

Title: Milwaukee Yacht Club Collection

Reference Code: Mss-1942

Inclusive Dates: 1871 – Ongoing

Quantity: 001.0 cu. ft. + 3 items

Location: GV, Sh. 041
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Abstract: Twenty-five Milwaukeeans established the Milwaukee Yacht Club (MYC) in 1871, but the organization died out by 1878. It revived in 1884 but again was short-lived. A second Milwaukee Yacht Club was incorporated in 1894. In 1945, the two organizations merged, allowing MYC to claim it’s the oldest active yacht club on Lake Michigan. Its first clubhouse of 1896 was enlarged in 1921 and destroyed by fire on November 23, 1943. A small structure built in 1945 served as headquarters until construction of a larger facility in 1967. It hosts numerous sailboat races, social events, and a sailing school.

Scope and Content: This collection contains a variety of materials, including the club’s first minute book, articles of incorporation and other legal documents, constitution and by-laws, slip rental information, news and magazine articles, correspondence, member and fleet rosters, racing schedules, rules for racing and instructions for sailing, flyers and invitations for events and entertainment, and editions of the club’s monthly newsletter, *The Log*. The majority of the collection dates from 1894-1971 and 2009-2013.

Access and Use: No access restrictions. Use Xeroxed copy of documents where noted.

Language: English

Notes: Collection was reprocessed and finding aid was rewritten in 2013 by Katherine Sippis. Additional materials will be added.

Arrangement: The collection is arranged by document type in chronological order.

| Folder Heading | Box | Folder |
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| “First Minute Book,” Feb. 24 1894 to Dec. 14, 1898 | 1 | 1 |
| Articles of Incorporation, 1894, 1966 | 1 | 2 |
| Constitution and By-Laws, 1871, 1898, 1941, 1945 | 1 | 3 |
| Bonds, 1924, 1940 | 1 | 4 |
| Clubhouse, Temporary Quarters, 1944 | 1 | 5 |
| Articles of Merger, 1945 (Xerox copies) | 1 | 6 |
| Mc Nulty Trophy & Deed of Gift, 1946, 1964 | 1 | 7 |
| Articles: (Note: “The Milwaukee Yacht Club,” <i>The Rudder</i> , Vol. XXX, Dec. 1914, is fragile. Please use Xerox copy.) | 1 | 8 |
| Newspaper Clippings, 1894-1930?, 1971 | 1 | 9 |

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| Note: Originals are fragile. Please use Xerox copies. | | |
| Centennial Booklets, 1871-1971 | 1 | 10 |
| Club Operations & Correspondence / Steward's Agreements, 1924-1971 (not inclusive) | 1 | 11 |
| Club Operations & Correspondence / Slip Rentals, 1994-2013 (not inclusive) | 1 | 12 |
| Lake Michigan Yachting Association Yearbook, 1931 | 1 | 13 |
| Rosters / Entertainment Brochures / Racing Schedules, 1904 – 1952 (not inclusive) | 1 | 14 |
| Racing Schedules, Rules, Sailing Instructions, etc., 2009 | 1 | 15 |
| Events & Entertainment (Flyers & Invitations), 2005, 2009 | 1 | 16 |
| Racing Schedules, Rules, Sailing Instructions, etc., 2010 | 1 | 17 |
| Events & Entertainment (Flyers & Invitations), 2010 | 1 | 18 |
| Racing Schedules, Rules, Sailing Instructions, etc., 2011 | 1 | 19 |
| Events & Entertainment (Flyers & Invitations), 2011 | 1 | 20 |
| Events & Entertainment (Flyers & Invitations) + Racing Schedule, 2012 | 1 | 21 |
| Newsletter – “The Log,” 2009-2013 (not inclusive) | 1 | 22 |
| Administrative Affairs, 2013- | 1 | 23 |
| Miscellaneous | 1 | 24 |
| OVERSIZE: SEE OS SM “M” - Articles of Incorporation, 1894 - Deed of Gift to Corinthian Trophy, n.d. - MYC Print, #124/500 | | |
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| Photos: See M-175 | | |