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What's New? By Don Finkle: Yesterday when I started to write this issue, and noted that it is number 350, I wondered for a moment how much time we have spent doing this over these last seven years. But sometimes it is better not to know those things, so I quickly put it out of my mind! At the same time I reviewed what the purpose of this newsletter really is, and should be. We will continue to include the race calendar, results, announcements for upcoming events, submissions from readers, regatta reports, information on new and used boats for sale (we do have to justify the effort and expense of doing this somehow), hints and tips, stories and commentary. In recent months all of the above have been well represented here except the commentary, so I have resolved to get back into more of that. There is a Commentary Section starting with this issue, and responses are welcomed.

Race Calendar: Please note that the schedule below grows with every issue and we ask that you send us yours so that we may include it. Thank you.

Rochester YC invited to attend NYYC Qualifying series: Rochester YC is one of 26 American clubs invited to take part in the Qualifying series for the 2011 NYYC Invitational Cup in Newport. The inaugural NYYC IC was considered a big success and has gotten huge press as a major Corinthian big boat regatta between yacht clubs from all over the World. See more details in the Regatta Reports section below.

2010 Lake Erie Interclub Cruise Schedule has been set. Thanks to Dan Ward of BYC/BCC for sending in the schedule for the 2010 event. In honor of Buffalo YC's 150th Anniversary, this year's LEIC will be sailed in reverse direction, with the fleet starting out in Buffalo and ending up in Erie, PA. Full details below.

Fort Lauderdale to Key West Race Starts Today: Two boats from our area are taking part, Tom Reese's Corsair F28R "Flight Simulator" from Youngstown, and "Badfish", a Melges 32 from Ohio. Here is the list of entrees, and you can follow the action on Yacht Scoring:

http://www.yachtscoring.com/current_event_entries.cfm?eID=297

Key West Race Week: Just around the corner is KWRW, the premier winter big boat series in NA. A number of locals are entered, but curiously almost no Canadian boats this year? Here are the local entrees:

Farr 40: "Spaceman Spiff", Cleveland

Melges 32, 22 boats (check the names on the tactician list, Holy Cow!):

"Flat Stanley", Cleveland

"Lake Effect", Youngstown, NY

"Vanpire", Mentor, Ohio

Adam Burns of Youngstown is sailing on "Star", last year's KWRW winner

Multihulls:

"Flight Simulator", Youngstown, NY

"Triumphant", Ithaca, NY

PHRF 2: "Creola", Jack Cavalier from Rochester/Tampa

Full KWRW entry list with class splits:

http://www.premiere-racing.com/keywest10/pages/KW10_entries.htm

Pultneyville Yacht Club racers mourn the passing of Tristan Hanna, 26, of Webster, NY on December 10, 2009. Tristan and his fiancée, Brooke Paquin were killed in a tragic auto accident in Fayetteville, NC. Tristan was a 10 year foredeck veteran on Tom Foley's Pearson 30 "Summer Snow", and also crewed on the late Jim Ely's "Moonrise" for the Scotch Bonnet Light Race.

Big News at Youngstown YC: We aren't the biggest club around, but we sure do have a good sailing program here in conjunction with our sister club across the River, Niagara-on-the-Lake Sailing Club. 2010 is going to be a very exciting year due to the addition of some new boats to the fleet, which now numbers eight Beneteau 36.7s and seven Beneteau 10R's!!

Help Needed: "Don, I have an unloaded power boat trailer that needs to be brought up from St. Petersburg, FL to the Buffalo area in the spring. I'm seeking a "snow bird" returning to WNY that would be interested in helping out. Please contact Jeff at 585-880-8012."

RFA Jan 10 cancelled, Genesee River frozen solid!

We have a little request of you. If you enjoy our newsletters, please pass along the address of your friends, or let them now about it so we can include them in our future e-mailings.

RCR is a Beneteau Platinum Dealership! Beneteau has created a program that ranks all of their dealerships on a variety of factors, one of the main components being customer satisfaction and service. RCR has attained the highest ranking, the Platinum level. This comes on top of winning the President's Service Award from Beneteau in October. Congratulations to our staff for a job well done, and thanks to our loyal customers for your support.

Better deals! In preparation for our busiest selling season of the year (Spring), we have approached a number of our brokered boat owners about re-pricing their boats to make sure they are optimally positioned to sell. So check out the reduced prices and new listings below, clean fresh water boats are your best option when looking used.

Sign up for J/boats e-news: <http://www.jboats.com/lists/?p=subscribe>

Check out the creation of Rochester sailor Sam Weiner: <http://myyc.org/>

WE NEED MORE BOATS TO SELL! Let us list your boat, or come see us about a trade-in. Call any of our sales staff for an idea of what your boat is worth.

Commentary: This summer Gary Jobson, incoming President of US Sailing, came to lunch at the Buffalo YC at the invitation of Peter Huston. The idea was to give Gary a chance to listen to what was going on in our local world of sailing, and for him to tell us what he had in mind for changes to US Sailing once he took over. There was nothing unusual in the exchange, he listened carefully and I am sure you could guess what we had to tell him. But one thing he said to us that struck a positive chord with me was his emphasis on the importance of Yacht Clubs in our sport. I could not agree more.

