



LAKE RONKONKOMA Iceboat and Yacht Club

THE ICE IS ON, BE READY!



2016 NEIYA REGATTA - JANUARY 23 - 24, 2016

MOOSEHEAD LAKE
ROCKWOOD, MAINE

Gold fleet

Pos	Sail#	Name	Race>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Points
1	US 5469	MOORE, OLIVER		1	3 (DNS)	2	1	1	1	1	9.00
2	KC 2766	VAN ROSSEM, PETER (S)		2	1	1	1	(33)	2	3	10.00
3	KC 3786	NETHERCOTE, WARREN		4	(6)	2	3	4	4	4	21.00
4	US 4487	ATKINS, CHAD		3	2	DNS (DNS)	2	3	2	2	28.00
5	US 4690	FORTIER, DAVID (S)		5	5	3	4	7	(12)	5	29.00
6	US 3700	CHRIS, GORDON		7 (DNS)	4	5	5	7	6	34.00	
7	US 805	GLUCKMAN, RICHARD (8)	8	5	6	8	8	8	43.00
8	KC 4992	CHARBONNEAU, JACQUES (M)		9	4	10	DNS (DNS)	6	7	52.00	
9	US 5023	STANTON, JOHN		(11)	9	11	8	9	9	55.00	
10	US 4869	HAYES, JOHN		10	10	7	9	(11)	10	10	56.00
11	US 4272	RAYMOND, DOUG		6	DNS	DNS (DNS)	6	5	DNS	65.00	
12	US 196	SCHWERIN, DOUG		12	12	9	10	12	(DNS)	11	66.00
13	US 5423	RICE, RANDALL		DNS	7	6	7	(DNS)	DNS	DNS	68.00
14	US 4769	SILFVENIUS, CHARLES		13	11	8	(DNS)	10	11	DNS	69.00
15	US 3600	DOE, JOHN		DNS	DNS	(DNS)	DNS	DNS	DNS	DNS	96.00

Scoring system: IDNRYA Worlds



LRIBYC sailor takes 7th in the NEIYA DOC FELLOWS Regatta sailed on Moosehead Lake in Maine.

Richard Gluckman said: "Great place, great ice, great group of ice boaters."

Message from the Commodore

As I write this on January 18th, Mother Nature so far has not cooperated in giving us any sailable ice. But the winter is still young. I encourage everyone to keep their boats and all associated equipment on the ready for when the Ice Alert horn blows it's favorable report. I cannot stress enough the importance on making sure when the ice comes that it's checked properly and thus safe for sailing.

At the upcoming February 2nd meeting, club members will be voting to adapt the changes/additions that were proposed to the Bylaws at our last meeting. It is important for you to attend and have your voices heard.,

Recently I have been going through boxes of old club records given to me by the Rich Crucet, Warren Darress, and Larry Veprovsky families. One of the most interesting facts I discovered was that the club started holding their meetings at the Weeks Yacht Yard way back in January 1992. That makes 24 years of Weeks hospitality! The club can't say thank you enough to the Weeks family for all they have done for the club over these years. Hope too see many of you at our February 2nd meeting.

Ralph

PROPOSED CHANGES/ADDITIONS TO LRIBYC BYLAWS

Club Bylaws Can Be Read Here:

<http://www.iceboatlongisland.com/ByLaws.php>

Add 6.4 "In order for a member to be eligible for a Club award (trophy or other) membership dues must be paid by the first Club meeting in January."

Add 9.2 "The Club Members, with the approval of the Club membership, shall at all times have the absolute right to suspend, for a definite or indefinite amount of time, the membership privileges of any member whom the Club membership finds has violated any rule, regulation or policy of the Club or whose behavior is abusive or disruptive to the operation of the Club."

10.2 (K) *Perpetual award to the top LRIBYC skipper at the annual DN North American Championships. Add " or Worlds if the North American Championships are not held."*

(M) *Rich Cruet Memorial Trophy, Perpetual Award.*

(N) *Rich Cruet Bowl, Perpetual Award At Commodore's Discretion*

12.1 DN Class: On weekdays a minimum of three(3) boats that are club members shall be entered to qualify. A maximum of three(3) races per day may be counted. If more races are held to accommodate late arriving skippers, each skipper's first three(3) races shall count. On holidays and weekends, the same minimums apply but a maximum of five(5) races may be sailed. Add "Mid Week/Weekend Points Will Be Scored Separately."

A discussion of these additions/changes will take place at the February Club meeting on The 2nd of February, 2016. Following the discussion a vote will be held for approval as stated or modified. If you are unable to attend and have comments or would like a proxy vote to be cast please send your request to the Club via email to John Ziermann.

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It Beats LSD—Try an Iceboat Trip!

By JESSE BRODEY

Try skimming across the frozen Hudson River off Peekskill at 80 miles an hour, a sail flapping overhead, your seat six inches above the flashing ice and the wind and ice chips blasting your face, and you might become addicted to iceboating.

"Duck," yells skipper John Vargo, 31, of Verplanck, and you better duck as he brings his ice boat around, hikes one of its three runners off not-so-solid ice and swings the sail booms three inches over your head.

If you're really serious, Vargo and any one of some 65 other members of the Westchester Ice Sailing Club will be happy to tell you just what to do to get into ice sailing.

