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Saratoga Lake Sailing Club

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Commodore's Corner

By Tony Cannone

The 2019 sailing season is nearing its conclusion, reflecting on the past two months I can look back at a successful season at the club. Besides the annual classics of Flying Scot and Ensign Regatta's we saw the first multi hull regatta in my memory at the club. The Labor Day Lobster Boil saw 120 adults and 10 children enjoy a Surf & Turf feast despite the gloomy forecast. The many volunteers that come together to put our social events on always amaze and inspire me. I do want to express my thanks and gratitude to Margaret Shirk and her social committee posse for the many years of service to the members of the club.

October is a transition month for the club, we start the month with 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 winter months. This has started already with the scheduling and preparing for the docks out work party on October 19th. 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. 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 prepped for snow, 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 19th.

Other transitions include several board members that will be leaving and 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, John Smith or Mark Welcome with your interest in serving the club.

The first weekend in October will be the annual Thistle Fall Regatta at the club. Finally, I am excited about the annual awards ceremony scheduled for November 9th at the Hideaway Restaurant at the Saratoga Lake Golf Course. Barbara and Allan always have very interesting speakers lined up and this year is no exception. Of course, the most interesting part of the evening will be celebrating your sailing accomplishments from the 2019 sailing season. The event is open to all members, their guests and crew so come out and enjoy a great evening with old friends and new.

The Club Needs You!

Fall Work Party Sat, Oct. 19

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!

2019 AWARDS DINNER November 9th

The Hideaway at Saratoga Lake Golf Club

Speaker: Rachael Miller Founder of Rozalia Project

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2019 AWARDS DINNER

PLEASE JOIN US ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2019

at

The Hideaway at the Saratoga Lake Golf Club 35 Grace Moore Rd. Saratoga Springs, NY

Cocktails: 6:00

Buffet: 7:00

\$40 per person

Checks to SLSC or Cash paid at the door

Tossed Salad
Vegetable Medley
Rice
Sliced Sirloin
Pasta Primavera
Caprese Chicken
Dessert

Cash Bar

Our guest speaker is Rachael Z. Miller. Rachael grew up sailing at SLSC. She is the founder of Rozalia Project for a Clean Ocean, Co-Inventor/CEO of the Cora Ball & a National Geographic Explorer. Rozalia Project is a non-profit whose mission is to clean & protect the ocean.

Rachael is a dynamic speaker who has presented all over the world. She holds a USCG 50 ton Master's License & captains the 60' sailing research vessel, American Promise. Rachael lives in Vermont & loves to ski as much as sail.

Please RSVP by October 31 to Barbara at amille2@nycap.rr.com or 518-577-0998.

This event is for all members of the club.

Grounds Report

By James Symon, Flag Lt Grounds

I hate to be the one to bring this up, but the cooler weather is starting to come in and its time to start thinking about putting away our toys for the season. I am already planning out some of the grounds projects we will need to complete next month during the Docks Out work party. Where did the summer go?

For the Docks Out work party there will be the usual grounds clean up tasks. Bring your work gloves, boots, rakes, and remember to dress for the weather. Visit the white board inside the club to see the big list. We will need to do the usual stuff such as raking, cleaning up the gardens, etc. There will be a few big tasks such as setting up storage for the school boats. Sign in, find a task that seems interesting and join in. I hope to have a dumpster on site to get rid of some old boats (contact me if you have a boat that is no longer useful).

Overall the club is looking pretty good. All of the grounds equipment all seems to be working at the moment.

A special big thank you to Paul Steve, his family and assistance from Paul Stote. They completed a barn floor replacement job that included reinforcing the barn floor structure, installing new plywood flooring, and securing diamond plate ramps to prevent rain damage. All on schedule and under budget. Please admire the work when you next go to past the barn. This project was recommended as part of the long term planning report. This is a great example of club members volunteering their time and skills to keep the sailing club going.

