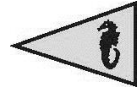
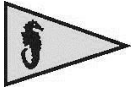


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August, 2018

Commodore's Corner

By Tony Cannone

So here we are in August and the "glass half empty" crowd will tell you that once the Saratoga Race Track is underway summer is just about over or the "glass half full" crowd will tell you that we still have a month and half to official summer. Well I can share with you that I am in the "realist" crowd and realize that we have seen quite a lot of sailing so far this season however, we still have quite a lot of sailing yet to go.

July saw the Independence Day BBQ, the SLSC Club Regatta, the Jr.'s FJ Horse Race Regatta and the Kestrel North American Championship Regatta as well as the continuation of the popular Wednesday night Manning Series, conclusion of the Sunday Zephyr Series and start of the Robinson Series. That's a lot of sailing.

In August we look forward to the largest regatta of the season, the 32nd Flying Scot Fleet 161 Invitational Regatta. I am told that they have something very special planned this year that will be of interest to the whole club membership. I am looking forward to having the STRIDE sailors back on Monday's in August- if you sail an Ensign or Flying Scot we can use your assistance. Very soon in to September we have my personal favorite club social, the Labor Day Lobster Boil and Ensign Fleet 72 Regatta. With the day's getting shorter will be the conclusion of the Manning Series and start of the all-for-fun Rice Series. That's a lot of sailing, but will still have until late October to sail- more on that next month.

If racing is not your thing - consider yourself lucky, you are not tortured by all these "planned" competitions, just come out and enjoy a day (or more) at the club, sailing at your leisure.

Here's hoping your personal sailing program is going well, and if it's not going as well as you'd like, there is still time to fulfill your goals for the season. See you at the club.

LABOR DAY LOBSTER BOIL

Monday, September 3, 2017

Appetizers at 4:00

Dinner at 5:00

Lobster Dinner \$23

Steak Dinner \$20

Surf and Turf \$28

Kids 12 and younger
(hot dogs and burgers) \$7

Soft drinks, Beer and Wine

Everyone is asked to bring a READY TO SERVE appetizer or dessert to share. Please indicate which you will bring when you make your reservation.

Members with last names M-Z please sign up to help SET UP OR CLEAN UP.

Email reservations preferred
and will be acknowledged
SLSCreservations@gmail.com

OR

call Janet Hamilton 518 877 5203

**RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY
FRIDAY, Aug. 31st**

**REMINDER: Don't forget to indicate appetizer
or dessert and if your last name is M-Z,
to sign up to help.**

Upcoming Events

Aug 10-12.....Flying Scot Regatta
Sept 8.....Ensign Regatta
Sept 3.....Labor Day Lobster Boil
Sept 15-16.....MC Scow Adk Regatta

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NO MORE THROWAWAY SOLO CUPS !

We never want to see another Solo cup at the club, whether it's red, blue, green or yellow!

To that end, we have purchased 180 excellent quality, hard plastic glasses to be used at all club events including fleet regattas. They will be stored in the bottom cabinets under the plates and bowls.

Please DO NOT throw these glasses away!

Announcing the SLSC Mobile App

Did you know that we have an app for our Club that is compatible with your mobile devices? The SLSC app gives you access to our web site from your phone or tablet.

It is available on both Apple's App store and the Google Play Store. Search for 'Saratoga Lake' or 'Saratoga sail' to find it. Searching for 'SLSC' will come up empty. The cost to download is \$2.00. Enjoy!

Grounds Report

By George McNally, Flag Lt Grounds

Members all,

The lazy hazy days of summer are here and it's been hot, day after day flirting with record high temperatures and near unbearable humidity. However, it always seems a little more comfortable at the club near the water.

By this point in the season, everyone with a boat park spot should have their boat in it. If you are having any trouble with this please contact me so any problems can be resolved. The boat park is full so please be courteous to your fellow members. Please review the boat park rules of use as well as the member manual available on the club website.

