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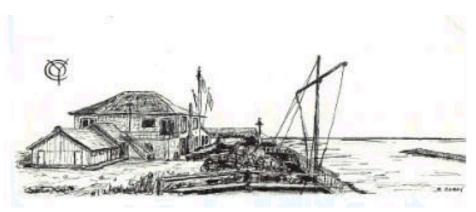
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COMMODORE'S MESSAGE

Greetings again to my OYC Family!

Once again, I need to say that it has been a fantastic year so far! Thanks to the efforts of all our volunteers, including those on the Board or donating their efforts to our many committees & entities, AND the overwhelming support of our Members.

It was an Honor & privilege to host our mid-year meeting. A wonderful crowd, with great suggestions & interest in supporting the Club. Being able to honor TWO 50 year Members, Bill Budde & John Carpenter, as well as "roasting" Mike Layman when we surprised him with the honor of Life Membership.

This last weekend alone was full of well attended events, with all that goes on it's hard to remember we aren't there EVERY day!

Off to a good start this year, and I bet the second half will be even better as the Club continues to grow and offer something if interest to all of our Members.

Roger Voss

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VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT ...

July 3rd came off very well. We were all treated to a wonderful fireworks display, while having a great time at the club. We were busy in the dining room and out on the patio. It couldn't have happened without a lot of help. Set up assistance was given by Todd and Taylor Sukdolak, Ron Martin, Joe Connelly, and Tyler Quirk. Jud Heck, Nancy Rhodes, Jen Dilorenzo, and Ella Tibault manned the grill while Kevin Clark donated his time to serenade us with his piano. And, of course, Marie Sharp is always there to help. Mike Layman and John Saxton helped out with parking. Our staff was on top of things all evening. Be sure to let them know how much you appreciate their hard work that they do week in and week out.

The house seems to be doing quite well this summer and I attribute that to a number of reasons. One is the creative input and advice I get from the house committee which has proven invaluable. The committee is comprised of Mike Capen, Joe Connelly, Julie Cornelius, Jen DiLorenzo, Kelly Harpst, Janice O'Keefe, Alan Rosenbaum, Elaine Ryan, Marie Sharp, and Sara Thibault. There is a lot of experience in this group and I don't know what I would do without them.

I was concerned that the bon fire on 7/13 would hurt the house by pulling people out onto the beach, but the opposite happened as a lot of people came in before the event to have a drink and some food. Vic and Sara Thibault headed that event up and they deserve our appreciation for putting that together.

I also want to recognize Dave Conlin and Scottie Player for their help with music during the Reverse Raffle. It is always my privilege to play with such talented musicians. And, of course, we have to thank the Maxwell Brothers Band for their performances. Who knew Dan could sing? Lots of fun!

Joe Higgins



FROM THE REAR COMMODORE ...

We are in the heart of the OYC busy summer season. My goal is to ensure the OYC facility is fully operational with minimal disruption of activities for needed maintenance and repairs. I would like to thank Roy Knapp for fixing the cooler condensate water drainage and Paul Elter for fine tuning the women's bathroom plumbing.

In addition, I wanted to thank Elaine and Tom Ryan for their donation of a fire pit. We now have three operational units for those cold nights.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you are interested in helping at the club with indoor or outdoor activities for earning service hours. I posted a grass cutting sign-up sheet when entering the club. The sign-up has three areas, so you can volunteer to clean up a portion of the grass. We should help Roger spend less time cutting and more time working to get his boat into the water. Thanks to all for your support.

Alan Rosenbaum

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SPECIAL PROJECTS

At my last entry to the Scuttlebutt two months ago we were deciding on the final finishing for the newly rebuilt fireplace room floor. We've come a long way baby! Now we're safely dancing and partying on that same floor.

Prior to last season's beach bonfire a nominal path leading from the west pier to our OYC beach was created. The idea was to transfer enough sand from the beach area to provide a little easier crossing over the newly placed giant rocks. This was accomplished using a 5gallon bucket just hours before the bonfire. The result was better than nothing but left a great deal of room for an upgrade.

Several large pieces of driftwood seated into the rocks now hold a more substantial amount of sand. The resulting path now provides easier access to our OYC beach. Thank you, Sara Thibault, for assisting me with transferring dozens of wheelbarrows of sand into the new path.

This path should provide easy access to our OYC beach for many years to come.

Dan Maxwell

Rob Zillig at Zillig Marine in the Hedley Boatyard has boat batteries at a discounted price.

COMMODORE VOSS PRESENTS P/C MIKE LAYMAN HIS PLAQUE RECOGNIZING HIS LIFE MEMBERSHIP



MEMBERSHIP / SECRETARIES' REPORT...

There has been a whirlwind of activity at OYC, and I hope you have made it down to take part in some or all of the fun!!! Fireworks! Racing! Jr. Sailing! Horse Racing! Baskets, 50-50, and Reverse Raffles!

The New Member Reception was a big success! We met most of our new members, and we all wore name tags. Thanks for humoring me on this...I think it helped all of us learn some names and know who is on the board and who our past Commodores are!

We also retired flags at our first bonfire on the beach of the season. I am willing to collect flags and store them until we can do this again. Leave flags in the office with my name on them.

We have new postings to share.

Steve and Barb Zillig of Clarence. Senior Sponsors: Roger Voss and Dave Hedley

Steve Cislo (a returning member) of Clarence, Associate, sponsored by Sheila Flanagan and Jon Wilson.

Hiram (Lee) and Deborah Walker are from Middleport, Associate, sponsored by Paul Elter and Mark Cassidy.

There's lots more fun to be had, hope to see you at the club!

