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The Finger Lakes Yacht Club – Village Marina, Watkins Glen, New York

Editor's Column

Happy New Year and welcome to the first edition of *Port Tacks* in 2012! It's barely March and club volunteers are already busy getting ready for the boating season.

The Board of Directors has set the calendar of events and your fellow members are beginning to line up to see to it that all of the activities occur as planned. Highlights from the Board meeting can be found in Secretary Sue Morris' column and the club calendar can be found a little further back.

Rear Commodore Tom Keebler has taken the reigns of the racing program and has put together an ambitious schedule of 13 races. For those of you addicted to competition, it looks like you will have a fulfilling summer.

Cruisers have not be left out, either. Vice Commodore Cliff Geer and Cruise Director John Kremer are busy scheming at ways to get you out of the harbor and behind the wheel (or tiller, as the case may be) to help you expand your cruising horizons. John has volunteered to lead some informal seminars on basic cruising skills that he describes in his column. Don't

forget to read Cliff's column on the subject, either.

Speaking of learning new skills, the FLYC has again partnered with the Seneca Sail & Power Squadron to provide yacht club members access to Seneca's on-the-water classes. Back by popular demand, Seneca will be offering up to 18 weeks of instruction to those who are interested. See details in the Education Corner column.

Returning this year in the newsletter will be the columns from the US Coast Guard Auxiliary along with all of the stories and pictures that you, the members, care to submit. Just about any material that even remotely involves boats is welcome, and your pictures always add a splash of color to any text. Instructions for submitting material can be found on the last page.

Having recently visited the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library, and this being an election year, I'm reminded of President Reagan's famous response during a debate with President Carter: "There you go again."

Indeed, here we go again. Another year aboard our boats!

- Editor

Commodore's Comments



The day was sunny but cold and eighteen of the FLYC members attended the board meeting held on the 26th. It was good to see our friends and dock mates again. I did notice that most did not have that tan they sported all summer. Oh well, it'll be back after a couple nice spring days on the lake.

The new dates for both racing and social events were discussed and approved. The club is in good hands again this year, with Karen taking over where Lynne left off and Tom picking up from Ray, I'm looking forward to another GREAT year.

By the way, did you know that we are only 57 days away from our first race? Wow....we're on the last upwind leg and have the finish line in sight....summer is almost here.

Okay, safety is on everybody's mind but sometimes we do something we didn't think about before we did it. That's when

we get into trouble. Be aware and plan out your scheduled tasks before just jumping into them. It's easy to do that little extra that insures a fun summer of sailing instead of that "ouch" that keeps you down for awhile.

Speaking of "ouch". Your boat isn't the only thing that needs reconditioning. We are a year older and like the deck and rigging we need to pay a little extra attention to those moving parts. I know this winter has been a very inactive year for me. What I have found is a very large change in my balance. Walking on the deck last year was not a challenge but this year I am not near as stable. Exercise is the answer, muscle tone and conditioning should give me back that confidence and ability. The body will tell you where it's weak but it's up to your head to do something about it. A little common sense and preparation can make the sailing season another wonderful experience.

With all we have going this year I'm hoping for volunteers to help out." Many hands "as the saying goes is true and it's not

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By Wilbur Dowdle, S/V The Irish Wake

Upcoming Events & Dates

MARCH 2012

**3/24 @ 17:00 Winter Doldrums
Dinner at Watkins TBA**

MAY 2012

**5/19 @ 11:00 Nautical Flea Market
@ 14:00 Pizza Tailgate Party**

**5/26 @ 17:00 Happy Hour
@ 18:00 All American BBQ**
Dinner with burgers/dogs/BBQ chicken provided. Please bring a dish to pass.

JUNE 2012

6/2 @ 18:00 Christening of the Boats

6/15 @ Dusk Waterfront Festival Lighting of the Fleet. All join in and have a spectacular lighting of the boats to kick off the festival as well as summer! Prizes will be awarded for best boat decorations! Suggestion for lite appetizers/drinks to socialize!

6/16 @ 12:00 Cardboard Boat Regatta. Not an FLYC event, but it is a spectacle that needs to be witnessed at least once!

