



THE MAINSHEET

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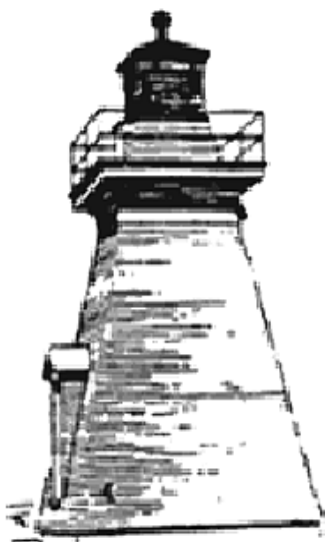
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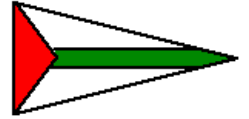
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*Boating and BBQ Season has begun!
Do you recognize this face?*

Answer: Paul Kocsis - Pycosis





Cruise News

Cruising 2013

It was a long enough winter and a cool enough spring. I think we are all looking forward to time spent on the water and heading off to new destinations.

Whenever you leave NOLSC for an overnight or extended trip, be sure to advise our office of your departure and return dates.

NOLSC is a very popular destination. If the office does not know that you are gone, your slip is unavailable for visitors. If your plans change while you are away and your return date has to change, please notify the office of your revised return date as soon as possible.

We have had members wait until they were at the mouth of the river to call and say they were returning early.

If you are planning on attending any of our club cruises (and I hope you are) again let the office know your intended departure and return dates.

See you on the water,

David Bruce,

Toucan



Upcoming Events...

Social Events Calendar



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

PORT WELLER RACE/RALLY

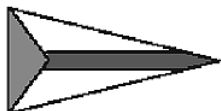
Saturday, June 2nd is our annual Port Weller Race. Check our club web sight for the Notice Of Race and Sailing Instructions.

New this year is an added class “**Cracers**” - any cruiser who wishes to try racing but is not serious about it. This is an excuse to get on the water and have fun. I am hoping we will get a big turnout for both serious racers and cracers.

I am asking everyone, - racer and cracer to bring a small appetizer and drinks and meet on the upper deck after the race to share stories, and laughs and to hear the results.

Cracers, we will have a short meeting at 9:15 am. to discuss procedures.

Donna Genge



This & That

FROM THE EDITOR...

We are well on our way to a glorious summer!

We had a great night at the Commodore's Ball. Everyone looked beautiful in their evening wear and jewels! The Swap meet in the parking lot was a success! Many managed to swap or purchase "new items."

The May long weekend was a great opportunity for many to get out on their boats and blow the cobwebs off their sails. There are still a few boats to go in but the yard is emptying quickly.

Pretty soon the club will be blooming! Planting Day is on the 25th. Thank you to all that make our club beautiful. Just in time for our first White Building social of 2013....**Pig Roast.**

There have been familiar faces seen at the gas dock....Our 3 favourite summer staff members are back....Garrett, Kara and Katie. We look forward to seeing their lovely smiles this season.

I would like to welcome Vince Thompson to the Mainsheet for his cartoon depictions of the sailing world. More on Vince in the next issue of the Mainsheet.

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.

-Kathy Brown

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



Wednesday Night BBQ's

Come One, Come All!

First BBQ is Wednesday, May 29

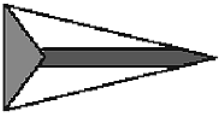
at the A-frame at 6:30 p.m.

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.)





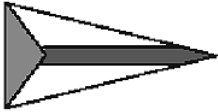
Rock On Land N Sea

ROCK ON LAND N SEA



THE END

Cartoons by Vince Thompson



Launch Repairs



Photos Courtesy of Garry Brown



Ed's Stuff

Hello All

Launch is in full swing. We were able to accommodate some of the requested moves to new dock locations for members. If you have a new neighbour, now you know why. The waiting list for new dock holders remains lengthy in the 8' of beam and up range. We are always bringing

Ed-ifications

in new boats as availability allows.

Water levels have recovered to slightly higher than last year at this same time. Rain will dictate how high it gets. (I'll spare you the whole "how highs the water mama" thing)

I welcome back summer staffers, Garrett Sartor and Kara Petrunick, and the addition of Kate MacLachlan will round out the NOLSC dream team for 2013. Welcome

aboard Kate!! Please remember to come to me with any concerns regarding the operation, not the summer staff.

Please don't feel sorry for me because I'm a Leafs fan..... just happy to make the play-offs..... sort of kinda anyway, just say'in.

Thats all for now folks,
See you around the Club

Ed



THE COMMODORE COMMENTS...

Greetings all!

Spring has finally arrived and there has even been a taste of summer weather. The lake has risen to a safe level and the repairs to the travel lift track were completed in plenty of time. Greig and Andrew have been quite busy launching boats. Docks have been allocated and the racers have completed the Fur-lined Series already. VC Fleet Donna and her race committee have reinstated the practice of making results available immediately after each race, and she has also started to submit articles on results to the Niagara Advance after a series has been completed.

