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editor@FLYC.US

Notice of Annual Meeting

In accordance with Article III, Section 2 of the FLYC Bylaws, notice is hereby given for the annual meeting of the membership.

- Date: Sunday, October 27th, 2013
- Time: 14:00 (2:00 p.m.)
- Place: Glen Harbor Hotel, Watkins Glen, NY.
- Cost: \$27 per person, plus cash bar.

As has become traditional with the club, the annual meeting will be held in conjunction with the Club's awards ceremony and end-of-season banquet.

The annual meeting will include elections for club leadership positions. A Board of Directors consisting of six members governs the club, each serving a 2-year term. Three of the six seats are up for election each year.

Flag Officers, each serving a 1-year term, are also up for election. These include the Commodore, Vice-Commodore and Rear-Commodore.

Per the club bylaws, the Board of Directors appoints the Secretary and Treasurer, both non-voting flag offices.

Nominations for any of these positions may be made at any time prior to the vote at the annual meeting. If you would like to nominate someone (even yourself), please contact Tom Alley (Nominating Committee Chair) as soon as possible. All nominations are subject to acceptance by the person being nominated.

A reminder: Each club *membership* may cast a single vote at any meeting of the members. This means that each *FAMILY* may cast one vote (see Article II, Section 1 of the Bylaws). This applies to all elections and motions brought to vote at club business meetings.

- Editor

Today's Quote

"Four boxes keep us free: The soap box, the ballot box, the jury box, and the cartridge box!"

- Unknown

Commodore's Comments

By Wilbur Dowdle, S/V Irish Wake



This will be my last note to the newsletter as your Commodore. I would like to thank each and every one of you for all your cooperation, guidance, and perseverance over the last three years.

I feel the club has come a long ways toward our goals. We now have an active **cruising fleet** which has been headed up by very capable people namely

John Kremer, Cliff Geer and others that has helped create and nurture this interest. With classes and practical knowledge the club has been able to make several cruises and overnight stays culminating with a trip to Geneva this year. Seven of our member boats made the trip and all enjoyed the excitement of cruising to a new and different harbor.

Our racing fleet has expanded over the last three years from an average of five boats to this year when it is not uncommon to

see 12 or 13 making the start each race weekend. Hats off to all the Rear Commodores (Ray, Tom, and Jim) that have helped the club build this exciting new fleet. Many of our more experienced sailors have added to the excitement and fun of this friendly competition by sharing their expertise and experience to our new sailors and racers. The Commodore's race this year was changed from an overnight trip to Lodi Park to a race to Peach Orchard and back. This proved to be a great race and as much fun or more than the trip to Lodi, we had good winds with a long beat and a long run up and back. Close racing was the name of the game.

Tom Alley and Mike Crouse went to Geneva and entered the "around the barge" race and Tom took first place; great job Tom. Mike finished eighth; Finger Lakes Yacht Club was well represented, with two boats in the top 10. **Well done guys!**

In the last two years we have had a new and different learning situation for the wives and ladies of the club. This experience

Upcoming Events & Dates

OCTOBER 2013

Saturday, October 5th – Grape Harvest Race & Social Hour.
13:00 – Skippers' Meeting
17:00 – Social hour – Open to all members! BYOB along with your favorite munchies, especially if they have a grape-theme to them! There will be some prizes to be raffled off, so be sure to attend our final outdoor event of the season!

Sunday, October 27th – FLYC Annual Meeting & Banquet. See details on page 1.

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February – Meeting of the Board of Directors. Once the new Board is organized, a meeting will be scheduled to set the calendar and plan events for the 2014 season. This usually occurs in February. The meeting is open to all members, so watch your e-mail for announcements!

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

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

LATE BREAKING NEWS

Mind The Calendar!

There's no denying it, the season is coming to an end.

October 15th – Pump out services will be terminated and water to the docks will be shut off.

October 30th – All boats must be hauled, per your slip rental agreement.

Remember that, as much as we want, we can't all be hauled out on the last day. Please call the marina office and schedule your haulout as soon as possible.

Marina Office: 607-546-8505

Commodore's Comments (con'd)

of an all lady crew was promoted by Dawn and has become very popular in the Marina. Last year the ladies joined Mike Crouse in a race and did remarkably well. This year eight ladies went out alone and returned after dark for the first time, a feat many of the male sailors have not done. The reason for this "all ladies crew" was to enable the ladies to return to port safely if their husband or sailing partners were lost or became ill or injured while sailing. Thanks to all for seeing the need and accomplishing the necessary training to help our ladies become more at ease and capable while sailing.

