

Commodore's Corner



**Therese Straigis
Commodore**

The wind gods have shown their approval of the new fleet officers by finally stirring up enough wind to race on Thursdays! The gods must not fear redheads because this is the third year in a row a redhead has been commodore. I thought my days as an officer were over, but I was wrong! I guess I need dig out my Army Kevlar helmet and remember how to lead a platoon of soldiers...I mean a fleet of sailors! I am still scratching my head trying to figure out how I got this position. But my awesome husband has no problem pointing out, "You love sailing too much!" I must admit he is right!

Whether I am cruising on my Hobie or on the beach with the Fleet 204's sailors ,I am content. The Outing is a great example of what I mean. It is my favorite summer holiday because I can sail on Lake Ontario or spend time devouring **bacon**, beer, and clams with my friends around the fire. I cannot believe the Outing is coming so soon! It will be a great four days of relaxation! Thankfully we already have many volunteers who have committed to bringing supplies to support this wonderful event. As much as I love the Outing, I am not ready to say goodbye to the summer. There are still plenty of Newbie Tuesdays to sail and fleet races and regattas to win.

My first official business as commodore is to thank **Tom Korz** and **Bob Longo** who have stepped down from officer positions. Also, I want to thank **Bruce Krupke** (welcome Co-Secretary **Pattie Krupke!**) and **Bill Whalen** for continuing to command their stations and **Herb James** for being my right-hand man as Vice-Commodore. Tom has graciously passed the ceremonial weapon of choice, the gavel. I promise to use it frequently, since it never runs out of ammunition.

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My mission for the year is simple: Keep Fleet 204 sailing!

To my fellow officers and comrades, grab your tiller sticks and prepare for wind!

Roger out,

Commodore Hondo



Trey James and Gabe Longo are racing to defend their 2012 Youth National Championship. Good luck, guys! We're pulling for you! 204! 204! 204!

Fleet 204 Meeting Minutes July 9, 2013

Respectfully submitted by
Bruce W. Krupke, *Secretary*

The meeting was called to order by Commodore **Tom Korzeniewski** at 8:00pm at Borio's Restaurant. There were about 25 Fleet members in attendance. He welcomed new members



Secretary's Report

Secretary **Bruce Krupke** reported the June minutes were put into the Fleet newsletter by Editor **Theresa White** and Publisher **Donna Wilson**. He noted the entire Fleet membership list along with contact information is included in the July issue. If you didn't get your dues in by July 1, you won't be listed. Please look at your contact information in the July newsletter and let Theresa and or Donna know if you have any changes. There weren't any other changes or edits to the July newsletter issue. There was a motion to accept the minutes, passed.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer **Dr. Bill Whalen** noted the checking accounts are in good shape. The total amounts of the combined 2 accounts are higher than last month. We have increased our account due to good revenue from Madcatter. Your membership dues are now overdue. You can still pay and become and or stay a member, see the last page of this newsletter for information.

Past Regattas Report

Rob and Darcy Jerry attended the Columbia Cup in Skaneateles. This event goes back to 1975; it is a big and cool regatta. The trophy is made out of brass and bronze of the Columbia sailboat from 1999. Maybe more Fleet Members could participate next year!?!



Your
dues are
due!

Madcatter photos are available. Check the Fleet 204 Forum for postings how to view them and purchase. There are over 400 from the pro and others on Smugmug.com Fleet members took; To find them, use the links provided on the Forum and the password "Madcatter". Thanks to **Richard White, John Harmon** and **Bruce Krupke** for their photos. If you have some you would like to add to the collection, please send **Bruce Krupke** the Link and he'll include them in the collection.

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Future Regattas Report:

Division 11 in NJ will have a few points regattas to consider attending. **Spray Beach** will be July 20/21. **Barnegat Breezer** regatta in Bayville, NJ, about 5.5 hours away will be on August 10/11. There are lots of good competition expected. About 8 Fleet members and crew are expected to invade New Jersey for this regatta, good luck to all. Talk it up, then car and trailer-pool!



