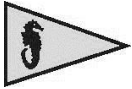


# Telltale

Saratoga Lake Sailing Club

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June, 2017

## Commodore's Corner

By Mark Welcome

What a busy month May was! In addition to the work parties that we discussed in the last Telltale, we have had the Sailing Programs Pizza party, our racing season has begun, Laser Tuesdays is underway, the MC Scows hosted a successful regatta, US Sailing came out and ran a great Instructor Level 2 certification class, the school has run 7 different sessions, George McNally hosted a few additional work parties, Ann Seidman hosted the New Members reception and almost 180 people came out for a Memorial Day Brunch. I'm still probably forgetting something. It is just great to see the Club hopping with activity again!

The highlight of the May social calendar is the Memorial Day Brunch. Despite the rainy conditions, we had a full house for the wonderful brunch put out by a kitchen staff that was much too large for me to mention everyone by name. That said, I have to give special thanks to Shirley Waterfield and Charlie Koines for taking the lead on the event as Social Chair Margaret Shirk was enjoying a well deserved vacation in Europe. Margaret will be back in charge of our next big social event which is less than a month away: the July 4th Chicken BBQ. This is always a great event and well attended. Details are in this Telltale, so please read that article and plan on participating in the boat parade.

Of course, you don't have to wait for the big events to be social at the Club. Please come out to the club for sailing every Wednesday night and Sunday afternoon regardless of whether or not you race. Every Wednesday the Club will supply the hot dogs and hamburgers after sailing, everyone else will bring a dish and most importantly we'll all hang around and talk about sailing and have a great time. Please remember that if you do come out on Wednesdays, please bring some food to share. This is becoming a very popular evening at the Club and we want to make sure that there is more than enough food for everyone. That can only happen if everyone brings a dish/side/dessert to share. Also, please remember that it is a BYOB event so if you did not bring it, please don't drink it.

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## July 4<sup>th</sup> Chicken Bar-B-Q

Appetizers at 4:00 pm Dinner at 5:00 pm  
Bar-B-Q Chicken  
Hot Dogs  
Many Salads  
Ice Cream Sundaes  
Soft Drinks, Beer, Wine

**Adults: \$16**

**Children (12 and under) \$8 (Hot Dogs)**

**Pay at the door, checks please**

Everyone is requested to bring an appetizer or dessert to share

Members whose last names begin with the letters G through L are asked to volunteer for set-up, food preparation, or clean-up

**E-mail reservations are preferred and will be acknowledged**

**SLSCreservations@gmail.com**  
or contact Kathleen & Vic Roberts  
399-4410

**RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY JUNE 30**

**All members—please indicate appetizer or dessert**  
**G through L—please indicate preference to set-up, prep, or clean-up**

### Upcoming Events

June 10.....	Laser Derby
June 17-18.....	Thistle Regatta
June 24-25.....	Sailing School Sailstice/Open House
July 4.....	Chicken BBQ
July 8-9.....	Y-Flyer Regatta
July 15-16.....	Kestrel Regatta

## Sailing Foundation Update

By Mark Welcome

It has been awhile since I gave an update on the Saratoga Lake Sailing Foundation, so I apologize for slacking. For those of you who are unfamiliar "the Foundation"/SLSF is a separate but affiliated organization whose primary function is to promote and support sailing in the Saratoga Lake region through its fundraising efforts. The Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable corporation and donations are tax deductible (I'm told by people much smarter than me that I must add "to the extent allowed law by law" every time I say tax deductible).