The Wednesday night BBQ's will begin on May 29 at 6:30 PM at the A-frame, and we hope that many members will join us this season at this weekly event. An outdoor volleyball court is planned for the grassy space adjacent to the green building as

soon as all the boats are moved. The 2013 season has begun!

It was great to see so many people turn out for the Commodore's Ball at White Oaks. The food was great, the venue ideal, and Barb's centrepieces were fabulous. The ladies all looked elegant, and the gentlemen were quite debonair. I know that the rest of our social events will be just as much fun.

At this time, I would like to thank Kathy Brown for all her hard work in putting together the Mainsheet, she certainly does a terrific job.

Let's all have another great summer on the water!

Rick

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



PLEASE NOTE:

The Board of Directors has asked that any correspondence addressed to the Board or any individual member that has not gone through Canada Post, be handed directly to Ed or Barb in the office or given directly to the person.

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PHRF LO Update

Hi

I'd like to introduce myself, my name is Larry Huibers and I am the new handicapper for NOLSC as well as the District Handicapper.

There have been a few changes this year and some ratings have been adjusted by Central Council. There is a very detailed newsletter available on line at PHRF LO, please have a read. It talks about changes that have happened to how boat's certificates are calculated. PHRF LO tries very hard to provide clear and open communication and the newsletter is a great tool. As well, all active certificates are viewable on line. If you haven't checked out their site, have a look.

Please note that we need all boats wishing to get scored to hold an accurate and current rating certificate. The process is pretty straight forward if you had a certificate from last year. If no changes have been made to the boat and you haven't changed your largest head sail, spinnaker or main let both Donna and I know. Once we and you are sure your information is accurate I can endorse the certificate. There are some outliers that need attention and I will be in direct contact with those certificate holders.

There is a \$30 fee for your certificate and Barb will bill you directly since the club is invoiced for all certificates we have, currently in the 38 certificate range. Even if

you race one design you must have a certificate since some racing is mixed fleet like river racing and if you travel to other regattas.

This year we have some new boats and new boat owners, welcome to racing. I will be in contact to assist with getting a certificate. If you do need a certificate you can download the application and begin filling the information you know and I will assist with everything else.

As you know we share racing with YYC and they need to supply our scoring people with current and accurate certificates so we can have their current rating. Jan Styen and Chris Doyle are the Handicappers for YYC, in case you have feet in both camps.

If you have any questions, comments or concerns please contact me at;

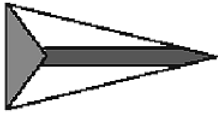
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Thanks and have a great season

Larry Huibers



Cartoon
by
Vince Thompson.

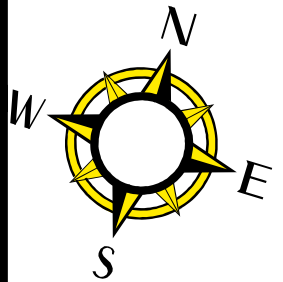


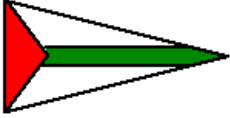
Adventures Aboard the BearsNest



Adventures to Green Turtle Cay in the Bahamas—Shared with many friends from NOLSC.

-Debbie & Larry Bayer





Junior Sailing News

NOLSC Sailing School

The 2013 Sailing School season is underway!

Our Head Instructor, James Gardner, has started the first Adult Sailing session in the NOLSC Shark with a full turn-out.

Registrations are already in to assure at least one Shark will be sailing for Adult lessons in June as well.

James says that the adult class is really impressed with our renovated Sailing School rooms. When you see them, I am sure you will be as well. For a relatively minor capital commitment from the NOLSC Board, the Sailing School Rooms can now be said to match the calibre of our sailing school programs.

James and I have also had a meeting about the upcoming NOLSC Race Team and the Thursday night Dinghy Racing program. About 10 people attended the

meeting, and the interest appears to assure that these programs will get a good start this year in the first week of June. There was interest in not only getting involved with your own dinghy, but also the option to charter a club 420 dinghy for the Thursday night races. This, together with some interest from the Youngstown Yacht Club, could result in good dinghy fleet participating.

Tyler Lachnit will be coaching this program starting in June when he returns from the school on the East coast. It is planned that the evening races will be followed with some video reviews of what was seen on the water that night, possible tactical situations, and sailing rule implications. All who are interested are encouraged to join these programs! Check the new program description and rates on the NOLSC website www.niagarasailing.on.ca under "Learn to Sail" and "Race Program" and "Program Information".

As for the regular summer program, registrations are starting to come in. James will also be visiting some of the local schools and youth groups with information on the program. We are hoping that these efforts will result in a full registration this year. All we need is great summer weather again this year!

Looking forward to another great year.

Dave Shantz,
NOLSC Sailing School Director



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