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From the Commodore

Hello fellow Sailors,

It is after 17:00 (5:00 PM) and today it was still light outside as I headed home. Gone are the days when I leave the house in the dark and return in the dark. The trees are tapped and warm days and cool nights start the sap flowing. There is light at the end of the tunnel and that light is Spring heading our way. Don't get me wrong, there is still plenty of lift served ski terrain open but as the days get longer I find my mind wandering toward time on the water. I would assume that I am not the only one.

My tenure as Commodore began in the fall and I have my work cut out for me in trying to live up to the bar set by my predecessors. I first must acknowledge the great leadership by David Lovy as he has moved to serve as our Immediate Past Commodore. David's knowledge and calm demeanor are traits I only hope to emulate as we move forward. Our last Immediate Past Commodore, Kathy Mahar, is stepping back up the ladder as she has accepted the post of Vice Commodore. Kathy is a tireless contributor to the club and we are all very lucky to have her on the board.

We will have been working on the Calendar and it should be up on the website in the next week, plus or minus a couple days. The schedule is quite full with the normal Wednesday Open Race and Thursday White Sail series. The J-24 Regatta has been scheduled for the weekend of June 6/7 and we will be asking for help keep our event a must attend for our visiting sailors. We have added a number of Sunfish events along with club socials at the lake

sprinkled in throughout the season. There are also a number of Cruises planned and we will be asking for members to work with Dave Ogden as Cruise Captain to spread the work of planning and execution of the schedule.

Our club is a like-minded community of sailors that runs completely on a volunteer basis. From Race Management to Docklines to the upkeep of the clubhouse, it is the membership that makes these, and many other things happen. I really appreciate the support that this club gets from the membership and will welcome it even more as my tenure as Commodore moves forward.

The clocks spring forward on March 7th and that will give us that extra hour of light teasing us even more and leaving a question. "When the snow and ice finally do melt where does all the "white" go?"

Tom Firsching, Commodore

From the Race Captain

Not too much to report on regarding racing, given the season of the year we are currently in. The Race calendar has been finalized and will be posted with the rest of the club calendar when that is finished. One thing I will mention is the J/24 Regatta has been scheduled for the first weekend in June. This has become a big event for our club, and it is important for all capable club members to pitch in and make sure it is once again a success. Start thinking now about what you might be able to do in that regard. Below is a partial list of the event areas requiring assistance:

- Administration
- Registration
- Fund raising
- Set up and take down
- Cooking

- Clean up
- Race management
- Awards
- Public relations
- Launching assistance

There are probably more that I may have missed, but this should be a good place to start. Stayed tuned for more.

Lou Scheiderich, Race Captain

From the Treasurer

Less than 100 days till June and another summer of fun out on Oneida Lake. So far in 2020 revenue collected is at \$620 and expenses are at \$0. Dues and racing fees are the same as last year. Dues for family are \$100 and a single membership is \$50. Open Series racing is \$55 and White Series is \$45. If you decide to sign up for both Open and White Series the fee is \$90. As always checks can be mailed directly to me. Should you use Bill Pay through your bank I'll provide all the info you need to set that up. See everyone soon.

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