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JUST WAITING TO GET BACK IN THE WATER**

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FROM THE BRIDGE

from - George Clayburn, Commodore



Since this is my first Full & By article as Commodore, I thought that I should introduce myself. I am an Army Logistics Officer who retired in June 2007 after 41 years service with the Regular and Reserve Forces. I learned to sail on the Ottawa River at CFB Petawawa in the mid-1970s and sailed Lasers on Lake Timseh, Egypt in 1977. I have been a member of BYC since June 2004. Since joining BYC I have regularly raced Sharks on Thursday evenings. I also have raced on a number of the distance races on the River. I recently bought and am refitting Shark 747. I have been on the haulout and launch crews for the past three years and Honourary Treasurer for the past two years.

I want to thank the members of the Board for accepting their portfolios. I am impressed with the way in which they immediately established committees and got down to work. I am

looking forward to working with them to enhance the viability and attractiveness of BYC as the Yacht Club of Choice on the Ottawa River. The Directors will tell you about the happenings in their Portfolios.

Already this year we have had a number of successful social events. The success of all Club activities is due to the behind the scenes, whole-hearted work and dedication shown by all of those who volunteered their time and energy. Proof again that the volunteer spirit is alive and well at BYC.

I would like to thank the Past Commodore and the previous Board for improving the position of the Club. This has given the new Board a firm basis upon which to carry out its work on behalf of the Club.

The enthusiasm, progressive attitude, willingness to help and professionalism of the General Manager and his staff continually impresses me. Their work has contributed greatly to the success of everything that we do here at BYC.

The Commodore's Weekend is to be held June 13-15, so mark your calendars. I am positive that we will have fabulous sailing, racing, tennis and social activities in 2008.



Harbour Report

by – Don Creelman, Harbourmaster



Along with the Commodore's letter concerning finger docks, a draft policy was presented that proposed that boat owners would take possession of the old (existing plywood) docks and would be obliged to refurbish, maintain, or repair them to reasonable standards.

If this policy is adopted, the Harbourmaster will work with boat owners to determine what repairs or alterations are required to ensure a safe, secure and presentable dock.

In April all these docks will be lifted out of the water at the south side crane to determine what work needs to be done, and members will be invited to form a work party to accomplish this.



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Youth Report

by – Clark Cada, Director, Youth



LEARN TO SAIL 2008

Registration is now open for members and returning sailors from the 2007 session. Registration forms have been mailed to all 2007 participants. If you are interested in registering have not received a mailing please go to the BYC website, download a registration form and send it in.

This summer thanks to a generous donation by Mr. Charles Marshall we will have two (2) new 420 sailboats.

Ontario Sailing has reorganized their competitive sailing program with 3 regional competitive sailing centres for the Ontario Sailing Team and several development centres throughout the province. BYC and Nepean Sailing Clubs are part of the development centres. The purpose of this is to provide an opportunity for interested competitive sailors to have additional coaching, clinics and opportunity to travel to regattas.

If we have the numbers this summer we would like to have a High Performance Team.

If we do not have the numbers for a HPT we would like to have a development team.

This could be a combination of BYC and NSC sailors or a combination of the Silver sailors and the development team. The numbers will determine the amount of coaching, regattas attended or clinics provided.

We need to know the people who are interested. Contact me: casacada@sympatico.ca

In the past people have expressed interest in a 1-month Silver session instead of 2 full months. We are open to this. So if 1-

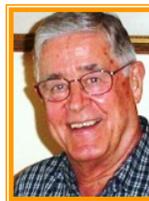
month would work, we may be able to provide the opportunity, again please contact me.

An activity to be organized this summer would be a family day with a barbeque. Is there someone interested in taking this on and organizing this afternoon activity. It would be held at the Junior Club, swimming, sailing, tennis, pot luck dinner. Could be a lot of fun.

Looking forward to another great summer.

Tennis Report

by – Howdy Russell
Director, Tennis



This will be short because my term of office has been short, so far - 20 Days in fact. That doesn't do justice to the enthusiasm of the Tennis members of BYC, however. We held a Round-Robin Tournament of February 10th in the West Ottawa Bubble and followed it with a delicious Chili Dinner and brief Tennis Meeting at the Club.