There will be another day of tree removal this year. Earth care is scheduled to be on the property Tuesday, August 21, which will cause the boat park road to be closed while they are working. There will be an email reminder sent out along with any information regarding any boats that need to be moved. You will not have to move a boat yourself but the info will be made available if you want to.

The Flying Scot Regatta is August 9, 10, and 11 so remember that the club will be very busy those days. If you come to watch, I'm sure you will see a beautiful fleet of sailboats on the water and meet many wonderful sailors from near and far.

A quick check of the calendar reveals that there are about 80 days of sailing left this season. Let's enjoy them and I hope to see you at the club.

Seneca Lake Laser Regatta, July 21

By Dave Burtis

Two laser sailors decided to venture out from the protection of the familiar cove of Saratoga Lake to visit the wider world. They stood on the northern shore of Seneca Lake along with 11 other laser sailors looking at a southerly of 20 mph pushing the waves over a 20+ mile fetch. Well, if there is wind, we race - 6 races during the day with 1 throwout.

Tom Dunne pounded through the waves and surprised himself with a 6th place in the 1st race and proceeded to do even better afterwards, except for a 7th place throwout. He beat out Ray Cudney of Cazenovia for 4th place in two races and ended in 5th place, 2 points behind Ray and well ahead of Chaz Williamson of Ithaca.

David Burtis won in the Radial class, which was a given, since he was the only Radial. On a boat finish basis, he came in 11th, sailing consistently well (!?) (= never capsized) close to the back of the fleet.

For everyone, it was glorious sailing, with a steady wind allowing one to settle into a hiking position and focus on steering upwind through the waves and surfing downwind.

Kestrel Regatta, July 21-22, 2018

By Larry King

Six races, Nine boats:

1635 Larry King, Archie Quarrier: 1 2 2 1 1 1 : **8**

498 Mike Kitner, Charlotte Osborne: 2 3 1 3 3 2 : **14**

1601 Drew Welcome, Mark Welcome: 3 5 3 2 2 3 : **18**

518 Ken Choi, Chuck Batzinger: 4 1 5 5 4 4 : **23**

823 JT Fahy, Lucy Fahy: 5 4 4 4 5 5 : **27**

822 Joe Choi, Paul Amodore: 6 7 7 7 6 6 : **39**

1274 Bob Barringer, Brenda Johnson: 7 6 6 6 9 9 : **43**

497 Rick Moore, Devin Moore: 8 8 8 9 9 9 : **51**

1211 Mel Chudzik: 9 9 9 9 9 9 : **54**

Race Committee: Tony Cannone (PRO), Bill Barringer, Yvonne Barringer, Fred Barker, Bruce Blackie, Tony Bianchini, George McNally

Race 1

Average wind speed 9 mph, I1 course

1st place: 13:18

8th place: 19:25

Wind direction oscillating 60 degrees, big left shift near the end of the first leg, most of the fleet on the right, King on the left, and the shift sent him around in 1st, never looked back.

Race 2

Average wind speed 10 mph, I2 Course

1st place: 35:35

8th place: 39:00

This time, the right shift prevailed. JT Fahy and Ken Choi stayed right, rounded 1, 2. Fahy went on a broad reach for VMG, tried to reach pressure on the far left side of the course and though he found it, Choi went on a dead run, wing on wing. The big genoa kept Choi in 1st. King and Welcome battled downwind, Welcome fouled King trying to get inside on the leeward mark rounding. Welcome did penalty turns, and the 5th place was costly to overall score. Choi holds lead and wins race.

Race 3

Average wind speed 10 mph, M1 course

1st place: 14:07

8th place: 20:45

Kinter had awesome start, beat windward out in front on the 1st beat, controlling the fleet, rounded 1st. Kitner and King allegedly ran over a fisherman's line (or so the fisherman said) in the dead center of the first reach just after rounding. (Lots of salty feedback from this fisherman). King overtook Kitner on the first reach near gybe mark, but then flogged spinnaker all the way down the second reach as the pole was not connected to the guy until near the end of the leg. Kitner and Osborne schooled King and Quarrier on reach speed with only a foresail and main, no spinnaker. Kitner prevails.

