



FALL 2017



LITTLE TRAVERSE

Yacht Club

NEWSLETTER

from the **COMMODORE**

Debi Schoenherr



Oh my! It happened again, summer has slipped away, there is a blanket of new snow on the ground and the ski resorts are open! Our little clubhouse is all tucked in for the winter and we are off planning for the summer of 2018.

2017 was a great season with the implementation of our new NorthStar club management system allowing our members to have house accounts. While most of you are up to speed on the summer happenings, there is a bit of news. Congrats to all the LTYC boats who raced the Chicago Mackinac Race. LTYC took 2nd place in the Yacht Club Challenge, which is pretty special considering the size of our club.

We are diligently planning to host the J/105 North Americans during Ugotta Regatta in 2018 and were just awarded the 2019 J/70 Corinthian North Americans which will be a separate regatta weekend in August. We are looking forward to continuing the stellar racing that takes place on our beautiful bay.

Thanks to all of you for supporting our social and sailing activities this summer. Special congrats to Tom Post who was presented with the Elizabeth Mary Trophy and Hilde Bonesteel who was presented with the Commodore Lipscomb Memorial Trophy at our annual Awards Dinner Dance.



Elizabeth Mary Award

This unique trophy was originally the binnacle from the Elizabeth Mary, LTYC's former committee boat. It is presented to an individual who makes an outstanding contribution to the advancement of sailing on Little Traverse Bay. It has been awarded for exceptional performances of Fleet Captains, Regatta Chairs, Committee Boat Captains, etc. In 2017, the recipient of the Elizabeth Mary Award is Tom Post.



Commodore Lipscomb Memorial Trophy

This large silver bowl on a commanding pedestal is awarded to a LTYC member who has made an outstanding contribution to the overall good or betterment of the Little Traverse Yacht Club. Persons receiving this award have exhibited loyal dedication to the club and as a result of their efforts, the Club has been improved in some way including facilities, activities, membership or financial condition. Qualities required include leadership, professional expertise, management skills and willingness to work and serve the Club. In 2017, the recipient of the Commodore Lipscomb Memorial Trophy is Hilde Bonesteel.



Jack Carruthers

from the VICE-COMMODORE

Ugotta Regatta 2017 REVIEW



The 57th Annual Regatta was three days of ultimate sailing weather. Sailors had great wind, blue skies and warm temperatures for every day of racing. The LTYC Ugotta Regatta brought 83 competitors from all over the country delivering a spectacular sight to beautiful Little Traverse Bay.

The 2017 Ugotta Regatta registration hit the maximum boats on June 2nd, almost two months before the event, proving Little Traverse Bay is one of the best racing venues in the Midwest. The fleet ranged in length from 74 feet to 23 feet creating some of the most spectacular viewing from all over the bay.

Friday was One Design racing for the Alerion 28, Beneteau First 36.7, C & C 30, J/70, J/105 and ORR A Fleets. This was the largest number of One Design fleets to start for LTYC Ugotta Regatta, creating new challenges for the Race Committee. Each fleet racing windward/leeward races created a lot of action at the starting line.

Saturday and Sunday courses, different versions of the classic Tour of the Bay for each fleet, brought out 83 boats, all competing for the first place in their respective classes. For full results visit this link: https://yachtscoring.com/event_results_cumulative.cfm?eID=2986



gretchen dorian

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RESULTS FOR THE TOP THREE BOATS IN EACH CLASS

Place | Yacht Name | Owner / Skipper | Total Points

ORR-B (10 Boats)

1.	Scout	Brieden / Clark	3
2.	Tsunami	Padnos	5
3.	Proof	Fozo	6

PHRF A (7 Boats)

1.	Abracadabra F/S	Thinschmidt / Sheehan,	2
2.	nosurprise	Irish	4
3.	Variance	Hanssen	6

PHRF B (11 Boats)

1.	Zig Zag	Jensen	2
2.	Alligator	Jeffries	4
3.	Gosling	Saal	9

PHRF — Non-Spinnaker (3 Boats)

1.	Jaywalker	Stellin	2
2.	Zone	Stewart	4
3.	Chaos	Francis	6

MultiHull (1 Boats)

1.	Arete'	Warner	2
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J/70 (One Design - 20 Boats)

1.	Wind Czar	Lehmann	14
2.	Empeiria	Heaton	32
3.	Tres Burritos	Sellers	38

J/70 Corinthian (no professionals) (14 boats)

1.	Tres Burritos	Sellers	38
2.	Escape	Wagner	44
3.	Brumby	Keffer	92

Alerion 28 (One Design - 7 Boats)

1.	Absolut Glory	Nilstof	14
2.	Mairsie	Burley	21
3.	Still Crazy	Palm	28

C & C 30 (One Design - 5 Boats)

1.	Extreme 2	Cheresh	13
2.	Themis	Thirion	20
3.	Flying Jenny	Askew	27

J/105 (One Design - 5 Boats)

1.	Pterodactyl	Symonds	8
2.	Creative Destruction	Williams	11
3.	Green Flash	Petzold	17

Beneteau First 36.7 (One Design - 5 Boats)

1.	Patriot	Sharpe	6
2.	As You Wish	Simon	14
3.	La Buena Vida	Gilbride, Jr.	14

ORR-A (9 Boats)

1.	Heartbreaker	Hughes	5
2.	Natalie J	O'Niel III	12
3.	Stripes	Martin	18

The post racing parties featuring Gosling Rum drinks, delicious dinners, awards and camaraderie run by our LTYC volunteers along with the never tiring LTYC staff were a great finish to a day of racing.

