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Commodore's Comments

by Howard Cabezas

SV Ruthie

The annual end of the year dinner has been postponed to a tentative date of October 19th. The specifics will be emailed out to everyone as soon as we have finalized the details. So please keep an eye out for the email and send your RSVPs in right away. We need to make sure we will have enough members to have the annual dinner and elections or we will have to cancel the dinner.



I would like to thank all of you for the great participation in the events over the summer. Also, we all need to thank Lynne and Maggie for all their hard work planning the events and making them a success.

Oh, yeah, there is one more sailing race this month, the Gear Buster race, followed by the Chili and Chocolate dinner at the marina. Make sure to RSVP for this dinner with Lynne or Maggie.

Happy Sails,

-Howard

Acting Rear Commodore's Comments

by Jim McGinnis

SV Brewster



2019 Racing Season Recap

Another racing season draws to a close. Unusual for September, Race 8 was moved from Saturday 9/21 to Sunday 9/22 due to a lack of wind. While the fleet started Race 8 optimistically, we had to cut the distance back to a single lap of the large inflatable orange marks due to light air. (Speaking of which, we used the inflatable orange bag marks since we lost both of our East and West race marks late in the season. No word on which direction they are headed. They are both marked with our name and a phone number so if they did not sink, they may show up again.)

The results for the 2019 season are:

- First: *Lanakai* - Tony Kut yana
- Second: *Ruthie* - Howard Cabezas
- Third: *Brewster* - Jim McGinnis

This year we experimented with a Race Committee-by-Committee, and it worked very well. We asked for volunteers for each race to coordinate the pre-race meeting, the start sequence and record the finish times. Tom Alley was always able to get the race results electronically and post the finishing order on the www.FLYC.US website – sometimes within minutes of completing the race. We should all thank Howard Cabezas, Tom Alley, John Chesbrough and most of all Tony Kut yana who picked up the mantle and presided over the last

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few races. We had a few new racers join the fray this year and we hope to see them add to the fleet again next year.

Our last race is affectionately

known as the "Gear Buster". It is scheduled for October 12th at 1PM. It is intended to help you get a jump start on all the stuff you need to buy over the winter when visions of whisker poles and lighter turning blocks dance in your head. (Tom Alley is exempt since he already broke enough stuff this year to qualify for several sessions and will be out of the water for a Marine Survey.) The rest of you - See you out there and then stop by for the Annual Chili Cook-off Competition at 5PM. The fantastic variations we get on Hot chili are always timely after this race.

Seneca Lake Barge Race Report

Once again, the FLYC was represented at the annual Seneca Yacht Club Barge Race on September 7th, 2019. This year *Tomfoolery* and her crew made the trip north to Geneva to compete.

Winds were a comfortable 12-14 knots out of the west-northwest and stayed unusually steady the entire day, enabling

the race leaders to complete the 24 nautical mile race in just under 4 hours. A total of 11 boats competed in this year's event:

- 1st Shorthanded
- 2nd Tomfoolery (FLYC)
- 3rd Tue Pre't
- 4th Take Time Too...
- 5th Blue Star
- 6th Imagine
- 7th Courtesan
- 8th Chelsea Song
- 9th V-48
- 10th La Vida
- 11th Chocolatero

On Sunday, as *Tomfoolery* motored home on a depressingly calm day, they were treated to the spectacle of the southerly migration of hundreds of Monarch butterflies!

Tom West, SYC Cruising Fleet Captain, has again invited FLYC members to join them for the 2020 race!

Race Results

Final scores for the 2019 season are shown below.

See you next season!

- Jim

FLYC Season Race Scores - 2019

			Throw-Outs 2										
Date ->			6/8	6/22	7/13	7/27	8/10	8/24	9/7	9/21	1/1	1/1	
# Boats ->			5	6	8	6	7	7	6	5			6.3
Boat	Owner	Type	Race #1	Race #2	Race #3	Race #4	Race #5	Race #6	Race #7	Race #8	Race #9	Race #10	Total
Lanakai	Tony	C&C 25	2	8	1	1	4	4	4	2			14
Ruthie	Howard Cabezas	Catalina 25TR	8	3	7	5	8	1	1	4			21
Brewster	Jim McGinnis	Hunter 336	3	2	4	8	7	3	6	3			21
Seek Ye First	Mike Crouse	Islander 36	1	1	5	2	8	8	8	8			25
Tomfoolery	Tom Alley	Alberg 35	8	8	6	3	5	2	5	8			29
Dry White	Tom Keebler	Pearson 28-2	8	8	9	8	3	8	2	1			30
Tark	Dennis Kingsley	Hunter 33	8	4	9	6	6	5	8	8			37
Lucky Lady	Frank Rinker	Columbia 26	8	8	9	8	1	6	8	8			39
Sehla	Jeff Barlow	Cal 9.2	8	6	2	8	8	8	8	8			40
Cetacea	Bruce Kendall	Hunter 25.5 SD	8	8	3	8	8	8	8	5			40
Moonlight Lady	Cliff Geer	Hunter 34	4	8	9	4	8	8	8	8			40
Quality Time II	Peter Knott	Pearson 30	8	8	9	8	2	8	8	8			42
Independence	Don	C&C 25	8	8	9	8	8	8	3	8			43
Sails Call	Jim Morris	Bavaria 34	8	5	9	8	8	7	8	8			44
Sacre Bleu	John Cheeseborough	O'Day 27	5	8	9	8	8	8	8	8			45
Wine Din Down	Ken Doyle	Hunter 30T	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8			48

Secretary's Column

by Sue Morris

SV Sails Call



Happy fall to all of you!

