Niagara Sailing Club

3619 East River Road
Grand Island, NY 14072

Jan / Feb 2023

The Jib

From Commodore Judy Tucker

Happy New Year everyone! We had a very well attended Officer Induction/Flag Ceremony on Saturday, January 14th. Someone mentioned it may have been the largest attendance at a Flag Ceremony in decades. Thanks to Jack Dally for steering the NSC ship for the past year and a half. I hope you enjoy some well-deserved relaxation, Jack. You certainly have earned it.

I look forward to leading NSC through her 89th year and I am excited to begin my Commodore year. I can feel the support from so many people - thank you all, truly. VC Patrick Soos and I have put together the beginning calendar of activities and events for the year 2023. We need parties to bring in much needed revenue over the bar and simply just to share our gem of a clubhouse and grounds with family and friends. There are many opportunities for you to assist at NSC. If you are not interested in hosting an event, consider staying after a party ends to assist the hosts wipe down tables and counters, sweep, vacuum or take out the trash. This is such an appreciated gesture to the hosts. And please, show up at our work parties.

Speaking of hosting or helping at parties and NSC events here is an excerpt from our Bylaws: "This is a member owned and operated club, and the members volunteer their own personal time to do all the maintenance and upkeep that is required on a regular basis.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Adult Learn to Sail
Thursdays 7pm

Commodore Judy's Birthday Party
Sat. Feb 11th
6pm

BOD Meeting
Monday Feb. 13th
7pm

Mardi Gras TGIF Party
Friday Feb. 17th
6pm

BOD Meeting
Monday Mar. 13th
7pm

St. Patrick's Day Party
Friday Mar. 17th
6:30 pm

OFFICERS

Commodore:
Judy Tucker

Vice Commodore:
Pat Soos

Rear Commodore:
Brian Atkinson

Fleet Captain:
Mike Wiedl

Secretary:
Ross Kaiser

Treasurer:
PC Scott Henderson

Board of Directors

PC Tony Albano
PC Scott Henderson
PC Jack Dally
Judy Tucker
Pat Soos
Brian Atkinson
Ross Kaiser
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Mike Wiedl
Kathryn Erickson

Continued From Commodore Judy Tucker

You can fulfill this obligation by running (and being elected) to the Board of Directors, being a committee member, hosting and running a party of your choice (with the assistance of other club members) or putting in at least 8 total hours of your time by attending any of the work parties that are scheduled throughout the year."

With the assistance of JIB Editor, Steve Webb, we have created a form that should be completed by all members who perform work at the club, host a club event, show up to clean, garden etc. Please begin to use this form. It will be hung on a clipboard in the coat closet in the clubhouse.

Please join us on February 11th for my 60th "Build The Wall" Birthday Bash! See included flyer.

I want to give a shout out to FC Mike Wiedl. I had the pleasure of being at the club during one of Thursday night's Adult Learn to Sail Program. I am very impressed, Mike. All sides of the bar were filled with attendees, and everyone was so engaged
and interested in your lesson. What a great job you are doing! Thank you!

Finally, I'd like to encourage all NSC members to attend our monthly Board of Directors meetings. Our meetings are held at 7PM on the second Monday of each month. The BOD meeting dates are all published on the Google calendar.

Looking forward to seeing you around the club in 2023!!!

From Vice Commodore Pat Soos

I'm very excited to be the Vice Commadore of NSC this year. The Vice Commadore position comes with the overall responsibility for the internal workings of the NSC which includes the bar, social gatherings, and club rentals. With the direct support of our Commadore, we have built out the 2023 social calendar and it is action packed. One of our goals this year is to DOUBLE THE FUN at NSC, thus generating DOUBLE THE REVENUE!! Please look at the NSC Website for the full list of calendar events and activities and make sure to mark your family calendars by adding our events as a "save the day".

As you may know, with your club membership comes the responsibility of working to support the Club through the Spring and Fall Clean Up's, as well as ensure you are supporting Happy Hours and Club Parties.

A special thank you to all our club members whom have already signed up to host an event this year. If you haven't yet it's not too late. Just look at our events calendar and email me at patrick.soos@mckesson.com for events that you would like to host. This is a great opportunity to gather some of your club friends and support the club at the same time!!

From Rear Commodore Brian Atkinson

Things move quickly at the NSC, one minute I'm voted on to the Board, the next I'm Rear Commodore!

I'm excited about the opportunity to serve the club and look forward to the coming year. We have a great new clubhouse with a host of new parties on the horizon.

I want to send a huge thanks to Jack Dally, Scott Henderson, Mike Wiedl and Ross Kaiser for assisting with getting the boat ramp off the downstream dock and back where it belongs. It took quite a beating, and we are hoping to replace it next spring.