Our very own Mimi Appel wins 1st Place in the Wave Class at Spray Beach Yacht Club 2013

Division 16 Report

Adam Atherton, our Division Chairman, reminded and reported unfortunately Fleet 295 Rochester is not going to happen this year.

- Although there seems to be renewed activity in the area, in order to get the Buffalo Fleet’s regatta going again in 2014, they need 25 boats to attend the regatta. Please check the Forum, indicate if you would attend or not so that they can get an idea of the boats that might be going.
- The Flying High Division 16 Multi Hull **Etobicoke Yacht Club/Toronto Fleet** regatta will be on August 25-26. They need our support as well; it is just outside of the city with the skyline in perfect view. Support our own Division Fleet regattas, have fun, bring the family, pack the food and dogs. See you there, NOR attached to this newsletter.
- Start planning now to attend another Division 16 Regatta in **Canandaigua** on Sept. 21/22. This is another great opportunity to race, have fun, socialize and you don’t have to drive that far. You can camp, or stay at one of the areas lodging locations, the Secretary suggests the Miami Motel.
- More info and discussion at the next meeting. It looks like a good number of Fleet members will be attending these events. You can keep track of all the Hobie racing regattas on our website at this link: <http://www.fleet204.com/racing.shtml>

HCA DIVISION 11 and 16 2013 Schedule	
August	
17-18	Spray Beach Yacht Club – LBI, NJ (Division 11 points)
24-25	Etobicoke Yacht Club, Toronto, ON (Division 16 points)
September	
14-15	Shore Acres Yacht Club, Brick NJ (Division 11 points)
21-22	CMOR Canandaigua Yacht Club (Division 16 points)
28-29	Rock Hall Yacht Club, MD (Division 11 points)
October	
5-6	Fall Classic, RBSA – Rehobeth, DE (Division 11 points)
12-13	Heineken High Performance Regatta, American Yacht Club, Rye NY (Open)
21-25	Hobie 16, 18, 20, Tiger North Americans, Porreto Beach, Galveston, TX

New Business

- **Don Bacik** was introduced and he provided information on invasive species to watch for in Oneida Lake. He provided a brochure called *Stop Aquatic Hitchhikers!* (Editor’s Note: A similar page can be found later in this newsletter) It described how to clean out your recreational equipment before entering the lake from other waterways and vise-versa. Please read up on it and spread the word! Thanks Don for this great info about our precious lake we all want to try to help keep clean and healthy.
- The traditional Fleet **Outing** will be held as usual all Labor Day weekend on Lake Ontario at Chedmardo Campgrounds, just south of Selkirk State Park on Rt. 3 near Pulaski or what is also called Port Ontario. We will put a list of duties will be on the website (and later in this newsletter). At our August Fleet meeting we’ll confirm volunteers for all the duties, please

sign up. If you are new to the Fleet, this is an event for Fleet members and family. This is what in part your dues help to pay for! We camp, sail, eat, sleep, celebrate the end of summer sailing and enjoying everyone's company. It is held Friday through Labor Day Monday, no matter the weather. You don't need to sign up, just show up, pay the camping fee at the entrance office, and enjoy and relax.



