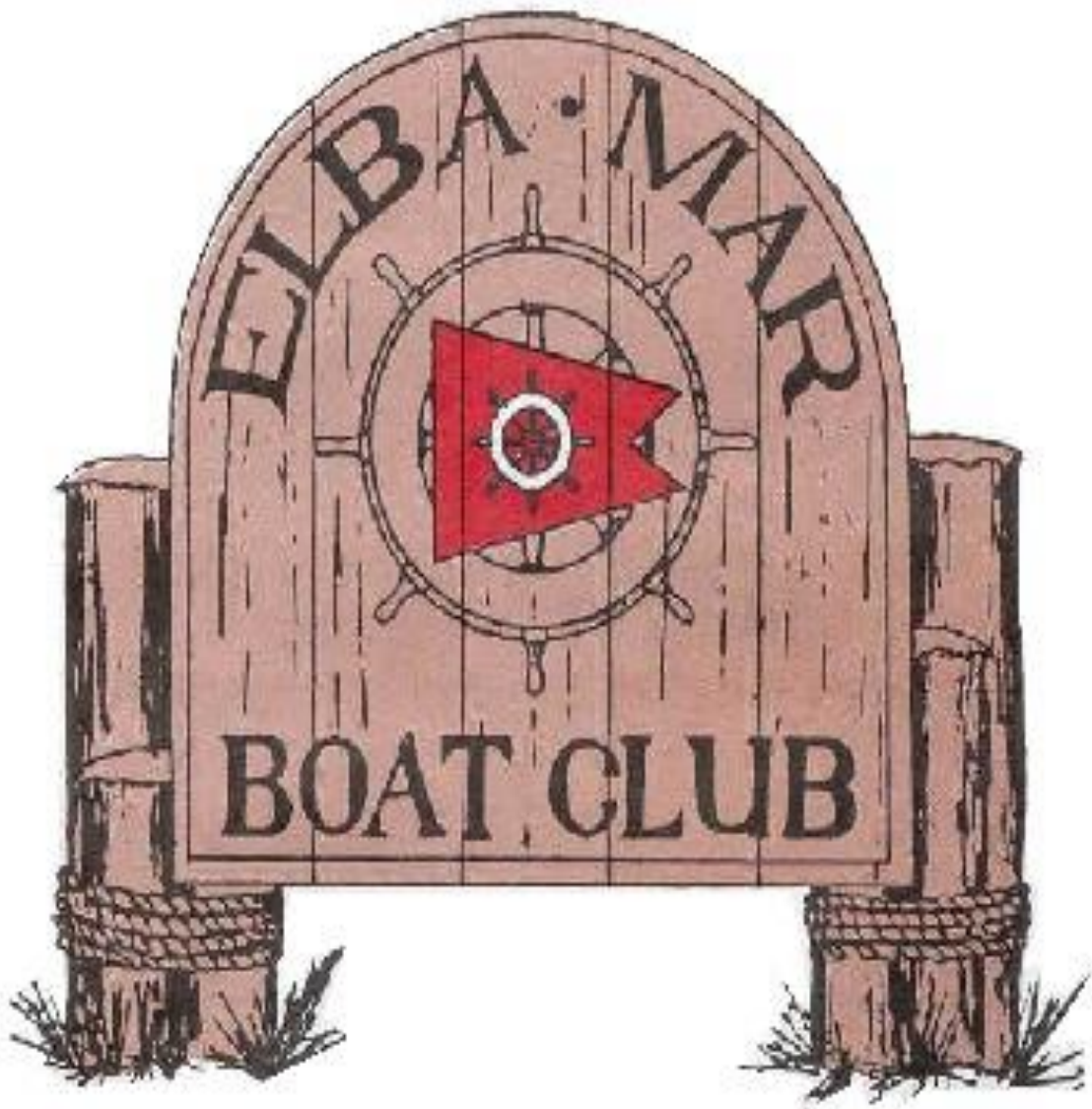


# WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



*Elba-Mar Boat Club - P. O. Box 569 - Grosse Ile, MI 48138*

# Elba-Mar Boat Club

On property at the south end of Grosse Ile, which was once part of the R.E. Olds estate sits Elba-Mar Boat Club. In 1951, this property was purchased by Roy Hoover and Orville Brown, initially to start a public marina. Grosse Ile Township would not issue a permit for a public marina, but would allow them to establish a private boat club. So, on February 20, 1953, the State of Michigan approved the Articles of Incorporation. The name was derived from the property being adjacent to Elba Island and also that it sat mostly in the middle of a marshy area; therefore, we became Elba-Mar Boat Club. Orville Brown was the first unofficial and self-proclaimed commodore from 1953 through 1956. In 1957, Roy Hoover became the first elected commodore of Elba-Mar Boat Club.