The success of the Regatta is dependent on the 150 volunteers who help on shore and on the water. A BIG THANK YOU to all of you!! Especially, Race Committee chaired by Dick Neville, Party chairs Julie Ellstrom and Dick Swarhout; the LTS Pancake Breakfast Chair Beth Varner and the Clean Regatta Team Chair Marsha Ward.

The 2017 Ugotta Regatta is in the books! Next year will include the J/105 North American champs within the Ugotta Regatta, certainly bringing even more excitement to the Bay. The Harbor Springs Harbor Commission granted an increase to the 2018 Ugotta Regatta number of boats to 100, so next year will be bigger and better!

The success of the Regatta is dependent on the **150 VOLUNTEERS** who help on shore and on the water.

A big THANK YOU to all of you!!



Pancake Breakfast

Thank you to Beth Varner for orchestrating her final year of regatta Pancake Breakfasts!

from the REAR COMMODORE

2017 LTYC Club Racing

Tom Trautman



Another great season of Club racing is behind us and we are in the planning and preparation process for 2018.

I personally enjoyed sailing Tuesday evenings aboard Rich Lehmann's J/70 "Wind Czar." As I reflect back on Tuesday nights, I can't remember a more perfect summer. I have been sailing competitively in

the Tuesday evening "beer can series" for 33 years on a variety of boats, and I can't remember a better year of weather, wind and competition.

The trend of one-design racing is certainly apparent on Little Traverse Bay. 95% of the boats competing on Tuesday evenings were either J/70s or Alerion 28s. Two strong one-design fleets that continue to grow and flourish, and for good reasons.

The J/70 is the fastest growing one-design sailboat in the world! Our own Fleet #25 lead by Fleet Captain and J/70 owner Polk Wagner has blossomed into 12 regular fleet members and we are expecting a couple more to join next season. These sporty little speedsters are easy to own, easy to maintain, and can be rigged and launched by their owners. An affordable way to get you and your family out on the water. Another bonus with these boats is the ability to trailer to regattas and campaign during the winter months. We have several members that travel and compete with large fleets in St. Petersburg, Miami, Charleston, and Annapolis, just to name a few.

J/70s raced Tuesdays and Saturdays all season, and had a Championship weekend in August. A new perpetual trophy was procured for the Championships and was presented to Scott Sellers and the crew aboard "Tres Burritos". We had 20 J/70s competing in the Regatta and expect to grow that number in the future. I got to share in a victory aboard the hometown boat "Wind Czar" which was definitely one of the highlights to my summer.

The new windward-leeward racing format using a set X-mark was well received, enjoyed by all and provided tighter racing amongst the fleet. It gave boats more opportunity to pass and awarded tactics and crew work around the corners.

The Alerion 28 fleet is also showing strong participation and growth. Last I counted, we have 18 Alerion 28s on Little Traverse Bay with a dozen or so competing regularly. She is

known as the "prettiest girl at the dance." Classic lines, proper overhang and very elegant from the waterline up, but she sports a modern underbody and is a real thoroughbred from the waterline down. These boats are designed to be sailed on your own terms and can be easily single-handed or raced with minimal crew. Bud Siudara has just stepped down as our Alerion Fleet Captain and we thank him for his passion and his time. We had good participation on Tuesday nights during the summer season, four or five came out on Saturdays and there were seven entries in the Ugotta Regatta. The Alerion 28s also competed in a Championship Series in August.

The J/105 Fleet enjoyed Sunday one-design racing which Fleet Captain Jay VanderWall reported as being great for the Fleet. Ugotta Regatta participation was good with a five-boat fleet enabling one design racing. For next year, the J/105s want to continue the Sunday racing as a tool for building readiness for the 2018 North Americans which will be hosted by LTYC during Regatta week. Preparations and planning for the North Americans are underway.

NM Fleet Captain Bill Brown has been thinking about an NM sail day. Something sponsored by LTYC, but open to all NMs. "More of an exhibition, not a competition. Maybe a fun race of some type but mainly an event to encourage participation and get all the boats out on the water together." The classic NM is alive and well with weekend series throughout the Summer. This boat is so iconic to Harbor Springs and it's great to see these boats still competing on Little Traverse Bay.

The Women's Regatta was rescheduled due to weather. Great racing was reported with both the Alerion and 420 Fleets. The racing was tight and winner of the Alerion Fleet was decided in a tie-breaker. Congratulations to the winners of this event and congratulations to Meredith Moran, the recipient of the Diane Nilstoft Memorial Scholarship.

