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COMMODORE'S MESSAGE

The board has been hard at work getting things ready so that we can start the coming season smoothly. See the reports in this newsletter from the various board members updating you with what they have been working on. We have been meeting via Zoom and will continue to do so for the next few meetings. We also keep in contact through emails, texts, and phone calls in between our monthly meetings. At the last board meeting we did vote to continue the half price dues policy for new members to OYC so that will continue again for the coming year.

As far as the law suit is concerned there is nothing new to report. A hearing is scheduled for March 6 and hopefully we will have some good news to report. Our attorney, member Jon Wilson, is asking for OYC to be dismissed from the suit. We will certainly promptly send out a Constant Contact to keep everyone informed about the results of that hearing, but please understand that it quite possible nothing will be resolved on that date. We are all pretty fed up with this cloud that hangs over us, but there is nothing else we can do to move it along. As per the popular, but appropriate, cliché; it is what it is.

I asked Mark Cassidy to head up a Constitution Committee to look into the two constitutional proposals that were tabled, by vote, at the annual meeting. I chose Mark because he has experience in doing this. The committee is Mark, John Rosenberg, Mike Layman, Taylor Sukdolak, and Dan Seaman. Proposal number one was to change the milage requirement for non resident members from a 50 mile radius to 50 miles shortest road distance. Number two was to change the board's new membership application acceptance to a majority vote. Presently, it only takes one objection to stop an application.

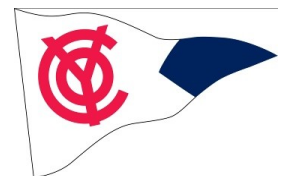
Very happy to announce to the membership that Justin Naylor, has agreed to take over the Adult Sailing program. Both Mark Cassidy and I have offered to help in classroom instruction or as needed.

On a more positive note, the days are getting longer and soon you will actually be able to tell that winter is beginning to end. I keep track of the weather up there from my winter home in Florida and it has been a fairly mild one for you. Down here the weather has been disappointing. Lots of rain and cool weather. I'm sure you are feeling sorry for me. Certainly it has been warmer down here, but far short of what I signed up for.

Here's to an early spring:



Joe Higgins



VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT

We are continuing to plan and prepare for the 2024 season. Our first OYC House meeting has already been scheduled for late February. Julie will shortly be planning for OYC house staffing with employee returns and new hires.

In April many of us will begin working on our boats to prepare for launch. In addition, on April 8th, OYC will have our first event with an Eclipse Party at the OYC patio. Come to OYC for a great view of the Eclipse without all the hassles of traffic and parking. Glasses will be provided for first 50 attendees.

With the mild winter so far, it looks like the OYC boating season is getting off to an early start.

Alan Rosenbaum
Alan_rosenbaum@msn.col

FROM SECRETARY/MEMBERSHIP

Spring is just around the corner, and we have had such a mild winter I am guessing you may have been thinking sailing a little earlier this year!

Again this year we will be offering ½ price dues for first time new Senior and Associate members. Be thinking if you have friends or family who might like to join us!

We have a full slate of activities planned for 2024. Our **Open House** will be **Saturday June 1st**, a perfect night to invite potential members to the club and show them our clubhouse and have a drink or dinner. **New Members Night** will be **Saturday July 27th**, we will introduce any new members who have joined since last year's New Members Night.

Membership application and dues information are available on the website at www.olcottyachtclub.com. Keep an eye on the Scuttlebutt and Constant Contact for all the club information and dates for 2024!

Sheila Flanagan
flanster40@yahoo.com

CONTACT INFORMATION

Please contact Sue Cassidy at susan.cassidy@ima.it if you have any address, phone number or email changes. Emails may be more important with the new software we will be using starting this season for house account billing. Double check that yours is correct in the directory.

If we have any new boats in the club, let us know as well.

The Editor

FROM THE TREASURER

As we head into March, our 2024 open season of the Club gets closer. Dues invoices were mailed at the beginning of February and as a reminder are due in full by April 1. As written on the invoice, you may split your payments in half for convenience. Payments have been quite steady so thank you to those members who have sent theirs in. Member cards are starting to get mailed and will continue when payment is received. As a reminder, dues are the prime source of income for the Club to cover twelve months of expenses. Your timely payments are appreciated.

Some members have asked about the "House Minimum" prepay for 2024. We will look to offer that again in April so watch for more information in next month's issue and in constant contact.