FLYC Event Calendar – The entire event calendar is always available on the club web site. Check it out at:

<http://www.flyc.us/>

LATE BREAKING NEWS

Tomfoolery Refit

Patience has not persevered this winter as the owner and master of the vessel *Tomfoolery* waited for the ground to freeze sufficiently to allow the boat to be transported back to Watkins Glen Village Marina.

Weather conditions and seasonal changes now make it appear that solid ground will not be in the near future to help with supporting the transport vehicle needed to move the boat.

Alternative plans are being formulated, but the owner is seeking anyone with experience in large engineering feats utilizing only human power to move heavy object over ungraded ground. (Any pyramid builders out there?)

Film at 11:00.

From The Commodore (con'd)

fair for the same people to do the bulk of the work while the rest of us enjoy the fruits of their labor. Ten minutes to help setup or taking on the responsibility of a meal, maybe clean up is your thing, who knows, any and all help is appreciated and welcomed.

If you have ideas, complaints, and suggestions or just want to blow off steam my companion-way is always open. By the way, you don't need to have a reason to visit; The Irish Wake, dock 2 slip 212. Come aboard.

May a fair wind fill your sails and the seas run favorably,

- Wilbur

From The Vice-Commodore

by Cliff Geer, S/V Moonlight Lady

Will the wind be 5 to 10 out of the south? Will it be 15 to 20 out of North? Should we go or should we stay at the dock? Is it safe to sail and what if the anchor does not hold?

All of these are reasonable questions, but "what ifs" should not keep you tied to the dock all summer. We all chose our boats for different reasons and if you dreamed of waking up with your first cup of coffee in the cockpit, enjoying being out on the lake then let's get ready to sail.

In order to fully enjoy our boats we need to do our homework. Come and enjoy the company of fellow boaters and take the first steps of getting ready to leave the dock and gain knowledge on anchoring safety.

We will share where to get information and tips on where to anchor in Aruba, Jamaica, oh I got carried away, how about Lodi, Long Point, or clear across the "big pond" to Geneva.

Meet with John and Cliff (not internationally famous instructors by any stretch) and fellow FLYC members on 5/19, 6/2, and 6/30 for information and tips on cruising and anchoring

- Cliff



From The Rear-Commodore

by Tom Keebler, S/V Dry White

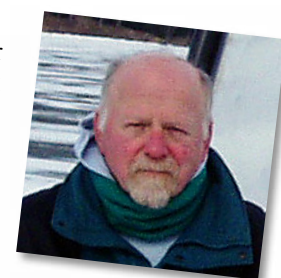
Welcome to the 2012 race season. Hopefully the mild spring weather will hold and give us all a chance to launch early and extend the sailing season.

In hopes of getting in as many races as possible I've set a schedule for a total of 13, including the Commodores race to Lodi that will take place on July 13th.

New for this year will be at least one windward / leeward medium distance race to Peach Orchard or Glenora. This race will be dependent on wind and will require an earlier start time of 11:00 AM to complete.

Standard race start time will be 1:00 PM. Race announcements and any changes to the published schedule will be posted on the bulletin board. The Early Bird spring tune-up race is scheduled for Sunday, May 27th. Hope to see you there!

- Tom



From the Secretary

by Sue Morris, S/V Sails Call

On Sunday, February 26th, the FLYC Board of Directors had their first meeting of the year. Here are some of the highlights:

Although Treasurer Terry Stewart was not able to attend the meeting, he did pass along his report showing the club to be solvent and in good financial health.

Rear Commodore and Race Committee Chair Tom Keebler presented a proposed race schedule (see the event calendar on page 8). This year's calendar is more aggressive than in years past with a total of 10 series races, plus three special events (Early Bird Race, Commodore's Race to Lodi, and the Grape Harvest Regatta). The schedule was accepted by the Board following discussion.

Next, Social Director Karen Poole submitted her proposed social calendar (see the event calendar on page 8). This, too, was accepted by the Board after some discussion.

