



Tell tale

Saratoga Lake Sailing Club

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Commodore's Corner

By Vic Roberts

October brings to a close another successful sailing season. While the weather did not always cooperate, we made the best of each day. Those members who race were able to take advantage of the racing program organized by Flag Lt's Race Yvonne and Bill Barringer, while other members chose to cruise on the many beautiful days we had.

I want to thank all those members who pitched in and helped with set-up and clean-up for the Labor Day Lobster Boil. We had what may have been a record number of people for this event, and the promised rain did not materialize. I especially want to thank those members who spent long hours preparing the food and worked while the rest of us were enjoying our lobsters and steaks. That group includes: Margaret Shirk, Dan Mehlman, David & Trudy Hudson, Brenda McEwing, Lorrie Anthony, Kim & Paul Stote, Pat Tuz, Joan Goldstein, Steve Hadcock, Charlie Smith, Charlie Koinos, Scott Meyer, Kathy Johnston and Jerry Danielski. I apologize if I have left anyone off this list.

I need to bring to your attention an unfortunate incident we had at the Club on Friday, August, 8th. Two new members were bringing their moored boat to the Club. They had launched their boat at the South Shore Marina, and the husband was bringing the boat up to the Club while his wife drove their car and trailer back to meet him. The wife parked the car and trailer on the side of the access road near the lower part of the barn, and left the car for a short while. When she returned she found a hand-written note on her windshield. The note was angry, abusive and profane. The note frightened the wife so much that she locked herself in the car until her husband arrived. We were provided with a copy of the note, and I can confirm it is unlike any note I have ever seen at SLSC.

As a result of this incident, these new members resigned that same day. I contacted the husband to express our shock at the note and assure him that the note is not representative of the way we interact with each other. Another Board member also spoke to the husband. Kathleen and I invited both of these new members to the Lobster Boil as our guests so they could meet the REAL members of the Club and see how nice we truly are. The invitation was declined. We have invited these members to reconsider SLSC next season when, hopefully, time will start to heal this wound.

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The Club Needs You!

Fall Work Party Sat Oct. 18

Mark it on your calendar now.

We need your help.

Work parties form from 8:00 to 9:00 am.

If your are working outside, bring gloves, hammers, crowbars, pliers, rakes, wetsuits and waders.

According to the SLSC By-Laws, it's part of your obligation as a member, and yes, we do take names!

Good work, good fellowship and good food.
We'll see you there!

Upcoming Events

Oct 4-5.....Thistle Regatta
Oct 11.....Moorings Work Party
Oct 12.....Last Race – Kaydeross 7
Oct 18.....Fall Work Party
Nov 15.....Sailing Awards Party

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We do not know if the note was written by a member or a guest. If we were to learn who wrote the note, I would recommend to the Board that the member or guest be barred from use of the Club under Section 1(C)(4) of our Bylaws.

I want to remind all members that there will be occasional frustrations when many different people are using our limited facilities. It is important to recognize that different people have a different tolerance for insulting language. Even if you think it is OK to use various insults when speaking to a person you know well, and I would hope we refrain from insulting language at all times, the same language takes on a more serious tone when used in a note, especially when the person on the receiving end does not know who sent the note.

Saratoga Lake Sailing Club is a great family-oriented organization with many polite and friendly members. We are here to relax, have fun, and enjoy the water and our sailboats. Let's all work to keep the Club healthy.

Grounds

By John Smith, F.Lt. Grounds

Unfortunately it is time to plan for winter. Docks out will be October 18th. This year there will be several additional grounds projects that need to be accomplished on that Saturday.

We will need to store the new canopy and store the fence that is along the seawall. We will be adding gravel to the meadow and west side of the boat park driveway. To spread the gravel for the boat park means that the boats in spaces 53 to 72 will need to be moved either to the meadow or the lower lawn. I know this will not be easy since we already have to move the boats from spaces 1 to 35 to make room for the docks and committee boat. With everyone working together, this can be accomplished. See you on the 18th.

Other projects that need to be attended to are repair of the valleys of the barn roof and installing a pulley system at both of the ramps. The systems will help member retrieve their boat in a safer manner since they will not have to be on the ramp below the water line. These areas are extremely slick and several members have fallen while retrieving their boats. I have a few ideas on this but will welcome additional input.

RESERVE SATURDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 15 Sailing Awards Party

Washington Inn, 111 Broadway
Saratoga Springs

6 PM cocktails, 7 PM buffet dinner, \$35/person
Catered by Mama Mia's

FEATURING SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER

Brandon Capasso, Meteorologist
Tracks storms and plots courses
for cruise ships

A short talk will be after dinner, before awards

This party is for all members.

