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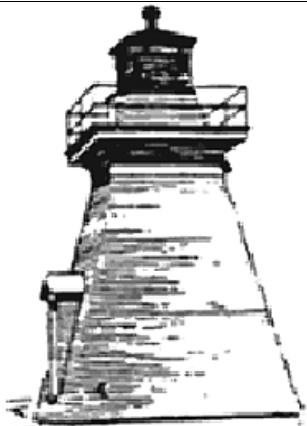
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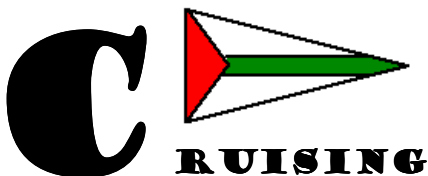
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Jake-
Newest Member to the
Psykocsis Fleet





2010

Our May Flotilla to Dalhousie was enjoyed by all who attended, thanks to good food, good friends and perfect weather.

The first of two official reciprocal cruises, this one, to Ashbridges Bay Yacht Club is fast approaching.

For those who haven't already done so, the sign-up sheet for this "Gilligan's Island Cruise" is in the Office. Come as your

favourite Gilligan's Island character and enjoy the antics.

Participants can plan to arrive early at ABYC, on either Thursday, July 1st or Friday, July 2nd; please be sure to indicate your choice on sign-up.

Those who cannot break-away early will be welcomed on Saturday July 3rd.

A pot luck dinner will be hosted on Saturday, July 3rd, at 5PM. Please bring a dish to share with your fellow "castaways"

See you out there.

gb



GILLIGAN'S ISLAND CRUISE

Hosts: Garry and Kathy Brown (Toucan)

Theme: Dress up as your favourite castaway characters (a regular or extra) for loads of laughs at the 5PM cocktail party.

Destination: Ashbridges Bay Yacht Club ABYC

Date: Weekend of July 3rd/4th

HAWAIIAN LUAU CRUISE

Hosts: Garry and Kathy Brown (Toucan)

Theme: Grab your grass skirts and come get leid.

Destination: The Oakville Club

Date: Weekend of July 31st/August 1st





THE COMMODORE COMMENTS...

Spring is here at last and what a spring it is. It came early and stayed. Once again the ritual of cleaning, buffing and generally getting our boats ready for the upcoming season is evident every where you look.

A lot has happened over the winter months. Front and foremost is the office and meeting room renovation. While the meeting room still needs the finish trim and paint, the office is open for business. Every visitor that comes to our club must first step into our office. I believe it is a good first impression of our club.

As most of you have heard, Greig Hunter is on short term disability and Greg Thomas has come on board to help out in the interim. I also want to thank Ed McIlroy for stepping in to help

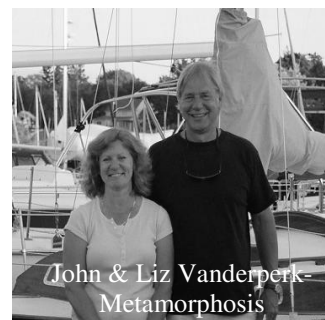
make the Spring Launch go smoothly. Greig's been with us since the beginning of the club and has rarely missed a day, we wish him a quick and full recovery.

Last November the board received a proposal from Whirlpool Jetboat Tours to enter into a discussion with NOLSC for the purpose of leasing a portion of our water front. Before responding to this proposal, the board decided to seek a consensus from the club membership. The majority voted that the board enter into discussion with WJBT to see what, if any opportunities might exist for the club in such an agreement. Even though a lease agreement with WJBT could have proved lucrative for the club, your board had to

balance this with disruption of club operations and club life. The board decided to terminate discussion with WJBT on this subject. This was announced at the Spring AGM.

By the time this issue of the Mainsheet comes out, the season should be in full swing...so sail often...sail safe and I'll see you on the water

Sincerely,
John Vanderperk,



John & Liz Vanderperk-
Metamorphosis

Junior Sailing News

We're prepared for another successful season. Colleen Cornet is joining our instructor staff. Rob Vanderperk and Jake Harper will be Co-Head instructors. Erin Sauder will be our Head Race coach. Katie MacLachlan and James Gardner are returning for their second year.

