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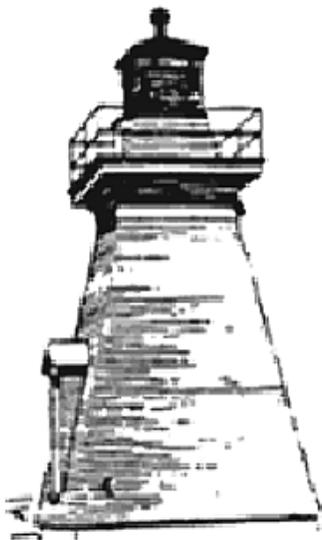
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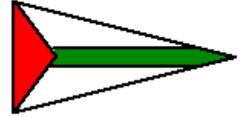
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September 2013



*Sail Past - June 9, 2013  
Janis & Rick Corvino - Crow Zone*





# Cruise News

The cruising season has gone far too fast.

I would like to thank Kathy and Mike Edwards for taking the role of Cruise Co-coordinators. They hosted the cruises to Tuscarora Yacht Club, RCYC and ABYC. All three were well attended and successful cruises.

Next season we will be adopting a format used by most of the cruising clubs around the lake. Each cruise will have a different host couple (or group of couples); most clubs refer them as cruise captains. The cruises would be set up in advance and all the logistics for the cruise would be done for them. The cruise captains would decide and set up the social event or events for the cruise they are in charge of. It could be anything from a simple get together to a theme party etc.

In the past the Cruise Co-coordinators usually hosted that seasons cruises. It worked ok with two cruises, but with now having four a season we feel it is better to spread things around. With forty or so active cruisers at our club it would work out to everyone hosting a cruise every five to ten years.

With cruises becoming more popular and better attended we are just looking for ways to improve the program.

For anyone who has never attended one of our club cruises, I would suggest they try one. It is a great way to meet or reacquaint with other club members. Most of the time boats leave in groups to cross the lake so you are not out there on your own.

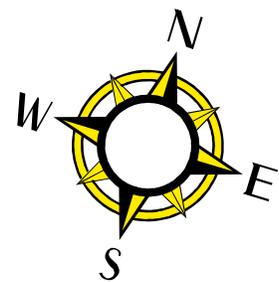
If anyone has any suggestions for next season destinations, please let me know.

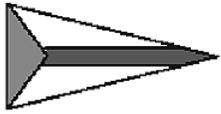
David Bruce,

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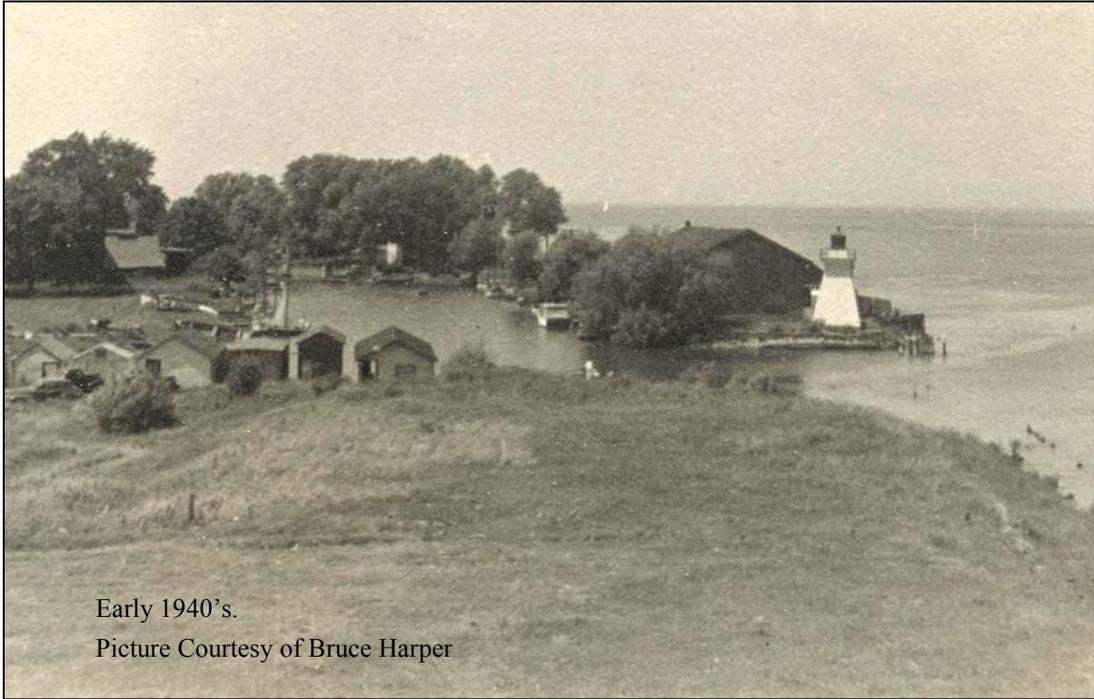