Reservations by Nov. 9th
SLSCreservations@gmail.com
or contact Bill Barringer
518-522-0841

From the Rear Commodore

By Dave Hudson

A strong thunderstorm with accompanying squall line came through the club at the end of the Y Flyer regatta a few weeks ago. The storm caused some damage to the motorboat dock, and moved the south dock a few feet off-course.

A small work party assisted me with the repairs and I would like to thank Howard Ghee and Ryan Decker for putting in a full day's work on a Saturday, and also thank Norm Strominger for the last bit of lifting power at a critical moment. Ryan Decker assisted me the next day to move the four mushroom anchors that were affected by the storm. Their help was greatly appreciated by me and the docks are straight and properly anchored.

Stride Sail 2014

By Skip Parry

This year we had a slightly smaller class. Michael Perrotti led the program this summer - doing yeoman's work as his Urology practice (yes a shamelessly plug) gets moving. They ran three Friday nights of instruction in modest wind conditions. The last night of class was very low wind, (a perfect night for the adolescent Eagle to learn to fly - over us, I joined for a little canoe ride with one of the late students) and thus the evening was cut short as simply getting back to the dock was a bit of a trial.

Thankfully Anthony Benson and his daughters Emma and Abby were there to retrieve the slow boats back to Manning's Cove - thank goodness, as it was hot too. Jr. Instructors - Allan Perrotti, Cameron and Caroline Parry stewarded the group with Michael's oversight and Jane's support.

The Regatta was a blowout quite literally as the wind level appeared gentler in the cove than the southwesterly 14-16 out on the lake - a bit more than we bargained for with kids, who were enthusiastic and brave, but not quite ready. So they had to enjoy the splendor of the SLSC grounds, a nice lunch, and some bug juice and cupcakes provided by STRIDE, with Melissa, Jane and Michael to cook and organize.

Mark Welcome, and friend, put on a fantastic display for the kids demonstrating the speed and excitement of catamaran sailing and a quick clinic or two on righting tactics, selflessly in front of the club for our viewing pleasure - to further demonstrate the wisdom of staying ashore for the kids this year.

Again this season we had a STRIDE participant take part in the two week learn to sail course with Cameron and Allan taking turns to shadow under Aaron's oversight, many thanks and to all, to all who have supported the STRIDE mission in presence, presents, and spirit.



On the Block

ENSIGN FOR SALE

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The boat and rigging are in good repair. Asking \$2,000

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or haigner@nycap.rr.com.

WANTED: RADIAL RIG FOR LASER

I would like to trade my full Laser rig for a radial rig, or perhaps buy a radial rig outright. Contact Sue Kohler at skohler00@gmail.com



2014 Ensign Fleet 72 Regatta

LEUKEMIA & LYMPHOMA SOCIETY™
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On September 6th 2014 Ensign Fleet 72 held its annual regatta. The race committee, made up of Yvonne Barringer (PRO), Bill Barringer, Brenda Barringer and Bob Barringer, provided 3 good races as the wind continued to build to a gusty shifty 23mph+. The racing was well matched with each competitor putting together a crew that performed well, each of the 3 races had a different winner with team Sundance (#557) outperforming the fleet. Followed by Jackers (#672) and Keeling Time (#530)

The day was capped off with a BBQ Chicken dinner and raffle to benefit the Leukemia Lymphoma Society. Thank you to all the sailors who came out to participate and raise money for LLS. Allen Anderson and his Team "Lori", was the top sponsor getter again this year and received a handmade pair of Binoculars donated by West Marine. Total funds raised from the event was \$2,300

- Tony Cannone Ensign Fleet 72 Captain



Race 2 Ensign 530 is over early - won't realize it until another competitor tells him.



Finish	Race # 1	Race # 2	Race # 3	Final Finish		Total Points
1	672	557	530	1	557	5
2	557	672	557	2	672	7
3	530	177	177	3	530	10
4	177	2032	672	4	177	10
5	2032	2017	2017	5	2017	16
6	2017	530	2032 DNS	6	2032	17



Wednesday Night Sailing



Ensign Regatta



Lobster Boil



Lobster Boil



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.

SANCTIONED FLEETS

Ensign.....	Tony Cannone 271-0246
Flying Scot.....	Misha & Olga Gutin 542-6922
Kestrel.....	Bob Barringer 882-6087
Laser.....	Barbara Brown 446-0426
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