

DLYC News

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Commodore's Message—July 2020

I am sure that you are aware that at the June Board of Governors (BOG) meeting, reopening plans were discussed and a decision was reached to close the clubhouse to social activities until our next Board meeting on July 18th. The decision was not a simple one and significant debate went into the reopening plan prior to the final vote. In the end, the concerns about the risk of spreading the COVID-19 virus among our membership was considered to be too great. A number of club members have reached out to me to express their opinions both for and against re-opening. I have found the input very helpful so please feel free to continue to reach out to me or a BOG member. In addition, we will continue to be in compliance with the various state executive orders related to the virus.

With the virus taking out our social activities it is a little like going back to the past roots of sailing at the DLYC and having these activities represent a large portion of the club activities. Our first week of youth sailing was oversubscribed and, as of today, we have signups for this season that are in total greater than we had for the entire program last year and last year was a good year. Coupled with the planned youth Regatta our summer youth sailing program continues to grow. The Reid Francis Memorial MC Regatta is well into the advanced planning stage and we are accepting registrants on-line. If you are on the lake July 25th I would encourage you to watch the race or sign up for a box lunch at the club and get to know some of the sailors.

I am drafting this Bulletin over the Fourth of July weekend. The lake is full of boats of all types and the weather has been hot but encouraging to lake activities. It is hard to believe that our summer season is half over and that in a short time we will start to focus on back to school (will they reopen?), shifting our residence to parts South (will Florida be open?) and all those activities that come with the fall. They say we should all want to live in interesting times, but I think right now I could use a little boredom.

Stay safe

Louis Csokasy

DLYC Commodore

DLYC July2020 Social Committee Update:

As you probably know, the DLYC Board of Governors met and voted to keep the Yacht Club closed to social events through July 18, the date of the next board meeting. They will then look at the status of the Michigan executive orders and make a decision regarding club events for the summer.

We are hoping to have some outdoor get-togethers the end of July or in August. Stay tuned to communication email blasts for updates.

Kathy Seidl and Mary Bolen
Social Committee Co-Chairs

Kathy Seidl - marian0103@comcast.net

Mary Bolen - marylbolen@gmail.com

DLYC Pickleball in Action!

A quick check the sports court found a heated round of pickleball! Social Distancing was being observed and signs are in place. The Sports Court Schedule is posted as well. Come on down and play or enjoy a match!



DLYC JUNIOR SAILING 2020

Online registration for Junior Sailing Camps at dlycmi.org

There are two weeks left on the schedule and the classes have been filling up!

Learn to Sail 1 & 11 (Beginner and advanced Beginner)

Ages 6+ and up to 120 pounds—Optimist Dinghy

Over 120 pounds—Sunfish

\$100/member/\$140/non-member per weekly session



Dates/ Times Offered:

July 20-23 9am-noon (Friday, July 24th—Rain Date)

July 27-30 9am-noon (Friday, July 31st—Rain Date)

Intermediate & Advanced Sailing Camp

Ages 10+

Intermediate—Sunfish & Butterfly

Advanced—420's

\$100/member/\$140/non-member per weekly session



Dates/Times Offered:

July 20-23 1pm-4pm (Friday, July 24th—Rain Date)

July 27-30 1pm-4pm(Friday, July 31st-Rain Date)

Registration on line dlycmi.org

MEET THE JUNIOR SAILING STAFF!

**Lane Francis:
Lead Instructor**



Lane is 19 years old, and currently attends Trine University. As a returning sophomore in the fall, Lane is majoring in mechanical engineering. His hobbies include sailing, playing soccer, and snowboarding. Lane has many years of sailing experience on Diamond Lake, where he is a 3rd generation resident. He is from Cassopolis, Michigan.

**Timothy Hesse:
Instructor**



Timothy is 15 years old, and currently attends the Latin School of Chicago. He is on the varsity sailing team, and participates in band, where he plays the trumpet. He loves to sail, and is so excited to be instructing this year. He is from Chicago, and is a 3rd generation summer resident of Diamond Lake.