Warm Duds a Must

But be sure to come out dressed for it. Skiers, Larchmont frost bite sailors and frozen food factory workers never had it so



Bill Yates checks wind speed.

cold. To sail on the Hudson the other day, Vargo wore an alpaca lined parka and hood, two sweaters, two wool shirts, two cotton T-shirts, ski pants, long johns, arctic coveralls, a face mask, safety helmet and insulated boots.

"There were a few bad moments when my hands got cold when I had to take off my gloves to adjust some lines," Vargo admitted.

Actually, ice boating conditions aren't always as cold as they were the other day on the Hudson, and Vargo's wife, Mary Ellen, and three of his four children sail with him. John Mike, 8, has been iceboating since he was 8.

Record Set in 1890

In the late 19th Century, iceboating on the Hudson was all the rage and in 1890, a world's record of 140 miles an hour was set, Vargo points out. It still stands.

To sail, the iceboaters need a minimum of two inches of ice free of snow and with plenty of room to maneuver. When any member on Thursday spots an area with two inches of ice, he notifies one of the club officers,



(NEWS photo by Robert Kuhnke) Warren Darress is snug in cockpit of his iceboat.

the club's telephone answering service is advised and at 7 A.M. Saturday, some 15 to 35 iceboats are being unloaded from the roofs of station wagons at the selected lake or river for a weekend of racing. Choice spots are Bantam, Peach, Candlewood, Greenwood and Orange Lakes. Members of the club are mostly mature, married men — salesmen, business men, draftsmen, professional men ranging in age from the early 30s to late 50s.

Ice Pick Life Preservers

"Danger?" comments Vargo. "We stress safety but once in a while we overestimate the thickness of the ice in some spots. That's why every one of us carries this little wooden gadget tied around our necks.

"When pulled apart, it becomes two strong ice picks which we can plunge into the ice so that we can pull ourselves out of any hole we fall in."

One club member at least won't forget those two ice picks. They saved him when he plunged through the ice into 90-foot deep Bantam Lake.

"He wasn't worried about freezing in the cold water," Vargo said. "He had too many clothes on for that. But he sure was worried about drowning."

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Bowl Games

The Westchester County Bowling Association will hold its second annual Championship Tournament each weekend from April 1 to May 21 at the Loyal Inn Lanes, Larchmont. Entries close Feb. 20. Bowlers must bowl in both the singles and doubles matches. John N. Goldsmith of White Plains, secretary of the WCBA, will be chairman.

Nuns to Sing At Jewish HQ

The Singing Sisters of St Francis, a chorus of 16 nuns of Westchester and Staten Island will give a musical program Tuesday in the Northeast Jewish Center on Tuckahoe Road, Yonkers.

They were organized in 1966 by Mother M. St. Mark. She is Reverend Mother of the order founded in 1893, now one of the largest in the Catholic Church.

The Singing Sisters recently recorded an album titled "Song Just for You." Mr. and Mrs. Murray Bodin are chairmen of the brotherhood concert.

County Center
WHITE PLAINS, N.Y.

FEB. 22 THRU 26

WED. 10AM - 1:15PM - 4:15PM
THURS. 2:00PM FRI - 2:00PM
SAT - 1:15PM - 4:15PM
SUN - 1:15PM - 4:15PM

THE ALL NEW
PAN-AMERICAN

CIRCUS

Tickets now on sale at box office
Box Office Open 1PM to 6PM Daily
Except Sunday
Admission - \$2 - \$2.50 - \$3
For Info. Call White Plains 9-8900

JUST FOR FUN

1967 Sunday News:

An Iceboating Article from the archives of

Warren R Darress Jr., LRI BYC

**CLUB MEETING - TUESDAY, FEB. 2, 2016
AT WEEKS YACHT YARD.**

Great refreshments. Great conversation. Great atmosphere.
7:00 pm the fun starts at Weeks Yacht Yard in Patchogue.

ALL ICE HOUNDS ARE WELCOME, YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE A MEMBER.
So many places to choose. All we need are the ice reports.

We need to keep in contact.

Club Membership **STILL** only \$15.
Membership will put you on the "ICEALERT!" email communication system.

Like any organization, LRIBYC needs money to function at all levels:

- Maintain club website
- Promote iceboat sailing and increase new membership
- Establish and maintain yearly functions (swap meet, monthly meetings, etc.)
- Maintain the materials needed for yearly competitions and events
- Maintain "end of year" honor, achievement, and competition awards
(memberships after 01/06/16 not eligible)
- Maintain the safety equipment brought to each club sponsored event
 - Support postal fees needed for club communications
 - MOST IMPORTANT - funding for various projects selected by
the VOTING MEMBERSHIP

STILL, club membership of \$15 will entitle your participation in all of the club events and functions, the inclusion of the automatic "ICEALERT!" email communication system, and voting privileges at all club meetings and functions during the year. Your vote and voice determines where your sport is going. For more information pertaining to how your club dues are specifically used, please see your treasurer John Ziermann.

Returning members **MUST** fill out the 2nd page of the application document so that you will be allowed to participate in all club events. Please, also fill out the 1st page if there have been any changes to your membership info.

For **NEW** members, please fill out both sides of the Application so that we can add your information to our list of members and place you on the automatic "ICEALERT!" email communication system.

<http://www.iceboatlongisland.com/uploads/LRIBYC-Membership-ApplicationUpdate.pdf>