On a non-RC matter, we are aware of the Internet cutting out at the club. We have purchased and installed a new router and hopefully this will take care of the issue. Please let me know if you experience any internet issues when at the club.

Lastly, I'm putting together a pool committee to assist with maintaining the pool. Experience isn't necessary, just the ability to stop by the club a couple times a week to take and record measurements. We have an automated chlorinator and pool skimmer. This does fulfill your yearly work obligation to the club. If interested, please reach out to me via email at batkinson@asg-365.com

From Fleet Captain Mike Wiedl

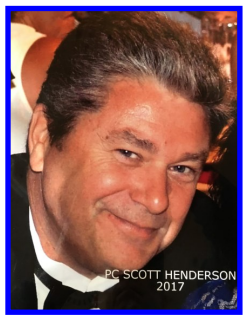
I hope everyone is having a fine New Year.

Thankfully we came away from a big storm with minimal damage.

Thanks to all who contributed to keeping the club safe!

Sailing classes are continuing Thursday nights! Open to all. Come and talk sailing!

From the Treasurer PC Scott Henderson



Happy New Year everyone!

NSC annual dues notices will be going out this month.

Please note there will be a $50 one-time inflationary expense assessment for the 2023 year.

Per club By-Laws, all dues need to be **paid in full by March 31st**

Any member in arrears from 2022 should pay their club balance ASAP or club privileges will be revoked.

Thank you!

From JIB Editor and PC Steve Webb

The club's business plan has to bring in enough revenue to cover the day-to-day operational expenses including taxes and utilities. Additional funds are always needed for club building, grounds, pool, boats and the waterfront. There are also other big projects on the horizon such as dock and breakwall repairs and replacements. Granted, with the new clubhouse building, there will be a period of time that building repairs and upgrades will be minimal, but that will only slightly offset what inflation has done to all of the other day-to-day expenses. It is now more important than ever for NSC to have money saved for "rainy day" expenses, as the club will soon no longer have property to sell to cover a major unplanned expense.

I have been working with Commodore Judy Tucker to come up with ideas to try and get all members to help with Club Parties/Events, attend scheduled work parties and other club work. As Judy mentioned in her article "NSC is a member owned and operated club". Running profitable parties and using member labor vs paying for services is what will make NSC's business plan work.

Now more than ever we need to get everyone to do what they agreed to do when they joined NSC— become a working member.

As mentioned in the officers articles, please contact VC Pat Soos to volunteer and help with club events and parties this year. If you have a good idea for a party or event that will make money, contact Pat. Look for club emails requesting members to work at work parties. You can also come to the clubhouse anytime and usually find something that can use a little more cleaning or organizing. The grounds always need gardening and landscaping work. Helping service the pool is another an opportunity to help. Contact FC Brian Atkinson if you need any direction for grounds work or the pool. If you want to help with the sailing program or work on club boats contact FC Mike Wiedl. For anything on the waterfront or docks either Brian or Mike can direct you. At various times additional help is needed to maintain and help with running the club bar. Contact Tony Albano the bar manager if you are interested in helping.

To help document who is doing work at the club a "Sign-In Work Record Sheet" has been created. Please see additional information in this JIB.

Please have fun working and have fun enjoying our new clubhouse!

Thanks

NSC MEMBER WORK SIGN IN AND RECORD SHEET INFO

Purpose: NSC is a member owned and operated club. Working for the club is what keeps us in business. It is the expectation that the names of all dues-paying members are on this sheet multiple times by the end of the year.

The sheet is to be used by all members to document the following:

1. Opening day work party
2. Closing day work party
3. Scheduled work parties
4. Hosting a club event / party
5. Helping to run a club event / party
6. Work on a club project
7. Bartend for a private party
8. Clubhouse cleaning & organizing – write name and details on back of sheet
9. Grounds upkeep and gardening
10. Club owned boat maintenance
11. Help with sailing program
12. Work performed from a posted work list
13. Club committee meetings and associated work
14. Other – Document name and details of work on back of sign in sheet

- Sheet to be always located on a clipboard in the clubhouse.
- Any work done previously in the year should be added to update what you already did
- Sheet to be circulated at all scheduled work parties for members to sign
- Not for recording members actual hours spent working
- If the work you are doing is for multiple days, just sign one time with date you started.
- Please sign your name legibly
- If your name is not on this sheet approximately 6 months into the year a reminder will be sent that you have 6 months left to fulfill your work requirement (unless you have notified the Vice Commodore, you are helping with a scheduled event / party or other future work for the year)
- If you have a legitimate reason you cannot help with club work, please contact a BOD member.

Thanks for your help.

NSC MEMBER WORK SIGN IN AND RECORD SHEET - 2023

NSC is a member owned and operated club. Working for the club is what keeps us in businesses!
Going above and beyond is what makes this club great!

