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of Central Ohio

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Monthly Newsletter for Sail, Power, and Paddle Boaters

America's Boating Club of Central Ohio invites you to witness the

2025 CHANGE OF WATCH

Saturday, February 22nd 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

The Berwick Manor Banquet Center
3250 Refugee Road Columbus, OH 43232

Cost \$35. Per person includes buffet dinner, DJ and dancing – Cash Bar
Semi Formal Attire

RSVP by February 15th to Janet Hern at
614-530-0695 or janethern@icloud.com

*Please consider inviting family, potential members, and boating enthusiasts
for an elegant and entertaining evening.*

FEBRUARY 6th MEET UP

6:30- 8:30 p.m.

PINS MECHANICAL

Bridge Park in Dublin

Enjoy this winter evening with fellow boating enthusiasts playing BEER PONG and DUCK PIN BOWLING \$10 Per person covers unlimited bowling on our two reserved lanes. Cash bar and Mikey's Late Nite Slice is available on-site for ordering pizza. Hope to see you there!

MARCH 6th HAPPY HOUR & DINNER MEETING CAP CITY DINER

Bridge Park in Dublin

6 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Reservations by
February 27th to Sue Goelz
sue_goelz@yahoo.com
Order either the blue plate special or your dinner choice from Cap City's scrumptious menu.

APRIL 3rd HAPPY HOUR & DINNER MEETING Wind Chimes

Chinese Restaurant

5742 Frantz Rd., Dublin

6 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.

Reservations by
March 27th to Sue Goelz
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CALENDAR of COMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY

2-10	Sun-Sun	USPS Annual Meeting – Orlando
3	Monday	March 2025 <i>Galley Gossip</i> Articles Due
6	Thursday	ABC Dinner Event – PINS Mechanical - Bridge Park, Dublin – 6:30-8:30 pm
8	Saturday	Sandusky ABC Change of Watch – Sandusky Yacht Club
14	Friday	Happy Valentine's Day
22	Saturday	ABC of Central Ohio Change of Watch – Berwick Manor Banquet Center 6 pm Social Hour – 7 pm Dinner – Reservations Required
25	Saturday	Executive Committee Meeting – ABC Clubhouse – 7 pm

MARCH

3	Monday	April 2025 <i>Galley Gossip</i> Articles Due
6	Thursday	ABC Happy Hour/Dinner – Cap City Diner – Bridge Park, Dublin – 6 pm - 8:30 pm – Reservations Required
24	Monday	Executive Committee Meeting – ABC Clubhouse – 7 pm
28-30	Fri – Sun	District 29 Spring Conference – Sandusky Holiday Inn

APRIL

3	Thursday	ABC Happy Hour/Dinner – WIND CHIMES – 5742 Frantz Rd., Dublin 6 pm - 8:30 pm – Reservations Required
7	Monday	May 2025 <i>Galley Gossip</i> Articles Due
28	Monday	Executive Committee Meeting – ABC Clubhouse – 7 pm

2024-2025 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB OF CENTRAL OHIO

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Commander Cdr Brian Crabbe, AP
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Member-at-Large Lt Tom Francis
Member-at-Large Lt Sue Goelz, S
Member-at-Large Lt Bob Hern, S
Member-at-Large Lt Janet Hern, S
Member-at-Large Lt Joe Huffman, P

Member-at-Large Lt Michael T. Hughes, AP
Member-at-Large Lt David Keller, S
Member-at-Large P/C Phil Osborne, JN-IN
Member-at-Large P/Lt/C Ruth Wilcox, S



Secretary

P/C John Seaver, SN

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"GALLEY GOSSIP" is published 10 times a year for the members of the America's Boating Club of Central Ohio. **Deadline for receiving articles is the first of the month for the following month's publication.**

Articles of information can be e-mailed to: janethern@icloud.com.

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Please Note:

Pictures may be taken at America's Boating Club of Central Ohio events. If you do not want your picture published in the *Galley Gossip* newsletter and/or posted on the club Facebook page, please inform the photographer.

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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Cdr Brian Crabbe, AP



This will be my last GG as Commander. It has been a great two years with a good amount of forward movement. I hope that we will continue to work together for a common goal.