We had 6 boats compete in the annual Beaver Island Race. To help increase participation, some things to consider in the future with this race might be to include our largest fleets of J/70s and Alerion 28s. This would also be a good opportunity to include members with powerboats or cruising sailboats that just want to cruise to the Island. Any suggestions or input to grow the Beaver Island event would be considered and appreciated.

LTYC contracted Dan Thompson to be the Sailing Director for the 2017 season. As part of his roles and responsibilities, Dan managed and administered LTYC Club Racing operations in coordination with myself, Debi and Jack. Dan was the designated PRO for Club Racing and worked with our volunteers to

schedule RC personnel. His responsibilities encompassed One Design Fleet Racing (Saturdays and some Sundays), Tuesday Night One Design and PHRF Racing, LTYC Women's Regatta, Beaver Island Race, and he assisted with the LTYC Regatta. We all know that RC work can be a thankless job, so I want to take this opportunity to thank Dan and all our volunteers; Terry Taylor-Farquharson, Gretchen Dorian, Larry Smith, Beth Varner, Beth Warner, Sandy Thompson, and Peter Maxwell. I

think things went smoothly this summer and the quality of racing was great. There is always room for improvement so please contact me if you have suggestions or concerns.

The Sailing Committee will be meeting during the winter months to review this year's racing and start planning for next year's events. We are always looking for more volunteers to help run races, please contact me if you're interested in working with the race committee.

FLAG WINNERS FOR THE 2017 CLUB RACING SEASON

Tuesday Night Spring Series

J/70

1st Sundog 2nd Denali 0.5 3rd Pronto

Alerion 28

1st Little Goose II 2nd Moonbeam 3rd Absolute Glory

PHRF

1st Double Black Diamond 2nd Zone

Tuesday Night Summer Series

J/70

1st Wind Czar 2nd Escape 3rd Tres Burritos

Alerion 28

1st Mairsie 2nd Still Crazy 3rd Moonbeam

PHRF

1st Gosling 2nd Double Black Diamond 3rd Green Flash

Tuesday Night Fall Series

J/70

1st Pronto 2nd Sundog 3rd Wind Czar

Alerion 28

1st Moonbeam 2nd Absolute Glory 3rd Still Crazy

PHRF

1st Double Black Diamond 2nd Green Flash

J/70 Saturday Series

1st Tres Burritos 2nd Escape 3rd Little Traverse Sailors

Alerion 28 Saturday Series

1st Absolut Glory 2nd Moonbeam 3rd Little Goose II

NM Saturday Series

1st Tomahawk 2nd Osprey 3rd Norwegian

NM July Championship

1st Tomahawk 2nd Ethos 3rd Eyrie Too

NM Mid-Summer Championship

1st 21 2nd Tomahawk 3rd Norwegian

NM August Championship

1st Tomahawk 2nd 21 3rd Norwegian

Beaver Island Race

1st No Surprise 2nd Creative Destruction 3rd Gosling

J/70 Summer Championship

1st Tres Burritos 2nd WindCzar 3rd McFly

Alerion 28 Summer Championship

1st Moonbeam 2nd Absolut Glory 3rd Still Crazy



Dues To Be Charged to Member Accounts in March

Your member account will pay for more than just drinks at the bar or lunch on the porch. For the first time this year, you will no longer need to write a check for your dues each year. Your dues will automatically be charged to your member account in advance of the 2018 club season.

Those who no longer wish to remain members of the club must resign in writing before accounts are charged with the yearly dues payment. Otherwise, the club will assume you intend to remain as a member and will charge your preferred payment method in March.

If your preferred payment method (credit card or ACH-linked bank account) has changed or expired, please take a moment to log in to your member account at ltyc.org and update your records. Doing so before the March dues charge will save our staff time and ensure your account is ready for next summer.



FLEET Reports

J/105

By Jane Enterline

LTYC will host the 2018 J/105 North American Championships! The LTYC Board and J/105 fleet are working closely with the Chicago Yacht Club to make it possible for J/105 boats to race the Chicago Mac and then sail to Harbor Springs for the NA Championships over the Ugotta Regatta weekend. This exciting combination of off-shore distance racing and windward/leeward buoy racing is sure to bring sailors from around the Great Lakes and across the country to Little Traverse Bay next summer. There will also be a "Junior" award for the boats with 50% or more of their crew 21 or under. You can sign up for NA news and register to race on the LTYC J/105 web page.

The J/105 fleet will kick off the summer the week before the 4th of July with a three-day J/World racing clinic, led by Patrick Farrell, followed by two-days of racing. In addition, there will be one-design weekend racing throughout the summer, Tuesday night racing, and the ever-fun Beaver Island Race.

J/70

By Polk Wagner

The family-oriented and fast-growing J/70 fleet had a spectacular Summer 2017, highlighted by the expansion of our local fleet by three boats, as well as welcoming two other LTYC families with J/70s for an extended part of the season. Our fleet became even more competitive this year, with four different winners among our six local series, and eight teams reaching the podium in at least one series this summer. Fantastic racing!