All of our social chairmen (Lynne, Karen and Linda) have done a wonderful job in keeping our social atmosphere fun, new and exciting. We have had wonderful meals, great fun, and new ideas being brought to the front by each of our social chairmen. In the last two years I have instituted a new "member appreciation dinner". The purpose of this dinner is to show the club members that they are appreciated for all that they have done throughout the year. We have had this dinner at different locations to help expand the use of Seneca Lake by the club. Thank you to Charlie and Kathy for catering both years and doing an absolutely wonderful job.

There will be a new slate of officers presented at our annual meeting, which this year will be on October 27th at the Glen Harbor Hotel. I am sure that the nominating committee will come up with capable and willing folks to fill all the open positions. All of the folks that are leaving their positions this year are, in fact, the reason this club continued in the way that it did. Without their expertise, willingness, and personalities we could not have achieved what we did. I wish I could express my appreciation to all in a better way, but I think that sometimes just a big **thank you** says it all.

I'll be signing off as your Commodore but my companionway is always open to each and every one of you.

- Wilbur

From the Vice Commodore

by John Read, S/V Wingin' It

Mike Crouse and I motored to Geneva on *Seek Ye 1st* along with Tom Alley on *Tomfoolery* one day ahead of the remaining FLYC "cruising" sailboats. We had a great time and the state park was great. The hot showers (after some cold days on the water) were outstanding. Our goal in arriving early was to attend the "Around the Navy Barge" race. Unfortunately, *Seek Ye 1st* experienced spinnaker issues but we did display a great show for all the attendees. Fortunately, we did not take first place so we do not need to drive back to Geneva to receive the racing award at the next Seneca Lake Yacht Club meeting. Tom Alley will be driving to Geneva since *Tomfoolery* took 1st place. Congratulations Tom!

P.S. **Thank you** to John & Jean Kremer for organizing the cruise to Geneva. It was a wonderful trip. John Kremer..., please arrange for better weather going up the lake next year. It was a good challenge!

- John

From the Secretary

by Sue Morris, S/V Sails Call

Summer has come to end but it has been a great one! Membership for the year was fantastic and everyone was good at attending all the social gatherings Linda put together.

There will be a notice sent out on upcoming meeting and dinner. Closing the boats up doesn't mean ending FLYC communication, so keep in touch.

Thank you for all the support over past years as I have been secretary, but it's time to let someone else take on the fun for next year.

Keep warm over the winter months!



- Sue

From the Treasurer

by Dennis Kingsley, S/V Tark

The FLYC has slightly less than \$2,500 in its treasury with all invoices paid. However, I plan of increasing the balance by investing that sum on America's Cup futures with a broker in Las Vegas. ☺

- Dennis



Socially Speaking

by Linda Cozad, S/V She's Keelin' Me

A huge "thank you" is extended to those that helped and participated in this season's events! I could not have done this without you. It's all about the members and families that attend that make the events great!

The September 7th Chili, Homemade Soup & Chocolate Cook-off was a huge success. There were 13 entries for the Chili and Soup and 10 entries for the Chocolate/homemade dessert area. With all the entries needing electrical power with the help of Rex Bird and a couple of others we were able to keep everything hot. The rain held off until the later part of the event and a good time was had by all.

Prizes were given 1st, 2nd and 3rd for Chili/Soup: 1st place Sue Morris; Dawn Dowdle and Dennis Kingsley took 2nd and 3rd place in contest.

Prizes were given for 1st and 2nd for the Desserts: 1st place: Sue Morris; Nancy Geer took 2nd place.

I received several great comments that everyone enjoyed this event.

It was a great event thanks to the participants.

Next club event will be the annual meeting, October 27th. Watch your emails to RSVP for this event.

- Linda



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.

FLYC Now on Facebook!

by Rebecca Lewis, SV The CZAR

It has been a wonderful sailing season. We, as “newbies” to the sport of sailing, are thrilled with our decision to jump in and try something new as a family and have met so many wonderful people in the process. What has made our experience even more positive is having joined the FLYC. It has been great getting to know each of you, socializing, and taking part of the organized activities. Most of all, everyone has made it memorable and fun. So it is only natural to want to share the excitement, photos, and stories with as many people as possible!

