



Telltale

Saratoga Lake Sailing Club

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Commodore's Corner

This is what it looks like after beating leukemia and being back out on the lake.



It was a wonderful sailing season.

SLSC Notice of Annual Meeting

Sunday, Dec 2nd, 3:00pm

at

Our Clubhouse

Election of the 2013 Executive Board

The Nominating Committee recommends
the following candidates:

Commodore	Gene Auciello
Vice Commodore	Vic Roberts
Rear Commodore	David Hudson
Treasurer	Bruce Blackie
Secretary	Samantha Butler
Flag Lt. Boats	J.T. Fahy
Flag Lt. Grounds	John Smith
Flag Lt. House	Greg & Melissa Tkali
Flag Lt. Race	Allan Miller
Membership	Ann Seidman

Food catered by Mango 29 Deli

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Upcoming Events

Nov 10.....Awards Party
Dec 2.....Annual Meeting

SATURDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 10 Sailing Awards Party

Ballston Spa Elks Lodge, Rt. 50 and Hamilton St.
6 PM cocktails, 7 PM buffet dinner,
\$29.50/person

FEATURING SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER

Michael Aikey

Director, New York State Military Museum

"Masts and Spars in the Wilderness:
An Historical Look at Navies on
Nearby Waterways"

This party is for all members.
Reservations by Nov. 3, Barbara or Allan
885-5510 or email: amille2@nycap.rr.com

Help Wanted

The Sailing School is actively looking for members who can assist in any one of a number of ways. As you can imagine, the sailing school takes a bit of work to pull off every year and "many hands make light work". With that in mind, we'd like to get many hands. We need people to assist in many facets of the program, but a few key areas that we have identified include:

Boat Work: The 2012 season was a little hard on our boats and we are hoping to get a lot of work accomplished over the winter and spring. This includes all the fiberglass repair, hardware replacement, painting, etc. that you would expect is needed to get the boats ready for next year. This will be accomplished over the course of the winter/spring at times that are convenient for the people involved. There may be a couple of scheduled work parties as well.

Promotion: This will include all aspects of promoting the school and its classes to both the membership and the public at large. This may include e-mail campaigns, newsletter articles, submitting items to community calendars and anything else that we can come up with.

Fundraising: Currently the school relies primarily on student tuition to fund its activities. We would like to expand that to include grants and donations and are looking for people to assist in this process. We are aware of grants that are available to us that would help us in the purchase and maintenance of our boats but we currently lack the resources to actively pursue them. Additionally, we have been very fortunate over the years to have a number of boats donated to the school for use or for sale to help fund the school's activities. We are looking for someone to manage this process.

Anything Else: We are always in need of a hand for some project or another, so please feel free to offer your assistance to the school for anything else that interests you.

If you are interested in helping with the school, please contact Mark Welcome at 587-9041 or slsc_sailingpgm@sailsaratoga.org

Sailing School 2012 season Wrap Up

By Mark Welcome

Now that the docks are out and the boats are (almost) put away, it seems like a good time to give everyone a summary of the 2012 Sailing School Season. We had a very successful season with over 120 students coming through the various classes that we offer. We had some good weather for most of the season and by all accounts from the students and parents, we had a lot of happy sailors. From a monetary point of view, the revenues of the school continued to grow a little again this year, and that will allow us to invest some more money in upgrading the boats.

Highlights of 2012 include:

- An almost 50% increase in the number of juniors who attended one of our programs.
- Marked increase in Junior Racing participation. We had 17 juniors who were involved with our Junior Racing program and who came to classes and/or attended regattas. A number of them were also on the water racing on Wednesday nights.
- The expansion of the curriculum we offer. The Junior racing program was expanded to include a full week of training followed by an entire season of classes in the evenings to practice. We also added a Crew class to help education adults on how to improve their skills as crew members.
- Increase in the number of US Sailing Certified members. The club hosted a Level 2 Instructor certification course in the spring which was attended by 5 members. In addition, we had 7 juniors who went through the certification process to become US Sailing Junior Counselors.
- As always, we are gratified to see the number of people who took classes with us who apply for and/or become club members.

