



LAKE SOUNDINGS

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Signals from the Commodore

Dear Members,

By the time that you get this the boats will probably be in the water. Last night I was at the club and noticed that the water level was 245.2 ft, which is .7 ft above where we were at haul-out. This means that we should have enough water to launch the boats but we could use much more.

If you have not looked yet, please stop by to see our new docks in the south cove. Larry and his crew did a great job on them and we have some of them rented already with more getting in line. If you have a small boat that does not need electricity, these docks could be what you are looking for.

This issue contains information on upcoming events and workdays. If you would like to help with an event please contact Jack Bopp. If you need to switch your workday you can contact Larry Fedick.

The first event will be the Memorial Day picnic with the Commodore's review and wine and cheese reception will be that weekend. We look forward to seeing you all that weekend.

As we think about putting the boats in the water, all of us should be thinking about making our boats safe. I am still doing courtesy Marine Vessel Examinations so please see me so that I can inspect your boat. The exam is free and there are no repercussions (such as tickets) for missing equipment. I will however let you know if you need anything.

Since it hasn't happened as of this writing, let's hope for good weather and a safe launch weekend.

We'll see you all then.

Steve Heffron



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The Secretary's Corner

May: Did you ever think that warm weather would arrive, and that your boat would actually be in the water? Whew!!



Membership: Our membership remains steady with 101 Voting Members, 1 Social, 16 Non-voting, 1CM, and Soundings only, 5. As you can see from the Treasurer's article, our membership is down from budgeted numbers. Larry Helber, Jerri Schiff, and myself continue to field questions from interested people. Please contact Larry regarding dock rental at 585-670-9435, and Jerri regarding membership prospects at 585-381-9115.

PYC Marketing: Please look for PYC's advertisement in the **Lake Life** supplement, which will be contained in the April 30 edition of the **Post Messenger Newspapers!** As you know the Post Messenger Newspaper publishes 10 Monroe County newspapers and also the Daily Messenger in Ontario County, which is also available in some Wayne County towns.

Reciprocals: Jim Snyder is hard at work gearing up for our new reciprocals process. Look for his article in June's Lake Soundings edition.

PYC Log: Editor, Michelle Keller is now working on the 2003 Membership Log!

New Grills: Facilities Manager, Tony Belaskas, has purchased three new grills. (The grill purchase was in the 2003 budget.) Commodore Heffron asked for "sturdy grills", and these should fit the bill!

PYC Flagpole Etiquette: "On a yacht club flagpole the ensign is flown below the burgee. This is not a sign of disrespect but a carryover of tradition of flying the ensign on the leech under the gaff. The flagpole is a gaff-rigged mast with the gaff on the shore side as if the yacht club were a ship sailing out to sea with her ensign flying aft and the burgee at the flagpole's head' just as it would be flown at the masthead of a pre-VHF sailing vessel." www.mudhead.org. If you have any comments or questions, please feel free to contact me.

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Rear Commodore Reports

Notes from the Engine Room.....

The new docks are in the water and they float. Thank God!!! The only thing that remains is some "Ground Work."

The work days are being planned now. Your assignment dates, alphabetically, are as follows:

- (1) Abate—Fuller 5/10 8:00 AM
- (2) Galskoy—Pretzer 5/17 8:00 AM
- (3) Rabson—Wolfe 6/14 8:00 AM



P.S:

Again I would like to thank all the people that helped build and install the new docks. It was a lot of work that took up a lot of time. Thanks!

Larry Fedick



"Waiting"

Completed dock sections wait to be launched for new dockage in the South Cove.



"Huckleberry Finn"

Chubby supervises while Rear Commodore Larry Fedick poles a section of new dock into position in the South Cove.



"Hooking Up"

New South Cove docks being connected. In this picture, Tom Dobbins (on the dock), Dave Keller, CR Burcroff.

FLEET CAPTAIN EVENTS-2003

Fleet Captain Work Day

Saturday, May 3

Thursday Night Race Series

May 08- Practice & Tune-up Race,
Fleet Captain's Meeting following

May 15- Practice Race, Rules Roundtable
following

Start of Spring Series

May 22-

1st gun @ 6:45 P.M.

May 29

June 05

June 12

June 19

Start of Summer Series

June 26-

1st gun @ 6:45 P.M.

July 03

July 10

July 17

July 31

Start of Fall Series

Aug 07

1st gun @ 6:15 P.M.

Aug 14

Aug 28

Sept 04

Sept 11

Bowersox Memorial Race

Sunday, May 25

Skippers' Meeting - 1 P.M.

Genoa Only Race Series

Skippers' Meeting - 1 P.M.

Saturday, May 31

Sunday, June 29

Saturday, July 05

Sunday, July 20

Saturday, Aug 02

Women Skipper's Race

Series

Skippers' Meeting - 1 P.M.

Sunday, Jun 08

Saturday, June 28

Sunday, July 06

Saturday, July 19

Sunday, Aug 03



Bown Race

Saturday, Sept 6

Skippers' Meeting - 6 P.M.

