

# Ocean Gate Yacht Club News

## April 2007

As I sit here enjoying the nice weather today I can't help but think ahead to summer. After all this rotten weather I'm sure you all agree.

### **Sailing**

Greetings from the Sailing Committee! We're busy planning the summer of 2007 and we want you to mark your calendars for some upcoming events.

Sunday, June 17 - MANDATORY PARENT MEETING and **OGYC Rust Regatta**

Treat Dad to a yummy lunch on Fathers Day and knock the dust off your boats in the Rust Regatta!

Mandatory Sailing Parent Meeting begins at 10 am, followed by a tasty BBQ lunch and then a quick three race regatta. The sailors and their boats will be inspected by the instructors while the parents meet, then we will move onto our new deck, have some lunch, rig and get out on the water. We hope to have a ships store again (either by Colie or Moorhouse) so missing bailers, too tight PFDs and frayed lines can be replaced on the spot.

Monday, June 25 - FIRST DAY OF PROGRAM

NJ OPTI STATES - Monday and Tuesday, June 25 & 26

For our most accomplished Opti sailors, there is an Opti regatta scheduled for the first two days of our program. NJ State Opti Champs are scheduled for June 25th and 26th at IHYC. Registration forms can be found at [www.bbyra.org](http://www.bbyra.org), clicking on the junior sailing tab on the left hand side of the page and going to the calendar for the month of June. Click on the link on June 25 or 26 and you can get to the forms.

Get your registrations in now and take advantage of our early registration discounts!

**Social**- Without definite dates for the deck project we had to cancel the April dinner. The Commodore's Barbecue is on the schedule for May 26<sup>th</sup>. Details will be sent later. The deck will certainly be finished by then. At this point any other social events in May are not definite. Hopefully we will at least be able to get in a couple "bar open" nights. We are all aware of how construction schedules can change, despite the best intentions of everyone. The next newsletter will have some information about the social happenings for the summer season.

**Buildings and Grounds**- Busy, Busy, Busy! Again we owe Lee Gashlin, chairman, a big round of applause. He has been very effective in this position and spends more time on it than many members realize.

The plumbing repairs caused by the frozen pipes have been made, thanks to several members. I won't mention names because I don't know who all was involved. Solutions are being worked on to try to prevent this in the future, and also to get more heat into the ladies' room. Some repairs still need to be done in the juniors' room.

Lee reported a good turnout for the work day. I am sure another one will be scheduled before summer.

The long-talked-about deck is finally under construction! We have selected ATCO to do the construction. John King, Riley Applegate, and Jerry DeNigris have worked diligently to get this project accomplished. I'm sure there are others who have worked with them but I'm not sure who all. Hat's off to all of you! The latest is that the contractor is planning on starting work tomorrow, Tuesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Membership**-Al Dameika continues to do a wonderful job. We have a couple new members so far. If you haven't renewed yet please do so by May 1<sup>st</sup>. We want to have an up-to-date membership list published early.

**Docks/Slips**-I believe we do not have all of the slips rented as of now. Ed Brink has sent stickers and copies of the lease to the paid slip owners. Please place the sticker on your boat when it goes in the water.

If you keep a boat on the property (other than sailing program kids) you must pay ground space. Forms are available at OGYC.net or I can send you one if you don't have internet.

**BOATING SAFETY COURSE**-If you were born after 1952 and operate a boat you need to have your boating safety certificate by June. We are trying to organize a class to be held at the club on May 19<sup>th</sup>. If you would be interested contact RileyApplegate([snapcom@hotmail.com](mailto:snapcom@hotmail.com) or 732-269-2703) or Ed Brink(moncabrink @ aol.com or 732-237-0738). The minimum age for taking the course is 13.

## BBYRA Corner

Believe it or not, the BBYRA season begins in 2 months on Saturday, June 23, 2007. The 2007 Season NOR and Registration Forms are available online at [www.bbyra.org](http://www.bbyra.org). If you were registered for the season in 2006, you will receive a NOR and Registration Form in the mail.

There have been several changes for the upcoming season.

**First**, the second racing course has been expanded to include Laser Radials and morning Sunfish in addition to the Club 420's sailed collegiate style. So the second race course has been renamed the Q Course. There is a Q Course addendum to the Sailing Instructions to cover the Q Course.

**Second**, when the BBYRA races are hosted by an Upbay Club, the Q Course will always be in the vicinity of the Lavallette Yacht Club. When the BBYRA races are hosted by a Downbay Club, the Q Course will always be in the vicinity of the Toms River Yacht Club.

**Third**, a new course, the modified N course, has been added to the Q Addendum.

**Fourth**, the warning for the first fleet on the Q Course will be 9:20AM.

**Fifth**, the number of races to be raced on the Q course is not set. As many races as possible will be raced in the time allowed, with no race beginning later than 11:30AM.

**Sixth**, Club 420's will no longer be required to carry a paddle.

**Seventh**, a junior Sunfish fleet has been added as a Provisional fleet this year. The juniors will start with the rest of the AM Sunfish fleet. A junior is defined as a skipper that will not reach their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday in 2007.

**Eighth**, the Laser Radial Women's fleet is continued as a Provisional Fleet. If you are a female and are 19 or over, you can race in this fleet.

**Ninth**, Protest forms can be completed online and you will have until 7PM on race day, except for Seaside, to file your Protest. You must notify the Race Committee when you are finishing if you plan to file a protest. Remember, that you can tell the race committee that you are filing a protest and then decide to withdrawal your protest later but you cannot file a protest if you have not notified the race committee when you finish that you are filing a protest.

### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

June 15, 2007 – Last day to mail a registration form that includes a lunch order for the Season.

June 22, 2007 – A Competitors Meeting will be held a LYC at 7PM.

June 23, 2007 – 9:20AM – The first gun of the season will be fired.

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My question about the Sunset Cabin was answered by numerous people. Thanks. It was a restaurant in Lakewood that must have been there for quite a few years.

Over the summer you will, I'm sure, be hearing from the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary committee. I do know that they will be looking for old photos.

As we approach the summer please start thinking about what areas you will volunteer in. The more people who help the less any one has to do. Plan to come to the Comodore's Barbecue to kick off the season and enjoy the deck.

Next month's newsletter will come out a little earlier in the month,so if you have information for it please get it to me,Phyllis Rebmann, by May 12<sup>th</sup>.