Yacht clubs, regardless of size, prestige or location, are the foundation of most of our racing activities. They provide the physical facilities, the tangible resources needed to run race programs (such as boats, marks, flags, trophies, etc.), the all-important human resources (on water RC staff, schedulers, handicappers, scorers, protest committees and so on), and a place to gather for the all-important social side of sailing. Most training activities are also centered around the yacht club, from junior sailing programs to winter seminars and guest speakers. Probably more learning and transfer of knowledge takes place informally at the Club after racing, around the bar or while de-rigging boats.

This message has certainly not gotten lost in our area, where we have many excellent yacht and sailing clubs that provide great racing. We would like to mention two that have really stepped up their game in recent years, Buffalo YC and Rochester YC. Buffalo YC will be celebrating their 150th Anniversary in 2010 (1860-2010), which means they were around for the start of the Civil War. BYC has a very full plate this summer of major events, but they have been leading up to this in recent years as they have been hosting more and more regattas, as well as undertaking significant improvements to their docks and dry sailing area. BYC is hosting these events this year: the Great Race match racing series, the start of the LEIC, the Eastern Great Lakes J/22 Regatta, the LYRA, Beneteau 36.7 Great Lakes Championship, Eastern Great Lakes IRC Championship, and the J/22 North Americans. I have probably missed something, but you get the picture. There is a ton of work required to pull all of this off, and only yacht clubs can do this consistently on a local level.

Rochester YC started on a path some years ago to bid for and host major events on a regular basis. They have hosted National, North American and International events for J/22's, J/24's, Sonars, Rolex Women's Keelboat Championships, Hospice Nationals, and on and on. Very impressive. Again, a lot of work, and only a club that has made the commitment to substantial physical and human resources could pull off this string of big-time regattas year after year.

We do not mean to slight the many other clubs in our area who do a wonderful job in their own way. Even "paper clubs" like Buffalo Harbor SC and Rochester Frostbite Assn have long and successful histories of serving sailors. They all have one thing in common, people working to provide fun for fellow sailors. Let's take a moment to recognize that and thank a volunteer when you next see one.

Upcoming Events:

Jan 9-17, Toronto International Boat Show, the largest by far in our region. This year there will NOT be an opening Friday night session, the show starts on Saturday morning. Don't expect to see many race boats on display, but it is a good show to attend nonetheless.

Jan 15-24, Cleveland Indoor Show, I-X Center

Jan 20, BHSC General Meeting at The Pearl Street Grill - Don't Miss It!!

Keynote presentation will be on big boat solo sailing and solo racing. Our three guests, Brad Enterline, Dave Amatangelo, and Greg Gorny are all members of the Great Lakes Singlehanded Society (GLSS) and are from Erie, PA. They will share their experiences and adventures as participants in the Lake Erie Solo Challenge, a 312 mile race that starts in Monroe, Michigan, rounds the Seneca Shoal buoy and finishes at Presque Isle Harbor. The BHSC General Meeting starts at 7 PM on Wednesday, January 20 at the Pearl Street Grill and Brewery in downtown Buffalo. The GLSS website is www.solosailor.org/ The Pearl Street Grill 76 Pearl Street Buffalo, NY 14202-4106 (716) 856-2337

Jan 26, BUFFALO CANAL SIDE PROJECT - Public Hearing 6:00 p.m. at Albright-Knox Art Gallery 1285 Elmwood Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14222

Erie Canal Harbor Development Corporation (ECHDC), will be holding a public presentation and hearing to receive comments on the GPP. Questions? Contact ECHDC at: eriecanalharbor@empire.state.ny.us (716) 846-8200

January 27, Dr. David Frew's Evening presentation at Erie YC regarding his latest writing: Pigs at Sea. Dr. David Frew, Great Lakes Maritime history author and expert will make a presentation explaining his latest edition. Pigs at Sea is the story of two remarkable Great Lakes captains who could not have been more different and yet each are extremely compelling characters. Hear this story of technology, economic boom, bust, heroics and tragedy.

Jan 27, Buffalo Maritime Center 2010 WINTER BASH. Rescheduled from the December holiday party that was cancelled due to weather:

WHO : Everyone interested...Bring a guest(s) to share in the excitement of the Maritime Center. We welcome more believers, supporters and contributors to our efforts.

WHAT: Great fun to be had sharing the new year spirit at the boat shop!

WHEN: WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27, from 5:00 to 9:00 PM

WHERE: Maritime Center, 901 Fuhrmann Blvd., Buffalo

716-878-6532

\$10/person includes beer, wine & soft drink.

Please bring an hors d'oeuvres, dessert, or snack.

Jan 28-31, Strictly Sail Chicago, Navy Pier

Feb 4, Ullman/Obersheimer Sailing Seminar 7:15 1884 Niagara St. Buffalo

Feb 6, Rochester Corinthian Sailing Club 7th ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

Shadow Lake Restaurant, 5 Mile Line Rd, Penfield, New York.