Pearl Mitchell has donated a new RS Feva for our white sail program. Pearl has been a generous supporter of Junior Sailing. The instructors, students and I thank her.

Doug Robinson posted an article on the community website. The article detailed difficulties clubs have in maintaining membership. Junior sailing programs were dismissed as an answer with the phrase, "junior sailors leave the club at 4 o'clock, an hour

before the members arrive."

Here at NOLSC things are different. There are at least three boats in the club because the children who went though our program could teach the parents to sail.

Three of our instructors are children of club members. Actually, their fathers serve on the Board. About a third of our students are children or grandchildren of club members. Our instructors instill a knowledge and passion in their students as evidenced by their continuing involvement with sailing.

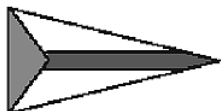
On race night, Junior Sailing is much in evidence. Race committee is composed of our senior instructors. The rest of the instructors race their own boats or crew as do most of our

senior students.

In most clubs, post race bragging and complaining is conducted at the clubhouse bar with \$4 a bottle beer. At NOLSC Bill and Donna Cavers instituted the A frame BBQs with profits going to Junior Sailing. Rick and Janice Corvino have continued this so the racers have a convenient place to brag and gripe and it's BYOB so its a lot cheaper.

Paul Sullivan
Director, Junior Sailing
Program





-Letter from the Editors

The boatyard is buzzing with excitement.

This Spring's Commodore's Ball was well attended again this year! Check out the photos on the back page. The Pig Out was also a success and a sold out event. Great Food & Entertainment along with some good friends made for a fun filled evening! Our thanks to all involved in making them a success.

This summer is predicted to be dry and hot giving us plenty of opportunity to get out on the water. We plan on an impromptu evening with passports in hand, to try the food at YYC's restaurant.

Anyone interested in helping with the Mainsheet publication by submitting pictures and articles are asked to please contact Kathy Brown. Our busy schedules have made this issue of the Mainsheet a bit difficult to get out. So now is the time for all of you budding writers to try out your talents.

Many thanks to those that submitted pictures for this issue.

I look forward to hearing from you. Stay safe and enjoy your summer!

-kb

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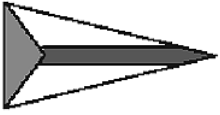


Obituaries...

It is with great sadness that we announce
the passing of one of our members.
Our sincere condolences to the families and friends.

Miller, Dr. Kenneth L.– February 17, 2010.

Beloved husband of Ruth Miller; loving father of Julie (Joel) White, Carol (Jim) Neal and Laurie Miller; brother of the late Marsha Bader; grandfather of Ethan White, Kelley and Jason Tu.. Memorials may be made to the [American Heart Association](#)



The Black Pearl

The "Black Pearl" is coming to the lower Niagara River this summer. No...not the black pearl from the Pirates of the Caribbean.

I received an article that was in the Niagara Gazette, from a friend who lives in Queenston.

The Black Pearl is a 72-foot wooden brigantine sailboat. It will be coming to Lewiston Landing, all part of a concerted effort between the Lewiston Historical Society and the Village of Lewiston to continue making the waterfront a hub of tourist activity.

The historical vessel will be offering one-hour tours of the lower river each weekend during the summer months.

I contacted the Lewiston Historical Society and was told that the Black Pearl should be arriving very soon and that it will be posted on their website as soon as it does. The \$40 cost will act as a fundraiser benefiting the Lewiston Historical Society.

The 1948 vessel was purchased in October 2008 by Amanda and Nicholas Alexander of Lockport, and after more than a year of refurbishment, it was sailed and docked in Olcott. Prior to owning the boat, Amanda Alexander said it was the flagship vessel of the American Sail Training Association in Connecticut and has traveled to Europe and the Caribbean.

