



BROCKPORT YACHT CLUB

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The Official Newsletter of the Brockport Yacht Club
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COMMODORE'S CORNER



This week marked the first day of Spring. The two feet of snow in my backyard makes me think my calendar is wrong. Thank you to everyone who went to check on

the club and all the boats last week after the storms. It is little things like that and looking out for each other that truly what makes this such a great place.

Next week is the budget vote. I haven't received any emails or phone calls about how great (or terrible) it is. I will take that as either a sign that folks aren't too offended by it or that nobody has read it. Whatever works.

The clubhouse stabilization task force (CSTF) has been hard at work looking for options to stabilize and defend the clubhouse from all threats foreign and domestic. They have been in discussions with different vendors and DEC officials about the best course of action. As of writing this, there is no concrete (pun intended) agreement on a direction but one will be forthcoming.

Looking forward to the season's events, Larry and Trish Beneway are in charge of the planning for this year's club cruise.

The plan is to depart on July 29th and cruise for a week. There is also some discussion about an extended trip for those who are interested in staying out for more than a week. More details to come in the upcoming months.

Cheers,

(John Stevens, Commodore)

VICE COMMODORE



"Nothing to report."

John Saucke, Vice Commodore)

REAR COMMODORE



Nothing to report this month. All is well!

(Ken Beghini, Rear Commodore)

FLEET CAPTAIN



Hard to believe with the crazy weather we have been having, but it is less than two months to launch.

I was very pleased to see that all of the boats were in good order after the fierce windstorm that hit the area. Kudos to every boat owner for that! There were several covers that were ripped and/or untied, but all the boats were in their cradles or jackstands and no trees fell on any of the boats. With the heavy snows that came shortly thereafter, I would recommend every boat owner come down and check that their boat is okay.

Also, I am happy to report that the water level in the basin has risen significantly from last month. When I last looked, the water was only a foot from touching the bottom of the docks in some places.

Move/dock requests were processed last month. This brings the total to 18 move/dock requests completed over the last two years. This is up significantly from past years, mostly due to 16 new members coming into the club during this time. Remember, if you wish to make a move/dock request, please submit it to me in writing (email works).

Now is the time when owners start to prep their boats for the upcoming season. When you come down, remember that parking is limited, and to be wary of your surroundings when maneuvering through the boats and working on yours. Be safe!

(Eric Grape, Fleet Captain)

BUSINESS MEETINGS

- General Membership Meetings are held on the last Thursday of the month
- at Carmestro's in Hilton during the months of January thru April and
- at the yacht club during the months of May thru October.
- No meetings in November or December.
- Reservations are required for the dinner portion.
- Appetizers @ 6:00PM,
- Dinner @ 7:00PM, meeting to follow.
- email reservations to dinner@brockportyachtclub.org prior to 6PM on the Sunday prior to the meeting

CALENDAR

- May 6 Boat Launch
- May 13 Club Opening
- May 28 Commodore's Review & Holiday Cocktail Party
- July 3 Holiday Cocktail Party
- July TBD Kids Sunfish Classes
- Club Cruise: Begins the Last Saturday of July
- Sunfish Regatta TBD
- September 3 Annual Wine Tasting
- Saturday, September 9 Annual Corn Roast
- October 13-14 Haul Out
- October 26 Corn Beef Dinner & General Meeting
- Oct 28 Club Closing
- Nov. 4 Commodore's Ball

WORK PARTY: APRIL 22ND

There will be a Work Party on Saturday April 22nd to install the Creek side Docks. Work will begin at 8:00 AM. Rain/snow date will be Saturday April 29th.

DINNER MEETING March 30th!

The monthly Club Membership Meeting and Dinner will be held at Carmestro's Restaurant in Hilton. Social hour begins at 6, dinner at 7, with the General Membership meeting to follow. If you plan on attending the dinner and are not on the permanent list, email the social committee to RSVP at:

bycdinner@brockportyachtclub.org Be a considerate member and RSVP!

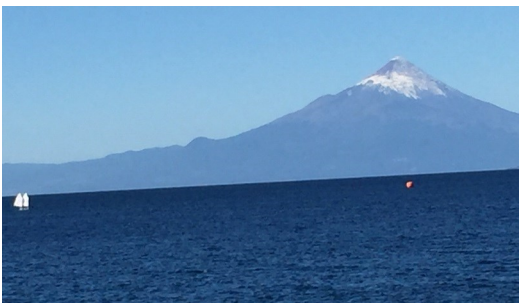
TUESDAY BREAKFAST:

Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy the companionship of BYC at breakfast at the Hilton Diner every Tuesday morning at 9 AM.

TRAVELLING MEMBERS' PICTURES:

Hi, Dave, took this picture yesterday in front of the Osorno Volcano on Llanquihue Lake in Chile. Optimus are sailed everywhere! Heidi and I are on our way to Punta Arenas on the Straits of Magellan then on to Torres Del Paine National Park.
Spud

Fantastic shot! Thanks Spud! Dave



WOODEN BOAT FESTIVAL:

The 23rd Annual Wooden Boat Festival will be held on Saturday July 22nd at the Port of Newcastle. Anyone interested in sailing or going over?

