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Out & About





As I am writing this we are preparing for our final cruise of the season to the Mimico Cruising Club Sept 14th,15<sup>th,</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. We have 16 boats scheduled and are looking forward to a fun cruise.

The War of 1812 cruise to Tuscarora Yacht Club in Wilson,NY was a great success. We sent 16 boats to invade Wilson (Tuscarora only sent 12), so we won the battle. Many culinary delights were enjoyed at our pot luck dinner.

The Patio Lantern Cruise to Queen City Yacht Club was well attended and thoroughly enjoyed by all. Thirty two of our boats attended.

#### 2012

We had two great parties on the shore of Toronto Harbour and enjoyed the best view of the city skyline. With great access to all the Toronto islands, biking, walking and all that the islands had to offer made the days fly by.

QCYC had not done a cruise in over five years. They sent just over 30 boats to NOLSC and had a wonderful time. We had many compliments on our club and the hospitality they were shown by our members.

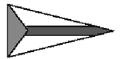
The "Olympic Cruise" to Cathedral Bluffs
Yacht Club in Bluffers
Park was a lot of fun.
Twenty Five of our boats attended.

Many thanks to Kathy

and Mike Edwards of Time Out and Cathy and Randy Garrett of Summer Wind for hosting. The Olympic trivia contest was great.

Emails have been pouring in from clubs on the north shore requesting reciprocal cruises for the 2013 season. We are looking forward to another great cruising season next year.

David Bruce, Toucan



#### Junior Sailing News

### 2012 Sailing School Wrap-up

The 2012 NOLSC Learn-to-Sail Program is over and put away. As can be expected, there were some successes, a few challenges, and a few learning experiences for implementation next year.

For starters, the Instructors cleaned up the Sailing School boat storage enclosure and sailing equipment shack like it has not been seen in a few years. This was augmented by the efforts of NOLSC Staff, Greig Hunter and Andrew Robson, who removed all the unused boats and miscellaneous storage outside the enclosure fence and upgraded the docks. This improvement, combined with the new boat dollies fabricated by Greig and Andrew (one for every boat!) made for a successful boat storage, launch, and docking facility for the 2012 sailing school program.

Secondly, the sailing curriculum was updated to the new CYA CANSail Learn to Sail Program, and the students appeared to enjoy it. While this curriculum change was a challenge for the Instructors, they carried it off with success and professionalism. This new program was brought in by the CYA to allow students to have fun developing and carrying forward their skills, while trying to reduce the emphasis of "pass" or "fail" of their level. While the students certainly bought into this concept, it will continue to be a challenge to educate and satisfy the parents. They continue to expect to see achievement of the next level, or notch in the system, in order to declare the teaching session as successful. To better satisfy parents, we will be working to improve our ability to provide weekly progress reports that are intended to give better feedback on each student's progress achieved.

On another front, the Learnto-Sail program was busily supported by the efforts of Barb Wells in the NOLSC office to handle all the registrations, expenditures and instructor payroll, and in the production of new Learn to Sail flyers, pamphlets, and notices. Barb produced an attractive new 'Learn to Sail' brochure that was available this year in display boxes outside the main gate. The program was also advertised in the Niagara-on-the-Lake Recreation Guide, as well as by the distribution of emails to past customers. However, this year's total registration in the junior program was not as high as hoped. Improvements for gaining customers beyond the dwindling Niagara-on-the-Lake "kid" population are being developed for next year. For adult lessons, there was excellent interest in the keel boat sessions using the new club Shark and an additional chartered Shark. More availability for this program is proposed for 2013.

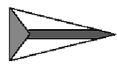
Finally, the fund-raising efforts of Rick and Janis Corvino.

Donna Genge, and Louise Koslik, who together put on the Wednesday night BBQ's, are much appreciated. I understand that these BBQ's have brought in almost \$1,500 to assist the Learn to Sail Boat equipment purchases. In addition, the beer and liquor bottle/can collection bins that were put out this year have brought in another \$500. Thanks for club members' support for both of these fund raisers, and additional volunteers for next year to assist would be welcome.

Going forward, we are looking to renovate the learn-to-sail teaching rooms in the Main White Building for 2013. The proposed project would involve replacement of the worn flooring, a safer electrical system, and improved walls, storage lockers, and paint. Hopefully, with Board and Club Member support, this will be achieved over this winter.

In conclusion, thanks for making this 2012 Learn-to-Sail Program year successful are extended to all the NOLSC volunteers, staff, and especially the instructors, led by James Gardner, Head Instructor, Colleen Cornett, Asst. Head Instructor, and Instructors Tyler Lachnit, Brenna Sant, Lloyd Chapman, and Ali Mroz.

Dave Shantz NOLSC Learn-to-Sail Director



#### -Letter from the Editor

Hi Everyone!

I'm back! I would like to take this opportunity to thank **Judie Martin** for all of her past work on the Mainsheet. She did an amazing job! I know all too well the amount of work involved in putting it all together. I also know how satisfying it is to see the end results. I hope you have had a fantastic summer and continue to have a wonderful fall season!

