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# Scuttlebutt

July 2022



## COMMODORE'S MESSAGE ...

At the time I am writing this (June 26th), the Clubhouse is temporarily closed while we conduct air quality testing. Yet, by the time this is published and you are reading this, it is my anticipation that we are back open as usual, and gearing up for Fireworks over Olcott and another fun-filled holiday weekend.

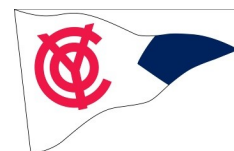
Sailing season is in full swing, and it's been wonderful to see more and more boats on the water!

It's also been excellent seeing many of you at the Club, and I'd like to thank Members for their continued support of the Club, Bar, and Restaurant; and if you haven't been able to visit the Club and have a drink or meal with us yet... there's no better time than now! Also a special thanks to all that were able to attend the Commodore's Ball. I had a great evening celebrating OYC, and I hope you did as well.

Regardless of any potential Clubhouse difficulties, we always seem to overcome, and I'm greatly looking forward to the lion's share of the Summer that lies ahead. The upcoming calendar is full of events! We have our rescheduled Sail Past, Fleet Blessing, and Solstice Race to look forward to, as well as our Mid-Year Meeting & Mantle Club Fundraiser, and New Members Night just to name a few items. Thank you all for the great Summer so far, and I'm truly looking forward to the rest of it at OYC!

As always, if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at [ceglin@buffalo.edu](mailto:ceglin@buffalo.edu) or 716-523-7469.

*Chris Eglin*



## VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT ...

Finally, the warmer weather has arrived and the summer winds are blowing. The month of July starts out with the always anticipated Fireworks over Olcott and there isn't a better view than right here at our club. The Club will open up at **4:00** for the fireworks. So everyone, friends and all come down to enjoy this great night of entertainment and fun. Guest passes are available behind the bar for friends and remember to bring your membership card that night as well. Parking will go fast so make sure you get there early. There will be two dinner seating's, 5:30 and 7:30 with piano sounds from Kevin Clark in the dining room, please make reservations with Julie. Outside that night from 6-9 we will have Hotdogs and Hamburgers available. Miles Patterson will be spinning the records under the pavilion to keep the crowd active from 8-11, don't miss it, Miles always makes it fun. The Club will be closed July 4th.

There will be an open race night on July 15th with a bonfire afterwards, so if you're not a racer get your boat out for this unofficial fun race and enjoy the special camaraderie we enjoy so much at our club.

More people are realizing the gem we have on the lake, so let's welcome our New Members on July 16th with open arms. We will have music by "MJ & The Way" for your entertainment.

One last request folks, please come down and enjoy a meal at the club, the sun is setting behind Toronto now, the view is spectacular. House operations have been slow for the months of May and June, let's see if we can patronize our club the rest of the Summer and Fall more and take advantage of one of the best spots on the lake.

I would like to clarify our menu pricing again for this year. We have kept it the same as last year with a 15% service charge already added into the pricing to allow us to pay staff a higher wage. There seems to be some confusion that some people think that it is a gratuity added into the pricing, which it is not. You are always welcome to tip your staff at your discretion if you wish. Let's start the summer out right and I'll see you at the club.

*Michael Capen*  
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## July 3 Firework Information

Fireworks gate passes are available from the bartender. You will need one to access the Club parking lot.

*Board of Directors*

## FLEET CAPTAINS REPORT ...

Our racing season is underway and is off to a great start. There has been great participation and with the addition of a few new boats the fleet is looking great. A big thank you to Pete and Dotty Patterson for their commitment to Wednesday Race Committee. The new platforms on the piers are proving to be useful to score races with the new break wall layout. Also to Joe Higgins and Mark Cassidy for overseeing the Ladies Series. There are still opportunities to volunteer as race committee for Sundays and special events.

The Solstice race was unfortunately postponed due to weather conditions but has been rescheduled for July 8th. Although the postponement was a tough call to make the new date has opened up potential for some more boats to enter.

Thank you all for the continued support to the racing programs. Whether you are a racer, crew or even just a fan, the excitement surrounding our races and the camaraderie during and after the race is second to none.

*Jason Cramer*

## MANTEL CLUB

Mantel Club is receiving a grant of \$1500 from the Niagara County Community Partnership Fund at the behest of County legislator Shawn Foti. Thank you Legislator Foti! Legislator Foti was aware of the program by way of our Fleet Captain Junior Sailing, Vic Thibault.

