

# Telltale

Saratoga Lake Sailing Club

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November, 2016

## Commodore's Corner

By Mark Welcome

I want to start off this month's column with a huge Thank You to all 100 members who braved the rain, the wind and the cold on October 22<sup>nd</sup> to prepare the Club for the winter. Despite the weather, we were able to take care of all the tasks we needed to get done. Very special thanks to Vice Commodore Tony Cannone for standing in during my absence. Due to bad scheduling on my part, the Work Party was scheduled to coincide with the first college Parents Weekend and birthday of my oldest son Drew. Suffice it to say, Rose was very clear where I would spend the weekend but I did feel guilty.

While this time of the season is always a little sad as we watch the boats go away, I'd like to remind everyone that some of us are still sailing. The Kestrel Fleet is continuing our tradition of trying to get a few Sundays of Frostbiting in before the water gets too cold. We will be racing every Sunday (weather permitting) at 1PM and encourage members to come out and join us. We have extra boats available as well as spots on our boats, no experience in a Kestrel required. We'd love to see as many boats as possible out on Sundays so please come join us.

Please also remember to RSVP for the annual Sailing Awards party, to be held at LongFellows in Saratoga on November 12<sup>th</sup>. Regardless of whether or not you race or qualified in a series, please come out and enjoy a wonderful evening as we relax and celebrate another successful season.

All Members are also invited to attend the SLSC Annual Meeting, scheduled for Sunday, December 4, 2016 at 3:00 pm. The agenda will include reports by all Board members, and election of the Executive Officers and Flag Lieutenants for 2017. Light refreshments will be served.

As you can see from all of these announcements, just because the docks are out doesn't mean the Club is inactive for the winter. I look forward to seeing everyone at all these events.

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## SLSC

### Notice of Annual Meeting

Sunday, Dec 4<sup>th</sup>, 3:00pm

at

Our Clubhouse

### Election of the 2017 Executive Board

The Nominating Committee recommends the following candidates:

Commodore	Mark Welcome
Vice Commodore	Tony Cannone
Rear Commodore	David Hudson
Treasurer	Andrew Murnan
Secretary	Mike Kitner
Flag Lt. Boats	Scott Meyer
Flag Lt. Grounds	George McNally
Flag Lt. House	Susan Kohler
Flag Lt. Race	Allan&Barbara Miller

Food & Beverage Provided

## SLSC ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>  
Longfellows Restaurant  
Saratoga Springs, NY

Hors d'oeuvres: 6pm / Italian Buffet: 7pm  
(There will be some gluten-free options)

8:30 A presentation by  
Bob Kovachick, WNYT Weatherman  
Awards to Follow

This event is open  
to ALL SLSC members and guests!!  
\$40 per person paid at the door, Cash Bar  
Casual dress - no jeans

Please RSVP before October 29  
to

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## Grounds Report

By John Smith, Flag Lt Grounds

We had another successful work party on Saturday the 22<sup>nd</sup>. The rain did not deter the grounds volunteers. We were able to get most of the area leaves picked up by either very wet rakers or the lawn sweeper. The large canopy was partially disassembled, leaving the cover to dry before being stored for the winter. Devon Howe had taken the geese fence down the weekend before the work party, and it was stored in the upper barn during the work party.

Several piles of debris were removed from the meadow and brought to the dumpster. The meadow had matting and gravel placed on the south side earlier in the week. Pat Enright and Dave Hudson spread the gravel with Pat's tractor and Dave in the skidster. The whole meadow is now available for winter storage. Pat was also able to fill most of the pot holes in the driveway.

The aluminum plates that were installed on the north ramp in the spring were removed for the winter to prevent the spring ice damaging them. Sorry Frost Biters!

One item that we could not accomplish was removing all of the boats from the lawn. The rain made the lawn too soft. Hopefully this can be accomplished when the school boats are moved to winter storage.

### The Arborist Report

I would like to especially thank Hunter Currin for being the driving force behind this report. When I first became Fl. Lt. Grounds, Hunter asked me if I had any plans to plant trees. It became apparent that the best way to approach this subject was to determine the condition of the trees that we had. The history of the club has been to cut down problem trees but there had never been a tree planted. With Hunter's help we interviewed several Arborists over a period of two years. Not only did Hunter not give up on the project, he has funded the report.

The board has reviewed the report and is planning to take action on trees that pose the greatest threat to persons or property. This will mean removing several trees, crowning others and removing dead branches from still others. There will also be some additional inspection of a few questionable trees that will need more than just the visual inspection.

We are also getting pricing on replacement trees that are suited to our property to be included in the 2017 budget.

You can find the raw data from the Arborist, our follow up questions and his answers. The information can be found in the grounds folder under the documents tab and consists of three files Arborist Cover Letter, Arborist Report and Tree Map. This has been a multi-year process to get this report prepared.

Hopefully this review will allow us to plan for removals, trimmings and plantings as part of an ongoing process.

## Good Soup for a Cold, Rainy Fall Work Party

By Margaret Shirk, Social Chair

When you came in with cold hands from working outdoors all morning at the work party, we handed you a cup of warm soup, and many later asked for the recipe. We have been serving this with grilled cheese sandwiches for the past few years; it's easy to make and delicious. This recipe is from the Auciellos who learned it at a cooking class in Tuscany, the amount of garlic gives away its origins. The recipe is easily increased, and you really can't get it wrong, amounts don't have to be exact. Just don't burn the garlic or bread, and stir it frequently as it cooks so it won't stick to the bottom of the pan. These amounts are for 4 servings, but make lots, it freezes well.

### Pappa con Pomodoro

2 cups stale Italian bread, cubed.  
11 oz. whole or diced canned plum tomatoes  
10 cloves garlic, chopped  
2 cups vegetable stock  
Handful of fresh basil (if you have it, dried will do, or a spoonful of pesto)  
Olive oil  
Salt & pepper to taste

1. Olive oil to cover the bottom of the pan you are using, enough to cover the garlic. Cook until the garlic starts to brown lightly. Add half the basil and all the bread crumbs, stir to coat them so they absorb the flavors.
2. Add tomatoes, broth, and the rest of the basil. Simmer for 30-40 minutes, stirring frequently so it doesn't stick to the bottom of the pot. If it gets too thick, add more broth.
3. Use a food mill, potato masher or immersion blender to purée.

# Mooring Work Party

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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.

### SANCTIONED FLEETS

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