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Scuttlebutt

September 2024



COMMODORE'S MESSAGE

With two thirds of the season behind us we now head into our final months of the season. Racing has only a handful of race dates left and then we begin to wind down. We do still have a lot of events ahead and it is my hope that those events will be well attended. There is still a lot of fun to be had at the club and the weather is usually reasonably good for us through September.

We had expected the bathroom addition to be sided during the week of August 18 and that didn't happen. I spoke with MH White on 8/23 and they tell me they lost a siding crew due to injuries and have not been able to find qualified replacements. We are #2 on their job list, but I was not given a date when work will begin.

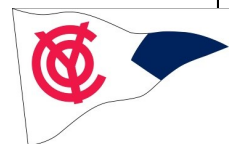
We do not, at this time, have a date for the drilling project to assess the extent of the voids in the patio/sidewalk but I am told that will soon be done. This is likely to be an expensive fix, but we should be able to recoup half the cost through our participation in New York State's Resiliency Grant.

I have asked Mark Cassidy to once again head up the nominating committee to come up with a slate of candidates for next year's BOD. They plan to come up more candidates than the three openings that will exist when present terms expire. If you are interested in being on the BOD next season, contact Mark. Serving on the BOD is an excellent way to contribute to the Club and we need members to step up and serve.

It was good to see a number of our members take their boats out of the harbor to other ports:

Tom Beilein took Craklin' Rose to Toronto for a Nonesuch rendezvous and regatta. Chris Eglin and fiancée Emily Sutton took Marivu Sun over to Toronto for a 2 day stay visiting RCYC and Queen City YC. John and Joanne Rosenberg recently took their new to them boat, Sapphire, a Back Cove 30, for several trips including one for two nights at Dalhousie. They report that the town has somewhat recovered from the failed condo project which wiped out a lot the night life there. They tell me several new restaurants have opened up. They took another cruise to Toronto with stops at RCYC and Ashbridges reporting that the beaches and distillery areas have declined a bit.

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If you have done some cruising or added a new boat I would love to hear about it and will include it in my next article. Please let me know if I have overlooked anything in this regard.

Thanks to Mark and Sue Cassidy for the donation to have the fence line cleared of brush.

Joe Higgins

VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT

August at OYC continued to be the place to be with cool lake breezes for this warm summer. September through October, the club will be open Thursday night through Sunday afternoon with various special events most days.

August was Women's month at OYC with the traditional Women's Cocktail party organized by Patty on August 16th. Despite the weather threats, Sacca sail continued the next day followed with celebrations on the patio. The WYA Basket raffle continued the following week to raise funds for Junior Sailing kids that want to learn to sail.

The popular Lobster fest has returned this year on August 24th with Music by Nite Cruise. Followed by the fun Creek Cruise Poker Run on August 25th.

For the Beer enthusiasts, OYC will have two events with the Cajan Beer Pairing on September 7th and Oktoberfest on September 14th. Reservations are required for both, so email them in or see the bartender.

Also, for Buffalo Bills enthusiasts, there will be multiple opportunities in September (Sunday Sept 8th at 1 PM, Thursday Sept 12th at 8:15 PM, and Monday September 23rd at 7:30 PM) to come down and enjoy the Bills team spirit and OYC beverages with other OYC Buffalo Bills fans. For the Monday game, please sign up so we can plan staff and food adequately.

Monte Carlo night (with roaring 20's theme) will be returning on September 28th. We close out September with a Paint Party with Austin Hinton, "Create a Fall themed master piece." \$30 a person. As you can see OYC season continues into September. Also, as a bonus we are planning to have game nights on Thursdays – 9/5, 9/19, 9/26.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please don't hesitate to contact me or members of the house committee.

Alan Rosenbaum

alan_rosenbaum@msn.com

TREASURER'S REPORT

As we enter September, we come to the final two months that the Club is open. So far this season the House operation has been busy thank you to everyone who supports the Club and to those who help volunteering to organize and run all the events we have.

Our second and final quarter (Aug – Oct) for spending your required \$75 House minimum is down to September & October. While our hours will change to Thursday – Sunday only, don't let that slow your use of the Club's restaurant and bar. There are still many events on the calendar to enjoy as well as Chef Julie's great week-end specials. Watch Constant Contact emails for all that is upcoming.