Vice Commodore Cliff Geer spoke on behalf of Cruise Director John Kremer about proposed seminars to be offered to the membership this summer. Ideas for topics included anchoring skills and cruise preparations along with some on-the-water exercises. Possible meeting times for these seminars would be Saturday mornings in mid-May, early-June and late-June. Exact dates will be determined and announced in the near future. Also mentioned was that planning is still underway for a couple of club-sponsored cruises. Details will be announced soon.

Newsletter Editor and Webmaster Tom Alley then provided an update on the newsletter and club web site. Newsletters will again be published on a bi-monthly schedule in 2012 (providing enough material is submitted). He reiterated the need for submissions not only from members of the Board but also from the general membership. Topics can be anything remotely related to boating whether they are a maintenance tip, a story about a recent boating trip, or just an amusing yarn. Members are also encouraged to submit photographs of club events for both the newsletter and the club web site. The web site is being updated to reflect the current year's plans and activities.

Additional topics were also discussed, including joint activities with the Seneca Sail & Power Squadron and 2012 membership renewals. Questions? Please don't hesitate to contact me.

- Sue



From the Social Director

by Karen Poole, S/V Karen's Dream

Welcome to our 2012 season! I am very excited to be sitting here on Leap Day watching the snow, (one of the few storms) knowing that in less than 3 months we can be sailing again!! I actually can't wait!

We have a robust social calendar this summer and I look forward to meeting some new friends as well as seeing some old friends again. Since I am new at this, I will need your help in pulling off the fun events that are in store! I hope you will join me!

I need hosts for each event. Basically that calls for you to secure "helpers" to set up, arrange, and tear down that particular social event (most of which are on the front lawn). Remember more hands make for light work!! Call me if you are interested in hosting an event! Otherwise I will solicit support early in our season.

Also, there is a bulletin board located between our restrooms at the Harbor Station Restaurant; there will be sign-ups for all of our events. It is very important for us to know how many people are attending. Please visit that frequently for updates as well!

Most of all, I agreed to take on this role as social director because I believe in the importance of community; come join me and the rest of your sailing friends for what I hope will be one of our most fun summers ever!!!

-Karen



About FLYC Racing

All times indicate the beginning of the skippers' meeting prior to the race. This meeting is mandatory for anyone wishing to compete. Each boat must have at least one representative at this meeting.

Early Bird Race

Also known as the "Rig Tuner's Regatta," this race is held in the pre-season to allow skippers to blow the cobwebs out of their boats and crew and tune up for the coming season.

FLYC Summer Series

This is a series of ten races held on weekends in June through September and is used to determine the club champion each year. Scoring is done per USSA PHRF handicapping with some slight modifications to allow for "golf-style" adjustments to keep things competitive.

FLYC Guest Race

A one-time race typically held sometime during the summer if the schedule looks too empty.

FLYC Race to Lodi

The club's signature event held in late July or early August. It consists of a one-way race of approximately 14 nautical miles from Watkins Glen to Lodi State Marine Park. A beach party usually follows.

Grape Harvest Race

A way to enjoy the fall foliage and get one last race in before the long winter.

Entry Fees

There are no race entry fees for FLYC members.

Handicapping & Scoring

Handicaps are assigned using the PHRF system with some local adjustments. Scoring is done using the time-on-distance calculations.

Additional Information

For additional information on the FLYC racing program and for the most current schedule and scoring results, please refer to the club web site and click on the "Racing" link.

Other FLYC Fleet Events

Not into racing? Join the FLYC fleet for some cruises to various points on the lake! Contact either the Cruise Director, Vice-Commodore, or the club web site for additional details.

From the Cruise Director

by John Kremer, S/V Amazing Grace

The FLYC Cruising Class

We are planning for classes at 8:30 AM for about 2 hours. The meeting place Will be the Village Marina Bar and Grille.

We have tentatively selected May 19th, June 2nd and June 30th for classes and are also planning for three cruises.

The first cruise will be a “baby step” to the southeast corner of Seneca Lake. It's a good location with good holding and near the marina in case conditions suggest moving.

The second trip will be to Lodi as part of the annual race and beach party.

The third and final cruise will be somewhere up the lake. Weather and class desires will dictate this one.