These funds will help defray our purchase of a new tandem kayak, six 420 mast floats and our sponsorship of three Junior Sailing scholarships. We are also reimbursing our staff for the course work they have completed through US sailing to get their instructors credentials.

*P/C Mark Cassidy*  
President Olcott Mantel Club

## MEMBERSHIP ...

Please welcome the following new members:

Jim (Lynn) Bewley - Associate  
Martin Lardner - Associate  
Robert Gerst III - Non resident  
Scott Farley (Jill Hayes) - Associate

And returning members:  
John Saxton - Associate  
Jourdan (Kyle) Morgan - Associate

## FROM THE REAR COMMODORE ...

As most of you know we have some softspots in the club flooring. Two areas have been reinforced. Thanks to Dan Maxwell, Tony McKenna, Roy Knapp and Mike Layman for dealing with that issue. Having opened the club floor it was felt we should have the air tested in the club like we did after the 2017 flooding. Testing showed no issues in any of the rooms...

The "game room" has some new additions, darts, billiards, come down and check it out.

Yard work is ongoing... if you would like to help get in touch, and many thanks to those who have pitched in.

*Roger Voss*  
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## SPECIAL PROJECTS ...

Turning the page on another month has come faster than ever imagined. While I'd like to report a long list of completed projects, the reality is the list is rather short. Without providing much detail the last month simply contained a few too many unexpected speed bumps.

However, earlier this month Paul Elter and I adapted a set of caster wheels underneath a new third fryer. Connecting the new fryer to the existing pair required a few spacing blocks and a bit of ingenuity. The end result is the kitchen now has a new third fryer. As I understand it, the new fryer put chicken wings back on the menu. Most of the credit for installation of the new fryer goes to our friend and resident plumber Paul.

Also I assisted with the investigative efforts to identify any structural defects to the floor in the fireplace room. As that analysis is currently ongoing, I will defer to Commodore Eglin to provide any detailed report on that particular issue.

*Dan Maxwell*

## JUNIOR SAILING ...

Our Junior Sailing staff met with Fleet Captain Vic Thibault and myself to prep the barn and get the Junior Fleets ready for the water. Also thanks to Sara Thibault, Amelia Thibault, Marie Sharp, Paul and Cheryl Elter Joe Higgins and Sue Cassidy for cleaning and prepping the Junior Building and helping bring boats over from the storage lot

We are close to our maximum of 25 "campers" for session one and close on session two. Lots of room in session three at this point.

Thanks to the Women's Yachting Association for sponsoring three scholarships and to the Mantel Club for sponsoring three more.

*Vic Thibault*  
Fleet Captain Junior Sailing  
*P/C Mark Cassidy*  
Chairman Junior Sailing Committee

## SAIL PAST & FLEET BLESSING

July 16th 4 PM

Come down and salute the Commodore  
Catch a ride, enjoy the patio or the new observation  
platform on the pier

## The Olcott Mantel Club is now partnered with AmazonSmile!

AmazonSmile is a simple way for you to support the OYC Junior Sailing Program every time you shop on Amazon, at no cost to you.

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## 2022 Mid-Year General Membership Meeting Agenda Sunday July 17, 2022 at 11:30 AM - OYC

Call to Order – 11:30 AM  
Determine quorum

Approval of December 2021 AGM Minutes

Board of Director Reports:

Commodore

Vice Commodore

Rear Commodore

Fleet Captain – Racing

Fleet Captain – Junior Sailing

Secretary/Membership

Treasurer

Director – House Support

Director - Special Projects

Past Commodore – Member Service Program

Other Reports:

Old Business:

New Business:  
Building Report

Adjournment

### FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Members, please remember that if you are unlocking the gates at OYC, you need to spin the lock off of the "unlock" combination. Simply turning the dials off combination is an excellent way to prevent a passerby who should not have the combination from getting the combination. Also, if you are last out of the yard, please close and lock the gate behind you when you leave.

Thank you!

