

THE LIGHTHOUSE

January 2024

Niagara River
Yacht Club



Club Events & Important Dates

Super Bowl Watch Party	February 11th 5:30pm
Club Meeting	March 6th 7:30pm
Club Meeting	April 3rd 7:30pm

Report from the Commodore

Judith Boerdner

Wishing all our NRYC Members a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

I want to express my gratitude to PC Chuck for his dedicated service as Commodore, and look forward to his ongoing contributions to the board. The secretary position remains vacant; I have heard a few rumblings of possible interest; so please let me know if you have any questions about this role. It will be a board appointed position.

The 2024 Fleet Officers and Board of Directors are dedicated to maintaining NRYC as the "best yacht club on the Niagara River." We extend our heartfelt thanks to each of you for your unwavering commitment and dedication to NRYC. It is my privilege to serve the NRYC membership, and I am committed to my duties as your Commodore.

As we embark on this new chapter, my aspiration for the upcoming year is that we can work together to unite the membership, cultivate a positive atmosphere, and strive to always be a welcoming club for both members and dock renters alike.

Nancy is already busy working on membership renewals that will be received via email soon (if not already). Please be prompt with your returns. The board has a January meeting scheduled to start our focus for 2024; details will be in the February Newsletter. Be sure to check out the rest of this newsletter for important news and events.

I appreciate your support and eagerly anticipate the opportunities that 2024 will bring!

Judi

2024 CLUB MEMBER MEETINGS 7:30PM

MARCH 6TH
APRIL 3RD
MAY 1ST
JUNE 5TH
JULY 3RD*
AUGUST 7TH
SEPTEMBER 4TH
OCTOBER 2ND
NOVEMBER 6TH
DECEMBER 4TH

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Report from the Fleet Captain

Lori Willison

Looking forward to a great year at the NRYC!

Remember to mark your calendars for the **Super Bowl Watch Party** on Sunday, February 11th at 5:30. Bring an appetizer or dessert. We will be doing a 50/50 and/or football squares. Hopefully we will be cheering for The Bills!! 👉

Lori Willison

Report from the Bar

Scott Brown

Happy Holidays from the bar!

We have several new additions for your enjoyment. Makers Mark has returned and I have added Buffalo Trace, Evan Williams and Larceny bourbons as well. Belvedere is now our top shelf vodka and if you are in need of a sweet holiday treat try the Apple Pie Moonshine.

Thanks for a great year!

News & Links

NRYC Event Contact Information

[Click Here](#)

National Weather Service

<https://www.weather.gov/buf/>

Marine Forecast

<https://www.ndbc.noaa.gov/data/Forecasts/FZUS51.KBUF.html>

AED Training Video

<https://americanaed.com/dvd/frx>

Report from the Harbor Master

Frank Rocco

Welcome to the 2024 boating season!

I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays with their friends and families and are ready for the new year ahead.

While our boats are asleep and we are enjoying a little time ashore, it is also time to start thinking about getting ready for the boating season ahead. Dock contracts will be mailed in February. If you think your boat or contact information I have is incorrect or outdated, please reach out to me before the end of January.

Happy New Year to everyone! Stay warm, safe, and healthy as we wait for the upcoming spring weather.



Report from the Vice Commodore

Mark Knerr

Welcome to 2024!

Hope everyone had great holidays. I am looking forward to another great year.

Lake Erie's Fury



**DECEMBER 30, 2023
LAKE ERIE SETS NEW RECORD! WARMEST TEMPERATURE IN DECEMBER - LAKE ERIE HAS FINISHED THE YEAR IN THE 40S ONLY 8 TIMES SINCE 1927**

ROBOTS GIVE NOAA A PEEK UNDER THE ICE OF THE GREAT LAKES

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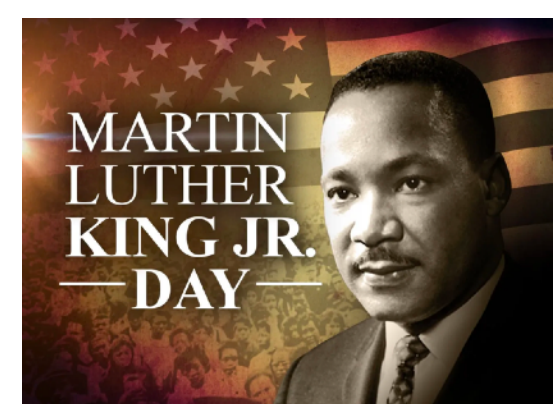
NASA ASTRONAUT KAREN NYBERG SNAPPED THIS PHOTO OF THE GREAT LAKES WHILE ORBITING IN THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION

[VIEW HERE](#)

Report from the Rear Commodore

Paul Varga

Happy Holidays!

