

# OGYC Newsletter

## May 2006

### Commodore's Corner:

Wow – summer is nearly on us, boats are being launched, sailing lessons are scheduled and filling up quickly. The social schedule looks great and will be published shortly. The club looks better than ever thanks to Lee Gashlin and his buildings and grounds crew, and the artistic efforts of Ron Houser with the repair of our vehicle damage. When you come down to the club I think you will be very impressed. Thanks again to everyone who made that possible.

The deck project is still alive and well. We did encounter some foundation design and related issues that delayed our June deadline. We are pressing on, and most of these problems have been solved. Final permits will be applied for and construction will commence after sailing lessons have finished, for safety reasons. Some of the construction will need to be contracted, some we will do ourselves. We will be discussing this in detail and signing up volunteers at the general meetings this summer.

One note in closing concerns volunteering... People join clubs and organizations for a variety of reasons and OGYC is certainly no exception. Over the years we have taken surveys of our members to find out what it was/is that attracts them to the Club, in an effort to better meet their needs and expectations. The main reason was the social aspects the Club affords. The Club's employees include sailing instructors, and stewards, everyone else is a volunteer. This keeps our expenses to almost within reason (Mike Corbett the treasurer might disagree) but I know our fees are among the lowest on the Bay, and our facility and services among the best. WE NEED YOUR HELP, please sign up for helping with one of the social functions, sailing events, or a couple of hours as a bar tender. Don't be afraid to try something new, you might just find a new calling. I promise you will have fun helping, meet new members and start life long friendships. I did.

See you at the Club

### The Sailing Program:

You should have received and returned your applications for the Summer Sailing Program. The program is nearing its maximum and we want to place everyone where they want to be so it is important to give us the month of June to do this organization.

If you have just sent your information to Mike Corbett or Evelyn Seymour, please call Evelyn and confirm that your check is in the mail. Evelyn's number is 1-215-247-8641. It will help her finalize the details.

Remember that there will be a parents meeting and an equipment check with the instructors on either June 17<sup>th</sup> or June 25<sup>th</sup>. Parents and sailors are required to attend one of these sessions. Program will begin on Monday June 26<sup>th</sup> with the swim test. Fundays are included in the schedule again. The entire schedule will be given to you on either the 17<sup>th</sup> or the 25<sup>th</sup>. The instructors have all been picked and accepted, and we are very pleased with their credentials. Some are new and some are returning for another summer.

Please, Please, we need volunteers for several things that are happening. If you have some time this summer, to help out some days, please contact Evelyn or some other committee member for information.

Eagle eyes Kevin Kempton and Randy Nunn have picked up another whaler for the program – that's good news – now the Carolina skiff can be retired (sold).

### Sunday Series:

Rich Proko has agreed to administer the Sunday Series this year and we are including Adult sailing in the program. Junior Sailors and Adult Sailors will be separated for scoring purposes. Adults, please bring your Sunfish out on Sunday and join the fun.

Contact Rich if you have questions.

### Dock Space – Ground Space:

Ed Brink has done his excellent job in administering the spaces. We do have some

boats in slips that are improperly sized, but hopefully that will be rectified shortly. I (John King) will be administering Ground space for those of you who want to bring your boats out of the water every night. Please contact me for stickers and fees. John King – 610-470-5203. The winch is up an operating.

The weekend of June 17<sup>th</sup> we will be painting the BBYRA barrels – if you can help please let me know.

#### The Deck:

I'm sure you have heard that the club is preparing to build a deck on the water side of the building. Unfortunately we were not able to pull the details together for this summer and are planning to do the construction in the fall. We are still trying to get the design, drawings and permits properly lined up. Be prepared though, we are confident that after the sailing program is over we will start the construction.

#### Membership

We have 10 new memberships. If you haven't renewed yet please do it now! We hope to get the newly designed membership book out earlier this year.

Let me know if you change your e-mail address or want to be added to the e-mail Yahoo group. For those of you who are new I am Phyllis Rebmann, Corresponding Secretary. E-mail [plrebrn@aol.com](mailto:plrebrn@aol.com) or call (609)859-3854.

Article of Interest-This was sent to me, I don't know where it was published. Todd started sailing in our program and is the son of Ricky Hawkins, OGYC member. Todd Hawkins from the Ocean Gate Yacht Club is now cadet at Suny Maritime College in New York. As part of the 2006 Summer Sea Team the cadets left May 20th for a European tour on their ship, The Empire State. Todd and the sailing team will be taken off the ship in the Azores and proceed to Lisbon, London, New York and then to Charleston to compete in the National Championship College Regatta. After the races are completed, the team will fly to Greece to meet up with their ship and continue on to Croatia, Turkey, Romania and Ireland. They expect to return to the states the end of July.

