

# THE WINDWARD

Owasco Yacht Club, Inc.  
Auburn, NY 13021

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## -COMMODORE'S CORNER -

For the last time in the 1900's we are about to open the door and enjoy the summer at the OYC. We have seen some activity at the Club already, with boats finally back at the moorings, along the shore and in the lifts.

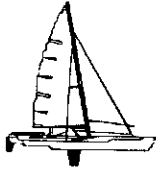
As most of you know we have had somewhat of a crisis with the membership level dropping. With most of you receiving phone calls from board members, you can see that we have taken a pro-active stand on trying to recruit new members. If you have names and addresses of potential new members please do



## From the Keyboard of the Treasurer

I sure would like to **thank** everyone who paid the first half of his/her dues by March 31 and then paid the balance by May 15.

There are a number of stragglers out there, and the board is open to suggestions as to how they can be enticed to pay their dues in a



# Sailing

## Summer's Here!

The sailing season will have started by the time you read this and a few new faces would certainly be welcome.

The Frostbite Series runs the month of June. Let's get out there before the Club officially opens. Ken Catino is returning to run the races for us and break in the new committee boat. Hopefully, this year will provide more wind than last year's Frostbite. For anyone who's interested, we start at 9:30 Sunday mornings. There's always someone who could use crew so give one of us a call or just show up.

Keep an eye on the new bulletin board for flyers on events and race results. Thank you Peter. What goes up should stay there now.

All the regularly scheduled events will be back this year. The two-day Col. Peet July 4 Trophy Race signals the end of the Frostbite Series and the soon to begin Summer Series. The Summer Series begins the first week in July and runs through August. We sail Wednesday evenings at 6:00 in addition to our Sunday sailing.

It would be nice to see some Lasers out there this year. We've lost the two regulars from last year to some form of graduation, school or a larger boat. There is a separate Laser Series trophy, so if we can get three boats there is a race. The Laser courses can be shorter and have their own starts if that's what you want. Lasers (or should that be Laser Sailors) have typically done very well in the overall series also.

Keep an eye out on the bulletin board for details on the Junior sailing program. Details are still being worked out, but the plan is a go.

Let's not forget the club boats. For the smaller sailors (and adventurous heavy weights) the Prams are seriously under utilized. These may not be speedsters but they can certainly be fun. Round up a few other people, launch a pram, and go around the anchorage buoys (there are 4 of them this year!).

Parents, how about asking the question?

Hope to see everyone on the water!

*Jim Kusche*



## Here's What's Cookin from Beth and Mary Ann, the Kitchen Directors

Diana and Nora have been busy readying the kitchen for a full summer of events.

**The kitchen will officially open on June 19th.**

**Remember**, it will also be open on **Mondays** this summer!

Keep an eye on the menu board for specials from the kitchen!

Look for the new soda machine located **INSIDE** the club house.

A **special thanks** to Earline Sorensen for the donated freezer.

**Enjoy the summer!**



## Flowers, Flowers, Flowers

Once again a great job has been done with the flowers around the club.

Shirley Bayus reported that she had a crew this year.

Edie Drennan, Adele Keegan, and Shirley did the arranging of the pots while Dan and Katie Keegan, Adele's grandchildren, did the lugging of the plants to the appropriate locations.

Team work can be so much fun, and they all enjoyed a great time together beautifying our club.

Thanks to all of you for a great job done.

*Lynda Hamberger,*

Editor

## Please Note:

You, too, can have an article printed. Just call me at 253-2632 or email me at Hamberg@auburn.cnyric.org.



## On The Waterfront

I would like to **thank** everyone who showed up early on Sunday morning, May 16th. We had a great day of sun and fun. Everyone seemed to enjoy working together.

Everyone helped out in some way, from directing to working hard. The Waterfront Director encouraged laughter by testing the water temperature with his body. The sun and warm temperature kept everyone in a positive mood. The main dock went in without any problems in about 2.5 hours. I will, however, have to go diving when the water warms up to retrieve a few miscellaneous items. In addition, we were able to put in the mooring buoys.

We utilized the new committee boat to drag the mooring buoys to their allotted destination which was about 100 feet further out this year. If you see Peter Whiting walking around, thank him for restoring our mooring markers. They really look nice, painted yellow with black lettering. When it comes to paint, a Whiting knows his stuff.

In addition, one of our members wants to sell his lift for \$750. I will be contacting the next person on the waiting list to see if he wants the space. If you want to be put on our waiting list for a lift space, please send me a letter or an email. My address is 130 Woodlawn Ave., Auburn, NY 13021, and my email address is Mbelz7497@aol.com.

*Michael J. Belz*

The current hoist waiting list is as follows:

04-17-95	John Breault
05-10-95	Mark Querns
05-24-96	Gary Mason
03-03-98	John Harding
04-04-98	Peter Whiting
04-28-98	Mike Belz
07-01-98	Bob Faynor
11-09-98	Jack Wood
02-24-99	Mike Carbarry

## Owasco Yacht Club Boat Usage Policy

This policy covers the use of Club owned sailboats, which **excludes** the Committee boat.

### 1. Age restrictions

No one under the age of 12 shall be allowed to take a boat without parental on the water supervision.

Ages 13-15 require direct **visual** parental supervision.

Ages 13-15 shall not take boats further than Martin's Point from shore, and not beyond Martin's point northward and the south most OYC yellow buoy from club without adult supervision. Demonstrated ability and/or a Jr. Sailing Certificate are considerations to extend this limit on a per use basis (due to the varying weather conditions) with parental permission so stated on the release form.

2. It's recommended that anyone under the age of 18 should have passed the Swimmers' Raft test.

3. OYC members must sign a Use Form prior to taking the boat out and again upon return of the boat. Parents are to sign the Use Form for all children. Forms will be provided at the OYC Kitchen.

4. In the event of threatening conditions, the Lifeguards will fly a flag from the deck flagpole(or Swimming Dock) and sound repeated blasts from an air horn. **All club boats must immediately return to shore.**

5. Appropriate life jackets (PFD) must be worn at all times while using OYC boats.

6. All boats shall be returned 1 hour prior to sunset unless participating in an OYC scheduled event.

7. Any lost equipment or damage incurred must be reported. The cost of replacing equipment or repair of damages is the responsibility of the member.

8. Failure to follow these procedures will cause member's boat usage privileges to be revoked.

9. Usage shall be scheduled with the following priorities:

1st- OYC Junior activities

2nd- OYC Activities

3rd- Reserved usage

4th- Open usage

