

Genesee Yacht Club News




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MARCH

- 3 Private Party
- 6 Power Squadron
- 7 Members Meeting
- 14 Executive Board Meeting
- 21 SBLR Committee Meeting

APRIL



- 3 Power Squadron
- 4 Members Meeting
- 6 Private Party
- 11 Executive Board Meeting
- 18 SBLR Committee Meeting
- 28 Private Party (2 p.m.)



DEADLINE
for the next
NEWSLETTER
is
March 14, 2019

E-MAIL items to

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Member Mtg Agenda

- ★ Program:
- ★ Guest Introductions
- ★ Treasurer's Report
- ★ Secretary's Report
- ★ Commodore's Report
- ★ Vice Comm's Report
- ★ Rear Comm's Report
- ★ Committee Reports
- ★ Unfinished Business
- ★ New Business

UPCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS

FEBRUARY

22 Movie Night



MARCH

15 Movie Night
17 Brunch



- ◆ GYC Members donated 12 \$25 Gift Cards to the local Coast Guard to help families during the government shutdown.
- ◆ A new committee has been formed called the Infrastructure Planning and Assessment Committee. This committee will be chaired by Gerard Fisher and will focus on current and future issues with docks, break walls and infrastructure.

◆ DO NOT leave boats plugged in during winter storage.



◆ There is a "Things to do Listing" on the bulletin board. It will be updated seasonally with appropriate tasks. Please sign up.

◆ Attention Racers: you must submit a completed Intent to Race Form along with a Check for \$27 made out to GYC to Rob Reisch. This is now included in new Notices to Race document.

◆ Mark your calendars:
March 3, 2 to 5 p.m.
Open House Birthday Party for Terry Smith hosted by Billy Smith



◆ No freezing pipes this winter, but lets remember to keep doors open to keep the heat circulating.

◆ New Provisional Member
Christopher Mancini



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Note from the Commodore



I wanted to share a message that I read and felt it was applicable to our boat yard after minor edits.

After the frigid weather, a meltdown (false spring #1), lots of wind the next week and back to cold again. It's a good idea to visit your boat and check on it while the weather is tolerable. Please be careful walking around as the water that was in the yard had froze

Remember, it's YOUR responsibility to check on your boat from time to time during the winter.

Keep your ladder chained and locked to your cradle when not in use. This will deter would be thieves from using it to enter your boat or someone else's. Also, you should be tying it off to something when you are on your boat. You don't want to get stranded on your boat if the ladder should fall, or get injured while on the ladder.

Be on the look out for suspicious people in the yard. If you don't feel a threat, ask them who they are, if you perceive it as a threat go to a safe place and call 911. You may just make a new friend or a prospective new member and other boat owners will appreciate knowing people are keeping an eye out. At the very least, write down the license plate # and report and suspicious people or activity.

If you see problem with another members boats cradle or cover , please notify the owner, any of the GYC flag officers or Executive Board.



Reminder- if you are joining or renewing Boat US membership, GYC members receives a Boat US member discount (Our Cooperating Group ID number is GA80272Y).

Southern GYC Members are spending their winter involved in various activities. (If any of you snowbirds have any events you are willing to share, please submit them to nap1314@rochester.rr.com)

A pine needle basket made by GYC member, **Harry Fisher**, sold for \$300 at an auction held in Fort Myers Fl. to benefit the Shriner Children's Hospital. Harry teaches a class in pine needle basket while spending the winter in Florida waiting for the sailing



Tom Seibert taking visitors for a ride On his Catalina 34 out of Burnt Store Marina.



The **Pikuets** are very active in the St. Lucie Sailing Club on their Beneteau 23.5



1st Place in a Regatta last month with Steve at the Helm



1st Place in this month's Sweetheart Regatta with Nancy at the helm



Ladies that skippered the boats in this regatta

The **Bibbens** are participating in several events at the Dunedin Yacht Club.



Bill and Ann are racing on an Ensign



Bill getting ready for the Blessing of the Fleet Parade

Look What's in the Ship's Store!

