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COMMODORE'S MESSAGE ...

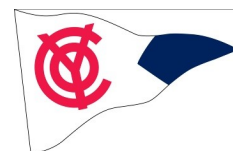
Welcome to the 2022 Olcott Yacht Club Season! I hope everyone is looking forward to another fun filled sailing and social year at OYC as much as I am. We certainly do have much to look forward to: A calendar of events that is coming together nicely, a new harbor layout, and some new faces on the Board.

I am honored to be working with the following slate of officers this year, and we look forward to serving the Membership to the best of our abilities:

Mike Capen - Vice Commodore
Roger Voss - Rear Commodore
Jason Cramer - Fleet Captain Racing
Vic Thibault Fleet Captain Junior Sailing
Wendy Herman - Secretary / Membership
Sue Cassidy - Treasurer
Joe Higgins - Director (Assistant to the Vice Commodore)
Dan Maxwell - Director (Special Projects)
Mike Layman - Past Commodore

The 2022 season promises to be exciting, and I wouldn't want to be making sailing memories anywhere else. On the water, or at the Club, I am truly honored to be able to spend another year with all of you as part of the OYC family!

Chris Eglin



VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT ...

We are all looking forward to the season ahead! The House Committee is getting things in order to ensure a solid calendar of events with an equally solid menu for this year.

We are also working closely with Fleet Captain (Racing) to ensure that we line up our social calendar with the racing calendar. With the Harbor project complete, as fascinating as it was to watch those barges move the stone last year, it will be nice to sit on the patio with quieter days ahead of us relaxing with a drink in hand listening to Jimmy Buffet fill the air. Feel free to contact me anytime with any of your concerns or suggestions you might have.

Thank you!

Michael Capen
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FROM THE REAR COMMODORE

Happy Spring! (As I gaze at snow)

We look forward and plan for a fantastic year at OYC, I'm lucky to have a great crew of members who volunteered for the Buildings and Grounds Committee. All bring skills, knowledge and enthusiasm to caring for your Club, and hopefully preparing for a new clubhouse in our near future.

Committee members for this year are:

Nick Southard
Sheila Flannigan
Paul Elter
Bill McKenna
Dan Friedman
Kyle Ferree

Our club survives and thrives on the efforts and ideas from the membership, what makes your club such a great place to spend time.

Roger Voss

FLEET CAPTAINS REPORT ...

Even though it looks and feels like winter outside, spring will be here before we know it. I hope that the off season has been good to you all and I am really starting to get excited about this year. With the addition of a few new boats and a few that have found new homes, our fleet is looking bigger and better than ever. Although we have added to our fleet, I want to emphasize how great it would be to have some of the boats I see in the harbor come out to join us for some racing.

I am trying to put together a first timers' race early in the season. A race for those who are either new to boating, want to give it a try, or possibly try it again. My hope is to have any boats willing to go out, with the potential of some of the traditional racers going out as crew. I know that racing isn't for everyone, but you know what they say; don't knock it 'til you try it! I would really love to see any of you interested out there, we have lots of fun on race days. As much as we are out there to compete, its really about community. I hope to hear from some of you that are interested.

The new harbor configuration will keep us starting north of the new break-wall and with the anticipation of a committee boat for this year, we will continue to figure out the starting and scoring of the races. The schedule is just about finished with the idea of "stacking" the races towards the early end of the season to ensure having time for makeups and things of that sort as well as to leave room to do some fun and different races as the season goes on. Looking forward to seeing you all soon.

Jason Cramer

MANTEL CLUB

As mentioned by Fleet Captain Jason Cramer, with the new harbor configuration starting races from the pier is no longer feasible. We need to join the "big boy" clubs and acquire a workable Committee Boat. Mantel Club is awaiting the acceptance of an offer we have put in on a Sea Fox 23. the boat meets our needs and with help from Tom Oldham our member boat broker, we feel this boat will do the trick.

