forward to the warm weather and being out on the water.

We had our first thank God it's Thursday event last month on 9 January, we attended Seaway Boat Club. They were a great host and had a great spread of food for us along with many members there too welcome us. They also surprised me with a birthday cake. I plan to arrange a few more visits to other clubs along with our Fleet Captain and steal some Burgees. It is very challenging for the other clubs to obtain their burgees back from us, but hopefully they will show up after a monthly meeting And we can return the favor with hosting them.

The yearly calendar was handed out at our membership meeting. Please take a look at the events we have coming up. Also feel free to reach out and add anything that you would like to have the club members join in and event.

The AYC poker runs were announced and they are as follows :

5/30 - 6/1 point place boat club
7/18 - 7/20 Riverview Yacht Club
8/1 -8/3 Nuggents Canal Yacht Club
8/8 - 8/10 Ford Yacht Club
9/5 - 9/7 Detroit Beach Boat Club

Hopefully, we can get a few of our voters from the club to attend this year. They are a lot of fun and very enjoyable when other club members are there as well.

February 14 and 15th is AYC weekend at the Sheraton in Romulus - I have tickets available for the weekend if anyone is interested.

Also mark your calendar for May 17 for my cocktail party at captains and Wyandotte starting at 1:25. If you would like to assist in set up or decorating for that, please let me know.

February 13 we will also be attending Swan Boat Club for our next thank God it's Thursday event.

I hope everyone has a great month and I look forward to seeing everyone at the next meeting on February 17 at captains and Wyandotte.

Keep smiling and stay warm.

Commodore Joy Moon

Thirsty Thursday January 9, 2025



From Mid-Ship



Greetings WRYCC Members

I'm excited about 2025 and our boating activities ahead. On the 11th January fellow club member James Mabson accompanied me as Gentleman to the Point Place Boat Club Commodore's Ball. What a way to start the year. Next month the AYC conference, meeting with fellow Vice Commodores and my birthday. Go figure.

Our Texas Holdem events will begin in April and May. Thanks again to our generous volunteers stepping and out. We love you JOHN for your continued support.

Vice Commodore Sharon McWhorter

Sign Up for Texas Hold-Em Here

April Texas Hold-Em (Almost full – Only 2 spots left)

<https://volunteersignup.org/BKCEK>

May Texas Hold-Em (Only 5 spots left)

<https://volunteersignup.org/3DIAX>



From The Rear



Ahoy members and friends!

We are off to a great start to the new year!

We had our first membership meeting and it was so nice to see everyone. Looking forward to our next meeting at Captain's in Wyandotte.

Our first Thirsty Thursday was at Seaway Boat Club and it was great fun! They put out a nice spread of food and it was great to see friends and meet new people. Make sure you try to attend one of these events!

The AYC Ball is coming up in February. It is Valentine's weekend in Romulus, so fairly local, with a Jimmy Buffet Theme weekend planned in the rooms. It will be my first ball and I'm really looking forward to it.

There are a lot of exciting events planned that are already on the calendar. We also have other events in the planning stages, so watch for these. I am looking forward to seeing you there!

Day's are starting to get longer, so spring is right around the corner!

Rear Commodore Don Ledbetter

I-LYA Delegate



Not much to report on at the moment, but here are some dates to mark on your calendar.

I-LYA Spring Meeting **April 4 – 6** (Westlake, OH)

I-LYA Regatta **July 23 – 27** – most people will arrive on Tuesday July 22 (Put-in-Bay, OH)

I-LYA Fall Meeting **December 5-7** (Westlake, OH)

When the registration link comes out, I will be posting that information.

I-LYA Delegate – P/C Dawn Shoemaker

Entertainment & Member at Large

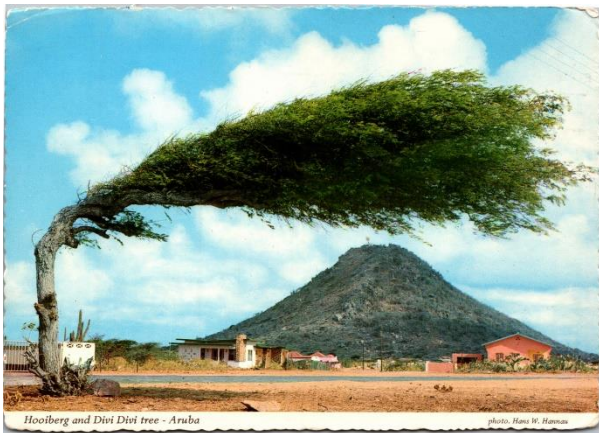


Happy February!

