



# THE MAINSHEET

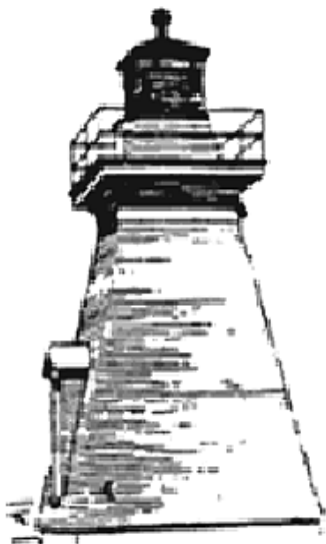
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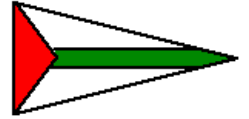
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Winter 2013



Photo courtesy of Debbie Critchley





# Cruise News

2013 is gearing up to be an action packed year on the water. This year we were asked by David Bruce to be the Cruise Co-ordinators. We are hoping this new format will enhance our Cruises and get more sailors involved in the cruises and planning aspect.

David has selected the destinations for the upcoming season, outlined as follows. Please take note and mark on you calendars.....

## Tuscarora Yacht Club,

June 22<sup>nd</sup>, Saturday, return Sunday June 23<sup>rd</sup> with an option for a Friday departure (depending on boat numbers ).

## RCYC,

Saturday June 29th, 30th, returning Monday July 1st.

Early departures or late returns to be set up by each boat individually.

## ABYC,

Saturday, August 3rd, 4th, returning Monday August 5th.

Early departures or late returns to be set up by each boat individually.

## Etobicoke,

Saturday, August 31th, returning Sunday, September 1st.

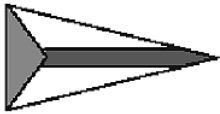
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New to this year we are launching the **"CRUISERS SOCIAL"**. We will be meeting in the white building Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>. We are hoping as many of you cruisers will come out in the dead of winter to see those you usually only see in the summer. The social will be an informal time to discuss the cruise schedule, plan events and disperse the workload. Many hands will make the job a lot easier.

To blue skies and fair wind,

Mike and Kathy Edwards

Valkyria



Upcoming Events...

*Niagara-on-the-Lake Sailing Club*

*Presents*

*The Commodore's Ball*

*Saturday May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013*

*6:00 Cocktails in the Royal Oak Lounge*

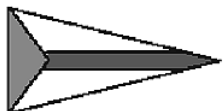
*7:00 Dinner in the Ballroom*

*Dancing to follow*

*White Oaks Resort & Spa*

*253 Taylor Road, Niagara-on-the-Lake*

*Tickets are \$35.00/pp available in advance at the office (905) 468-3966*



# This & That

## FROM THE EDITOR...

Is it Spring yet?

After spending some time sailing in the BVI with some great friends, I came home wishing it was Spring so that we could go sailing! There are lots of things happening this boating season and I can hardly wait to be back on the water.

AGM meeting on the 5th of March. If you can't make it to the meeting...be sure to give your proxy to a "like minded" member and make sure your vote is counted.

Thank you to all those that sent in pictures for the Mainsheet. I will do my best to use as many of them as I can. Please forward any submissions for the Mainsheet to [freedombeyond@hotmail.com](mailto:freedombeyond@hotmail.com).

-Kathy Brown



"We cannot direct the wind but we can adjust our sails."

Winning Photo from the Photo Contest- Jim Schacht -Passing Storm



Has Howard come out of retirement?

This was his explanation "...we were sitting over at the table with Doug and Emma (Doug's beautiful granddaughter) and Emma is doing her finger nails, she says to me 'I don't have any trouble doing my left hand with my right hand but I do have trouble doing my right hand with my left hand' so I say to her, 'well if you can do your left hand with your right hand I will do your right hand for you...'"



NOLSC had a group stay over in Toronto for the Boat Show. Dave & Shirley Bruce had the Presidential Suite at the Westin.

## Wednesday Night BBQ's

Wednesday Night BBQ's at the A-frame

will start at 6:30 p.m. this year.

We would like to extend an invitation to all members and families. It is not just for racers.

Come out and make this a **weekly social event** at our club!

(All proceeds will go to help offset the costs of Junior Sailing.)

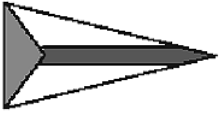


### FOR SALE

All gear from 27' Catalina, would suit boat in 27'-30' range.