Sheila Flanagan

MANTEL CLUB

OYC's Past Commodores organization, The Olcott Mantel Club, would like to thank everyone who supported our annual junior sailing fundraiser *"Raise and Sail"* on Sunday July 16th. It was a great afternoon with music from Joe Higgins, Scottie Player, Dave Conlin, Dan Maxwell and Tom Maxwell. This year's BIG reverse raffle winner for \$500 was Samantha Shaw. Other winners were Dan Friedman \$200, Ann Hinton \$100, Mike Layman \$100, and 6 winners of \$50 to Chris Eglin, Alex & Jamie Moskel, Jeanette Frazier, Mike Layman, John Raskopf and Lee Walker. Our 50/50 winner for \$270 was Gary Coppola.

Thank you to our many volunteers, led by Marie Sharp, who helped with the basket raffle and 50/50 tickets: Elaine Ryan, Sheila Flanagan, Margo Covell, Sheilah Roehmholdt, Cathi Higgins, Sara Thibault, Ella Thibault, Cameron Naylor, Linda Rosenbaum, Mamie Winter, Ann Raskopf and Bill and Joyce Russell. If I missed anyone I apologize. To everyone who bought a ticket and to those who donated a basket; your support is greatly appreciated. We raised just over \$4100 to help support the upkeep and maintenance required to keep our junior sailors having fun on the water. Earlier this season, we purchased six [6] newer 420's from Youngstown YC to replace some of our aging fleet. This fundraiser covered half of that cost.

The junior program is going into its final 2-week session with once again another well attended year. A focus for Mantel Club is still the need for better secured storage of the program kayaks and its associated gear as well as stacked storage for the Opti fleet in the future. Again, thank you for your support.

P/C Sue Cassidy

Event Organizer

FIRST AID TRAINING

Olcott Yacht Club will be holding an instructional session for all members on adult CPR, AED use, and Narcan use, on Tuesday, August 22 at 7 PM at the Olcott Yacht Club. Mark McCabe from Olcott fire department will be the instructor and will demonstrate appropriate techniques and allow each participant to practice.

As we know from Damar Hamlin's case, medical emergencies can arise anywhere anytime with any age group in any setting. this is an opportunity for you to learn skills that can literally be life-saving for you your family and our club. You can sign up at the club or walk-ins are also welcome.

Sheilah Roehmholdt



SERVICE HOURS

Hello Members!

Please be advised that the Member Service Hours Email Address for 2023 is: <u>olcottyachtclubservicehours@gmail.com</u>

To submit Member Service Hours, please send an email to <u>olcottyachtclubservicehours@gmail.com</u> with your name, number of hours completed, and the nature of the service completed for those hours. Alternatively, Members may fill out Service Hours, with the same information as listed above, on the paper slips located in the Club entryway.

A spreadsheet tracking submitted Service Hours has been posted on the bulletin board in the Club entryway. This tracker will be updated at least every two weeks

If you have any questions or concerns about Service Hours, please just let me know (ceglin@buffalo.edu). If you are looking for ways to complete Service Hours, please reach out to any Board Member, and we'll be able to point you in the direction of initiatives requiring volunteers. Thank you!

JUNIOR SAILING SESSION ONE



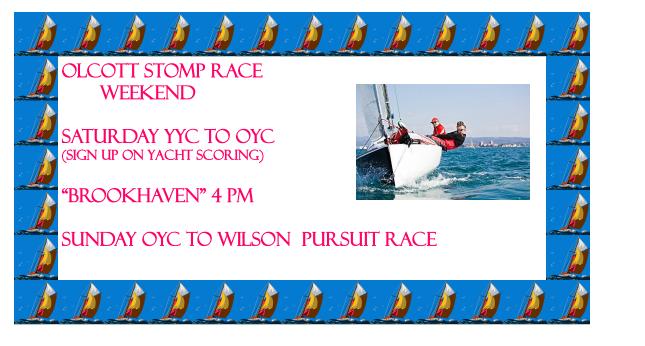


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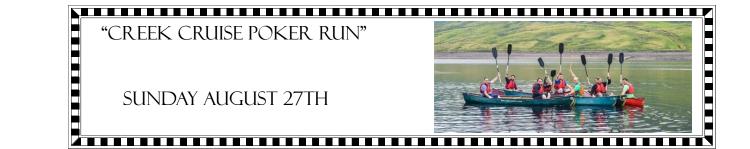
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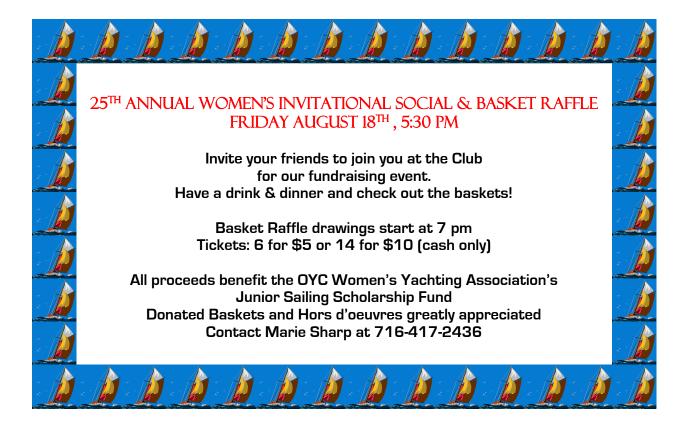


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Events

Saturday August 5/6 "Olcott Stomp"

- Saturday August 12 "Boil Bash"
- Friday August 18 WYA Basket Raffle
- Saturday August 19 Sacca Sail
- Sunday August 27 "Creek Cruise"