Within a few weeks Tennis Members will receive the first of what will hopefully be continuing "BYC Tennis Bulletins" (by email) that will attempt to keep all Tennis Players aware of what is happening or scheduled to happen on the courts. If you would prefer not to receive them, just let me know at (HowdyRuss@Rogers.com). If I don't have your current email address, you will not receive this Tennis News, so please keep me up-to-date.

The court re-surfacing project is advancing, and when we get firm dates from the contractor, I'll be sure to include them in the Bulletin.

Spring is one month ahead, so see you on the courts – SOON!



Food & Beverage

by – Agnar Johanson
Director,
Food & Beverage
Chair, Marketing
Committee



Thank you members for electing me to your Board and to Paul Moore and Jim Johnston for all the work they did in bringing the Food and Beverage operation to its current level. At the first meeting of your new Board of Directors on January 21, I was given the mandate for both Food and Beverage and Marketing. I hope that through my Portfolio and as a member of your Board I will be able to deliver on my election objective of assisting “the Board in bringing better management practices to the Club’s operations, improve the Board’s oversight functions and ensure that our club more effectively meets the needs and wishes of its members.”

The Food & Beverage portfolio has been quite active. The composition of my Committee was approved by the Board on Jan. 21 with members Jane Agnew, Sandy Nash, Gail Snuggs, Michael Bridal and Rick Braden, a very talented and dedicated group. We are committed to helping our Manager meet the challenge of providing members with the price and quality they deserve, while at the same time ensuring that the operation, especially “outside events”,

helps bring financial stability to the BYC.

To date the Committee, with able assistance from our Manager, has extensively reviewed the Food and Beverage operation and its results. We are now in a position to better understand the operation, assist with improvements and ensure its effectiveness and financial contribution to BYC. A lot has been achieved and some improvements in returns will soon materialize, augmenting the efforts of the Manager and his staff.

The Marketing portfolio is a new addition to my responsibilities on the Board. Although I have asked for volunteers for the Marketing Committee, to date only one has declared himself, Ryan Benson. Hence, we have decided to run both Committees with the combined membership, notwithstanding the differing mandates. I hope to receive a lot of assistance and insight from other Board members whose portfolio (such as Membership, Harbour and Tennis) requires marketing services in order to deliver their mandate for growth and improvement.

It is very important that you as members of the Club realize that you must also play your part in making our club a success. Examples of how you can personally contribute to our marketing and financial needs are:

- > convince your friends and acquaintances to join the Club;
- > use the Club’s Food and Beverage facilities;
- > invite your friends and neighbors to join you at the Club;
- > spread the word about our facility and how wonderful it is for holding events such as meetings, weddings, parties, etc.;
- > take every opportunity to let people know that we are not just “sailing”, but tennis and social too;
- > if you hear of a sailor looking for a berth, let them know about BYC;
- > treat old and new members as if they were part of your family - we need to change the membership erosion to growth;

> let’s all be positive about our Club - we have a lot to be proud of.

I look forward to seeing each of you at the Club. There are a number of wonderful events happening at BYC and our Manager and his competent staff will strive to make your visits most enjoyable.



OBITUARY FOR THE BYC BRIDGE CLUB

From - Jane Craig

The bridge club at BYC has met for over 40 years, but on December 6, 2007, it met for the last time. We had a very good dinner and played bridge, but it was a bittersweet moment.

Approximately 40 years ago some members, including Cora Lewis, Lois Ball and Irenus Mix, began to play bridge in the Senior’s lounge. In the winter they played in various homes. Jim Miles was one of the very early members.

After it was going for a couple of years, John and Beth Hodgson joined in. John was an accredited duplicate bridge director and led the group until 1982, when he retired and left Ottawa. Jim Miles took over the position at that time and has kept things going ever since.

There were as many as nine tables an evening in the Club’s heyday and the Christmas party dinners would have up to 50 participants.

I am going to miss my Wednesday evenings, especially in the summer, when it was often difficult to concentrate on the cards with that beautiful sunset outdoors.