For more information on cruises and times visit the Lewiston Historical Society website at

www.historiclewiston.org/blackpearl

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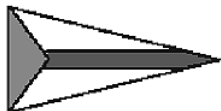
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-Tracey Trotter

NOLSC 2010 Social Calendar

Please Note:
Date Change for
the Steak BBQ



Steak BBQ/Niagara Cup— **July 10**

Corn Roast— **August 14**



Fall Golf Classic— TBA

Tom Turkey— **October 16**





Planting Day



Planting Day was held May 29 in glorious sunshine, and the flowers were no less beautiful! A great big thank-you to all those who lent their time and green thumbs to making the club look so good. The gods and goddesses of gardening included Claude and Gayle Mathe (Marie-Francoise),

Nan Boudreau (Thistle), Claire Tiel (Symphony), Pearl Mitchell (NoBote), Howard and Kathryn Nesbitt (His'n'Hers), Jeff and Ruth Goodman (Landaleigh), Liz Vanderperk (Metamorphosis), and Judy Brandow (Sweetie Punkins). Thanks also to Corey and Garrett, who prepared the planters and collected equipment for us. Our enjoyment of the lovely flowers will continue all summer, and if you should be in proximity to some blossoms

that look thirsty, please give them a drink. It looks to be a hot, dry season, and they, and we, will thank you for it.

Rick Corvino (VC - House)



Hello All

I have not written an edification since Greig has had to go on short-term disability. He has missed almost the entire launching season due to his arthritis battles. Greig tried working through his pain and discomfort for longer than anyone I would know. This tried and true

Ed-ifications

employee of NOLSC for some 30 odd years finally had to shut it down to, hopefully, start the healing process. He is a true warrior, and he is missed.

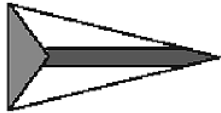
Greg Thomas, who worked in the launch and haul out for several seasons, has returned to run the spring launch along with the help of Drew Hunter oh yea ... and me too. They are doing a great job in Greig's absence!

I am very happy with the look of the club at this point in the

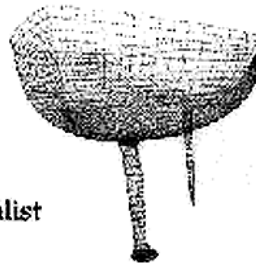
season, painted and clean, flowers and lawns groomed. Corey and Garrett are responsible for most of that! The yard is a little behind in terms of organization, but that will fall in line.

Well I've mentioned just about every staff member, so I guess I have to say something about Barb mmmmm..... let's see how about she is simply the best !! I would be lost without her truly

Ed



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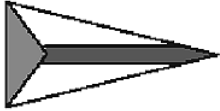


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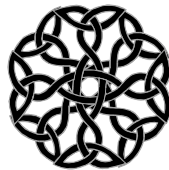
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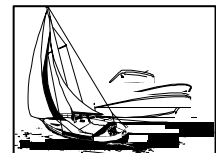
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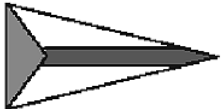
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Who's Who?...





Meeting Minutes

January 2010

- ◆ New Plow for Snow removal at a cost of \$750
- ◆ Christmas Parade went well
- ◆ Report on investigation of the front Gate. The installation of Video cameras around the property may be the best way to go.
- ◆ Motion to accept report by Greg Chapman/seconded by Bruce Harper. Carried.
- ◆ Motion to approve Board Member
- ◆ Motion to accept Paul Sullivan /seconded by Robert MacLachlan. Carried.
- ◆ Motion to accept the Letter to the membership about WPJBT exploration as invalid by Paul Sullivan /seconded by Robert MacLachlan. Defeated.
- ◆ Motion to Strike a committee to explore an agreement with WPJBT by Judy Brandow/seconded by Robert MacLachlan. Carried.
- ◆ Members: Paul Sullivan Greg Chapman Bruce Harper Rick Corvino Judy Brandow
- ◆ Greg Chapman to be Chair
- ◆ Motion to seal return WPJBT letters for three Months and then destroy them.
- ◆ Motion to accept Greg Chapman /seconded by Bill Cavers. Carried

February 2010

- Review of income expense report.
- Review of budget for new office and board/meeting

room with a cost of \$45,000.