If you haven't renewed your membership, you still can. Please note that now you will have to fill out an application and submit it with your dues.

At the moment I don't have much to report on, but here are some fun things that we have started planning:

- Islandfest Parade – May 31st this is so much fun to participate in. We would love to have you join us tossing candy and other goodies to the kids. If you have ideas how to improve our parade participation, please let us know. We would love to hear your ideas. Hopefully F/C Jon will let us use his boat in the parade again!
- The Tiki Boat Tour was so much fun last year that we decided that we will be doing it again! Mark your calendars for June 29 for the Tiki Boat! Limited space available, it will be open to friends and family as well. As soon as we start selling seats for the boat I will let you know.
- Anniversary Cruise in November, is going to be a blast! Several of us already have our deposits down for this fun adventure. Information for the cruise is attached in this newsletter.



Do you know what tree this is?

It's the Divi Divi Tree, the national tree of Aruba, Curaçao, and Bonaire.

These trees get their unusual shape from the trade winds. Super cool!

Here are some things to do and see on the A B C Islands.

In **Aruba**, we can take this fun double decker bus around the city. I can see West River members whooping it up on this fun adventure.



Wow, we can do a tiki boat in **Bonaire**. I think this might be a fun thing to add to the list of things to do!

Look how picturesque the town is in **Curacao**. So, colorful and beautiful.



Snorkeling & beautiful beaches at all these locations too!



 **Something new we are working on.**

We're excited to announce a membership directory for the members-only section of our website! We will soon be sending out a form for each member to complete, which will include a photo (submitted by you). This is a fantastic opportunity for us all to see and recognize each other within our club.

Upcoming Events:

February 13th – Thank God It's Thursday (Swan Boat Club)

February 17th – Membership Meeting (New location, Captains on Oak St. in Wyandotte)

February 20th – Thirsty Thursday

We (the members) are the greatest advertisement for the club. If you know of anyone interested in joining our club, please encourage them to join, have them come to one of our events. We have room to grow, we have all the same benefits as a large club, except we have no monthly, quarterly, or yearly minimums.

Entertainment & Member at Large – P/C Dawn Shoemaker



February 8th – P/C Michele Konarski

February 18th – Debra Ann Sebastian

February 22nd – V/C Sharon McWhorter

February 22nd – Walter Ward

February 25th – Deborah McCallum

January 19th – Patrick Quinlan

February

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15
				Thank God It's Thursday Event	AYC Weekend	AYC Weekend
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
AYC Weekend	Membership Meeting			Thirsty Thursday Visit a local Pub for some Grub!		
23	24	25	26	27	28	
	AYC Meeting					

March

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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				Thank God It's Thursday Event		St. Patricks Day Event
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	Membership Meeting					
23	24	25	26	27	28	

April

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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					I-LYA Spring Meeting	I-LYA Spring Meeting
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I-LYA Spring Meeting				Texas Holdem Thirsty Thursday	Texas Holdem	Texas Holdem
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Texas Holdem						
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	Membership Meeting					
27	28	29	30			
AYC Bowling	AYC Meeting					

A close-up photograph of two hands holding glasses of beer. The hand on the left holds a glass of dark beer, while the hand on the right holds a glass of light beer with a thick head of foam. The background is a warm, bokeh-lit bar environment. The text 'Thirsty Thursday' is overlaid in a white, cursive font with a grey outline.

Thirsty Thursday

Thursday, February 13th

6:00 PM

Swan Boat Club

UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY 2025



13/ THIRSTY THURSDAY
6:00 PM
Swan Boat Club
THURSDAY



14-16/ AYC WEEKEND
Sheraton Hotel
Romulus
Tickets Required
FRIDAY - SUNDAY



17/ MEMBERSHIP MEETING
6:30 PM
Captains
126 Oak St, Wyandotte
MONDAY



20/ THIRSTY THURSDAY
location to be announced
THURSDAY



Join us for a fun filled 8 night cruise in the Caribbean, November 2025
for our 60th anniversary.