- Drinks at 5 PM
- Dinner at 6 PM

You are welcome to bring guests with you. Interested new members also welcome. We have many interesting stories to share at this year's meeting.

PLEASE RSVP to me via email before Jan 17th.

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Feb 10-14, 2010 Buffalo Auto Show: Our theme this year is to "Reignite the Passion" in the Automobile and our industry. We will have some of the newest, high performance, fuel efficient, eye-catching, vehicles on display. There will be appearances by Gilbert Perreault, Buffalo Bandit John Tavares and Patrick Kaleta. Dora the Explorer will be there to meet & greet kids on the weekend. Guess what the "Clunker Cube" is and see what a super tailgate party looks like. Discount tickets soon to be available at Tops markets. Check for updates at www.buffaloautoshow.com.

Feb 10-14, Central NY Boats Show in Syracuse

Feb 11-15, Miami International Boat Show & Strictly Sail

Feb 13-21, Detroit Boat Show, Cobo Center

Buffalo Winter Sailing Seminar Schedule 2009-2010

Sponsored by:

Obersheimer's Sailor's Supply 716-877-8221

and Ullman Sails Buffalo 716-447-9766

7:15 TO 9:30 PM, 1884 Niagara St. Buffalo New York 14207

Feb 4 Genoa Design and Trim, How to drive the boat up wind

Mar 4 Spinnaker Design and Trim, How to Sail Fast Down Wind

Mar 24 Basic Sail Trim, Basic crew work, China light

Apr 7 Using the Rules to Sail Smart, Optimizing the Boat Top to Bottom

Apr 8 Basic Boat Handling, Docking, Starting, Mark Rounding, China Light

Apr 21 China Light Organizing Meeting

Comments & Stories:

NEW YEAR, NEW BOAT? (taken from the Buffalo Harbor SC Newsletter): "It's 2010 and the question is....are you thinking of buying a boat? New or used, like most sailors, you probably look at the ads in the sailing magazines, and shop the internet. But what do you do when you think you may have found your dream boat? How does the process work?"

Sure, you can try and navigate the minefield of buying and selling a boat, but, much like real estate, the used sailboat market is best left to professional yacht brokers. If you're a buyer, it costs you NOTHING to go through a broker; the commissions are paid by the seller.

What happens when you find that perfect XYZ 37 in Florida and the price and equipment are just what you've been looking for. If you call the listing broker and make an offer on the boat then you are now responsible for: 1)making an offer 2) negotiating the deal 3) getting financing 4) arranging for registration and documentation 5) finding a qualified surveyor and understanding what the survey says 6) getting insurance 7) packing and loading all the gear, mast, boom, sails, boat and cradle 8) finding a trucking company 9) logistics of transport 10) off-loading your new boat 11) arranging for storage and finally 12) yard re-commissioning once your new baby arrives.

If you find your dream boat and want more information on it; that's probably the time to use a local yacht broker. A local broker has your best interests in mind, they're working for you and they live here, where you sail! How do you find one? The best way is by using a brokerage firm that's a member of YBAA, Yacht Brokers Association of America. YBAA has a strict code of ethics when working with buyers and sellers.

Once you make contact with your local broker they will call and get the true story on the boat of interest. If it

sounds good, they (should) accompany you for a showing. If the showing is all that you want, then a qualified offer is the next step. When making an offer a deposit is required. This lets the seller know that he has a serious buyer who has put up a deposit in good faith. A proper sales agreement is written up and presented to the listing broker who then goes over it with the seller.

The price isn't the only negotiable part of an offer. What about the engine, storage, amount of escrow, terms and other conditions? These are all parts of a negotiation that a professional broker knows how to handle. Now no one wants to be a 2 boat owner if they can help it, right? What to do with you present boat? The same is true here as well. If you're ready to make the change then the sooner you list your boat for sale, the sooner it's sold.

Four things make your boat sell: price, equipment, condition and location. Price gets an interested buyer to look. If you have kept your boat in good condition, you will be ahead of the game. Is the bottom clean with no blisters? How old are the sails? How many hours on the engine? Do the electronics work and how old are they? We're lucky here on the Great Lakes, fresh water is like giving a bath to your baby. Salt water is like putting your boat in acid, a 3 year old salt water boat looks like a 10 year old fresh water boat, there's corrosion on every piece of metal!

Once you've made the decision to sell, again find a brokerage that will market your boat. By marketing we mean not just on one website but, massive coverage of all possible media. Exposure is the best way to sell your boat. Price is what gets a buyer interested, just like the one you found.

How do you know what your boat is worth? Ask a professional broker, they have the resources to see what the current market for your boat is. NADA & BUC work fine for cars and powerboats but, sailboat sales is provided by brokers reporting to central site that compiles the data for all the brokerages to see. It's detailed by geographic area so you can see the different ranges depending on the location.