Mark Cassidy, President
Olcott Mantel Club

"Go small, go simple, go now"
— **larry pardey**, [Cruising in Seraffyn](#)

"If a bad captain is able to travel on the sea, it is just because the wind allows him to do so! If a good captain is able to travel in the storm, it is because he is a good captain!"
— **Mehmet Murat ildan**

CLUB WORK HOURS ...

Never too early to start thinking about how you will contribute your 10 service hours for 2022. There will be plenty of opportunities, especially if we get to demolition and the building of a new clubhouse. Report those hours to OYCHours@gmail.com as the season progresses. I will post a monthly summary throughout the 2022 season. As we age and find ourselves not able to do the physical things that we have in the past, please contact me to see how you might be able to serve the club or waive some duties. Maybe donating an hors d'oeuvre or having another member of the family pitch in at the house operation.

PC Mike Layman

MEMBER DIRECTORY UPDATES **DO YOU HAVE ANY?**

The 2022 Club directory will be available at the end of May. If you have any changes to your information, please let me know. Since last season have you moved, dropped your land line, changed your cell numbers or email addresses?

Do you have a winter address you would like added? Have you sold your boat? Have you bought a new one and what is she named? Please mail in your changes with your dues check or you can email them to me directly at SUSAN.CASSIDY@IMA.IT

Sue Cassidy
OYC Historian

ADULT SAILING...

Joe Higgins and Mark Cassidy are going to be running the OYC adult sailing program this season. We will have times and dates in forth coming issues and on the web site. If you can help out with your boat please contact us so we can set up a data base. This is one of the best ways to recruit members for the club and put in work hours as well.

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716-807-7915 (text)
Joe Higgins
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TREASURER'S REPORT ...

As we head into March, our 2022 open season of the Club gets closer. The days are getting longer and clocks will be going ahead with daylight savings on the 13th.

Dues invoices were mailed on February 1st and the Board of Directors approved a slight increase over last year. Dues are the prime source of income for the Club covering all expenses including the largest of insurance, utilities, building & grounds maintenance, equipment repairs, and taxes. While the Club is only open six months, it still must be maintained for twelve.

The harbor break wall project has been completed and the improvement to mitigating waves in the harbor has been huge. Sheet pile work is still being done in the inner basin and I'm sure there will be other changes in the harbor before we open. As the season approaches, I hope everyone is getting excited to be back enjoying the Club and all that it offers. Whether you're a boater or a social member, the Club is for all of us.

As a reminder, dues are due by April 1st and can be made in multiple payments to meet member needs. Member cards will be mailed after payment is received. For those who have already paid, thank you for your promptness. If there are any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sue Cassidy

JUNIOR SAILING

We are set for staffing so far for the coming season. Clair Lewis will be coming in as head instructor assisted by Ella Thibault and Gabe Ferraria. Clair and Ella will have completed course work of US Sailing Level II Small Boat Instruction and Gabe Level 1. Clair is looking at Enrolling in Level III.

We have two candidates we are contacting to be Counselors in Training. Watch the website for applications and schedules.

Vic Thibault,
Fleet Captain Junior Sailing
Mark Cassidy
Chairman, Junior Sailing Committee

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.

When you shop via www.smile.amazon.com and select The Olcott Mantel Club as your charity of choice, you'll find the exact same low prices and selection as Amazon.com, with the added benefit that AmazonSmile will donate 0.5% of your eligible purchases to The Olcott Mantel Club.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE JUSTIN NAYLOR FAMILY AND THEIR NEW J 35!

MEMBERSHIP

Please welcome the following new members for 2022:

Paul Lehmuller – Non-Resident
32 Hunt Place,
Bethpage, NY 11714

Cristen Gregory (Bryan Eckenrode) – Associate Family
48 Meadowview Place
Buffalo, NY 14214

New Member Incentive

The Board of Directors has again approved a ½ discount to “First Time” new Senior and Associate members joining in 2022.

Senior would be \$350 + 8% sales tax; Associate would be \$210 + 8% sales tax. Initiation fees are Senior \$250, Associate \$150.

If you know anyone who might be interested, send them an application.