As some of you already know, I have been working on creating a Facebook page for the FLYC. I am excited to tell you the page is now “Live”. The page is open to the public and it is ready to share the news of what it is we do, how we have fun, and simply the beauty of Seneca Lake.

To make posts you must have a Facebook profile. You may post messages, notes, photos, and even videos from your day at the marina or adventures in sailing. If you do not use Facebook and would like to share something please feel free to send me an email with information you might like to share. As an alternative for those of you who do not use Facebook, there is also a Google+ page. The same information will be shared on both sites.

Bringing the group together through the use of Facebook and

Google+ will not only allow us to keep in touch with each other more readily, but they will also help us in educating the community about the beauty and sport of sailing. I am positive it will be an incentive, encouraging more individuals and families to join and take part of something that is life changing and rewarding.

You have been a great crew. Thank you for making our first year memorable!

- Rebecca, Barry, Rolf & Zelig Lewis

Facebook - www.Facebook.com/fingerlakesyachtclub

Google+

<https://plus.google.com/u/0/b/101517059836003257782/101517059836003257782/posts>

For questions or comments please feel free to contact me at pr@flyc.us or FingerLakesYachtClub@gmail.com

Cruising 2013

by John Kremer, S/V Amazing Grace

We just wrapped up the 2013 Cruising Program.

In one fell swoop With 7 fine sloops

Sorry about that, not really. On Saturday September 14th about 8:30 AM, seven boats with 17 crew sailed from the Village Marina bound for the Seneca Lake State Park Marina on the canal at the northwest corner of the Lake.

The temperature was 41°F with the wind 15 to 18 knots WNW. The winds were friendly, making for a fast, great sail; the temperature not so friendly, it never got above the fifty's.

We were able to complete the sail in about 6 hours. In fact, one boat, the Taylor's (*Windfall III*), made the entire trip on a single tack. That is a rare, rare event. The other boats made it with just 2 or 3 tacks. What a terrific ride. While we were coming up the lake, FLYC members Tom Alley, Mike Crouse and John Read, who had come up the day before, were joining in a race from near the State Marina around the Research Barge 12 miles to the south and back. Tom won. Congratulations!

Following the cruise, we gathered for a social hour with friends and family driving up to join us. We then, 23 strong, went across the canal to the Crow's Nest for dinner. We enjoyed our dinner in an area set aside for us. The menu and food were excellent.

On Sunday morning we awoke to 15 to 18 knots in our face, Mother Nature always gets even. We are on our own today and boats began leaving about 8 AM. We were in for a long hard slog back to the marina. Turned out to be about 8-10 hours, but it was warmer and everyone came in smiling.



My Grand Daughter Katie has posted her photos of the trip, see link:

<http://s964.photobucket.com/user/ktmkremer/library/Watkins%20Glen%20Yacht%20Club%20Geneva%20Trip?sort=2&page=1>

- John

Email John at jdkvix@juno.com with questions or comments.

Seneca Yacht Club Barge Race Invitational

by Tom West, SV Shorthanded

[This year the FLYC was fortunate enough to be invited to participate in the Seneca Yacht Club's Barge Race. Two boats went to Geneva to represent the FLYC and, as you can see in the accompanying write-up by SYC member Tom West, everyone had a really good time! – Ed.]

Skippers, Crew and Race Fans: I'm currently traveling (since midday on Monday), but have been receiving a ton of e-mails asking what were the scores for the Barge Race – so I wanted to share the overall finishes for the Barge Race on Saturday, 14 September 2013.

We had 12 yachts compete, including two boats that traveled up the lake on Friday from Finger Lakes Yacht Club (Watkins Glen) - Tom Alley's pretty Alberg 35 and Mike Crouse's fast Islander 36. They arrived at the club around 10pm after spending a long tiring day beating up the lake against the stiff northerly breeze. But, from the standings, I'm sure that they had smiles on their faces on the downwind sail home on Sunday! *[Except that the wind shifted to the south that day, making us beat all the way back! – Ed.]* Congratulations Tom for nipping me at the finish to take the line honors in the 2013 Barge Race!

Of the ten SYC boats competing – it was great to see two first-timers (this year at least) out on the water – Dr. Wisor and Schuyler Van Horn both made their maiden 2013 race our final club classic!