So much has been happening in and around the club! From War of 1812 Celebrations to cruising to social functions. I can't believe another summer is over. Time sure flies when you are having fun!

Garry and I have had some wonderful sailing this summer!
Lots of cruising with great friends to some wonderful destinations!

Our favourite place still continues to be Wilson, NY. We went to Tuscarora Yacht Club several times. They are always kind and friendly. Water levels are a record low, making it hard for a lot of boats to get in and out of there. But enjoying a perfectly grilled steak on the deck, at the Sunset Grill makes it worth "risking" the shallows.

Tom Turkey will be on October 13. Lets hope that the weather co-operates and allows us to have a great race. If anyone has any pictures or articles that they would like me to include in the next Mainsheet,; please forward them to me at freedombeyond@hotmail.com

-Kathy Brown

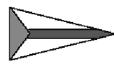
"We cannot direct the wind but we can adjust our sails."



#### Junior Sailors







#### Upcoming Events...

#### Tom Turkey Race-Saturday, October 13, 2012

Skipper's meeting at 12 Noon. (in the A Frame) Race to start 1:00 p.m.

Race portion will be organized by Garry & Kathy Brown-Beyond (Last Year's Winners)

Plan A if weather is good. Even if the weather is really "fowl"....plan to participate....

Plan B will be in effect! Prizes for the Winning Top 2 Boats.

Contact Garry & Kathy at freedombeyond@hotmail.com for details.

## Next AGM Meeting Wednesday, November 21, 2012.

Bar opens at 7 p.m. Meeting starts at 7:30 p.m.

(Yes...that is correct.....Wednesday!

Due to the American Thanksqiving!)

Don't forget... if you can't make it...

Give your proxy to a "like minded" member who will be attending.

Your Vote is important too!

#### Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake

#### **War of 1812 Bicentennial Committee**

Niagara-on-the-Lake 1812 Newsletter

#### The September 2012 Newsletter now available -

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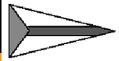
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#### **BREAKING NEWS**

The Battle of Queenston Heights Weekend - Participants Guide (as of 2012-09-12)

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#### Thank You!

Thank you to Rick and Janice Corvino and all of their helpers for another great year of Wednesday night Junior Sailing BBQ's. All proceeds always go toward Junior Sailing and this year \$1,930 was made. The BBQ's draw a number of racers and non-racers to the A-Frame providing for a great club social gathering each week. You hear discussions about the racing, or weather, or people just catching up. Thank you Rick and Janice for helping bring us all together to enjoy evenings at the club while supporting Junior Sailing!

-Dave DeBoy

Thank you also goes to Judie Martin, Judy Brandow & Barb Wells for an excellent job on the Mainsheet over the past two years. Other commitments have made it so that Judie no longer has the time to do the Mainsheet. We wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

-Kathy Brown





September 18<sup>th</sup> and Greig is 60 years young today!
Congrats Hunter!
Kara is on her way to
Vietnam for a break after a busy summer here at
NOLSC. Garrett and Kara did a great job on the gas dock this year with the extra activities like the 1812
Naval battle weekend in

# Ed-Itications

July. I have noticed an increase in positive comments from visitors by e-mail and notes left at the office regarding the Club staff, members and facilities. A testament to "The Best Club on the Lake"....... Storage season is closing in on us, so please make sure you have all paper work submitted to the office. Scheduling for haul

out still requires advance notice. Call Greig direct at 905 468 4355.

Thanks to all who sent well wishes to me for my 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary at NOLSC.

Special thanks to the "Eddie Mack" choir !! Simply awesome!

Cheers



#### THE COMMODORE COMMENTS...

## Congratulations! It's been a great sailing season

A long hot summer with lots of wind (except on a few race nights)

– what more could we ask for.

I'd like to salute everyone who helped make this one of the best seasons ever.
Congratulations to the cruisers. David and Shirley Bruce guided cruise enthusiasts on four successful excursions and party hardy?!!!
Everyone did.

Congratulations to the junior sailors. There were lots of changes this year. We tried a two-week season, adapted the new CanSail program and created a whole bunch of happy students. Thanks to junior sailing Director Dave Shantz, head instructor James Gardner and the teaching staff Tyler Lachnit, Colleen Cornett, Ali Morz, Lloyd Chapman and Brenna Sant.

Congratulations to the racers. The racing season is still

going strong and it was a busy session. They suffered through a few no-wind nights in August, but it was a great year and racing will continue until the end of October.

Thanks to Rob MacLachlan and his team – Tyler, Ali and Caleb.

And thank you to Janis and Rick Corvino and their helpers for once again providing the delicious dogs and burgers.

Congratulations to our staff and all our members who welcomed our visitors. We have had a record number of thank you notes from visitors who told us repeatedly what a wonderful place the Niagara-on-the-Lake Sailing Club is. While friendly members make

While friendly members make these visitors feel welcome, it is the smiling staff who arrange visitors' docking, fill-ups and pump-outs – Ed, Barb, Garrett and Kara – who everyone remembers.