A few highlights:

- We are continuing to accept donations of boats. In 2016 we accepted donations of 10 boats, some of which are being used in the school and some of which are in the process of being cleaned up for sale in order to raise funds for other projects. So far in 2017, we have accepted donations of 2 boats which will be sold for fundraising.
- We are extremely grateful to those members who elected to donate to the Foundation as part of their annual renewal process. A number of members graciously donated approximately \$2000 to the Foundation so far this year. Additionally, several members took advantage of "dollars for doing" type programs whereby the employers donate money to charitable organizations that the employee/retiree donates their time to. We certainly appreciate any Club members who can check with their employers to see if they have such programs.
- The Foundation is actively seeking grants to supplement the funds already raised to support the Sailing School in a refresh of the Learn to Sail fleet. The school would like to move towards lower maintenance boats for the junior Learn to Sail classes, as the new sailors tend to be a little rough on the Lasers.
- The Foundation is once again working with the Sailing School to offer free sailing lessons to residents of the Town of Malta. The "Invitation-To-Sail" is designed for those new to sailing who would just like a little taste of what it is like to be out in a sailboat. This will be a one session class designed to introduce the student to sailing to decide if it is something they would like to pursue. The class can be taken by individuals or we can take groups or families so you can experience sailing together. Many thanks to the Global Foundries Town of Malta Foundation for funding this effort.

Please contact a Foundation Board Member  
(**Mark Welcome, Greg Tkai or Peter Hudson**)  
if you have any questions.

## Sailing School Update

By Mark Welcome

As I stated in the Commodores Corner, the Sailing School is already up and running and by the time you read this we will have run 7 different adult sessions and the Junior racing program will be underway. Many thanks to all of the members who are volunteering their time to help get the school fleet up and running for the season. There are really too many people who have contributed to list everyone individually but a few deserve to be thanked publicly. Bruce Blackie and Dave Miller donated many hours again this winter to assist in the restoration of Ensign #23 and have now moved on to #228. Tony Cannone took the lead on getting #23 in the water, rigged and ready for classes. Bernie Zabek once again donated a lot of his time to reviewing and repairing all the school Flying Scots to make sure they are ready to go. Jerry Zell quietly shows up early for all the classes he teaches to make sure the boats are in order and to fix and tweak them as necessary. We simply can't thank everyone enough for their dedication.

US Sailing came to the Club on May 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> to offer a Small Boat Level 2 Instructor certification course. Nine students (8 of them club members) spent a couple of very productive days improving their instruction skills and practicing safety and rescue drills. Congratulations to Brett Howe, Drew Welcome, Piotr Czajkowski, Eli Fisher, Jacoba Taylor, Corbett Churan and Luka Newton for obtaining their level 2 certification. A major component of the Level 2 course included how to deal with difficult situations. The instructor and I were very impressed with their maturity and their thoughtfulness throughout the training. I'm proud to have this group of young men and women teaching for us.

As always, we'd like to remind everyone to please sign up either yourselves or your family members as soon as possible. We are now starting to hear from many members who would like to get themselves or others into the classes. While we certainly always try to accommodate members and get them into whatever classes they would like, calling us sooner rather than later is always appreciated. Also please remember that we offer instruction for both beginner and experienced racers to club members for next to nothing (\$50/week) as a service to the Club in support of the racing program. They are great classes and a bargain, so please sign up and have some fun racing. We also offer sessions for Learn to Sail and intermediate (aka Learn to Sail Better) so there is something for everyone. Please go to the web site and click on Sailing Instruction to get to our registration site.

## Sailing School "Sailstice" / Open House

Sat - Sun, June 24 - 25, 10:00 – 4:00  
Please attend and bring some friends.

## New Members for 2017



**Bottom row:** Kenner O'Donnell, Tara Moore, Joy Heyman, Ryan & Andrew Shacket  
**Middle row:** George O'Donnell, Rick Moore, Steve Heyman, Dave Shacket  
**Top row:** Trevor Barr, Sean Reilly, Mike Sandison, Sue Randell, MC(Mary) Brock, Dave Wardell, Lisa & Jim Ross

### New Member Reception SLSC

June 4, 2017

By Ann Seidman, Membership Chair

Sunday afternoon, a rainy, drizzly cold June day, our new members were invited to attend a reception in their honor. The weather did not stop them from attending and we were delighted they came. Many of our Club officers were in attendance along with the Sunday racing crowd and others who enjoy spending their time at the Club. As you can see from the picture of the food and beverages on the table, it was a culinary treat for all. Introductions went around the room and the officers told the tyros about how the Club operates and the responsibilities of each member of the board. Questions about use of the house and grounds were discussed as well as the racing programs and social events.