Of course, all of the success of the school program is directly attributable to all the people who are involved with the school and the hard work that they put into the program. Without making this sound like an awards acceptance speech, I would be remiss if I didn't thank everyone:

Aaron and Peter: We simply can't say enough good things about them. The students had a great time, the student and parents were always complimenting us on the job they did, and everyone learned a great deal from them. We couldn't ask for anything more.

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Sailing School Wrap Up (Continued)

The Sailing School Committee: as you can imagine, there is a lot that goes on behind the scenes the make the school run. It couldn't happen without the efforts of a team of dedicated volunteers:

Tony Bianchini – Had the unfortunate role of listening to the whining of the Sailing Program Chair, usually while trying to race.

Devon and Kathy Howe – In charge of the junior racing program and always dropped everything to take whomever wanted to go to a regatta.

Mary Kate and Jack McCarty – Kept the registrations flowing and the spreadsheets updated.

Emmett McCarthy – spent the whole season talking about privates (private lessons of course).

James Nicol – made sure everyone had books and t-shirts all summer.

Laura Rappaport – Invaluable resource in the instructor search and for giving the parents perspective
Matthew Sweeney – took care of the payroll (which keeps Aaron and Peter happy).

Greg Tkai and Allan Miller – Kept the boats floating, a seemingly monumental task at times.

Junior Counselors: We had a number of our junior go through the US Sailing Junior Counselor certification program this spring. Many of them then donated weeks of their time this summer to helping us run the junior classes. We simply could not teach as many kids as we do without their support. Our newly certified counselors this year were:

Piotr Czachowski
Peter Hamlin
Brett Howe
Jack McCarty
Alan Perotti
Grace Smith
Drew Welcome

With the 2012 season officially over, we have already started work on the 2013 season. One focus for 2013 will be to continue to streamline the process for running the school so that we can offer all of the services we do now, but with less stress on the resources/manpower of the club. The second focus will be to continue to refine and expand our offerings to suit the needs of the membership. If you have any suggestions, comments or questions or would like to help, please don't hesitate to contact Mark Welcome at
slsc_sailingpgm@sailsaratoga.org or 587-9041.

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 for details.

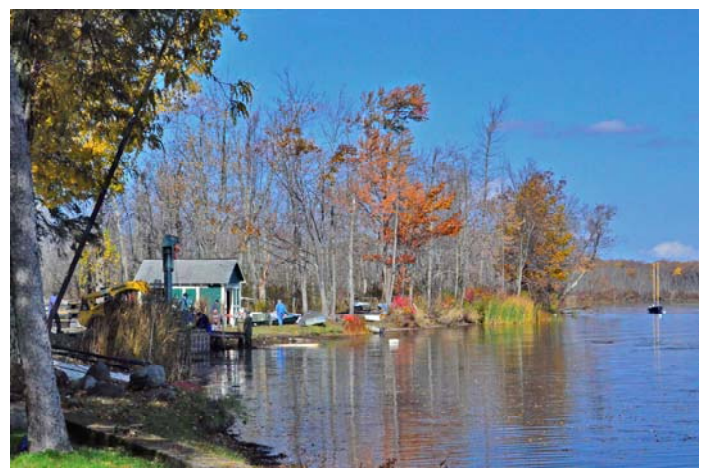
KESTREL – Black Hawk For Sale: \$1500

Nicely restored Kestrel on trailer with newer boat cover and full set of sails,
“2012 Winning Boat in the North American Kestrel Regatta”
Located by the launch with the other Kestrels.

Please contact Ed Henson
518-469-1638 or Ejhenson@verizon.net

FLYING SCOT for sale (#4510);

Model year 1989; grey deck and white hull; newer dark blue waterline and trim; newer gunwale molding; rigged for racing with internal spinnaker trims and jib cleating on seats; teak centerboard cap and teak tabernacle; used North main, jib and spinnaker; and a galvanized trailer. Also includes winter Sailor's Tailor cover. \$7,800. Call Chris Smith at 583-6939 or email sunonsaturday@gmail.com



Thistle Regatta Pictures



Work Party Pictures



Work Party Pictures



Work Party Pictures



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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.

ACTIVE FLEETS

Ensign.....	Tony Cannone
	271-0246
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Flying Scot.....	Samantha Butler
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	279-4205
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	882-6087
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Sailboards.....	Gene Altman
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