### SUMMER HOURS

Wednesday/Thursday  
Bar 5 to 11 / Restaurant 5 to 9:30

Friday  
Bar: 5 to 11 / Restaurant 5 to 9

Saturday  
Bar: 2 to 12 / Restaurant 2 to 9

Sunday  
Bar: Noon to 6 / Restaurant Noon to 5


Closed Monday and Tuesday

# COME TO THE LAKE IN JULY





**"FIREWORKS OVER OLCOTT"**  
**Sunday July 3rd, Club opens @ 4pm**  
*Members must show Card, Guests require Gate Pass*






**SOUTH SHORE SOLSTICE RACE**  
**FRIDAY JULY 8TH, 8 PM**





**OYC Sail Past & Blessing of the Fleet**  
**Saturday July 16th, 4 PM**  
**All Welcome! Enjoy from the patio**

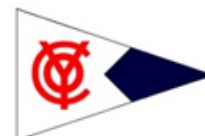


**Junior Sailing "Reverse Raffle" & Basket Auction**  
**Sunday July 17th , Music & Fun start at 1PM**  
**Get your Tickets!! Only 150 Available**

**WELCOME**







**NEW MEMBERS RECEPTION**  
**SATURDAY JULY 16TH, 5:30 PM**  
**MUSIC WITH "MJ & THE WAY 6:30—9:30**  
**COME WELCOME ALL THE NEW MEMBERS**

**Mid-Season Membership Mtg.**  
**Sunday July 17th @ 11:30 AM**





# OYC SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

JULY 2022						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <b>"FIREWORKS OVER OLCOTT"</b> Sunday July 3rd, Club opens @ 4pm Members must show Card, Guests require Gate Pass				Mid-Season Membership Mtg. Sunday July 17th @ 11:30 AM 		
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3 Fireworks Kevin Clark 5:30pm "DJ Miles Paterson" 8 - 11	4 Club Closed	5 JR Sailing Session #1 Starts Club Closed	6 Wed B #1	7 Women's #4	8 Southshore Solstice Race 8 PM	9
10 Sun B #2 & 3	11 Club Closed	12 Club Closed	13 Wed B #2	14 Women's Shafer Dist. Mantel Club	15 Jr. Sailing Session #1 Ends	16 Sail Past/New Members Night "MJ & the Way" 6:30 - 9:30pm
17 Mid-Year Meeting 11:30AM Reverse Raffle @ 1 PM	18 JR Sailing Session #2 Starts Club Closed	19 Club Closed	20 Wed B #3	21 Women's #5	22	23 Can/Am @ YVC
24	25 Club Closed	26 Club Closed	27	28	29 Jr. Sailing Session #2 Ends	30 LYRA Sodas
31 LYRA Sodas	 OYC Sail Past & Blessing of the Fleet ~ Saturday July 16th, 4pm ~ All Welcome! Enjoy from the patio			 <b>New Members Reception</b> Saturday July 16th, 5:30 pm Music with "MJ & The Way" 6:30 - 9:30 PM Come welcome all our new members!		
AUGUST 2022						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>40th Annual Sacca Sail</b> Saturday Aug. 20th - Race First Horn 11:50 Party with "Mike & Mandy" 2:30 - 5:30 pm 						
	1 JR Sailing Session #3 Starts Club Closed	2 Club Closed	3 Wed B #4	4 Women's Shafer Course	5	6 Olcott Stomp "Pocket Change"
7 Olcott Stomp Race 10:20 AM	8 Club Closed	9 Club Closed	10 Wed B #5	11 Mantel Club	12 Jr. Sailing Session #3 Ends	13
14 Williams Trophy	15 Club Closed	16 Club Closed	17	18	19 Women's Invitational & Basket Raffle	20 40th Annual Sacca Sail 11:50 AM
21	22 Club Closed	23 Club Closed	24	25	26	27
28	29 Club Closed	30 Club Closed	31	<b>Women's Invitational Basket Raffle</b> Friday Aug. 19, starting @ 5:30 pm Bring your friends for some fun!!		



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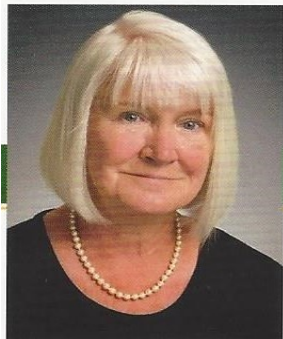
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#### Events

July 3rd - Fireworks over Olcott -

July 8th - South Shore Solstice  
Race Friday 8 PM.

July 16th—Sail Past/New  
Member's Night  
Saturday 4 PM and  
6:30 - 9:30 Respectively

July 17th - Mid-year Meeting  
Sunday 11 AM  
Junior Sailing Reverse Raffle 1 PM