

Kids' Corner

All right, kids. You know there is nothing better than bossing around older people, right? Right! Now here's a chance to do just that. When you look toward the Bell Park walkway from the clubhouse, you will see two channel markers in the water. One is red, and one is green. Every year the grown-ups argue about which side of the channel the red and green markers go, so we're counting on you to settle the argument!

These channel markers are also called "lateral buoys" (sometimes people say "boo-eyes"). The rule about where to put them is this: the red one must be on the right-hand side of a boat which is traveling upstream from the sea (or "from seaward"; this rule is often expressed as "Red right returning.") What? There isn't any sea around here! True, and maybe this is why the grown-ups get confused. But all the water on the land eventually reaches the sea, and we know that a stream flows into Lake Ramsey near Moonlight Beach, and a stream flows out just beside Science North. So if I am sailing "from seaward," which direction am I



going when I pass the clubhouse? Should the green marker be nearest the clubhouse, or should the red marker go there? Making a sketch might help. When you think you have the answer, find a grown-up at the club, put your hands on your hips, and tell him or her that the matter is settled once and for all!

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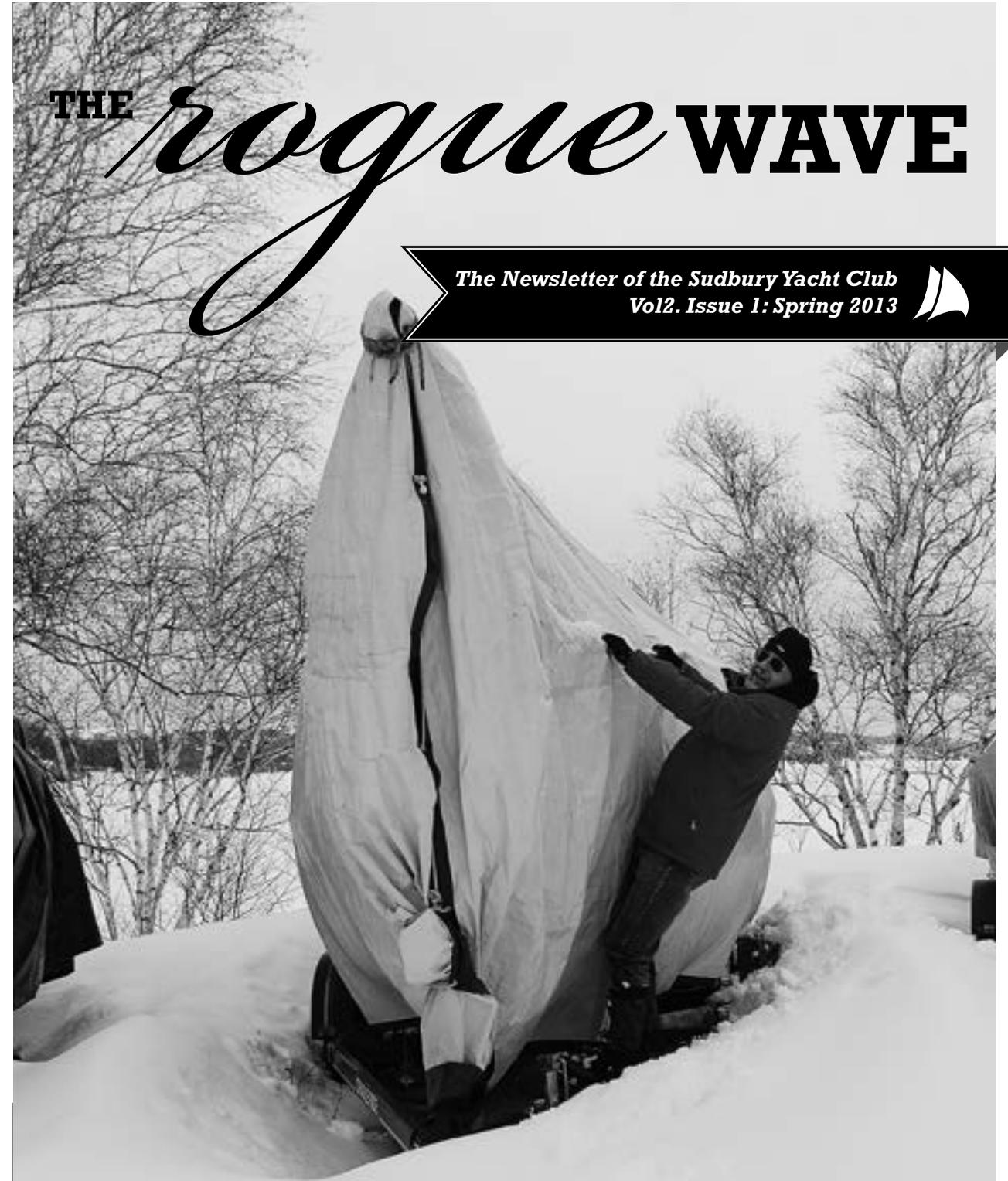
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THE *rogue* WAVE

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Welcome Back!