Winners of the  
1st Crazers Race– June 2, 2013  
Kathy & Mike Edwards with  
Crew Bruce & Roberta Harper  
on Valkyria





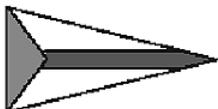
# Remember When...



Early 1940's.  
Picture Courtesy of Bruce Harper



Cartoon by  
Vince  
Thompson



## From the Editor...

Well, the summer of 2013 has come to an end but what a fabulous summer it has been. I have been most fortunate to have had some time off to really enjoy our boat this summer! We managed several long trips to the North Shore and took in some new sites along the way. As usual, we managed to get to Wilson, NY several times again this year.....and it still remains my favourite destination to this day.

This year, with much persuasion from Kathy & Mike Edwards, Garry and I are going to try our hand at the NOLSC golf tournament on October 5. Good thing it is "Best Ball" or we could be out on the course from dawn until dusk.....I am sure it will be very memorable to say the least.....Look Out Everyone!

I hope that as the sailing season comes to an end; the hustle and bustle of putting the boats to bed allows us the opportunity to converse with our comrades about the adventures we all have had.

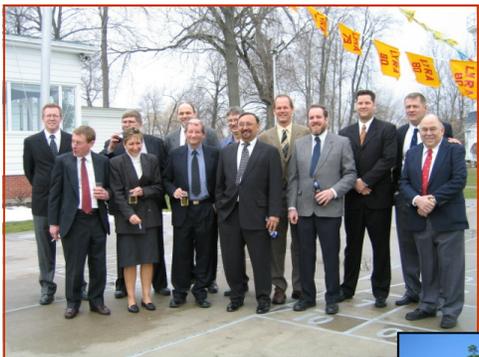
See you at Tom Turkey!

-Kathy Brown

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



## Past Members Remembered



Two Racing Legends....  
Ray Brimsmead and  
Dr. Ken Miller



Dick Railton

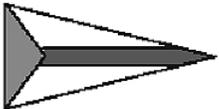


Duncan Harper

Time has passed, but not my memories on crewing with Duncan on the overnight races with Harry Bunke on TIGHT SQUEEZE.

Dave Clayton

Pictures Courtesy  
of Dave Clayton



## In Memoriam

### **GARRETT, Lionel -**

It is with great sadness that we announce the rapid passing of Lionel Garrett (**Sept. 1, 1929 - May 29, 2013**), dedicated and loving husband to Beverley of 60 years. He was surrounded by all of his family at home after a battle with Pulmonary Fibrosis. He will always be honoured by his children Ted Garrett (Pam), Jim Garrett (Linette), Randy Garrett (Cathy) for all of his years of love and dedication to all of them and his grandchildren. Survived by brother Douglas Garrett (Christina) and predeceased by half brother Richard Hall (Marie). Lionel was a well accomplished businessman and founder of Garrett Insurance Agency (1960), woodworker, avid sailor and traveler, honorary lifetime member of Niagara-On-The-Lake Sailing Club (Commodore 1978) and active with the Air Stream travel group. Member of Niagara Lodge A.F. & A.M. No. 2 G.R.C., Master in 1968, District Secretary 1981. Member of Niagara-On-The-Lake Legion branch 124. He is succeeded and adored by his Grandchildren; Meagan Grant (Ryan) and Great-Granddaughter Charlotte and predeceased by Grandson Liam 2008; Jeremy Garrett, Lindsey DeLuca (Brandt) and Tiffany Garrett; Leah Hawkins (Nathan).