Departing from Fort Lauderdale November 1, 2025
Traveling to Aruba, Curacao & Bonaire

Pick your cabin, non-refundable or refundable rate.
Rates are as follows:

Inside cabin for 2
\$3380.00 non-refundable rate or \$4004.00 refundable rate
Price includes the WIFI and drink package

Balcony cabin for 2
\$3819.00 non-refundable rate or \$4531.00 refundable rate
Price includes the WIFI and drink package

Inside cabin for 1
\$3226.00 non-refundable rate or \$3875.00 refundable rate
Price includes the WIFI and drink package.

Balcony cabin for 1
\$3753.00 non-refundable rate or \$4513.00 refundable rate
Price includes the WIFI and drink package.

Pre-paid gratuities is \$144.00 per person (state whether you would like to add this when booking)
\$75.00 per cabin onboard credit (only applicable to balcony rooms)



To reserve your cabin:

**\$250.00 deposit per person required
Final payment due July 2025**

**Contact Beth Tople
mention you are with Dawn Shoemaker's group**

734-844-5032 or email at batople@acg.aaa.com

AAA Canton Branch
2017 N Canton Center Rd
Canton Mi 48187



Day 1 - Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Day 2 - At Sea, Cruising

Day 3 - At Sea, Cruising

Day 4 - Willemstad, Curacao

Day 5 - Oranjestad, Aruba

Day 6 - Kralendijk, Bonaire

Day 7 - At Sea, Cruising

Day 8 - At Sea, Cruising

Day 9 - Fort Lauderdale, Florida

TIPS & HELPFUL INFO

DOWNLOAD THE CELEBRITY APP ONTO YOUR PHONE

- If you are sharing a room with someone, only one of you needs to do download the app.
- If sharing a room, you can do check in, select boarding time & safety briefing all on one phone. Just don't forget to check the boxes for your partner.
- Check in on your phone (when it's time).
- Select boarding time.
- Make sure to have your passport ready to snap a photo of it when checking in.
- Make sure you are ready to take a selfie for your boarding info.
- Do your safety briefing on your phone when you get onboard.
- Go to your muster station and have them scan your seapass to show you completed safety briefing.
- Safes are in all cabins (lock up your valuables).
- Passports must be valid & has to be good for 6 months past date of travel.
- Any excursions or specialty dinners you purchase will show up on the app in the calendar.
- Your account balance will be on the app.
- In your Celebrity app add your method of payment. Makes checking out a breeze.
- Don't forget to get plane tickets or plan your drive time accordingly.
- If you are arriving a day or two early, make sure you plan accordingly with room reservations and transportation.
- Uber is awesome in the Fort Lauderdale and Hollywood area.
- Beth will mail, email or you can pick up your luggage tags. Whatever is easier for you.

FOR THE SMOKERS/VAPERS IN THE GROUP

SMOKING IS PERMITTED ON DECK 5 MIDSHIP (PORT SIDE)

MAST BAR DECK 14 (STARBOARD SIDE)

SUNSET BAR DECK 15 (PORT SIDE)

SAVE THE DATE

*10th Annual
IOBG District 7,9 & 25
Wine Tour*

September 18th & 20th 2025

@

*Holiday Inn Express & Suites
Madison, Ohio*



Saturday Bus Wine Tour

****Price approx. \$35/PP***

LOAD BUS @ 10:45

4 Winery Stops

28 Wineries within 8 miles

Food & Entertainment @ most Wineries along tour

ARRIVE BACK AT HOTEL @ 6pm

FRIDAY & SATURDAY NIGHT HOSPITALITY ROOM

“OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS & FRIENDS”

Room Rates \$160.00/night + tax- “IHG” group Hotel

Reservation Deadline 08/19/2025

For reservations call 1-440-307-4449

FOR BUS RESERVATION EMAIL lloydboogie@windstream.net