As we have done with a few events this season, for Oktoberfest (Sept. 14) and for Trophy Night (Oct. 19), we will again be asking those attending to pay for your dinner ticket with cash, check (to Olcott Yacht Club) or MC/VISA. Your house account is still an option, but these are big events and having payment immediate really help us reimburse those we need to prior to you getting invoiced at the end of those months.

Your invoice for August charges will be coming to your email in the next few days. Keep a look out for it and make payment as it is due upon receipt. If you still have an outstanding balance, a statement will also be emailed. We have some members still owing for May & June charges. These will be addressed with the BOD unless payment is received by Mon. Sept 9.

As always, if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

P/C Susan M. Cassidy

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susan.cassidy@ima.it

A Square Meal – In good weather, crews' mess was a warm meal served on square wooden platters.

Above Board – Anything on or above the open deck. If something is open and in plain view, it is above board.

As the Crow Flies – When lost or unsure of their position in coastal waters, ships would release a caged crow.

The crow would fly straight towards the nearest land thus giving the vessel some sort of a navigational fix. The tallest lookout platform on a ship came to be known as the crow's nest.

FROM SECRETARY/MEMBERSHIP

August sure has flown by...I am definitely not ready for cooler weather, but we have a lot of fun left to be had at the club. Hope to see you during our two remaining months of 2024!

New Member Night was a success, and we had the opportunity to welcome 6 new members to OYC. Steve and Barb Zillig, Lee and Deborah Walker, Jim and Maggie Hagenbach, Jessica Dolly, Bruce Schmidt and Joe Leonarczyk. Special thanks to Janice O'Keefe for the lovely flowers for our new members!

The board has approved half-price dues for new members, so we have a nice incentive for anyone who wants to join OYC! Membership information is available on our website, www.olcottyachtclub.com, or in the 2024 booklets available at the club. It's not too late to encourage people to join OYC!

We have welcomed four new members since our last Scuttlebutt! Joseph Leonarczyk of Olcott (who we were able to honor at New Member Night), associate, sponsored by Paul Elter and Joe Higgins. Anthony and Christine Ellis of Salamanca, a fishing charter captain, senior, sponsored by Thomas Pearse and Tim Sylvester. Glen Marchesani and Hildreth Rinehart of Burt, associate, sponsored by Andy Sharp and Elizabeth McAllister. Virginia Schmidt of Lockport, associate, sponsored by Marie Sharp and Mike Layman.

Do you have old, tired, past-their-prime flags? We retired flags again this year at our bonfire on July 12th. If you missed this, leave your flags in the office; I will collect them and see that they are respectfully retired next summer!

As always, keep an eye on the Scuttlebutt and Constant Contact for details about everything happening at OYC. Hope to see you at the club!

Sheila Flanagan
flanster40@yahoo.com

FROM THE MANTEL CLUB

Mantel Club has supported the Junior Sailing program with close to \$10,000 dollars this season in equipment, parts, a new outboard and staff development. This allows our juniors to run with the big dogs from Rochester, Youngstown and Buffalo.

Ella Thibault and her staff of Gabe and Talia Ferrero, Sienna Bowers and our counselors in training all did a superb job this season. Congratulations to them. Many thanks to Mike Taheri for his contribution toward staff bonuses.

We have sold one of our surplus 420s to new member Glen Marchesani and several more boats to Oak Orchard Yacht Club. We will focus on cleaning up the storage lot on Van Buren Street.

P/C Mark Cassidy

FLEET CAPTAIN REPORT

As we wind down the racing season, I'm happy to see the continued participation amongst our sailors. We were able to reschedule a handful of races with our open dates to complete some of the series. We still have Wed A-5 to complete, taking place on Wednesday, September 4. Celtic Cup will wrap up our season, taking place on Sunday, September 8.

As I look forward to Trophy Night on Saturday, October 19, I'm requesting that skippers and crew please return all trophies for engraving to the club by Saturday, September 7th. This will allow me to account for all of them and have time for engraving. When you do leave them, please notify me as to which trophies you are returning by either text or email. I appreciate your assistance with this and observing the timeline.