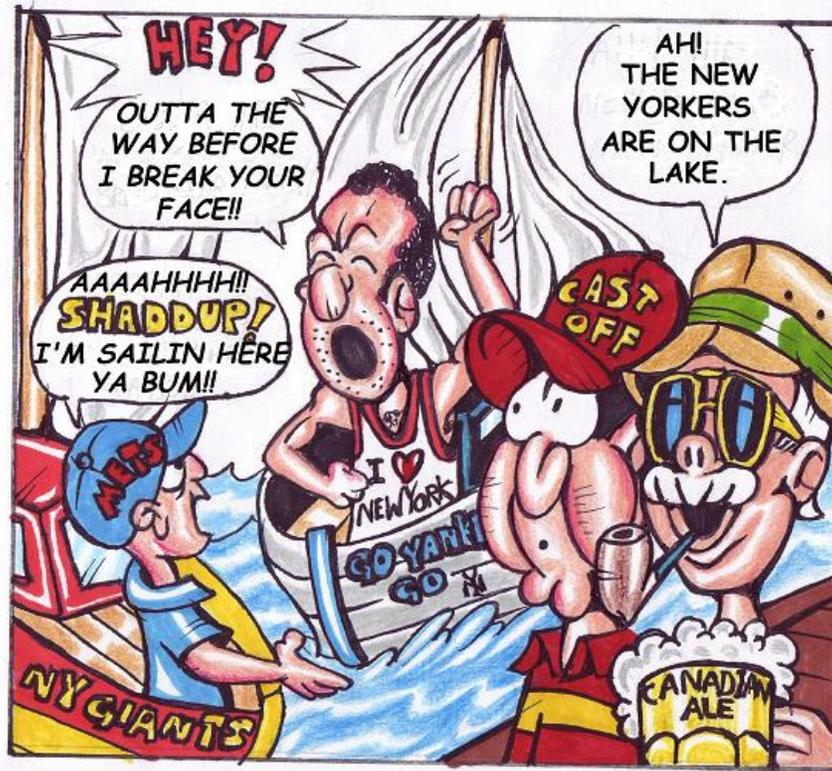
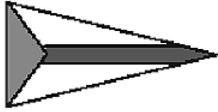