Other Racing Events:

June 13-14

31st Scotch Bonnet Light Race, GYC

June 21- 22

20th Sodus Bay Challenge Cup, SBYC

June 28-29

C & C Owners Regatta, National YC

July 12-13

Stolze Cup (J/24), RYC

July 25-26

Oswego Harborfest Regatta, OYC

July 26-27

29th Youngstown Level Regatta, YYC

July 28 - August 3

LYRA Regatta Week, Hamilton YC

August 16

Women Skippers Invitational Regatta, GYC

August 23

Hospice Regatta, RYC

August 24

26th Rochester Race (medium distance course race)

September 12-14

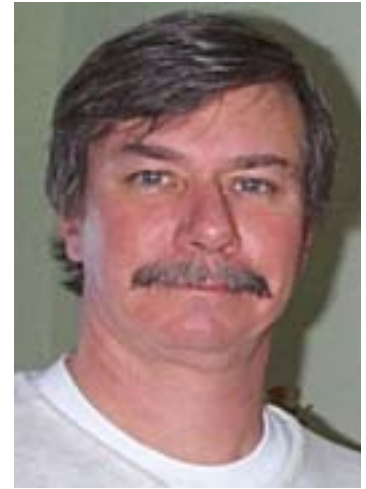
J/35 North American Championship Etobicoke YC

Vice Commodore Reports

By the time you read this article, the grueling winter will be over and our boats will be in the water. After enduring some record low temperatures, near record snowfall and lastly an ice storm (!!!), I for one am looking forward to some warm afternoons on the lake.

During the now past launch days and the upcoming work days, some gracious volunteers, Anneliese and myself will be serving coffee breaks and lunch. It will be good to see everybody again. Even better will getting together with spouses and families at the upcoming social events. The first of these will be the Commodore's Review on May 24th. The Review will begin at 2:00 pm, at which time Steve will anchor and we will parade past. A reception will follow at 4:00 pm.

The very next day, the Memorial Day Picnic will be held under the pavilion. Many thanks go out to Rich and Roseanne Critchlow for hosting this event. The flyer for this picnic as, well as one for the Commodore's Brunch next month- can be found in this issue of the Soundings. Please be timely in mailing your reservations to the hosts of these events.



Jack Bopp

Ice Storm Pictures

The ice went out of the harbor, only to wind up hanging in the trees.....



"B-B-Beach B-B-Bum"



Bob and Jane Hamilton's cruiser shivers under its winter cover and a layer of ice.

From The Treasury

Hello, fellow members;

This year club finances are looking like more of a challenge than last year. I'll start with the good news. Tom Foley, a long standing member and our insurance agent, has just completed getting us a new insurance carrier. We are now insured through Chubb. Our previous insurance carrier decided to not renew any of our policies. The best part is that our new insurance is going to come under budget this year by approximately \$7300! Thank you Tom for all your hard work!



The bad news is we need new members and need to rent docks. We are 12 people shy of our budgeted membership. I am estimating that we will dip into our cash reserves by approximately \$10,000 by year-end. Between weed control, paying off our dredging from last year and dock repair we will definitely be spending our budget this year.

Recently I wrote a monthly timeline of tasks for the treasurer's position. This timeline will help future treasurers know what to expect and when to expect it. Keep in mind that the treasurer position will be available next year.

Remember, financial reports are posted in the clubhouse if you wish to look at them in more detail.

If you have any questions regarding the reports you can catch me at the club, call me at 671-8287 or e-mail me at brewirish@usadatanet.net. See you on the lake!

Andrew R. White



Dredging in the South Cove

Dredging operations below the Baird House last summer, getting ready for the new South Cove docks. Not necessarily a prettier view, but the editors thought you would enjoy a club picture with some sunshine in it.

UPCOMING EVENTS

**MEMORIAL DAY PICNIC
SUNDAY MAY 25th
5:00 PM at PYC PAVILION**

**Chicken Breasts, Hot Dogs, Hamburgers,
Veggie Burgers, Soda, Wine, Beer
Will be supplied.**

**Please bring an hors d'oeuvre if last name begins with A - G.
Please bring a salad if last name begins H - P.
Please bring a dessert if last name begins N - Z.**

Reservations # _____ @\$7.50/ Adult
Required # _____ @\$3.50/ Child
By 5/19 # _____ @\$8.50/ Guest

Please mail reservations to:

Rich Critchlow
6353 Stillmeadow Way
Williamson, NY 14589.

Name _____

Total _____

COMMODORE'S BRUNCH & NEW MEMBERS' RECEPTION

**SATURDAY, JUNE 7TH
10:00 AM at PYC PAVILION**

**Pancakes, French Toast, Sausages, Maple Syrup, Adult Brunch Beverages, O.J., Coffee, Soda, and
more...**

We will be concurrently having a "BOAT STUFF" lawn sale adjacent to Pavilion.

Reservations # _____ @ \$6.00/Adult
Required # _____ @ \$3.00/ Child
By 5/31 # _____ @ \$7.00/ Guest

Please mail reservations to:

Brian McCarthy
PO Box 81
Pultneyville, NY 14538.

Name _____

Total _____



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<http://www.pultneyvilleyachtclub.org/>

PYC LOG

The PYC LOG is our way of telling the members what is in the wind for the coming weeks. Please read it over and mark your calendars for these important Club events.



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| May 3 | Fleet Captain Work Day |
| May 10 | Work Day #1, 8:00 AM |
| May 17 | Work Day #2, 8:00 AM |
| May 24 | Commodore's Review |
| May 25 | Bowersox Memorial Day Race and Picnic |
| June 7 | Commodore's Brunch; General Meeting
and New Member Reception |
| June 14 | Work Day #3, 8:00 AM |