**Maybe it will start up again
some day**



BOARD PORTFOLIOS, COMMITTEES and OTHER APPOINTEES -2008

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 Chair - Mooring Allocation Committee
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 Chair - Sailing Committee
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 Director, Agnar Johanson - Food and Beverage,
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 Chair - Marketing Committee
 Director, Clark Cada - Youth, Learn to Sail
 Director, Wilf Pilsworth - House and Grounds
 Director, Tennis - Howdy Russell
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Sailing Committee - Chair - Rob Braden

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Manager), Kirk Robertson (Protest Chair/Co-Handicapper), Joan Yuile (Sailing Instructions/Trophy Keeper), Trevor Nightingale (Recording Secretary). Sub-Committees: Lynn DeL'Orme (National Capital Regatta), Kevin Kubusheski (Safety Officer)

Food and Beverage Committee -

Chair - Agnar Johanson
 Jane Agnew, Sandy Nash, Gail Snuggs,
 Michael Bridal, Rick Braden

Pilot Dock Program -

George Clayburn, Principal in Charge
 Mooring Allocation - Don Creelman
 Project Manager/Procurement - Allan School
 Funding - Bill Lumsdon

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 Linda Boucher
 Colin Blandy Fund -
 Chair, Kevin Frost,
 Beverly Brown, Bill Fuller
 Breakfast Club -
 Chair - Rick Braden



PRÉCIS OF COMMODORE'S REPORT TO THE 2007 AGM by – John Irvin

I would like to pay tribute to two members celebrating their one hundredth (100) birthdays this year - Past Commodore Allan Jacques and Ralph (Binnie) Sneyd.

The past two years have been successful and busy times for the Club. Let me highlight some of the achievements.

- we continue to make progress towards the bottom line, despite having invested \$50k in improvements this year,
- food and beverage service is a continuing success in terms of service and quality, and increased outside events are helping us a great deal financially,
- work done this Fall means the EE wall will be complete and serviceable next season, the sluice gates were improved, and the groundwork has been done to allow removal of the boiler in the Spring,
- a contract has been let to resurface four courts and a children's play area – the old court 1 – next may or June,
- there was significant improvement in on-the-water race management this year. Next year will need to focus on results and record keeping at a similar level,
- plans are being drafted for improvement of the existing finger docks in LN and LS areas, and the installation of others along the East wall using our existing infrastructure,
- subject to what happens later in the meeting; we hope to have a pilot project installing new finger docks in one or two areas of the harbour. The location will be determined by a new Mooring Allocation Committee,
- the Dinghy Shed has been reorganized and storage racks installed to allow members to store dinghies. This will generate additional revenue,
- a new and attractive main entrance to the Club has been built,
- social programs and events have again become the heartbeat of the Club. A selection of events for all members has proved extremely popular, and it's great to see families making use of the new facilities and having fun,
- the practice of billing members who fail to show up for Security Duty has resulted in \$2400 being billed this year.

Thanks to Charles Marshall, two new boats will be purchased for the Junior Program.

Volunteerism continues to be an important facet of our Club. From the Breakfast Club to the Beautification Committee, to work parties, haulout and launch crews, we say many thanks for your efforts.

We have continued to have friendly relations with our neighbours at NSC, and have forged links with the other local clubs through the establishment of a Commodores' Council.

I think the Club looks better, is more fun to be at, and is financially more solid than it was two years ago. Your Board has worked very hard. Our staff, directed by Manager Paul Moore, continues to double their efforts. Thank you Mark Walton for getting the financial records in good shape, Andrew Furey for your strong work in the Harbour, and Robert for your genius in the kitchen. Support staff like Glen, Chris, Jordan, Carland and the many part-timers help us enjoy and appreciate our Club.

In closing, thanks to those who advised me, supported me, and also those who complained legitimately about things we need to put right – BYC is better for your input. Thanks for the opportunity to serve BYC – it has been rewarding.

RATIONALE FOR MOORING SYSTEM CHANGES

From – Don Creelman, Harbourmaster

Present System

The present basis for mooring fee calculations is unique to BYC – not to be found elsewhere. It is calculated by multiplying the allocated wall space by a price-per-foot that is determined annually by the Board of Directors (\$133 per foot this year). A 10 foot mooring costs \$1330 plus surcharge and 6% GST. The wall space is calculated by adding 2ft. to the beam of the boat (1.5ft. in the case of a 9ft. mooring) and rounding up to the nearest standard width specified in the Regulations – i.e. 9, 10, 12, 14 & 16ft. This is a practical formula for Mediterranean type moorings. In commercial marinas the fee is whatever the market will bear, or whatever the competition is charging – usually based on the length of the boat.

At BYC - where mooring fees include winter storage, cradle and trailer storage, launch and haulout services, and the use of ramps, cranes, pumpout and shore water, electrical power, and space for dock boxes, yacht tenders, etc. (all enumerated in Section 3.2 of Club Regulations) – the harbour wall measure is a very practical basis for calculation. It has one great merit – it is simple!

