

WILLOW BANK YACHT CLUB

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Despite the wet weather, June has been a wonderful month. The Commodores' Ball was a huge success with spectacular weather, delicious food, and pleasant music. Special thanks go out to Barb C. who works much to hard, the unsuspecting donor of the (so that's what they are good for) hors d'oeuvres table and mast holder, and Bob Gabor for the much-appreciated expert witness testimony regarding an individual's presence on the hardwood....

With a consistency that is possible only after volunteering year after year, the Father's Day Pancake breakfast was again a huge success. Thanks to Marilyn Glass for all her efforts in coordinating and hosting the event again this year. The sun shone brightly.....

June also meant Annual Regattas for three of the Club's fleets. On June 1, a 28-boat Laser fleet was treated to strong, highly variable winds reaching 30 mph, which by regatta's end had caused all but 10 of the most robust to seek the solitude and security of the Club deck. Where we, I might add, enjoyed the battering imposed upon those left in the struggle. Recognition and respect goes out to the hearty Paul Martellock, who was the lone WBYC sailor to start all races. Paul, now in traction at Upstate Medical, is scheduled to be discharged in time for the Deathroll regatta in September. Thanks to Bruce Poushter for procuring for the Club the fine assortment of cedar furniture, which has been enjoyed and commented on by many Club members. The aging Laser fleet, with the benefit of hindsight requests twelve Lazy Boy recliners for next year's regatta. Thanks to the Finn sailors for conducting skilled race committee duties.

The Lightning Fleet also enjoyed a variety of challenging weather conditions for their 18-boat fleet with wet, shifty conditions on the first day, and wet, shifty condi-

tions on the second. Race results were not available at press time. The Comet Regatta is also being held this month on June 22 and 23. Good luck everyone...

Anne King advises that the weeds of the inner harbor will again be removed by divers (firemen) encouraged by a donation made by WBYC to the Firemen's Association. Thanks to Anne for coordinating these efforts again this year. The weed picking began last year in lieu of chemical application and has been very successful.

Please support the Junior Sailing and Swimming programs. Both have already started their first session and the second sessions are scheduled to begin on July 8th. Information for sailing and swimming can be obtained from Anya Woods (682-4654) and Jenny Rees (655-4141), respectively.

Our newly appointed chief Weather Administration God (WAG), Steve Burrell, has guaranteed that dry and warm weather will surround the Club during July. This is good news for the July 4th picnic, the Member-Guest Dinner Dance, which is always one of the best social events of the year, and the annual regattas of the Sunfish and Flying Dutchman fleets. Any concerns or comments associated with the guarantee should be aimed directly toward the WAG at 655-2008.

Ray Cudney
Commodore

FROM THE REAR

There was a variety filled and delicious menu served to our WBYC Dads on Father's Day this year. Special thanks go to Marilyn Glass and Joyce Koesterer for creating, organizing and cooking such a wonderful feast for our Dads. We appreciate your hard work.

All members are reminded to sign in on the clipboard at the Galley when bringing guests to the club. Terry Campbell will head up the guest sign in and gate checks this season. There will be gate checks at holiday weekends and spontaneous gate checks through out the season. If you are interested in working a gate check, please call Terry as soon as possible because spaces are limited. Please remember that July 4th and Labor Day weekends, members can only bring "house guests outside a 50 mile radius". This is a Club rule created to reduce over crowding at popular holiday events.

Thank you to Andrew Rogers and Peter Bushnell for such a successful Sailing Picnic for our Junior Sailors. It's exciting to see so many young sailors enjoying the sailing program at the Club. Thanks guys, we appreciate your hard work!

The swimming program is up and in full force. Thank you parents for watching your children so closely

while at the Club. We all realize that the lifeguards are NOT baby sitters-thank you! Parents please take note that children under 13 years of age, even when accompanied by an adult, must wear a life jacket when around non-swimming areas near the water. Thank you also for keeping track of all those fishing rods with sharp hooks!

The fish fry's will start on June 28th and go until August 9th. The menu will be the same as last year with the addition of a chicken caesar salad! This large delicious salad will cost \$6.00 per serving. The other dinners (with sides) are priced as follows; Fish-\$7.00; Cheeseburger-\$5.50; Hamburger-\$5.00; Hot Dog-\$4.50. Come on Friday, rain or shine!

Don't forget to make your reservation by June 27th for the July 4th picnic. Also, the Member/Guest Dinner Dance reservations are due by July 17th. The Member/Guest is scheduled for July 27th.

See you on the water,

Bitsy Namy

FROM THE WOWS

The Women of Willowbank (WOWS) held their first fleet get-together of the sailing season at the Club on Wednesday June 5. With a spectacular attendance of twenty-seven women, we welcomed five new members, and we understand that even more women intend to join the fleet.

