



Telltale

Saratoga Lake Sailing Club

Web page: sailsaratoga.org



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Commodore's Corner

At the July 4th BBQ, another terrific event put on by the Social Committee, I couldn't help but notice the stack of boat decals on the front desk next to the telephone.

At SLSC, each boat should display a valid, annually renewable, boat decal affixed to the starboard bow or trailer. Members who have not placed a valid boat decal on their sailboats, kayaks, and/or canoes by July 15 may lose their boat park assignment and/or boat rack space(s) and be relocated to the meadow. At that time, the spaces will be made available to other members in accordance with club policy. Boat park assignments, and boat rack spaces, are the responsibility of the Flag Lt. Grounds who will adhere to club rules and guidelines to ensure the sailing enjoyment of all members. Additionally, members who have not placed their sailboat on a mooring by July 15 may lose their assignment, as determined by the Rear Commodore.

The last major social event of the sailing season, the Labor Day Lobster Boil, is rapidly approaching. I encourage all members to get out and race on Wednesday evenings and Sunday afternoons—or, at least enjoy some day sailing.

Have fun!

NOTICE

In the summer, the two second floor bedrooms are occupied by sailing instructors, and the children's toys relocated to the women's dressing room. All too often, toys are found scattered about the room presenting a tripping hazard and requiring clean-up. As a result, the Board has decided to remove the toys.

SLSC Board

On the Block

KESTREL

Hull #1000. This is an older boat in decent shape. Newer trailer included. The boat and trailer can be viewed in the SLSC field – look for a sticker with "Burgess". The sails are at the owner's home. \$800.

Call Fred Burgess @ 783-6786 or email fburges1@verizon.net

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\$695.00 buys boat, trailer and 150lb mushroom anchor, ground tackle and buoy.

Please call Carroll F. Cook at [484.553.3736](tel:484.553.3736) for details.

Upcoming Events

July 21.....Kestrel NA Championship
Aug 11-12.....Flying Scot Invitational

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Sailing School 2012

By Mark Welcome

School's in session

If you have been to the club recently during the week, I am sure you noticed that the sailing school is in full swing. As always, the junior classes are jam packed and the adult classes are filling up quickly as well.

Instructors

We have 2 full time instructors living at the house this summer, both of whom are well known to many at SLSC.

Aaron Holland has taught for us for several years in the past and we are thrilled that he could come back again this year to help out. Aaron sailed for Hobart and William Smith Colleges and is an avid Thistle sailor. You can usually find Aaron playing a guitar somewhere around the house when he is not running around teaching the classes. You'll also find him on the water racing whenever he can on Scott Meyer's Thistle.

We are also extremely happy that Peter Hudson was able to teach for us this year. Peter has been sailing and racing at the club with his father and grandfather for a long time and has been helping the sailing school as a junior counselor for a number of years. Peter has just graduated from high school and will be attending RPI in the fall but right now is enjoying living at the lake and teaching for the summer.

If you do not know either of them, please introduce yourself the next time you are at the club.

Private lessons:

In addition to the group classes, we are working to expand our offerings of private lessons to accommodate those people who prefer more individualized lessons, or lessons that fit their schedule. We can teach on one of the school boats or your own boat if you prefer. We are already busy booking private lessons for the season and we expect to be teaching as soon as our docks hit the water at the end of April.

For detailed information about the courses and registration information, please visit the web-site at <http://www.saratogasailingschool.org> or e-mail us at info@saratogasailingschool.org with any questions. You also always contact Mark Welcome (slsc_sailingpgm@sailsaratoga.org) with any questions or concerns.

Sailing School Instructors



Aaron



Peter

SLSC Website

By Vic Roberts

Many of you know that the SLSC website has both a public side, that is visible to everyone, and a private side, that is visible only to members of SLSC. The public side includes the home page, calendar, contact page, PDF copies of the Telltale, etc. The private side has all the information on the public side plus the membership directory, the member's manual, the forums, etc.

To visit the private side of the SLSC website, you need to log in using your username and password. If you do not know your username or password you can usually retrieve those using the Forgot My Username/Password option on the login page of the website. This will ask for your e-mail address and first name. You must enter the e-mail address and first name of the Primary Member of your family unit. This is usually the name and e-mail address of the person you listed in the Primary Member field of the Annual Dues Notice. If the Forgot My Username/Password link does not work, contact me using either the Vice Commodore or Webmaster link on the website, or call me at 399-4410.