The advantages are:

- 1) moorings are easy to measure
- 2) allocations are easy to keep track of
- 3) fee adjustments are easy
- 4) it is seen by members as fair.

Harbour Expenses

From a cost standpoint, the bigger the boat the more expense it incurs for the Club. Heavy boats require larger cranes, heavier lifting straps and frames and longer crane time for launch and haulout. The length of a boat (up to a point) does not affect the in-water cost of the mooring, but displacement and windage does dictate how heavy the concrete anchor must be (heavy boats usually require two concrete disks).

If we consider the cost of yard space (taxes, NCC fees, lawn maintenance, etc.) we could justify a charge for the footprint of winter storage of boats, masts and dinghies, and storage for cradles and trailers. The length x width x price/square foot would be the calculation. We already have an arbitrary fee for cradles that are not folded (see fee Schedule 3 attached), and we have initiated an indoor storage charge for small boats in the Dinghy Shed (again not based on per square foot of floor space).

Other large harbour cost items are yard crew salaries, maintenance and amortization of the tractor and truck, plus a host of miscellaneous expenses such as garbage pick-up, comfort station rental, maintenance of cranes, sewage pump, water and fuel systems, electrical service, docks and ramps, mooring chains and buoys. If you go to the Nepean Sailing Club's website you will see a schedule of fees for many different services that we include in the all-in-one mooring fee. You can see that our all-in-one fee greatly reduces the administrative and accounting effort required to manage it.

Proposed Changes

As presently constituted the mooring fee calculation has some inequities that need to be addressed. The most serious problem with it is that a boat with an 8'-0" beam may be moored in a 10ft. mooring (\$1330.30 this year), whereas a boat with an 8'-1" beam must be assigned a 12ft. mooring (costing \$1596.44 - \$266.07 more plus surcharge and GST). The Harbourmaster could easily "squeeze" the second boat into a 10ft. mooring "to optimize space within the harbour" (Section 3.2.4 of the Regs), but this leaves the system open to abuse. On the other hand, the extra \$266 charged for the one inch larger beam is patently not fair.

The Harbour Committee has proposed some changes that would make the system more equitable. If we add 2 feet to the actual beam of the boat (measured if necessary) and multiply by the established rate-per-foot, this year the 8'-1" beam would pay \$133.03 = \$1340.94 (8.08ft. + 2ft.) as compared to \$1596.44 under the present system.

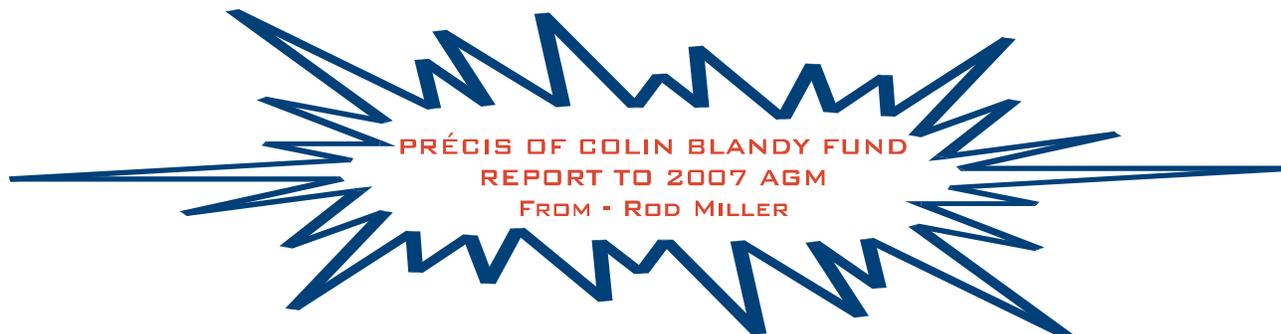
The down side of this scheme is that the total mooring fee revenue would decrease. The Committee has estimated \$15,000 reduction in revenue.

As the Club could not afford such a decrease, it is proposed that a 5% increase in the rate would offset the decrease, i.e. the increased rate would be \$139.68 (\$146.66 with GST), and the increase in the cost of a 10ft. mooring would be \$66.43 (plus surcharge and GST).