- Next Commodore Korz called for **Fleet Officer Elections**. Secretary and nomination committee **Bruce Krupke** reported the following: From the last meeting, there was indication that he was willing to continue to serve as **Co-Secretary** with **Pattie Krupke**. Additionally **Dr. Bill Whalen** was willing to serve one more year as Treasurer. He said there was an indication from Fleet member **Therese Straigis** that she would be willing to consider serving as Commodore. Commodore Korzeniewski then asked if there were other nominations from the floor. **Dr. Herb James** said that he would be willing to serve as Vice Commodore. Not hearing any other nominations, Commodore Korzeniewski then asked for a motion to accept the entire slate of nominations as follows: **Commodore: Therese Straigis, Vice Commodore: Dr. Herb James, Treasurer: Dr. Bill Whalen, Co-Secretaries: Bruce and Pattie Krupke**. There was a motion from the floor to accept the slate; there was a second to the motion. A show of hands showed unanimous support for the slate, vote CARRIED! **Commodore Korz** thanked each individual for stepping up. He welcomed **Therese Straigis** as our new Fleet Commodore who took over the gavel and finished the meeting.
- New **Commodore Straigis** thanked and asked for a round of applause for **Tom Korz's** hard work, leadership and efforts as Commodore for the past year! There was a great round of applause and singing *He's a Jolly Good Fellow* (*Editor's Note: Or something that vaguely resembled that. The words and tune were pretty iffy...!*) . Commodore Straigis said that she looked forward to working with the Fleet and other officers to continue the good work in many areas that has been accomplished over the past few years.
- **Fleet Races:** Please sign up for Committee boat duty. There are still a lot of Fleet races left in the year. Email **Rico Quatrone** and he'll update the list under Fleet Racing.
- **Newbie Tuesdays:** Please support Newbie Tuesdays if you are free, we need skippers, watch the Forum for weekly sign-ups for each Tuesday.
- **Get out and sail!**
- There was no chalk talk after the meeting, although if you have a topic, please let Therese know before the next meeting(s).



There was a motion to adjourn at 9:00pm; New **Commodore Straigis** thanked everyone for attending. We'll see you all on August 13th at 8pm!

Fleet 204 Welcomes New Members!

Drago Mihaila and his 2 sons

(**Tibby**, age 15, 150 lbs and **Alex** age 12, 95 lbs) have just joined the fleet!

Drago's cell 315.254.5385

Tibby's cell 315.243.6474

OUTING 2014

The Outing is coming up fast! If you volunteered at the last fleeting meeting your name is next to the item. If you would like to volunteer or can no longer bring an item please reply on the forum post.

<u>What</u>	<u>Who</u>	<u>How Much</u>
Blue Bowls	Jim Perkins	1 or 2?
Chedwardos Campground	Jim Perkins	We plan on taking over for the weekend
Corn Hole	Jim Perkins	What ever Perky brings
Beer	Rob Jerry	Enough to last four days
Keg cooler	Rob Jerry	1
soda and water	?	?
cooler for soda/water	?	?
Ice	?	? bags of ? lbs
Grills	Pat Bisesi	2
Steamer	John Anderson	We will have clams!
Corn	Herb & Sharon James	10 dozen
Butter	Bob Longo	12 lbs
Onions	Bob Longo	? lbs
Salt Potatoes	Bob Longo	40 lbs
Clams	Sean and Ian Smith	4 bags of 25lbs bags
Mushrooms	Theresa White	? lbs
Garlic	Therese White	3 lbs
Kitchen Cleaning supplies	Mimi Appel	Enough for all non-cookers to clean
Paper Products	Kathy Miles	Enough to feed a fleet of sailors
Beer Cups	?	?
Fire Wood	Therese Straigis & Don Podejko	As much as we can bring

Remembering Outings of Old

Details for the 2013 Outing are on the Fleet web site by now, thanks to **Rico**. I would like to remind the Old Timers and inform the Newbies of one basic thing that was done in the past: **Everyone used to bring his or her own beer mugs, plates, and silverware.** It is amazing how much less trash was made with tons more people. We are sailors and should think globally and act locally. Just saying :->
Mimi





STOP AQUATIC HITCHHIKERS!