Sailboats sell for 10-15% more in the PNW and Maritimes. California prices are higher too. A broker will do a search too see just what your boat should list and sell for. The market dictates what a boat will sell for. You may feel your particular boat is worth more to you but, the market says what it's really worth. Again it's about price, condition, equipment and location. If your boat is in Bristol condition then you'll get top dollar.

A broker will take proper photos, make a gear list and market your boat. They will answer all inquires, show the boat (even in winter), take offers, and deal with other brokers to sell your boat. If you're not getting any action then it's usually the price. What makes your boat better than the others out there? Getting top dollar takes time and effort. Like the buying scenario above, the listing broker can also be the selling broker. They can get offers, negotiate and help with surveys, insurance, financing and logistics. Most brokers are full time professionals that have gone through years of training to provide buyers and sellers the service they want and deserve.

So before you try and navigate this minefield alone, think about the safety and security of dealing with a trained pro who knows what they are doing! There are several locally, so do your homework and enjoy your new ride!!

Boat For Sale News:

Let RCR Find Your Next Boat, or Sell Your Existing One!

Selected listings below, go to www.rcryachts.com for a full list:

33' C&C 33 MKII 1985 "Chariot" *NEW LISTING* one of C&C's nicer designs, good combination of performance, style and "right size". Yanmar Diesel, Wheel, Datamarine K, D, W, Autopilot, 3 compasses, Dodger, Awning, CNG Stove/Oven, Large Ice box, H/C Pressure, AM/FM/CD, VHF, 110V Shore Power, Fin

Keel, Roller Furling, winter cover, Recent Sails \$39,900, Located Youngstown

29' C&C 29 MKII 1983 *NEW LISTING* This boat is L-O-A-D-E-D!!! If they made it, this one has it. "Upgraded" doesn't begin to tell the story. Oversized 42" Wheel, Yanmar Diesel, KVH Multi and Nexus electronics-K, D, W, Compasses, Garmin GPS-all integrated, a great set up. Everything has been upgraded or improved, winches, fuel system, Flex-o-Fold geared prop, H/C pressure water, Warp speed tapered halyards, blocks have been "Harkenized", custom fitted winter cover, also included is a Hudson custom double axle trailer just completely redone/long distance road worthy. Too much to list! The nicest C&C 29 MKII available bar none \$29,900, Located Youngstown

41' J-41 1985 "Bada Bing" \$59,800 **REDUCED**
35' C&C 35-3 1983 "Allegro" Rochester, \$54,900
35' Peterson One Ton 1975 "Kapoosh" Sodus Point, \$23,900
35' 1984 J/35, "Her Nibs", Sodus Point \$35,900
35' 1984 J/35 "White Ice", Oak Orchard \$39,900
34' J/34 1984 "Soundwave" **NEW LISTING** Olcott \$24,900
33' J/100 2006 "Flyer" Buffalo \$114,900
33' Precision 11 Meter 1996 "Proprius Munia" Erie \$18,900
30' C&C 30 "Bluepeace" **SOLD**
30' Tartan 30 1975 "Hooligan" Rochester \$15,900
30' Farr/Mumm 30 1997 "Uprising" Rochester \$84,900
30' Cal 9.2 1981 "Al Steamer" Buffalo, \$10,900
29' C&C 29 1977 "Persistance" Erie \$17,900 **REDUCED**
29' J/29 1984 "Thunder" Diesel, Fractional Rig Buffalo REDUCED \$8,900
26' S2 7.9GS 1981 "Cha Cha Cat" Erie **REDUCED** \$10,900
25' Kirby 25 Erie \$4,995

BENETEAU FIRST 40 WINS BOAT OF THE YEAR AWARD: The new First 40 was awarded Boat of the Year by Sailing World Magazine for Best Crossover. For the complete story visit www.sailingworld.com
 For more info about the First 40 please visit www.Beneteauusa.com

J/95 won the Cruising World Domestic Boat of the Year award AND was also named Best Weekender. "The judges were impressed with the J/95's sailing performance, functional accommodations, and shoal-draft keel/centerboard," said Cruising World senior editor Bill Springer. "At a time when many families are cruising waters closer to home, it's the ideal weekender for nearby bays, and it'll be up to longer coastal cruises when time permits."

Let RCR Find Your Next Boat, or Sell Your Existing One: Once in awhile we need to remind our readers that we are actually in business. It is nice to provide a service to the sailing community and hopefully our readers will remember us when it comes time to buy or sell a boat. We do know what we are talking about!

