



Belwood Lake Sailing Club

2016 Newsletter #2 — May

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2016 Schedule

- 5 June** "Joe Davis" Sail Past
- 6 June Mon** Cruising Starts
- 12 June Sun** Wellington Cup
- 17 June Fri 6-9** Private Group
- 22 June Wed** Longest Day Racers BBQ
- 25 June Sat** Wine & Cheese
- 1 July Fri** Canada Day Parade and Lake Boat Tour
- 9 July Sat** Cruise to Belwood
- 10 July Sun** Newsletter #3 deadline
- 11-15 July** International Y Flyer Regatta
- 17 July Sun** Pursuit Races
- 23-24 July Sat/Sun** Family Camp
- 14 Aug Sun** Rib Cook-off
- 28 Aug Sun** Commodore's Cup
- 28 Aug Sun** Deadline for Newsletter #4
- 2-5 Sep** OMDA weekend
- 14 Sep Wed** Last Wed Racing
- 25 Sep Sun** Last Sun Racing
- 1 Oct Sat** Club Closing
- 16 Oct Sun** Fall AGM

Message from the Commodore

Hello all you "Skippers" & "Mates." Summer is so close we can feel it, so time to get planning for all the great club activities that our hard working executive team have in place for the year. The Club is a beehive of activity, well attended Racing on Wed & Sunday, & Cruising soon to start on Monday nights. Our locker room is looking better every day now that the floor has been painted, and hopefully the lockers will also have some fresh paint, new entry gates will be completed in late June, and new canoe racks will be built behind the canoe shed. Some extra boat parking spaces have been identified and will be set up soon and plans are in place for acquiring a new tractor.

Sunday June 5th Sailpast!!

Sailpast is our first major social/race event of the season. Come for the delicious all-provided (jumbo shrimp!) Reception/Lunch at 12 noon, watch the Commodore take a Salute from the Fleet at 1:45, then watch or take part in the races at 2pm. This year's Sailpast will honour Past Commodore and life member Joe Davis & his wife Betty, who both sadly passed away this Spring. Special thanks to all our member volunteers who work so hard to keep our club looking great. If you see myself, or any member of the Executive on the grounds don't hesitate to give us ideas to make our club the best in our area.

See you at the Club.

Ed Davis, Commodore

DON'T SPEED ON THE COTTAGE ROAD

Keep to the posted 25km/hr speed limit. There are children playing, our neighbours out strolling or walking their dogs, and the odd golf cart and bicycle.

Racing Program

Unfortunately our Race Captain Warren has had to step down for personal reasons and in his place a team of Andy Blackmore, Al Morgan, Al Sullivan and Margaret Hull has been formed to get the program up and running. A PRO list is on both the website and on the racing notice board in the clubhouse. If you have to change your dates with someone, please mark the changes on the notice board. If anyone would like to step in to take over as Race Captain for the remainder of the year, please let Commodore Ed know.

If you would like to be on the Racing Distribution list to get updates on the racing program (approx 2xweek), please let someone on the team know. You don't have to be a racer.

Wellington Cup

This will be held at Conestogo Sailing Club on Sunday 12th June, skippers meeting at 1pm. Already five boats have indicated they will go to represent our



Beautiful Evening for Racing. Photo by Chris Z.

club, and we hear that about the same number will attend from GCBC so it should be a well fought battle. Please let Andy Blackmore know if you plan to attend, as competitor or spectator, as CSC needs to know the numbers for the after racing BBQ.

Y Flyer International Regatta July 11-15

If you would be able to help for one or more days, please identify yourself to Richard King or an Exec member. The club is handling the Race Committee for this event, and also providing brunch for the competitors each day.

PRO Duties

- Please write clearly on the race sheet, making sure all crews and boat classes are included.
- After the races, hand the form to Al Sullivan (June & July) or Andy Blackmore (August & September) OR scan and email it to them OR leave it pinned up on the Racing notice board.
- If the docks need pushing out, organize a team of willing helpers. VC Fleet Bill has instructed several members on how to push out the new dock.

Thanks!!

