

OGYC News March, 2008

I am sure that most of us are glad that spring has arrived and are looking forward to the summer and all the fun it brings with it. Memorial Day is only 2 months away! Fortunately we didn't have freezing problems at the club since the winter wasn't bad. The ice-boaters probably weren't too happy, though! Plans for the coming season are being made. Here is the March update.

BBYRA –The meeting where they actually vote on any changes will be in April so I will have that information by the next newsletter. Hopefully we will have some members again sailing on the bay this season.

Sailing-The following people will be instructors for this year.

Katie Foote Head Instructor
Michael Dudek
Amy Hawkins
Brad Wright
Michael Kempton
Kevin Kempton
Jenny Scott
Patrick Masur part time

Sailing fees are due by May 1st for those who registered early.

The parent meeting will be on June 15th. Skip Moorhouse will be there with his trailer full of equipment for sale. The Rust Regatta will be held after the meeting.

We need some more commitments from parents to keep Sunday Series going. We will need a cook or cooks, more patrol boats, and another line/start boat.

Any questions about the sailing program can be directed to Sue Proko.

Social-The Saint Patrick's Dance went well. As usual Rosemary and Paul and their helpers made a wonderful corned beef dinner. The club looked quite festive and the entertainment was great.

We will not be having a social event in April. The next scheduled event will be May 25th and it will be a barbecue –type event. Volunteers will be needed to help with this party. That is Sunday of Memorial Day weekend so come on down and kick off your summer season!

We are experiencing a boom in people wanting to rent the club. There are about 11 rentals for this spring. Thank you to Joella for handling this work. It appears that the deck is beginning to “pay off”.

If you see a sign on the door saying that a rental is in progress please respect the privacy of the renter and do not go in. Keep the club in mind if you know of anyone looking for a rental for the fall.

Tim McNeilly is the chairman of the Centennial Committee. If you are on the committee you should be hearing from him soon if you haven't already. If you would like to be on the committee let him know.

Building and Grounds-A work day was held on March 15th. Some tasks got done but there is still more. The next Spring Clean-up will be on April 19th at 9AM. It only involves a few hours so please try to volunteer a little time. Please come and help us to spruce up "down under". There are still more things to be straightened and/or disposed of. Thanks to those who have helped in the past.

The microphone has been repaired so we should be able to hear much better when it is used.

The town is working on all residents to do a better job of recycling. This will include the club trash, both from our activities and the renter's activities. New containers have been purchased and will be placed around the premises for bottles, cans, and glass. And we need to do better in the bar and kitchen areas also. Please encourage all your friends, family and guests that visit the club to use the proper containers.

The Executive committee is looking to purchase folding tables for use around the club on special events. These will replace the old deteriorating tables that we now store under the club.

Boat slips-There really isn't any news in this department other than that the slips are all rented. We had two slips vacated and they have been rented to new members. You should get paperwork soon if you haven't received it yet.

Membership-We expect the membership to be roughly the same as last year. We gain some and lose some every year.

Condolences -Again we are saddened by the passing of one of our members. Life Member Sally Keyes passed away on March 25th. Sally was 87 years old and was the widow of George Keyes, a Past Commodore who was instrumental in starting the sailing program at OGYC.

Our thoughts go out to Christine Stone, whose mother passed away recently.

If you have anything for the April newsletter please get it to me, Phyllis Rebmann, by April 20th.