Race 4

Average wind speed 11 mph, F Course

1st place: 26:50

8th place: 30:29

King first around, never looked back

Race 5

Average wind speed 12 mph, I2 Course

1st place: 21:20

6th place: 23:48

Day 2, the battle for 2nd place, starting with Kinter and Welcome 2 points apart.

2 boats were late to the start (Fahy, Joe Choi). A third, King, was almost late, had headed all the way up the course before the start to the windward mark. When alerted by chase boat that the starting sequence was well begun, King and Quarrier raced downwind at full speed with spinnaker up, doused, and dipped the start line just as the start gun sounded. King on final beat, rounded, tried to re-set his outhaul, the cleat slipped on the leeward control.

In the attempt to go low in the boat and get some slack on both sides of the outhaul 2-way control, luffed to wind, reducing by many boat lengths what was a sizeable lead, settled down luckily with a still comfortable lead, won race.

Race 6

Average wind speed 12 mph, I2 course

1st place: 22:29

6th place: 26:33

King up by five, and with only six boats in final race, needed just to finish 5th or better. The battle for 2nd remained tight between Kitner and Welcome.

Kinter beat up final leg wide/outside of the pin finish line, Welcome closing on him with a better angle to the finish.

Kitner tacked 1/2 boat length outside the pin, with speed and luffed bow across in 2nd place.

Kinter luff edges Welcome by a few boat lengths to place them 2, 3 in both the race and the regatta.

Chudzik "survives" all six races without ever taking his boat cover off his boat, yet his entry fee alone allowed his "top 10" finish streak to extend another year!

2018 Y-FLYER INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA

By John Smith

Canada wins the GOLD. Colin King, with Marla Betts as his crew, from the Canadian Fleet at Belwood Lake Sailing Club in Ontario Canada, won the light air 2018 International Youngquist Trophy Race Regatta. The last time a Canadian had won this regatta was Mike O'Sullivan in 1973. This was only the fifth time the gold went north since the International Regatta was first held in 1940. Full congratulations to twenty-two year olds Colin and Marla. Five Canadian and ten US sailors competed at Saratoga Lake Sailing Club, Fleet 63 in upstate New York. Second place was won by Jeff Rodgers and Lisa Parker from Little Rock, AR. Third place was won by Ed and Andreas Hone also from Belwood Lake Sailing Club in Canada. The Challenger Trophy went to Richard Hart and Carl Swail from Canada.

Fleet 63 had 5 boats in the competition with Mike Kitner and Charlotte Osborne finished in 5th place besting the 2-time defending champ in a tie breaker. We had no wind on Tuesday and spent the day learning how to tune our boats from the Class secretary and other competitors. On Wednesday we were able to get 4 races completed before getting off the water before the Manning race was to begin. Thursday only gave us winds in the 4-5 range so we were only able to get 2 races. This was 3 races better than in 2014 and certainly better than the recent Thistle and MC regattas.

RANK	BOAT	SKIPPER & CREW	COUNTRY	R 1	R 2	R 3	R 4	R 5	R 6	TOTAL
1	2698	Colin King & Marla Betts	CANADA	5	1	2	2	3	4	11.75
2	2791	Jeff Rodgers & Lisa Parker	US	2	7	3	6	1	2	13.75
3	2669	Ed & Andreas Hone	CANADA	6	6	1	1	7	3	16.5
4	2681	Pat Passafiume & Nile Hatcher	US	1	3	8	7	6	1	17.5
5	2527	Mike Kitner & Charlotte Osborne	US	7	2	6	5	2	6	21
6	2688	Mark Barton & Jill Barton	US	4	4	5	3	5	7	21
7	2772	Doug & Lauren Kinzer	US	9	5	4	8	4	5	26
8	2794	Richard King & Misha Gutin	CANADA	8	12	9	4	8	10	39
9	2795	Warren Flanery & Eric Buckingham	CANADA	3	8	7	OCS	DNC	DNC	48
10	2404	Richard Hart & Carl Swail	CANADA	11	13	10	12	9	12	54
11	28061	Marek & Joanna Czajkowski	US	12	11	13	9	11	13	56
12	2584	Pat King & Sara Eberling	US	13	9	15	13	12	9	56
13	2806	Andrew Murnam & James Symon	US	10	10	11	10	DNC	DNC	56
14	2707	John Smith & Ethan Barton	US	14	14	12	11	13	11	61
15	2712	Rick Manser & Terry Fraser	US	DNF	DNF	14	14	10	8	61