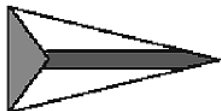
- Setting the budget for 2010.
- ◆ Renovations are in progress: Office walls, floors have been gutted. Library meeting room floor sandblasted.
- ◆ Discussion around a possible need to find an apprentice for Greg. Ad Hoc committee recommends advertising for a part time assistant.
- ◆ Water level is lower than in the past 5 years and this helps keep the bubbler working more efficiently.

March 2010

- ◆ Race schedule for 2010 has been finalized with YYC.
- ◆ Race Committee needed for this season – an e-mail has been sent.
- ◆ Reviewed drawings for the new office.
- ◆ Richard Coyne has been accepted as an Associate Member.
- ◆ Jamie Day has been accepted as an Active Member.
- ◆ Set criteria for the exploration of the WJBT discussions and set meeting date for the newly formed committee to meet with John Kinney.
- ◆ A proposal for the club to purchase defibrillators for emergency needs
- ◆ David Elltoft was awarded \$2,550 in court over the damages to his boat in winter storage.
- ◆ obituary Of Don Campbell read to the Board by John Vanderperk . Don Campbell

was a past Commodore and Life member.

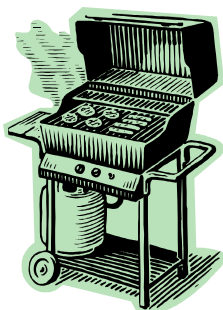
- ◆ Financial Statement, Income Expense Report and Report on Bad Debt were delivered to the board.
- ◆ Greg Hunter is back at work and we are looking into supports for him.
- ◆ Security costs have increased \$2000 along with the benefit package.
- ◆ Dave Sommerville is inquiring about the revision to his agreement for mooring.
- ◆ A motion to let Dave Sommerville know that NOLSC cannot renew his dockage until there is an investigation into the engineering required for the mooring of his boat; there were two instances last year that need to be investigated.
- ◆ Motion to accept by Judy Brandow /seconded by Russ Hodgkinson. Carried
- ◆ A motion to wave the NOLSC Employee Policy #9 was accepted by John Vanderperk/seconded by Greg Chapman. Carried
- ◆ A motion to negotiate with South Shore Yachts to provide services for the launch of 2010 was accepted by John Vanderperk/seconded by Russ Hodgkinson. Carried
- ◆ The new office construction is going well and \$13,000 has been spent to date.
- ◆ Race schedule for 2010 is out. Race instructions will be out soon.
- ◆ Have applied with USCG for holding regattas in US waters.
- ◆ Cont'd on page 12



Wednesday Night BBQ's

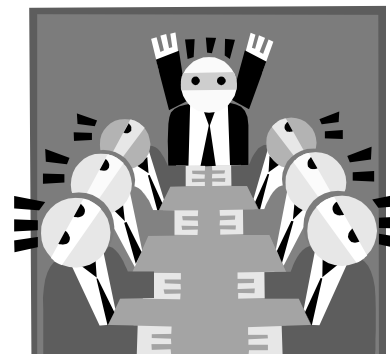
Wednesday Night BBQ's (after racing) are up and running as of May 26, and are open to all. Price of a sausage, peameal or burger on a bun remains at \$4.00 with profits going to Junior Sailing.

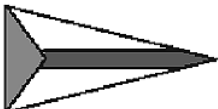
BBQ begins as boats make their way in from the course, and each Wednesday features one of the items mentioned. They are all very yummy!