The J/70s raced more than 40 races together this summer—as a one design fleet on Tuesday evenings, a summer-long Saturday afternoon series, and a season-ending Summer Championship Series in August. In addition, our Fleet Development Day in July (ably run by Scott Sellers) featured an on-shore fleet discussion about boat setup and boat speed, as well as a series of on-the-water boat handling drills.

Once again, the J/70 fleet comprised the largest and most competitive fleet (20 boats) in the 2017 LTYC Ugotta Regatta, including multiple world and national champions. LTYC member Rich Lehmann and the Wind Czar team took home a solid win in an extremely talented fleet. LTYC member Scott Sellers on Tres Burritos won the Corinthian (Amateur) scoring division.

In addition to our great racing, the Harbor Springs J/70 fleet is extremely proud of our family-oriented focus, with many boats in the fleet crewed by family teams. It's also the norm to have junior sailors on virtually all the J/70s racing. Our open fleet culture—welcoming, friendly, and learning-oriented—makes the J/70 fleet a perfect way to experience the sport. We've already expanded by one for Summer 2018—longtime LTYC members Mike and Mary Lee Duff have recently bought a J/70—and we expect to continue to add to our fleet.

And even though sailing is done for the winter in Little Traverse Bay, the Harbor Springs J/70 fleet is still actively competing, with fleet members participating this off-season in: the San Francisco Bay Big Boat Series, the Davis Island Series in Tampa, Florida, the J/70 Midwinters in Miami, Charleston Race Week, and the Annapolis NOOD.

One exciting bit of news is that the Harbor Springs J/70 Fleet has been notified that LTYC has been selected as the venue for the 2019 Corinthian North American Championships. Taking place August 8-11, 2019, the Corinthian NAs is the world's top all-amateur J/70 event, and we expect to welcome about 50 teams of the best sailors in the world to our beautiful waters. You'll be hearing much more about the planning for the this spectacular event in future months, so stay tuned.

The J/70 is one of the most successful one design classes in history, with well over 1500 sailing worldwide, and fleets at major regattas routinely numbering more than 80 boats (the recent World Championship in Puerto Cervo, Italy, featured 165 entrants!). The combination of fast, fun, family-friendly racing, as well as affordability, simplicity, and trailerability brings new possibilities for racing at LTYC (and beyond). Come sail with us next summer—our proud J/70 owners will be glad to bring you along on a race or just show off their boats! Contact the fleet captain, Polk Wagner (polk@polkwagner.com) for more information, and check out our web page (<https://ltyc.org/j70s>) for more information about the J/70 and our Fleet.

NM

By Bill Brown

Congratulations to one and all for yet another competitive NM sailing season. A special thanks to all of the staff and volunteers whose efforts make what is a challenge seem effortless. As Mayor of Harbor Springs, I assure you that without volunteers very little would ever get done. We will welcome 2018 with preparations for the season ahead, by planning an NM forum to discuss common issues among owners. I welcome any and all suggestions as to content and location. It is my intent to combine this gathering with an annual meeting to further clarify what we, as owners, would like to see both on the water and in the club house.

ALERION

By Tina Luddington

Just before the newsletter deadline, it was announced that Alerion Yachts escaped the harrowing bankruptcy of its previous owner US Watercraft and will carry on under a new owner, Peter Johnstone, a veteran of the marine industry who brings a wealth of knowledge and passion to the brand. Great news for the future of our local fleet!

The LTYC Alerion 2017 Race season is now in the books, and looking back, 2017 has to be one of the best ever. A quick calculation shows that the Alerion fleet finished close to 40(!) races from late May to mid September.

The season was chock full of short, quick windward/leeward races generally with nice breeze (frequently above 15 knots) and there were days we definitely saw some bigger sea states...overall quite a changeup from 2016, when we had several race abandonments due to high winds or just the opposite...the breeze went to bed just after the start.

For the Alerions, the summer started with the Tuesday Spring series that had eight boats racing four nights, in cool air and cool water temps. By the time the Tuesday Summer Series began, the Alerions were in full race mode with 10 boats on the line in the very competitive series that got in eight races. The Summer Saturday afternoon series had just six boats on the line, but completed more races, at 10, and the mid-day racing out on the bay was absolutely terrific. For the 2017 Ugotta Regatta, we had seven Alerions out there hanging with all the other boats and got nine races in over three days of sailing including a funky easterly breeze on the first day.

In August, the Alerion championships featured two days of very competitive sailing, and was followed closely by what has to be one of the best Tuesday Fall sailing series ever in Harbor Springs. With nine Alerions crossing the start line at some point in the series, five nights with races completed, and a first place tie that had to be broken by going four deep, the fleet remained out in full force to the bitter end of the season, which actually had some really nice mild temps but decent breeze.

As a final wrap, the Alerion owners would like to say a sincere thanks to Fleet Captain Bud Suidera who was at the helm for the past four years, and did a great job with the fleet. Thanks Bud! In the interim, until the spring fleet meeting, Tina Luddington has volunteered to handle the correspondence.