Regatta News:

The Lake Erie Interclub Cruise (LEIC) Committee met recently and set the 2010 course for the 53rd annual regatta. This year will feature an East to West course starting in Buffalo, NY and finishing in Erie, PA. The Buffalo Yacht Club (BYC) will be the host for the start of the race and will feature on shore activities on the evenings of Friday June 25th & Saturday June 26th. As 2010 is the 150th Anniversary of the BYC, we anticipate that a very spirited crowd will be in attendance to help us celebrate! Dan Ward, BYC/BCC

2010 Lake Erie Interclub Cruise Schedule:
 June 26 (Saturday) - Buffalo Course Race

June 27 (Sunday) - Buffalo to Port Colborne
 June 28 (Monday) - Port Colborne to Port Dover
 June 29 (Tuesday) - Long Point Bay Race
 June 30 (Wednesday) - Port Dover to Erie, PA
 Event Details: <http://www.erieinterclub.com/>

Good News for Rochester YC: NYYC to Expand Competitive Opportunities for Next NYYC Invitational Cup; 26 U.S. Yacht Clubs Invited to Compete in U.S. Qualifying Series this Summer Commodore David K. Elwell Jr. announced that the club has invited 26 pre-eminent American yacht clubs to compete for places in the second New York Yacht Club Invitational Cup, which will be sailed in Newport, R.I., September 10-17, 2011. Commodore Elwell explained that a number of yacht clubs in the United States had expressed interest in competing in the inaugural event, held in September of 2009. "This invitation for a U.S. Qualifying Series is in response to that interest," he said. The Qualifying Series will be held in Newport on September 8-11, 2010.

The invited American yacht clubs are American in Rye, N.Y.; Annapolis; Bayview in Detroit and Little Traverse in Harbor Springs, Mich.; Boston and Eastern in Marblehead, Mass.; Carolina in Charleston, S.C.; Chicago; Fishing Bay in Deltaville, Va; Fort Worth Boat Club; Houston; Ida Lewis in Newport, R.I.; Indian Harbor, Pequot and Stamford in Connecticut; Larchmont, Rochester and Seawanhaka Corinthian, also in New York; Long Beach, Newport Harbor and San Diego in Southern California; St. Francis and San Francisco in Northern California; Southern in New Orleans, La.; St. Petersburg in Florida; and Seattle.

The top three U.S. teams will receive invitations to the NYYC Invitational Cup, where they will join the top six teams from 2009: New York, Royal Canadian, Japan Sailing Federation, Nyländska Jaktklubben of Finland; Royal Cork of Ireland and Royal Bermuda, plus at least 10 other international teams, to be invited in the spring of 2010.

Last summer, the NYYC hosted the first New York Yacht Club Invitational Cup, where 19 amateur yacht club teams from 14 nations competed in chartered NYYC Swan 42s at Harbour Court. Competitors had to be members of the yacht club and nationals of the country represented. The 2009 event saw teams from Japan, Germany, Finland, Spain, Bermuda, Canada, Ireland (two), Denmark, Hong Kong, New Zealand, England (three), Italy (two), France and the United States (two), including the host and eventual winner, the NYYC.

The competition proved to be tough and demanding, allowing yacht club teams to display the competitive skills of their sailors. Sponsors of the 2009 New York Yacht Club Invitational Cup were Rolex, Sperry Top-Sider and Nautor's Swan. The event chair was NYYC Trustee John Mendez, who will return in that role in 2011.

The racers were impressed, as was the yachting press. Said Leonardo Ferragamo, head of the team from Finland's Nyländska Jaktklubben, "This event is a lighthouse in the world of sailing." Sailing World magazine put it this way in its cover story -- see right photo: "The New York Yacht Club pulled out all the stops for its first Invitational Cup, creating what is sure to become a high-profile Corinthian Classic."

Next summer's U.S. Qualifying Series will feature fleet racing in Sonars and J/22s in Newport, R.I. This will be the only opportunity for domestic yacht clubs to earn a place in the 2011 New York Yacht Club Invitational Cup. The event chair of the U.S. Qualifying Series is Dod Fraser and Will and Marie Crump are vice chairs.

"We wanted to respond to requests for places in our Invitational Cup, an international competition for Corinthian sailors," said Commodore Elwell. "Creating this new event will give more American clubs the opportunity to share the stage with visitors from overseas. I am pleased we are expanding competitive

opportunities for the event."

The 2010 Lake Ontario 300: At 300 nautical miles, the Lake Ontario 300 is a unique test of sailing skill. The longest annual fresh water race in the world, it is also the only circumnavigation of a Great Lake. The navigational requirements add to the challenge; which is why the Lake Ontario 300 has continuously attracted competitive racing yachts, cruiser/racers, as well as the cruiser looking for new challenges.

The Lake Ontario 300 was another huge success in 2009 with record participation, sponsorship and number of yachts finishing the race. The organizing committee has been hard at work looking for ways to improve this race for 2010 and have some exciting plans for all participants. On-going listening to comments from past years participants is providing excellent feedback for planning the future of the LO300.