DEC FISH PEN PROJECT:

I have contacted the DEC for more information regarding the fish pens that they would like to put in at the BYC waters for the month of April.
Dave

The response follows:

Thanks for the phone call last Wednesday. As I promised, attached are photos and a description of the pen rearing process.

Steelhead trout and Chinook salmon are two Lake Ontario sport fish species that are raised in pens during their early life to imprint on the water of Sandy Creek. Both species return to the stream they were born in as spawning adults. DEC studies have shown that pen rearing improves survival and returns by 2:1 over fish stocked directly into Lake Ontario without being pen reared.

The Sandy Creek Salmonid Pen Rearing Project (Project) is a group of volunteers that raise Steelhead and Chinooks in pens. The volunteers consist of fishing boat captains, recreational anglers, boy scouts, and SUNY Brockport students. Sandy Creek Marina had been the host location for the Project since 2003. Just prior to the 2016 pen rearing season, the marina owner resigned from the Project BOD and from hosting the Project. The Project coordinator is now looking for a new site to host the Project and asked me to inquire about Brockport Yacht Club possibly hosting the Project. BYC would be an ideal site because it is close to the lake and stays cooler longer than the former marina site.

The pens are net-covered metal tubular frames 20'X5'X5'. See attached pictures. There are 5 pens, three for Chinooks, two for steelhead. They will be assembled off site and towed to BYC. Ideally a DEC stocking truck would need to get close to the pens to hose fish into the pens on BYC land. Alternatively, they could be stocked into the pens at the DEC boat launch and towed to BYC. The fish are fed using automated feeders. Volunteers would need to fill the feeders every few days for three weeks from generally around the second week in April to the first week in May. Land access thru the Club would be most ideal, but access via water could also work. An area near the pens for a small dock-style storage bin to store the food would also be ideal. After fish are released,

the pens would be towed away from BYC and disassembled. The pen project will commit to releasing the fish prior to BYC's boat launching date.

The Sandy Creek Salmonid Pen Rearing Project Coordinator and I would be happy to meet with the BYC Commodore, Officers, and BOD to discuss.

Thanks Dave, for considering this request and for passing it on to the BYC Officers, and members.

Matt Sanderson Senior Aquatic Biologist, Division of Fish, Wildlife, and Marine Resources

Fish Pen Volunteers:

If you want to find out more about the fish re-stocking program or want to volunteer, there is a meeting on Saturday March 25th, at 1

PM at the Hamlin Town Hall. Great guys and all are welcome.

Postscript:

With approval from the E-Board and the General membership, at the last meeting, Paul Ward and I met with the DEC and a re-stocking volunteer. They were enthusiastic and very willing to work with BYC



to make this project a success for all involved parties.

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SHIP'S STORE:

In stock: T-shirts, hats, koozies, burgees, and more!

Give me a call or email me for prices, colors and sizes. Jack Evans 455-5701

jackevans@rochester.rr.com

(Should we have a Club Uniform? Ed.)

FOR SAIL:

1975 Catalina 22 with Swing Keel
Well maintained. Sailed every summer since 1990 on Lake Ontario out of BYC. Excellent sails: Ullman Jib with CDI roller furler.. Somerset loose footed main with Lazy Jack system. Ulmer Flasher with all rigging. 2004 Honda 5 HP 4 stroke outboard. Purchased new. Less than 10 engine hours per year. Autohelm 1000 autopilot. Ray Jefferson 5000M Radio. (Needs new 12V Marine battery.) Storage trailer with new trailer tires. 2016 NY Registration and Inspection. Currently located in the club parking lot. Asking \$3000. Contact: Laurie Eschmann 225-2705

29.5 foot Sea Ray(Sweet Pea) for sale. Air/heater , hot & cold pressure water, microwave , twin 260 HP engines. contact Bruce Martin [585-734-1141](tel:585-734-1141). \$16,900.

Charisma for Sale

- 1975 Sabre 28 MK I with Atomic 4
- 3' 10" shoal draft, great for BYC
- Wheel steering & New Quantum Main-sail
- Asking \$12K
- See Ken Beghini for details 705-5370



Photo of Charisma

MISCELLANEOUS RAMBLINGS:

Paul Ward, and I, met with the DEC representative and a volunteer to go over some of the details of the project. The pens that re in the picture, will fit into BYC boat slips. The plan is to install and stock the pens in April. The volunteers will then put them into position in slips at the south end of the Creek side Dock. There will be automatic feeders that require minimal servicing. Just filling the hoppers. The fish food will be in bins that will be placed out of the way on the porch. The fish, and pens, will be gone before launch.

As I learn of the re-stocking date, I will let everyone know, so that you can come watch this most interesting feat.

Thank you.

Keep your Spars Clean!

Dave