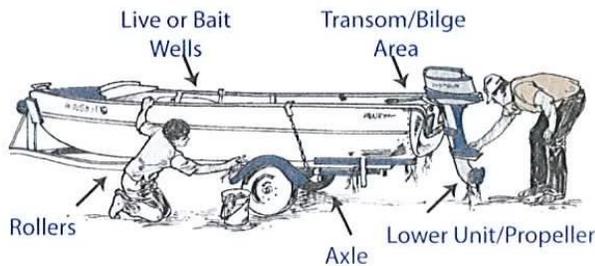
Prevent the transport of nuisance species.
Clean all recreational equipment.
www.ProtectYourWaters.net

Aquatic invasive species are non-native plants and animals that can degrade a body of water, impair boating and fishing, threaten native plants and animals, and destroy habitat. Once aquatic invasive species are established, eradication is almost impossible.

When you leave a waterway:

- Check for and remove any visible plants or debris
- Clean and drain your boat and equipment
- Dry everything that came into contact with water

WATERCRAFT CHECK POINTS



C-200 (1/13)

Aquatic Invaders to Look Out For:



H. Smith, AIPPP

Water Chestnut

- Triangular leaves with toothed edges
- Sharp-edged seeds
- Can form dense mats



J.F. Marsden, UVM & D. Jude

Zebra/Quagga Mussel

- Tiny D- or oval-shaped striped shells
- Can cover hard surfaces
- Sharp shells can cut feet



F. DeBolt

Asian Clam

- Light green to brown shells with circular elevated ridges
- Typically less than 1/2-inch in size
- May outcompete native clams/mussels



A. Fox, Bugwood.org & Michigan DNR

Eurasian Watermilfoil

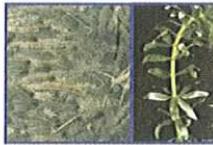
- Feathery leaves in whorls of 4
- Forms dense beds
- New plants sprout from fragments



DFWI & J. Gunderson, MN Sea Grant

Spiny Waterflea

- Tiny crustacean with long, barbed tail
- Competes with small fish for food
- Masses can clog guides of fishing rods



D. Moorhead, R. Vidicki, Bugwood.org

Hydrilla

- Four to 8 blade-like, slightly toothed leaves form whorls around stem
- Can form dense plant beds
- Thrives in a variety of environments



To learn more about how you can help stop the spread of aquatic invasives, scan this QR code with your smartphone or visit www.dec.ny.gov/animals/48221.html



DEC AIS (11/12)



Cool Website

Bruce Krupke found this site with good info on area waters. Check this out:

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

It's the Great Lakes Observing Station Data and Lake Conditions Forecasts.



Membership Information Form

Address Information	
Last Name	Home Phone
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Address	
City, State, Zip (Country)	
His	Hers
Name	Name
Phone	Phone
e-mail	e-mail

Delivery options: We would prefer to receive the newsletter via:

- US Postal Service e-mail (Please double check your e-mail addresses above)

(Send to Donna & Kevin Wilson, the204play@verizon.net, 8442 Transit Lane, Baldwinsville NY 13027, 315-430-6678)

Membership Summary

The membership statuses are: Complimentary, Newsletter, or Regular. **Newsletter** (\$25.00) means you will be kept up-to-date on the happening within 204 by receiving the newsletter throughout the year. **Regular** (\$50.00) says you and your immediate family have opted to take advantage of all that Fleet 204 has to offer, fleet races, newsletters, parties, the Labor Day Outing, etc. Each February, your membership status reverts to **Complimentary** until your dues are received. Please mail your dues (checks only please, payable to **Hobie Cat Fleet 204**) to us with your membership information.

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Fleet Website: <http://www.fleet204.com/>
Where are we: During the sailing season (approximately late April through late August), we can be found on Thursday evenings, sailing out of the Caster’s residence, 6725 Lakeshore Road, Clay, NY 13041. Preparations usually start about 5:00pm with white flag at 6:00pm. Launching facilities may be found almost immediately to the left of the Caster’s at Therre’s boat launch. Take South Bay road to the end, turn left, and you’re there.

204 Play

Donna & Kevin Wilson
8442 Transit Lane
Baldwinsville, NY 13027

Address Service Requested

Next meeting is **August 13th**
at **8:00 pm** at
Borio's Restaurant
Lakeshore Road
Cicero, NY