The Lake Ontario 300 is actually three distinct races in a single event. First, we have the original full circumnavigation of Lake Ontario, which is now referred to as the Main Duck Island Course. Updated in 2009 to remove non-permanent race marks; the course travels east from Port Credit Yacht Club, West of Toronto, to a Toronto Islands mark, and directly to the Main Duck Islands at the Eastern end of Lake Ontario, then south to the Ford Shoal Buoy near Oswego, New York, along the South shore to the Niagara mark, at the mouth of the Niagara River, then directly North across the lake to the finish at PCYC. Second, the exciting new short course, which was originally created to accommodate white sail only yachts, was updated last year and still takes yachts around Scotch Bonnet Island. The Scotch Bonnet Island course will follow the Main Duck Fleet to the Toronto Island mark, then sail East to the Scotch Bonnet Island near Prince Edward County, then cross over the lake to the Niagara mark, before a finish at PCYC. The course is slightly longer than previous short courses on the LO300 and offers new challenges and exciting scenery. Again in 2010, slower yachts will be racing this course under spinnaker. And third, for the second year, the LO300 is host to the Great Lakes Singlehanded Society solo racing event on Lake Ontario. The LO300 Solo Challenge provides an opportunity for eligible sailors to challenge themselves in a 300 nautical miles singlehanded race. All finishers become members of the GLSS and they are all winners.

Lake Ontario is rich in history; the Main Duck and Scotch Bonnet Islands are an interesting part of the local marine heritage and will be important features of the event. The LO300 is once again opened to monohull yachts racing under PHRF and IRC rating systems, as well as multihull yachts. It has fully crewed and double handed divisions. The organizing committee is accepting requests from various one-design fleets who are interested in including this challenging offshore event in their existing series. The LO300 has grown beyond its popularity in the early 90's and saw a record year in 2009 with more than 170 yachts on the start line. The event offers new and exciting challenges that cannot be matched in a regatta and that will undoubtedly be a valuable test of any crew skills.

The 2010 Lake Ontario 300 will start on Saturday, July 17, at the Port Credit Yacht Club. Check out the website www.lo300.org for updates, seminar dates and registration information; additional details about the event are also available by contacting Guy Perrin, the 2010 race chair, at 416-729-4897.

I-LYA changes for 2010: "We've changed the 2010 Bay Week to a weekend regatta, August 6-8, with feeders from Buffalo, Cleveland, Sandusky, Port Clinton, Toledo and Detroit. Along with the new weekend format we'll be adding on-line registration, real-time scoring, and social packages for crews and families. We will feature a challenging one-design keelboat course for J/105, B-36.7, Level 72s and T-Tens and any other OD fleets that register. We will also offer courses for centerboard fleets and PHRF/JAM, as well as a cruising class.

Lots of on-shore activities will entertain your crew and their families. And when we're not providing the entertainment, you can always enjoy the island. There is something for everyone--historical sites to visit, fun activities for kids and families, live entertainment, plenty of shopping, and a fun and relaxing atmosphere.

More details will follow as we're putting together a new web site. But for now, mark your calendars for the first week in August for the 2010 I-LYA Put-In-Bay Senior Sail Regatta! We look forward to seeing you there! Bob Sheppard, Race Chairman, 2010 I-LYA Put-in-Bay Senior Sail Regatta"

The 2010 Beneteau 36.7 Great Lakes Championship will be held at the Buffalo Yacht Club. This was the scene of some exceptional racing and partying for 47 Beneteaus at the 2007 North Americans. Course racing is scheduled for July 30, 31 and August 1. It will be run in conjunction with the LYRA www.lyrawaters.org which is a famous Lake Ontario regatta that is being held on Lake Erie for only the second time. The LYRA portion of the event will also offer feeder races on July 27 from both Port Colbourne and Erie PA as well as the Freeman overnight 65 mile race on July 28. All in conjunction with the BYC celebrating its 150th anniversary. This will be an event that should not be missed. Please help with their planning and Email Tom Lewin TLewin@roadrunner.com if you think you will be attending.

Lake Ontario Short Handed Racing Series Update: The first important date of 2010 is the annual manned LOSHRS presence at the Toronto International Boat Show, January 9th - 17th ~ shared with the LO300 booth in the Sail Fest area. Here we distribute the official yellow T's to early registrants and communicate all the exciting plans for the coming season. Be sure to stop by and pick up posters and flyers to take back for display at your club. And don't forget to tell your friends they can find out all about short-handed racing from our knowledgeable volunteers at the show.

The racing event dates are:

June 6 QCYC Course Race (77 boats in 2009)

June 19-20 Youngstown 2-Day Race Weekend (75 boats in 2009)

August 21st Long Distance 100 Miler (67 boats in 2009)

Sept 18-19 Dalhousie 2-Day Race Weekend (73 boats in 2009)

Additional dates to note:

June 4 Susan Hood For 2010 there will be double-handed divisions

July 17 Lake Ontario 300: Double-handed divisions for the short and long courses, spinnaker and non-flying sails. Also, for the first time in 2010, a single-handed division for those who qualified with the GLSS (Great Lakes Sailing Society) in 2009.

By sponsoring short-handed races across the lake ~ one direction, long enough for a minimal crew to set and tweak their sails ~ LOSHRS nurtures amicable competition among solo sailors, skippers and first mates, cruising/racing couples, brothers, sisters, fathers & sons and mothers & daughters, alike. Challenging, without the necessity of having a full crew dedicated and available for the four weekends.