Before the race started, I checked the Seneca Weather Buoy online and the winds all morning had been steady in the 8 to 10 mph range, with some higher puffs. During the Skippers Meeting at the north end deck of the club, we assigned the yacht correction factors for a Beaufort 3 condition (7.5 to 12 mph winds) and each competitor was provided two times depending on if they were electing to fly a chute or not. Given the wind direction (NNW shifting to NW), only three boats

carried spinnakers on the broad reach down to the Barge – posted times behind the rabbit for each yacht are summarized with the scores below were based on the time corrections and which boats elected to fly a chute. The return sail was a close-hauled beat that favored the port tack and middle to east side of the lake.

The Rabbit Boat, going off a few minutes after 10am, was Chris Lytle's Triton 28, and the duration of race was almost exactly 4 hours. The top four boats finished within about 1 minute of each other - being less than 0.5% difference over the course of the 24-mile race! The middle of the fleet was also tight, with most boats finishing within 15 minutes of the lead boat, and the last boat over the line was only about 30 minutes behind the leaders.

One memory of the day racing was coming around the barge with all of our fleet sailing down the lake, and seven additional non-competing boats from FYLC sailing north for a weekend overnight at the north end of our lake. In total, sailing the up-wind leg, I looked back and counted no less than 20 boats all nipping at my stern!

All in all – a great day on Seneca Lake! Good winds, a great camaraderie with our neighboring club to the south, and some fierce and fun competition on the final official race of our 2013 Season.

Sail Fast and Live Slow – 2013 is now officially in the record books.



September 14th, 2013 - Barge Race – Official Results

Wind Conditions - Seneca Buoy

Average wind 8.3 mph, high wind 15.8 mph, Race average: 10.8 mph; Beaufort scale 3

Yachts using Spinnakers J-24 Beowulf, Alberg 35 - Tomfoolery, Islander 35 – Seek Ye 1st

	Sail No.	Time CF	G/S	Place	
Tom Alley	212	23 min	Spin	1	FLYC
Tom West	750	9 min		2	SYC
Dave Murray	901	34 min		3	SYC
Tim Egan	235	14 min		4	SYC
Charlie Hartman	NS#	17 min		5	SYC
Steve Scherer	4024	45 min	Spin	6	SYC
Chuck Wisor	229	18 min		7	SYC
Mike Crouse	--	43 min	Spin	8	FLYC
Bruce Scherer	502	25 min		9	SYC
Chris Lytle	245	0 min	Rabbit	10	SYC
Schulyer V. Horn	--	11 min		11	SYC
Dave Furber	2273	10 min		12	SYC

FLYC Scrapbook: FLYC Members Venture North!

Below are snapshots shared by FLYC members that braved the waters of Seneca Lake and ventured north to Geneva on September 14-15th both for the club cruise and to participate in the Seneca Yacht Club Barge Race. If you think it *looks* fun, then you should make plans to join in on similar events next year!



Figure 1 – FLYC members relax after sailing up the lake to the state park marina in Geneva, NY.



Figure 3 – FLYC representatives in the SYC Barge Race, *Seek Ye 1st* (left) and *Tomfoolery* (right).



Figure 2 – Marcia Taylor on *Windfall III* enjoys her morning coffee as *Brewster* departs for Watkins Glen. *Windfall's* crew was still glowing after great sail up the lake, making Geneva on a single tack!



Figure 4 – Pre-race skippers' meeting at our gracious host, the Seneca Yacht Club.

FLYC Scrapbook (con'd)



Figure 5 – *Tomfoolery* crew Maggie MacBlane and Katie Alley resting in the rigging on the sail back to Watkins Glen.



Figure 6 – Post-race social gathering on a warm, sunny afternoon on the Seneca Yacht Club grounds in Geneva, NY.



Figure 7 – Artistic shot by bored teenagers using an unattended iPhone aboard *Tomfoolery*.



Figure 8 – *Sails Call* preparing for the sail back home on Sunday morning, September 15th.



Figure 9 – *Tomfoolery* and *Seek Ye 1st* stow gear following the Barge Race at SYC.



Figure 10 – *Tomfoolery* pulls into the state marine park in Geneva, NY. Crew member Jon Rees on deck.

FLYC Member Ads

Seek, Buy and Sell Your Nautical Items Here – Free to FLYC Members

FOR SALE

Do you have some “boat stuff” that has been taking up space in your basement, garage, or starboard cockpit locker that might be better put to use on someone else’s boat? List it here!

Classic Adventures

Get your winterizing materials delivered to your boat for less than retail !

Antifreeze – cleaners – waxes – lines – anything needed

Call 607 769 0086 or 607 292 6479

See Wilbur on Dock 2, Slip 212

We can get it all!