Seasons come and go very quickly but the FLYC friendships are forever! Thanks to both old and new memberships 2019! The cold season is coming fast so stay safe and healthy over the winter!

- Sue, FLYC Secretary

From the Treasurer

by Denis Kingsley

SV Tark



The FLYC continues to be solvent and all bills have been paid.

- Denis, still cooking the books.

Socially Speaking

by Maggie Martin & Lynne McGinnis

SV Sacre Bleu & SV Brewster



IMPORTANT: The club's Annual Meeting and dinner has been rescheduled for October 19th at the Marina Bar and Grill. See details below.

We hope that you all enjoyed your summer boating season and the social activities. The

last two are as follows:

Soup/Chili/Chocolate Cook-Off will be held on Saturday October 12th at the marina. Bring your best dish to share and be judged for deliciousness! Prizes in all categories. It will be a good send off with a view of the soon to be empty docks!

The Annual Meeting/Election of Officers/Sail Racing Awards and End of Year Dinner is being graciously hosted at the Marina

Bar and Grill on Saturday October 19th at 4PM. They are closed for the season but will offer a cash bar and a limited menu. Details will be announced soon, so watch your email. Mark your calendars!!! We ask that you RSVP by emailing maggiemmartin@hotmail.com please.

And..., thank you to everyone for your help in sharing the efforts to prepare and clean up after all of the picnics this summer, and sharing good times together.

- Maggie & Lynne

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Hawaiian Luau Photo Wrap-Up

By Sue Morris

SV Sails Call

[Thanks to Sue Morris for providing some photos from the recent picnic enjoyed by many of our FLYC members. -Ed.]







What's Up With The Marina?

By Tom Alley

We've all heard multiple rumors on the future of our marina. There is activity all over the place and there are huge sums of money being funneled into the Watkins Glen community to make improvements and investments in the future of the area. What has been lacking, however, has been concrete information about what the future holds for the Watkins Glen waterfront and, ultimately, our marina and its ability to be a home port to our vessels.



Recently the annual meeting of Project Seneca was held. Unfortunately, I was not able to attend, but other marina members were and when I inquired, I was directed to a web site with additional information. Below are some of the slides used in the presentation that contain information which sheds some light on what the plans are at this time.

New Terminal for Captain Bill

Captain Bill's Boat Terminal

REMODELLED TOUR BOAT ESTABLISHMENT "TIKI BAR" WITH OUTDOOR SEATING

Project Timeline
2012 - 2020

Project Funding
\$1,000,000

Legend: Private (Green), DRI Funding (Grey)

SV Tomfoolery

N. Franklin Street Elevation

DRI UP TO \$500K

ENHANCED LAKE VIEWS

SEASONAL FULL TIME JOBS
20-25

CONSTRUCTION FALL 2019

Waste Water Treatment Plant Repurposing

PROPOSED MULTI-USE BUILDINGS AND EVENT CENTER

WWTP Reuse

Project Timeline
2012 - 2022

Project Funding
\$80,000 to date

Legend: Project Seneca (Orange), State Grant Funding (Blue)

FEASIBILITY STUDY 2019

JOINT PARTNERSHIP VILLAGE & COUNTY

CURRENT TASKS

- DEVELOP RFP
- DEVELOP IMA
- DEMOLITION SPRING 2020

FEASIBILITY STUDY

source: Cornell, Design Connect

The reuse feasibility study will include a feasibility analysis and reuse design alternatives for the soon to be decommissioned lakefront Wastewater Treatment Plant and associated adjacent public land in Watkins Glen.

The analysis and design will include a highest and best use feasibility analysis with detailed alternative design options for municipal consideration.

Housing Project

[What I find interesting in this slide is the “parking lot” on the right side of the rendering showing the outlines of boats. Is this where the boatyard will be relocated to? – Ed.]



More Information

You can find the entire slide deck along with additional information at the project web site:

<https://flxgateway.com/project-seneca/>

- Tom

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Editor's Corner

by Tom Alley



The Season vs The Goal

After several years of enjoying extended boat trips each summer, this year was a bit of a “non-event”. The furthest we ventured from the dock this year was the north end of Seneca Lake to attend the Seneca Yacht Club’s annual

Barge Race. Other than participating in some of the local club races, you probably only saw me carrying tools, parts, and sometimes even pieces of my boat up and down the dock all season.

