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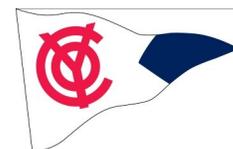
COMMODORE'S MESSAGE ...

As cliché as it is to say, I cannot believe we already find ourselves in September. The 2022 Season is, however, not over! With plenty of memories already in the books, there are still plenty more to be made as we move from Summer to Autumn. We have a solid two months left of Club activities and events, including at least two more official races (with some fun runs likely sprinkled in as well)!

I want to thank Members for all the time and effort they've put in this year, and also want to remind Members that there are still plenty of Service Hours opportunities left. It's Member Service Hours that allow us to put on the events that we do, in the way that we do. So truly, a massive thank you to all that help and contribute to OYC!

I'm looking forward to our final two months, and I hope you are too. As always, if there is anything that can be done to make your OYC more enjoyable for you and your guests, please don't hesitate to reach out!

Chris Eglin



VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT ...

What a way to finish off the summer with the first Creek Cruise Poker run, it was such a fun event. Thank you to all the volunteers who hosted card stops throughout the cruise, you all did an awesome job. I would like to give a shout out to Sara Thibault for coming up with the idea and doing a terrific job of organizing it. This year's winners, Sara Capen and Roger Voss with a flush for the winning hand.

This Saturday, September 3rd will have Karaoke hosted by the Hermans, Come down to enjoy this fun event, it's always a club favorite. Some members can actually sing, unlike myself.

The Bills season is about to start and they are the hottest team in the league. We want you to come down to the club for their season opener against the defending Superbowl Champs the Los Angeles Rams. Come down and tailgate in the parking lot, patio and pavilion. Make your favorite tailgate dish and share with everyone else, bring your grills or whatever you use to tailgate. The kitchen will be closed but the Bar will be open with many drink specials. Please Remember no personal coolers while the club is open, if you get there early to tailgate that is acceptable but once the bar is open please patronize the club, thanks for your cooperation. We will have two Tv's inside, thanks to Mike Laymen for installing one on the east wall. There might possibly be a projector displaying the game out in the pavilion.

There is still time to sign up for our first ever Seafood Boil, Saturday, September 10th, which is replacing the Lobsterfest event. It will be a traditional Louisiana Boil, with red potatoes, andouille sausage, Hillers sweet corn, shrimp, Craw-Dads and we have added mussels to it as well. Sign up at the bar or online or email me. We are still looking for Turkey fryer pots with the strainer basket as well, get a hold of me if you can let us borrow yours for this event.

We have the roaring 20's party hosted by our very own Meghan Shaw on Saturday, September 17th, it will be a Zuit suit riot.

Don't miss Bill and Gary's Excellent Steak Adventure on Sunday, September 25, where delicious Steak sandwiches will be served with fresh cut fries while the bills squish the fish.

There are many events lined up for September so come down and enjoy some of them.

Michael Capen
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FLEET CAPTAINS REPORT ...

The racing program is winding down with only the Captain Yankee race as well as the Celtic Cup race left to finish. We were able to complete all the races thus far with a couple make ups on the Ladies night races. We will continue to try and host some fun races throughout the remainder of the season to keep the spirits high before our boats are put away for winter.

The Olcott Stomp was a great success after a 30 year pause. The south shore is coming back to life as we entertained 15 boats for the two day regatta. The club looked like days of old with boats tied up on the wall after a day of racing, enjoying an evening on the patio with music, spirits and great fun by all. Congratulations to Ella Thibault and her crew on Lightfoot with the 40th Sacca Sail. There were 8 boats in this years event with all competitors finishing in great time and the top 2 boats under a minute.

Don't forget that trophy night is October 15, more to come on reservations etc. Please return any trophy's from last season so we can organize and prepare for this years recipients.

Thanks again to all the volunteers from race committee as well as the fleet for making this a great season.

Jason Cramer

2022 SACCA SAILORS



Congratulations to skipper Ella Thibault and crew Emelia Thibault and Sienna Bowers on winning Sacca Sail in J24 *Lightfoot*. The youngest crew to ever take home the cup.

Ella is an instructor in the OYC Junior Program, and Sienna is a counselor in training. Emelia is a Junior Sailor as well.

2nd Place Crystal Sharp in *Switch*, 3rd Place Cheryl Elter in *Live Action*

JUNIOR SAILING ...

We wrapped up our Junior Sailing season with an awards luncheon on Sunday August 21. We had thirty four (34) juniors this season and most of those who are local were able to attend. We were pleased to host Shawn Foti our recently elected Niagara County Legislator who secured a Community Program grant for the program for \$1500 as well as personally donating a tandem kayak!

