Telltale Saratoga Lake Sailing Club

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Commodore's Corner By Tony Cannone

October is a transition month for the club, we start the month with sailing and activities that resemble summer and end the month with the club prepared to face the coming winter months. There is a lot that needs to be completed to prepare the club properly the seasonal hibernation. This has started already with the scheduling and preparing for the docks out work party on October 20th. The better we get the club ready for the winter months the better off we'll be next spring when we will be getting the club ready for a new sailing season.

Some of the preparations you may be familiar with and some you may not be. Obviously, the docks will need to be removed from the lake and stored on shore. The water for the house will be switched back over to our well, the mooring field will be prepared, the school boats tucked in for their winter naps, the house will be winterized, the grounds will be cleaned and organized, the club boats will be winterized, and the list goes on. Your assistance is needed and much appreciated for making this transition a smooth one- October 20th.

There are other transitions getting underway at the club you should be aware of and care about. The biggest transition is one we haven't had to do in 20 years. We will be enjoying the efforts of our current caretaker, Kathy Johnston, while preparing for the arrival of a new caretaker by the end of the year. I would like to personally thank Kathy for her service to our club over the last 20 years. The transition to a new caretaker will take patience and understanding from members because, as much as we try, no one can come in and take over the position without some learning and getting up to speed.

Other transitions include several board members that will be leaving and the new board members preparing to take over these needed leadership roles. The club is an all-volunteer organization and cannot function without the efforts of members who are willing to step up and make it the best club it can be. Please contact me or Mark Welcome with your interest in serving the club.

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Upcoming Events

Oct 13-14	Thistle Regatta
Oct 20	Fall Work Party
Nov 15	

The Club Needs You!

Fall Work Party Sat, Oct. 20

Mark it on your calendar now. We need your help. Work parties form from 8:00 to 9:00 am.

If you are working outside, bring gloves, hammers, crowbars, pliers, rakes, wet suits 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!

2018 AWARDS DINNER November 15, 2017

Longfellows Restaurant Saratoga Springs, NY

Multi-media Presentation 2018 Volvo Ocean Race!

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2018 AWARDS DINNER

Thursday, November 15, 2018

We are very excited to announce that our guest speaker will be Tucker Thompson. Tucker has presented at yacht clubs all over the country. And we are so lucky that he had an opening for us. He will put on a multi-media presentation on the 2018 Volvo Ocean Race. We will learn about the history & evolution of the race, meet the teams, learn about life aboard the boats and get the inside scoop behind the closest finish in the event's history.

This promises to be the absolute best presentation EVER and we hope you will all attend! ALL MEMBERS of SLSC and YOUR FRIENDS are invited!

Longfellows Restaurant Saratoga Springs, NY \$45 per person Checks made out to SLSC, please.

Cash Bar 6:00 pm Hors D'oeuvres 6:30 pm Dinner Buffet

Garden Salad with a choice of Dressings Chicken Parmesan with Cavatappi Pasta and Marinara Sauce Grandma Nettie's Homemade Meatballs Italian Sausage, Peppers and Onions-Gluten-Free Penne Alfredo Primavera Brined Pork Chops with Oven-Roasted Peppers-Gluten-Free Chef's Seasonal Fresh Vegetable Chef's Choice Dessert Coffee, Tea, Assorted Sodas

7:30 pm Tucker Thompson 8:30 pm Awards Presentations

Please note the following:

We had to raise the per person price due to the fact that we have to pay for Tucker's travel expenses. We also had to commit to having at least 100 people attend so PLEASE come!

This promises to be the most fun presentation we have ever had!

RSVP on or before November 5, 2018 To Barbara

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Finally, I am excited about the annual awards ceremony scheduled for November 15th at Long Fellows Restaurant. This year's ceremony will be extra special with the scheduled speaker to be Tucker Thompson, Volvo Ocean Race Commentator. Of course, the most interesting part of the evening will be celebrating your sailing accomplishments from the 2018 sailing season.

Grounds Report

By George McNally, Flag Lt Grounds

Members all,

The end of the season rolls in fast. It seems I just sent our wonderful newsletter editor, Fred Barker, my September contribution and now October is due. This season is going by fast with about 20 days until docks out.

