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**GREAT LAKES  
CRUISING CLUB**

*Lifeliner*  
A member newsletter

## Wisconsin ports hold plenty of memories



**CRUISING THE LAKES:** Changes at port communities are sometimes good, sometimes not so much. But they remain enjoyable and worth a stop. Just be aware of the fishing boats

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# WHAT'S NEW WITH THE GLCC



## Take a look back on Rendezvous '24

Escanaba opened its arms to GLCC cruisers at this year's Rendezvous, and those attending appreciated the opportunity to explore the community and northern Lake Michigan.

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## 2024 Wilderness Rally carves out a place for fun

McGregor Bay draws cruisers to North Channel. Wilderness Rally highlights a cut that not only dinghies can navigate – with the right information

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## Rain, rain, stay away! We tour a castle today!

Lake Ontario Rally in Clayton, NY, features tours of a long-ago millionaire's yacht and castle – and a good bit of food, fun and camaraderie.

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## Bavarian themed meeting has a touch of Sinatra, too

The GLCC Annual General Membership Meeting is Oct. 18-20 at the Bavarian Inn Lodge in Frankenmuth, Mich. Click here to learn more, and sign up

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## Get to know board member Jim Austin

Although he and his wife have retired from boating, the Cruising Club still plays an important role in Jim and Coleen's lives

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## Winter's coming, and so is winterization time

If you're a do-it-yourself cruiser, here is a checklist of do's and don'ts that will ensure your craft is ready to go next boating season.

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## FROM THE BRIDGE

OUR MEMBERS MAKE US SPECIAL: Lou Bruska knows Lake Michigan. I'm sure you'll enjoy his insights in his article about cruising the Wisconsin side. I hope you consider attending the Annual General Membership Meeting where you

will see Joe McKeown become our new Commodore, and Craig Shantz our new Vice Commodore. They have experience that can't do anything but help this organization improve and grow.

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### **50-year GLCC member sees many advancements**

Ted Smith has seen a tight-knit group of boaters in the 1970s grow to become a welcoming group that makes cruising better and even more fun

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### **Two more cruisers earn Admiral Bayfield award**

This isn't an easy award to win. It takes a commitment to being on the water – and a deep, abiding love of the Great Lakes

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