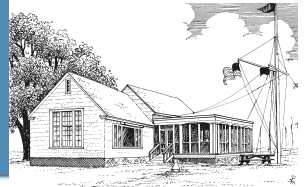


THE ONONDAGA YACHT CLUB SPICE



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From the Helm—the Commodore's Corner by Tom Ogden

As you read this article, the club will already be open for the season. Membership at Onondaga Yacht Club provides a wealth of opportunity for a lot of fun, both on and off the water. A full schedule of events is now posted on the website and copies will be available in your membership packet, available at the Commissioning Dinner.

Sailing school will be held the last week of June and first week of July (June 25, 26, 28 and July 2, 3, 5)—save the dates if you plan to participate as a member or volunteer. Volunteering is a great way to meet some other members and also have some fun working together.

The following is a list of opportunities to help with improvement projects planned right at the start of the season: help with painting the outside porch, silver coating the porch roof, cutting brush on the shoreline,

attaching new fenders to the docks, gardening spruce up, power washing the small boat fleet, painting one of the boat trailers, power washing the front porch and probably some others I have not listed. If you can help, drop me an email or give me a call thomascogden@gmail.com or 315-884-1061.

We will be experimenting with some ideas to make the club sailboats easier to use this year. We are planning on docking one boat at our dock attached to mooring whips, which would enable members to just rig the sails and attach the rudder. We are also looking at placing some permanent moorings close to shore, which would necessitate wading to the boat or use of a dinghy to get to the boat (still a work in progress idea).

Looking forward to seeing you all at the club soon.

New Members of Onondaga Yacht Club

Welcome to our newest members!

Marge Casey and Rick Gordon were OYC members in the 1980s, and have rejoined this year. They are sailors, and live in Syracuse. Marge helped out at the Opening Work Party. Liverpool residents **Jim and Corinne Kupinski** are kayakers also interested in sailing and OYC dinners and social events. Jim attended our Winter Get-together.

Joseph Hens and Rene Gabriel and their sons are Liverpool residents who own a rowboat and kayaks. They are interested in youth and adult sailing school and sailing our club boats.

Editor's Corner by Tess Freedman

Welcome to the latest volume of the OYC SPLICE! The Splice was launched in 1989. Jack DeVore was editor 1989-1995, Dick Ashley was editor 1996-2002, and I have been editor 2003 to the present, with 2 years off when I was Commodore. Because of Jeff's and my travels, I am reducing the number of issues this year, aiming for bimonthly publication. We are looking for writers and photographers to assist with the Splice (and I hope to find an editor-in-training).

Lots of exciting news and information appears in this issue. Our new Rear Commodore Holly Ioset is introducing new social events and themed potlucks. The Sea Scouts continue their active program. We review the events of the winter, introduce some of our new Trustees, and preview our coming events and the start of the boating season. Enjoy!

HOW TO BOOK YOUR MEMBER EVENT

by Ed Bambrick

Again, this year, I will circulate the "Club Use Reservation Form" to all members, via email OR you can pick up a club use reservation form at the club, to schedule your event. The form is pretty much self-explanatory—just fill out the fields, start and end times, along with your fee schedule (\$1.00 per person attending the event, plus an additional \$25.00 requesting kitchen usage). Club usage scheduled on Saturdays must be approved by the board, and members cannot reserve the club on Sundays once our meal program begins. I will approve all other events that fall during week days. Member events will be highlighted in blue marker on the calendar posted at the club to eliminate double booking. Please forward the form to: edb.wsre@gmail.com or snail mail to: Ed Bambrick 113 Hiawatha Trail, Liverpool, NY 13088. Please REMIT your payment within five days after your event and mail check to: OYC, PO Box 186, Liverpool, NY 13088 or drop in the Treasurer's Box at the clubhouse. (Privilege to use the clubhouse may be lost, if not paid promptly).

NOTE: OYC CLUB EVENTS take precedence over MEMBER events, so please review OYC Club Calendar of Events list prior to booking your event (calendar of events at oyccny.org). I will keep club member events current throughout the season. Please feel free to call me with any questions and or concerns. I can be reached at [315.317.1731](tel:315.317.1731). Thank you for your cooperation, and I'm looking forward to a fun-filled sailing season.



OYC Galley Gazette

By Holly Ioset,

Incoming Rear Commodore

Following in the wake of Rear Commodore Deb Flaherty is a challenge –wish me luck! And I will need your help, Club members!