**Genevieve Hesse:
Sailing Administrator**



Genevieve is 18 years old, and will be attending the University of Wisconsin-Madison in the fall. She will be majoring in Elementary Education. In high school, she was an avid tennis player on the varsity team. She is from Chicago, and is a 3rd generation summer resident of Diamond Lake.

The **beginning sailing classes** kicked off this week with full classes. Precautions are being practiced with temperatures taken , gaiters for masks, and tables placed 6 feet apart when in small groups for instruction. Take a peek into the boat house to see where we store equipment. Classes are scheduled with another two weeks available. All ages, group/semi/private lessons available.

Contact Genevieve Hesse gthesse1@me.com



The **intermediate sailing classes** also began this week with full classes. Everyone was ready to rig and hit the water. Tuesday was a full sail around the island in record time! **Lane Francis** has assembled a great team and the program is running smoothly. Should be a great **Junior Regatta on July 17th**. Everybody come out to watch! Lessons are available for all ages! Contact Genevieve Hesse gthesse1@me.com





DLYC Junior Regatta

Friday, July 17, 2020

8:00 am to Lunch

- Open to members and non-members
- DLYC sailing camp registrants both past and present, ages 6-15
- 3 Classes, 10 racers per class
- 2 Races per class, length of course adjusted by ability
- Awards for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in each class
- Subway boxed lunch included



3 Classes

Opti Green Fleet

- Beginners
- Coaches can offer advice during the race.
- The focus on this fleet is to participate

Opti Blue Fleet

- Intermediate/Advanced

Sunfish

- Intermediate/Advanced

If you are unsure in which Opti fleet (Green or Blue) you should register your child, please ask Lane Francis.



OFF LAKE KAYAKING



Here is the latest information for off-lake kayaking. Updates with Nancy or Margie.

Friday, July 17th

Lake Templain

Meet at the club at 8AM (40 min drive). No lunch this trip.

Friday, August 14th

TBA

Nancy Jarrick at nancyjarrick@gmail.com-or-Margie Yarger myarger@saintmarys.edu

The Reid Francis Memorial MC Regatta

Saturday, July 25th/ Rain Date Sunday, July 26th
Hosted by Diamond Lake YC

In 1980, several sailors for the Michiana region formed an informal "round robin" for MC races pitting individual sailors and their separate lake teams for regional honors. This year, the MC Interlake Regatta is reviving that race and honoring Reid Francis's memory with this year's event. The five (5) lakes competing in this year's races are: Birch, Corey, Eagle, Indian and Diamond.

Indian Lake has offered to host next year to keep the tradition alive.

We have trophies to award the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place sailors as well as the traveling trophy for the highest scoring lake.

Members are invited!

Come and watch along the edge of the course. Social distancing will be in effect on shore. DLYC will make available box lunches to members that register in advance on line on the website. Cost per box is \$15.00. **You must order lunch in advance.**

Member registration is located on the calendar or Sailing Tab on the dlycni.org website.

Cheer on our DL Sailors:

Austin Francis
Lane Francis
Leah Peluchowski
Nicholas Peluchowski
Michael Schrager



Sailboat Racing is the ultimate in social distancing sport, as is being a spectator! Social distancing rules will be in effect on the shoreline. Pack your boat with your family and head out to the edges of the course to cheer on our racers!



Anne Coles
Rear Commodore DLYC
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Swim Lessons—one week left!

July 13—16 (7/17 rain date)

Our program is taught outdoors and follows the American Red Cross Learn to Swim Program YMCA swim lessons as taught by the YMCA of Southwest Michigan. Classes are kept small (4 -6 kids) and each child receives individual attention. Please be prepared to sign a release form prior to participation. You can sign up at the class!

Sammee Schaller sschaller@ymcagm.org

Swim Strokes/Water Stamina (ages 8+)

9:15 -10:00 am (\$100/week)

Water Acclimation (3-5 years)

(3-5 years old)

10:00-10:30 am (\$60/week)

Water Movement (6-8 years old)

10:30-11:15 am (\$80/week)

Parent & Toddler (6-36 months)

11:15- 1:45 am (\$60/week)

Private/Semis/Adult (any age)

Noon - 12:30 (\$125/week)