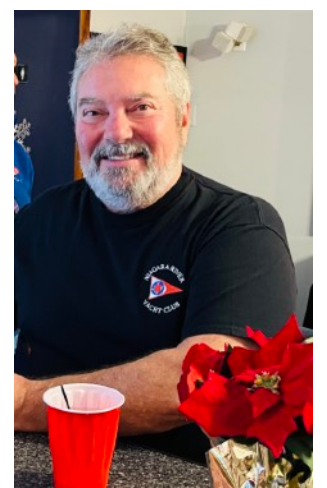


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NRYC Happenings...

NRYC Holiday Decorating Happy Hour - December 1, 2023



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NRYC Happenings...

NRYC Children's Christmas Party - December 2, 2023



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NRYC Happenings...

NRYC December's Club Member Meeting, Holiday Party, & Elections - December 6, 2023

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2024 NRYC OFFICERS



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2024 NRYC BOARD MEMBERS



THANK YOU TO THE 2023 NRYC OFFICERS AND THE BOARD MEMBERS FOR YOUR HARD WORK AND LEADERSHIP THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

KEN GRAVELLE WINNER OF THE 2023 ATTENDANCE RAFFLE

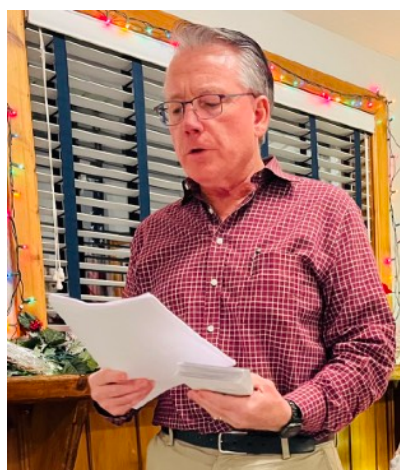
BOB BROEKER WILL BE PRESENTED WITH NRYC BURGEE AT AN UPCOMING MEETING.



CHRISTA ROCCO WAS THE RECIPIENT OF THE ELLIOTT OSHIP MEMORIAL AWARD



FRANK ROCCO WAS THE RECIPIENT OF THE STANLEY ZIOMEK LEADERSHIP AWARD



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2024 NRYC Officers

Commodore	Judith Boerdner
Vice-Commodore	Mark Knerr
Rear Commodore	Paul Varga
Fleet Captain	Lori Willison
Harbormaster	Frank Rocco
Treasurer	Nancy Joseph
Secretary	Vacant

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Board of Directors

PC Chuck Gilinger	Scott Brown
Mike Meyers	Dan Rizzo
Paul Vance	Carol Varga

Marina Management

Ben Cooper	Eric Feathers
Steven Flaminio	Bob Haug
Raymond Niesser	Dan Rizzo
Dave Wilbur (2023)	Brian Willison

Webmaster

Brian Willison

Operation Clean House

1/07 - 1/13
 Rich & Judi Boerdner/
 Randy & Darla Retzlaff

1/14 - 1/20
 Brian & Lori Willison/
 John & Nicole Yim

1/21 - 1/27
 Dale & Rosanne Missert/
 Frank & Cindy Talarico

1/28 - 2/03
 Stan & Kim Kwietniewski/
 Paul & Beth Vance

Bar Committee

Scott Brown, Committee Chair/ABC Officer

Newsletter

Christa Rocco Editor

Any member may submit an article or other information for the newsletter.

The deadline is the 25th of the month.

NRYC Merchandise

Vintage Buffalo Ink
 355 Somerville Ave, Town of Tonawanda
 716-835-4465
 See Paul Varga for more information.

BoatUS Information

You can get a discounted Boat U.S. membership at boatus.com/membership/group/. Our group number is GA81965Y. If you're new to Boat U.S. click [here](#).



Reciprocal Yacht Clubs

You know, as a NRYC member you can take advantage of services at yacht clubs around the country. Get the Web password from Judi.
[Local yacht club reciprocal agreements](#)
[National yacht club reciprocal agreements](#)