For some interesting anchoring information:

Go to www.westmarine.com

Click on tab “Advice and articles”

Under heading “Anchors Docks & Moorings”

Select:

- 1) How to anchor Securely
- 2) Selecting the right anchor

We currently have about 18 people signed up. If any one else wants to attend, please send an e-mail to me at

jdkvix@yahoo.com

Let me know how many students you will have attending.

We plan: NO cost, NO books, and NO hassle!

- John

NOTE: John will be assisted as Cruise Director by Rear Commodore Cliff Geer.



USCGAux Column

by Bill Swank, USCG Auxiliary

WASHINGTON – While the majority of boaters in colder parts of the country have winterized their boats or put them into storage until spring, many still rely on their vessels for hunting, fishing or necessary transportation in cold weather, substantially increasing their risk of a deadly accident. Extra caution and preparation should be taken before heading out on the water in winter.

The U.S Coast Guard Auxiliary says the importance of wearing a life jacket becomes even more critical when the danger for hypothermia is added to other concerns. Sudden immersion in cold water can have severe physiological consequences, such as cardiac arrest, fast loss of body heat (the body loses heat 25 times faster in cold water than in cold air) and involuntary inhalation of water (gasping) that results in drowning. Most Coast Guard-approved life jackets when worn are designed to keep the user's head above water while awaiting rescue.

In addition to wearing a life jacket, wearing the right clothing also can contribute to a more enjoyable and safer cold weather boating experience. Consider layering clothing, including a wet suit or dry suit, to help ward off the effects of hypothermia.

Following are some additional tips for safe winter boating:

- Assess the risks – envision what can go wrong and be fully equipped and prepared.
- Leave a float plan with a responsible individual who knows your intentions, location, and who to call if you fail to return as scheduled.

- Carry a VHF radio or EPIRB (Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon), signal flares and other means to draw attention to your location.
- Be aware of and prepared for the shock of sudden immersion and incapacitating effects of cold water – dress to get wet and carry a change of clothing in a waterproof container.
- Maintain situational awareness on the water – be aware of activity around your vessel and potential for fast-changing weather conditions.
- Boat safe and sober – save the alcohol for when you've safely returned.
- Be sure your vessel is in good operating condition and has the necessary safety equipment on board before you leave the dock.
- Refresh your seamanship skills... take a boating safety course offered by your local Coast Guard Auxiliary flotilla. [...or your local Power Squadron! – Ed.]



The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary is the uniformed volunteer component of the United States Coast Guard created by an Act of Congress in 1939. The Auxiliary, America's Volunteer Guardians, supports the Coast Guard in nearly all of the service's missions. For more information about the Coast Guard Auxiliary visit <http://www.cgaux.org>

Education Corner

by Tom Alley, S/V Tomfoolery

Remember when you took Driver's Ed? You sat in a classroom and then you and a (brave) instructor got into a car and pulled out into traffic. Likewise, aircraft pilots go through ground school and then hop into an airplane with a flight instructor before venturing into the skies. Boaters get their state safety card by sitting in a classroom, but how many of them actually get behind a wheel (or tiller) under the eyes of an experienced instructor? For those of you who have been on some of the more crowded waterways in the US on a busy weekend, you know the answer is, "Very few."

For almost a decade the Seneca Sail & Power Squadron has been developing on-the-water (OTW) boating education for the United States Power Squadrons. Two years ago, Seneca's program was adopted as the national template for all OTW education! Last year the FLYC Board of Directors approached Seneca and asked to partner with the squadron in order to open up the classes to the FLYC membership. (Until then, classes were only open to USPS members.) The Seneca Squadron agreed and several FLYC members took advantage of the arrangement.

The FLYC Board of Directors is pleased to announce that it has extended its partnership with Seneca for another year. As such, the following courses will be open to all interested FLYC members.

Seamanship

Course Description: Building on the basics of recreational boating presented in the public boating courses, Seamanship (S) adds foundational information for continuing boater education. The course contents should facilitate knowledge development for increased safe operation of recreational boats and provide the basis for study towards a USCG license. Emphasis within the course has been placed on higher level boating skills, rules of the road, and marlinspike.

The course is offered in an 8-week format with four classroom sessions and four on-the-water sessions aboard various power and sail boats. Students are expected to be active participants when aboard the training vessels; this is a hands-on-deck learning environment.