This brings up a seasonal issue that I have been dealing with lately, which is as members pull their boats for winter storage, where to put them. While coordinating with the ensign fleet and their boat hauler, it was necessary to move a few boats around that were blocking ensign parking. Please, if you see jack stands in the rear of a parking place, don't put your boat or trailer in it. The club has a loose policy regarding boat parking but it has worked as is for many years due to the cooperation and good natured consideration of all members. Please use common sense when putting your boat away for the winter. The club reserves the right for control of the grounds to facilitate best use of the grounds. You can put a small boat in a big spot but not the other way around.

Recently I have noticed boats in the meadow that have not been there all season. Said boats have not been used at the club all season but are here for storage and do not have boat registration stickers on them. You must put a sticker on all the boats you have at the club. Please contact Flag Lt/ Grounds or Treasurer Murnan and purchase a registration sticker. You owe the club money. The club charges very little to store a boat in the meadow, much less than anywhere except your own driveway, so please do the right thing and pay up.

I'm sure you have heard the news that our long tenured and iconic figure Kathy Johnston has decided to retire. It is hard for me to imagine our club without her daily presence. There are few people that are instantly recognizable with only one name. Elvis, Cher and Kathy. As Flag Grounds I had the benefit of her energy, experience and her handson way of getting things done more than most at the club. I personally will miss her a great deal as she has a wonderful and infectious energy that flowed all over the club and grounds. I want to say Thank You Kathy for your 20 plus years of your nurturing presence as caretaker at our club.

Don't forget to save the date of October 20 for the docks out and fall clean up party. I can taste the apple cider doughnuts and coffee already. See you at the club.

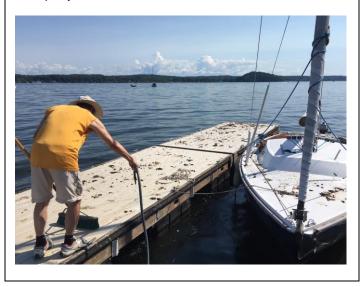
Saratoga Planning Board Issue

SLSC received an email from a member of a group called Saratoga Open Space Preservation Committee that contained the following link to an article published in the September 13th Times Union:

https://www.timesunion.com/news/article/Saratogaresidents-call-for-planning-board-chair-13227171.php

Crying Foul! By Tony Cannone, Commodore

Fred Barker, Telltale Editor for 12 years, cleans the south dock of waterfowl droppings on a recent Sunday. It has been an annual September activity to deal with mounds of the foul droppings on docks and moored boats. The Club is looking for ideas on how to deter the determined offenders from using our docks and boats as their pottys.





STRIDE Sail 2018 Wrap Up By Skip Parry

SLSC in cooperation with STRIDE Adaptive Sports has been offering sailing opportunities to participants from as far away as New York City for over 12 years. In that time SLSC volunteers, too numerous to mention here. have graciously provided learn to sail experiences for over 100 participants. This is intended to be a safe, fun and welcoming environment for young people who generally face a variety of issues participating in traditional sports and recreation. In some years, we have worked with Wounded Warriors to provide learn to sail and volunteer opportunities as well. SLSC volunteers and our facility have once again provided a most nurturing environment in which to offer that experience and STRIDE the administrative structure to bring it all together. (https://www.stride.org/) STRIDE is extremely grateful to SLSC for the tremendous working relationship.

14 volunteers joined forces this season to make it a successful progression from orientation, safety review, and basics in knot tying to sailing in Ensigns, Flying Scots and in some years, Lasers. Additionally, water safety life skills, including kayak and small boat handling are developed throughout, as well as safety awareness on and off boat. Additionally, these lessons provide young SLSC members ample opportunity for community service (very much appreciated) which can display well roundedness in collegiate and work applications.

Thanks to volunteers:

Tony Cannone, Vic Roberts, Paul Fowler, Dave Miller, Laura Rappaport, Jim Fauci and Tom Dunne along with Danielle Dunne, Alex, Caroline and Cameron Parry.

These efforts, weather-permitting, take place Mondays in August. If you are interested in supporting please contact Skip Parry at <u>skisure64@nycap.rr.com</u>.



Square knot perfected.



Sailing School – A light at the end of the Tunnel By Mark Welcome

As I mentioned in last month's Telltale, the Sailing School is almost done for the season. We are waiting to wrap up some private lessons for the College of St. Rose that we do every fall, and then the boats will be put away and we will move on to next year's tasks.