Welcome to the first SYC newsletter for 2013. Anyone driving up from Southern Ontario will have noticed the emergence of open water on the lakes and streams beside the highway. The Rogue Wave confidently predicts that we'll see the last of Lake Ramsey's ice on the afternoon of May 3. On May 4 we'll get the first work party underway, so the lake can revert to the use for which it was intended.

Last year's AGM saw the election of a new Board for 2013. Although these distinguished individuals are too modest to appear at the Club in full dress uniform, we nonetheless owe them a big "Thank you!" in advance for their governance of our organization and all its activities.

MEET THE 2013 BOARD

COMMODORE: LIAM O'TOOLE
VICE COMMODORE: CHRIS GRAVES
REAR COMMODORE: PIERRE DIGNARD
PAST COMMODORE: ROBERT MONTGOMERY
HARBOURMASTER/SAFETY: DAN MAYER
SOCIAL DIRECTOR: GARY HOLMAN
TREASURER: BOB ROBINSON
SECRETARY: INDREK AAVISTO
REVENUE AND CAPITAL: JEFF MORTON

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And what is the traditional and most appropriate way to thank last year's outgoing board members? Why, buying them each a drink at the Spring Meet and Greet on March 30th of course!



Greetings from the Commodore...

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the club members who have joined the Executive for 2013. I also welcome all our existing and new members to the Sudbury Yacht Club for the start of the 2013 season. I'm looking forward to working with everyone to ensure a successful season.

Your Executive for 2013 has been busy since the AGM in November 2012, reviewing programs and budgets for the coming season. Accompanying this newsletter

you'll find the Membership Application Form and the Events Calendar for the 2013 season. As you can see, we have another busy sailing season planned.

As the days get longer I am sure that you will be making plans to get access to your boats and complete any repairs or updates prior to launching. I ask that while you're making these plans to also consider the dates you will be available to assist with the preparing of the club for the opening and launching. Everyone has different ways in which they can assist, not always with physical efforts, but possibly by sitting on a subcommittee as requested from time to time or providing a critical piece of information.

The Club will be facing some additional challenges for space on the water due to the future expansion plans of the NWSC and the start of construction on their new clubhouse. We wish them well with their new venture. Over the past months they have held meetings and we have had representation attend on our behalf. Our intention is to arrange a meeting with the NWSC

chairperson in the near future to discuss common objectives. You will be kept well informed.

SYC has always operated as a club and as such members are expected to assist in the operation and maintenance of the property, support club functions and promote supportive action between our members. The Sudbury Yacht Club was incorporated on 9th June 1959, with the first recorded directors being Allison Bell, Alexander Fournier, Louis Fabbro and Harry Waisberg. I wonder what they would think of the current status of the club nearly 54 years later!

May the wind always be the one you wished for! Happy Sailing,

**LIAM O'TOOLE.
COMMODORE**

Don't forget to visit us at **SYCLUB.COM** for up-to-date results, minutes, the Social Calendar, outstanding photos, archives, Club policies, Sailing School updates and much more!

Social Studies!

Mark these dates!

MARCH 30, SPRING MEET AND GREET, 7 PM

Parkside Older Adult Centre (downtown YMCA)

A chance to buy the Social Director (among others) a drink!

APRIL 12-14, COTTAGE SHOW

The SYC booth is one of the highlights of this exhibition. Booth volunteers thronged by an admiring public.

MAY 1

Memberships due! Members missing this deadline struggle all summer to regain lost social capital.

MAY 4-5, MAY 11, WORK PARTIES

Hammers, rakes, stern anchors, waved joyfully aloft. Warm embraces all 'round

MAY 17, HAUL IN

MAY 18, THE QUEEN'S POTLUCK

The first potluck dinner. The rivalries begin. Who will be the new Iron Chef?

MAY 25, OPENING DINNER & CASINO NIGHT (6 PM DINNER; 8 PM LES JEUX)

Come, come, Mr. Bond. A mere 50,000 francs?

JUNE 1, THE SECOND POTLUCK DINNER

Members redress the dearth of Timbits at the Queen's

JUNE 2, BARBECUE!

Chef Holman earns another Michelin Star.

JUNE 15, POTLUCK!

Members who missed the Swedish Meatballs a fortnight earlier arrive promptly this time.

JUNE 22-23, VALE REGATTA

JUNE 29, OPEN HOUSE

Stand by to repel weenie eaters as they rush the barbecues

AND LOTS MORE STILL TO COME!...



Social Director's Report

**BY GARY "THE KITTY"
HOLMAN**

Shipmates!

A new year brings a new social calendar...sort of. Based on what I received in member comments (supported by respectable attendance statistics), last year's social program saw lots of people enjoying the fun side of SYC membership. This year should be no different. I am bringing back all of the events that worked last year and dropping a few of the "lesser rans". I am also planning the same familiar rules and events as last year. Pat Stoute will be happy to remind you that Potlucks occur on the first and third Saturdays of the month. Weekly robo-calls will keep you in the loop. Casino Night, Canada Day, and Calypso Night will be back and so will Race Night coffee and doughnuts.

