

# Niagara Sailing Club

3619 East River Road  
Grand Island, NY 14072

September 2021

# The Jib



## From Vice Commodore Jack Dally



The last 6 months have been nothing but “unprecedented”. This wonderful little club on the Niagara River has seen such unbelievable loss, challenges, AND such amazing support! It gives us all an opportunity to appreciate the wonderful spirit of community, support and fellowship that the yachting community is willing and able to provide.

We have been the benefactors of an array of generosity with both physical and financial support from club members, local yacht clubs, and the community at large. I am personally overwhelmed by the support and generosity we are receiving.

We have a challenging course to navigate and many obstacles to overcome, but having a club filled with strong and positive people we will get to our next destination via collaboration and will.

We have some important club activities coming up and we need your participation!

On Friday September 24th we have our General Membership Meeting where the BOD will discuss the business of the club with the membership. The BOD will mainly focus on the rebuilding plans and cover all topics of importance to the overall club. Also included will be the opening of elections for Board of Director positions.

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Judy Tucker

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Lisa LaTrovato

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Work Party

Weekly Thursday PM

### General Membership

#### Meeting / BOD Election

Friday Sept. 24th

Dinner 6pm

Meeting 7pm

### Closing Day Work Party / BOD Election

Sat. Sept 25th

10:00am

### BOD Meeting

Monday Oct 11th

7pm

Chiavetta's Chicken  
Dinner, Fri. Oct. 22nd

***Cont. from Vice Commdore Jack Dally***

The meeting will be held at the Sandy Beach Yacht Club and will start with a dinner (provided at no cost by some NSC members) at 6:00pm featuring Pulled Pork from 'This Little Pig'. The dinner will be followed by the General Membership meeting at 7:00pm.

On Saturday September 25th we will be having the Closing Day work party where we will do all the "heavy lifting" needed to get the club grounds ready for the Fall/Winter season. We need everyone available to come help with the MANY chores we must do to get things buttoned-up.

In the previous JIB report, I had included a list of committees which we will be looking for volunteers to sign-up to lend a hand with. I will be working to get all members to contribute on at least one committee for next year and will try to find some alignment of personal skills and club needs for each member. If you have an idea of what you want to help with in any capacity, please reach out to me.

We are on course for a new and exciting chapter at NSC and I am hopeful we will have lots of fun working together to get there!!

Fair Winds, Calm Seas



### ***From Rear Commdore Judy Tucker***



I look forward to seeing many members at this Friday's Membership Meeting. Please consider running for a position on the Board. This is a pivotal time for the club and your input is wanted. Perhaps I'll see some of you at the Thursday work parties. We have created and posted a list of tasks that members have generated. We will continue Thursday evening work parties, so show up if you can. If not, feel free to take any item on the below list and get 'er done at any time. Please feel free to take ownership of any task. Let me know if you do! Here's a list of some items.

1. Add concrete to all new fence poles and stain fence (Fred King was working on concrete)
2. Put the concrete curbs falling in the water back in place.
3. Cut the dead tree down by the play area.
4. Move old fridge out of basement (take back to Ziey's?)
5. Clean and organize garage. Dispose of junk and start pile of scrap steel to get picked up (Ray's guy)
6. Move 8 donated concrete curbs from Dana's house to club. (extra curbs not used on the new blacktop can be used to replace rotted RR ties by Kingston's property – North side of parking lot) Clean up logs and branches used as temporary car stops.
7. Move Kevin's shed sections off the trailer and cover with a tarp for temporary storage.
8. Sort out wood, materials and sail equipment outside of garage.
9. Burn wood on back 40 burn pile.
10. Complete cleaning of Upstream dock and Downstream (wood section) Dock
11. Replace bad boards on Upstream and Downstream docks. (some are spray painted red)
12. Apply Thompsons Water Seal (or similar product – Ray said he had some to donate) to Upstream and Downstream Docks (after cleaning)
13. Remove stumps from the trees cut in the back 40 last year so the area can be mowed.
14. Continue to get rid of junk in the back 40.
15. Continue cutting brush and trees in back 40.
16. Move boats back to back 40, properly store for winter.

Enjoy the beauty of Autumn!

## ***From Fleet Captain Lisa LaTrovato***



### **Fleet Captain's Report:**

September has snuck up on us quickly and shortly members will be taking their boats out and storing them across the street. If you plan to take part in winter storage at the club please contact me at [tcblisa@gmail.com](mailto:tcblisa@gmail.com) so we can send you an invoice and find you a spot.

Time is winding down quickly to prepare boats and moorings for the winter months. We will need help in the coming weeks at the work parties to move the board boats back across the street, take the board docks out and remove the mooring balls. If you can help with these tasks

please let me know. Many hands make light work.