DINGHY

By Polk Wagner

LTS/LTYC/IBS Harbor Springs Dinghy Fleet continued its expansion in both Lasers and 420s during 2017. More than 100 sailors participated during our summer-long (nine-week) series, with as many as 50 sailors in 30 boats on the water some nights. Forty-one races were sailed over sixteen nights in the beautiful waters of Harbor Springs Harbor and Little Traverse Bay. Conditions ranged from drifters to

20+ knots, with very tight racing, close scores, and no protests! The racing program was again run by the coaches and staff at Little Traverse Sailors, with the LTS Head Instructor Meade Maxwell and LTS Instructor Peter Høglund as PRO and Race Committee, and LTS Racing Director Dan Thompson providing on-the-water coaching to all racers, youth and adult. A big thanks to the LTS team for an excellent summer of racing!

Summer 2017 Dinghy Fleet Special Awards

Aquaman Award [most outstanding swimmer] -
Preston Carey
Master Award - David ("SuperDave") Travis
Most Improved - Chris Ford
Youngest Skipper - Madeline Swarthout (10)
Ironman Award - John McNeil (sailed 32 of 41 races!)

420 Series Results

1st - Meredith Moran / Kate Moran
2nd - Trip Wagner / Anders McCarthy
3rd - Molly Matthews / Maren Matthews
4th - Ella Cantera / Ali Hill
5th - Caroline Grin / Elizabeth Grin

Summer 2017 Final Standings (41 Races)

Laser Series Results

1st - Ian Beckley
2nd - Mike Duff
3rd - John McNeil
4th - Robert Duff
5th - Preston Carey

The full results for all 41 races (and all competitors) can be found on our Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/groups/harborspringslasers/
Anyone interested in joining our fun, friendly, competitive fleet, in Summer 2018 should contact Polk Wagner (polk@polkwagner.com): we'd love to have you!



LITTLE TRAVERSE SAILORS!

More SAILING & More FUN in Summer 2017!

Little Traverse Sailors' 56th summer of building lifelong sailors at LTYC was a great success. In our jam-packed nine-weeks of programming in 2017, LTS helped more than 350 kids learn and grow in our Learn to Sail Program, welcomed 20 talented and dedicated teen sailors to the expanded LTS Race Team, and continued our popular Adult Learn to Sail program on Thursday evenings in the Harbor.

Other major milestones included:

- Continued expansion of our scholarship program. Thanks to the generosity of LTYC members, we are able to support those with a passion for sailing regardless of their financial situation;
- Ongoing implementation of our fleet replacement program, with three new 420s and a new 17ft RIB coach boat joining our fleet this year;
- The introduction of a three-tiered fleet system and redeveloped teaching curriculum for our Learn-to-Sail program, dramatically increasing the amount of time spent on the water and accelerating learning (and fun!);
- The successful running of the Dinghy Racing Series on Monday and Thursday evenings, with over 100 sailors participating in Laser and 420 racing;
- The LTS Race Team successfully campaigned the LTS J/70 in local fleet racing and the LTYC Regatta, winning several races and reaching the podium in the LTYC J/70 Saturday Series;
- Hosting the 1st Annual Teddy Brown Memorial Youth Regatta in August, with more than 80 participants from 8 to 18 enjoying a great afternoon of racing and a BBQ behind the LTYC Clubhouse sponsored by Hilde Bonesteel and the LTYC.

A big thanks is due to the outstanding 2017 staff at Little Traverse Sailors, especially Meade Maxwell (Director of Learn to Sail Programs), Fred Sprunger (Executive Director), and Dan Thompson (Director of Racing Programs) for their tireless work both on and off the water. We are excited to announce that all three will return in these roles in Summer 2018!

Financially, Little Traverse Sailors ended the Fiscal Year 2017 in very sound financial condition. Revenues were steady, and we were operationally slightly cash flow positive. As a small 501C(3) nonprofit educational organization, LTS relies heavily on the generosity of LTYC members, local businesses, and parent volunteers to run our programs.

Stay tuned, and stay in touch. We'd love to hear from you during the off-season! For news and updates from LTS, sign up for our (low traffic) email list here: <https://www.littletraversesailors.org/subscribe/>

Little Traverse Sailors — Summer 2017 Awards

Junior Sailors of the Year *Townsend Driggs & Meredith Moran*
 Most Improved *Hannah Sellers*
 Shipshape Award *Jack Miller*
 Diane Chapin Nilstoft Scholarship *Meredith Moran*

Upcoming LTS Dates

December 27, 2017 — LTS Holiday Meetup @ Nubs Nob
 March 1, 2018 — LTS Registration Opens for Summer 2018
 June 18, 2018 — First Day of Summer 2018 LTS Programs

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LYYC Competes at Inaugural J/70 Youth Champs

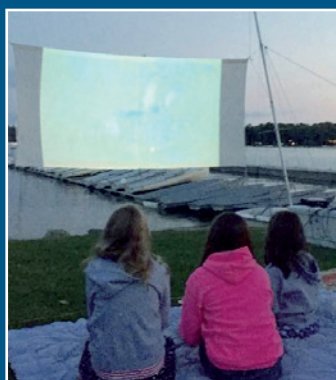
By Ian Beckley



This past summer, I had the opportunity to race in the inaugural J70 Youth Champs with three of Harbor Springs finest young sailors: Franny Schulte, Preston Carey and Robert Duff. The four of us began practicing in early June for our qualifier, the Chicago NOOD, which we attended the following weekend. Chicago served up a variety of conditions, with Friday bringing steady winds from the North at 7-10 knots. Saturday warmed up, with the forecasted southwesterly coming in strong at 20-25 knots sustained, sliding right in the frequent, warm puffs. With consistent finishes on a lighter Sunday, we placed 9th of 20 after seven races, ahead of our Chicago Yacht Club youth rivals. This qualified us for the championship held last August in Newport.

