

Niagara Sailing Club

3619 East River Road
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September 2013



UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, September 27

General Membership Mtng.
6:30 pm

Saturday, October 5

Closing Work Party
9:30 am

The Not-so-Newlywed Game
POSTPONED

Friday, October –TBD

German Happy Hour
6:00pm

Saturday, October 26

Halloween Party
7:00pm

The Entertainment Committee::

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From Commodore PC Ray Dan-Jumbo

Hello, everyone! We are nearly into our fourth quarter of the season and I hope that everyone had a good summer of boating and fun around the club.

Last week's Commodore's Banquet went off very well and I thought the location was perfect. I would like to thank our membership for their support this year and also all those who were able to come out to this great event. A big thank you to Lori Albano for putting it all together for us. I would also like to thank Chris & Jill Neuhaus for the excellent job they did of singing the American and Canadian National Anthems. It gave our flag ceremony a very special touch.

Once again, I would like to thank the Board of Directors for their hard work this year. They have been very accommodating of my requests for meeting changes and have worked well as a cohesive group during my absences. This is a group that truly serves the best interests of the membership of the Niagara Sailing Club.

I hope the membership joins me in congratulating my pick for the 2013 Frank C. White Service Award. It went to Dan Robillard. He is a member that flies under the radar, but is always available to chip in and help. Whenever he gets a call to because boats are loose, jet ski docks need attention or helping with problems in the basin, he is always there to lend a hand. He has spear-headed the newly formed Gardening Committee and he has always taken an active role in the betterment and beautification of the club and grounds. With all he does around the club I have been trying for years to get him to run for the board, but he prefers to stay in the background. Thank you Dan and Congratulations!

I would also like to wish Chuck & Mary Meyer the heartiest of congratulations on their recent wedding. I was sorry to have missed it, but I heard that it was a really great day!

Finally, we are quickly approaching our closing day work party. This means we will need All Hands On Deck beginning at 9:30 am on Saturday, October 5th-rain or shine. The more help we get, the quicker we can get the job done!

I look forward to squeezing in some more boating whether power or sailing, before the end of the season. Hope to see you on the water!



2013 OFFICERS

Commodore:

PC Ray Dan –Jumbo

Vice Commodore:

Adam Masters

Rear Commodore:

PC Tony Albano

Fleet Captain:

Stephen Rodgers

Secretary:

Scott Henderson

Treasurer:

PC Steve Webb

2013 Board of Directors

PC John (Ziey) Cownie

PC Chuck Meyer III

Bryan Kaiser

Greg Pratt

Chris Neuhaus

Dave Wilkinson

From Rear Commodore—Tony Albano

I would like to thank all of the steak and lobster crew.

Jim Hanna for cooking the steaks and traveling in from Ohio.

Keith Conover for accepting his new assignment as a cook.

Jim Pax for running the clam stand. Michelle Hook for running the Kitchen and organizing the kitchen staff.

All the kitchen volunteers.

Olivia Dann and Kelsey Battaglia for running the 50-50 split.

And especially Ross Kaiser for being the Garbage man.

On another note I would like to acknowledge and thank Jean Swanson for her generous donation to help pay for the repair of the flag pole base in Memory of her father.

Elections

Election of Directors

Section II—Motion to Nominate— Any member eligible to vote may place in nomination the name of a member eligible for the office of Director by sponsoring a motion to nominate at the annual meeting. Candidates nominated in they manner shall be limited to eight (8).

Section III—Eligibility—No member shall be eligible for office of Director unless he has been a member of the Club at least twelve (12) months prior to the annual meeting and unless he shall be at least twenty-one (21) year of age by the first of day of January following the annual meeting.

Balloting for Election of Directors for 2013:

Polling for the ballots shall be received from:

1. October 5, 2013—12:00 pm until 2:00 pm at which time the ballots will be counted and reported to the Secretary. (Closing Day Work Party)

The Nominating Committee for election to the Board of Directors submitted the following names to the Secretary: VC Adam Masters, Scott Henderson, Greg Pratt, PC Steve Webb

The Nominating Committee is being Chaired by PC Ziey Cownie.