Thanks to Fritz Dusel and Mike Wiedl for preparing to bring our Sharks to their winter home at LaSalle once again later in the month. Note: They are also working on a plan to keep the Sharks in the water longer for the Frostbite Sailing.

### **Fund Raising Committee**

Thanks to so many of our amazing members who volunteered to collect baskets, move baskets, serve food, sell 50/50 tickets, organize and run a basket raffle and serve as team leaders for the Nerds Gone Wild Event held August 27<sup>th</sup> at the Buffalo Launch Club. Because of all of you, we were able to raise over \$8500 for the club that night between basket raffles, a 50/50 raffle and pig roast ticket sales. Thank you to the Buffalo Launch Club and Commodore Ed Wirth for his support and the support of the BLC staff.

Commodore Dally, Rear Commodore Tucker and Board Member, Mike Wiedl and myself (proud BHSC member as well) attended the check presentation from the Buffalo Harbor Sailing Club Saturday September 11<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to BHSC's summer regatta event \$4000 was raised for the NSC Junior Sailing Program! We are truly grateful to Commodore Jim Kondziela and Vice Commodore Jason Redding for all the work they did to make that regatta and after-party a smashing success.

We are planning one last Chiavetta's Chicken Dinner in October. Stay tuned for the date!





**NSC Chicken Dinner**  
**by**  
**Chiavetta's**

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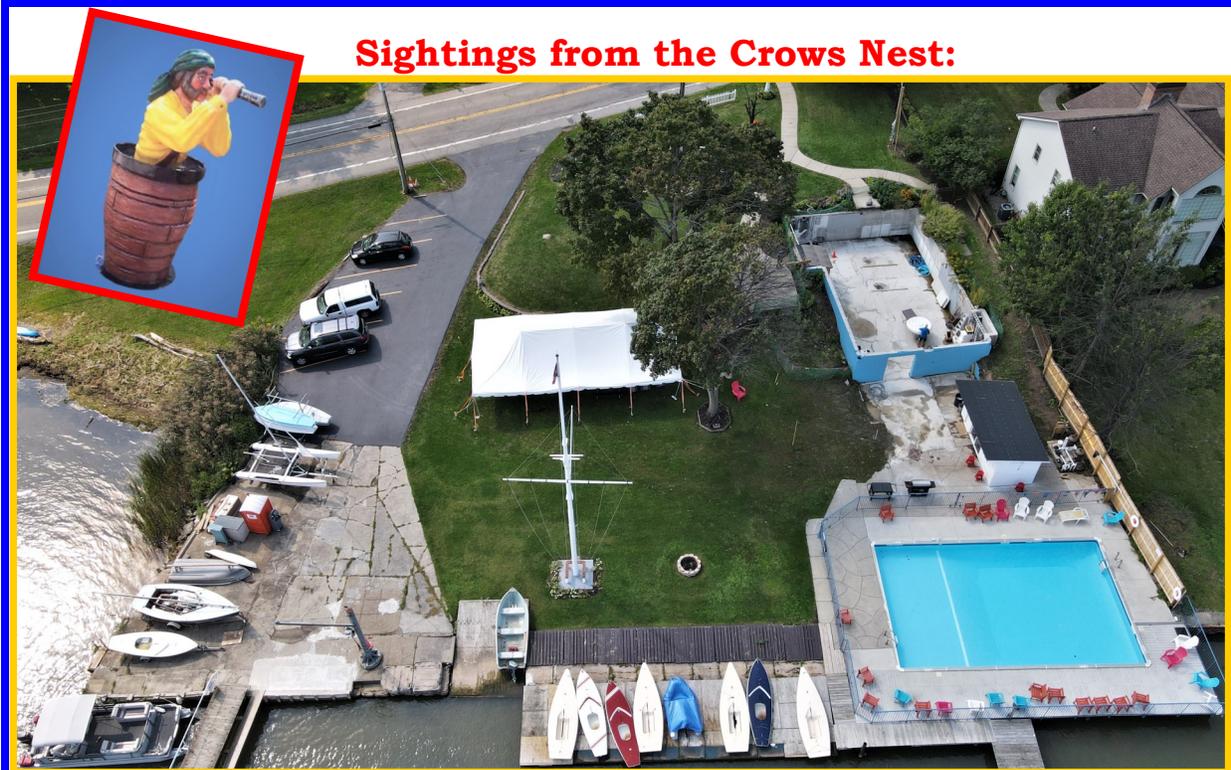
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***From the Treasurer Pattie Frentzel***

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