House Report

By Paul Steve, Flag Lt. House

Twins! No, I didn't HAVE twins. That's not why I haven't had anything in the *Telltale* recently. Why would you wish something like twins on me, anyway? I'm in my 60s for goodness sakes! When I say, "Twins," it's not as in "offspring." Think bedding.

It occurred to me that, for a great, big house, with so many bedrooms, and so much space, there's an undeniable dearth of places to sleep. And, as far as the men's changing room goes, nothing by way of padded seating at all.

So, I went off in search of viable sleeping and sitting arrangements for the two changing rooms. My first thought was "sofabed," but what I could find and test out – at an affordable price – was nothing short of tragic. My back still hurts from 45 seconds on those paper-thin, wholly unsupportive, torture pads that they call a sofabed "mattress."

But a very sympathetic sales person at Boscov's wrangled us over to a chair/twin bed convertible that was reasonably-priced and fairly impressive. The seat back ratchets up into two different positions, then releases fully to lay flat. And the seat, while rather ottoman-looking, actually hides a pull-out/pop-up sleeping extension, so that the chair morphs into a full, twin bed.

In some ways, that's an improvement over the sofabed concept because most sofabeds are usually of the double bed size, whereas two twin beds would accommodate more overnight guests, without forcing too much "familiarity" on them.

I just got ahead of myself, didn't I? Yes, I bought two of these chairs for the men's changing room, and two for the ladies' changing room. With a nod to the traditional American Civil War colors, it's the Blue against the Grey once more. The men's room will get two grey chair/beds and the ladies' room will get two blue ones.

So much of what our club does focuses on racing and our regattas. And we are fortunate to have an abundance of guests attend our fleet regattas. And why not? The Manning House is a spacious and comfortable place to stay...until nightfall. Then, there's not very many places to sleep indoors. Yes, there's ample room to pitch a tent, but when the weather turns inhospitable, everyone prefer a chance to sleep someplace dry. Now, we'll have 4 comfortable, padded twin beds for our guests and members to get some rest.

I've included some photos. I'll pick the chairs up and put them in the rooms in a few days, I imagine. They're upholstered in durable polyester, and should hold up to the occasional wet bathing suit or wet towel (I hope). Maybe, they will be in place before you read this. I'll follow up on that tomorrow...I promise.

Okay, Part 2. I'm back on the porch again. It seems to be my nemesis this year, drawing me back over and over to battle another round together. This time, it was electrical. The porch was an electrical "conundrum." Actually, I'm being polite. I have a different word that I'd use to describe the porch electrical wiring, but it's not a word that can be used in polite company, so let's just call it a "conundrum."

I had it "deciphered," let's say. Two porch exterior side light fixtures (lanterns), had exceeded their useful life, failed badly, and needed replacing. That was the birthplace for the whole porch repair. They'd never been installed in the safest and most well-grounded manner, and I'd seen similar issues arise elsewhere on the porch. Shocking! Well, that's an exaggeration. Potentially shocking, we can call it.

I asked an electrician to bring a crew of guys in to make things right, safe, and compliant with the National Electrical Code. I was going to just replace the lanterns myself, but that would have left so many other needed corrections unattended to, that I thought it better to bring in a pro and have the porch wired properly from one of the load centers (a/k/a "panel boxes") in the house, forward.

