

## OGYC News November, 2007

### **Commodore's Corner**

Although our minds are filled with holidays right now we are another month closer to summer. Planning for the season is progressing well.

The Executive Committee has developed a budget for the current year (2007 – 2008) which is balanced and we expect to approve at the next meeting. The budget is tight and we all are concerned that income may not keep up with the expenses, although we have NOT increased the dues, we have NOT increased the slip rentals and the sailing committee has promised to NOT increase the sailing fees. We are asking our planners for any of the activities that occur at the club to be sure that they are/will be working in the black, by being sure that the entrance fees cover the incurred expenses. We all hope this can be accomplished more by limiting expenses than by increasing admission fees. However entrance fees may have to be increased a little for some events. If we all work at this we can have a successful financial year. Once we get through summer 2008 some of our commitments will be less and we can breathe a bit easier.

The Centennial Committee is getting geared up for this summer so that we are well into the 'celebration' of our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2009. You should expect to hear from them much more from January and into the spring.

Dredging will begin early in December and last for only a few days. For those of you who still have a few ground space boats at the club please remove them, or understand that we will need to move them to allow access for equipment around the east side of the club. THANKS for your cooperation.

Our 15 year old water heaters have been replaced. Thanks Lee Gashlin and Vic Roth for getting this done. These water heaters are in our attics – can you imagine the mess if we had any significant leaks?

Speaking of water problems, it appears that the leaks in the deck side wall, that damaged the floor, have been fixed. We will be getting that area of the floor repaired over this winter.

### **BBYRA Corner**

The fleet liaisons meet with the BBYRA Officers and discussed the past season and made requests for the upcoming season. The Sailing Instruction Committee will be reviewing everything over the winter and making changes if they feel any are necessary. The final decisions will be made in the Spring. I'll report then on any changes that are made. Until then enjoy the holidays.

**Sailing**-The sailing committee has been reorganized and will be meeting in December. Parents-If you know your children will or will not be sailing next year please let Sue Proko or Pauline Genakos know. It helps them to start early planning for fleets and instructors.

As usual we had several sailors participate in Beachwood Fall Series. Here they are.

Dale Froniep: Flying Scot 3rd place  
Lindsey Nice: Laser Radial 2nd place  
Alan Dittenhoffer: Sunfish 3rd place  
Charlie Nunn: Opti Red 1st place, 1st place Overall  
Amy Voss: Opti Blue 2nd place , 3rd Overall place  
Mitchell Nunn: Opti Blue 4th place , 5th place Overall  
Trace Dittenhofer: Opti Blue 5th place, 6th place Overall  
Jeffrey Proko: Opti Blue 7th place , 10th place Overall  
Troy Dittenhoffer: Opti White 1st place , 8th place Overall  
Abigail Proko Opti: White 4th place , 14th place Overall  
Nicholas Tremitedi: Opti Green 1st place  
Rosemary Jolly: Opti Green 9th place

A few Ocean Gate kids tested their skills in the unpredictable winds and cold temperatures at the TRYC Frostbite Series as well.

Blue Fleet: Trace Dittenhoffer 2nd place, Amy Voss 3rd place

Green Fleet: Rosemary Jolly

White Fleet: Troy Dittenhoffer

Congratulations to all of you! It's great to see that the interest is there beyond just the summer.

**Social**-The November soup night was nice. We had quite a variety of soups. Thanks to those of you who made soup, especially Donnalee Snyder who made lots of soups. And thank you to anyone who helped and to those who attended. Events are only successful if people come!

December 8<sup>th</sup> is the Christmas Party (see last page).

January 12<sup>th</sup> will be the Chili Cook-off.

Donnalee Snyder is the contact person for these events. Help is always needed. Bartenders will be needed for all events so contact Matt Morrow if you can help out, even for a couple hours.

We would like to increase our hall rental revenue this year. If you or someone you know needs a place for an event contact Joella Nicaastro for information. In general we do not rent the hall between Memorial Day and Labor Day but June may be a possibility. There is a nice picture on OGYC.net of the hall set up for a party.

The Christmas tree is up and decorated thanks to the Lynch family.

**Building and grounds-**It is once again time for dredging the slips. We plan to have it done from a barge this time, allowing a larger area to be dredged. Soon you will be seeing a large mound of sand on the beach again.

We will be repairing the water-damaged floor near the water-side door now that the leakage problem appears to be rectified.

Hopefully the winter weather will be kind to us and not wreak any havoc this year.

**WANTED-Stewards for 2008 summer.**

Must be reliable and friendly .  
Responsible for opening/closing  
building daily and day-to day  
cleanliness and scheduled tasks.  
Nice job for retiree.

Contact Joella Nicaastro (732)995-1006

**Docks and slips-** Jerry DeNigris will be handling slips this year. Paperwork should be going out early in the year.

**Showcase-** Although we will reach our 100<sup>th</sup> birthday in 2009 we will be starting to sell centennial logo items in the showcase in 2008 as we start into our 100<sup>th</sup> year. Items currently in stock can be purchased at social events or by arrangement with Merlyn Morrow.

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If you have anything for the next newsletter please get it to me by December 20<sup>th</sup>.

*May you all have a safe and happy holiday season.*

*Phyllis Rebmann, Corresponding Secretary*



## Christmas Party at OGYC

Enjoy delicious homemade lasagna, salad, fresh bread and butter, meatballs and gravy and a special dessert.

Have your children's picture taken with our guest of honor, Santa. Parents should bring a wrapped gift tagged with their child's name on it.

Featured drink in the Tim-Bo Lounge: eggnog

Saturday, December 8, 2007 at 6 PM

Cost: \$10 for members, \$5 for kids and \$12 for guests.

**RSVP by December 1<sup>st</sup> to [donnaleejay@aol.com](mailto:donnaleejay@aol.com) or 732-269-4032.** Remember that adult members get a \$2 discount if you RSVP by above date.

**Come and join in on the fun!**