

Chandos Lake Sailing
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Celebrating 50 years of organized sailing on Chandos Lake! In the 1970's there were an "increasing number of sailing enthusiasts" who wanted to get together "for the purpose of sailing, racing and exchange of information" (Bob MacMillan, 1977 CLPOA Yearbook). In the summer of 1976, organized sailing became a reality and with the help of the Chandos Lake Property Owners Association, the Chandos Lake Sailing Club held its first races and socials.

At the 1976 Annual Corn Roast on Labour Day weekend, then CLPOA President, Russ Franks, generously provided and awarded "The President's Trophy" to Glyn Jones and Brian Jones for the sloop class, and to Ernie Lapp for the catamaran class. These same trophies (just a little bit bigger now), along with a windsurfer class trophy introduced in 1983, have been awarded by CLPOA Presidents over the past 50 years.

Throughout the 50 years of organized sailing on Chandos with the hundreds of sailors that have participated, the theme has remained the same – fun competition on the water, fun socializing off the water. Today's Chandos Lake Sailing Club continues with the original vision of sailing enthusiasts getting together for sailing, racing and sharing of information at the post-race socials. We welcome sailors and potential sailors of varying sailing experience – only your enthusiasm is required. Be part of the next generation of Chandos Lake sailors – come to one of our races or socials to meet us, or contact our crew coordinator Sue Walkovich at 416-571-3282 for more information.

For 2026 fees will remain unchanged - \$30 per sailor for the season, \$20 per person for family and friends to attend socials for the season. E-transfer payments are preferred and can be made to our treasurer Anne Taylor at <taylor.anne420fitch@gmail.com>. We appreciate your support as these fees, while minimal, allow the club to cover operating expenses for the races (setting marks, fuel, equipment), awards, and social costs.

See you on the water!