Sail Newport hosted the event, with racing held just north of Fort Adams State Park. Conditions were unfavorable every day, however, the race committee managed to run three days of challenging racing. Friday and Saturday saw us into 7th and then 8th place, for which we were not qualifying for the six boat gold fleet. With a slightly stronger breeze Sunday morning we raced well in the qualifier round, allowing us to compete in the finals. After strong finishes that afternoon, we finished 6th, only 6 points separating us from third. Racing was tight, and good starts and strong boat speed was required to win against the eight disciplined teams. Congratulations to Lucas Pierce and the Santa Barbara team for a convincing win at the inaugural event.

Thanks to our shore team, Mike Duff, for his invaluable help on and off the water. A big thanks to the Curtis Family for lending us the keys to the mighty Sundog. Finally, thank you to the LTYC board and members for their incredible support of young sailors like myself.



Movie Night

Thank you to Will and Kathleen Macomber for coordinating a frustratingly rainy round of movies.



Twins

Brought together by sailing, separated by the school year: Merritt Sellers and Maddie Swarthout are winter pen pals and summer BFF's (best friends forever).

2017 COMMITTEE Reports

Food & Clubhouse

By Kathie Breighner

on the porch with a Maurice salad or Tuesday night BBQs with perch and surrounded by friends.

We say good bye to Jamie, our club manager for the past four seasons. Belinda has worked beside Jamie for the past two summers and already has begun her new duties as the club manager and is excited to work with all of you next summer.

There are several projects on tap for the off season in the clubhouse, primarily connected to the food program. Health department requirements will mean a new air curtain between the kitchen and main space along with a countertop sandwich cooler, hand sink in the prep room, and a screen door leading out to the patio, along with some needed work on storage area in the shed. A huge thanks to John Garr for tackling the shed overhaul.

Social

By Anne Ryan Bishop

My name is Anne Ryan-Bishop. Lynne Simons, Geri Flick, and I are the new chairs of the Social Committee. Hilde will still be with us because nobody can replace her but we will do our best to continue her great events.

People who know me, know that I like to travel. I find visiting foreign countries inspiring. I was fortunate to live with my grandmother in Vienna, Austria when I was young and also traveled a great deal with my parents. Because I travel, my house is being taken over by travel brochures and reading them has become a full time job, however much I like to travel there is no place I would rather be in the summer than sailing, or on the porch at LTYC.

Next year we are pleased to begin the summer with Hilde's great Memorial Day lunch after the parade. Beth Cassidy is chairing the opening pot-luck cocktail party in June. We are planning on having at least one "Music on the Porch" on a Friday this year. Please join our great committee at an event at the club this year and I promise you, you will be inspired.



Teddy Brown Regatta

LTYC's youth regatta was renamed the Teddy Brown Memorial Youth Regatta. Over 100 kids from around the bay raced in six fleets. All the kids were winners when they came back to the club for a party featuring Hilde Bonesteel's famous chocolate fountain!

Hall of Fame

The 2017 inductees into the LTYC Hall of Fame were Adam Lowry and Ed Palm. Look for the plaques listing their accomplishments in the clubhouse.



Finance

By Blane Shea

I would like to thank Bill McKinley for his years of hard work and dedication to the club. I have big shoes to fill! This report is brief since I officially took over the position only a few weeks ago. However, we have made some large strides since I started. We have the cloud-based accounting software purchased & running: QuickBooks Pro. The program will enable us to create robust reports for future planning. Additionally, the program allows me to monitor the club's financials when I am at my office in Chicago (wishing I was in Harbor!).

The club had a solid year financially in 2017. After a review of the financials, the food and beverage was the only part of the club that had a net loss. Much of that loss was due to drink cards paid for in previous years turned in for a credit to club accounts. We expect those losses to subside in 2018, however, there is concern that the bar is not creating enough revenue and will need a renovation in the coming years. We are discussing options and will be communicating future plans as they develop. **I am recommending to the board that we change the membership dues according to a standard cost of living adjustment. Labor, food, and beverages have gotten more expensive. We would like to avoid these small changes every year and instead simply do them every two to three years.**

Waterfront

By Mac Jacob

The Waterfront Committee's Strategic Objective is to maximize utilization of LTYC waterfront to support sailing activities of LTYC and Little Traverse Sailors, and improve access to the water for member enjoyment.

The committee has been following a strategic plan created in 2016. This year's projects were installing pressurized water lines on the main dock and replacing the lawn irrigation pump.

