

Commodore's Corner



Ken Knapp
Commodore

I'm going to be careful with this corner, since talking about warm days in February seems to have jinxed the March 14th Social Meeting with a NorEaster! On the other hand, the Social Meeting postponement to the following week netted 7 visitors, not to mention the Park Superintendent at Oneida Shores, Gary Lopez, who brought good news regarding camping this year. Fleet 204 will have designated lot parking and free camping area to provide a common area for Fleet camaraderie in one area. The option to pay for camping in the standard park zone remains available if desired. Along with Gary's good news, appropriate safety



Bill Jeffers
Vice-Commodore

awareness was reviewed. Gary reminded us to be aware of the dangers and risks associated with dancing on tables and parking vehicles near the walk ways and party tent cooking areas. He also noted our fleet gallery pictures are sometimes quite revealing of the activities that take place. It was also pointed out that while not a park rule the Onondaga Health Department would be concerned to find us serving food without gloves. After all, safety is no accident! We should all be grateful that Gary took the time to meet with the fleet, to express his sincere appreciation of our event, and to talk about how continuous improvements will make Madcatter great!

See you at Borio's for the meeting!

Ken, Commodore, Fleet 204



Fleet 204 Meeting Minutes March 21, 2017

Submitted by **Valerie Wiehl, Secretary**

The meeting was called to order by **Commodore Ken Knapp** at 7:17 pm at Borio's Restaurant. There were about **30** Fleet members in attendance. The meeting had been scheduled for March 14, but had to be postponed due to a blizzard. Ken welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced himself and social meeting guests. **Gary Lopez** from the parks commission was in attendance and thanked us for our use and respect of the park. They are designating an event area for Madcatter and spots for free camping at Madcatter.



Valerie Wiehl
Fleet 204 Secretary

Commodore Knapp asked for the secretary's report. Secretary **Valerie Wiehl** reported that the minutes were put into the Fleet newsletter by Editor **Theresa White** and Publisher **Adam Atherton**. There weren't any changes or additions. There was a motion to accept the minutes, seconded and unanimously accepted.

Next **Vice Commodore Ken Knapp** asked for the Treasurer's report. Treasurer **Bill Whalen** could not attend the meeting but sent a report saying that the accounts were "about the same

as last month". There was a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded and carried. Just a reminder, though – it's **a new year, so DUES ARE DUE!!** Please send in your dues to Bill or pay at the next Fleet meeting. Please mail your annual Fleet dues check of only \$50 that covers everyone in your family made out to: **Hobie Cat Fleet 204** and **mail it to:** Dr. William Whalen, 8254 Honeysuckle Dr., Liverpool, NY 13090. Remember, support your Fleet and your money will gain you admission to the Labor Day Outing; it is a great deal! If you have had any changes in your mailing address or contact information that appeared in 2016 July's newsletter, please include the changes with your dues.



Bill Whalen
Fleet 204 Treasurer

Division 16 Report, Adam Atherton, Chair. Adam reported that the schedule has been posted on the division webpage. First weekend in October, there will be an F18 event in Canada (Water Rats). The **minimega** is now in Sandy Hook, NJ rather than Wildwood..

Womens Report, Robin MocarSKI, Women's Rep. was not in attendance, so she had nothing to report for this meeting.

Safety Talk, Mimi Appel, Safety is no Accident Report. Mimi says that we are in the process of fine tuning our emergency action plan. Be safe have fun.

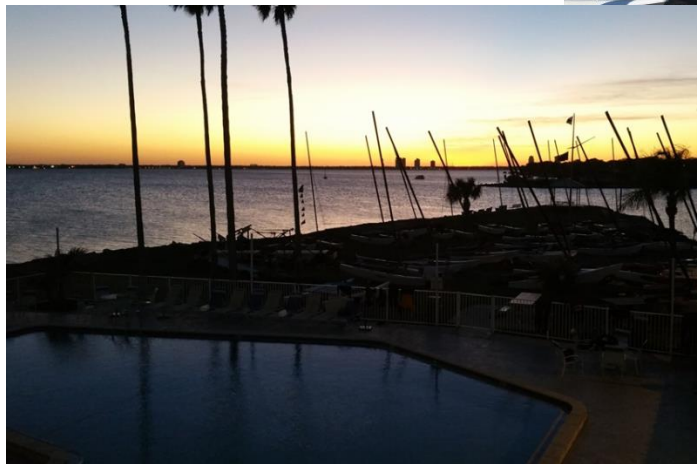


Fleet Training Report, Herb James, Coordinator. We'll have a chalk talk soon. Watch the forum!



