



Ripples

July 2006



From The Bridge Deck

This year, Youngstown Yacht Club celebrates its 75th Anniversary. Seventy-five years does not seem like a long time when compared to the rich American history of this area. But for a small club in a sleepy corner of Western New York, YYC has accomplished a lot in 75 years. We have a reputation for being a fine sailing club with an extraordinarily friendly membership. From our beginning we have hosted many successful sailing regattas and continue to host one of the most famous regattas in the world. Our sailors have competed at the top levels of our sport and have demonstrated the capable skills of lake sailors. Our members extensively cruise the waters of the Great Lakes and some are at this time on extended voyages throughout the world and still recognize YYC as their home.

We have accomplished a great deal in 75 years and should be very proud of our history. We now have to look forward to assure that the vision of our founders is continued well into the future. This year's Board of Directors has taken the first steps to create a plan for the continued success of YYC. It is up to all of us to work together to continue the high level of yachting achievement and friendly reputation we have enjoyed for so long. I am confident that the work being done today will keep us strong for another 75 years.

One of the most important aspects of our Club is the camaraderie of our membership. As we focus on membership recruitment and retention, I ask each and every one of you to make a special effort to welcome our new members. I am particularly pleased that we have welcomed so many new younger members over the past year as they will become an important part of our future.

Above all, I encourage you all to participate in one of our many programs, whether it's adult sailing, junior sailing, racing, cruising, one of our regattas or one of our many popular entertainment events. There is something for everyone, and the more involved you become, the more you will feel a part of YYC. Melanie and I look forward to seeing you at the Club and on the water. And I thank you once again for your continued support and encouragement.

Adult Sailing

by Vic Snyder

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News about Club events and members are always welcome and highly encouraged. E-mail articles and photos to LibertaT37@verizon.net or drop them off with Josie in the YYC Club Office.

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**YYCA Rochester Excursion**

Here are some photos taken by Bev Roach while the YYCA enjoyed a day at the Rochester Philharmonic Show House Tour. It was a great day...lots of fun and lunch with the Rochester YC Womens Association.

Laurie Hugill, YYCA President.

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Jib & Main Sailors

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1000 Isle Info for Cruisers

Sheila Hirsch has been busy distributing brochures listing great cruising destinations and summer events in the 1000 Islands. Some copies have been left in the Club – first come first served. Sheila highly recommends the following web site for more information: <http://www.visit1000islands.com/visit-frameset.asp>

75% Discount on Initiation Fee

To help celebrate YYC's 75th anniversary the Club is offering a 75% discount on initiation fees. This a great time to introduce new members to YYC. Guest passes and membership applications are available from the Club's office weekdays and by calling Josie: (716) 745-7230 x10.



From Jake Doyle:

"Not much on yesterday. Had two test that I think I did OK on. I have a lot of stuff to learn in the next few days including Morse code so that should be fun. I also have to finish off my the first round of written homework.

And my first oral "Q" (test) is scheduled for the 1st of June on the topic of Cargo gear and anchor and mooring equipment.

We passed through the Straight of Gibraltar today; we are officially in the Med. Among other things this means that instead of dumping biodegradable waist (paper, aluminum, cardboard etc.) over the side we have to store it in cargo containers on deck. The only thing you are allowed to dump in the Med is food.

I am getting some very cool photos. I took lots of pictures of the African coast as we passed through the straight and a few days back I got a great shot of some dolphins playing in our bow wake.

Thats about it.

We are still about a day behind schedule as a result of our late departure so we probably won't get to sail in Greece. On a more positive note Capt. Smith is considering taking a detour through the Corinth Canal to cut 90 miles out of our way. Anyway I will write when i can.

Sail Fast, Jake"



Board Reports

Membership

We would like to welcome the following new members to the YYC:

- Ann Marie & Joseph Oliverio, Social, Lewiston
- Ben Doyle, Regular, Kenmore
- Jay & Barbara Dubell, Social, Youngstown
- Bruce & Teresa David, Social, Lewiston
- William & Judy Leardini, Social, Youngstown
- Michael DeDario, Social, Grand Island
- Thomas & Kathleen Murphy, Regular, Lewiston
- John DeFazio & Karen Chopra, Social, Youngstown
- Marcus Holloway & Julie Wilcox, Regular, Buffalo
- Joseph Martin, Social, Lockport
- Anthony & Karen DeLuke, Social, Lewiston
- Mehmet & Susan Erk, Social, Youngstown
- Lester & Miriam Schiff, Social, Lewiston

Fleet

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I want to thank Mike Gotthelf for again printing the YYC/NOLSC Wednesday Night and W/E Sailing Instructions for our Club. Mike has done this for many years at no cost to us. It is really appreciated.