Prerequisites: Active membership in USPS or the FLYC.

Instructors: Tom Alley, TBA

Duration: Approximately 9 weeks.

Scheduling: Friday evenings, May 4th – June 29th, 18:30-21:00

Location: Big Flats Community Center (classroom sessions) and Watkins Glen Village Marina (on-the-water sessions)

Cost: \$85 (FLYC Members)

Sail

Course Description: Sail (Sa) is a complete sail course beginning with basic boat designs, rigging and sail processes for the non-sailor. The course proceeds into the physical aspects of sailing, sail applications, marlinspike, helmsmanship, and handling of more difficult sailing conditions, navigation rules, and an introduction to heavy weather sailing.

The course is taught over a 9-week period with three classroom sessions and five on-the-water sessions where students will crew aboard several sailboats. Students are expected to take on an active role aboard the instructional vessels since this is a hands-on course.

Student crews will rotate aboard keelboats of various designs so that they can feel, first-hand, the effects of design parameters on the handling and performance of a boat.

In order to teach the course in the time available (boating season in upstate New York is WAY too short), the Seneca Sail & Power Squadron requires that students have completed the Seamanship course prior to taking Sail. This allows instructors to skip over material also covered in the Seamanship class and shorten the course by four weeks.

Prerequisites: Seamanship

Instructors: Tom Alley, Dennis Kingsley, Dick Burcaw

Duration: Approximately 9 weeks.

Scheduling: Friday evenings, July 6th – August 31st, 18:30-21:00

Location: Big Flats Community Center (classroom sessions) and Watkins Glen Village Marina (on-the-water sessions)

Cost: \$90 (FLYC Members)

Seamanship/Sail Combo

Sign up for both the Seamanship and Sail class together and receive a discount:

USPS Members: \$75 + \$80 = \$155 \$145

FLYC Members: \$85 + \$90 = \$175 \$165

Registering For Classes

Signing up is easy. You can do it by e-mail. Please include the following information:

- Your name and telephone number.
- The class(es) which interest you.

E-mail your request to alley@acm.org

On-The-Water Policies

On-the-water sessions are held rain or shine. About the only weather that will keep our instructors in the harbor is lightning, so students are expected to dress appropriately. This is done deliberately because less than ideal weather provides some of the best learning opportunities.

Squadron Financial Policies

Payment for a course is due when course materials are distributed, typically on the first day that a class meets. Checks made out to "Seneca Sail & Power Squadron" are preferred over other forms of payment. Discounts are available for students that wish to share course materials.



Blue Water Sailing on the Gulf of Mexico

On December 9th, John Read and I flew to Key West, Florida; to meet up with Jeff Harding and his 1983 - 53 foot Irwin. Jeff used to sail on Seneca Lake and has

been based in Marathon for the last year.

He has spent the last year upgrading this boat and has overhauled almost every system in it. I was impressed with his knowledge and workmanship and his ability as an off shore sailor. John and I were part of his crew to sail to Corpus Christi, Texas where he is relocating.

John and I arrived in Key West around noon and toured the area while waiting for Jeff and the rest of the crew. We were met at Schooners' Warf that evening and spent the next day with final preparations for our trip. We left Key West on December 11th

by sailing off anchor and heading for the Dry Tortugas where we toured the fort and did some snorkeling on an exposed ship wreck at Loggerhead Key.

At 5:30 that evening we headed out for Corpus Christi. We paired up for three-hour shifts and everyone was able to have six hours off between shifts. While sailing Jeff had a link on "my spot messenger" and our families were able to chart our progress

across the Gulf. The first two days of sailing had strong winds with gusts up to 35 knots with quartering seas. We would have done 200 miles in 24 hours but we



by Cliff Geer, S/V Moonlight Lady

started bucking up against the gulf-stream. The next four days were great sailing with warm winds and we were lucky in that we did not encounter any storms and only had to motor a total of 8 hours for the entire trip.