UPCOMING MEETINGS:

DISTRICT 29

Spring Conference — March 28–30, 2025
Holiday Inn Express, Sandusky

NATIONAL

Annual Meeting — February 2–10, 2025
Orlando, Florida

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Lt/C Glen Kubinski, AP



Hello everyone, my wife and I want to wish you all a Happy New Year and hope that this finds you healthy, as well. This is my last report for the *Galley Gossip* as your favorite Executive Officer. I hope you enjoyed these articles over the last two years. Now it is my turn to move up the ladder and become your next Commander for our squadron. I can only hope I will do as well as my predecessors in this role. Commander Crabbe will step down and I can only hope he will stick around and help steer this ship. Brian has done a fantastic job of bringing District 29 squadrons together so we can all enjoy different events and rendezvous with other squadrons. Over all the years that I have been a member, I was always interested in rendezvous that others were doing but, I found it hard to get information on them. Now we will be sharing events and trips together while meeting new friends along the way. Thank you, Commander Crabbe, for your time and dedication to our boating family.

Also, I would like to thank your favorite AO, Ruthie Kubinski who will be stepping down from this role. She has dedicated four years in total as AO to the club including the last two years. She has arranged all the dinner meetings and picnics plus larger events such as the Christmas dinners and Change of Watch. Also, she has helped me with a



lot of tasks for the club such as setting up signage for Vessel Safety Checks (VSCs) and purchasing cakes for different dinner meetings, to mention a few. Thank you, Ruthie. You have been an asset to this club, and I know you are looking forward to helping me in my new position.

I do want to mention that the incoming AO will be by committee with Sue Goelz, Sheryl Mack, and Janet Hern. One person alone could not fit into Ruthie's shoes. I was a little disappointed in events leading up to this decision and the lack of open and honest communication between Past Commanders and myself. I took it as just an oversight which I might have to get used to hearing. As a graduate of The Ohio State University with a BA in Communication, I hope to ensure respect for members that have volunteered their time and effort to our club. However, I know that these three ladies will do an excellent job as our future AO.

Please do not forget to mark your calendar for the next Change of Watch which will be on February 22nd at The Berwick Manor Party House, 3250 Refugee Road Columbus, OH 43232. Please see additional information in the *Galley Gossip* or online. I look forward to being your next Commander and accomplishing an agenda that will be open and honest and transparent to the entire membership. We have some work to do on lingering problems and it is my goal to put them to rest for the continued success of the club.

Thank you all and I hope to see you on the water this coming boat season.

Membership Status?

USPS did not send membership renewal invoices in the last six months due to database changes at USPS HQ. It is possible that your membership has EXPIRED if you have not renewed since May 2024.

Call USPS at 888-317-8777 to check on the status.

January 9th Elections Dinner Meeting



Lt/C Glen Kubinski, AP, presented an award to Lt David Fannon, AP, and Melissa, printers of the Galley Gossip for 35 years.

Thanks to Ruthie Kubinski for submitting these photos.

Change of Watch

The Change of Watch ceremony is the transfer of responsibility and authority for America's Boating Club of Central Ohio from Commander Brain Crabbe to incoming Commander Glen Kubinski. It is a formal and sobering ritual, conducted before the assembled company of our organization, as well as honored guests and dignitaries.

For more information, and to register for the event, see the front cover of the GG.



There is still time to join the class for **Cruising Under Sail and Power**. The course provides information to make your on the water exploring more fun and opens new possibilities of places to go while enjoying being on the water. Later in the new year Ralph Newman will be teaching **Offshore**



Navigation. Keep that thought in mind if you or someone you know is interested in exploring boating beyond the shoreline.

Perhaps the January 25, 2025, **ABC** class will have passed before you read this article. Please keep in mind that there will be two other classes in March and April if you know of new or potential boaters that wish to learn boating basics for the coming season. Remember that the book for the course is a great resource of boating information that will help many people going out on the water. Everything in this excellent book cannot be covered in the one-day course. Another thought is that the people that take our course have fewer accidents

SICK BAY

Joe Clay
D29 Commander Bob Dubray

SHIP'S STORE

Lt Sue Goelz has worked with Lands End to create items for ABC of Central Ohio. The QR Code which takes you to the site is below. Once there you will be prompted to create a username and password to view the items available for ordering.



- * No minimum order
- * Pricing will include sales prices where applicable
- * Addition of logo - \$5.99 per item

<https://business.landsend.com/store/abccentralohio>

while boating. I think our ABC Book would be a great gift to a new boater that did not take our course.

We are starting a new year, and the days are getting longer! It will not be long before we can start working on our boats. Remember to plan for the cruises coming with the warm weather. Stay warm and enjoy the clubs other activities during the winter months.

Insurance Coverage

America's Boating Club's prior insurance policy expired at the end of 2024. 2025 Insurance coverage requires that each and every event be registered one week prior to the event. The person or persons in charge of the event will be responsible for submitting the form electronically to the Insurance Underwriter. The Underwriter will respond with a Certificate of Insurance specifically for that event and date.