Our new members will be a great asset to the Club with many volunteering to work and be part of race committee. Many have joined the Club since they have participated in the Sailing School and many have signed up for classes. We are starting a mentoring system this year and all new members will have a club member to ask questions and help guide them at SLSC.

SLSC New Members 2017 – Welcome aboard!

Trevor Barr & Patricia Sandison - *Laser*  
MC (Mary) Brock - *Laser*  
Steve & Joy Heyman - *Flying Scot*  
Francis Hegener - *Flying Scot*  
Bill & Loretta Hoffman - *Laser*  
Sara Lagalwar - *Sunfish*  
Chris McCormack – *Laser*  
Rick & Tara Moore - *Kestrel*  
Laurie & James Murphy - *Ensign*  
George & Lauren O'Donnell - *Zuma*  
Suzanne Randall - *Y-Flyer*  
Sean Reilly & Ally Scollin - *Highlander*  
Lisa & James Ross - *Ensign*  
Mike Sandison - *Laser* (2016)  
Peter Scannell & Emily Miller - *505*  
David Shacket, Andrew & Ryan - *Snug Harbor 14*  
Vincent & Tina Versaci - *420*  
David Wardell & Kathleen Schwab-Wardell - *Hobie 16*



## Grounds Report

By George McNally, Flag Lt Grounds

June has arrived and I'm still wearing a coat and hat. I hope this wet and cool weather goes elsewhere and our warm weather arrives. Please be courteous and responsible club members and review the Member Manual located on the club web site. Please pay particular attention to sections regarding Boat Park Policy and Facilities Use. There you will find the rules and regulations for proper use of the boat park and club facilities including vehicle parking, boat parking and boat park registration sticker use. The boat park registration stickers should be available by June 10 and be on the telephone table in the club house. Please use them promptly as boat park enforcement begins June 30. The boat park assignment map is posted on the web site (May Telltale), the race shed, and on the bulletin board on the clubhouse porch.

Trees, trees, and more trees. As you all probably know, the Club has obtained an arborist and had an evaluation of trees on the club's grounds. Based on this report, several large trees were removed and several other large trees were trimmed due to their condition. The club membership also removed several trees due to their condition and possible threat level. Despite our efforts, the club still had a large section of a tree blow down in a severe thunderstorm landing on the laser ramp, and a flying scot was struck by a section of a different tree during the same storm event. As a result of these unfortunate occurrences, more tree removal is being considered and planned. However commercial tree removal service is expensive and membership work parties are limited to what can be done safely.

I would like to thank the membership for their hard work and support of our work parties this year thus far as I expect more will be needed in the near future.

Thank you all.

## Y-Flyer Fleet 63 News

By John Smith, Fleet Captain

The Y-Flyer fleet continues to grow from a single boat in 2012, becoming a fleet in 2014 with 3 members, to the current 6 members and 1 away on the Great Loop. We have added 2 members to our fleet since last year's regatta. Patrick King introduced himself to us during our 2016 regatta and joined the fleet immediately after. This year the club admitted another Y-Flyer sailor, Suzanne Randall. She comes to the club with her grandfather's boat from North Carolina.

I mentioned above that one of our fleet members have other plans for this year. Terry and Joann Fraser are planning to leave the Hudson River heading north to start their Great Loop trip on July 1st. If you are not familiar with the Great Loop, the trip takes about a year going up the Hudson, through the Great Lakes, down the Mississippi, around Florida, up the east coast and back home. We will miss them and wish them a safe trip.

Since the Fraser's were fleet officers, we held elections at our February meeting with Patrick King taking over the Secretary position from Terry and Jake Huwe taking over Treasurer from Joann.

Jake Greiner and I are completing repairs on two Y-Flyers, 329 and 376. We hope to have them On The Block shortly.