Spinnaker Pole 5 years old and used once  
 \$275 Light Air Spinnaker      \$150  
 Jib (hanks) North Sails      \$200

Available for inspection at NOLSC or locally  
 Keith 905-468-7111  
 or  
 Cell 905-464-5577



## Upcoming Events...

# Social Events Calendar



Saturday, May 4 - Commodore's Ball, White Oaks Imperial Ballroom



Saturday, May 25 - Pig Roast

Sunday, June 9 - Sail Past



Saturday, July 13 - Steak BBQ/ Niagara Cup

Saturday, Aug. 17 - Corn Roast



Saturday, Oct. 19 - Tom Turkey

# Sailors Swap Meet

Saturday, April 27th, 2013

11 a.m.- 3 p.m.



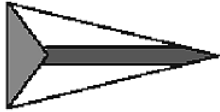
An opportunity to sell or exchange any un-needed boating items that may be a treasure to others.

Will be held in the main parking lot at the white building, if raining then it will be held inside the white building.

Tables and Pricing labels provided.

Unsold items **MUST** be taken home by owners.

Coffee and Water provided, donations accepted for Jr. Sailors.



## Thank You!

NOLSC received a lovely thank you card from Jack's daughters and thought the message should be shared with the membership.

"Thank you for your donation to Hospice Niagara in memory of our father Jack Kizlinsky. Also, thank you so much for the lovely planter it was much appreciated. Thank you to all for making our father feel as if he was a member of your family. Sincerely,  
**Caroline & Patty Kizlinsky**"



"I would like to express gratitude for all the messages of sympathy I have received since the death of my son Blair" - **Pearl Mitchell**

Thank you from the Past Commodore to all those that have helped me in the past two years.  
- **Judy Brandow**



Ed's Ramblings...

The Boat Show is over so the countdown is on for launch! The common question of water levels seems to be on everyone's mind. There are articles in magazines, on line, as well as information on the International Joint Commission website and all come to the same conclusion;

# Ed-ifications

NO SNOW, NO RAIN (2012) means depleted lake levels. Understanding why, does not lessen our concerns. We will be monitoring the level and what is being done to regulate the level closely.

Dock allocating time is near, so remember, make sure your account is current or no dock will be assigned. We all know, "ain't nobody got time for dat".

If you are thinking of carrying deer antler spray on board in the event of an injury, I need to tell you that is in fact a banned substance ..... so take heed!

Cheers,  
Ed

## THE COMMODORE COMMENTS...

Ciao, everyone!

I am looking forward to my tenure as Commodore and would first like to congratulate Judy Brandow for her excellent contribution to our club in this position. I thank her for all her hard work and dedication as a board member, and I know I will appreciate her expertise and counsel in times to come.

Hopefully, you are all enjoying the winter and although it is normally a quiet time at the club, these cold months have been quite busy. Greig and Andrew have been renovating the Junior Sailing School, it has been gutted and re-configured with the guidance of Long Range Planning Director, Dave Deboy, and Director of Junior Sailing, Dave Shantz. It is expected that this project will be completed in time to greet this year's crop of junior sailors.

I would like to welcome two new members to our Board, namely Donna Genge (Wings), who will serve as Vice-Commodore Fleet, and Peter Koslik (Bonaventure), who becomes Social Director. Bruce Harper will be moving to Vice-Commodore Operations, Rob MacLachlan will serve as Vice-Commodore House, Ron Critchley will be Membership Director, and Henry Van Atte will take the position of Director at Large. The other board members will continue in their present roles.

Some of you may not know this, but the low water levels this past season brought to light a major problem with the travel lift track. It is now necessary to repair it, which unfortunately is quite expensive. This restoration will be completed before the spring launch. We are also putting

together plans to address the difficulties in the basin that might result from continued dropping water levels.

At this time, I am happily preparing to leave for my annual trip to the Bahamas, sailing our little boat around Green Turtle Cay. Hopefully, many of you are able to spend time in the sunny south this winter as well. It does wonders for the ``blahs``, but spring is less than two months away, so cheers, see you at the AGM.

Rick Corvino



### DYC Commodore's Ball - 75th Anniversary

On November 3, 2012, Dalhousie Yacht Club's Commodore's Ball celebrated their 75th Anniversary. They greeted guests with champagne and then took a photo. Pictured here are Barb McMullen and Judy Brandow – Commodores of the Dalhousie Yacht Club and the Niagara-on-the-Lake Sailing Club.