Thanks to Adam Burns, Ed Rogers, and Aaron Snyder for volunteering to do Race Committee for the Sprint Regatta. The Committee work was flawless. No wind, there were no races, but they were out there to help.

Thanks to Jan Steyn and his volunteers (no list yet, but I'm certain it's the usual suspects) for setting the Olympic circle marks.

Thanks to new member Ben Doyle for single-handedly sweeping down the dry sail pad.

We can always use help for Race Committee for our Tuesday Night Race program. It's a great way to get out on the water and learn something about sailboat racing. The Blue Moon leaves the dock about 5:30 p.m. and is usually back around 9:00 p.m. Contact Ed Rogers at 745-7044 for details.

Don Finkle does a great job of listing race results in his RCR Yachts newsletters. Check their link at <http://www.rcryachts.com>. Vic Snyder, VC Fleet

Cruising

A very successful Solstice Cruise saw 26 YYC boats including sixty Club members rendezvous at the Mimico Cruising Club for the annual "critter" cruise. So called for its barbecue origins, this year's participants enjoyed an excellent meal and dancing at the Mimico Club Friday evening, an extravagant bring your own "snacks" and liquids tent party Saturday evening, and a robust sail home Sunday. Solstice Ports Captain Pat MacKey and Commodore Tisdale presented a plaque to retiring Mimico Club Manager Ken Greig for his warm and excellent reception of YYC visitors over the years. R. Volpe, Club Secretary

House

(See the Events Calendar on page 7). Watch *Weekly Waves* and monthly billing stuffers for news about Club Events.

Rob Swain Sailing School BVI Will Helps Sponsors Level Regatta

Rob Swain Sailing School, a US Sailing Association teaching facility based on Tortola, British Virgin Islands will attend the Level Regatta 2006. Rob has been training and certifying sailors in the BVI for 15 years. RSSS offers beginner to advanced courses, challenging every level of sailor. Certification courses include Basic Keelboat, Live Aboard Cruising, the very popular combination course Fast Track To Live Aboard Cruising which combines Basic Keelboat, Basic Cruising and Bareboat Cruising into an accelerated 8 day intensive certification course. Strictly women's courses are also available.

For more experienced sailors, RSSS offers Coastal Passage Making to St. Martin and St. Barths. A challenging and thrilling course that covers, night passages, night approaches, med mooring, coastal navigation and much more.

Catamarans have grown in popularity over the past 10 years, becoming for many the preferred choice for family charters. For those trained on monohulls who are cat curious, RSSS offers the Cruising Catamaran course, which is 2 days of instruction on the catamaran of your choice followed by a 5 day bareboat charter.

Gary Tisdale.

Racing in Paradise

Don't miss the opportunity to race BVI Spring Regatta, considered the 3rd largest Regatta in the Caribbean. RSSS offers a range of performance and racing courses on boats ranging from the new IC24 (converted J/24) one-design fleet to cruising class racing on monohulls 42-52 feet. RSSS' student team took first place in Bareboat Class A, in BVI Spring Regatta 2006 on a Beneteau 52; with great thanks to the tactical direction of Tom Hall of Scarborough, Maine. Non- instructional racing opportunities are also available.

During Level Regatta, RSSS will be offering terrific discounts on courses as well as bareboat charter rates. Please stop by our booth and take advantage of our special Regatta rates. Visit our site for more detailed information on courses, flotillas and family charters <http://www.swainsailing.com>.

Rob Swain Sailing School BVI

Level Regatta Clothing Volunteers Needed

Please contact Debbi Perry at 754-8802 or Fuzzybeasts2@aol.com. Volunteers are needed for Thursday evening, and all day and evening Friday and Saturday, and Sunday morning. I'll have a sign up sheet up at the club but please feel free to just call or e-mail me anytime. Don't forget! Sign up now! We need your help!