Past Regattas:

- **Midwinters East.** April 7-9. This regatta was at Davis Island Yacht Club in Tampa Florida. There were 10 waves, and 20+ 16s. This regatta comes highly recommended by **Mimi**. It is a great escape from the NY winter. There was 15-20 knots, and there were a lot of races.



Future Regattas:

The Division 16 Schedule is posted online!!!! And it's up to date on the fleet website.

- **Hobie Cat Fleet 204 Madcatter 41** - May 19, 20, 21.
 - Tshirts are ordered.
 - We need people to sign up for registration.
 - The Saturday dinner will be provided by Limp Lizard but people need to volunteer to serve dinner.
 - Bruce has a contact for possible ceramic trophies (see him for details).
 - We are looking for Madcatter sponsors! The form is online and downloadable. Please help us find sponsors.

- **Come sail with us Day** June 10th
- **Schroon Lake** June 16th - 18th
- **Water Rats** June 16th - 18th Toronto
- **H16 North American Championships** in South Dakota at Lewis & Clark Reservoir, June 19th – June 26th



I'm looking for a signal boat and chase boat riders for Madcatter! Call Tom at 952-2040 or Tkorz88@gmail.com

- **Hooper's Harbor** will be July 22-23, and will be a points regatta this year.
- **Oswego Regatta** – July 29-30
- **Mini-Mega** (all but H16 Opens) in Sandy Hook, NJ August 4th - 11th
- **Saratoga Lake Sailing Club Summer Regatta** – August 19
- **CMOR at Canandaigua Yacht Club** – Sept 9 – 10

- **Don't forget the Division 11 and Division 12 events! See Fleet204.com for more details**

Social Committee Report:

- **Madhatter (May 13)** - Our next event will be Madhatter race (in the south bay of Oneida Lake) and Madhatter Party (everyone is required to wear a hat).

New and Old Business:

- We are looking into helping Hobie sailors at a kids' summer camp. The camp is about an hour and a half away.

The meeting was adjourned by Commodore Knapp at 8:04.

He thanked everyone for helping grow our club, and thanked newbies for coming to the social meeting.



Gimme Givies!

Kathy Miles is again doing **Givies for Madcatter**. So, if you have 'em, let her know at katmiles204@gmail.com or cell 315-264-1289! The givies will be greatly appreciated for racers' bags. She already has the bags.

Fleet Feet Run Half Marathon

Fleet 204 members **Robbin Mocarski**, **Tim Knapp**, and **Lynn Knapp** completed the Syracuse Half marathon (13.1 miles) on Sunday March 26, along with over 7000 runners. Way to go!



Membership Information Form

Address Information	
Last Name	Home Phone
Address	Home e-mail
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 or e-mail (Please double check your e-mail addresses above)

[Send to **Theresa (Fluffy) White**, 601 DeMong Drive, Syracuse, NY 13214]

Membership Summary

The membership statuses are: Complimentary or Regular. **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 Therre’s Marina and the Caster residence, 6725 Lakeshore Road, Clay, NY 13041. Preparations usually start about 5:00pm with white flag at 6:00pm. Launching facilities may be found at Therre’s. Take South Bay road to Oneida Lake, turn left, and you’re there – first Caster’s, then Therre’s Marina.

204 Play
The Atherton Family
7888 Marina Dr.
Bridgeport, NY 13030

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Next meeting is **April 11th**
at **7:30 pm** at
Borio's Restaurant
Lakeshore Road
Cicero, NY