

Fremont Yacht Club (FYC) is located about 2 miles north of downtown Fremont on the west bank of the Sandusky River. FYC rests on 2.7 acres of land originally owned by James and Elizabeth Whittaker, the first white settlers in the Fremont area around 1782. Established in 1938, when S.E. and Nan Wolfe Stull deeded their property over for \$1, FYC had as its first commodore, Orrin Miller, who served from 1938-1941. Records are unclear but the original clubhouse was likely constructed in 1938 and fully operational by 1942. The 3-floor structure was originally about two-thirds of its current 4,000 square feet floor space. The south section is the newer part of the clubhouse. The upstairs apartment has been rented out for years garnishing revenue for FYC. Other buildings on the property include a cabana/gazebo, shelter house (1945), and storage garage. The original bylaws were approved on December 1, 1944. FYC started out as a social and boating type of yacht club but eventually started drawing a majority of its members after constructing an outdoor in-ground pool in 1977, the year that a tornado did substantial damage in the Fremont area. FYC was admitted to the Associated Yacht Clubs (AYC) in May of 2006. Prior to that time, FYC was affiliated with the Interlake Yachting Association (ILYA). Through the years, FYC has offered numerous programs and social events, along with Women's Auxiliary (bylaws approved 11-11-81), the pool, shuffleboard, tennis courts (1977), and a fully functional kitchen and restaurant with chef. FYC boat races date back to 1948 as evidenced by video footage of such. A kitchen fire in the early '80s did extensive smoke damage and necessitated remodeling of the interior of the clubhouse.

Particularly since 2004, many improvements have been made to the club – a new pool (2004) and concrete pool deck; River's End bar (2004) in the lower level featuring a granite bar top, big screen HD television, and new furniture; a large concrete patio adjacent to the bar; additional concrete sidewalks; outside boaters' bathroom with shower; recently renovated indoor restrooms; updated walls, fixtures, and flooring throughout clubhouse; and refurbishing of the cabana.