### **RAILTON, Dr. Richard Hazlewood**

**- November 8, 1931 - July 16, 2013** - Died peacefully, surrounded by his family at St. Joseph's Hospital in Hamilton. Dr. Railton will be dearly missed by his wife Annette, her son Tyler and his children Helenium and Juliana; his daughter Kim Railton, husband Geoff and their children James, Michael, Philip, Jenessa and Benjamin; his son Geoff (Ja'far) Railton, his wife Laymon and their children Hoden, Aaishah and Abdullah; his son Robert Railton, his wife Joanne and their children Olivia and Maximilian; and his brother James Railton, wife Claire and their children Echo, Patrick and Crawford (Yasmin). He is predeceased by parents Samuel Victor Railton and Ruth Miriam Railton (née Hazlewood), sisters Nancy and Jane, and his first wife Edith Railton (nee Alvin). Born in Woodstock, Dr. Railton devoted 52 years to the care of countless Ontarians in his capacity as a medical doctor. He began his study of medicine at the University of Toronto in 1955, was a member of Zeta Psi, followed by his appointment as Chief Resident Surgeon at the Toronto General Hospital in 1960. He was named a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of Canada in 1960 and a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons in 1965. He practiced General Surgery in Welland, ON from 1961 until recently taking a senior role practicing and consulting in wound care, minor surgery, and hyperbaric oxygen therapy at the St. Catharines Wound Clinic. Among Dr. Railton's many contributions to medicine was his development of various surgical techniques utilizing staples as well as treatment of wounds using hyperbaric oxygen therapies. Throughout his career at Welland General Hospital, Dr. Railton was Chief of Staff, Chief of Surgery, Chief of General Surgery, and Chair of Surgery & Anaesthesia, among many other titles. He was a champion of the Continuous Quality Improvement project and served on the Medical Strategic Planning Committee for the Niagara Health System. Dr. Railton was also a President of the Niagara Peninsula Surgical Society and was founding President of the Southern Ontario Surgical Society. Outside of Niagara, Dr. Railton was elected a Director of the Ontario Medical Association in 1979 and became President of the OMA in 1986. He was elected Honorary Treasurer of the Canadian Medical Association four times from 1988 to 1992. He served on the CMA Council on Economics and later on the CMA Board from 1986 to 1992. He was Treasurer of the Canadian Association of General Surgeons for several years and became President in 1985. Dr. Railton's second passion was education. He was elected as a Trustee of the Board of Education for the City of Welland in 1963, and was vice-chairman in 1969. He continued with the Niagara South Board of Education for eleven years, being chairman from 1971 to 1973. He was a Brock University trustee and chairman of the MAC of the Niagara Rehabilitation Centre. He served on the American College of Surgeons Committee on Young Surgeons and was vice-chair. A life-long love of sailing led to his being commodore of the Morgan's Point and Parkway Sailing Clubs as well as a director of the Niagara-On-The-Lake Sailing Club. He loved to travel, eat, drink, and spend time with his loving family.



*Our sincere condolences to the families and friends of Lionel and Richard,- NOLSC*



Cartoon by  
Vince  
Thompson



### Ed's Stuff

What a difference a year makes. Last year was stifling hot and the water levels were seriously low. This year neither enters our minds or conversations.

Summer is winding down..... sorry, but it is. I know some people like warmer weather than we've had at times this season, but I must say I find it

# Ed-ifications

most enjoyable! The boating season has been busy once again trying to accommodate visitors to our club. Larger boats are still our best customers, so we fill up quickly.

The YYC Level Regatta was retired as we know it. It was nice to see some NOLSC boats win in their divisions since this was "The Last Hurrah". Nothing lasts forever.

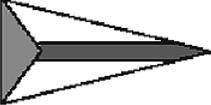
I would like to say thanks to our summer staff, Garrett,

Kara and Kate. I get many many comments from boaters about how courteous and helpful our staff is.

If you will not be using your boat for the remainder of the season, once September arrives, we will be happy to haul it early. Call Greig to schedule.

Let's get ready for the leaves to fall ..... or should that be Leafs ? Now off to PQ for some fishing with my son.

Cheers,....Ed



## THE COMMODORE COMMENTS...

Where has the summer gone? It seems the season just began a few days ago, yet September is here. Perhaps the time flew by because so many exciting events occurred. Our cruisers had several very successful exchanges with other clubs, who, in return, enjoyed their time here at NOLSC. Club racing was once again an important weekly event, followed by tasty barbecues held at the A-Frame each Wednesday. The Youngstown Levels Regatta brought visitors to our club for its "Last Hurrah", and although not sponsored by us, we will all miss this mid-summer event. The Pig Roast, the Steak Fry and the Corn Roast were outstanding. I consider myself lucky to be a member here and enjoy participating in all the club has to offer.

We must keep in mind that the season is not over. There is still fine sailing weather ahead of us and the Tom Turkey and Shark Homecomers' Regatta have yet to happen. Thinking of the future reminds me that next year is our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The Board of Directors has made many commemorative plans for this, including providing a new line

of regalia that will be available this Christmas. You will have an opportunity to contribute to the club personally by sponsoring the purchase of colourful Muskoka chairs, which will be plaqued with the sponsor's name and placed on the green spaces around the club. More events/happenings are in the works.

A big thank you to all our staff and Directors for their hard work these past months! I sincerely hope your summer was as good as mine, and that autumn continues to be pleasant for all.