Brianna's Law

By Allan Miller

On August 6, Governor Cuomo signed Brianna's Law, which will go into effect on January 1, 2020. For those who may be unaware, Brianna's Law is an amendment to the current Navigation Law that mandates boater safety education for PWC and motor boat operators. It was named for a young girl who was tragically killed in a recreational boating accident.

The previous law required all operators of a PWC and all motorboat operators born on or after May 1, 1996 to take a boating safety course and obtain a certificate. With the passage of Brianna's Law, a boating safety certificate will eventually be required for all operators of motorized vessels, regardless of age or year of birth. The law utilizes a phase-in model, so not all operators will be required to have a safety certificate immediately in 2020.

- Brianna's law is not a new concept it simply expands the requirements in the previous law for boating safety certificates to eventually include all operators of motorized vessels.
- The law goes into effect on January 1, 2020. See chart for details regarding the phase-in of the law.
- The law does not change any regulations in regard to livery operations. As before, patrons renting boats from a livery operation do not need a boating safety certificate if the livery staff demonstrates safe handling and locations of safety equipment prior to rental. Livery staff must possess a certificate.
- Under the previous law, owners of new boats had a 120-day grace period from the date of purchase to obtain a safe boating certificate. This accommodation has been eliminated under Brianna's Law.
- The law previously allowed for noncertified persons to operate a boat if someone with a certificate was in the boat. This no longer applies, so everyone operating the vessel must have a certificate.

If you were born on or after: You will need a boating safety certificate by:

January 1, 1993	The end of 2020
January 1, 1988	The end of 2022
January 1, 1983	The end of 2023
January 1, 1978	The end of 2024

All operators of motorized vessels, regardless of age, will need a boating safety certificate by the end of 2025.

Our campaign to have at least one member of each family will expand to include any member that wants to learn to drive a powerboat safely. This will be necessary to support both safety and our racing and training programs. We are presently working out how best to train all members so that they may receive a NY State Boater Safety Certificate. It would be helpful to have several additional members that can teach the course. If you are interested, please contact me.

Safe boating all – no matter what kind of boat you are in.

Allan, allancmiller48@gmail.com / 518-441-3899

Ensign Fleet 72 Regatta

By Vic Roberts, Ensign Fleet Captain

Ensign Fleet 72 held our annual regatta on September 7, 2019. We had ten boats participating, a record number. Two of the ten boats were crewed by SLSC Juniors, each accompanied by an adult instructor from the Sailing School. One of the Junior boats, #23, ended up in First Place!

The day started out cool and dry, but with very light winds. By late morning the wind had picked up enough to start the first race. The winds were highly variable, even for Saratoga Lake; constantly changing direction and speed, often dropping to zero before coming back again.

Hurricane Dorian was due east of Massachusetts and south of Nova Scotia at 11 am on the day of the regatta, so our crazy winds may have been due to Dorian's backwash.

Our race committee consisting of Yvonne Barringer, PRO, assisted by Bill Barringer and Bruce Blackie on the committee boat, and two mark set boats; one manned by Tony & Linda Bianchini, and the other by Ken Choi and Rick Moore, did an excellent job keeping up with the ever changing winds.

We completed two races and went in for lunch. After lunch we went out for more races and found the wind speed was better, though the direction was just as unstable. As we were starting the fourth race, the winds suddenly started gusting and we decided to call it a day.

We returned to the shore for a post-race adjustment period and awards ceremony, followed by a BBQ chicken dinner with PJ's chicken, Tony Cannone's special coleslaw, pie and ice cream.

Regatta photos taken by Dan Mehlman, Rick Moore and Vic Roberts have been posted to the SLSC website.

The final results were:

Final Results

Place	Boat	Points	Skipper
1	23	6	Ethan Murnan
2	530	9	Tony Cannone
3	177	13	Dave Miller
4	2017	13	Skip McEwing
5	228	14	Lewis Sulkin and
			Aidan Fahy
6	174	16	Emmett McCarthy
7	1765	17	Jeff Robinson
8	1177	21	Ryan Brenenstuhl
9	2032	28	Vic Roberts
10	884	29	Chris Mann

Saratoga Multi-hull Open Regatta

By Tony Massa

SMOR, the 1st Annual Saratoga Multi-hull Open Regatta was held at our Club on Saturday August, 24. It was a great success. A steady wind up to ten mph, plenty of sunshine, and mild temperatures contributed to perfect racing conditions. Eleven boats were able to finish five races. We had visitors from Oneida Lake and Sacandaga Lake. Everyone commented on the beauty of our facility and setting.

Not surprisingly, First Place went to Susan Korzeniewski with her able crew, Steph O"Connor. Second Place went to Tom Korzeniewski and his crew, Erika Tackswell. Susan and Tom represent Fleet 204 on Oneida Lake and they are both past National Hobie 16 Champions. It was great that they helped inaugurate our first multi-hull regatta. Third place went to our own Chris Nellisen. who came out of racing retirement to prevent a Fleet 204 sweep. Other SLSC members racing included Bruce Way (5th), Matt Richwine and Mike Polacco (6th), Sara Eberlin and Tony Massa (10th), and Bob Posson and Leslie Rafaniello (11th).

A big thank you to all of the SLSC members who helped make the day so special. PRO Allan Miller recruited Barbara Prince-Miller, and they did a stellar job, along with Terry Fraser and Joanne Fraser on the flat top. Charlotte Osborne, EJ Holcomb, Jerry Danielski, and Fred Barker all did a great job on the mark-set boats. Finally, many thanks to Shore Captain, Laurie Massa who handled all of the meals solo.

Sailing School Update

By Mark Welcome

The 2019 Sailing School season is coming to a close soon with the last of our private lessons including our annual class for students from a College of St. Rose sailing class and a few other private lessons where people were put on waiting lists during the summer. We apologize for all the wait lists, but demand this year continued to be strong and we had some limitations as far as instructor availability. Our College and High School aged instructors have all headed back to school and we look forward to seeing them next year. In terms of registrations, we had 247 registrations this year from 219 different sailors. An additional 19 sailors were unfortunately left on the waitlists.

For kids programs, we are done for the season. We taught over 115 kids this year across all of our programs from Learn to Sail on up to our Junior Racing and Adventure Sailing groups. While this is down slightly from last year, this was expected as we opened up fewer slots due to instructor availability. We left more kids than we would like on waitlists. We are always happy to see how many are returning sailors from previous years as it gratifies us to know that they want to come back year after year.

I've already gotten questions about next year's schedule, and we are working on it now. It will be posted by Thanksgiving. I know quite a few people give the gift of sailing for the holidays so we will have the schedule set and gift certificates available by Thanksgiving.

Our focus now is shifting to putting away the boats and other school stuff. In the next week at racing we hope to be able to grab enough people to move some boats into the barn. If you are inclined to volunteer, we could really use some help this fall wrapping things up. I am very appreciative of Bruce Blackie, Dave Miller and other members of the Ensign Fleet who always step up to put BlackMill and Yankee Doodle to bed for the season over the next couple of weeks. Thanks to Bernie Zabek for volunteering to evaluate the current school Scot fleet to see if we can reduce the number of school Scots to something a little more manageable and make some Scot available for others to purchase.

Thank you all for your continued support of the sailing school.

Sailing Foundation

As we wrap up the 2019 sailing season, the Foundation would like to thank all of the members who continuously support us in our efforts to raise money to support various sailing initiatives. The big push this year was to upgrade the Junior Race team FJ's and with the help of the Alfred Z. Solomon Trust and membership donations the school was able to purchase 3 almost new FJ's and to upgrade them with all new spinnaker gear. The Foundation is currently working on securing funding to cover the costs of the additional 3 FJ's that were purchased in the same transaction (as FJ's tend to be sold in groups of 6)

The Foundation is currently prepping a number of boats for sale in order to raise funds. These boats include:

- Victoria 18
- 470
- Hobie 16
- Daysailor 2
- At least 2 Flying Scots
- Phantom
- A couple of others that are just being evaluated.