The old and noisy pump could only supply lake water when the lawn sprinklers were also running, and there was only a single outlet at the base of the dock. A new and quiet pressure controlled booster pump now pulls water from the lake and supplies it on demand, 24 hours per day, to either the sprinklers or the dock waterlines. Three faucets are spaced along the dock to allow easy hose access to the dingy fleet, RIBs, and Edith I.

Future projects are to add to the floating dock along the seawall, improve traffic flow for launching, and evaluate the remaining life of the main dock and its maintenance and repair needs. Anyone interested in joining the Waterfront Committee or helping to promote its objectives should contact Mac Jacob or other board members.

Communication & Technology

By Sunny Swarthout Wagner

2017's primary project for this new committee was to support the membership and staff through the implementation of the new club management software and the launch of the member accounts.

Many, many thanks to Donna and Jacque in the office, to Jamie, Belinda, and team at the clubhouse for pushing through the work and learning required to make it happen. We did it! While the new charge accounts were received with great enthusiasm, members undoubtedly showed patience and good spirits in helping to work out the kinks. We are spending the winter reviewing the data collected by the system to see how it can inform our future decisions while continuing to learn new ways to make the very powerful software work hard for the club.

This committee also works on the club server, the website, the eblast email newsletter, the clubhouse bulletin boards, and other forms of communications. There are always projects to tackle and improvements to be made. Anyone interested in joining this relaxed and flexible committee should contact sunny@sarahwagner.com. We are always seeking new members who have experience in (or who would like to gain experience in) the following areas: photography, social media, print design, editing, web publishing, or technology.

For the Sailing Committee, see the Rear Commodore's report on page four. For the Regatta Committee, see the Vice Commodore's report on page two.

Join a committee!

If you'd like to get involved in a particular area of the club, get in touch with the committee chair to find out how you can help.



Proposed LTYC *Cruise in Company* to the North Channel—

A BOATER'S PARADISE

August 2019—Raise your hand if you are interested!



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Planning begins now!
Details to be set and charter
boats reserved in summer 2018.
Adventure awaits in summer 2019!

The pink granite of the Benjamin Islands—voted as one of “Cruising World’s Top Ten Anchorages in the World,”—the protected sailing of the Whalesback Channel and the white quartz cliffs lining the 8 mile fjord of Baie Finn are but a few of the highlights of the North Channel. This world renowned power and sail cruising area contains dozens of untainted anchorages and secret gunk holes amidst breathtaking scenery. Small harbor towns that remind visitors of how Harbor Springs looked decades ago, dot the archipelago, offering supplies and facilities for those desiring a respite from the otherwise unpopulated solitude of hundreds of islands.

LTYC member Barbara Dau and her partner Bart English have offered to organize an LTYC “flotilla” to cruise the North Channel, modeled on a New York Yacht Club “Cruise in Company” trip they took in June 2014. LTYC participants could bring their own yachts or charter a power or sailing vessel from Canadian Yacht Charters, an excellent yacht chartering and marina facility located in Gore Bay, Manitoulin Island, Ontario, Canada. The week-long event would com-

mence with a group dinner in Gore Bay. Each day, there would be a suggested itinerary and overnight anchorage, but participants would be free to deviate to explore on their own and rejoin the Fleet at their discretion. While at anchorage each night, informal or organized cocktail parties will take place. Group activities such as hikes could be planned as well as dinners when the fleet is in port.

The cost of the trip would be limited to meals and charter fees. Exact dates have not been determined but are estimated to be August 2019 following the Beaver Island race. Drive time from Harbor Springs to Gore Bay is approximately six hours. Go to <http://www.cyncnorth.com/> for information on Canadian Yacht Charters.

The organizers need to know if there is sufficient interest to pursue planning a 2019 LTYC North Channel “Cruise in Company”. If you are interested, please contact Barbara Dau (barbaradau78@outlook.com). Let Barbara know if you have any questions, if you have any date preferences, and if you will be bringing your own boat or chartering a sail or power boat.

Dave Irish is a Double Goat

LYC member Dave Irish was honored this year with an induction into a very exclusive club: the Double Goat Honor Roll. This trophy, created in 2008, is a joint effort of the Island Goats Sailing Society of Chicago and the Society of Mackinac Island Old Goats of Detroit. Its purpose is to place into history the names of sailors who have reached the goal of sailing a minimum of 25 Chicago to Mackinac Races, sponsored by Chicago Yacht Club, and 25 Port Huron to Mackinac Races, sponsored by Bayview Yacht Club.



Above: Dave & crew finishing the 1985 Port-Huron to Mac race in the famous "little green boat", Traveller.

Right: Dave picks up another class flag in the 2017 Ugotta Regatta.



"We spent time last winter going through photos and notes to figure out what year he raced each of the Macs, and on which boat," reported Dave's daughter Sue Stewart. "Both clubs accepted him into their Old Goat societies. It was difficult to get it all sorted out because he sailed on so many different boats!"