Race Program Team

Social Events

Cruising Mondays Start 6th June

Come and join a group of cruising sailors for a 1 or 2 hour sail on the lake perhaps followed by some social time. Be ready to cast off at 6pm. Note that as generally these cruising boats are larger, they may have room for passengers!! For more details email me at patrickjohn17@yahoo.com or call 905-299-1852

Wine and Cheese Saturday 25th June 7pm

We are repeating last year's successful Wine and Cheese evening. Bring your own wine to share and the club supplies cheese and crackers etc. This is a prime social event for EVERYONE. Hope to see you there.

Canada Day 1st July

Once again we are putting a boat with our club banner in the Elora Canada Day Parade.

Other Social Events

Cruise to Belwood 9th July

We decided to hold this on a Saturday so the racers wouldn't miss a Sunday's racing. Meet at the docks ready to launch at 2pm. We'll have a leisurely sail up to the village where there is a cafe with fries and ice cream among other delights.

Family Camp 23-24th July

Keep these dates free for a fun family camp out at the club. More details to come.

Patrick Ney, Social Captain

2016 Membership

If you haven't renewed by now, your designated boat parking spot(s) will be made available to others and your boat(s) should have been removed from the site.

Several members have taken advantage of the new PayPal method of paying.

Don't forget that as well as your assigned task, you have to keep your boat area tidy - mow the grass etc. A list of task assignments will be available shortly.

Ken Boyd, Membership Captain

Report from Spring Annual General Meeting held Sunday 17th April

A good number of members turned up at the Spring AGM on a lovely sunny day. The main points discussed, decided, and/or announced were briefly as follows:

- A committee has been set up to design and build outdoor storage racks for 24 kayaks and/or canoes. Any ideas should be directed to VC Facilities Denis Neumann. The current Canoe Shed will be emptied and put to other use.
- It was announced that soon members would have the option of paying their membership by PayPal. They would still have to fill out, sign, and hand in a hard copy of the Membership Application Form before their current year's membership is valid. Partial year discounted membership cannot be paid this way. NOTE: Paying membership by PayPal is now available from Membership / Joining and Renewing / Online Membership Renewal.
- Our Treasurer Frank Laszlo announced we are doing OK, and members voted to accept the Financial Statements and Budget for 2016.
- The front gate is to be replaced as well as one of the lawn tractors.
- The dolly for the inflatable safety boat is to be looked at for modification so it doesn't drag on the ground.

Jackie Stackelberg, Secretary



During and After the Locker Room Floor Painting

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Report of Club Opening Saturday 30th April

Lots of members turned up for the opening work party which was just as well for there was lots of work to do. All of it got done and we then enjoyed a delicious potluck lunch anchored by Terri's chilis. The weather was perfect. Thanks to Stan Elliotson who took many photos which can be seen in the Work Party gallery on the website. If you have an event you want a photographer for, ask Stan. We know Frances was the first on the water in her kayak several weeks ago, but Calum couldn't resist trying out his new sail in the light airs, and so he became the first to sail on the lake in 2016!!

Paul Coppes, Maintenance Captain and Patrick Ney, Social Captain

Boats for Sale

The following is a new boat for sale. See the website for the full list.

Spindrift 30, 14'6"

Contact Lisa Lomax at 519-843-2698

Donations to the Clubhouse

We have recently been surprised by the generous donation of a dining table and six chairs for the clubhouse and we do not know who to thank. We already have a table and chairs and we haven't decided which to keep - maybe both. While the club is grateful for such gifts, please in future ask VC Facilities Denis or any Exec member if your donation can be made use of.

Denis Neumann, VC Facilities

Don Lomax and Betty Davis

Since the last newsletter we have lost two more long time members: Don Lomax (see Don's obituary on the website) and Betty Davis. Betty was the widow of Joe who passed away earlier this year. She didn't sail, but loved coming up to the lake with Joe. The club has sent condolences to the families.

Publicity News

Facebook Page <https://facebook.com/blsc.on.ca>

Website Notes www.blsc.on.ca

Continue checking the website for the latest racing results, new pictures of recent events, PRO schedule, weekly Task Assignments, and for the event schedule.

Newsletter Notes

The deadline for the next newsletter is Sunday 10th July 2016. All submissions are welcome, written and photos, and the best will be published!! Send them to publicity@blsc.on.ca Note that the online and printed versions of the newsletter are often fuller than the emailed version, in order to preserve information for the archives.

Margaret Hull, Publicity Captain