New: You will see a few new events, family focus or new themed Sunday dinners! More adult Friday Happy Hours—simple appetizers and BYOB... but there will be some new twists also!

How: You will see additions on the calendar, by email or on the sign-up sheets with information about what to bring. How about these evening additions: Whale Watch; Popcorn Baseball and Beer; Gin/Vodka and tonic competition; and, for the adventurous, let’s bring back the Full Moon Sail!

Hosting: OYC is an all-volunteer club, so the active participation of all members is essential. Really! Being a Host for an event is not that difficult...it can actually be fun to make a nice event happen smoothly. So plan on signing up early to host this spring/summer!

Prize Drawing: Each host will be entered into a gift basket drawing at the end of the season. We hope this will encourage our hosts to sign up!

Food/Fun: Watch the Club newsletter and calendar on our website for events. You will see most favorite events are continued, from the Cinco de Mayo Dinner—yes, on May 5th, to the Commissioning Dinner, to the three holiday picnics to

Cinco de Mayo

Catered Dinner Saturday, May 5th 5:30 PM

Cost: \$15 each ; children 7-12 \$7; under 7 free

Menu

Chili Poblano....Cheese filled Poblano peppers topped with Ranchero Sauce

Burritos MexicanoChicken burritos sautéed with onions, tomatoes and bell peppers, beans and cheese dip

Enchilladas with tacos, rice and beans

Dulce de Leche Cake

Lemonade and coffee, or bring your own alcohol



Memorial Day Hot Dog and Hamburger Picnic

Monday, May 28 5:00 pm

Cost: Adults \$5, Children 7 - 12 \$2, under 7 free

Club provides Hamburgers and Hot Dogs

Bring a salad or dessert to share

Sea Scout Families Invited



the autumn Shore Dinner! A few reminders: for the many events where members bring a dish to share, remember to bring a generous contribution. For example, a couple should bring a dish to serve 10-12 adults... ask me why!!

OYCooks: Can you help find a livelier new name for our Sunday “covered dish” dinners? So far the R.C. will be using the OYCooks:THEME for the potlucks. But contributions to re-name the Sunday dinners are welcomed. Themes coming up: Spring Salad Spectacular, Red Wine Night, White Wine Night, Father’s Day Dagwood build-a-sub, Wedding Anniversary dinner, etc.

Special Food Requests: The OYC Board and R.C. have reviewed this issue, which has become more complex over recent years. Requests have come in for allergen (peanut, nut, dairy, cheese) free, lactose free, gluten free, spice reduced, vegan, or other requests such as no onion or garlic. Because OYC is not a restaurant with a chef preparing specialized dishes, it is not possible to meet all these requests. At the catered dinners, there will be an attempt made to have non-meat vegetable based options both for appetizers and main course selections. If you want to come to a dinner when the Club menu doesn’t meet your dietary requirements, please bring your own meal in (at no cost) and socialize and enjoy the evening anyway—that is an awesome option. And we encourage members to bring dishes to the OYCooks events that meet their dietary needs.

To reserve for club dinners, sign up at the club, email me at hollyioset@aol.com, or call 315-559-5419.

Commissioning Dinner Sunday May 20

The 2018 Commissioning Dinner begins at 4:30 with hors d’oeuvres, followed by the ceremony, at 5:00, and then dinner at 5:30 P.M. The cost for adults is \$15 each, and children’s meals (ages 7-

12) are \$7 each. **The reservation deadline is Tuesday, May 16th at noon.** Sign up at the club or contact Holly Ioset at hollyioset@aol.com or 315-559-5419.



Make sure you indicate your entrée choice! Holly will contact you to confirm.

Here’s the menu (Catered by Camillus Country Club):

- Grilled Chicken ala CCC or Fish Entree*
- Spring Vegetable Pasta Roasted Potatoes*
- Green Bean Bliss House Salad*
- Brownie ala mode Coffee, tea, lemonade*

Commodore’s Spaghetti Dinner

Sunday, June 10 5:00 pm

Adults \$7.50, Children 7 - 12 \$2, under 7 free

Commodore Tom Ogden will host

Please sign-up by Thursday, June 7



Winter/Spring 2018



Trustees Pete Kitt, Kevin O'Leary, Sandra Ostrander, Roger Bowers and Dan Sicchio (above) and Commodore Tom Ogden, Secretary Brian Colvin, Rear Commodore Holly Ioset, and Vice Commodore Ed Bambrick (below) took the oath of office administered by Garry Klink. Herb Schrayshuen was also elected as Trustee

Annual Dinner January 27: 47 OYC members and guests enjoyed a delicious meal at the Camillus Country Club. Garry Klink administered the oath of office to OYC Trustees and Bridge officers. Commodore Tom Ogden shared his thoughts about the past year and goals for the coming season. Tess Freedman reviewed the 2017 season in pictures, and Rob Stone summarized the amazing past year for the Sea Scouts.