Head Instructor Clair Lewis was a masterful master of ceremonies ably assisted by her instructional team, Instructor Ella Thibault and counselors Sienna Bowers, Natalee Criswell, and Seamus George. Instructor Gabe Feriera was out at Yellowstone.

It's always rewarding to hear parents exclaiming as to how much their kids get out of the program and we look forward to next season!

Vic Thibault
Fleet Captain Junior Sailing
P/C Mark Cassidy

MANTEL CLUB

Mantel Club is ordering two four boat Metal racks for the 420s from Shoreline Sailing. We used six boats this year and we'll put the best eight boats on the new racks and shrink wrap them. These racks which are Zim built are \$425 apiece. The opti racks from Dynamic, where our new dollies are from are much more expensive and we need to shop around.

P/C Mark Cassidy

FROM THE REAR COMMODORE ...

So far it's been a typical "eventful" year at the Club, with emergencies of the day often taking precedence over any plans made before.

Most recently, cleaning out the Jr. Sailing lot for emergency tree trimming/cutting - then disposing of the logs/branches - was a LARGE job accomplished with many helping hands.

Special thanks to Joe Higgins, Dan Maxwell and our neighbor Vince, who did most of the cutting/splitting/disposal.

Looking forward, to take full advantage of the rest of our Season & prepare for the next, I'm planning Working Saturdays (Morning thru early afternoon) on Sept. 3rd and Sept. 17th.

Building & Grounds Committee in particular, plus any and all interested Volunteers.

First Saturday aiming at inspection & planning, accomplishing what smaller tasks we can do that day with tools/materials available.

Second to complete most planned tasks, with the tools/materials acquired between.

Get hours in (if needed), have some fun working/visiting together, and knock off most of the "little" (and maybe some larger) "nits" that have bugging us for a while.

Cheers!

Roger Voss

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CASSIDY CUP COMPETITORS. 1ST PLACE
BRADY MCKENNA AND CREW

PAST COMMODORE'S REPORT...

Please report your service hours at OYCHOURS@GMAIL.COM
Members are asked to perform 10 service hours per year or pay \$20 per hour for each unserved hour.

P/C Mike Layman



The Olcott Mantel Club is now partnered with AmazonSmile!

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WOMEN'S YACHTING ASSOCIATION

The Women's Yachting Association would like to thank everyone who supported our annual "Ladies Invitational & Social Fundraiser" held on Friday, August 19th by either donating a basket, bringing an hors d'oeuvre or by attending this year's event and purchasing tickets! We had 40 great baskets and silent auction with expected proceeds of \$1,475.00 for our Junior Sailing Scholarship Fund.

Thanks to Mamie Winter, Marie Sharp, Sue Cassidy, Elaine Ryan and family, Denise McKnight, Cathi Higgins, Ella and Emelia Thibault, and Mary Mattocks for their assistance and behind the scene organization.

The Olcott Yacht Club Women's Yachting Association only holds one fundraiser a year. We greatly appreciate all the support given this event and hope that you will continue to in the future. For 24 years we have been able to support many children, who otherwise may not have had the opportunity to learn the sport of sailing through our scholarships.

Once again thank you to everyone. Please be sure to take credit for helping out and submitting your volunteer hours (two hours for each basket or hors d'oeuvre) for member service.

Linda Rosenbaum

President, Women's Yachting Association

SPECIAL PROJECTS ...

The club incurred a significant expense this past month contracting to have a huge maple tree in the Junior Sailing storage lot taken down. The tree was deemed a hazard to neighboring properties. Taking down the tree had to be done professionally. However, the more cleanup and removal of downed limbs and branches we could get done ourselves the better, AND cheaper too.

It required four days of trimming, cutting, splitting, lifting and hauling away trailer after trailer of firewood to complete this project. It was indeed a team effort. Mark Cassidy and Roger Voss each made cameo appearances and John Luch assisted by raking the lot. Joe Higgins deserves a special thanks for being there every day for the duration. We also received assistance from a few different neighbors along the way. Thank you Gubba for the 24" chainsaw and next door neighbor Vince Q who monitored a 96-hour continuously burning fire in the lot. The consensus among the neighbors was burning the smallest branches was the best approach so that's what we did.

While clearing the Junior Sailing lot was a HUGE cost saving project it was not nearly as satisfying as serving Strawberry Daiquiris and/or Whiskey shots to all the participants in the first Creek Cruise Poker Run last weekend. Laurie and I fully enjoyed serving as one of the many dock stops for this highly successful event. Now that was a special project!!

Dan Maxwell

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Day

Sunday September 25, 2022

1 – 3pm

OYC Fireplace Room

Come fill empty shoeboxes with gift items to be sent overseas to children affected by war, disease, famine, disaster, and/or displacement.