They installed a new 20-Amp Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter breaker in the box, then they ran a dedicated UF ("Underground Feeder") 12/3 wire from the load center to a junction box in the basement, and from there out under the porch, to the outlets and the lighting circuits. Prior to that, the porch was on a 15-Amp breaker, along with several other circuits inside the house. That's not such a good idea to have.

Under the porch, they did what they could to make the junctions weather-tight (a BIG improvement!), added PVC conduit to protect the UF wire running up the nearby wooden lamp post, and rebuilt the outside electrical outlet – the one the box was literally falling off the porch wall. Again, "Shocking!"

The new outside lanterns are different from the prior ones, and I'd like to have had them placed higher up on the wall, but blocking inside the wall made that too huge task. We went with replacing them without moving them in order to save a little money.

The new lanterns have integrated LED lights (no bulbs), with a 50,000 rated lifespan, that consume only 8.3 Watts while putting out as much light as a 60-Watt incandescent used to, at around 3300 Kelvin (which means that they generate a much a whiter light output than incandescent bulbs used to). They should attract fewer bugs to them at night, too.

I realize that some of you might think that such changes as these electrical corrections aren't really all that necessary, that things have gone along just fine for decades without them. But that's just it: things go along fine...until they DON'T anymore. During a summer weekday, our club is enjoyed by many young sailors attending the sailing school, young teenagers and below. And those kids spend a lot of their time on the porch. If something were to go wrong...no, the work was a necessary thing. Our club has changed from what it might have once been to what it is now. We have a lot of people on the premises these days, and we need to keep them all as safe as possible.

Anyway, twins, the Blue and the Grey, and the porch gets some fresh juice. That's it for this month. (Shorter than one of my typical ramblings, right? Be grateful!)

Next month: Nothing, again, with luck! I'd rather sail, anyway.

On the Block

Please visit our website to view more details and/or pictures of the following boats for sale.

Neptune 14.....\$1,000

A centerboard dingy. Includes a trailer, cover and one set of sails.

Contact Liz or Jon Hedman at

[518 399-7849](tel:5183997849) (H), [518 369-7162](tel:5183697162)(Jon's cell)

or [518 369-7849](tel:5183697849) (Liz's cell). Email:jhedman@nycap.rr.com

Dink, 8ft Sailing Dinghy.....\$999

Excellent condition, used twice in 3 years.

Boat is at Galway Lake. Good safe sailing for 2 people.

Contact Arlen Westbrook at

mc1947sf@aol.com.

Thistle.....\$3500

Hull #3452, Orange

Call or Text Jerry at 518-928-9032 or jfz98@yahoo.com

Laser.....\$2000

Includes Dolly, Sail # 154475 Excellent condition – very clean
Year built ~1995 by Sunfish/Laser Inc

Call or Text Tony at 518-265-9615

Laser.....\$4200

2001 Vanguard, Excellent condition. Stored inside when not sailed. Includes radial rig & full sized rig with all necessary hardware. Updated Harken vang and outhaul
Race condition, class legal, full sized sail & practice radial sail.
Road ready galvanized Karavan trailer.
Seitech dolly, deck cover, padded rudder and daggerboard bag.

Contact Ric Klug at 518-275-9004

MC Scow for sale

Melges hull #2116 with four sails

(2115 North Z, 2116 Two Mountain, and two others).

2017 Sailors Tailor cover. Trailer in good condition.

Compass, Timer, and paddle. \$5900.

Currently at Saratoga Lake Club, Balston Spa, NY.

Call Joe at 518-409-4245 or joliip@aol.com.

Wanted to Rent for Season: Tandem Kayak

Contact Devon Howe at 518-867-7770
or howe_family@hotmail.com

New Items for House (See House Report)



July 4th BBQ



MC Scow Horserace Regatta



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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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