March Meeting Minutes Cont'd

- ◆ The J22 Class Association would like to hold their Canadian Championship at NOLSC – more information to follow.
- ◆ Henk Bartelink has resigned as a member and is redeeming his slip priority.
- ◆ A committee was struck to explore the possibilities of the Whirlpool Jet Boat Proposal without spending any money.
- ◆ The committee drew up a list of concerns and requirements the club membership has and presented these concerns to Mr. Kinney at a meeting.
- ◆ Mr. Kinney's response to the committee's list was received and prompted the committee to take the following action. The committee voted 4 to 1 and approved the following statement: "We report to the board that WPJ is not serious in this matter and that we not pursue any further discussions with WPJ on this matter."
- ◆ Motion to stop negotiating with WPJT by Robert MacLachlan/ seconded by Judy Brandow. Carried
- ◆ A memorial service will be held for Don Campbell (who sailed with Bill Cavers for many years) at NOLSC – more information to follow.
- ◆ Club Members are concerned with the publication of e-mail addresses





Man Overboard Seminar

Sign Up Now.....

Man Overboard Safety Seminar.

NOLSC is planning a man overboard session for an evening in August.

It was originally scheduled as part of the Ladies Docking Seminar, however men were interested too– so this year the man overboard night will be held instead of the women's practise evening.

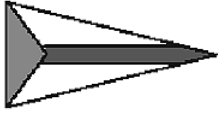
Paul Boudreau will be organizing the man overboard session. We will have two or three boats participating on the water and we will be rescuing wet-suited volunteers.



The man overboard session is planned for
Tuesday, August 10
or **Thursday, August 12.**
Starting at 6 p.m.

If you (men and women) are interested please let us know.

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Judy Brandow (416) 255-2754 judyis1@sympatico.ca



The “Swim” Plaque

We’ve all seen a brass plaque on the ground – known locally as the “Swim Plaque” in Queens Royal Park. As most know, it commemorates the successful swims across Lake Ontario – the 52 K. from Niagara to Toronto. What the plaque can’t show is the massive effort these swimmers and their often seasick crews went through to get their names engraved.

In 2008 my son Shaun completed the swim in 20 hours and in the process raised tens of thousands of dollars for the Burn Unit at Sick kids Hospital. He was often asked “what made you think of doing this?” In reply he tells of the first time he saw the Niagara plaque. Just standing there and looking out across that giant lake and seeing Toronto shimmering in the distance started him on an intense desire to attempt the crossing and eventually conquer the distance.

Since he completed the swim, both he and I have helped other swimmers with their crossings. Many fail and we were involved with two last year. The Sailing Club is often involved in these swims with the flotilla of boats and volunteer crews collecting on our docks. Several Sailing Club members besides myself – Terry Bolton and Peter Jones to name just a few I know, have been involved in these swim crossings.

There are a number of “aspirants” again in 2010 and one of these is

Miguel. A Mexican National who works in Toronto. We met Miguel recently to discuss the incredible logistics involved in putting together a “sanctioned” swim and the “respect” the swimmer needs for such a distance. The sanctioning comes from a unique organization called Solo Swims Ontario. Shaun is involved as an assistant swim master and they regulate all the swims to make sure they are safe. In fact, Solo Swims was responsible for the plaque in Queens Royal Park. But it was during this meeting of these two athletes comparing notes that the true significance of the Niagara plaque really struck me. Miguel looked over at Shaun and asked why he chose to swim the lake. Shaun replied again about the significance of the first time he saw the Niagara plaque and how impressive that moment was for him.

Suddenly I realized Miguel was becoming very emotional and was wiping his eyes. It turns out that

his inspiration also came when he was standing at the plaque for the first time! That is when he decided to spend nearly two years of his life to train to attempt to accomplish this incredible swim.

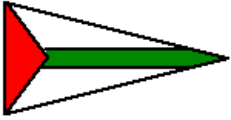
Next time you walk past the plaque remember it’s significance for these athletes who attempt one of the longest distance swims in the world. The good news is that it will be updated soon to add the latest successful swimmers names and Shaun and hopefully Miguel will see their names shine in brass! Note: Miguel’s swim is planned for Aug 10th, 2010

There are 6 swimmers aspiring to swim the lake in 2010.

For more information see the sites: www.soloswims.com and www.swimforkids.ca

Tony Chisholm





Good Times- Commodore's Ball



Photos by Dave Clayton

NOLSC