You may bring items to pack or donate, plus shop for items in the "Shoebox Store" to add to your boxes. Items for purchase will include school supplies, hygiene items, toys, and possible clothing. Purchase prices will be at cost (cash or check only). Shoeboxes will be available at no charge.

You may bring a shoebox already packed as well. Fill an empty shoe box with things like school supplies, toothbrushes, washcloth, soap (bar), comb, stuffed animal, etc.

(Please no liquids, used items, war-related items, food or breakables)

COST: Each shoebox (purchase or brought) will require a \$9.00 shipping & handling fee. (Cash or Check only). All monies will benefit the Operation Christmas Child Program

Tables will be spaced out in the fireplace room with items to purchase and for assembly.

For more information contact Cathi Higgins at
716-799-3477 or CATHIMAIN@GMAIL.COM

COME TO THE LAKE IN SEPTEMBER

KARAOKE
SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER 3



CAPTAIN YANKEE RACE: WILSON AND RETURN

LABOR DAY SEPT 5

10:20 FIRST GUN

CLUB OPEN NOON TO 5.



THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 8
TAIL GATE PARTY FOR
BILLS OPENER

BAR OPENS 6:30 ...
(COOLERS GO BACK IN
YOUR CAR...)

FREE PIZZA 7:30 BRINK
A SNACK TO PASS.

SIGN UP THIS WEEKEND

GAME TIME 8:20



BILLS



SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 10 "BOIL BASH"
WITH... "NITE CRUISE"
(MAKE RESERVATIONS ASAP)



SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 17

"ROARING 20'S PARTY"



SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 25

"STEAK AND FRY"
WITH GARY AND BILL

BILLS VS MIAMI IPM



BILLS



OVC SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 2022							
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
LABOR DAY MONDAY Club Open 12:00 - 5pm		September Hours: Open: Friday - Sunday Closed: Mon - Thurs.			"Boil Bash" Seafood Boil Saturday Septmeber 10, 4pm Music with "Nite Cruise" 5 - 8 pm		
 TAIL GATE PARTY! Watch the opener at the Club Sept. 8, Bar opens at 6:30pm				1 Club Closed	2	3 Karaoke Night	
4	5 Capt. Yankee Race 10:20 AM Club Open	6 Club Closed	7 Club Closed	8 Opener Party! Bills @ Rams Bar opens 6:30 pm	9	10 Boil Bash Music with 'Nite Cruise'	
11 Celtic Cup	12 Club Closed	13 Club Closed	14 Club Closed	15 Club Closed	16	17 Roaring 20's Party	
18	19 Club Closed	20 Scuttlebutt Deadline Club Closed	21 Club Closed	22 Club Closed	23	24	
25 "Steak & Fry" Bills @ Miami 1:00 PM	26 Club Closed	27 Club Closed	28 Club Closed	29 Club Closed	30		
OCTOBER 2022							
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
October Hours: Open: Friday - Sunday Closed: Mon - Thurs			CHILI COOK-OFF Sunday Oct. 2 @ 3pm			1	
2 Chili Cook-off Bills @ Baltimore 1:00 pm	3 Club Closed	4 Club Closed	5 Club Closed	6 Club Closed	7	8 Octoberfest German food & Fun	
9 Thanksgiving Dinner Steelers @ Bills 1:00 PM	10 Columbus Day Club Closed	11 Club Closed	12 Club Closed	13 Club Closed	14	15 Trophy Night	
16 Bills @ Kansas City 4:25 PM	17 Club Closed	18 Club Closed	19 Club Closed	20 Scuttlebutt Deadline Club Closed	21	22 Monte Carlo Night	
23 Bills Bye Week	24 Club Closed	25 Club Closed	26 Club Closed	27 Club Closed	28 Halloween Party	29 Club Clean-up	
30 Club Clean-up Green Bay @ Bills 8:20 PM	"Halloween Party" Friday October 28th DJ Mike McKernan 7 - 11pm Drink and Food Specials				"Trophy Night" Sat. October 15th		
							



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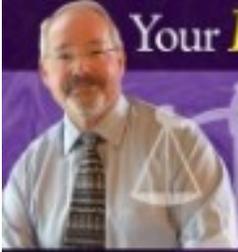
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Events

Saturday Sept. 3rd Karaoke

Monday Sept 5th Capt Yankee Race

Thursday Sept 8th -Bill v Rams 8:20
FREE Pizza, bring tail gate snacks

Saturday Sept 10th Boil Bash
"Nite Cruise"

Saturday Sept 17 Roaring 20's Party

Sunday Sept 25 Steak and Fry Sunday
Bills v Miami 1 PM