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Newsletter of the Cayuga Lake Cruising Fleet

First Newsletter of the Season, Sunday, March 11

The 2007 season is almost on us! We had a decent turnout at our pre-season meeting, 21 members attended representing 13 boats (including 2 Lightnings).

The Main topics for discussion were the debt/expenses for 2006-2007, setting the 2007 dues, getting more publicity for the CLCF and creating the 2007 racing/activity calendar.

- 1) Debt/Expenses For the first time, the CLCF did not have enough cash flow to finish paying its debts. The 2 expenses still outstanding are the balance of the 2006 point fee (\$700) and the PHRF membership. It was decided to let the PHRF go for last year (the fee is similar to a subscription, no penalty for not paying, just no benefits) and roll the IYC point fee into the 2007 budget.
- 2) Dues The 2007 fees are based on an expected budget requiring \$3600 to cover the IYC point fees (\$1550), timing crew for 16 race days (\$1120), Keg-n- Barbie expenses (\$300), PHRF fees (\$200) and Award Banquet expenses (balance for glassware, printing and silk screening supplies). The 2007 fee structure will be:
 - a. Boat/skipper fee for season \$250 (\$200 dues plus \$50 special assessment).
 - b. Skipper only fee \$25
 - c. Crew fee \$10
 - d. New boat \$100 (first time member)
- 3) Publicity and Marketing We have decided to apply for a spot in the Ithaca Festival Parade again, plus revamp the Website to get more information out (and quicker) to the members and potential members. This is a continuing area of development and any participation or ideas are welcome.
- 4) Schedule We have set the racing calendar for the Pre-Season Events, the Spring Series, some summer weekend events and a tentative Fall Series (Depending on any IYC Regattas). The Summer Series is to be determined after we decide what type of events we want to have. The two dates to get in your calendar now is the Red Jacket weekend (August 11-12) and the Sheldrake weekend (TBD but in the summer) at the Stephens' (just North of the Driftwood Inn).

See you at the work parties! David Feavearyear CLCF Secretary dfeavearyear@imrtest.com