In the 1960s, such things as free Saturday night dances, euchre nights and fashion shows were popular. Also during this era in 1962, the official club newsletter began replacing post cards as a means of keeping the membership informed of various events. In 1964, Mr. Hoover indicated that he intended to sell the club. At this time, Grosse Ile Development, Incorporated was formed as a means of saving the club from extinction. They performed several major renovations while the club was in their care, such as dredging the inner channel, installing seawalls and adding utilities to the docks. They owned the club until the membership purchased it in 1974.

During the 1970/1980 era, the clubhouse was remodeled no less than three times. Our old gravel road was replaced with asphalt, gas tanks were replaced and the gas dock renovated, and our beautification committee landscaped the grounds front to back. Two new entrance signs were installed, one from land and one from sea, thus establishing our new logo which you see on most of our publications. Also, new docks and utilities were added on the small boat side of our harbor, completing the renovation of all our docks at the club.

In the 1990s we have had the addition of a new seawall on the canal side of the harbor, and all new electrical throughout the club grounds. We have made major kitchen and bath room renovations as well as numerous beautification projects on the club grounds.

In the early 2000s we've kept up with water levels being too low by dredging the harbor and respacing the west outer harbor docks. Starting with what would be an eight year project of replacing the asphalt around the whole marina. The beer cooler, kitchen freezer and refrigerator were replaced. Along with the kitchen stove and other kitchen appliances.

The last ten years brought a new bar and ceiling with the revamp of the club house including new coolers behind the bar. The men's and women's bathrooms were updated. The bar and eating area had the flooring replaced along with the kitchen serving areas upgraded. Keno was brought in along with new TVs. Membership has surpassed the 500 mark. As we approach the future we are looking forward to new storage sheds, launch ramp upgrading and the possibility of a new clubhouse.

Our most valuable assets from the past and into the future are our members. They are what make Elba-Mar Boat Club the best club on the water.

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## **CLUB ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES**

- ANNUAL CLUB GOLF OUTING!!
- ANNUAL A.Y.C. BOWLING TOURNAMENT!!
- ANNUAL CHILI COOK OFF (WITH BEER, HOT DOGS AND PRIZES)!!
- ANNUAL WALLEYE FISHING TOURNAMENT!!
- ANNUAL BUS TRIP TO OTHER BOAT CLUBS!!
- CASINO BUS TRIPS!!
- DINGHY RUN FOR ADULTS (BEER, WINE AND LOTS OF FOOD)!!
- DINGHY RUN FOR AUXILIARY MEMBERS (DRINKS AND FOOD)!!
- A.Y.C. SPONSORED POKER RUNS (WEEKEND EVENT)!!
- ELBA-MAR DAYS REGATTA (THREE DAY EVENT)!!
- ELBA-MAR COMMODORE'S BALL!!
- A.Y.C. COMMODORE'S BALL (WEEKEND EVENT)!!
- CLUB CRUISES TO DIFFERENT PORTS OF CALL!!
- NAUTICAL CLUB AUCTIONS!!
- WINE TASTING PARTY!!
- EASTER, HALLOWEEN AND CHRISTMAS PARTIES FOR THE KIDS!!
- SATURDAY NIGHT DANCES (FREE) DURING THE SUMMER!!
- NEW YEARS EVE PARTY!!
- PLUS DANCES FOR ST. PATTIES DAY, SPRING FLING AND HALLOWEEN!!

