

February 2024



SPRINGFIELD MOTOR BOAT CLUB



UPCOMING EVENTS

Event:	Day:	Actual Date:
Membership Meeting	Thursday	February 1.
West Region Chili Challenge	Sunday	February 4.
Valentine's Dinner	Saturday	February 10.
Mardi Gras Buffet Bruncheon	Sunday	February 18.
Springfield Boat Show	Fri-Sun	February 23-25.
Spring Trivia	Saturday	March 23.
Spring Work Day	Saturday	March 30.
Easter Brunch	Sunday	March 31.

RESTAURANT Hours:

Winter Hours are in effect:

Wednesday - Lunch 11-2 Dinner 5-8

Thursday - Dinner 5-8

Friday - Lunch 11-2, Dinner 5-9, Bar 5-10

Saturday - Lunch 11-2, Dinner 5-9, Bar 5-10

Sunday - Closed

Times are subject to change based on events and staffing.

COMMODORE: Mike Hamende



Thanks to all the members who are supporting the restaurant. Just another reminder that 2024 dues invoices were sent out in early December and are due. If you have paid your invoice in full, your food/bar gift card is available for pick-up at the bar.

The club made a \$1500 donation in January to the LLCC culinary program for a scholarship. We are also partnering with LLCC on an internship. Our intern, Nevyn Milbourn, is working with Chef Mike daily on all kitchen duties and will be focusing

his internship "project" on desserts. Please support him and try his dessert creations soon.

Thursday night, the Spring Bocce Ball League will start on April 11. We will play for 8 weeks with no play on meeting nights. A team consists of 2 players who play 2 games per night, starting at 6 pm. Please contact me at 971-5464 if you are interested. We have room for 16 teams and need subs, too.

The spring work day will be Saturday, March 30.

VICE COMMODORE: Anjie LeCrone



We had a very successful Frozen Open despite the chilly temperatures. The club brought in \$2660 in revenue, up from last year's totals. Thank you to the following people- Scott Joslin, Bob Krell, Mike Hamende, Greg Hamende, Pat Krell, Chris Miles & Rick DeSart with set up & tear down. Annie Ellis helped sell at the food station, and Bob Ellis worked the hole. Fred Walraven & Chris Schwarber did a great job as MCs for the day. Our drivers were Steve Thoma & Art Bowden. The Teams from SMBC were Chris Miles, Ron Stevens & Don Buttita. We had many compliments on the food the Chef prepared: Burnt End Nachos, BBQ Chicken sandwich, eggrolls, and Chili, which all sold out before the end of the day. Jeff's signature cocktail a Dream Sickle was a hit as well. Thanks to the staff of Chef Mike, Jeff, Cole & Katie, who helped everything run smoothly. If I missed anyone, please know your help was greatly appreciated.

The Council of Clubs held their monthly meeting here on January 25th, with Chef serving a fried chicken dinner for those in attendance. Queen of Hearts continues with the current pot at \$1656 plus half of Friday night's total.

Upcoming events are the West Region Chili Challenge to be held here on Sunday, February 4th- with doors opening at noon, \$5 admission, tasting at 2 pm, and \$3 Bud family cans & bottles. We need a few volunteers to help with this event. We will need a couple of people at the door taking the admission fee, someone to run the 50/50 raffle, and someone to help serve at the food station. This is a fun event and a great way to get your service hours in. Let me know if you can help.

Valentine's Dinner will be on Saturday, February 10th at 6:30pm- there will not be any lunch service that day, and this event is limited to 50, so get your reservations in right away. The cost is \$40/person plus tax & gratuity, with payment due by noon on Feb 6th. You can see the full menu posted on the events bulletin board, SMBC Events Facebook page, or our website. Mark your calendar for the 2nd annual Mardi Gras Buffet Brunch on Sunday, February 18th with Frank Parker Jambalaya band as entertainment- more details to follow. The Boat Show will be the weekend of February 23rd-25th. We have set dates for our Spring & Fall Trivia nights, which will be March 23rd & November 23rd. It looks like our Spring Work Day will be Saturday, March 30th. Easter Buffet Brunch will follow on Sunday, March 31st, with menu and more details to come. We are also working on a comedy night with a tentative date set for April 27th.

A few other event ideas that are being discussed are a glow bingo night, ballroom dancing, and a bags tournament with our sister clubs. I plan on setting up an events committee meeting in February. If this is something you would like to help with, please let me know. Lastly, a quick shout out to Don Buttita for continuing to put the fliers together and posting them on our Facebook page and to Lori Shrock for updating our website with not only the upcoming events but also the weekly specials & photos. If you haven't checked out our website in a while- give it a look

Angie LeCrone
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FLEET CAPTAIN:

We have 4 rental slips available, and one has a lift installed that is for sale. Please get in touch with me if you are interested. If not, we will try to fill them with new members at the boat show in February.

There are no docks for sale at this time.

Rental slip and dock owner fees are due now, so please drop those off at the club.



GROUNDS DIRECTOR: Matt and Kirk Carls

We have entered into our winter mode for grounds maintenance. Grounds will develop a mowing schedule for anyone interested in getting hours next spring and summer

Thank you,

Kirk and Matt Carls



BUILDING DIRECTORS: Bill Atteberry and Chuck Broers

Bill Atteberry and Chuck Broers:

We've had several minor things lately; we had to have the ice machine worked on but found a problem with a circuit board that has caused intermittent problems. We had a frozen water line in the kitchen; Chuck came in, found it, and thawed it out before it worsened. The problem has since been addressed. We also had a plugged drain back in



the prep area, but was cleaned out. We have had the carpets cleaned throughout the building and had the bayroom tile stripped and waxed.

BEACH DIRECTOR: Greg Hamende/Janice Joslin

The BEACH HOUSE is CLOSED. Nothing to report.



MEMBERSHIP: Lesley Duncan

We will welcome new members, Robin & Catherine Fuchs on Thursday. They are sponsored by Ron Stevens & Don Buttitta. We currently have one pending application for March.



Dallas and Joyce Whittaker, sponsored by Scott Erb and Don Buttitta.

Sign-up forms are posted on the bulletin board for The Boat Show, which will be February 23rd-25th. We still have several shifts available for Saturday and Sunday. It is a fun event for SMBC and a great way to start early to get your work hours in for this year! If you have any questions or can't make it in to sign up for hours, please contact me.

I should have an updated work logbook out in the next few weeks; if you have hours to log for January or February, just clearly make a note of them, and I will get them transferred to the new 2024 sheets once it is updated.

Lesley Duncan
Membership Director-2024

SECRETARY: Larry McVey

Happy New Year!

The most current SMBC By-Laws can be found [here](#).

Condolences were sent late to Angie and Darren LeCrone on the loss of his father.



As secretary, I need club members to provide me with information that needs to be disseminated to the greater membership, especially regarding Good and Welfare. Please contact me if you know of any members or family members who should receive the Club's condolences or blessings. alarmcv@gmail.com