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Newsletter of America's Boating Club, Green Bay Squadron A unit of District 10, United States Pow-

Commander's Message by Robert Rondou, AP

At the last dinner meeting, Alan Wentworth received his 50 year plaque for service to the US Power Squadrons. Alan has been commander, teacher and other roles. He volunteered to take over the VSC administrator roll. Safe Boating Week is from 18 to 24 May, we will be conducting VSC in both Green Bay and Sturgeon Bay. A date has not been decided, as we want to wait to see what the weather will be. On June 14th will be the Summer Picnic, at Windjammer's Sailing Club. It will be their open house. Food and drinks provided. We will have a safety booth set up there. In late spring a Survey Marker Recovery day. We still have to work out how to get the picture recording aps to work.



Welcome new members transferred from the Door County Squadron. We are looking at having a dinner meeting or get together in Sturgeon Bay.



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ALL members are invited to contribute. Send articles and/or photos for consideration to the NL Editor. Deadline for the next *Ship's Log* is the 25th of the preceding month.

Education Officer Wayne Dunbar

With nearly 12 million recreational vessels registered in the U.S., millions of Americans are enjoying time on and in the water.



In 2023, the U.S. Coast Guard reported 3,844 boating incidents that resulted in 564 deaths, 2,126 injuries and about \$63 million in property damage. Stay safe by being prepared and using the appropriate equipment, whether enjoying a ride on a motorized boat, paddling a kayak or wakeboarding.

Life Jackets Are Essential

Life jackets are at the core of safe boating, whether using a motorized or non-motorized vessel. The U.S. Coast Guard reports 81% of boating deaths in 2021 were due to drowning, and 83% of the victims were not wearing a life jacket.

While regulations on life jacket use vary from state to state, the Wear It program of the National Safe Boating Council promotes boating safety by encouraging boaters to wear life jackets any time they are on a boat, motorized or non-motorized.

Good swimmers still need life jackets. When people fall off a boat, they may become disoriented, injured or unconscious. Life jackets can keep victims' heads above water so they can breathe and be rescued more easily. Every child should wear a life jacket at all times when boating.

Choose the right life jacket for the activities you will be doing. Double check to make sure the life jackets are U.S. Coast Guard approved and fit correctly:

- Make sure the jacket is a proper fit for your size and weight
- Make sure the jacket is properly fastened
- Hold your arms straight up over your head, ask a friend to grasp the tops of the arm openings and gently pull up; make sure there is no excess room above the openings and that the jacket does not ride up over your chin or face

Windjammers Sailing Club

4009 Channel Road

Suamico, WI 54473

Open House

A social gathering of fellow boaters

June 14, 2025 10AM to 2PM

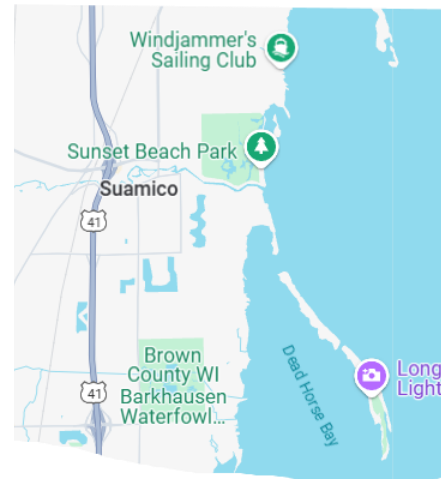
America's Boating Club, Green Bay Squadron will have a booth

As well as: Green Bay Sail and Paddle

Suamico Fire Department

Sail Time

Food will be available



Pictures from the Fitting Out dinner meeting in April 2025 at the Green Bay Yachting Club



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Calendar of Events for 2025

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- Sea Scout Recruitment Day, May 12
- Safe Boating Week, see website for details May 18-24
- Social Get-together—Thursday, May 29, Village Grille
- Open House at Windjammers Sailing Club June 14 10-2
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Green Bay Squadron Appare!

Check at next meeting.