# Olcott Yacht Club

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### COMMODORE'S MESSAGE ...

Olcott Yacht Club has weathered several tough seasons since 2017. We have dealt with floods, an epidemic and an ongoing legal action. The membership has held strong and gained in numbers inspite of the problems we have encountered.

We will enter a new era for Olcott in 2022 with the harbor improvements. With the new candidates for the board plus the returnees, we will continue to grow our club and maintain our prominence on Lake Ontario.

I want to thank all of you for pitching in on all of the fronts and challenges that we have faced. Special Kudos to our boat yard crew volunteers who give up a lot of their weekend days to fill the yard with stored boats. They don't only contribute to the storage of boats but funds from that operation have sponsored so many of the club's additions over the years.

Let's continue to support our Board of Directors, our racing program and our house operation. Happy Thanksgiving to all.

Mike Layman

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## VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT ...

Our 2021 Season has officially come to an end. As we look back on this season, it seems like only yesterday the Club was just opening up: We were still under partial COVID restrictions, We were in the midst of a very cool and wet spring, and the break wall project had not yet begun. We were unsure what the end of the season would look like, up to and including whether or not we'd have a standing clubhouse.

Now, in November, with another wonderful season in the books, I'd like to thank every Member, every Volunteer, House Committee, and every one of the OYC Staff for the support you all gave the House, and of course all of the memories made in 2021 at OYC. We were able to host our traditional events, and add a few new events that we hope to make traditions! While no one knows what 2022 will bring *exactly*, I can't wait to see everyone next year!

Chris Eglin

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# REAR COMMODORE REPORT ...

I would like to thank everyone that helped out in any capacity this year in maintaining our club, in whatever way it was to a small job or a big one. It is the members that make this place the special place that it is.

I know we all can't wait for the new club to be built but it's not the building that makes this place so special, it's you the members. Thanks for a great year and we will see you all again on the lake when the days are longer and warmer, have a safe winter.

Mike Capen

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## FLEET CAPTAINS REPORT ...

What a great season of racing to be capped off with a great Trophy Night. I really can't thank the Club and the racers enough, being Fleet Captain is a real honor and this fleet makes the job enjoyable to fulfill. I really couldn't have done most of this without your help, support and encouragement.

A special thank you to Andy Sharp who has been coaching me through, from the Solstice regatta to the impromptu "Dock Dash's", and Sue Cassidy for the help with scoring, rules and getting Trophy Night organized, and really the "Fleet", the racers and crews who make the racing fun, competitive, and keeps me looking forward to the next week.

Some highlights from Trophy Night include, Robert Winter being awarded the Seneca Trophy for his tireless work to keep our house charges and accounts in order, Robert has been a behind the scenes warrior for the club, truly above and beyond tbe call. Sara Capen was awarded the Christy Trophy for Sportsman of the Year. Sara has shown week in and out her passion for the sport of sailing and has gone out of her way to make each race great for everyone involved. Whether she is giving up crew or taking new ones on, Sara is out there with a smile every week.

Neried's Pitcher is awarded for Yachtsmen of the Year, this year The Eglin Family who has really been bitten by the Racing Bug have shown their excitement for being out on the course early and staying late, every week they made the boat faster and were always looking for ways to improve. This years Club Champions were, Women's Champion, Chrystal Sharp – Switch. PHRF II Justin Naylor – Boomerang. PHRF I Jason Cramer – Lightfoot. Thank you all again for a great season and already looking forward to our first race of 2022!!!

Jason Cramer

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# MANTEL CLUB

Many thanks to all the members who contributed to making our Junior Sailing season a success. Roger Voss, who built and Sheila Flanigan who "toughened up" our Kayak racks and to those many members and friends who made memorials to the Mantel Club in memory of Dee Sacca, Doralyn Marshall, Maralyn Harris and Fred White.

*PC Mark Cassidy* Chairman Junior Sailing Committee Rappareems@aol.com

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#### OLCOTT HARBOR BREAK WALL PROJECT NEARS COMPLETION



#### MEMBERSHIP

The following application is posted for membership.