## NOLSC Board of Directors 2013

### Flag Officers

Commodore	Rick Corvino
Vice Commodore—Operations	Bruce Harper
Vice Commodore—House	Rob MacLachlan
Vice Commodore—Fleet	Donna Genge
Secretary	Greg Chapman
Treasurer	Lottie Urquhart
Past Commodore	Judy Brandow

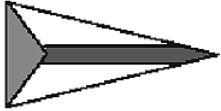
### Directors

Membership Director	Ron Critchley
Social Director	Peter Koslik
Junior Sailing Director	David Shantz
Long Range Planning	David DeBoy
Director at Large	Henry Van Atte
Public Relations and Cruising	David Bruce

### Board Affiliates

Mainsheet Editor	Kathy Brown
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## Spring AGM Meeting

Spring AGM Meeting  
Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>,  
in the Clubhouse.

Doors open at 7:00 pm - Meeting at 7:30 pm.  
Proxies available at the office.

### NYC and NOLSC Crew Sails to Fourth Place at Shark Worlds

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NYC's John Brunt, with crew Andrian Pustam and Rod Gardner of NOLSC sailed "Devil with a Blue Dress" to fourth place in a 56 boat fleet at the Shark Worlds held at Kingston Yacht Club on August 24-31. Congratulations to John and his crew. They sailed consistently all week counting 4th, 9th, 8th, 9th, 11th, 7th, and 3rd place finishes in the 9 race regatta to finish only one point behind the third place boat.

#### Top three finishers were:

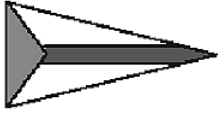
- 1st – Heavy Fuel, Kingston YC , Robert Davis, 40 net points
- 2nd – Tiger Niles, Bay of Quinte YC, Peter Aker, 57 net points
- 3rd – Shark Poop, Nepean SC, Johan Koppernaes, 59 net points

With the exception of one day, when racing was postponed on shore waiting for wind, the weather was typical Kingston with big breezes every day. On the day of the long distance race the wind speed was 25 Knots with gust reported to 50 Knots – real Shark weather. This made for a very exciting ride particularly on the leeward leg, which was dead downwind through a shipping channel between two islands, with lots of big waves to ride.



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Submitted by Rod  
Gardner





## BearsNest Sails to the Abacos



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With tunes from "Gilligan's Island" playing in my head.

I've decided to write a poem instead.

We sailed "BearsNest" for a second time, leaving Ft. Lauderdale on Jan. 26 day.

This has been our dream and plan for a cold winter get away!

Started out sailing in lumpy seas for many a nautical mile.

Feeling a little under the weather, but that didn't wipe away our smile.

The Florida Straits were deep and wide.

With no real place to hide.

So set our compass and sails to go!

We are sailing off to Abaco!

Winds started changing, so dropped our sails, motored with West End our stop.

We arrived safe and sound in "Bahama Bay Marina" tied up to their dock.

Just in time to watch the sun set.

Glad we made it, without getting wet.

With skipper, Larry and me (Debbie) right at his side.

Bob Galati (Smuggler's Cove), our long time friend was happy for this ride.

Copper, our pet dog, cock-a-poo.

For him was his third trip too!

Well two nights of being tied up at dock was enough.

We ventured on to the "Bank", whether it being smooth or rough.

This was the start of our 3 day tour, as we became anxious to go.

Winds on our nose for the next 2 days that was sure to blow!

Two nights of anchoring behind small islands kept us safe.

Where there would be no internet or wifi in place.

During 2 days of motoring, the guys decided to troll.

So now there are 2 lures on 2 fishing pole.

With me at the helm for awhile,

The guys were fighting fish with a big smile.

At the same time, they reeled 2 nice 12 pound snappers in.

Both were so proud of their catch, was shown with their grin!

What a good feed of fish we ate that night.

While being anchored behind Big Carters Cay Bight.



Next day with 15 knot SW winds blowing on our beam.

This was our chance to set sails and gleam.

The turquoise waters are so beautiful to see.

Even shallow, never realizing how lumpy they can be.

Great puffs enabled us to reach average speeds of seven.

But only wishing we could reach near eleven.

