



## BROCKPORT YACHT CLUB

# PORTHOLE

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



On Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> we launched six boats and shuffled around six more to make room for the work to be done over the winter. I would like to thank Larry

Beneway, John Saucke, Ken Beghini, Todd Shumaker, and Spud for volunteering to put their boats in to facilitate the work this winter...especially Larry for towing me from Hamlin Beach to Oak Orchard when my engine quit. I would also like to thank everyone that came to help with the launch. It went as smooth as we hoped it would and the weather cooperated.

Labella is at the club taking soil borings today (10/16). The appraisal is under way for the financing and pre-bid meetings have begun.

Next week is our annual corn beef and cabbage. It is always a fun meeting to look forward to. If nothing else I promise that there will be no presentations! Just a reminder, RSVP for this year's Commodore's Ball by October 28<sup>th</sup>.

Cheers,

(John Stevens, Commodore)

### VICE COMMODORE



Greetings, What a different sight watching boats being launched on Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> in October. Even more amusing was taking a boat trip to the river (AKA

Oley's) on the same day. Not often you get a boat ride this late in the year. I would like to give a big "Thank You" to the guys that offered to move their boats off of the club property to allow the heavy equipment to come in this winter for the sea wall project. Looking forward to getting this project under way as it will keep the parking lot open for next spring and summer. The corned beef and cabbage party is coming up soon. I'll miss it this year but hope all that attend have the usu-

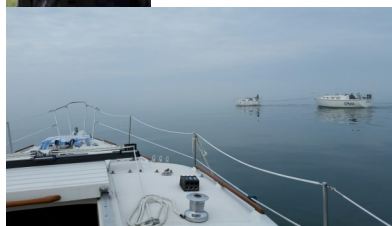
al good time. Hope to see you all at the "Commodore's" Ball!

(John Saucke, Vice Commodore)

### REAR COMMODORE



Looking forward to seeing everyone at the Corn Beef and Cabbage meeting



Motoring through the fog to Oak Orchard!

See you at the club.

(Ken Beghini, Rear Commodore)

### FLEET CAPTAIN

All of the docks that needed to be raised



in preparation for the sea-wall have been raised. Getting the docks raised was a major accomplishment, and I want to thank each and every one

who came out to help. With that being said, there are still center joists to be placed and a couple of poles that need to be moved. We will try and accomplish these activities at the same time as the club closing, at which time we will also remove the creek side docks.

The next phase will be snugging up the electrical and water lines. Expect a work party for that effort. It will involve moving the lines attached to the lower center joists to the new higher center joists and snugging up the lines.

(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 ??
- September and October meetings are at the Club.
- 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](mailto: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. 11th Commodore's Ball

## **DINNER MEETING 26th!**

### **The monthly Club Membership Meeting and Dinner will be held at The Club!**

The annual Corn Beef & Cabbage dinner will be October 26th. This will be the last meeting of 2017. No reservations necessary. This year's Cabbage is better than ever. Come early and get a good seat. Ed, Jack, and the Crew.

Park at the Parkway lot. Social hour begins at 10AM, dinner at 7, with the General Membership meeting to follow.

### **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.

### **THANK YOU:**

A big thank you to all for all of the work done to make our Club Great for the Extended Summer!

Happy Halloween!

Thanks Glen Brower for installing a new Jetty light base.



Glen Brower rocks, literally.....

Photo by Ken B.

### **From The Surveyors Perspective**

By Bob Spencer

"Nothing to report."

### **THE MOVING OF THE BOATS**

Larry had told John Stevens weeks ago that if he needed boats moved off the parking lot we would be willing to go if the crane could pick us out of the middle (which we really didn't think was likely). Well, there weren't enough boats at the edge of the creek to go, so we had to try. It took some re-positioning of the crane to get *Njord*, but in the end it worked. But that left the issue of water depth in the creek. We draw 5'4". Two weeks ago, Larry and I took the fishing boat out and checked depth, finding barely enough. Then Larry and his brother went back out several times last week and found the sand bar all the way across the creek left just 5' at the deepest point. So Sat. am we went back out to map the best route, thinking that when we hit the sand, Larry's brother could pull us through with the fishing boat. We left the club shortly after noon on Sat. with John Stevens and Ken Beghini right behind us. As we approached the sand bar I closed my eyes and tried to breathe, visualizing the keel plowing through the sand. When we hit it, we didn't come to a complete stop, but just crept ahead for about 6' and then we were free (until we hit the unexpected sand bar just outside the mouth of the creek, but that was just a quick bump).

All seemed well and even the fog bank ahead didn't seem too threatening. Then we realized that John and Ken had stopped. We went back to check on them and found John's engine had quit. After trying the usual quick fixes the choices were clear: tow him back to BYC or tow him to Oak Orchard. The latter seemed the wiser choice rather than risk getting stuck in the BYC basin and Larry was confident that *Njord* had sufficient power, so we attached a line and headed west. Into a fog bank. We were in dense fog off and on even when we had spots of sun directly overhead. The fog grew denser as we approached Oak Orchard. Larry had been fussing with the GPS all afternoon (unfamiliar because it was new to us last year) but finally got the screen that

showed our track from a prior sail to Oak Orchard; he was able to follow it, blind, until we could finally make out the breakwall in the fog less than 100 yards ahead.

Electronics, luck and the wind gods were with us. Without the GPS we would not have made it. Without the right combination of boats, towing wouldn't have worked. Without the glass-smooth seas that afternoon, we would not have been able to tow another boat. It has been a tough year for BYC-ers but sometimes you get a break.

Trish Brantingham Beneway



Into the Fog!



Ken's boat

### **SHIP'S STORE:**

In stock: T-shirts, hats, koozies, burgees, and more! See last page.

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

### **FOR SAIL:**

**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). \$13,900.

**Pearson 26** Weekender hull. Almost free. Will help move. Dave Pulhamus

**Pearson 25, Lilly.** New(er) sails. Roller furling. Motor. \$3,800. Dave Pulhamus

**You are cordially in-  
vited  
to the 2017 Commo-  
dore's Ball  
Saturday November  
11, 2017  
At  
Braemar Country  
Club  
4704 W Ridge Rd.  
Spencerport, NY  
14559  
Cocktails at 6:00 pm  
Buffet Dinner at 7:00  
pm**

**Please R.S.V.P  
to jstevens@icmcom.com  
by Saturday October  
28, 2017**

**Cost is \$35 per person**

### **WHATTIZZIT??!**

Submitted by Dave Wright.



He does not know if a sail version is available , or exists.

### **MISCELLANEOUS RAMBLINGS:**

The fantastic weather continues! Sailed on the *Bobby G.* Wednesday. Great time spent with friends! They will become cherished memories.

There is still time to perform maintenance on your boat, prior to next season. Or, you could procrastinate, like me, and wait 'till April.

This is the last issue of the Porthole for this year.

This marks the end of the fourth year I have edited the Porthole. Here is an opportunity for someone that is interested,. If you would like to be the editor of the Porthole and receive all of the accolades and compensation that goes with the position, feel free to contact me. I do not want to hold anyone back who may be interested!

*Keep your spars clean.* Dave

**Wait! Don't Stop Now ! There is more Porthole on the next two pages!!**



Still looking for our mascot !





Cobourg Harbour sunrise 9-24-17. Submitted by Dick Olsen



Reminder of past work. Submitted by Tomj Rossi



Reflected Clouds on the journey to Oak Orchard. Trish Beneway.



Towing by Trish Beneway