Level Regatta Race Committee Housing Needed

Lodging for Level Regatta Race Committee members is needed for Friday and Saturday, July 28 and 29. Contact Kathy Steele at 745-1081 if you can help out – it will be greatly appreciated.

Hospice Regatta

The Jack Beatty Hospice Memorial Regatta is scheduled for the weekend starting Friday, August 11. If you would like to volunteer your boat for the Friday boat cruise, email Ron Ciamaga: rciamaga@hotmail.com or call (716) 282-0023.



Youngstown Yacht Club Notecards On Sale

This is a limited printing of notecards featuring the
YYC Clubhouse as viewed from the water.

They are based on the pen and ink drawing by
Judy Grange which previously hung in
the Club's upstairs dining room.

The cards are being sold by the YYCA
in packets of five 4" x 7" notecards for \$10.
These will make a great gift for any special occa-
sion.

Call the Club to place an order: 745-7230 x10.

75th Anniversary Commemorative Gifts

The YYCA has commissioned a well known
Canadian glass artist to design original glassware to
commemorate the 75th anniversary of the Club. A
limited number were hand crafted at the fused glass
manufacturing facility in Chester Basin, Nova Scotia.
Each piece is engraved on the back with Youngstown
Yacht Club 75th Anniversary 1931-2006. The plates and
sun catchers are displayed in the glass showcase in
the Club. The pieces are dishwasher safe and will make
a lasting memory and a colorful gift for any occasion.



Choose from: 6"x16" tray...\$75; 6"x12" tray...\$65;
4"x8" tray...\$30; Sun catchers... \$15 ea. For information
or to order, contact Laurie Hugill by calling (905) 353-
9195 or email: lhugill@cogeco.ca. Your support would
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2006 Entertainment Schedule

February

Friday	3	Restaurant reopening
Sunday	5	Super Bowl Pot Luck (YYCA)
Friday	17	Valentines Tango & Argentine Wine Dinner

March

Friday	3	Port of Call Dinner Theme: Rio De Janiero & Carnivale
Friday	17	St Patrick's Day

April

Friday	7	Port of Call Dinner Theme: Cape Town
Saturday	29	75 th Anniversary Cocktail Party

May

Friday	5	Cinco de Mayo
Saturday	13	Port of Call Dinner Theme: Napoli
Sunday	14	Mother's Day Brunch
Saturday	20	PC's Tea Dance
Sunday	28	Memorial Day Weekend Party
Monday	29	Memorial Day

June

Saturday	3	Port of Call Dinner Theme: Napoli
Saturday	10	75 th Anniversary Gala
Sunday	11	Commissioning / Sail Past
Sunday	18	Father's Day
Saturday	24	Children's Summer Picnic
Saturday	24	Single / Double Hand Race (layover at YYC)
Sunday	25	Steamers & Blues

July

Sunday	2	Dock-in - waterfront drive-in movies
Tuesday	4	4 th of July Celebration
Saturday	1	Jr. Sailing Alumni Regatta

July (continued)

Sat/Sun	29/30	Level Regatta
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August

Sunday	6	Steamers & Blues: Marley Madness
Fri/Sat	11/12	Hospice Regatta
Saturday	12	Port of Call Dinner Theme: Athens
Sunday	13	Dock-in/waterfront drive-in movies

September

Sunday	3	TBD
Monday	4	Labor Day
Saturday	9	Port of Call Dinner Theme: Madeira / Lisboa
Sunday	10	Cock of the Walk
Saturday	16	Secretary's Race
Saturday	16	Napa Nights Wine Dinner
Saturday	23	Jr. Sailing Banquet

October

Saturday	7	Port of Call Dinner Theme Istanbul
Saturday	21	Fleet Awards banquet
Friday	27	Annual Meeting

November

Saturday	5	Port of Call Dinner Theme: New York, New York
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December

Saturday	2	Wassail Bowl
Sunday	31	New Year's Eve

Mike Banks, V.C. House



YYC Solstice cruisers enjoyed an excellent meal and dancing at the Mimico Cruising Club followed by a four star "tent" party the following evening.

Junior Sailing Schedule

The Junior Sailing application is now available from the YYC website:

http://www.yyc.org/jrsail/jr_sailing_homepage.htm



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