This year we are moving the House Accounts billing to QuickBooks online. This is the software we use for your monthly restaurant/bar expense billing as well as paying our vendors. The transition will not be a seamless one and will take some time to get used to. We have been using QB desktop and the online version is a bit different. We also will have a new keeper of accounts with John Saxton taking over from Melynda Stolzenberg. If there is **ANY** member who may have experience with the online version of Quickbooks, or even know someone who has, please let me know as this would be very helpful.

P/C Sue Cassidy
susan.cassidy@lima.it

FROM THE PAST COMMODORE

Spring Greetings!

(Or at least it FEELS that way some days)

The Lake and our boats are quietly waiting, starting to chomp at the bit to get ready for another Season (heard the murmurs walking amongst them).

We'll soon be able to work on them seriously, and the Club/grounds as well. Some work has already been done this Winter, so we're off to a good start.

Plz think ahead, to both our Annual tasks and things YOU think should be done. There are plenty of opportunities to get Service Hours out of the way while hanging out, and it FEELS good to be back by the Water!

Cheers,

P/C Roger Voss
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ABS Boating Safety Class Schedule - 2024

US Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 092-03-01 is offering several Boating Safety Classes for 2024. Check below for a convenient class date. Regardless of age and/or experience, ALL New York State boat operators will be required to pass a state-approved boater safety course by January 1, 2025. All jet-ski operators at least 14 years old may operate a PWC and must successfully complete an ABS Course. Don't wait as classes are filling up. There is no guarantee that more classes will be added.

Classes are held on Saturdays.

Date	Place	Time	Contact
March 2, 2024	Wilson Central School District 374 Lake Street Wilson, NY 14172	9am – 5pm	Barbara Godshall, bgodshall9211@gmail.com 716-795-9496
April 13, 2024	Fort Niagara State Park Fort Niagara Officer's Club Youngstown, NY	9am – 5pm	Barbara Godshall, bgodshall9211@gmail.com 716-795-9496
May 11, 2024	Inner Harbor Yacht Club 50 Fillmore Avenue Tonawanda, NY 14150	9am – 5pm	Barbara Godshall, bgodshall9211@gmail.com 716-795-9496
June 15, 2024	Fort Niagara State Park Fort Niagara Officer's Club Youngstown, NY	9am – 5pm	Barbara Godshall, bgodshall9211@gmail.com 716-795-9496

OLCOTT YACHT CLUB

2024 Dues & Initiation Fees Schedule

New York State Sales Tax of 8% will be added to dues and initiation fees.

****** New Member Incentive - The Olcott Yacht Club's Board of Directors has approved a membership incentive of 1/2 price dues to "First Time" new Senior and Associate members joining during our 2024 season ******

<u>Membership -</u>	<u>Annual Dues 2024 New Member</u>	<u>Dues</u>	<u>Initiation Fee</u> (one-time fee)
Senior	\$735.00	\$368.00	\$250.00
Associate (23 and older)	\$440.00	\$220.00	\$150.00
Associate (18 - 22)	\$220.00	\$110.00	\$150.00
**Non-Resident	\$185.00	N/A	N/A

** If members in this category chooses to change membership to Senior or Associate, they will be charged the initiation fee the same as new membership applicants for the respective category.

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OYC Board of Directors

MANTEL CLUB

We note with sadness the recent passing of P/C Hank Hinckley. Hank served with distinction on the OYC Board of Directors as well as Commodore of the Club. Hank was an active member of our Past Commodores Association, The Mantel Club. In recent years he served enthusiastically and cheerfully on the Junior Sailing Committee.

P/C Mark Cassidy

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FLEET CAPTAIN RACING REPORT

We are preparing for the 2024 OYC Racing Season. As we finalize the club schedule for this year, there will be a few opportunities for those avid racers and those who want to stick their toes in the water.

Oswego Yacht Club is hosting the Oswego County Hospice Cup on June 15. CanAm is being replaced by The Youngstown Chase, taking place Friday, July 26 through Sunday the 28th. This will replace the course racing that we have traditionally seen with pursuit races and include feeder races to YYC. Following the "Chase" is LYRA being hosted at the Rochester Yacht Club. It would be great to see some of our OYC boats participating this year. And to round out the prospects will be the OYC Stomp tentatively scheduled for Aug 9-11th.

The Skipper's meeting is scheduled for Saturday, May 18th, mark it on your calendars. We will be looking for Race Committee assistance for the 2024 club year. If you are interested, please reach out to me.

Looking forward to another great racing season.