With 27 trophies, over 200 single-event flags, as well as division winner flags, personalized commemorative mugs for all competitors and plenty of sponsored prizes awarded at the annual banquet in early November, there is plenty of winning for everyone. A racing series not to be missed!

Registration is online at our website at www.LOSHRS.com

You can also contact:

Jonathan Vinden at jvinden@brickworksonline.com

Ian McAllister at folichon34@rogers.com or

Ric Doedens at rdoedens@enviraco.com with questions, at any time.

Frostbite News:

January 10 RFA sailing was again cancelled due to weather (ice)

Questions about RFA? Contact Mike Ingham:mingham@rochester.rr.com

585-370-1027

Jan 30-31, IC Midwinters in Annapolis: "It is a really fun event where you share a boat with someone and switch off racing. I think around 10 people from Rochester went last year, so you should put it on your calendar and start planning. Contact me or Jesse Falsone jfalsone@csc.com if you want more details. Mike Ingham"

Products, Services & Links:

Viking Trailers is offering a 10% discount on all Trailer parts and service work. Just say "RCR Newsletter" and receive your discount. Viking also offers Sailboat Hull, Boot stripe and Topside painting, in house only.
Viking 724-789-9194

Post Your Dates: www.regattadates.com and www.sailingscuttlebutt.com

Destination One Design Website: <http://www.destinationonedesign.com/>

UK-Halsey Newsletters: <http://www.ukhalsey.com/newsletter/index.asp>

SORTING OUT THE NEW RACING RULES: UK-Halsey's animated rules quizzes FREE. Just log on and get smart. <http://www.ukhalsey.com>

PREDICTWIND - NEW FORECAST SITE <http://www.PredictWind.com>

Scuttlebutt Newsletter Link: <http://www.sailingscuttlebutt.com/subscribe/>

Lake Yacht Racing Association <http://www.lyrawaters.org>

Sodus Bay Jr. Sailing Association <http://www.sbjsa.org/>

Central New York Sailing Association <http://www.centralssailing.org/>

Quality Affordable Vinyl Boat Names: WWW.NIAGARAGRAPHIC.COM

Racing Rules Quiz: <http://www.ukhalsey.com/RulesQuiz/index.asp>

THE LATEST IN BOAT EQUIPMENT: <http://www.MyBoatsGear.com>

Flea Market & Small Boats:

For Sale or partial trade: 2004 6hp Nissan long shaft...very low hours / stored indoors. Want short shaft 2hp for dinghy. jkrcrew@yahoo.com

Cleaning out the Basement:

28" diameter stainless wheel

34" diameter varnished teak wheel

40" diameter stainless wheel

Force 10 grill

33# Danforth anchor

Tbooth@k-100.com**Tips & Hints:**

A good place to look for racing tips is Destination One Design, put out by Quantum Sails:

<http://www.destinationonedesign.com/index.aspx>

Race Results: *It won't be long!*

Race Calendar:

To add your event to the Calendar write to Don Finkle at dbfinkle@aol.com

2010: (dates should be considered tentative at this time)