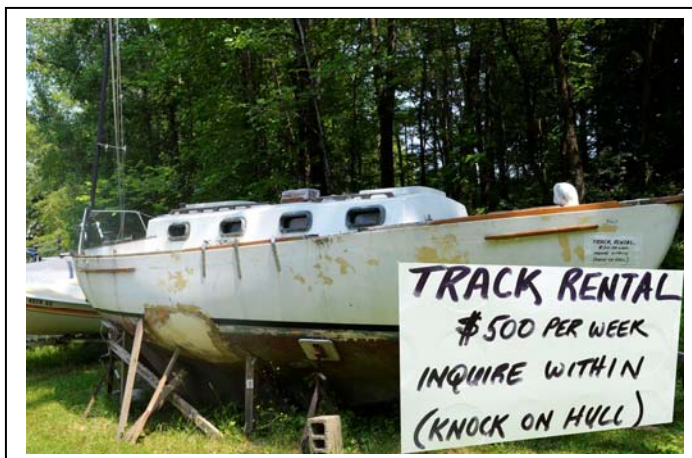
Once you are logged into the website, you can change or update the personal information in your profile, such as e-mail address, street address or telephone number for you or your family members, update your decision to receive, or not receive, a paper copy of the Telltale by U.S. Mail, etc.

One feature of the website we have not used until recently is the discussion, or Forum, section. You can participate in a discussion group on the website, or choose to have each message that is posted to the group by someone else sent to you as an e-mail message. If you choose the e-mail option, you never have to log into the website to participate in the discussion after you have joined the group. You can post messages and read new messages, all by e-mail. Only those people who have registered in a forum can post messages to that forum. This virtually eliminates SPAM.

We currently have two Forums set up for use by the club membership. These are named Crew and Race. Crew is designed for people who are looking for crew or who are available to crew. The Race forum was set up to allow Flag Lt. Race to send frequent messages regarding the race schedule or results to those members interested in the race program, without inundating all members with these messages.

In order to participate in a forum you must log into your account and join the forum. You then choose whether you want the messages to be sent to you by e-mail or if you will read them on the website. If you choose e-mail delivery, you then choose whether you want each message delivered individually and (almost) immediately, or if you want all the messages for a day gathered together and sent only once a day. (We have so few messages at the present time that there is no advantage to the daily option.) You then get to decide if you want to use the e-mail address registered with the website for forum messages or a different e-mail address. This last feature should allow Family members to participate in Forums via e-mail separately from the participation of their Primary member.

Simple! If you have problems, contact me.



Grounds Report

By Don Zeibig, Flag Lt. Grounds

Boat Decals

See Gene Auciello's article.

Meadow

Two projects are happening in the meadow. The 1st is a general cleanup and reorganization of this space. The start of this cleanup is the removal of unmarked or abandoned trailers. These have been pulled up to an area by the 1st entrance into the meadow. Members are given until August 15 to claim and mark their trailers. So if you think you might own one of these trailers, you need to get to the meadow, reclaim it and paint your last name clearly on the bar behind the hitch and/or a sticker. (See pictures on next page.)

After this time any members wanting one are welcome to them. Be sure to put your name on them and if left in the meadow send your storage fee to Bruce Blackie. The trailers that are left will be cut up and scrapped. Pictures of the trailers that will be scrapped if not claimed, are provided.

It would also be very helpful if all members who have an empty trailer in the meadow, but whose boat is on a mooring, or other, would do the same to help with identification.

August 15 will be the final day any of these trailers can be claimed before being scrapped.

Boats are also being moved to facilitate the removal of a dead tree.

The 2nd project in the meadow is being spearheaded by Brett Howe as a Boy Scout Eagle Project. Brett along with one of the assistant leaders, Dan Moellman, a civil engineer, are working to help divert a bit more of the water we experience in the spring. This project will deal with a portion of the meadow and will allow earlier access to this area. A topographical map will be done by Brett and the civil engineer in August to determine what size drainage pipe and length can be used.

Once that is done and final approval is given Brett and a number of Scouts will get to work. Brett is also asking for several members to help with this project as well. When dates are finalized we will send out an email asking for volunteers.

Saturday Work Party

Boats are being moved to facilitate the removal of a dead tree. I am asking for volunteers for the morning of **Saturday July 28** to help move boats around in the meadow and to do some further cleanup. One or two members with vehicles capable of pulling a few of these larger boats, and are willing to do so, would be extremely helpful. Please email me if you will be there. I do not want to take up the whole day on this. It is hot and we all have more enjoyable things to doing, like sailing.

The plan would be to get there by no later than 8 AM and be DONE by no later than 10:00 - 10:30. Coffee and bagels will be provided.

Bring work clothes including gloves if you have them.

Members will be asked to sign in so this is an opportunity for those who could not be at the Spring work days to fulfill their club obligations.

Abandoned Trailers

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July 4th BBQ

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SARATOGA LAKE SAILING CLUB

The Saratoga Lake Sailing club promotes and develops interest in sailing and sailboat racing.

The Club cooperates with and aids individuals and groups interested in sailing and requires in return, observance of such rules and regulations as are set forth by this organization.

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