If you are inclined to volunteer, we could really use some help this fall wrapping things up. It appears our winter storage barn has gone away this year. We had hoped to get one more year out of our off-site storage rental as the Club waits for the approvals to go forward with the barn in the meadow. Alas, it was not to be as the owner of the barn we have been using filled it this fall with his own things. What that means from a practical standpoint is that we need to get **many** boats put away for the winter either in the upper barn or under covers. I am very appreciative of members of the Ensign Fleet who are stepping up to put BlackMill and Yankee Doodle to bed for the season over the next couple of weeks. That leaves us with 20+ boats that still need to be addressed (7 Flying Scots, 5 Hartleys, 1 RS Quest, 6 FJ's, and 3 Lasers and not counting a few miscellaneous Foundation boats). This is most likely too much work to be done at the Fall work party, so we would appreciate any volunteers who could help get things started in the next couple of weeks. Please just reach out to me at <u>slsc sailingpgm@sailsaratoga.org</u> if you have any time to help out in the coming month.

Speaking of the Fall work party, I will need to organize all the school tasks beforehand, as once again the work party falls on Alumni and Parents Weekend. Since Rose and I fall under both categories at Drews school, we always go. This year it also falls on Drew's 21st birthday, so I'm sure he is thrilled that his first legal trip to a bar will be with his parents! In any event, I will be missing the work party and would like to organize the teams and tasks beforehand so please let me know if you are interested in working on School things at the work party so that I can plan.

Thanks for all your support of the sailing school.

What do we do when there's no wind?

2018 Ensign Regatta

By Vic Roberts, Ensign Fleet Captain

After far too many days of high humidity and temperatures in the upper 80's to mid- 90's the morning of September 8 started out in the high-50's with a brisk Northerly to North-West wind and dry but cloudy skies. Perfect sailing weather for the 2018 Ensign Fleet 72 regatta.

Thirty-two sailors and six race committee members met for breakfast and then the skippers meeting before setting out in nine boats, including the two school boats with junior crews and skippers, for the regatta.

The race committee of Yvonne Barringer, PRO, Bill Barringer, Bruce Blackie, Tony Bianchini, Larry King, and Archie Quarrier set up an F course for our first race, followed by an I2 before lunch. After lunch we did another F and I2, and by then we were ready for post-sailing snacks and refreshments, followed by the awards ceremony and a PJ's BBQ chicken dinner with our non-sailing spouses, partners and friends.

Other than a slightly rising temperature, the weather during the day was steady. No big changes in the wind speed or direction. No rain. Winds just below the comfortable upper limit for many members of our fleet. It was hard to believe this was Saratoga Lake!

The final results were:

Place	Boat	Skipper	Score
1st	#530	Tony Cannone	6 Points
2nd	#23	Ethan Murnan	7 Points
3rd	#2017	Skip McEwing	17 Points
4th	#114	Paul Fowler	19 Points
5th	#118	AI Tedrow	19 Points
6th	#228	Colin MacDonald	25 Points
7th	#2023	Vic Roberts	25 Points
8th	#174	Emmett McCarthy	27 Points
9th	#1177	Ryan Brenenstuhl	37 Points



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 <u>518 399-7849</u> (H), <u>518 369-7162</u>(Jon's cell) or <u>518 369-7849</u> (Liz's cell). Email:<u>jhedman@nycap.rr.com</u>

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 <u>mc1947sf@aol.com</u>.

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 joliiip@aol.com

MC Scow.....\$3,900

Hull #1733 with 3 sails, cover and trailer. Great condition. Contact Chris at 518-583-6939 or <u>sunonsaturday@gmail.com</u>.

On the Block

Pre-war 16 foot, Wooden Comet Sailboat.....\$2400 obo

It was found in the Adirondacks in the early 1990's when I had the hull gone over, repaired and painted. A previous owner had the exterior of the hull covered in fiberglass to help with maintenance. The deck is white with the interior wood; the mast and boom are bright varnished wood. The mast could use a refinish & need to replace some cordage.

I sailed her on Saratoga Lake for years. The boat has been under cover for the time that I owned it. I just am not able to move around well enough to continue to sail it. These boats were the club boats in the late 1930's and early 40's.

It is a wonderful sailor. Comes with Sail, Sail bags and Registered Trailer. \$2,400 or best offer

> Contact Charlie Wheeler Saratoga Springs 518-584-1065 Cwheeler5@nycap.rr.com









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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	767-9216
Y-Flyer	John Smith
	786-1340

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