



# EBC NewsBuoy

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Dear Members,

Lately, we have had some really nice weather. It's almost time to put away the winter toys and get the summer toys out of storage. Until then, we will have to dream about warm weather, boating and sailing adventures, and the fun we will have during the Edison Boat Club's 111<sup>th</sup> year. Also, members can enjoy attending the last indoor sailing class held through North Sails and the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club Spring Launch Party. These two events are advertised in this NewsBuoy.

The Board and I are looking forward to the club activities. You will find the "2025 EBC Membership Calendar" in this NewsBuoy. Most activities and the Outdoor Flying Scot Sailing Classes will again be held at the Grayhaven State Marina. This year, we will be planning "Popup Events" that will not be on the Membership Calendar. We will announce the "Popup Event" in email when it comes up.

The first sailing class will be on Thursday, April 17 at 6:00 pm. The first three classes are indoor at the Henrietta Haus located at 8609 Joseph Campau, Hamtramck, MI. John Loftus will be running the class. More information can be found on our web site, <https://edisonboatclub.org>.

P/C Larry Dorr and P/C Dave Spiers have been busy with planning the EBC Regatta, which will be held on Friday, August 15, 2025. The regatta will start in front of Crescent Sail Yacht Club, go up Lake St. Clair to Macomb County, then out towards the shipping channel, and then finish at Windmill Pointe Park. Over the past several years, our regatta has had the most sailboats out of all of the DRYA regattas. Everyone loves a Friday night regatta.

We received a letter from Windsor Yacht Club inviting everyone at the Edison Boat Club to enjoy reciprocal privileges at their club. Follow the instructions in the letter and you can have dinner at their restaurant. Their letter is included in this NewsBuoy.

P/C Gary Hancock has been busy updating the Edison Boat Club web site. It is more user friendly and we plan to use it more often to get information out to the members. The three internet sites for the Edison Boat Club are as follows.

<https://edisonboatclub.org/>

<https://www.facebook.com/edison.boatclub/>

<https://www.instagram.com/edisonboatclub/>

I would like to inform you that there was an error on the invoice recently mailed to you incorrectly listing the amount of membership dues for the upcoming 2025 year. Due to rising cost on everything, the EBC Board has initiated an increase of \$25 to member dues that would have taken effect on January 1st. The new membership cost of \$125 should have been listed on the invoice.

In light of our error, we have decided to hold the previous price of \$100 for any membership payments postmarked on or before February 28th, 2025. The new price of \$125 for membership will be in effect for payments paid after February 28th.

We sincerely apologize for any confusion this may cause and appreciate your understanding as we make this adjustment. The Board wants to express our heartfelt gratitude for your continued support for the club.

Your 2025 EBC Commodore P/C Kevin Webb

To EBC Members from P/C Dave Spiers, Treasurer:

As we begin our new year of 2025, I would like to report that we are entering a new era. The lease of the hoist's revenue has ended and we will depend on our members for activities and support of our traditional events. That is one reason why we raised dues to \$125/year. Membership will be a critical item going forward and we encourage every member to try to bring in a new member to the Club. While the Sailing Program is doing well in bringing in new members and is a strong feature of the club, it is not a money maker. Increasing membership is crucial to our success. The Board has put together a great series of events so we can get together despite not having a home base. Financially, we are quite sound and can probably go another 12 years or more unless our losses get much bigger. A budget has been set for the year. With the departure of our Administrator, Debbie Delp, we will be saving some money. We wish her all the best for the future and a great thank you for all her work over the years keeping us straight. New processes will be put in place for communication, request for funds, membership requests etc. We will keep the office on Jefferson (DRYA Office) open so mail can still be sent there. Here's wishing you all a pleasant and active year and I hope to see you at our events.

P/C Dave Spiers, Treasurer

To EBC Members from R/C Liza Parkinson and P/C John Loftus:

Spring has sprung and for EBC that means the start of our Adult Learn to Sail Program and Opening Day!