#### Social events

The "April shower" event was a big success. We got many useful items for the kitchen as well as money and gift certificates for others. Nancy Foote and her helpers did a fine job of cooking the ham and turkey dinner for it.

The Commodore's BBQ was another successful evening thanks to Harry and Nancy Foote and those who helped them. Special thanks to the Lynches for tending bar.

The summer calendar is shaping up. Here is the list as of now and this is always subject to change.

6/10 Bar Open

6/17 Salute to Fathers BBQ. Club provides hamburgers and hot dogs. Bring Dad's favorite side dish, salad, or dessert to share. One free drink for fathers. Women do all the work. **Only \$2. Need female volunteers to tend bar and grill!** Contact Nancy Foote at (856)414-1156 or [nfoote@sleepmed.md](mailto:nfoote@sleepmed.md) or Phyllis Rebmann at (609)859-3854 or [plrebrn@aol.com](mailto:plrebrn@aol.com)

6/24 Welcome Aboard Cocktail Party.

Please come and introduce yourself to new members and others you don't know. Some new members come not knowing anyone so we need to make them feel welcome. All new members are encouraged to attend. It's called a cocktail party but it's not a fancy dress affair.

7/1 Boardwalk Style Sausage

Sandwiches

7/8 Martini Night **We need someone to take charge of this affair!**

7/9 Pancake Breakfast by Juniors

7/15 Red White & Blue filet mignon

barbecue

7/21 IHYC at OGYC Party

7/22 Junior Dance. No dinner at the club but OG Fireman's Roast Beef Dinner is that night at Adrian Hall

7/26 Cheesesteak Night by Juniors

7/28 Duck Race Set-up

7/29 Duck Race Fundraiser

8/4 OGYC Classic Regatta

8/5 OGYC hosts BBYRA

8/9 Meatball Sandwiches by Juniors

8/18 Sailing Awards

8/12 or 8/19 possibly Mardi Gras

Updates and more info will follow. Calendar will be posted on [ogyc.net](http://ogyc.net) and outside the club.

**Bartenders are needed for all but the Junior Dance. PLEASE HELP.** Contact Bill Rebmann to volunteer at (609)859-3854 or [thepeoplescomm@aol.com](mailto:thepeoplescomm@aol.com)

## **BBYRA Corner**

If you were a season registrant in last years BBYRA Championship, then you should have received a registration form for 2006 in the mail. If you need a season registration form, they are available on the BBYRA web site [www.bbyra.org](http://www.bbyra.org).

### *Important Dates:*

June 15, 2006 – Last day to mail your Season registration to receive the \$25 early registration discount and to order lunches.

8:15PM Friday, June 23, 2006 Competitors Meeting at Metedeconk River Yacht Club. We will be discussing the upcoming season and in particular, highlighting the significant changes for 2006. Copies of the [Sailing Instructions](#) will be available. Plan to attend this important meeting and learn what's new for 2006. Come and enjoy the fellowship of other sailors at this pre-season gathering. The MCYC bar will be available for your enjoyment following the meeting.

Saturday, June 24, 2006 at 9:20AM – Warning signal for the first race of the season on the Green Island Course. Regatta headquarters that day will be at Mantoloking Yacht Club.

### *Changes to the Sailing Instructions for the 2006 Season:*

1. The order of start has been changed so that the boats will start in speed order, fastest starting first. AM start order: E, M, Laser, Radial, Sunfish, Sneakbox, Sandpiper, Club 420. PM start order: E, A, Lightning, Flying Scot, Ensign, Sunfish, Sanderling.
2. There is an addendum to the sailing instructions for the Club 420 Class.
3. Portable Mark Course changes:
  - a. Last year a green flag indicated that there would be an initial mark located to windward of the starting area that would be left to port before rounding the first mark on the posted course. NOW, every portable mark course will include an initial mark located to windward that will be left to port as the first mark of the course.
  - b. Last year, upwind finishes were done at the windward mark. NOW windward finish lines will be to weather of the windward mark.
  - c. NEW this year. A short leeward mark may be used and will be signaled by

placard "S" following the course number. The short leeward mark will be yellow with a black band.

## **Boating License Test-Out Option**

There is an option to take a test instead of taking a boating safety course if you have 100+ hours of experience and were born before 1979. If you fail the test you have to take a course.

ID will be required including proof of age. Drivers license, military ID, county ID, college ID or passport will be accepted.

Fee for test-out option is \$25 whether it is administered by the state police or Coast Guard Auxiliary.

Registration is required. For state police testing call (609) 882-2000x2612 from 8AM-4PM weekdays. Alternate extensions are 6171,6173,or 6181 if no answer at 2612. Voicemail messages not accepted.

This information came from the following website. Log on for more information about dates and location of testing.

<http://www.njsp.org/maritime/>

**Summer will be in full swing in a few weeks. Lets make it a great one!**