The form is found by logging into America's Boating Club National website. Choose Member Website from the dropdown menu. Look for the Insurance Update article and click on fillable PDF found here. You will be directed to the form.

Your completed form must be emailed to: documentrequest@coreinsured.com one week prior or as early as possible prior to the scheduled event.

Need a Boating Club Nametag?

Taking orders through March 1st

Pin Backed = \$9.75 plus shipping and handling

Magnet Backed = \$10.50 plus shipping and handling

Email the name you want on your name tag along with your address and phone number to janethern@icloud.com

Payment due upon receipt of name tag.

ABC/Central Ohio Member Spotlight

Bob Rayburn has been a member of America's Boating Club of Central Ohio for thirty-eight years. Bob is currently the club's Education Officer (SEO), but has also held the titles and positions of Activities Officer (AO) in 1995 and Commander from 1997-1998. He currently teaches the Boat Handling Course and is involved in National Instructor Development.

As a youth, Bob was an avid reader. Favorite books were about Voyagers on the Great Lakes, Fur Trappers, and Opening the Great Lakes Territory. He felt a total connection to the Great Lakes and to the Ohio River that flowed near his hometown of Portsmouth, Ohio.

As a result of that water connection, Bob has owned and operated several different boats starting with a 17' Four Winns that saw time on Alum Creek and at other local to Ohio lakes. Wanting to spend overnight on a boat, Bob became the owner of a 25' Cruisers Inc. which logged some hours at the North Channel, Mackinaw Island, Bay Point, and Lake St Clair. Later he docked a 30' Tolly Craft in a permanent slip at Lake Erie and today he is the proud owner of a 31' Sea Ray which is also permanently docked at Lake Erie.

Prior to retirement, Bob was a teacher for forty-four years at Eastland Career Center. He loved History and elected to teach Social Studies. His love for teaching kids, his farm background, and his time spent as a Boy Scout were perfect lead ins to a career of influencing and teaching high school students. At about the thirty year mark, Bob also

mentored new teachers coming in from Industry and later helped teach and mentor OSU pre-service teachers as a Field Professor with the Social Studies program. His passion was teaching those with industry knowledge just how to impart that knowledge to the inexperienced youth who would someday use those skills for careers in a trade.

Bob became a member of the Boating Club because a friend asked him to join.

Bob's wife, Mary is also a long-time member of the club and was the editor of the *Galley Gossip* for eight plus years. When not boating on Lake Erie, the Rayburns are at home in Worthington, or spending time with their three children and eleven grandchildren whose ages range from 18 months to 23 years.

From Bob, "Boating classes and the knowledge and experience gained from the instructors and course materials provide the confidence and freedom to try new experiences on the water."

Be sure to take advantage of the courses being offered by America's Boating Club of Central Ohio and learn from Bob and the club's other experienced instructors.



The Rayburn's boat, "Tool-n-Around", awaits their next adventure.



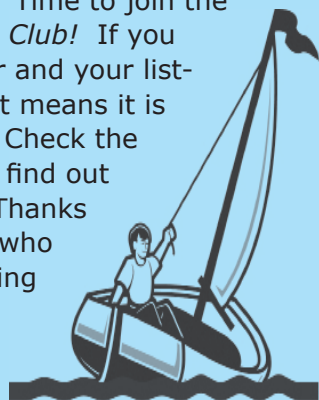
February Birthdays

Bruce Bauchmire
Christine Clay
Andrew Crabbe
Jessica Garrett

Jonathan Hollander
Debbie Murphy
Nicholas Pastis
Bob Rayburn

Galley Gossip Sponsors Club

It's that time again! Time to join the *Galley Gossip Sponsors Club*! If you were already a member and your listing is no longer there, it means it is time for you to renew. Check the back page of the GG to find out how to join or renew. Thanks in advance to all those who support America's Boating Club of Central Ohio in this manner!



Elected Bridge 2025-2026

Commander	Glen Kubinski, AP
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AO	Sue Goelz, S
Assist AO	Cheryl Mack
Assist AO	Janet Hern, S
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Secretary	John Seaver, SN
Education Officer	Robert Rayburn, SN-IN
Past Commander	Brian Crabbe, AP

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	Bob Hern, S
	David Keller, S
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	Phil Osborn, JN-IN
	Bob Goelz, S
	Michael T. Hughes, AP

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DISTRICT 29 SPRING CONFERENCE "NAUTICAL NARRATIVES"

March 28-30, 2025

Holiday Inn Express

At Thirsty Pony

1515 Cedar Point Drive

Sandusky, OH

Room Rate \$109.00

Free Hot Breakfast

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Terrie Lynn

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