As the proposed change would be revenue neutral, the impact of this fee change would be negligible for most boat owners – the higher rate being applied to a smaller mooring space. Those whose mooring space does not change will pay 5% more, but those in a space that is too big would pay less. Those who are now improperly moored in a space that is too small will pay substantially more. In addition, if it is necessary to assign a temporary mooring that is too large for the boat, the owner would not be penalized. If, however, the owner wants more manoeuvring room a larger space (if available) could be assigned and billed accordingly. Two other

schemes have been presented to the Board, but no decision has been taken as yet. If boat owners have other suggestions they could leave a written note at the Club Office or send an email.

It may be argued that the proposed change will make the task of physically marking off the moorings more complicated. It could also be argued that it will make it easier to change the harbour distribution and marking.



The Colin Blandy Fund is the only vehicle that the Club uses to support our young, competitive sailors. The money for the Fund is generated through the voluntary donations by the Members, and is listed on the membership invoice. We also receive personal donations from members. Once again this year we received a donation of \$100 from Vernie Foy in memory of Past Commodore Gordon Foy and in remembrance of his distinctive contribution to youth sailing at Britannia.

In 2007 the membership voluntarily donated \$5,200. This plus a bank balance of \$600 gave us a total of \$5,800, with which the Committee was able to support – to varying degrees – all five applications received.

► **Peter Soosaloo and Nicholas Kreuger** won the right to represent Canada in the World Youth Championships in Kingston in July. The qualifying round was held in February in Sarasota Florida. They continued on into the rest of the summer placing 3rd in the Youth National Championships and finishing 7th overall in the 29er North American Championships.

► **Taylor Cada**, a member of the Junior Program Racing Team, successfully fulfilled his program outline and satisfied his coaches and himself that his competitive sailing had improved.

► **Kristyn Hope** balanced her racing by teaching sailing and training in the heavy airs of Kingston. In her summary of her summer there are a couple of quotes that I would like to share with the membership that are indicative of the frustrations and the value of the relatively small, but significant, role that the Blandy Fund fills: “I continue to be frustrated by the absence of full-time coaching and training partners to assist my program,” She goes on to state that the training infrastructure improves at the Canadian Sailing Team level. One last quote from Kristyn – “This contribution has made it possible for me to improve my ISAF ranking to 96th”.

► **Rob Frost and Thomas Arbuckle** have set out a program in the 49er Class to represent Canada and Britannia in the 2012 Olympics. After a frustrating start to the season, a new boat and a stringent training endeavour this summer ended on a high note with an excellent showing in the September CORK regatta.

The cost and effort these young sailors and their families put out is worthy of all the support we can muster. Blandy support is limited, but the administration of the Yacht Club should support any initiative that these young sailors are willing to try (legally).

One last note from Rob Frost's summary – “Over the summer, in our first year of training and competing we spent over \$20,000, most of which was out of our own pockets.”

I hope you can see that these young people are dedicated to competitive sailing and are certainly worthy of our support.

On behalf of the members of BYC I would like to extend our congratulations to these sailors on their results this summer. On behalf of our young competitive sailors I thank the members for your generous and continuous support.



APPLICATIONS FOR COLIN BLANDY FUND 2008

The Colin Blandy Fund was established in 1977 by members of the Britannia Yacht Club to provide financial assistance to young BYC members who are committed to a competitive sailing program with Olympic aspirations.

Interested members are invited to submit their applications, in writing, and addressed to the Colin Blandy Olympic Fund and are being received up until 5:00 p. m. Monday, April 28, 2008, at the Club Office.

Eligibility Criteria:

1. Membership in good standing at BYC in the year immediately preceding the award year;
2. Twenty-five years of age or younger during the award year;
3. Demonstrated interest in competitive sailing;
4. Prepared to make a commitment, in writing, to engage in a competitive sailing and/or a challenging training program during the award year;
5. Has submitted a written application before the cut-off date of April 28, 2008.

Applications will be judged on:

1. Previous sailing experience;
2. Demonstrated excellence in competitive sailing and;
3. A sail training development program outline for the award year, which should include plans to attend several major regattas outside of Ottawa.

All applications MUST BE accompanied by the development program to which the applicant is prepared to commit their effort.

No application will be considered unless is a legible address and phone number included.

Successful applicants will be required to provide the Trustees with a written outline of their training and racing activities at the end of the 2008 racing season.