You can’t really blame the weather on keeping me at the dock. While we’ve certainly had better years for sailing, we’ve also definitely had worse ones! No, the weather was probably “average” for us; nothing to brag about but nothing worthy of disappointed rants either.

Granted, I did have an elusive problem with my motor early in the season. The eventual cause, however, proved to be simple if one simply knew where to look. (Hint: It was the small filter in the fused-shut housing buried under the lift pump assembly on the back side of the motor!)

No, this year *Tomfoolery* stayed close to home by design as part of a longer-term plan. 2019 was designated as a “project year” where various projects on the boat would be the primary focus.

SV Tomfoolery

The goal is to prepare our fair sloop for an ocean voyage in the early summer of 2021.

It’s always a hard decision when you have to choose between what essentially amounts to giving up a sailing season or possibly giving up a longer-term goal. I went through the same mental back-and-forth nine years ago while deciding to put *Tomfoolery* in dry dock for 18 months in order to do some major maintenance. While the tasks this year didn’t require staying out of the water entirely, they were time consuming enough to keep me from wandering off very far from our home port.

Sometimes, however, we get a little “nudge” that forces our hand. In my case, it’s the calendar. There’s only so much time between now and 2021, and while the full project list doesn’t need to be completed, there are some non-negotiable tasks that have to be in the “done” column well before our planned departure date.

And the goal of all this? Stay tuned for the next installment in your club newsletter!

- Tom

Well, your editor has opened his big mouth again. If you wish to agree, or pick a fight, please send your comments to editor@f lyc.us.

2019 FLYC Calendar

This is the club calendar as discussed at the Board meeting in early February. Some dates are subject to change as plans firm up and get finalized. Please check the club web site (<http://www.FLYC.US>) to see the most current information.

Corrections & updates are highlighted.

Regular/Repeating Events

Saturday Morning Kaffee Klatch. Every Saturday at 0900 from Memorial Day Weekend through mid-September under the awning on Dock 5 at the Marina Bar & Grill.

Post-Mortem Racing Social. After every club race at 1700 on the lawn by the marina flagpole. BYOB/Snack to share. Open to racers and non-racers alike.

March

02 **Annual Meeting & Planning Session,** Board of Directors (1730)

20 **Deadline for newsletter articles.**

April

01 **April Newsletter Publication Date.**

15 **Earliest possible launch date.**

May

01 **Membership renewals due!**

20 **Deadline for newsletter articles.**

25 **Rust Removal Race.** Practice race. (1300)

27 **Memorial Day Service.** Remembering FLYC members who have crossed the bar. (1300) Village Marina Flagpole.

27 **Memorial Day Picnic.** (1700)

June

01 **June Newsletter Publication Date.**

08 **Nautical Swap Meet.** (1000)

08 **Summer Series Race #1.** (1300)

14 **Light Up the Night Competition.** (2000) Village Marina, all docks.

15-16 **Watkins Glen Waterfront Festival*

16 **Sunday Fathers' Day Brunch.** (1100)

22 **Summer Series Race #2.** (1300)

July

01-03 **USPS D/6 Rendezvous, Buffalo, NY.*

04 **All American Picnic.** (1700)

06 **Summer Series Race #3.** (1300)

20 **Commodore's Raft-Up at Smith Park.** (1500)

20 **Deadline for newsletter articles.**

21 **Commodore's Cup Brunch.** (1100) Village Marina Flagpole.

27 **Summer Series Race #4.** (1300)

August

01 **August Newsletter Publication Date.**

02-05 **NASCAR at the Glen*

09-11 **Watkins Glen Italian Festival*

10 **Summer Series Race #5.** (1300)

24 **Summer Series Race #6.** (1300)

September

02 **Labor Day Picnic.** (1700)

06-09 **Glenora Wine Cellars Vintage Grand Prix.*

07 **Seneca Yacht Club Barge Race, Geneva, NY*

14 **Summer Series Race #7.** (1300)

21 **Deadline for newsletter articles.**

21 **Summer Series Race #8.** (1300)

21 **Grape Harvest Festival.** (1700)

~~28 **Member Banquet & Annual Meeting.** (TBD)~~

October

01 **October Newsletter Publication Date.**

04-08 **Annapolis Sailboat Show*

12 **Gear Buster Race.** (1300) Special scoring.

12 **Soup/Chili/Chocolate Festival.** (1700)

19 **Member Banquet & Annual Meeting**

31 **Marina Haulout Deadline** (per slip contract).

November

16 **Deadline for newsletter articles.**

December

01 **December Newsletter Publication Date.**

** Non-FLYC events.*

Finger Lakes Yacht Club

Membership Application

Membership renewals are due by May 1st. **Annual dues are \$45.**
 Please send this form and a 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:

<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"/> Junior Sailing
<input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter	<input type="checkbox"/> _____

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 _____