**Rick & Janis  
Corvino  
(Crow Zone)**



### PLEASE NOTE:

**The new Membership Rosters are in the works....if your information has recently changed please be sure to give your new information to Barb in the office as soon as possible.**

## NOLSC Board of Directors 2013

### Flag Officers

Commodore	Rick Corvino
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Cruise Co-ordinators	Kathy & Mike Edwards

## The End of an Era

The End of an Era - The Last Level Racing Regatta Hosted by Youngstown, NY on Lake Ontario

For 40 years the Youngstown Yacht Club, located on the Niagara River directly across from the Niagara-on-the-Lake Yacht Club has hosted this bi-national event. This three-day celebration from July 26 to 28, brought in over 200 crafts, from Lake Ontario as far away as Kingston, and from the US states of New York, Michigan, Illinois and Indiana were represented. Some boats located on Lake Erie even ventured through the Welland Canal to reach the starting line. The smallest boat being 21' - four person crew, up to 45' - twelve person crewed sailboats. The object is to compete against each other on a designated racecourse in similar designed boats or class or 'level' (size of vessel). There were 20 different classes this year, having 5 races each; their scores based on an average of the number of races sailed. The top prize wins a trophy, some sponsored gifts and bragging rights for a year; the additional winnings for all participants include the fellowship amongst ones peers and neighbours is endless.

A regatta is truly a beautiful sight to watch. Unlike other sporting events, which are based on the power of an individual animal, athlete or teams or the stealth of a racing vehicle; sailing a boat in a regatta is a combination of many things. A sound boat, a skipper who knows her, the wind, and the water, and a loyal team of a tactician, a helmsman and crewmembers, all relying on each other's skill, agility and bravery. They compete in several races against other boats identical to theirs in size and weight. What will set them apart and declare one of them a winner in their own 'Level' is their strategy, tactics, dedication and love of sailing above all else.

This three-day event took 300 volunteers American and Canadian to support the participants. The organization of racecourse, sponsors and entertainment are practically a year-round commitment and this year's committee is to be commended. All start times were met, any/all disputes resolved and the entertainment and festivities were well received. This event will

truly be missed by the people and businesses of Youngstown; but not as much as it will be missed by the sailors themselves. The winners and race results can be found on [www.yyc.org](http://www.yyc.org) or [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com).

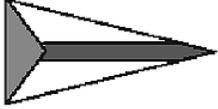
Funny, that celebrating this ancient sport, on a nationally shared body of water, with the camaraderie and mutual respect our two nations have for each other, should end on the very bicentennial Year of the War of 1812, which defined this area of the world, is truly sad.

A combination of bureaucratic rules and regulations from both countries, have made it increasingly difficult to travel simply across a 1/4 mile (the closest point of the Niagara River) with a travel time of 5 min., vs. 22.2 mi. and 38 min., with lengthy border crossings by land. The newest problem being the sensitivity to the imaginary boundary in the water; for unlike a cartoon or a paper map, some statesmen don't realize that there is no dotted line throughout the Niagara River and the Great Lakes, defining the US | Canadian border.

For regardless of how many rules and regulations are put upon us living along the world's longest friendly border, they are viewed merely as impositions put in place by persons who are foreign to us and the feelings and love we have about the body of water we share with our neighbours.

Colleen McLaughlin, Independent Reporter  
Photo courtesy of Susan Fluellon; Cutline for pic - Three different classes of sailboats round the same mark at this years 40<sup>th</sup> (and last) Level Regatta held in Youngstown, New York, July 27-28.





## The Funny Bone...

### Captain's Mystery

Once upon a time there was a famous sea captain. This captain was very successful at what he did; for years he guided ships all over the world. Never did stormy seas or pirates get the best of him. He was admired by his crew and fellow captains.

However, there was one thing different about this captain. Every morning he went through a strange ritual. He would lock himself in his captain's quarters and open a small safe. In the safe was an envelope with a piece of paper inside. He would stare at the paper for a few minutes, then lock it back up. Afterwards, he would go about his daily duties. For years this went on, and his crew became curious.