#### ADULT LEARN TO SAIL

This year our indoor sailing classes will be held at Henrietta Haus, 8609 Joseph Campau, Hamtramck. This is an eclectic neighborhood bar with an amazing selection of beer and cocktails including non-alcoholic options and delicious homemade pizza. The best part is Henrietta Haus is owned by our member, Jeremy Duncan and his wife Amy. Instruction will run from 6:00 - 7:00'ish PM. All members are welcome to join in to refresh their sailing knowledge, welcome our new members, and socialize after class. Classes will be indoors on Thursdays beginning on April 17. Outdoor classes will be held on Thursdays at Grayhaven State Harbor beginning on May 8. Members are welcome to jump on a boat if there is room and socialize with the class and skippers afterwards.

#### EBC OPENING DAY

This year's Opening Day will be on Sunday, May 18 at the Moross House, 1460 E. Jefferson Ave, Detroit. Moross House is a Michigan State Historic Site and holds the title as the oldest brick home in the city. It is an art studio, art gallery, and unique event space. There is a beautiful garden in the back that provides guests a view of the Detroit River. We are very excited to have secured this space for our event. The doors will open at 1:00 pm with our program starting promptly at 1:30 pm. Following the program, there will be a reception from 2:00 - 3:30 pm. The club will provide light appetizers and libations. Please keep an eye out for an email invitation.

#### SAVE THE DATES

Thursday April 17, 24, 2025, May 1, 2025 - Indoor Sailing Class, 6:00 PM  
Sunday May 18 – EBC Opening Day

R/C Liza Parkinson and P/C John Loftus

## **2024 EBC Officers**

Commodore – P/C Kevin Webb  
Vice Commodore – Bill Wayland  
Rear Commodore – Liza Parkinson  
Treasurer – P/C David Spiers  
Secretary – Steve McAuliffe

### **Directors**

Kennedy Sugrue  
Gerry Abela  
P/C John Loftus  
William Newbold

## **The list of the 2025 EBC Chairs and Delegates.**

DRYA Delegates – Past Commodores Dave Spiers & Frank Stellingwerf

ILYA Delegate – Secretary Steve McAuliffe

Opening Day Chair - Rear Commodore Liza Parkinson

Commodore's Ball Chair - Rear Commodore Liza Parkinson

Entertainment Chair – Rear Commodore Liza Parkinson

Board Nominations Chair – Rear Commodore Liza Parkinson

Assistant Treasurer - William Newbold

Board Elections Chair - William Newbold

Membership Chair - Past Commodore John Loftus

Flying Scot Chair - Past Commodore John Loftus

Officer Election Chair – Past Commodore Frank Stellingwerf

Regatta Chair – Past Commodore Larry Dorr

Fleet Measurer - Brad Mousseau

Fleet Captain - Brad Mousseau

Fleet Doctor - Brad Mousseau

Race Chair – Michael Mullins

Fleet Chaplain – Minister Tawana Matthews

Communications Chair – Kallen Hancock

Finance Chair - Bob Zaleski

# 2025 Membership Calendar

<u>DATE - DAY</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>
April 17, 2025 - Thursday	Sailing Class, Indoor session, Thursday, 6:00 PM, Henrietta Haus - 8609 Joseph Campau, Hamtramck
April 24, 2025 - Thursday	Sailing Class, Indoor session, Thursday, 6:00 PM, Henrietta Haus - 8609 Joseph Campau, Hamtramck
May 1, 2025 - Thursday	Sailing Class, Indoor session, Thursday, 6:00 PM, Henrietta Haus - 8609 Joseph Campau, Hamtramck
May 3, 2025 - Saturday	Flying Scots in water Saturday 10 AM, Grayhaven State Harbor
May 8, 2025 - Thursday	Sailing Class, First Outdoor session, Thursdays, 6:00 PM, Grayhaven State Harbor
May 18, 2025 - Sunday	Opening Day Sunday 1 PM, Moross House, 1460 E. Jefferson Ave, Detroit
June 29, 2025 - Sunday	Shrimp Boil Sunday 11 AM Grayhaven State Harbor
July 13, 2025 - Sunday	Summer Flying Scot Sailing Outing Sunday 2 PM, Grayhaven, dinner at Coriander Kitchen
July 27, 2025 - Sunday	Summer Picnic Sunday 11 AM, Grayhaven State Harbor
August 15, 2025 - Friday	EBC Regatta Friday 7 PM
August 16, 2025 - Saturday	EBC Flying Scot Regatta Saturday 12:30 PM, Grayhaven State Harbor
Sept. 13, 2025 - Saturday	Bike Belle Isle Saturday 11 AM
October 2, 2025 - Thursday	Sailing Class, Last Outdoor sessions, Thursdays, 6:00 PM, Grayhaven State Harbor
October 4, 2025 - Saturday	Flying Scots Sailboats out of the water Sat 10 AM, Grayhaven Harbor
October 18, 2025 - Saturday	EBC Commodores Ball Saturday 6:00 PM Location TBD
November 21, 2025 - Friday	Annual Meeting Friday 6:30 PM, Coleman A. Young International Airport