## **WE HAVE A FULL SERVICE KITCHEN**

- OPEN YEAR ROUND FOR YOUR EVENING DINING PLEASURE,
- SERVING WEDNESDAY THRU SUNDAY.
- OPEN DURING BOATING SEASON FOR BREAKFAST ON WEEKENDS.
- CHECK THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR TIMES AND DAILY SPECIALS.

## **WE HAVE A FULL SERVICE BAR**

- OPEN YEAR ROUND, SERVING UP GREAT DRINKS AND HOSPITALITY.
- OPEN ALL DAY, EVERYDAY (EXCEPT MONDAYS AND SOME HOLIDAYS).

## **WE HAVE A FULL SERVICE GAS DOCK**

- REGULAR MID GRADE 89 OCTANE GAS, PUMP-OUT, OIL, ICE, ATTENDED.

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## **Elba-Mar Auxiliary**

**All social and full members significant  
other, either female or male are  
automatically auxiliary members.**

**We meet five times each year. Our meetings are  
held on the first Monday of January, March, May,  
September and November at 7:00 p.m. at the clubhouse.**

### **THERE ARE NO DUES**

The Elba-Mar Auxiliary was formed in April 1959. Lou Armstrong and Boots Roberts drafted the Auxiliary's constitution and by-laws in Armstrong's basement. Our first president was Jean Ridge. Our organization has experienced many changes in the passing years. For example in 1998, our club's 45th anniversary, the original name of the Elba-Marettes was changed to the current name "Elba-Mar Auxiliary".

The Auxiliary hosts the children's Easter, Halloween and Christmas parties, along with fashion shows, boutiques, mystery trips and much more. We sell all the club logo clothing and once a year we honor our Auxiliary President with a ball.

With our proceeds from our fund-raisers we purchased tables, chairs, radios, patio tables and refurbished the ladies restroom. The Auxiliary purchased most of the extras you see in our clubhouse.

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# MEMBERSHIP

IF YOU NEED A DOCK NOW OR IN THE FUTURE, YOU MUST JOIN AS A FULL MEMBER. ONLY FULL MEMBERS CAN BE DOCK HOLDERS.

BOTH FULL AND SOCIAL MEMBERS ENJOY ALL THE SAME CLUB FUNCTIONS AND CLUB TRIPS. THE MAIN DIFFERENCES ARE THAT FULL MEMBERS ACCRUE SENIORITY, CAN BE A DOCK HOLDER, CAN EARN GOLDEN LIFE POINTS, HAVE VOTING RIGHTS, CAN BE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND CAN BE A FLAG OFFICER.

## FULL MEMBERSHIP FEES AND DUES:

ONE TIME INITIATION FEE.....\$1300.00  
\*YEARLY MEMBERSHIP DUES..... \$410.00  
YEARLY SCRIPT TICKETS.....\$100.00  
YEARLY PAYMENT.....\$510.00

\*FULL MEMBERS MUST WORK OR PAY FOR 25 WORK HOURS.

DUES ARE DISCOUNTED BETWEEN JUNE AND SEPTEMBER, SEE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE FOR DETAILS.

## SOCIAL MEMBERSHIP DUES:

YEARLY MEMBERSHIP DUES.....\$275.00  
YEARLY SCRIPT TICKETS.....\$100.00  
YEARLY PAYMENT.....\$375.00

IN ORDER TO JOIN, WE REQUIRE TWO SPONSORS (FULL OR SOCIAL).

A \$25.00 NON-REFUNDABLE FILING FEE IS APPLIED TO FINAL COST.

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THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE WILL MEET AT THE CLUB ON THE LAST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH THAT THE CLUB IS OPEN. THEY ARE THERE FROM 7-9 PM. BRING TWO SPONSORS AND A \$25.00 DEPOSIT.

WE WILL TAKE YOUR PICTURE AND POST IT ALONG WITH A COMPLETED APPLICATION ON THE BULLETIN BOARD. THE APPLICATION MUST BE POSTED FOR 10 DAYS PRIOR TO THE NEXT BOARD MEETING. YOU WILL THEN HAVE TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD. THEY WILL VOTE ON YOUR APPLICATION AND YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE BALANCE OF THE DUES AND FEES UPON YOUR ACCEPTANCE. THE BOARD MEETINGS ARE ON THE SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH.