

# Telltale

## Saratoga Lake Sailing Club

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### Commodore's Corner

By John Smith

Another year has come and gone, and the routines for the past two years have not changed and appear to be the new normal. Our Annual Member Meeting was again held on Zoom. I would like to thank all the members that participated. After the annual reports were presented, there was a lively discussion of the two proposed By Laws change. The final versions will be voted upon at the February Budget meeting.

I'm happy to report the 2020 slate of officers voted in as follows:

John Smith - Commodore

Charlotte Osborne - Vice Commodore

Dave Hudson - Rear Commodore

Susan Kohler - Treasurer

Larissa Read - Secretary

Jake Greiner - Flag Lt. Boats

Lenny Lerner - Flag Lt. Grounds

Allan & Barbara Miller - Flag Lt. House

Terry & Joanne Fraser - Flag Lt. Race

Committee Chairs are:

Ann Seidman - Membership Chair

Jordan Roberts - Publicity Chair

Mark Welcome - Sailing Program Chair

Lauren Meyer - Social Chair

I would like to thank the outgoing Board Members for their service. Scott Meyer as Vic Commodore who is leaving for great personal opportunities and responsibilities. James Symon as Fl Lt Grounds and 2021 Mary Elizabeth Hull recipient after 3 years on the job. Jeff Robinson as Treasurer who in is two years on the job dragged us (sometimes kicking and screaming) into the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

The 2022 Budget Meeting really kicks off our year. The Board is in the process of planning this year's projects that are needed to maintain the club infrastructure as well as planning improvements.

Again, this year we are encouraging members to renew electronically through the website. Last year was our first attempt at this renewal process and it dropped the error rate from 30% to 3%.

## Annual Budget Meeting

Sunday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 pm

Virtual via Zoom

Followed By  
Bylaws Discussion/Vote

The link will be emailed to all members. You can also check with any board member to get the information.

### Important Kitchen Information

In preparation for the kitchen to be painted, everything in that room was taken down and removed to the dining room/living room. Shirley Waterfield and I went through the many, many duplicate pots, pans, bowls, trays, toaster ovens, etc. We put these extra items on tables on the porch. Before we donate or throw anything away, members are welcome to take anything they can use.

PLEASE, PLEASE, do not bring anything to the club-kitchen items, furniture, books, artwork. If you do have something that you want to donate to the club, check with the appropriate officer before bringing it.

Thanks so much,  
Barbara

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## Proposed By-Law Change

In November, the Board recommended a change to the Club's By-Laws. This was discussed at the Annual Membership Meeting. Based on the comments and recommendations, the wording of the change is revised, and some further explanation is in order.

Our Club is a Sailing Club. We admit members based on their wanting to sail in any of the many ways our sport can be enjoyed. Included in these, is a racing program that the club conducts. To do that part successfully, requires support of members who are not sailing during the races. Over the years, the Race Chairperson has assigned club members to assist on the racecourse to help safely conduct the races. In almost all cases, members who both race and do not race, have willingly supported this effort, and have come out to help on a day or two during the season. Recently, New York State has implemented Brianna's Law that is being phased-in and on January 1, 2025, will require any person who is driving a power-driven boat of any kind to have a Boater Safety Certificate. Many of our members come to sailing never having driven a powerboat. The fact that we have powerboats provides an important safety element for our membership, that is the ability to rescue a boater in distress. These factors resulted in our decision to provide training to our members to both operate our powerboats and to obtain a Boater Safety Certificate.

It is not the desire of the Board to require all members to help on the water to support the racing program. It is the desire of the Board to have as many of our Primary club members as possible, capable of safely rescuing a person on the lake in distress. The by-law change is intended to clarify this.

### Section 4 Dues, Fees and Assessments

- A. **Annual Dues** – No change
- B. **Racing Fees** – No change
- C. **Work Assessments** - Each member is expected to contribute their time to work parties and other activities of the Club. These activities may include, but are not limited to, Docks In days, Docks Out days, Club sponsored social events, support of the racing program by assisting in the conduct of races, and special projects coordinated by the Club's officers.

### Section 7 Waterfront

- A. **Responsibility** - No change
- B. **Racks and Moorings** - No change
- C. **Power Boats** - Personal power boats (non-sail boats that use auxiliary power) are not to be stored on Club grounds or used at the Club for recreational purposes under any circumstances. All other uses, docking or mooring of power boats will be at the discretion of the Rear Commodore or the Executive Committee in his/her absence. Club owned power boats are intended for rescue and patrol work, for use by the Race Committee in starting and supervising races, and for work parties and shall be used as utility vessels only. They may not be used as transport, substitute dinghy or pleasure craft. For safety and to rescue boaters in distress, members are strongly encouraged to learn to operate the Club's powerboats. Driving any power-driven boat requires a Boater Safety Certification, in accordance with NY State Law. Members should take advantage of training provided by the club to obtain the NY State Boater Safety Certificate.

# Sailing School Update

By Mark Welcome

Happy New Year everyone. As I write this, the temperature is frigid and the lake is starting to freeze over finally. The school season seems to be a long distance away but we have been extremely busy these past couple of months.

## Registrations:

As you may have seen via emails, Registrations for next years classes opened up and the demand has been a little overwhelming to say the least! So far, we have processed 148 registrations for next year and have waiting lists on most of our junior sessions and some of our adult sessions as well. That is by far the largest response we have ever seen in December. We are encouraged to see that demand for sailing instruction remains very high.

A few notes about wait lists:

- Please do not hesitate to sign up for wait lists as we do try to expand our classes over the original size when possible. We set the class size conservatively when we first open up registrations so that we have time to see what instructors are coming back and make sure we have a safe and well-staffed camp.
- If you want to get in but don't sign up for the waitlist, there is no way for us to know that we need to be working to expand that particular class.
- The following sessions have availability:
  - Adult Introduction to Racing (Week of 6/13)
  - Adult Strategic and Tactical Racing (Week of 8/8)
  - Junior Racing Program (acceptance is at discretion of instructors to ensure kids are safe at this level)
  - Junior Adventure Program (acceptance is at discretion of instructors to ensure kids are safe at this level)
  - Junior Session 5 – Intermediate (week of 8/8)
  - Private lessons

## Have you ever wanted to try teaching?

We are hoping to run a US Sailing Level 1 Instructor certification course this spring at the Club. As many of you know, we rely on our members who are certified to teach many of our Adult classes and given the wait lists for adult sessions, we could really use some more instructors. There is no commitment to teach if you take the class, and we rely on you to tell us when you would like to teach. Teaching sailing is a wonderful way to get out on the water and share your love of the sport. You can read more about the program at <https://www.ussailing.org/education/instructor/small-boat-instructor-programs/level-1-instructor/Please> and please reach out to Mark Welcome ([sailingpgm@sailsaratoga.org](mailto:sailingpgm@sailsaratoga.org)) if you are interested or have any questions.

## Coastal Navigation

Looking for something sailing related to do this winter? The school is interested in offering a course on Coastal Navigation in March to help us shake the late winter blues as we wait for the ice to melt. We would be teaching the ASA 1505 Coastal Navigation curriculum <https://asa.com/certifications/asa-105-coastal-navigation/>. There will be some costs associated with it (materials and any costs of ASA certifications for ASA members) but we are going to try to keep costs to a minimum just to have some fun doing some navigation this winter.

At this point, we really just want to know of there is interest among the membership. There are obviously some variables such as Covid and our availability to assemble in the Clubhouse that will affect our plans. Please reach out to Mark Welcome ([sailingpgm@sailsaratoga.org](mailto:sailingpgm@sailsaratoga.org)) to express interest or with any questions.

# OBITUARY



## Barney, Y

By Terry Fraser

Y-Flyer 2259 was born in 1973 in the state of California at the McKinney Boat Company, she moved immediately to Montgomery, Alabama, and was owned and sailed by Joe Loftin, Jr.

In 1975 she was sold to Wayne Collette and remained in Montgomery.

In 1976, Y-2259 was purchased by Pete Barstow who was living in Rumford, Rhode Island but was sailing at Lake Lashaway in Massachusetts.

She spent many good years plying the waters of Lake Lashaway and she gave hours and hours of pleasure to the Barstows.