WOWS offers non-competitive sailing each Wednesday afternoon, starting at 4 pm. We aim to support and encourage sailing for women who wish to im-

prove their sailing skills and have fun doing so. Some sailing fundamentals are necessary...as we do not teach. Any Wednesday during the summer you may see between ten and twenty-five WOW sails on the lake...Ladies under any sail are welcome to join us.

Jean Doering / Eileen Lowe
Co-Fleet Captains

ANNUAL WEED HARVEST

Once again this year, the Cazenovia Fire Department Diving Team will hand pick Milfoil and other aquatic growth in the "inner harbour" and swimming area. The divers will work 3-4 evenings in late June and early July

from approximately 6 - 8:30 pm. Notices will be posted at the club as to the dates. No boats will be able to enter or exit the harbour while they are diving.

Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

SOCIAL CORNER

We are now in the thick of the summer and I have 2 great events I need to let you know about. First is our **4th of July Annual Summer Picnic**.... We have made some great additions to an already perfect family day!! The highlights of the events are as follows:

The picnic will be catered by Lucy Wheeler and we are featuring a theme of an Old Fashioned 4th of July. We have tried to make it fun for both adults and kids. We will have activities for kids, music for adults and easy food that you can eat at club or take out on your boat. We will

have box lunches /dinner, with your names on them, available for pickup from the 5 to 7 pm. Your choices will be:

Adults Box Lunch: Fried Chicken and/or Vege Sandwich... plus goodies in the box
Kids Box Lunch: Roasted Turkey Sandwich, Cookies, Chips, Candy and Apple

Music by the Whirling Disc from 6-9 pm
Kids Activities: 6:30 to 8:30

We will even provide Sparklers....so no need to bring your own.

**Cost for this event will be: \$13.00 for Adults
 \$7.00 for Kids**

If you decide you want to bring your own food, but would like your children to participate in the kids activity , we will have a nominal fee to help pay for the supplies and activities.

Please call Leigh Garber at 655-8291 to make your reservation. Remember the best spot on the entire lake to watch the Fireworks is Willowbank. So come early so that you can enjoy the day we have planned and call **ASAP..**

The next great event we have scheduled is the **annual Member/Guest Dance**. This is a time to bring your friends to the club and let them see what we have to offer. This year Kim Dewan and Deb McCullough have planned an enchanted evening under the stars (weather permitting), with good friends, good food and great live music. The highlights of the event are as follows:

Date of Event: 7/27/02: Please note that this is a Date Change....

Band: Fluid Drive featuring Marsha Hagen... a Rhythm and Blues band
Elegant Appetizers and Decedent Desserts provided by Barb Lanuzzi

Dress is Casual

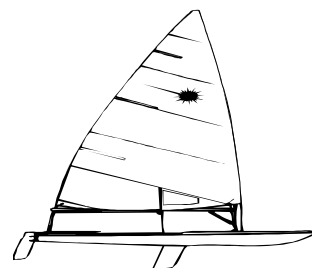
Bring your Own Bottle

Please make your reservations by July 17th by calling Kim Dewan at 655-9531 or Deb McCullough at 655-3812

Try not to miss either of these events, you will not be disappointed....

I would like to also Thank Leigh Garber, Maureen Fellows and Beth Prieve for making the 4th of July a great event. I know how much time it takes to plan and execute a great party and we are all lucky to have the Chair people who make the difference to our events and club.

Barb Axelson



Scuttlebutt...

Finn For Sale - Want to feel like an Olympic sailor? Try this 1980 Finn designed especially for the ill-fated Moscow Olympics. The GRP Taylor hull from the U.K. was mated to a Vanguard deck under the guidance of Finn guru Gus Miller. It's been updated with a Willetts carbon fiber mast, North sails and a new rudder. The \$2,000 price includes a trailer and aluminum dolly. Please contact Gunter Vorlop at vorlop@traknet.com.

For Sale - 1973 MADER FLYING DUTCHMAN (US 1434) - Very good shape - Ready to sail - Fiberglass hull - Mahogany deck - Proctor mast, Full set of sails (Main - North, 2 Genoas - North & Hyde, Spinnaker (used one season), New long spinnaker pole - Lindsey rudder - New top cover - Trapeze vest - Trailer and dolly - \$1900. Call: Lou Kempton at 315-682-9513 or lrkemp1@ix.netcom.net

Sunfish Sail Wanted - Looking for a replacement sail, preferably with window, for sunfish. Please contact Maryann Lansing at 662-7241.

Optimist For Sale - '98 Vanguard Winner Optimist, excellent condition; blade bag, top cover, sail bag, compass and mount, fiberglass blades; \$1900. Please contact Dana or Ian Oviatt at 682-2993 or oviatt@traknet.com

Sunfish Wanted - Sunfish preferably 1995 or more recent in great shape with low sailing hours and sail with full view window. Call Ann King at 655-2244.

Sunfish Sailboat For Sale - 10 years old and in good shape. Call Susan at 655-9246 asking price \$700.