Jacelyn Sikorski

Jas884@cornell.edu

Olcott Yacht Club
Application for Membership

Personal Information (please print)

APPLICANT		Spouse/Partner	CHILDREN (at home under 21, 23 if in school)	
Full Name	_____	_____	1. Full Name _____	
Date of Birth	_____		Date of Birth _____	
Home Address	_____		2. Full Name _____	
	STREET	P.O. BOX	Date of Birth _____	
	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	3. Full Name _____
Home Telephone	(____) _____		Date of Birth _____	
Cell Phone	(____) _____	(____) _____	4. Full Name _____	
Other Phone	(____) _____	(____) _____	Date of Birth _____	
Email Address	_____		5. Full Name _____	
Are you a present or past member of another Yacht Club (s): <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			Date of Birth _____	
Where: _____				

Membership Category -

- Senior Associate (23 yrs and older)
 Associate (18-22yrs) Non-Resident

Membership Status -

- Family Single

Boat Information (Please Print)

Do you own a boat? Yes No (If yes, please Continue) Name of Registered Owner _____

Boat Type _____ Boat Name _____ LOA _____ Beam _____ Draft _____

Operating Port: _____ Interested in: Cruising Racing Adult/Junior Learn to Sail

Haul Out/Storage Interest: Yes No Type of Storage: Cradle Jack Stands Other

Signatures

I, the applicant, if accepted to membership, agrees to be governed by the Constitution and By-Laws of the Olcott Yacht Club. I understand that this is a working club and in an attempt to maintain low expense levels, membership classifications of Senior and Associate are required to contribute a minimum of 10 hours of time to help with Club events, committee work, maintaining building & grounds, equipment, and other areas as posted. Unworked hours are billed in accordance with Article 4, sect. 26 and fee schedule per the By-Laws. Accordingly I agree to make myself available in this regard.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

1st Sponsor Signature: _____ Date: _____

2nd Sponsor Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Date Rec'd: _____ Application Fee: _____
 Posting Date: _____ Approved: _____
 Initiation Fee: _____
 Annual Dues: _____ Member pkg. Sent: _____
 Total Due: _____ Data Base Updated: _____
 Received: _____

Application Instructions and Process

1. Complete application in full & attach a check of \$20.00 for application fee payable to "Olcott Yacht Club - General Fund".
NOTE: The deposit is non-refundable but is applicable to Dues.
2. Application must be endorsed by two (2) Senior or Life members.
3. Deliver or mail the application to OYC.
4. All applications will be posted for a minimum of two weeks.
5. At completion of posting period, the application will be returned to the Board of Directors for final approval.

**OLCOTT YACHT CLUB
2024 YOUTH BOATING & SAILING REGISTRATION**

STUDENT NAME: _____ DOB _____ M ___ F ___
ADDRESS: _____ **CITY:** _____ **Zip:** _____
STUDENT EMAIL: _____ **CELL#:** _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN:

ADDRESS: _____ **CITY:** _____ **ZIP:** _____
PARENT EMAIL: _____ **PARENT CELL#:** _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN:

ADDRESS: _____ **CITY:** _____ **ZIP:** _____
PARENT EMAIL: _____ **PARENT CELL#:** _____

ALTERNATIVE EMERGENCY CONTACT:

NAME #1: _____ **RELATIONSHIP:** _____

PHONE (home): _____ **PHONE (cell):** _____

ARE PARENT/GUARDIAN CURRENTLY A MEMBER OF A YACHT CLUB? Y ___ N ___
IF YES, CLUB NAME: _____ (10% DISCOUNT FOR OYC MEMBERS)

PREVIOUS YOUTH SAILING EXPERIENCE:

OF YEARS: _____ **OPTI:** ___ **420:** ___ **LASER:** ___

PREVIOUS BOATING EXPERIENCE:

PLEASE INDICATE YOU'RE SWIMMING ABILITIES:

___ NON ___ RECREATIONAL ___ TREAD WATER ___ COMPETITIVE

T-SHIRT SIZE: YOUTH S M L
ADULT XS S M L XL XXL

REGISTRATION: Classes run Monday through Friday 9AM – 4PM

Regular Sessions:	Session Fee:	Deposit:
___ #1 July 8 to July 19	\$625	\$200
___ #2 July 22 to August 2	\$625	\$200
___ #3 August 5 to August 16	\$625	\$200
___ **Register for ANY 2 sessions: Indicate sessions by selecting above	\$1200	\$400
___ **Register for Full season (All 3 sessions)	\$1800	\$600
___ Single Week Dates: _____	\$350	\$100



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Up Coming Events

March 31 - Happy Easter!

April 8 - "Eclipse Party" On the patio

April 20/21;27/28 - Club Clean Up
Weekends