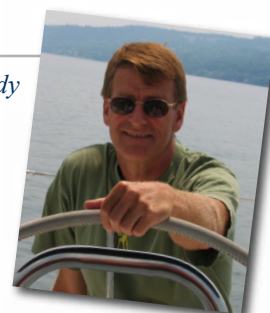
John managed to catch a 30 inch tuna which we filleted and ate while underway. Our final day we did hit the 200mile/24 hour mark. We arrived at Aransas Pass around 3AM on the 17th and anchored outside in the gulf and waited for sunrise to enter the port of Corpus Christi.

When we were approaching land I saw lights, which appeared to be 200 yards away, and I thought we were near a break wall and I was surprised to find out later that I was looking at windmills that were over 25 miles away.

Sailing out of sight of land and seeing how bright God's universe is without lights from shore was incredible. One night while sailing it was cloudy and overcast when a full moon appeared from behind a cloud; it was like being targeted with a spot light. I marveled at how fast ships appeared on the horizon and pass. I also realized there are charted and uncharted steel wreckage in the gulf and one has to be constantly on alert while sailing.

I want to extend my thanks to John for recommending me to Jeff and to Jeff for allowing me to be part of this sailing adventure.

- Cliff



Feature Boat – Hunter 336

by Wilbur Dowdle, S/V *The Irish Wake*



On a warm Saturday in July of 2010 Dawn and I had the two best days in a boater's life. We sold our Newport 28 II and bought a Hunter 336. Both boats stayed in their slips at The Village Marina so all we had to do was move from Dock 4 to Dock 2.

The rumor around the docks was that John and Rea Read were getting ready to sell *Seneca Sunset*, so we went to see if it was true. John offered to take us for a sail and we went aboard with huge smiles on our faces and great expeditions.

Rea took us down below decks for a short tour. When we saw the queen size bed in the aft cabin and the air conditioner we were sold. The galley has a double sink, gimbale stove with oven, pressure hot and cold water, microwave and refrigerator. The head is very large and has a full sized commode, sink and wet storage room for rain gear, etc. The saloon is equipped with a table that seats six comfortably plus it can be made up into a double bed. A V-berth cabin that looks large enough to handle two adults and has two closets for hanging items. The sole is teak and rosewood that looks like you shouldn't be walking on it. At least not with shoes on! Oh yeah, did I mention a queen size bed and air conditioner in the aft cabin.

Top deck has been set up for easy sailing with all lines running back to the cockpit and each line is managed in an orderly way. John had installed 40:1 and 30:1 winches to make handling the huge main and jib sheets easier. Double reefing is handled in the cockpit and so is the jiffy jack system. Nestled under the bimini and dodger is a cockpit that accommodates ten folks with ease. The pedestal houses two fold down tables and several cup holders, as well as the big stainless wheel and navigation instruments. The

helm seat folds down to reveal a walk through to the sugar scoop transom and swim ladder. Two rail seats are built into the stern rail that offer the best ride in the house.

We rechristened her *The Irish Wake* as she is our last big party. We are on Dock #2, Slip 212. Com'on down sometime! We'll be glad to give you the 10-cent tour.

Hunter 336 Spec's:

LOA 33'6" – LWL 28'7" – Beam 11'8" – Draft 4'6" – Ballast 4100lbs – Displacement 11,030 lbs – Sail Area 575 sq ft – Mast height 56' – Headroom 6'4" – 27HP Yanmar diesel – Electronics and electricals are complete with radios, stereo speakers for the DVD player, Autohelm instruments and autopilot .



FLYC 2012 Event & Activity Calendar

by FLYC Board of Directors

Social Events

March

Saturday 24th @ 18:00 Winter Doldrum Dinner at House of Hong

May

Saturday 19th @ 11:00 for Nautical flea market
@ 14:00 for tailgate pizza party

Saturday 26th All American BBQ 5pm-Hapy Hour; 6pm-Dinner with burgers/Dogs provided; Please bring a dish to pass.

June

Saturday 2nd Christening of the boats

June 15th-16th Waterfront Festival Lighting of the fleet; All join in and have a spectacular lighting of the boats to kick off the festival as well as summer! Prizes will be awarded for best boat decorations! Suggestion for lite appetizers/drinks to socialize!