Congratulations to Ron and Debbie Critchley for another successful party season.
And it's not over yet. The Tom Turkey race and dinner will be held October 13 and since it's the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Battle of Queenston

Heights the dinner will feature an 1812 theme. Should be fun.

It's also been a very memorable summer with the tall ships arriving for The Navy of 1812: Sailors On The Lakes re-enactment – thank vou to all those who were on the water to watch the battle. Organizers said they couldn't have done it without us. And we were excited to meet Annaleise Carr, the 14-year old, the youngest swimmer to conquer Lake Ontario. Annaleise, her family and supporters were at our club getting ready for the swim and we were happy to be part of it. Sailors can relate to the 1.5 metre waves and 10-knot head wind she faced on her 27 hour swim. Congratulations to Annaleise too

Hope everyone enjoys the last sailing days of the season.

Judy Brandow Commodore



#### **NOLSC Board of Directors 2012**

Commodore Judy Brandow

Vice Commodore—Operations Rick Corvino

Vice Commodore—House Bruce Harper

Vice Commodore—Fleet Rob MacLachlan

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Membership Director Henry Van Atte

Social Director Ron Critchley

Junior Sailing Director David Shantz

Long Range Planning David DeBoy

Director at Large David Bruce

Past Commodore John Vanderperk

#### **BOARD AFFILIATES**

Cruise Coordinator Dave Bruce

Mainsheet Editor Kathy Brown





It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our dear "Jack" Kizlinsky.

We all probably remember Jack best as the wonderful feisty security guard extraordinaire that used to go around collecting empty beer bottles, cans and wine bottles from the members at the NOLSC.

Jack retired from the security life several years back after being at the club for a lot of years (maybe 20 years or so.) Although Jack was slight in build, he was a

feisty security guard that would make even the most untoward person shake in their boots. Ernie would follow him around like a junk yard dog. He was a sweet old man in his 80's and sharp as a tack!

Rest in Peace Jack. You will be missed!

#### KIZLINSKY, Jacob "Jack" -

Surrounded by his loving family, at his residence in Thorold, on Wednesday, September 12, 2012 at the age of 92. Beloved husband of the late Mildred Kizlinsky (March 20, 2010). Loving father of Caroline and Patricia. Dear brother of Nicola "Nick" Kizlinsky. Predeceased by sisters Olga Proracki and Elizabeth

Marynuik. Jack will be sadly missed by many nieces and nephews. Jack work for Beaverwood Co. and was a volunteer Firefighter in Thorold South. At Jack's request, there will be no visitation. Cremation has taken place. Inurnment at Lakeview Cemetery, Thorold on Wednesday, Sept. 19th at 11 a.m. Memorial donations in memory of Jack to Hospice Niagara would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the BOCCHIN-FUSO FUNERAL HOME, 2 Regent St., Thorold. Online condolences at www.lbfuneralhome.com 11958389



#### **Photo Contest**

#### **Don't forget! Photo Contest!**

Now's the time to take all your pictures for the photo contest.

The deadline has been extended to October 31.

Just drop off a 4 by 6 inch print at the club office addressed to PHOTO CONTEST or e-mail a jpg

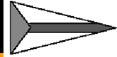
(no larger than 3 or 4 mg/no smaller than one mg) to:

mainsheet@niagarasailing.on.ca

#### There are three categories:

Action on the water Fun at the club NOLSC Seasonal

There's more info about prizes and the entry form online in the April edition of The Mainsheet – on our website.



#### WINNER of the FIRST annual " TOUR de WARD ISLAND "



Congratulations, first went out to this unknown member of the NOLSC who crossed the finish line first, but after several complaints from fellow racers and a report filed with Metro Police the results are under review by Mayor ROB FORD's office.

It has been reported by CBC, that Margaret Atwood was nearly run over by this cyclist as she exited, after giving a reading at a Ward Island tea garden. Parks Canada reviewed security tapes from an 100 year old

willow tree named "Mona" and were able to get this picture.

This individual was eventually detained for questioning on the WI Ferry.

When this unknown individual was advised that he was under the RF minimum weight requirement, he wasn't wearing a helmet, mandatory spandex shorts and that he might have been riding a stolen non street legal bicycle. It has been reported on the

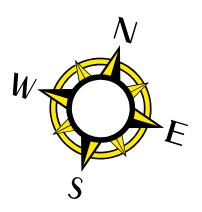
"Social Network" that the individual was about to admit guilt until it was suggested that he may have been under the influence of alcohol. This, he totally denied!!!

After intense review it was learned that "FOREST G" didn't even know there was a race on and that he was just trying to catch the ferry to see the the Santa Claus Parade downtown.

Needless to say even Garry.......I mean......

Forest was somewhat amused that it was a different parade.

Marg Wente...... special assignment to the Globe and Mail. (a.k.a Dave Clayton)



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