WANTED

Need that special item that’s probably sitting in your neighbor’s garage that he’s not using? How will you ever get it without asking? “But how to ask tactfully,” you say? Post it here, of course!

CREW WANTED

Want to go sailing but need crew? Post your “want ad” here and enjoy the summer out on the lake where you and your boat belong!

CREW AVAILABLE

Are you addicted to sailing but find yourself without a ride? Stick out your thumb and hitch a crew position with a needy skipper!

Education Corner

by Tom Alley, SV Tomfoolery

As many of you are aware, the FLYC has an agreement with the Seneca Sail & Power Squadron to make all of their classes accessible to FLYC members at a discount off the public rate. Classes that are planned for the off-season and coming year include the following:

Piloting – Introductory navigation course that will teach you how to use your GPS and what to do when (not if) it stops working. This class is starting now, so if you want to join you need to register immediately so your textbook can be ordered.

Advanced Piloting – Follow-up navigation course that extends the concepts learned in Piloting to include handling currents and tides. This course will prepare you for extended coastal cruising. It will be offered beginning January 2014.

Seamanship – Covers boat handling, rules of the road, boating safety and other practical aspects of being in command of a recreational vessel. This class is taught each year during May and June with half of the sessions in a classroom and the other half on the water aboard a boat.

Sail – Picks up where Seamanship leaves off and covers all aspects of operating a sailing vessel. This class is usually offered during July and August and is composed of 3 classroom sessions and 5 on-the-water sessions.

More information about each of these courses can be found on the Seneca Squadron web site (<http://www.SenecaPowerSquadron.US>).

To register for any of these courses, contact the Education Officer (Tom Alley) of the Seneca Sail & Power Squadron at SEO@SenecaPowerSquadron.US.

FLYC 2013 Event & Activity Calendar

by FLYC Board of Directors

Social Events

MAY

Saturday, May 18th, 1:00 p.m. – Pizza Tailgate Party.

Saturday, May 25th – All American Picnic. 5:30 Social Time; 6:00 Dinner.

Friday, May 31st – 7:00 p.m. – Christening of Boats. Followed by member birthday acknowledgements.

JUNE

Friday, June 14th – Waterfront Festival. Lighting of the fleet at dusk! Prizes available for best boat decoration and most original!

Saturday, June 15th – 12:00 noon Cardboard Regatta.

Saturday, June 29th – 8:30 a.m. Breakfast Gathering – Join some morning fellowship – Donuts/Bagels/Coffee Available

JULY

Friday, July 5th - 7:30 – 8:30 p.m. Meet & Greet

Saturday, July 6th Noon – 2 p.m. Boat Picture Day

Saturday, July 6th – Message in a Bottle Event – 5:00 Social Time – 5:30 Dinner Seafood Kabobs.

Saturday, July 27th – Race to Lodi Week-end with a BYO dinner on the beach after the Commodore’s Cup Race.

AUGUST

Saturday, August 17th – Smith Park Cruiser’s Dinner. Watch your e-mail! 5:00 p.m. Social time; 6:00 p.m. Dinner.

SEPTEMBER

Saturday, September 7th – Homemade Soup/Chili Cook-Off and Chocolate dessert contest! 5:00 p.m. homemade soup/Chili/Chocolate Contest!

Sept. 13-15th – Cruise to Geneva. (See Article, pg. 4)

NOVEMBER

Sunday, October 27th – Annual Meeting & Banquet

Racing Schedule

May

~~Sunday 25th – Early Bird Race (No points)~~

June

Saturday 1st Early Bird Race (Rescheduled from 5/1)

Saturday 8th Race #1

Sunday 16th Race #2

Saturday 22nd Race #3

Sunday 23rd Beginning Skipper Race Day (No points)

July

Saturday 13th Race #4

Saturday 20th Race #5

Saturday 27th Commodore’s Race to Lodi (09:00 Skippers’ Meeting)

August

Saturday 3rd Race #6

Saturday 17th Race #7

Sunday 25th Race #8

September

Saturday 7th Race #9

~~Saturday 21st~~ Race #10 (Postponed due to weather.)

Sunday 22nd

October

Saturday 5th Grape Harvest Race (No points)

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>

2013

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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.

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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!

Finger Lakes Yacht Club

P. O. Box 224
Watkins Glen, NY
USA 14891



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.

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:

- Racing
- Cruising
- Social activities
- Newsletter
- Web site
- Sailing classes
- Other _____

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 _____