**This year, we will be planning “Popup Events” that will help the members to socialize more often. These events will not be on the Membership Calendar. We will send out announcements in email and post them on our web site.**





# ADULT LEARN TO SAIL

## SEMINAR SERIES

Continue your education this winter at North Sails Detroit with our free Adult Learn to Sail Seminar Series. Each seminar is designed to expand upon key sailing concepts and skills. You'll not only gain valuable insights from experienced sailors, but also discover new ways to stay active in the sport, from local races to recreational sailing opportunities.

Sessions will be held in person, every second Monday of the month at North Sails Detroit from 6:30 - 8 pm. Doors open at 6 pm.

**SESSION 1:** October 14, 2024

**SESSION 2:** November 11, 2024

**SESSION 3:** December 9, 2024

**SESSION 4:** January 13, 2025

**SESSION 5:** February 10, 2025

**SESSION 6:** March 10, 2025

**SESSION 7:** April 14, 2025

RSVP TODAY TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT



North Sails Detroit  
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Warren, MI 48089  
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detroit@northsails.com

Session 7 (last session) will be on April 14.

The speaker for these sessions is our club member, Karl Kuspa.

To RSVP for this event, scan the QR code or click here.

<https://north.eventcalendarapp.com/u/49906/332593>



"MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO RACE, NOT LESS!" from Detroit Regional Yacht-racing Association  
US Sailing has published the 2025 - 2028 Racing Rules of Sailing and US Sailing Prescriptions.

[CLICK HERE FOR THE 2025 - 2028 US SAILING Racing Rules of Sailing](#)

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Any updates on the DRYA seminars and events are at <https://www.drya.org/events>.

**MAY 17 2025 Spring Launch PARTY**  
GROSSE POINTE YACHT CLUB  
6:30 pm to 11:00 pm

CELEBRATE YOUR PASSION FOR BOATING AT THE  
**GREAT LAKES BOATING FESTIVAL**

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or call 313 884-2500 For tickets

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## WINDSOR YACHT CLUB

January 21, 2025

Edison Boat Club  
23915 Jefferson Ave.  
St. Clair Shores, Michigan  
48080

Dear Flag Officers and Members of Edison Boat Club,

On behalf of the Board of Directors, we are delighted to invite the Flag Officers and Members of **Edison Boat Club** to enjoy reciprocal privileges at our Club for the 2025 calendar year.

Reciprocal relationships like ours are a cornerstone of the yachting community. They foster camaraderie and create lasting connections between Clubs and their Members. We greatly value these partnerships and are proud to offer you access to our dining and bar facilities as part of this shared tradition.

### **Reservation Process**

*Clubs with Full-Time Staff:* Reservations for WYC facilities can be made through the reciprocal club's full-time staff. The full-time staff member is to contact WYC's reservation desk with the member's details, requested dates, and a letter of introduction. Confirmation of reservation will be provided based on availability.

*Clubs without Full-Time Staff:* Members from these clubs are encouraged to contact WYC directly for reservations. Proof of membership must be presented upon arrival at WYC. Bookings are subject to availability, and confirmation will be sent to the member directly.

If arriving by boat, we request that Members call ahead to arrange dockage. Please note that reservations are not available on Friday evenings.

Enclosed with this letter is a card summarizing this reciprocal arrangement. We encourage you to display it prominently at your club, share this opportunity with your members, and promote the mutual benefits of our relationship.

All reciprocal club members must adhere to WYC's rules and regulations. Misconduct or failure to comply with WYC policies may result in the revocation of reciprocal privileges. Members must also be aware of the Club's dress code when visiting.

We look forward to welcoming your members and strengthening the bond between our clubs. If you have any questions, please reach out to me or our Director of Operations, Sal Licata, at 519-945-1863.

Warm regards,

Dr. Chris Busch  
Commodore, 2025

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