2017 Sailing Trophies: Diane Knowlton presented Dan Sicchio with the Knowlton Trophy for the highest participation in our races as skipper or crew by a new member. Race Committee Chair Greg Chapin awarded the Season Handicap Series Trophies. Winners shown are 1st place Jeff Freedman, skipper and Tess Freedman, crew (O'Day Mariner); 2nd place Greg Chapin, skipper and Kathy Chapin, crew (O'Day Mariner); and 4th place Tom Ogden, skipper, with various crew (Flying Scot). Other winners were 3rd place Mark Rupprecht, single handed or with son Liam as crew (420) and 5th place Bill Pease with various crew (Hunter 22).

Winter Get Together March 17th

Members were warmed by the Commodore's chili and by the roaring fire at the Winter Get-Together



Ship 876 Sea Scouts to compete in International William I Koch Cup in Galveston, July 8-13, 2018

by Rob Stone, Ship 876 Skipper



Two teams from Sea Scout Ship 876 "The Cricket", chartered by OYC, have qualified from the Northeast Region to compete in the International William I Koch Cup in Galveston, July 8-13, 2018. They are two of only six teams going from the region, one of four regions in the country, after placing in the Northeast Region North Qualifier last July at the University of Connecticut. It is unprecedented for two teams from the same ship to qualify! Our Ship 876 teams consist of Skipper Robert Gustke/Crew Andrew York, and Skipper Aiden Meyer/Crew Cooper Pyle. Robert, Andrew and Aiden are OYC members, and Robert and Cooper are US Sailing Certified instructors who taught in our OYC Sailing

School last summer. At the last Koch Cup in 2016, OYC's Ship 876 team of Lucas and Aiden Meyer placed second in the Kiwi Division. Some OYC members have started a fund to help the scouts attend the Regatta in Galveston this summer. The goal is to raise a total of \$1000, and so far we have pledges to match up to \$500 in additional donations from OYC members. If you would like to help, please send a check payable to OYC with the memo "Sea Scout Travel fund" to Tess Freedman, 205 Barrington Rd., Syracuse NY, 13214. Tess is the Charter Organization Representative for Ship 876.

MORE SEA SCOUT NEWS: Members and leaders of Sea Scout Ship 876 attended the Northeast Regional Bridge of Honor and Sea Ball on March 24 in Swedesboro, NJ, where Ship 876 won a Ship of Excellence Award. Congratulations to Sea Scout Sarah Wong, who was the Ship 876 Sea Scout of the year. She also was awarded the first ever Bob Ellis Memorial Regional Sea Scout of the Year Award.



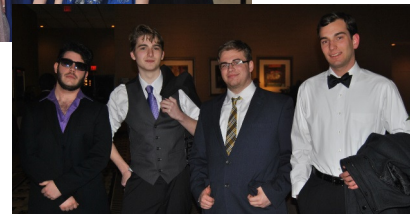
Bob Ellis Award Winner Sarah Wong. Ship 876 Skipper Rob Stone is at left.



Zoyie Baldwin, Ship 876 Boatswain, accepts Ship of Excellence Award



Sea Ball



New Trustee Profile- Herb Schrayshuen

My wife Debra and I have lived in Pompey for 27 years and we have three adult daughters. One of our daughters lives in the Syracuse area with her husband and our grandchildren. I have been sailing since college (which was long ago) and have owned one sailboat or another since then. I retired from National Grid in 2007 and since then have worked in the electric power business in Charlotte and Atlanta. During the most recent five years, after returning to Central New York, together with my daughter we have started and managed our consulting company. 2018 is my third year as an OYC member and I look forward to serving as an OYC Trustee. Please feel free to approach me and make suggestions regarding anything I can do to help improve our club.