There are still seats open for the Boater Safety Course taking place on September 11 & 12th at our club. If you would like to register for this, please contact Barb Godshall at bgodshall9211@gmail.com Your \$30 payment is due prior to the training. Attendance on both evenings is required. There are still openings for this training.

Thank you to the volunteers and feedback from racers throughout this summer. I appreciate everyone who has made our racing program successful another year.

Jocelyn Sikorski

FROM THE PAST COMMODORE ...

As the Season starts to wind down, with some of the Greatest Events of the Year taking place, many Members thoughts turn to Service Hours to either check on totals OR get them in while the Club is still active! PLEASE remember that ANYTHING helpful done around the Club COUNTS! It does NOT have to be approved by anyone, or off a "list" of projects/activities. If YOU think it needs to be done, just go ahead and do it! Then turn in your hours, and be generous to yourself. Anything done is worth an hour, by the time it's done & reported, even if it's just picking up around the Club to keep the place attractive.

Examples of larger items during the Year include Race Committee help, basket raffle items, hors d'oeuvres, yard work, repair help, event help, host/hostess help, launch & haul assistance (all hours count), help with Jr. Sailing, etc..

A very few of the members never contribute, most just forget that anything helpful counts.



Hours can be sent to: olcottyachtclubservicehours@gmail.com, OR just fill out a slip at the mailbox in the front hallway.

Constant Contact messages all include the Link, so phone submission is fairly easy.





Thanks for another wonderful Summer at the Club, without our Members pitching in whenever needed the Club couldn't be the Wonderful Place it is every year.

P/C Roger Voss

OYC SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 2024						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
BEER PAIRING DINNER Sat. Sept. 7th, 6:30pm 3-course dinner w/ beer		LABOR DAY MONDAY Club Open 12:00 - 5pm			"Oktoberfest" Saturday September 14, 4pm Keg Tappings, German Buffet, Games	
1	2 LABOR DAY Club Open Capt. Yankee Race	3 Club Closed	4 Club Closed	5	6	7 Beer Pairing Dinner
8 Arizona @ Bills 1:00 PM Christmas Child Shoebox 1 - 4pm	9 Club Closed	10 Club Closed	11 Safe Boating Course Club Closed	12 Bills @ Miami 8:15 PM Mantel Club Safe Boating Course	13	14 Oktoberfest German food & Fun!
15 Jr Sailing Banquet 1pm	16 Club Closed	17 Club Closed	18 Club Closed	19	20 Scuttlebutt Deadline	21
22	23 Jacksonville @ Bills 7:30 PM Bar Open	24 Club Closed	25 Scuttlebutt Deadline Club Closed	26	27	28 Monte Carlo
29 Bills @ Baltimore 8:20 PM	30 Club Closed	Christmas Child Shoebox Sunday September 8, 1 - 4 pm Hosted by Cathi Higgins		MONTE CARLO NIGHT Saturday Sept. 28 @ 7pm		

OCTOBER 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	"Trophy Night" Sat. October 19th, 5:30pm Music with "Nite Cruise"			CHILI COOK-OFF Sunday Oct. 6 Judging @ 3pm		KARAOKE NIGHT Saturday Oct. 5 @ 7pm
October Hours: Open: Thursday - Sunday Closed: Mon - Wed.		1 Club Closed	2 Club Closed	3	4	5 Karaoke Night
6 Bills @ Texans 1:00 PM Chili Cook-off	7 Columbus Day Club Closed	8 Club Closed	9 Club Closed	10 Mantel Club	11	12 Racing @ Clubhouse Downs
13	14 Bills @ Jets 8:15pm Club Closed	15 Club Closed	16 Club Closed	17 Gong Xi Pearls Shopping 5:30pm	18 Scuttlebutt Deadline	19 Trophy Night 5:30PM "Nite Cruise"
20 Titans @ Bills 1:00 pm Scuttlebutt Deadline	21 Club Closed	22 Club Closed	23 Club Closed	24	25 Halloween Party	26 Club Clean-up
27 Club Clean-up Bills @ Seahawk 4:05 pm	Gong Xi Pearls "Cruising for Christmas Gifts" Thurs. Oct. 17 5:30 - 9pm			"Halloween Party" Friday October 25th DJ Mike McKernan 7 - 11pm		

COME TO THE LAKE IN SEPTEMBER

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 7TH

BEER PAIRING DINNER

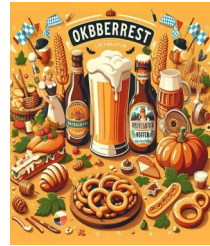
RSVP BY SEPT 1



Saturday September 14th

Oktoberfest!