If you know anybody interested in one of these boats, please have them reach out to me at mark@interactives.com as we'd like to find homes for them before the season ends.

Meadow Gravel Plan

By John Smith

I apologize in advance for any inconvenience. We are planning to mat and gravel the area designated in the left hand photo below. This area will have approximately 6 inches of gravel on top of matting to make firm storage for the future and to prepare for the building of the pole barn. Please avoid storing your boat in this area until we put down matting and gravel during the week of October 13-19.

Please store your boat in the defined area of the right hand photo below until the gravel has been spread. You should be able to place your boat in the newly graveled area after the fall work party.

To achieve the gravel plan, we will need to block at least one row of boats in with a second and possible third row until we are finished. Please be considerate when you park you boat. Get as close to the adjacent boat as possible and do not block in empty trailers.











On the Block

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

Neptune 14.....\$600

A centerboard dingy. Includes a trailer, cover and one set of sails. End of season price reduction.

Contact Liz or Jon Hedman at 518 399-7849 (H), 518 369-7162(Jon's cell) or 518 369-7849 (Liz's cell). Email:jhedman@nycap.rr.com

'86 Catalina 22..... \$5000

6 hp Yamaha OB Main, 110 Jib, 150 Genoa, Trailer

Howard Ghee
518-283-3203 (Leave a message)
Or email gheehe1@twc.com

MC Scow.....\$2900

Hull #1733 with 3 sails, cover and trailer. Great condition.

Contact Chris at 518-583-6939 or sunonsaturday@gmail.com

Flying Scot.....\$3800

Hull: 4406. Builder: Douglas.

Very good condition, ready to sail.

Includes: 2 mainsails, 2 jibs, 1 spinnaker.

Aluminum spinnaker pole, bow and masthead flotation, transom drain.

Sailor's Tailor winter cover, summer cover, various other accessories.

Galvanized trailer in fair condition, would need some work to make road worthy but adequate for use with SLSC lift.

Contact Robert at rhcanham@gmail.com or 518-248-0991

Beach wheels.....\$200

Will fit a Hobie 16.

Contact Scott at ScottMeyerone@gmail.com

Thistle.....\$12,500

#3848, Built by Great Midwest
John Baker custom made trailer w/spare
Sheets, halyards etc., all in good condition
Primary suit of sails in good/very good condition
Located in Utica, NY

For pics & more info

Email Jonas Kelly jkelly@usawood.com

Y-Flyer 2527.....\$2000

Great condition.

Race ready and sitting in the SLSC boatyard.
Originally from the Indianapolis Sailing Club
with a great racing history.
Priority given to someone who will keep it racing
in our Y-Fleet.

Contact Terry Fraser at elfraser@hughes.net

Ensign #909.....\$5000

New Lehr propane 4HP motor.
Includes Dinghy and full Mooring gear w/ winter stick.
Fully equipped with sails, lights, etc.
Presently moored at SLSC buoy F-4.
For brochure/inquiries:

Contact Phil at pytterberg@nycap.rr.com or call (518) 727-0667

Holder 14.....\$1000

Boat is in great condition. Includes trailer, dolly, Sailors Tailor-made cover.

Email Lorrie at lorrianthony46@gmail.com

Standard Marine HX150 handheld marine radio......\$95

Opened but never used (bought two only need one). Standard Horizon is one of the best manufacturers of marine radios.

This one has all the bells and whistles and it floats!
This was purchased in June 2019 and is a bargain at \$95.

Contact Jeff Robinson Tel: 518-690-0391

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	Vic Roberts
•	399-4410
Flying Scot	Shirley & Paul Waterfield
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Laser	Leslie Rafaniello
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MC Scow	Andrew Murnan
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Y-Flyer	Terence Fraser
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