New Trustee Profile- Dan Sicchio

Thank you for allowing me to serve as a board member. Upon joining the club last year, I was met with friendliness and enthusiasm by all, which led to my involvement in the racing program as well as other activities. My wife Janine and I have lived in the area for nearly thirty years. Our two children returned to Syracuse following college and have enjoyed the club as guests. They hope to pursue their own interests in sailing with formal lessons at the club this season. My background in sailing was self taught as a young adult in the Boston area. Later my wife and I sailed our Hunter 23 in the Rochester area on Lake Ontario. We have both enjoyed the club Hunter and look forward to another fun season. OYC membership has been a wonderful experience and I look forward to supporting our leadership in moving the club forward and hope to emulate the same warmth and camaraderie that I received.



Coming Events at OYC

Cruising the Canals of Canada, presented by Jeff and Tess Freedman

Thursday May 10 Presentation 7—8 pm Dinner catered by Francesca's at 6 pm is \$15 per person

Joint meeting of Onondaga Yacht Club and the Syracuse Sail and Power Squadron

Jeff and Tess will recount their 900 mile cruise of the Trent Severn Waterway and 400 mile cruise of the Rideau Canal in Ontario, Canada on "Empire", their 36' Flybridge Cruiser.

Please sign up at the club or RSVP to Jeff, freedmaj@upstate.edu or 315-450-4556 by May 4.

Hot Stove Party

Saturday, May 12 7:30 pm

After Dinner Event:

Bring a beverage and a scrumptious dessert to share

An OYC Tradition!

Invite your friends and prospective members



OYC Annual Wine Tasting and Awards Party

Friday, June 15th 6:30 - ?

We'll have a fire going, live music, wine and friends
\$5.00 per person covers prizes and paper products, etc

PLUS

Please bring an appetizer and a bottle of wine
(LABEL THESE PLEASE so we know who brought them)

Prizes for:

- Best Pairing
- Best Red Wine Best White Wine
- Best "Homemade" Wine
- Crowd Favorite



Please come! Becca Mauer and
Melissa Sieling look forward to hosting you!

RSVP to melissa.sieling@gmail.com

America's Boating Course Offered at OYC

Saturdays June 2 and 9; 9:30 am – 2:15 pm. Two 4-hr sessions (with lunch break). Exam Saturday, June 16, 9:30 am

- Earns New York State Boating Safety Certificate
- Certificate Required by NYS
 - For anyone over age 14 to operate personal watercraft
 - For anyone over age 10 and born after May 1, 1996 to operate any mechanically propelled boat
- Eight hours of class time plus exam; \$35 for materials and exam (\$10 for additional family members sharing text)
- Basic boater education including required equipment, navigation rules and aids, lights and sounds, state and federal regulations, anchoring, trailering, water sports safety, adverse conditions and emergencies, VHF radio communications, personal watercraft operation, knots and lines, and more.
- Offered by United States Power Squadrons—America's Boating Club
- Contact Tess Freedman to register or for more information: tbfreedm@gmail.com
- **We encourage all OYC boating members to have a NYS Boater Safety Certificate!**

Onondaga Yacht Club Sailing School 2018

The **OYC Youth and Adult Sailing School**, taught by our US Sailing Certified Instructors and OYC volunteers, includes six lessons, 5:00 pm to dusk, June 25, 26, 28 and July 2, 3, 5 (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday each week), followed by sailing practice Wednesday evenings, 5:30 pm to dusk, July 11, 18 and 25.



For OYC members, the cost of the lessons is \$90 for the first family member and \$60 for additional family members. Fee for non-members is \$125/person.

Private Adult Sailing Lessons are also available.

