

Dear CIC Yachtsmen Association,

As we look ahead to another exciting summer on the Great Lakes, I'd like to extend a warm welcome to both returning members and those joining us for the first time. The upcoming season offers a wonderful opportunity to rekindle friendships, embrace new members and continue fostering the camaraderie that defines our vibrant marina community.

The 2026 calendar of events is filled with engaging and memorable experiences, from our Liberty Cruise to Put-in-Bay and Cruise into Cleveland voyages to Yachtsmen Weekend, the Commodore's Ball, Docktails and many other gatherings, designed to bring delight, spark laughter and lasting connections.

I am honored to serve as your Commodore this season, alongside an exceptional team of Flag Officers:

- **Vice Commodore: Jim and Diane Scott**
- **Rear Commodore: George and Lorraine Slogik**
- **Fleet Captain: Ed and Linda Conrad**
- **Fleet Surgeon: Dr. Karen Kelley and Chris Seiple**

Supporting us throughout the season is our dedicated group of Dock Captains, whose names are posted at each dock entrance. They provide timely Yachtsmen Association communications, volunteer at YA events and coordinate dock events to build community.

Be sure to [subscribe](#) to the WAYPOINTS email, sent on the first Tuesday of every month from May through September, to stay current on upcoming events, which includes spring and summer cruises registration, as well as the latest event updates. You also can visit the [CIC Yachtsmen Association](#) webpage for the 2026 calendar of events, additional resources and more information.

A heartfelt thank you to your Flag Officers, Dock Captains, Heather Stouffer and her team in bringing our events and experiences to life. Their enthusiasm and support make CIC a truly exceptional place to belong.

I am eagerly anticipating the journey ahead and the unforgettable experiences we'll create in 2026! Wishing everyone a safe, joyful and adventure-filled season!

Your Commodore,



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