A long day at sea, always made us feel tired.

But our favourite "Dark & Stormy's" helped keep us wired!

Every night became a struggle to stay awake past nine.

But the warm sunny breezes and waves splashing made us feel fine.

Our next stop after travelling 32 miles would be Spanish Cay.

Where we finally got to shore to walk for the day.

A northerly front soon swept its way in, as we entered for the night

But of course, after docking the winds would go light.

Now it's the 6<sup>th</sup> day since we left Florida, making it to Green Turtle Cay.

Hurray!!! Hurray!!! Hurray!!!

Debbie & Russ with friends Roberto & Rhonda were waiting to greet us at Donny's boats.

The winds turned quite chilly, which made us wear our light coats.

Now at every sunset, we sound horns from the Conch, it's the Bahamian way.

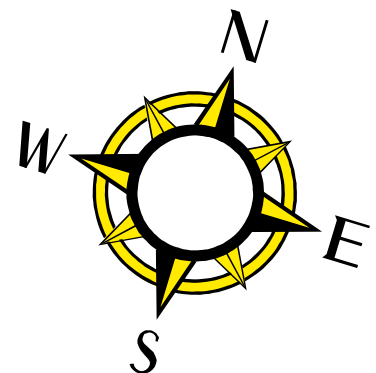
Marks the true celebration of yet another great day!!!

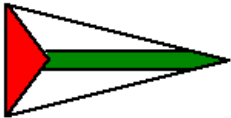
### Debbie Bayer



We will keep you posted later in the next issue of the MainSheet, with the adventures aboard the BearsNest.

### Larry & Debbie Bayer Crew of Bob Galati & Copper





## NOLSC Sailing School

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Preparations are well underway for the 2013 Sailing School season.

The biggest item is the total renovation of the Sailing School area in the lower part of the main building. As many of you know, the sailing school area has been pretty tired in the last several years, and needed to be updated. When considering the refit, the instructors asked to divide some of the space to have separate teaching areas for the 3 levels of classes. A proposal from NOLSC Instructor and architect student, Brenna Sant, was developed with NOLSC Director of Long Range Planning and architect, Dave DeBoy. This winter, the work of NOLSC staff, Greig and Andrew, have now made the renovations happen. While not all the final features could be accomplished this year, I think you will find if you drop by that the sailing school rooms been substantially improved to provide a safe and quality program this year.

Last year, both the Adult and Junior programs ran well, but the Junior registrations were significantly down. To improve

this for 2013, there is a return to the two 4 week junior programs and there are several additional initiatives, school presentations, and advertising planned to enhance community awareness of the program. A general 10% discount for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> members of a family registered for the program will return. In addition, referrals that result in new students for the program will get the "referrer" a 10% discount. In addition, there will be a 10% discount for members and offspring (and grandchildren of members) taking the program using a separate "member rates" application form (ask Barb for this form).

Finally, we are hoping to bring a new 3 month (June, July, and August) evening dinghy racing program to NOLSC. The program will led by a Race Team Coach/Instructor, and is intended to fill the gap for present students, past students and adults interested in participating in dinghy racing through clinics, Thursday evening races, after-race film and rule reviews, some Saturday morning clinics, and organization to go to

several regattas. This is a new evening and weekend program for all sailors, both Junior and Adult, interested in Dinghy racing. No prerequisites or participation in the day program will required, but is intended for people with previous sailing experience. The Thursday evening dinghy races and clinics will also be available to non-Race Team members who just want to pay a fee to race Thursday nights and enjoy the local dinghy club competition. There will be four categories of participation in the program. 1. Race Team training with NOLSC boat 2. Race Team training with own boat 3. Race Night-only Dinghy racing with own boat. 4. Race Night-only Dinghy racing with NOLSC boat. An evening meeting in May will be held to organize the dinghy racing program.

It is hoped that these changes will improve the NOLSC Sailing School program.

Looking forward to the 2013 season!

**Dave Shantz,**  
NOLSC Sailing  
School Director



### Used Printer Needed

Does anyone have a workable printer that they wish to part with? I only need it to run off several copies of race results once a week so it doesn't have to be elaborate. I know they are cheap to buy but thought if you had one you are keeping from the landfill sight I could use it for the club.

Please contact: Donna Genge  
dgenge@bell.net



# Awards, Racing & Events



**NOLSC Awards Banquet**

**NOLSC Racing 2012**