July

Saturday 7th at 5pm-Shrimp, Suds, and Sails; Shrimp on the BBQ; Bring a dish to pass, your favorite or Christmas in July/Dessert contest??

Saturday 21st – Lodi Racing Weekend with FLYC providing dinner after race. Commodore Race and Commodore will help in details of this event.

August

Saturday 11th at 5pm - Hawaiian Luau Beach Party; margaritas on the lawn; sand, sun and fun; Dish to pass!

September

Saturday 8th at 4pm - Chili and chocolate contest! Bring your own recipe/vote for the best!

November

Saturday 3rd at 6pm - Annual Meeting and Banquet

Racing Schedule

May

Sunday 27th Early Bird race

June

Saturday 9th Race #1

Sunday 17th Race #2

Sunday 24th Race #3

July

Saturday 7th Race #4

Saturday 14th Race #5

Saturday 21st Commodore's Race to Lodi (early start time)

Sunday 29th Race #6

August

Saturday 11th Race #7

Sunday 19th Race #8

September

Saturday 8th Race #9

Saturday 15th Race #10 (early start time)

October

Sunday 7th Grape Harvest Race

All races begin with a skippers' meeting at 13:00 unless indicated otherwise. A representative from each boat must attend the meeting in order to be registered for scoring.

Check the club web site for the most recent schedule updates:

<http://www.FLYC.US>

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Please recognize that club contacts are volunteers; call them only during reasonable hours. Thanks!

How To Submit Newsletter Articles

by Tom Alley, Editor

Anyone can write an article for *Port Tacks*. Any material remotely relevant to boating, the FLYC, the Finger Lakes region, or life in Central New York will be considered. If you think it's worth sharing, then it is probably worth including in the newsletter.

We all own boats and we all deal with the maintenance they require. Have a timesaving tip? Share it, PLEASE! We all want to spend more time relaxing and less time swabbing the decks. The same goes for those recipes that are simple to prepare on the miniscule stoves in the galley and draw rave reviews from your otherwise ungrateful crew. Please share!

Photographs and illustrations also work well. If you're the type that suffers from chronic writ-

ers' block, remember the adage of a picture being worth a thousand words. The only request if you are submitting photos is to identify the people in them along with providing a brief description of the event, location and/or task being shown.

See something interesting in a magazine or book? Forward it to us. More often than not, the author will give us permission to republish in our newsletter.

Afraid your spelling or grammar isn't up to par? No worries. Your article will be checked in complete confidence and you will be given final say on any edits made to your work.

What are you waiting for? E-mail your submissions to editor@flyc.us.

About the Finger Lakes Yacht Club...

Situated between the vineyards of Central New York at the southern end of Seneca Lake, you will find the Finger Lakes Yacht Club at its home in the Watkins Glen Village Marina.

The FLYC is a small, easy-going and informal group of boaters with a focus on family-friendly activities and the enjoyment of boats

and boating. Dues are reasonable and the atmosphere is welcoming and engaging.

For more information about the club, check out the web site, the club bulletin board at the marina (near the restrooms) or, better yet, talk to the folks on the dock. They will be happy to help you!

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Finger Lakes Yacht Club

Membership Application

Membership renewals are due by May 1st each year. Send this completed application with your \$40 check to:

Finger Lakes Yacht Club, Inc.
c/o Sue Morris, Secretary
P. O. Box 14
Pine Valley, NY 14872

Are you also a member of the
U.S. Power Squadron? If so,
please check this box.

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Application: ☐ New member ☐ Renewal

Important: Please be sure to include the names of all of your "dependent" family members. This will ensure that membership privileges are awarded properly.

Name(s): _____

Please indicate which areas interest you:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Racing | <input type="checkbox"/> Web site |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cruising | <input type="checkbox"/> Sailing classes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social activities | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter | _____ |

Address: _____

Phone: Home: (____) _____ Work (____) _____
Cell: (____) _____

E-mail: _____

Boat Name _____ Type: ☐ Sail ☐ Power

Make/Model _____ Length _____

Boat Year _____ Location/Slip# _____

By this application, I/we promise to uphold the By-laws of the Finger Lakes Yacht Club, Inc. and to comply with its rules and regulations.

Signature(s) _____ Date _____