Was it a treasure map? Was it a letter from a long lost love? Everyone speculated about the contents of the strange envelope.

One day the captain died at sea. After laying the captain's body to rest, the first mate led the entire crew into the captain's quarters.

He opened the safe, got the envelope, opened it and ....

The first mate turned pale and showed the paper to the others. Four words were on the paper; two lines with two words each:

Port - Left

Starboard - Right

### The Computer Swallowed Grandma

The Computer swallowed Grandma.  
Yes, honestly it's true;  
She pressed 'Control' and 'Enter'  
And disappeared from view.

It devoured her up completely,  
The thought just makes me squirm.  
She must have caught a virus  
Or eaten by a worm.

I've searched through the recycle bin  
And files of every kind;  
I've even searched the Internet  
But nothing did I find.

Desperate, I then consulted Google  
My searches to refine.  
The reply was negative,  
Not a thing was found on line.

So. If inside your 'Inbox'  
My Grandma you should see,  
Please 'Copy' , 'Scan' and 'Paste' her  
And send her back to me.

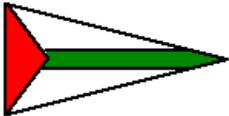
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# Social Events Calendar

Saturday, Oct. 19 - Tom Turkey



**SOLD OUT!**



## Junior Sailing News

### NOLSC Sailing School

Both the summer and another Sailing School season have come to an end. Where did it go? We had six wonderful instructors this year that were led by Head Instructor James Gardner, Assistant Head Colleen Cornett, Race Coach Tyler Lachnit, Senior Instructor Brenna Sant, and Intermediate Instructors Joe Salter and Ali Mroz. Their work in both Junior and Adult sailing instruction was well received and appreciated.

We totally enjoyed our renovated sailing school class rooms this year. It really made for needed separation of groups, improved storage of personal knap sacs, etc., and facilitated a better learning environment. It was also great to see the enjoyment and team building that takes place as groups get to know each other and help each other out. Take a look at the picture below of students lending a hand.



The return to the 4 week session format for junior sailing this year resulted in better group development and successful training. However, there was a problem with getting adequate registration in August. Additional discount incentives were offered for July students to augment the registration numbers. It may be that shorter session opportunities need to be offered in August to attract new students whose parents are unsure

about committing to a 4 week program, but would consider a one or two week program. These ideas are being considered for 2014. In any case, we will probably be planning for a smaller program with less capacity in 2013 that would involve fewer instructors.

Our Adult sailing program was very successful in 2013. Most of this success appears to be from the attraction of learning in Shark sailboats. There has even been interest in arranging for a more advanced Adult course next year. So far, the club owns a single Shark and has been accommodating the extra interest using an additional Shark on charter. However, for 2014, we are hoping to acquire another local Shark for the club and the program so that further chartering will not be necessary.

We did operate a different racing program this year, separate from the regular sailing school lessons. Two students participated in the race team sessions, and a number of sailors participated in the Thursday night dinghy races. The race team participated in several regattas with increasing improvement, and the Thursday night races were fun, in spite of a number of light air nights. Hopefully, both programs will be able to grow next year with more sailors enjoying the racing.

We did acquire a new 420 sailboat again this year (we also got one last year), and this continues to legitimize the chances for our racers to succeed. We also got a pair of club Laser sailboats operational in 2013 to augment both the junior sailing and join the Thursday night dinghy racing

with other lasers and a 505 owned by club members. We are hoping to attract more members to join us Thursday nights next year to increase the fun.

Below is a picture of our sailors and sailing school instructors Colleen and Tyler with the newest 420 sailboat that was named after a member of the Algoma Marine Mariners Club. This club has been supporting the NOLSC Sailing School boat fund with annual contributions over the last 10 years.



In all, we enjoyed another great season and look forward providing for next year.

**Dave Shantz,**  
NOLSC Sailing School Director



# Out and About

## Spring Racing



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