



# NIAGARA SAILING CLUB

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Commodore	Tim Courtney
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Director	Jim Linenfelser
Director	Mary Rak
Director	Todd Lee
Director	Tanya Beck
Bar Manager	Tony Albano

### Upcoming Events

- BOD Meeting - 5/12
- Tides and Rides Car Show - Sunday May 25 @10AM
- Memorial Day Flag Raising - Monday, May 26 @11AM

## Commodore Tim Courtney

Hi Everyone.

We passed our 2025 budget and have included a number of significant projects and upgrades to the Club noted last month. Replacement of the downstream dock is under way. Repairs and resealing of the upstream dock is almost complete. A huge Thank you to PC Dana Holler for taking this on himself. Also the railing was painted during the Opening work party. This spring that dock will have lights installed as a final touch to this dock. Power and lighting to the road by the front walk will occur this Spring. A new Light house will also be installed.

The landscaping looks fantastic. Thank you to all who came out to the work party. We had a good amount of workers sprucing up our Club. On a somber note we lost a good part of the last remaining Maple Tree at the base of the stairs to the lower lawn (having lost the other one to the fire). Unfortunately the tree is in a state where it cannot be saved and will become a safety hazard. So it will be removed soon.

We're targeting to get the pool opened by our our Memorial Day flag raising. And we're hoping to have bulkhead and pool deck repairs completed by then. Please be on the lookout for a flyer on Memorial Day Event.

We're all looking forward to a great summer at NSC. Please come and enjoy your Clubhouse and grounds.

Thanks to our Board Members for all you do.

Tim C.



## Vice Commodore Ziey Cownie PC

I can smell Spring is in the air! With that means there will be a LOT going on around the clubhouse and grounds soon! As your Vice Commodore it is my responsibility to take requests for private events/club rentals so please text me a 716-343-1978 or email at [ziey481@gmail.com](mailto:ziey481@gmail.com) if you are interested in renting the Clubhouse for a private event. As of today, we have 29 private parties on the calendar for the 2025 calendar year! They are all posted on the NSC Google calendar (\*see below how to access), so if you are considering renting the clubhouse for an event, take a look to see if your date is available and get your request in quickly as dates are getting taken very quickly. If you are interested in having a private party/event at the NSC this year, please email me at [ziey481@gmail.com](mailto:ziey481@gmail.com) and I will get it on the calendar as "TENTATIVE" until you fill out the Private Club Use Agreement form and include the (2) checks required, one \$100.00 (refundable) security deposit and one for the cost of the rental (\$250.00 for a NSC member hosting the party). Your date will NOT be secured until we receive all necessary paperwork and checks. It's on a first come, first serve basis only!

PLEASE NOTE: THERE ARE NO RESERVED, PRIVATE EVENTS ALLOWED ON SATURDAYS OR SUNDAYS STARTING MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND AND CONTINUING THROUGH LABOR DAY MONDAY UNLESS A SPECIAL REQUEST IS SUBMITTED TO AND APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS! These are extremely rare and are on a case-by-case basis only. In other words, don't expect these requests to be approved! However, you can organize and host a club event during those weekend days/nights.

We are putting out a plea to all members to try to plan and host some kind of party or Happy Hour this year and every year. I am a part of the annual Kentucky Derby Party, which is one of the most popular events. Being that is the first Saturday in May, it's a great event to kick off the beginning of the season every year. Please try to be creative and come up with something fun with the help of other members or friends and plan something! (It also counts to fulfill your work commitment for the year!) I will work along with our Bar Manager, Tony Albano, making sure the bar has all the necessary cups, mixers, fruit and other items for the bar. I will be doing inventory at least twice a month and more often during our peak summer season. I will post an Inventory sheet on the whiteboard in the coat closet, so please make notes on that for me. I maintain the website and the NSC calendar, so if you have any questions about either of them, you can contact me about that as well.



## Vice Commodore Ziey Cownie PC (continued)

Go to [www.niagarasailingclub.com](http://www.niagarasailingclub.com) for more information.

The NSC Google calendar is the most current and up to date with all events and parties that are scheduled. You can access the calendar by going to "THE CLUB" dropdown menu and click on the Google Calendar. There is also a "MEMBERS ONLY" section that has all the NSC forms, Constitution, By-Laws, Rental Request, Private Party Report along with other important documents.

The password for the MEMBERS ONLY section is [REDACTED] but I will make sure I black that out when I upload the JIB to the website.

If you only have one email address or phone number recorded with us and would like you spouse/significant other to get the correspondences, or if you have alternate ones, or have moved, email me with your updated information and I will get that to the email/text/mail distribution lists.



## Rear Commodore Keith Conover

Spring Club activity and upgrades are underway. Great turnout and a big thank you to all who participated in the opening work party. A lot was accomplished; garden beds weeded and mulched, general cleanup of the grounds, outdoor furniture washed, and repair of the weak pool deck area and painting of the upper dock rail and posts. Also thank you to Dana Holler who has been diligently repairing the up river dock- power washed, boards changed out, and sealing wood. The down river dock tear out and upgrade should start by the end of the first week of May. It should take about 10-14 days to complete. The first section will also have some work done to change rotted boards, power washed and resealed over the next few weeks.

