



# EBC NewsBuoy

## Our 109<sup>th</sup> year

Edison Boat Club  
Est. 1914!

June 2023

### Commodore

John Loftus

### Vice Commodore

Lee Greening

### Rear Commodore

Kevin Webb

### Treasurer

P/C David Spiers

### Secretary

Bill Wayland

### Directors

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P/C Darlene Husband

Liza Parkinson

Amy Somers

### Upcoming Events\*

June 25

Shrimp Boil

July 9<sup>th</sup>

Flying Scot Outing

July 23

Summer Picnic

\* Watch for Evites for

## Obituary for P/C Robert E. L. Greening Jr.



Robert E. L. Greening Jr., 95, passed away May 25, 2023, after a brief illness in Grosse Pointe.

He was born November 15, 1927, in Detroit to Robert E. L. Greening Sr. and Ruth V. (nee Kaake) Greening.

Bob was raised on the east side of Detroit, graduated from Cass Technical High School and attended Wayne State University until he was drafted into the Army. He served in the Philippines until his honorable discharge in 1947. In 1949 he moved to Grosse Pte. Farms and began a lifelong career of 42 years with the Detroit Edison Company in power distribution. He married

Mary (nee) Stead in 1966 and moved to Grosse Pte. Woods.

Bob joined the Edison Boat Club and began to pursue his passion for sailboat racing. As an active member, he introduced the fiberglass Flying Scot to the club, eventually convincing other Detroit area sailing clubs to acquire their own boats to team race 3 boats from each club on Lake St. Clair. Bob eventually became Commodore of EBC in 1962 and remained active until his death. In 1971 he was second in the Flying Scot North American Championship behind his friend and Flying Scot designer Sandy Douglas. He later became a sailing instructor at Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, passing on his knowledge and experience to new sailors. He joined Crescent Sail Yacht Club in 2019 after the EBC clubhouse was closed.

Bob and Mary also enjoyed traveling by rail across the country and in Europe. He constructed model train layouts in his homes, eventually forming the Lakeshore Garden Railway club in 1987. He constructed a year-round model train layout in his backyard including three separate villages which he shared with young and old visitors for many years.

Bob's interest in music began later in life when he learned to play banjo, euphonium and trombone, along with his wife Mary who played trumpet. They

pop-up events

were active members in various community bands on the East side of Detroit. Bob was active in the community as a longtime board member of the Grosse Pointe Woods Tree Commission, where he organized an elementary school poster competition with awards of tree seedlings to be planted in GPW. He was also an active member in the Grosse Pointe Senior Mens Club.

In addition to his wife Mary of 56 years, he is survived by his children, Lee Greening (Pamela), Bruce Greening (Katherine), Steven Greening (Steven Chauvin) and Susan McNally (David), grandchildren Robert (Melissa), Timothy, Geoffrey, Ashley and Emily and three great grandchildren Robert, Easton, and Hazel. He was predeceased by his two younger brothers, Charles Greening and Alan Greening.

A private ceremony was held at Acacia Park Cemetery. A celebration of his life will be held at a future date at St. Michael's Church in Grosse Pointe Woods. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to The Humane Society of Detroit.

## May 21<sup>st</sup> Opening Day\* from CSYC

**pictures**



**More pictures at end of NewsBuoy**

## Future Events

Shrimp Boil on Sunday, June 26 at 1pm. Held at Grayhaven State Harbor, 368 Keelson Dr, Detroit, MI 48215



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## Summer Flying Scot Sailing Outing

Sunday, July 9 at 2 PM at Grayhaven State Harbor

Join us for a fun day sailing on the Detroit River. You might want to try sailing for the first time or can be an experienced sailor.

They will be serving dinner from 5 PM to 8 PM.

They are a 10 minute drive from the harbor, located at 14601 Riverside Boulevard, Detroit, MI 48215.

After we are done sailing, we can drive to Coriander Kitchen & Farm and have dinner.



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### **Flying Scot Notes:**

The 2023 sailing program started April 20<sup>th</sup>, you can help us with the program as a Skipper or just come on down on Thursdays and cheer everyone on.

[Flying Scot Sailing Association 2023 Raffle for a New Flying Scot](#)

## **Member and Other News**

Please send the editor any pictures, news related to yourself or other members you may know.

**For Sale:** 1985, 30' Catalina Tail Rig 3 sails, Universal diesel, new instruments, auto piolet, hot water,



refrigerator, inspected last March. Asking \$9,000.00 Larry Lacey call or text 248-854-5933

## Notice to all members:

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## Links to other sites:

DRYA [www.drya.org](http://www.drya.org) ,

EBC [www.edisonboatclub.org](http://www.edisonboatclub.org), (link to EBC Facebook on first screen of website)

Flying Scot association: [www.fssa.com](http://www.fssa.com)

Source of creative EBC Logo wear <https://albtrossembroidery.com/> Contact them for detail and you can bring in your own clothing to be monogrammed. A ships store link will be soon added to show some of the great work they do.

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## Additional Opening Day Pictures