Jan 13 Ft Lauderdale to Key West Race

Jan 18-22 Key West Race Week

Jan 24-30 Rolex Miami OCR

Jan 30-31 IC Midwinters in Annapolis

Feb 12-14 St Pete NOOD

Mar 4-7 Miami Grand Prix

Mar 4-7 30th St. Maarten Heineken Regatta

Mar 6-7 Conquistador Cup, Punta Gorda SC

Mar 10-13 Bacardi Miami Sailing Week

Mar 19-21 San Diego NOOD

Mar 29-Apr 4 39th Annual BVI Spring Regatta

Apr 8-11 Charleston Race Week

Apr 14-17 Corsair Nationals, Fort Walton YC

Apr 30-May 2 Annapolis NOOD

May 22-23 TS&CC Icebreaker Regatta

May 29-30 ABYC Open Regatta

June 3-6 Hospice Regattas National Championship RYC

June 4 Susan Hood Overnight Race, PCYC

June 4-6 Detroit NOOD

June 6 LOSHRS QCYC Course Race

June 11 Mills Race - Toledo Yacht Club

June 11-13 Chicago NOOD

June 12-13 RCYC Open Regatta

June 18 Scotch Bonnet Light Overnight Race, Genesee YC

June 18-20 Newport Regatta, New York YC

June 18-20 2010 Beneteau Owners Rendezvous - Put-in-Bay

June 19-20 Toronto Area Hospice Regatta, NYC

June 19-20 Beneteau First 36.7 Canadian Championship @ TAHR

June 19-20 LOSHRS Youngstown 2-Day Race Weekend

June 26-27 Cleveland Race Week Offshore

June 26-27 C&C Owners' Regatta, NYC

June 26 LEIC Buffalo Course Race

June 27 LEIC Buffalo to Port Colborne

June 28 LEIC Port Colborne to Port Dover

June 29 LEIC Long Point Bay Race

June 30 LEIC Port Dover to Erie, PA

July 8-10 Eastern Yachting Circuit, Brockville (Ontario) YC
 July 10-11 PCYC Open Regatta
 July 10-11 IRC Great Lakes Championship, Port Huron, MI
 July 10-11 CNYSA Centrals Regatta, Sodus Bay YC/SBJSA
 July 15-16 Steerer's Youth Dinghy Regatta, PCYC
 July 17 Lake Ontario 300, PCYC
 July 17 Bayview YC Port Huron to Mackinac Race
 July 17-18 4 Sisters Dinghy Regatta, PCYC
 July 17-18 Stolze Cup Match Racing at RCYC
 July 22-25 Marblehead NOOD
 July 24-25 Youngstown Level Regatta
 July 27 LYRA Founder's Race, Erie to Buffalo
 July 27 LYRA Centennial Race, Port Colborne to Buffalo
 July 28 or 29 LYRA Freeman Overnight Race, Buffalo YC
 July 30-Aug 1 LYRA Course Racing Buffalo YC
 July 30-Aug 1 Beneteau 36.7 Great Lakes Championships, Buffalo YC

Aug 6-7 Buzzards Bay Regatta, Marion, Mass
 Aug 6-8 Put-in-Bay Bay Week Senior Regatta
 Aug 6-14 Thunderbird Internationals at ABYC
 Aug 18-21 J/22 North American Championship, Buffalo YC
 Aug 21 Rochester Hospice Regatta, Hosted by GYC
 Aug 21 LOSHRS Long Distance 100 Miler
 Aug 20-21 Beneteau 36.7 Summer Regatta - Detroit
 Aug 21-22 RCYC Royals Weekend
 Aug 22-28 Canadian Optimist Dinghy Championship, RHYC
 Aug 27-29 Great Lakes Multihull Championship, Bay City YC
 Aug 28-29 Etobico Level & Open Regatta

Sept 3-5 Bronte Rocks Regatta, Oakville
 Sept 8-11 Qualifying Series for 2011 NYYC Invitational
 Sept 11-12 QCYC/NYC Open Regatta
 Sept 11-12 Larchmont NOOD
 Sept 15-18 J/105 NA's Chicago
 Sept 17 Argosy Rose Bowl NYC
 Sept 18-19 J/22 East Coast Championship, Annapolis
 Sept 18-19 LOSHRS Dalhousie 2-Day Race Weekend
 Sept 25 Donald Summerville Memorial Race

Oct 3 Boswell Trophy, RCYC
 Oct 21-24 B-36.7 North American Championship Annapolis YC

Nov 13-14 Fall Regatta, Marco Island YC

Dec 3 Ft Lauderdale to Palm Beach Race

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Club/Fleet Contacts, compliments of Haartsick Sailmakers:

www.brockportyachtclub.org
www.dunkiryachtclub.org
www.sailcyc.com (Canandaigua)
www.geneseeyc.org
www.oswegoyachtclub.org
www.rochesteryc.com
www.sodusbayyc.org
www.buffaloyachtclub.org
www.sailbhsc.org (Buffalo Harbor Sailing Club)
www.j22buffalo.com
www.olcottyachtclub.com
www.buffalocanoeclub.com
www.yyc.org (Youngstown YC)
 Central NYSA, formerly CNYRA www.centralssailing.org/index.html

Local sail lofts include:

Bierig in Erie, 814-459-8001 (David Bierig)
 Dieball Sailing Cleveland, 216-361-1160 (Ernie Dieball)
 Dieball Sailing Toledo, 419-726-2933 (Skip Dieball)
 Doyle Detroit, 586-790-7500 (Al Declercq)
 Doyle Buffalo, 716-435-5944 (Peter "Louis" Johnson)
 Doyle Sarnia, 519-344-5236 (Spike Boston)
 Doyle Toronto, 905-820-9169 (Ed Botterell)
 Evolution Toronto 416-503-1931 (Greg Bratkiw)
 Haarstick / Bay Sails Hamilton, ON 905-529-7245 (Keven Piper)
 Haarstick in Rochester, 585-342-5200 (Doug Burtner)
 Haarstick in Buffalo, 800-342-5033, (Eric Christensen)
 Katlynn in Sodus, 315-483-9102 (Marcia Wait)
 North in Toronto, 416-259-9644 (Geoff Moore)
 Rahamer Designs Port Ontario 315-312-3079. David Raham
 Sportech sails in St. Catharines, 905-688-1833 (Jamie Day)
 Ullman Buffalo, 716-447-9766 (Brad Hollingsworth)
 Ullman Cleveland, 216-486-5732 (Greg Koski)
 Ullman Rochester, 1-877-sail-umg (877-724-5864) (Justin Damore)
 Ullman Sails-Port Ontario, 315-298-3960 (David Raham) rahamer@twcny.rr.com
 UK-Halsey Toronto, 416-690-9182 (Brian Chapman)

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CALENDARS OF MAJOR EVENTS

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- For information on North Shore events on Lake Ontario, go to www.lorc.org.
- Website for Ontario sailing events: www.sailon.org.
- Cork: www.cork.org
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