Paul A Lehmuller - Non-Resident 32 Hunt Pl Bethpage NY

Sponsors: Mark Cassidy/Sue Cassidy

Jason Naylor

# FROM SPECIAL PROJECTS...

After a year with most projects on hold, pending Break Wall & Clubhouse construction, and thankfully no high water to deal with, I am writing to thank ALL the many volunteers who have (and are) stepping up to get our smaller issues fixed.

From a Haulout dock that's now safe, to Kayak racks being improved & bushes/trees cut back for walking/Boat room, the list goes on with many important chores being done.

The "LITTLE" things may not always be noticed individually, but they combine to make the Club more attractive & useable.

It's been another great year working with a membership that constantly steps up and takes over chores when a need is seen. Now that the breakwall & piers are nearing completion, next Season will bring larger projects to take advantage of our improved Harbor!

Tx again folks,

Roger Voss

#### 2021 Annual General Membership Meeting Agenda Sunday December 12, 2021 @ 11:30 AM Wilson House Restaurant, Wilson, NY

Call to Order Determine quorum Approval of 2021 Mid-season Membership Meeting Minutes

Board of Director Reports:

Commodore Vice Commodore Rear Commodore Fleet Captain – Racing Fleet Captain – Jr. Sailing Secretary/Communications Treasurer Director – Membership Director – Membership Director - Special Projects Past Commodore – Member Service Program Other Club Committee Reports Old Business: New Business: Election of 2022 Board of Directors

Adjournment

#### ABSENTEE VOTING REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR ELECTION OF DIRECTORS (OYC By-Laws 14 JUL 13)

If unable to attend and are voting by absentee ballot, please read the following:

- The Club Secretary shall make available on the Club website a ballot containing the complete slate of candidates for election to the Board of Directors, including space for write-in candidates, no later than **November 1** preceding the Annual meeting.
- In order to be counted, completed absentee ballots shall have been mailed and postmarked no later than <u>November</u> <u>21</u> preceding the Annual meeting.
- Per Article VIII, Section 6 of the Constitution: Ballots, on which more or less names are voted than there are offices to be filled, shall be voided.
- The absentee balloting procedure is designed to be blind, that is not to divulge the identity of the member casting the vote.
- The member voting by absentee ballot shall complete the printed ballot and place it in an unmarked sealed envelope then placed inside of another envelope addressed to:

Olcott Yacht Club, Attn: OYC Commodore P.O. Box 715 Olcott, NY 14126 re: Election

**NOTE:** The outermost envelope should clearly identify the member casting the absentee ballot. The unopened absentee ballot shall be kept with the original envelope until the Annual meeting. At that time, if it is determined that the member is in good standing, the absentee ballot envelope shall be marked with the membership class of the voting member. When the election vote is tallied, these absentee ballot envelopes shall be opened and the vote cast and weighted in accordance with the membership class of the voting member.

# "Joe Sent Me ....."



# Halloween









Official Absentee Ballot – Election of 2022 Board of Directors

(See instructions for filing Absentee Ballot)

# ~ Olcott Yacht Club Annual Membership Meeting ~

Sunday December 12, 2021 @ 11:30 AM Wilson House Restaurant, Wilson, NY

Vote for THREE (3) candidates only

Place an 'X' before the name of the candidate(s) or write-ins for whom you are voting for. Ballots, on which more or less names are voted than there are offices to be filled, shall be voided.

| Candidates: Vote for (3) Candidates Only | Write-Ins: |  |
|--|------------|--|
| Joe Higgins (Senior – Boat Owner)        |            |  |
| Dan Maxwell (Senior – Boat Owner)        |            |  |
| Vic Thibault (Associate)                 |            |  |

Ballot must be mailed and post marked by <u>November 21<sup>st</sup></u>. Ballot must be placed in an unmarked sealed envelope then placed inside another envelope and addressed to:

> OYC Commodore Olcott Yacht Club P.O. Box 715 Olcott, NY 14126

Outside envelope must have member's name casting the absentee ballot. \*\*All absentee ballots count toward meeting quorum\*\*

This is in accordance with the Constitution and By-Lays for "Absentee Voting Requirements and Procedures for Election of Directors"





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Events in November/December

November 1 - Absentee Ballot Avail.

November 9 - Board Meeting

November 15 - Member Service Hours Submission Deadline

November 21 - Absentee Ballot (post marked) deadline

December 12 - Annual Member Meeting and Election. Wilson House 11:30 AM