>write name legibly >check one box per line
>multiple day longer jobs only sign once
>put name/notes on back of sheet if needed

DATE *Performed or Started*	**MEMBER NAME**	Opening Day Work Party	Closing Day Work Party	Scheduled Work Party	Host Club Event / Party	Help Run Club Event / Party	Work on a Club Project	Bartend for Private Party	Cleaning - name/details on back	Grounds Upkeep and Gardening	Waterfront Maintenance / Upkeep	Club owned Boat Maintenance	Help with Sailing Program	Work from Posted Work List	Club Committee Meetings / Work	OTHER write name/details on back

Commodore Judy's 60th

BUILD THE WALL

BIRTHDAY BASH!!

Sat. Feb 11th, 6:00 pm

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NO GIFTS, PLEASE!!! YOUR PRESENCE IS EXACTLY WHAT I WANT. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP US FUND A WALL ENCLOSURE FOR OUR PATIO, DONATIONS MOST GRACIOUSLY APPRECIATED!! THANK YOU!

Cash Bar, please bring an appetizer to share!

VC Pat & Lori Goos' patio

NSC's patio

The skinny on why it is important to me to celebrate this birthday at NSC....My Mother celebrated her own 60th Birthday at NSC in October of 1996. While I was planning on attending that party, was even Hosting that party, my daughter decided she wanted to join in and be born right THEN. My daughter, Jillian, was born on my Mother's 60th Birthday while my Mom, family & friends celebrated her 60th Birthday at NSC. NSC celebrated two wonderful events that night.

YOU ARE INVITED TO A

TGIF FatFriday

Enjoy a very loosely themed Mardi Gras
Happy Hour along with the
Furniture Lottery Drawing at 7pm
Hurricane Drinks

Where: Niagara Sailing Club

Date: Friday Feb. 17th

Time: 6:00pm

Cost: $10 Includes Steve's Special Jambalaya and Jim's Shrimp and Grits

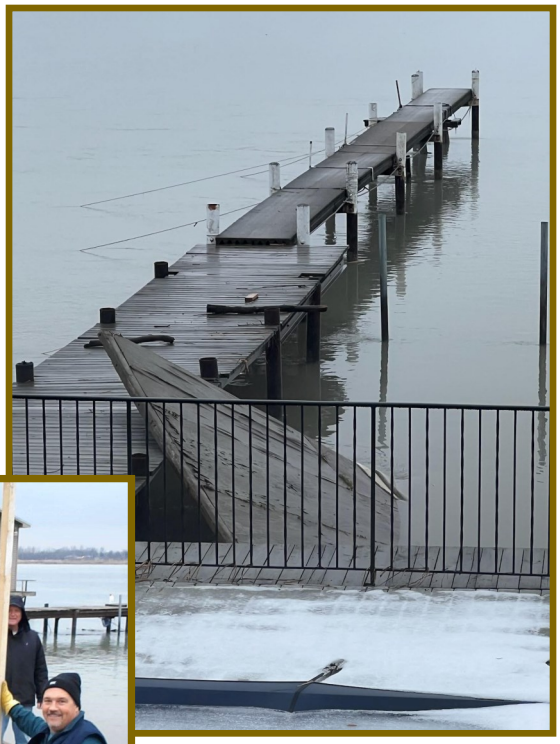
Bring: Cajun type appetizers to share

RSVP: Jim Linenfelser by Friday Feb. 10th

716-984-6011 or jllinenfelser@msn.com

Hosts: Linenfelser, Atkinson, PC Rodgers

Sightings from the Crows Nest:



Boat ramp recovery team

Storm Flooding

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Sightings from the Crows Nest:

Dock and Pool Under Water

Floating Jet Ski Floats

Unfortunately one section went down the river

Sightings from the Crows Nest:

The sand bagging helped slow the flow

4 pumps pumping

Basement Flood

Some added pumps kept the upper level from flooding and fortunately the power stayed on

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Sightings from the Crows Nest:

2023 Installation

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2023 Installation

PC Jack Dally's Blue Gavel Presentation

1. Go online to https://niagarasailing21.itemorder.com
2. Choose your items and add them to your cart
3. Securely checkout with your credit card

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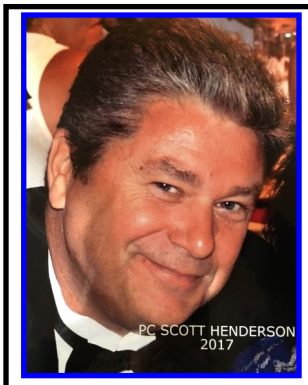

From the Treasurer PC Scott Henderson

Don't forget, you can also send payment by PayPal to: **nscpayments@gmail.com** or by clicking on the link on the NSC website.

PayPal accepted.

From the editor's desk...

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