Our fourth annual regatta will be held on the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> of July. We are looking for help for race committee, kitchen, crew, and just help in general. As we get closer, we will have schedules for the help that we need to fill. If you are available, you can contact any member of the Y-Flyer Fleet; John Smith, Jake Huwe, Jake Greiner, Patrick King or Marek Czajkowski.

## Need Mahogany Wood for 13' Club Crash Boat

Some club members would like to restore the wood on the 13' club motor boat and we are asking if anyone has any spare Mahogany wood that you can donate for the project.

Please contact Devon Howe:

[howe\\_family@hotmail.com](mailto:howe_family@hotmail.com) or [518-867-7770](tel:518-867-7770).

## SLSC THROUGH THE YEARS

I have put together old photos and Commodore Ball invitations from 1977 to 1984 into a scrapbook at the club. I am looking for any photos or other artifacts for the scrapbook so please look in your dusty boxes of information or photographs of events at the club (We all have them!) and put them on the table on the porch.

Thank you in advance, Barbara Miller

## Beyond the Cove:

A new feature to share sailing adventures that current or past members are having outside of the sailing club.

### The Great Loop

Courageous, a 39 foot Mainship Trawler, is our retirement boat. This will be our 5<sup>th</sup> summer with Courageous and we keep learning things about her seemingly every time we're aboard. We've taken a number of day trips on the Hudson River and Erie Canal as well as a couple of longer trips. One of our longer trips was one of 11 days over to Seneca Lake and back home and another trip of 33 days where we crossed Lake Ontario and cruised down the St Lawrence to the Richelieu River which led us south to Lake Champlain and then to our home marina on the Hudson.

However, things are about to change on July 1<sup>st</sup>. We have a plan to live aboard Courageous for the next year. If all goes well we will be traveling about 6000 miles in a big circle around the eastern US and a portion of Canada. The route is called The Great Loop and AGLCA (the American Great Loop Cruiser's Association) estimates about 130 boats complete the Loop each year.

The Loop is most generally traveled counter-clockwise because of predominant currents on the rivers that are involved. There are many side trips that can be taken while traveling on the Loop and there are anchorages and marinas where boaters might stay one night or layover for days or even weeks. So it's difficult to estimate exactly where you might be at any given time.

We'll leave our home port at Coeymans and cruise up to Oswego on the New York State canal system and then cross over Lake Ontario to Trenton, Ontario. The next stage involves crossing the Province of Ontario to Georgian Bay and Lake Huron via the Trent-Severn Waterway.

After entering Lake Michigan near Mackinac Island we will head south to Chicago either on the Michigan or Wisconsin side of the lake.

Then after visiting Chicago we'll head down the Chicago River to the Illinois River to the Mississippi, Ohio River, Tennessee River and down the Tom-Bigbee Waterway to Mobile Bay by winter. Loopers generally spend the winter in the Florida area and then in spring head north on the Intracoastal Waterway.

Arriving back at your home port is called "crossing your wake." If all goes well we should be crossing our wake in June or July of 2018 which will allow us to change our white AGLCA bow burgee to a gold one.

We would then be graduating members of the Class of 2018.

You can follow our adventures on our blog:  
<http://mvcourageous.blogspot.com/>  
 Captain "Terryble" Fraser  
 Y-Flyer Fleet 63, SLSC

**Please send Samantha Butler any ideas at  
[slsc\\_publicity@sailsaratoga.org](mailto:slsc_publicity@sailsaratoga.org).**

### On the Block

Please visit our website to view details of the following boats for sale.