Please contact a board member if you wish to have your name added to the ballot.

From Fleet Captain Steve Rogers

To the membership:

Recently we sent you a copy of the revisions to the Constitution for your perusal. I hope you all have read it and either agree with all the changes or have written down some suggestions and or comments. The next two General Membership meetings will be on **September 27th and on November 8th**. Please mark the dates in your calendar as these are **extremely important** General Membership Meetings. We will be reading the Constitution at both of these meetings and open the floor for discussions. At the second meeting after the reading we will vote on the new changes and they will become effective immediately. As a reminder of the importance of these meeting, the **ONLY VOTES** that will count are those members' votes who are in attendance. We will need 3/4 of the attending member vote to pass. So if you want your vote to count, please attend both meetings and we can get this done. If you have any comments or suggestions regarding the Constitution, this will be the **ONLY** time you can bring them up to the Board of Directors to then discuss.

Stephen Rodgers
Fleet Captain

“Twenty years from now you will be more
disappointed by the things that you didn't do
than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines.
Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in
your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover. ~

~ *Mark Twain*

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From Assistant Fleet Captain PC Chuck Meyer III

With the ending of summer upon us, our **Beginner Adult Sailing Program** has come to a close. The final evening was marked by excellent wind, great sailing, a fun pizza party and recognition to all the students and instructors. The final student survey revealed extremely high approval ratings for the program, so we can without a doubt expect another exciting course next year. We will keep you posted, but please be sure to sign up early, as we did have to turn away a number of folks that had waited to register.

We will continue to sail on Monday nights, wind permitting, however this will not be "classroom" or supervised. Mary Glazier will continue to send email-group information to notify the sailing community of skipper and crew needs, and everyone can feel free to send shout-outs to the group for events and any sailing information to share. If anyone reading this would like to be included in the group, or you think the emails should go to the general membership, please just let us know!

The Labor Day racing weekend held polar opposites from Sunday to Monday this year. Many showed up, crewed up, and rigged up for the NSC/Sandy Beach Labor Day Regatta on Sunday, but alas, the fickle wind allowed only two boats to cross the finish line. On Labor Day Monday however, NSC sailors made up for it with 20mph gusts and whitecaps, making the 4-race day a spectacular time for all. As all boaters know, wind or no wind, any day on the water is still a good day!

ALL TOGETHER NOW.

NSC member and avid sailor Laura Koeppen is working with the other busy sailing clubs in our region to put together a greatly-needed inter-club sailing group, which will be on Facebook and other media. Ultimately we will have a crew bank of all the sailing communities and individuals in the area. Kudos to Laura! We await with great anticipation!

~ PC Chuck Meyer III
Assistant Fleet Captain

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From The Chartroom**New Membership Applicant:****Gerald Robinson**

Sponsors : Dick Crawford & Eric Pecararo



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Special Offer to Niagara Sailing Club Members!

Greetings folks – this is Scott Henderson from the NSC, letting you know about a special offer I've created exclusively for my friends and family who may be considering a new kitchen or other project in the near future. Please read on!

Due to the overwhelming popularity of our custom kitchen cabinets, we are proud to announce that we now offer a line of products that we can put our stamp of approval upon. The **ADVANTAGE WOODSHOP** is the exclusive local provider of **KITH KITCHENS** – kitchen and bath. These cabinets are made with the same exacting standards that we ourselves have practiced for years, while providing a wide array of styles, colors and finishes. Most importantly, these "Made in the USA" kitchen and bath cabinets can be had at substantially less cost than our full custom line, and in much less time too. We also carry a line of kitchen cabinets from **JSI CABINETRY**. They offer today's high-end fashions and trends without the high prices typically associated with quality cabinets. They are both affordable and in stock now!



As a special offer to **NSC** members, we will take **\$500 more off** your kitchen purchase, *in addition to all other offers*. Thank you again for choosing the **ADVANTAGE WOODSHOP** for all your Kitchen Cabinetry and Custom Millwork!