We avoided disaster the other day with the front section of the tree near the stairs sheared off in the wind and dropped on the lawn. Thank you to all who helped cut, pile up and get rid of wood so our club is ready for the Kentucky Derby Party.



## Fleet Captain Kathryn Erikson

Hello.

### Dock Slips

Mooring requests are open and we have a few new members that have already put their requests in, so if you plan on keeping your boat or jet ski at the club this summer, please send me your application.

**Jr. Sailing Program**--Registration is open! [Click here for the link.](#)

We have been given a most generous monetary gift from the estate of PC Sue Robinson from the Sandy Beach Yacht Club. Sue was an avid sailor and a fierce competitor. She helped with our sailing program during the summer and all the kids were better for her assistance. We are extremely grateful for the gift and thank her family for supporting sailing on the Niagara River.

The sailing program has been in the minds and hearts of other Past Commodores as additional donations to Jr. Sailing have been received by PC Greg Chamberlain and PC Candy McCombs. How amazing is this?! Many thanks for the love and support.

### Board Boat Regatta

Racing on the River! July 27th and 28th we will host the third annual weekend of fun and competition. Please see flyer for more info.

### Club Owned Sharks

We plan on launching the Sharks as soon as they are spruced up and have working motors. PC Chuck Meyer and PC Jack Dally will be heading up the effort to get these club boats ready for use. I'm sure they would appreciate any help!



## Treasurer PC Scott Henderson

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

A reminder to all club members that dues are to be paid in full by the end of March, or you will be charged at \$25 late fee. Thank you!



## From the Chart Room

There are new candidates for membership in club. Per the NSC Constitution, if any current member has comments or objections to the candidates, they should forward those to the board of directors for review and discussion at the next BOD meeting.

### **New Member Candidates**

No New Member Candidates this month

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## From the Chart Room

# The Plug is getting a **MAKEOVER**

Please send your business card to Karen Moll at [KAREN.L.MOLL@GMAIL.COM](mailto:KAREN.L.MOLL@GMAIL.COM) if you would like your business card to be featured.

Even if your card has been in The Plug in the past, please re-send. Thanks!

# Niagara Sailing Club



## Chuck Meyer Jr Sailing Camp 2025

**July 14th-18th**

### Schedule

**Monday-Friday  
10:00am to 4:00pm**

**Ages 10-18 with  
different levels of  
sailing skills**



To register, click on this link  
[https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet\\_registration\\_form.php?regatta\\_id=29199](https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_registration_form.php?regatta_id=29199)

For more info, visit  
[www.niagarasailingclub.com](http://www.niagarasailingclub.com)



# Niagara Sailing Club

## Board Boat Regatta



**July 25-27, 2025**

### Schedule

**Friday, July 26**

4:00-8:00 pm Check in and cookout  
Bar is open!

**Saturday, July 26th**

9-10am check in, breakfast

10:30 Skippers mtg

11-3 Races

4pm Keg tapped

5pm Cookout

**Sunday, July 27th**

9-10am breakfast

10:30 Skippers mtg

11-1 Racing

2pm Awards

The NSC has 4 lasers and 6 Sunfish  
available for use for FREE. First  
come first serve.



Cost: \$40 per boat (includes racing, breakfasts and awards)

Contact: [kathrynNSC23@gmail.com](mailto:kathrynNSC23@gmail.com) 716-864-6887

[www.niagarasailingclub.com/sailing-events](http://www.niagarasailingclub.com/sailing-events)



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**MAY 25TH 2025 - 11-2PM**

**GATE OPENS AT 10AM**

**PRE-REG REQUIRED- \$10 PER CAR / \$15 SHIRT**

**FOOD AND DRINK FOR PURCHASE / GIVEAWAYS**

**REGISTRATION AT 716-725-7414 / 716-334-8761**



# NIAGARA SAILING CLUB MEMORIAL DAY FESTIVITIES 2025

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Monday, May 26th  
**MEMORIAL DAY FLAG RAISING CEREMONY  
& PICNIC LUNCH**

Bring your children & grandchildren to enjoy this  
ceremonious event!

Hot Dogs, Hamburgers  
(Compliments of NSC)

Bring a side dish, salad or dessert to share

Cash Bar/Chits

11:00 am-?

Pool will be open for those who are brave enough to take a dip!

**Flag Raising Ceremony begins at 11:30 am.**

Flag Officers and PC's are encouraged to wear their summer uniforms (necktie)

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# CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

**JUNE 14TH, 2025**

(RAIN DATE JUNE 15TH)

**\$50**

**PER TEAM**

**(NO SINGLES)**



## NIAGARA SAILING CLUB FUNDRAISER

**INCLUDES:**

**FOOD, DRINK, PRIZES, DJ,  
BEER/WINE CASH BAR FOR LIQUOR**

**DOUBLE ELIMINATION**

**2 DIVISIONS**

- RECREATION
- COMPETITIVE

**TEAM CHECK IN - 10:30AM**

**DRAW AND PLAYERS MEETING - 11:30AM**

**TOURNAMENT BEGINS - 12PM**

**CONTACT TO REGISTER:**

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716.572.4577**

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716.628.7128**

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