In Memorium

We would like to remember those members that we lost at the end of 2021, after we had published the last Scuttlebutt of the season. They were:

Doloros Stinson - November 28, 2021
P/C William Buchanan – December 9, 2021
P/C Lee Horn – December 11, 2021



“So there you have it: hearing voices at sea is not a pathological condition. It’s quite normal. Welcome to the world of illusions at sea. Of mirages, looming, towering, stooping and sinking. Of moons that change size, suns that change shape, horizons that bend, lights that change colour, and sounds that play hide and seek. Of waves that speak, ships that effervesce and whales that turn into baby elephants. For the sea has a lobsterpot full of tricks and illusions to confuse and beguile even the most rational 21st century sailor.”

— Nic Compton, [Off the Deep End: A History of Madness at Sea](#)

Olcott Yacht Club

Application for Membership

www.olcottyachtclub.com

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	3. Full Name _____
		ZIP CODE	Date of Birth _____
Home Telephone	(____) _____		4. Full Name _____
Cell Phone	(____) _____	(____) _____	Date of Birth _____
Other Phone	(____) _____	(____) _____	5. Full Name _____
Email Address	_____		Date of Birth _____
Are you a present or past member of another Yacht Club (s): <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
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: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY

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

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

Olcott Yacht Club offers three (3) categories of membership. Membership is open to anyone 18 years of age and older. All categories of membership are considered either single or family as the member desires. If the membership is a family membership, the member of record (applicant) and their partner living in a spousal type relationship, shall be entitled to a membership card and all rights and privileges, except as limited and restricted by the provisions of the Constitution

A spousal -type relationship for the purpose of membership classification shall be defined as two people living as man and wife under the same roof. Additional definitions per the Constitution, Article II are:

- "Boat Owner" Any person who shall have a legal or equitable title to a watercraft 20 or more feet length over all based within a 50-mile radius of Olcott Yacht Club.
- "Family" shall be defined as one or more adults living in a spousal relationship in the same domicile and their unmarried children under the age of 21, 23 if still in school.

SENIOR membership at OYC is required for those persons who are "Boat Owners" or non-boat owners who choose to apply for Senior membership.

Privileges:

- Senior members shall be entitled to have any rights, title or interest in and to the property and assets of the club
- Shall have one vote, weighted as (3) at all membership meetings

ASSOCIATE membership at OYC shall be those persons who are not "Boat Owners".

Associate is divided into two categories based on age:

- Under 23 yrs of age
- 23 yrs of age and over

Privileges:

- Shall have one vote, weighted as (1) at all membership meetings

Restrictions:

- Associates under 23yrs of age may not hold office on the Board of Directors

NON-RESIDENT membership at OYC is a non-voting membership, may not hold position on the Board of Directors, and shall be those persons who otherwise qualified for membership, providing that within a 50-mile radius of the Club that person does not:

- 1) Conduct a business or is employed.
- 2) Reside or vacation for more than three (3) weeks during the open season of the Club.
- 3) Or is a "Boat Owner"

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

Olcott Yacht Club is a self-help club. Senior and Associate memberships are required to provide a total of ten (10) member service hours per season. Hours not completed are charged at a rate of \$20 per hour.

DUES are set annually for the Senior Membership and all others classifications are billed at a percentage per the Constitution Article V, Section 2. Dues & initiation fees are plus applicable NYS taxes.

	<u>2022 Dues:</u>	<u>½ Price Special</u>	<u>Initiation Fee</u>
Senior:	\$ 700.00	\$350.00	\$250.00
Associate (23 and over):	\$ 420.00	\$210.00	\$150.00
Associate (18 – 22):	\$ 210.00	\$105.00	\$150.00
Non-Resident:	\$ 175.00	N/A	N/A



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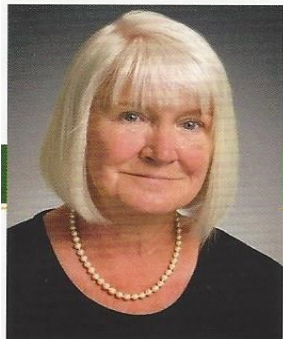
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