Pete and Marge Barstow sailed her nearly every Sunday, often to a respectable finish.

Officially measured and certified in 1989, Y-2259 was living an enjoyable life.

In the early 90's she underwent a complete overhaul at the hands of Jack Nash, of North Brookfield, Massachusetts.

She was painted purple and soon became known as "Barney."

In 1995 Cathy Murray and Anne Dygon, of the Lake Lashaway Fleet, became Barney's owners and raced her until they bought a newer boat in 1998.

Barney celebrated her retirement in 1998, and enjoyed living on the edge of Lake Lashaway, only occasionally racing in the yearly Kenyon Cup Regatta at the hands of guest sailors.

Unfortunately, Barney was diagnosed with water in her foam core and metastasizing rot.

Barney was brought to New York at the beginning of the 21<sup>st</sup> century for a chance at a new life. However, after a long period of unsuccessful rehabilitation Barney was laid to rest.

There will be no visitation as Barney has already been sliced up and sent to the Westerlo, New York, Transfer Station after all her parts were removed.

She will be missed but will live on, as some of her harvested parts have been transplanted into other Y-Flyers at the Saratoga Lake Sailing Club.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Barney's name to the Saratoga Lake Sailing Club.

## On the Block

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

### Beach wheels.....\$200

Will fit a Hobie 16.

Contact Scott at [ScottMeyerone@gmail.com](mailto:ScottMeyerone@gmail.com)

### Thistle 3255.....\$4250

Clark manufactured sailboat in excellent condition, complete with trailer, ready to be sailed.  
Two (2) sets of sails: one set good, the second set fair.  
New running rigging installed in 2020.  
All Harken blocks and fitting. Many spare parts included.

Contact: Rob Shadlock at (518) 281-1440 or  
[Rshadlock@nycap.rr.com](mailto:Rshadlock@nycap.rr.com)

### Flying Scot #2431..... For Sale

Boat is set up for racing or leisure. Two sets of sails including 2 spinnakers. The newer set is about 7 years old with plenty of life in them. Boat is Blue and could be raced/sailed tomorrow as everything you need is there.  
Boat comes with a trailer and the lights were updated 3 years ago.

Contact: Tom Dunne  
Text, call or email  
518-253-6912, [tomdunne56@gmail.com](mailto:tomdunne56@gmail.com).

### Trailer Tongue Jack.....\$25

1500# Trailer Tongue Jack with double wheel.

Call or text Jerry Zell at 518-928-9032  
Leave a message if I don't pick up.

### 3 Kestrels for sale

#1559, Red, Owned by sailing school.....\$7000

#1550, White, Owned by sailing school.....\$7000

#823.....\$2500  
Winner of 2016 Kestrel N.A. Championships.

Contact Larry King 518-421-7597  
or Mark Welcome 518-928-6187

### WANTED.....Lasers

Some students in the sailing school need Lasers.  
If you have a Laser you would like to donate or sell,

Contact: Mark Welcome at 518-928-6187  
or [slsc\\_sailingpgm@sailsaratoga.org](mailto:slsc_sailingpgm@sailsaratoga.org)

### Y-Flyer 2627.....\$2500

This is a South Carolina "Lundquist" built fiberglass boat that I used to race, for example, at the Internationals in Sudbury, Ontario, Canada. It was a multi-time Kenyon Cup winner in Massachusetts with Doug Sabin at the helm and with his son George crewing.

It has come to my barn for rehab this winter from Marblehead. It now has a "bar" traveler instead of the bridal traveler. (Pictures on our website.)

\$2500 complete with trailer and 2 sets of sails and intentions are for it to be sold to a current or future club member.

Contact: Terry Fraser at [captainterryble@gmail.com](mailto:captainterryble@gmail.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

Ensign.....	Tony Cannone 271-0246
Flying Scot.....	Shirley & Paul Waterfield 584-5552
Kestrel.....	Ken Choi 344-2670
Laser.....	Leslie Rafaniello 301-4109
MC Scow.....	John Kimball & Tony Massa 596-9246, 526-9121
Thistle.....	Jerry Zell 767-9216
Sunfish.....	Tom Dunne 253-6912
Y-Flyer.....	Charlotte Osborne 699-7646

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