To register youth 7 years or older and adults, please contact

Tom Ogden

(315) 884-1061; (315) 214-3766

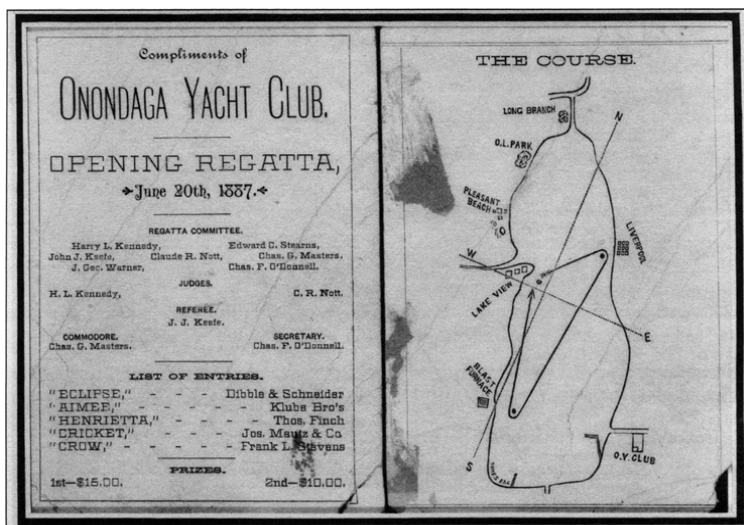
thomascogden@gmail.com

Sailing! Sailing! —by Greg Chapin

RACE WITH HISTORY

In the early days of our club, one of the first races was in August 1887 from Salina Pier to the lake outlet and back. The winner received a Silk Scarf from a “female admirer of the Yachtsmen” and his name on a perpetual trophy. We now recreate that race each year on Memorial Day, racing from the clubhouse to the outlet and back.

As we did last year, instead of turning in the outlet, there will be a racing mark to turn around. I would hope that every sailor, man or woman, will receive a silk scarf from an admirer, and fly it proudly from his or her boat for the rest of the summer! Skipper’s meetings are at 1 pm all season, and the handicap racing series starts the Sunday after Memorial Day.



OYC held its “Opening Regatta” June 20, 1887 with 5 boats. Regatta brochure shows location of club-house at mouth of Ley Creek (then known as Bear Creek).



Ellen Booth is moving south at the end of June/early July and would like to give away her El Toro small sailboat (9 foot) to someone at the club. The club does not need another boat (we have 20 now). Garry Klink checked out the hull and it is in good shape. It does not come with a trailer. Anyone interested should call Ellen at (315) 457-7751 or elcabo93@twc.com

Garry Klink is the new Snipe fleet captain for Fleet 18, OYC’s Snipe Fleet. We are second oldest fleet in the USA! At right is an old picture of Snipes in Onondaga Lake Marina



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- April 21 Saturday** Opening Work Party 9:00 am
- May 5 Saturday** Cinco do Mayo Catered Dinner – Gather at 6:30 pm; Dinner at 7:00 pm
- May 12 Saturday** Hot Stove Party 7:30 pm; Bring beverage and/or dessert to pass
- May 20 Sunday** Commissioning Ceremony and Catered Dinner; Gather at 4:30 pm; Ceremony 5:00 pm; Dinner 5:30 pm
- May 28 Monday** Memorial Day Events
Liverpool Parade 9 am at the Park
Memorial Day Silk Pennant Race 1:00 pm
Memorial Day Hot Dog & Hamburger Picnic 5:00 pm; Sea Scouts and families invited
- June 2 and 9 Saturdays** America’s Boating Course
Boating Safety Course, two 4-hr sessions 9:30 am –2:15 pm
Exam 9:30 am Saturday June 16
- June 3 Sunday** Handicap Races begin; 1 pm every Sunday
OYCooks: Spring Salad Spectacular 5:00pm
- June 10 Sunday** Commodore’s Spaghetti Dinner 5:00 pm
- June 15 Friday** Wine Tasting and Sing Along
- June 17 Sunday** Father’s Day Dinner 5:00 pm
OYCooks: Dagwood Build-a-Sub Dinner
- June 24 Sunday** OYC Cooks: Wedding Anniversary Dinner 5 pm
- June 25, 26, 28 and July 2, 3, 5** (Mon., Tues., Thurs. each week)
Junior and Adult Sailing School 5:00 pm to dusk
- July 4 Wednesday** Independence Day Events
Fun Sail Race 1 pm
BBQ Chicken Picnic 5:00 pm

Note: This year, our traditional “Covered Dish” Sunday meals are now “OYCooks: THEMES” You are encouraged (but not required) to bring a dish to share appropriate to the theme!

~2018 OYC Officers~

- Commodore:** Tom Ogden
- Vice Commodore:** Ed Bambrick
- Rear Commodore:** Holly Ioset
- Secretary:** Brian Colvin
- Treasurer:** Jerry Illowsky
- Immediate Past Commodore:** Tess Freedman
- Trustees:** Roger Bowers, Pete Kitt, Dan Sicchio, Kevin O’Leary, Sandra Ostrander, Herb Schrayshuen
- Editor:** Tess Freedman **Associate Editor:** Linda Ogden