Ray Adams and Bob Weisen, co-chairs of the Double Goat Honor Roll Committee, shared the following details: "In addition to being a highly rated skipper/sailor, Dave has unique bragging rights of racing with Double Goat Dick Jennings on Dick's Pied Piper during the 1987 Chicago Mac Race when the 76 year race record was smashed by 6 hours. Then, to add to this awesome record breaking experience, in 2002 Dave raced with Roy Disney on Roy's Pyewacket which broke the 1987 Pied Piper race record by 2 hours. The Pyewacket race record stands today. Welcome Double Goat Dave Irish."

There are Double Goat Honor Roll trophies on display at both Bayview Yacht Club and Chicago Yacht Club.



Beyond the Bay

LTYC Members Racing and Traveling Beyond Little Traverse Bay

Jon and Marie Wayman cruised the North Channel for three weeks on their boat Dame.

Andrew Wells took Alerion 28 Moonbeam to Charlevoix's Red Fox Regatta.

Bruce Aikens and Talisman won the ORR class of the Trans-Superior Race in August.

Adam Lowry finished second at the 505 Worlds in Annapolis in September.

Scott Sellers took first in the J/70 class at the Rolex Big Boat Series in San Francisco in September.

Dave Irish competed in the International Masters Regatta in San Diego in October with Scott Sellers and Sue Stewart on board.

Active on the collegiate sailing scene this fall were **Ian Beckley** at Hobart-William Smith, Robert Duff at Kansas State, and **Franny Schulte** at the College of Charleston.

Molly Matthews, Meredith Moran, Ellie Wagner, and **Trip Wagner** continued sailing dinghies until November as part of their high school sailing teams.

Dan Thompson started a new job this fall as sailing team coach at Cornell University.

If we missed your race results or your traveling tales, we want to hear all about it! Submit them for the next edition via info@ltyc.org.

Great gift ideas!

A limited selection of LTYC gear is now available year-round for online orders.



From the LTYC Historian

By Bill Brown

At the last Lunch & Learn of the season, I posed a riddle. The presentation was "LTYC, the Early Years" and I ended it with the following:

Who am I? Where am I?

I am in plain sight, but noticed by but a few. Garwood Craft are in my blood. I contend that;

"Youth is not a time of life, it is a state of mind. "

...and the answer is;

I am Robert "Bob" Boston Wood. My grandfather was Garfield Arthur Wood, designer and builder of Garwood Craft. My memorial is a bronze statue of a boy in front of the Harbor Master building. My hat bears my initials RBW, my girl "Shoo Fly" is in my arms and my contention is written in the hem of my shirt.

Help Wanted! We are seeking a team of members to help with envelope stuffing to keep costs down on club mailings. Contact donna@ltyc.org

Bake up some LTYC memories over the winter!

Dark and Stormy Crumble

ACTIVE TIME: 35 minutes TOTAL TIME: 1 3/4 hours SERVES: 4-6

For assembly:

Melted coconut oil, for greasing baking dish
Zest of one lime

For the crumble topping:

3/4 cups whole wheat pastry flour
1/2 cup rolled oats
1/2 cup natural cane sugar
Scant 1/2 teaspoon fine sea salt
1/4 cup finely diced crystallized ginger
1/3 cup melted coconut oil

For the filling:

1 (2-inch) piece ginger, finely grated
2 teaspoons all-natural cornstarch
1/4 cup natural cane, muscovado or brown sugar
12 ounces (4-5 cups) seasonal soft fruit such as fresh quartered figs or mixed berries
1/4 cup dark rum
1/8 teaspoon Angostura bitters

1. Set rack in middle of oven and heat to 375 degrees. Oil an 8-inch square baking dish and sprinkle in lime zest.
2. **Make crumble:** In a medium bowl, mix flour, oats, sugar, salt and crystallized ginger until thoroughly combined. Use a fork to stir in melted coconut oil. Divide mixture into thirds and use your hands to form three patties. Place patties in a large bowl, separated with layers of wax paper. Freeze at least 10 pit minutes or until ready to bake.
3. **Make filling:** Place ginger in a strainer and press to expel liquid. Discard solids. You should have 2-3 teaspoons liquid.
4. In a large bowl, whisk together cornstarch and sugar. Add fruit and gently toss until evenly coated. Let sit for 3 minutes. Add rum, ginger juice, and bitters, and toss again. Transfer filling to prepared baking dish. Remove crumble from freezer and break apart over filling, making sure you have both big and small pieces.
5. Bake until topping is deeply golden and fruit juices have thickened and are vigorously bubbling, 35-40 minutes. Let cool slightly, 30 minutes. Serve with vegan vanilla or coconut ice cream or vegan whipped cream of your choice. -Adapted from Heidi Swanson of 707 Cookbooks and Quitokeeto



Shrimp Boil

Thank you to the many, many members of the Social Committee who chaired events or helped to put on a season's worth of fun parties culminating in the famous summer's end shrimp boil.



Lunch & Learn

Thank you to Ali Hill for organizing a diverse and stimulating season of weekly Lunch & Learn topics!



Cards on the Porch

Some rainy Thursday nights washed out the dinghy racing but brought together members for card playing on the porch. Many mornings saw fierce Bridge competition on the porch as well.



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