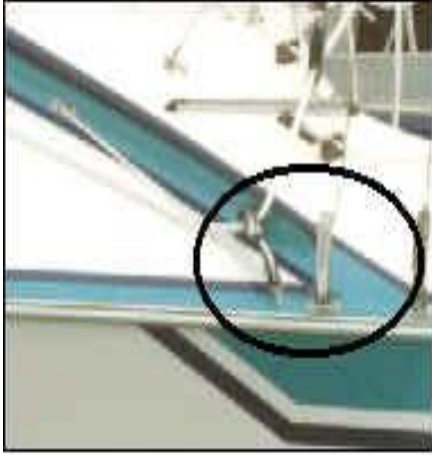
2005 Precision 15K.....	\$5,250
1974 Flying Scot.....	\$4,100
Neptune 14.....	\$1,000
1989 Hobie 17.....	\$1,100
Laser w/Dolly.....	\$2,300 or b.o.
1986 14' Hobie Holder.....	\$1,000



## The Wacky Y Flyer – What’s with Those Extra Jib Sheets?

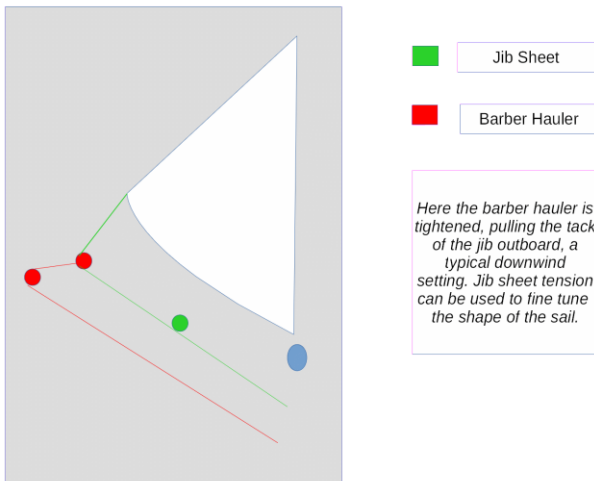
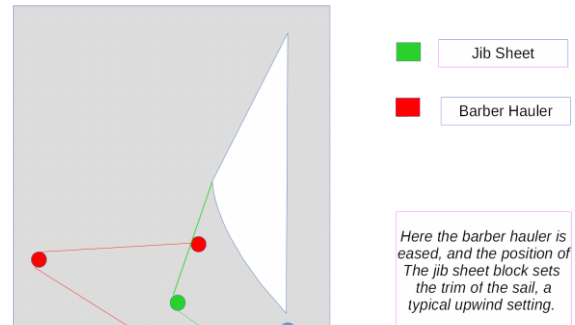
By Patrick King

As a sailboat design and as a group of sailors, the Y Flyers are, ummm, different. One of the different (I like to think charming) aspects of the design is its use of “barber haulers” to fine tune the jib.



Named for the Barber brothers of San Diego, renowned Lightning sailors in the 1950’s, the barber hauler is basically an extra block that the jib sheet passes through. The block is attached to a line that can haul the sheet outboard. In the Y Flyer, that line is typically led back to the same set of cam cleats as the jib sheets, with the sheets above, and the haulers below. The position of the barber hauler determines the direction in which the jib sheet is pulling, and thus largely determines the angle of the jib, while the sheet largely determines the camber, or curve of the jib. Clear as mud? Perhaps the following diagrams will help.

Here we see the barber hauler eased, basically having no effect. The position of the jib sheet block determines the angle of the sail. On the Y Flyer, that block is positioned fairly far inboard, allowing a narrow angle without flattening the sail too much, allowing good power and good pointing going upwind.



When headed downwind, the barber hauler is tightened, essentially replacing the jib sheet block. The barber hauler controls the angle of the jib, and the sheet controls its shape.

And those are the basics of the barber hauler! In general, it is eased going upwind, and tightened going downwind, just the opposite of the sheet. Between the two, one has exquisite control over the position and the shape of the jib, the better to urge our Flyers onward ever faster!

I hope you’ve enjoyed this gentle introduction to a slightly quirky, but very useful, sail control. See you on the water!

References:

<http://www.mysailing.com.au/news/barber-haulers>

<https://www.yflyer.org/rigging-guide/barber-haulers/>



## 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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Kestrel.....	Tony Bianchini 583-4514
Laser.....	Leslie Rafaniello 301-4109
MC Scow.....	Devon Howe 867-7770
Thistle.....	Jerry Zell 767-9216
Y-Flyer.....	John Smith 786-1340

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