Burgees, heavy duty fabric		\$ 20.00
GYC Decals, Large burgee for your boat		\$ 10.00
Small burgee for your car		\$ 1.00
GYC Caps in navy		\$ 25.00
GYC Burge Lapel Pins/Tie Tacs		\$ 1.00
Wind Breaker Lined with GYC Logo		\$ 35.00
Customed ordered in navy blue		
75th Anniversary Wine Glass		\$ 2.00
75th Anniversary History Books		\$ 30.00



Scotch Bonnett Light Race by Tony Gambacurta

The Scotch Bonnet Light Race brings Challenges and Rewards to the sailor participants. In addition to the personal rewards we take away each year we participate there is the opportunity of having your name engraved on trophies that will show the mark you left in your time on this planet in perpetuity.

Pretty Cool, right?

The perpetual trophies are: First place in the cruising division. This is our newest perpetual trophy. The idea is to encourage cruising sailors to participate in the event. This has been won by non-GYC boats both times it has been awarded. SBLR Ernie Coleman Memorial Trophy The best performing yacht club in the Scotch Bonnet Light Race based on each club's top 3 finishing sailboats. This trophy was started in 2013, so far it has always been won by GYC. The concept is that another local club bring 3 hot racers and steal the Coleman Trophy away from GYC. Hopefully another club will win this. Warren Miller "New Issue" Trophy First new skipper to finish on corrected time, Genoa Only course. Started in 2008, This is a great Trophy for new racers. It has been won by GYC skippers as well as guests. Warren Miller was very active in GYC's racing program for many years. In his later years he raced GO and was refereed to informally as the King of the Go fleet. His boats were all named "New Issue" so the name of this Trophy really fits its purpose well. The late Joe Verdone initiated this tribute to Warren.

In 2006 we created the Genessee Rochester Trophy to be awarded to an RYC boat. This was an attempt to give an incentive for RYC

boats who historically had as much or greater participation than GYC. However, we could not save RYC's offshore fleet, so, we retired this trophy in 2013 due to lack of RYC boats. Stewart Trophy for the Best Corrected Time of the entire Non-Spinnaker Fleet: This Trophy was created in 1994 while Caroline Stewart was active on the Scotch Bonnet team. We may want to someday consider renaming the Trophy the John Andersen trophy, John has won it single handed the last 3 running's and 5 times overall. He has to beat all the fully crewed non-spinnaker boats to achieve this. Giambra Trophy for the First Mono-Hull to Finish, Elapsed Time: This also called Line Honors, for the first boat to cross the finish line. Created in 1994 by Dick Giambra. This trophy has never been won by a GYC skipper. Mostly won by RYC boats but often a boat from out of town. In 2007 it was won by RUSH a Flying Tiger 10M from Lake Huron. Allen Trophy for the Best Corrected Time of the entire Spinnaker Fleet: This is the overall winner of the Scotch Bonnet Light Race. This is the hardest Trophy to win and it is very prestigious to win this. This Trophy was created in 1994 and is named after Peter Allen, the founder of the Scotch Bonnet Light Race. Founder's Cup The first GYC yacht under 30' LOA to finish the regular course of the Scotch Bonnet Light Race. Not on corrected time, its like line honors, but for GYC boats under 30 ft. This is oldest Scotch Bonnet Trophy and has some funny elements. The dedication reads: DONATED TO GENESEE YACHT CLUB BY PETER O. ALLEN SR. TO BE AWARDED ANNUALLY TO THE FIRST GYC YACHT UNDER 30' LOA TO FINISH THE REGULAR COURSE OF THE SCOTCH BONNET LIGHT RACE FOUNDED BY MR. ALLEN IN 1971 I did extensive research on the start date of the Scotch Bonnet Light Race. I talked to many older members especially when we were working of the history book for our 75th anniversary. The event started in 1972 and not 1971. So, that is an error in the engraving.

The other funny thing is that from 1977 to 1986, the engraving shows the year and skipper's name. From 1987 to present it has just the year and boat name. This trophy has been awarded to boats that are 30 feet long as well as under 30 feet. Flicker has won this 8 times.

I have a document that lists the winners of the Founder's cup with detailed information, but, it is incomplete. I plan to put this detailed version on the web site in the future.

The motivation for talking here to night is to draw attention to the new Scotch Bonnet Trophy shelf here in the main room of the club house which gives us a permanent place for these. Due to the trophies place up on the shelf, I have hung the winners on the wall below the shelf. It is much easier to read than trying to read winners off the actual trophies.

So, register for the 48th Scotch Bonnet Light Race which begins June 21st. Its your opportunity of having your name engraved on trophies that will show the mark you left in your time on this planet in perpetuity