Catered dinners and the ever popular (and cheap) "you pay and I'll cook" semi-catered barbecues will also be back, and I am hoping to add a pig roast into that mix. Not surprisingly, card nights, afternoon socials, and all dance activity will quietly fade into distant memory. As always, the costs for all this will be reasonable and fair.

Our first event of the year is the Spring Meet and Greet which is scheduled for Saturday March 30, 2013, beginning at 7:00 pm, at the Parkside Older Adult Centre, located inside the downtown YMCA. Those who attended last year will remember great food, a cash bar, fascinating speakers, stimulating conversation and a heart-rending slide presentation featuring my grandson Bennett.

Finally, negotiations have been concluded and I am happy to report that the Club's Kitty has agreed to return for yet another year of larceny and gratuitous begging. Although his peanut butter jar is nearly empty, he's looking forward with hungry anticipation of your early and regular contributions. Please remember to feed the cat before you leave.

THAT'S IT. TALK TO YOU SOON. "CUE UP THE ROBOCALLS!"



Capital Director's Report

JEFF MORTON, CAPITAL AND REVENUE

Ahoy!

This year the board met early to review the plans and budgets for the coming year. A multi-year plan has been discussed to tackle some of the infrastructure issues around the club. These will be estimated and placed into the 2013 budget.

The success of accomplishing these tasks will once again depend on the financial health of the club as well as the volunteer base. While we are selecting approaches that are more mechanized and less labour intensive, affordability still depends on everyone's participation. I encourage those with strong backs and handy-man skills to pitch in at work parties throughout the spring and fall both to keep costs down for all and to speed along some of the necessary repairs so we can all enjoy the club safely. We all deserve a little summer sunshine after this never ending winter!

The Racing News

View from the Transom

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT, SCOTT "LASER BEAM" AVERY

With winter almost over and the cold temperatures behind us, it's time to start thinking about the upcoming race season. The regatta and club racing schedules for 2013 are now posted on the SYC web site, but here are the important dates:

Regattas:

- *Vale, June 22-23;*
- *North Shore, July 20-21;*
- *SYC, September 14-15.*

Club Racing:

- *Blue Series, Sunday, May 26;*
- *White Series, Tuesday, May 28;*
- *Gold Series, May 30.*
- *Sunday races start at 2:00pm and the Tuesday-Thursday races at 7:00pm sharp.*

The Cat Fleet has started a Challenge Cup series where boats of all sizes can compete by handicap on the same racecourse. Boats sail a 5-mile course and the times are adjusted by size of boat. Any other boat can challenge the cup holder to a race, and the winner will be the holder of the cup.

Last year was a busy one for the SYC. The three major regattas, the Y-Flyer Internationals and the Sailing School championships were held in what for the most part saw near-perfect sailing conditions. Also many SYC sailors left the club for out of town events. In March a number of Y-Flyers made the long trip to South Carolina for the Y-Flyer Mid-winters, these same sailors also sailed in the Provincial and National Y-Flyer championships. Warren went to Manitoba to sail in their Y-Flyer provincials and won the event! The Laser Fleet saw sailors travel to the

Sturgeon Lake Sailing Club for the Provincial Masters and to Ottawa for the Ottawa Valley Masters. Again this past July Judy was asked to be the official starter for the prestigious Mac-Man race, an overnight race which sees boats leave Mackinaw Island in Michigan and arrive at Little Current two days later.

HERE ARE SOME MAJOR REGATTA DATES THAT MIGHT PIQUE THE INTEREST OF CLUB SAILORS:

- *August 9-10: Ontario Laser Master Provincial Championships, Ashbridges Bay Yacht Club, (Toronto)*
- *June 14-16: Canadian Laser Masters Championship, Beaconsfield Yacht Club (Montreal) August 24-25: Ottawa Valley Laser Masters, Lake Deschenes Sailing Club*
- *August 10-11: Canadian Y-Flyers (Ottawa)*
- *September 28-29: Ontario Y-Flyer Provincials (London)*
- *Check the D-3 Laser, OSA and Y-Flyer.ca websites for more regatta dates*

Warren will be moving to Oakville in early 2013. It's a great loss to the race scene at our club. We wish Warren and his family all the best, and we hope to see him back this summer for our regattas.

Let's hope winter subsides soon, and we have an early spring! See you on the water!

LASER BEAM

PS. I have penned a little tale about my exploits at the Ottawa Valley Laser Masters' Regatta from last summer. It's at syclub.com under the 2013 Race Reports.



On the Fly(er)...

PIERRE DIGNARD, REAR COMMODORE

Hi everyone! We are looking forward once again to an exciting season of racing at the club and welcoming new members and racers. As usual, we have a full schedule. The Vale Regatta will be held on June 22-23; the Northshore Regatta on July 20-21, the Y-Flyer and Sailing School Regatta on Saturday, August 17,

and the SYC Regatta on Sept. 14-15. We're generally hosting the Regattas on the third weekend of every month except for the Vale.

Sailing school runs from July 1st to August 16th. Rates will be similar to last year's with some minor changes. I'm working on

introducing a weekend cruising course and some form of co-op fleet use for sailing school graduates who take out a membership.

SEE EVERYONE SOON!