RSVP BY SEPT 8



JUNIOR SAILING AWARDS LUNCHEON
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 15TH 1 PM



SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 28TH

MONTE CARLO NIGHT!!



BUFFALO BILLS AT OYC

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 8
ARIZONA AT BILLS 1 PM
(CHILDS SHOE BOX)

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 12TH
BILLS AT MIAMI 8:15

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 23RD
JACKSONVILLE AT BILLS 7:30

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 29
BILLS AT BALTIMORE 8:20



Sunday September 29th

Paint Day with Austin!



SEPTEMBER HOURS
ARE
THURSDAY THROUGH SUNDAY

Personal Information (please print)

	APPLICANT	Spouse/Partner
Full Name	_____	_____
Date of Birth	_____	_____
Home Address	_____	
	STREET	P.O. BOX

	CITY	STATE ZIP CODE
Home Telephone	(____) _____	_____
Cell Phone	(____) _____	(____) _____
Other Phone	(____) _____	(____) _____
Email Address	_____	
Are you a present or past member of another Yacht Club (s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Where:	_____	

CHILDREN (at home under 21, 23 if in school)

1. Full Name _____
Date of Birth _____
2. Full Name _____
Date of Birth _____
3. Full Name _____
Date of Birth _____
4. Full Name _____
Date of Birth _____
5. Full Name _____
Date of Birth _____

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 to maintain low expense levels, membership classifications of Senior and Associate are required to contribute a minimum of 10 hours of time to help at the Club. Unworked hours are billed in accordance with Article 4, sect. 26 and fee schedule per the By-Laws. I also understand that Senior and Associate memberships are required to satisfy a quarterly minimum spending for food and beverage service per the By-Laws. Accordingly, I agree to make myself available and to spend the minimum 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.



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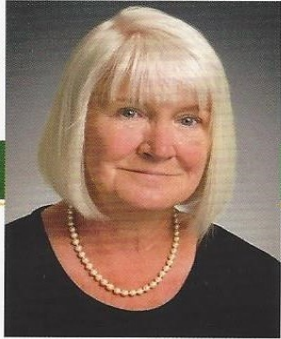
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OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX DAY AT OYC

WHEN: Sunday, Sept. 8, from 1 to 4 pm in the Fireplace Room

WHAT: Support Operation Christmas Child by filling empty shoe boxes with gift items to be sent overseas to children affected by war, disease, famine, disaster, and/or displacement. Each shoebox gift is an opportunity to share God's love with a child.

You will be able to shop for items from the "Shoebox Store" set up in the Fireplace Room. Items for purchase include school supplies, hygiene items, toys and clothing. Prices will be set at cost. Shoeboxes will be available at no charge.

COST: Each shoebox requires a \$10.00 donation for shipping and processing, **PLUS** the cost of items purchased from the "Shoebox Store". You may pay by cash or check only. No credit card purchases. All monies will benefit the Operation Christmas Child Program.

Other: You may also pack your shoeboxes at home and drop them off along with the \$10.00 shipping and processing donation for each shoebox. "How to Pack a Shoebox" brochures will be available at OYC.

Any questions? Contact Cathi Higgins at 716-799-3477

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

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Up Coming Events:

Saturday Sept 7 Beer Pairing Dinner

Sunday Sept 8 Christmas Child Shoe Box &
Arizona at Bills 1 PM

Thursday Sept 12 Bills at Miami/Mantel Club

Saturday Sept 14 "OKTOBERFEST!!"

Sunday Sept 15 Junior Awards Luncheon 1 PM

Monday Sept 23 Jacksonville at Bills 7:30

Saturday Sept 28 "MONTE CARLO!!"

Sunday Sept 29 Bills at Baltimore 8:20 PM