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LAKE RONKONKOMA Iceboat and Yacht Club

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<http://www.iceboatlongisland.com>

2023

Commodore's Corner
Hello everybody!!
Commodore's comments

I hope everyone had great holidays! We had a great turnout at our annual swap meet. It was fantastic seeing many of you there. I hope everyone can make the Jan. meeting. We will have a runner sharpener available before the meeting, so you can sharpen your runners. There has been some sailing in Maine and the Midwest. The long term forecast is looking for some sailing in Connecticut and maybe New York state, probably in the Albany area. If and when we sail on LI, we will plan on having the "Bob Reeves Memorial Skimmer Regatta". So, dust off and rust off your skimmers, almost everyone seems to have one hidden somewhere. It will be a very simple skimmer friendly course, so everyone can participate. Along that line, we will run the "Rich Crucet Memorial Regatta" It will be open to all DN's.

So, dust off and rust off your DN. Most people seem to have one of those hidden somewhere in storage. It will be for all DN's. Time for me to get my boat ready for some sailing. I hope to see many of you at our meetings!!
As always, if you need any parts, advice, repairs please feel free to reach out to me, or one of your fellow officers. We have a lot of knowledge in our club.

Your Commodore
Scott



Club Swap Meet



Club Sharpener
Will be available at
monthly meetings!



After using the sander set up a work space at home and start "stoning"

How to stone your runners,

The purpose of stoning your runners is to polish the surface, so the edge of your runner will glide smoother over the ice. In other words, you will be a little fast by reducing friction. The stones, that we use, as does Ron Sherry, are available from Boride Abrasives. You can look them up online. The size is 1/2x1/4x6" long see the picture it shows the grits and the particular stone. If people want to contact me we can make a bulk order and get the cost down to \$25 per set. (2015 prices)

The "juice" is just windshield washer fluid with 2-3 drops of dishwashing liquid added. I keep the stones in the juice. Clamp your runner securely and clean off the edges.

Put the stone on the edge of the runner, and go back and forth. One pass is back and forth on the runner 1 time. I usually do 12 passes per grit. Do each grit the same number of passes per side. Then, switch sides and repeat the process. It takes about 5 minutes per runner to complete. This little process will speed you up quite a bit. When you are done, I WD40 the runners. Always put your runners with the **EDGE SIDE UP**. This will keep the moisture off your edge, and easier to inspect your runners.

Scott Valentine



WAITING FOR ICE ON LONG ISLAND
CLUB MEMBER SCOTT DAVIES, BOAT BUILDER, ICE AND LAND SAILOR
AND MOTORSPORT GUY.



One off design and build, breakdown for transport.

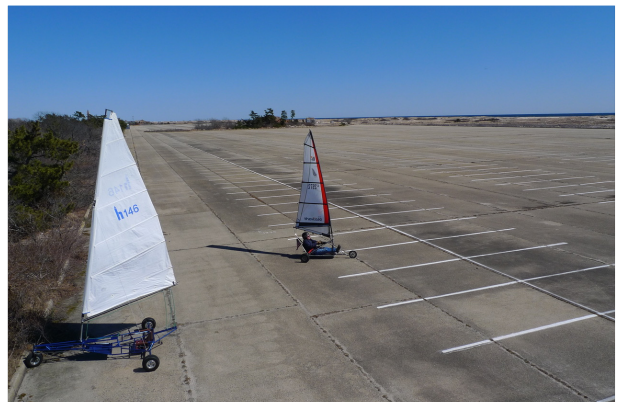


At Grumman airstrip

Mecox Bay



Jones Beach parking lot



Video here of Scott sailing
Jones Beach
<https://youtu.be/Xm-rF-zO4-g?>

ICE REPORTS!

If this year is anything like last year it will be important to stay tuned for ice reports from LRIBYC and other local NE Clubs. The Maine Club posts regular reports of possible and actual ice locations. Without a membership to their Club and timely ice reports I would not have sailed last year. John Z. Has provided us with a Club member contact sheet, save a copy on your phone or print a copy for reference. Stay informed & sail. The other option is hear about it after the ice is gone.



Pushaw Lake, first Ice. Dec 13, 2023

SOME LINKS TO CLUBS WITH UP TO DATE INFORMATION

LRIBYC -\$20 annual dues. Receive ICE ALERTS, Newsletters, member list
<http://www.iceboatlongisland.com/>

Chickawaukee Ice Boat Club CIBC Membership, iceboat.me

Thanks for your interest in joining the Chickawaukee Ice Boat Club. Membership includes periodic newsletters and access to racing and cruising events. We consistently log more ice boating miles than any other group in the Northeast. Come out and join us. Please click on the link, print out the form, fill in the info and mail it to the treasurer along with \$20 cash or check. [Membership form](#)

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New England Ice Yacht Association: NEIYA,

<https://theneiya.org/>

**2023 – 2024 Membership Application Form
October 1st, 2023 – September 30, 2024 (\$30)**

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