More information can be obtained from any of the following Trustees of the Fund:

Chair - Kevin Frost	-	613-253-1830
Beverley Brown	-	613-828-6074
Bill Fuller	-	613-831-2038

... **NEWS FROM BYTOWN BRIGANTINE**

From Mary Acton-Bond
Education Coordinator
Bytown Brigantine

We are so pleased to keep you in the loop about what is going on here at Bytown Brigantine. We are in full swing getting ready for the 2008 sailing season. Below is a personal reflection written by one of our crew members Anna Soens about the past summer. We hope you enjoy the read as much as we did.

“Change can be so constant you don’t even feel the difference until there is one. Or it can just blow you away; make you something different in an instant.” - Life as a House (2001).

There are moments in your life that forever change you. Moments that mold you. They can be as simple as a sunset, redefining your perception of beauty, as consequential as overcoming your fear of heights, dissolving inner limitations when you discover that you can do the impossible. Or they can be as significant and unexpected as overcoming sudden misfortune. This past summer has been a huge learning experience, and a source of great personal growth and discovery for everyone involved. It certainly exceeded most normal conceptions of the meaning of excitement, pushing people beyond their boundaries and testing the very spirit of Bytown Brigantine. Events that had the potential to damage the program have instead strengthened it. I have been awed by what has been left in the wake of everything that has happened this year – through storms, hospitals, floods, and fire. Where the average person may have given up or broken down, captain, crew and office have instead proved their strength and perseverance. After weeks of long days working and even shorter nights sleeping, we’ve come out with new stories to tell, new friendships to cherish, and a rekindled dedication to the ships that we love. Our skin is now tougher, and our heads held higher.

I have witnessed kids flourish under the sails of Black Jack and Fair Jeanne; seen them challenged physically, mentally, and emotionally. And after adapting and growing, have heard them say they feel like they’re able to conquer the world. Because of it all, year after year, I get the most gratifying feeling being a part of it. Summer is almost here! - The Bytown Brigantine summer registration is now open. With the new launch of our web site we are certainly off to a great 2008 (www.tallshipsadventures.org)! This season we are offering programs of varying lengths to fit everyone’s schedule. Both Fair Jeanne and Black Jack are staying close to home, with the Black Jack voyaging on the Ottawa River and the Fair Jeanne making trips out of Kingston and Brockville.

Winter Program Events - Our winter program has been running now for four months with youth gathering at the Bytown Head Office every other weekend. From restoring boats, to learning how to fight fires, making toboggans and winter camping, we’re keeping busy on and off our ships. The youth of Bytown Brigantine are currently fundraising for the Great Expedition that will take place in late June, where a group of 14 youth will voyage in one of our two 27’ navy whalers by sail and oar from Kingston to Ottawa through the historic Rideau Canal. The trip is meant to be an expedition ‘for youth-planned by youth’. We have a couple of members of the Yacht Club get involved volunteering this winter, thank you very much.

Summer Sailing Adventures - There will be 5 youth voyages on Black Jack this summer where the “Pirates of the River” will once again take to the river under the command of Jason McNaught. We would love to have more participants from the BYC get involved with the Bytown Brigantine program.

There is still space in 2 youth voyages on Fair Jeanne for the summer. We are offering longer voyages this year on Fair Jeanne so that the participants are able to fully immerse themselves in the *NEW* Adult Voyages this Summer!

Bytown Brigantine is doing something different this year; we are offering 3 adult voyages. There will be two trips in June and one in September. It is a great opportunity for like-minded adults to get together and enjoy a week they won’t soon forget.





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This beautiful boat has been well cared for and meticulously maintained. Fresh water Great Lakes sailed boat, residing at BYC. This boat has never seen salt water!

Engine: Yanmar; LOA: 35'; LWL: 31'1"; Draft: 5';
 Fuel: 24 gallons; Water: 100 gallons; Holding: 15
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 with Winglets;

Bruce anchor with 25' of chain & 150' of rode;
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Asking \$108,000

Contact: Chris Ellsay 613-729-6476 or

Email: 352Oceanis@gmail.com (1)

C&C 27 Mk. III - CARPE DIEM - 1976

Mechanical: Atomic 4, Marine deep discharge
 Batteries (Aug 07), Flex-O-Fold folding prop (Apr 05);
 Sails: Doyle 155 Radial cut Genoa (Apr '06), Doyle F/B
 main (Apr '06), spinnaker, gennaker, kevlar #3 jib; Hood
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Hull: Interprotect 2000 (ca 1996), VC17, Polyglo
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 stove, JVC CD/FM player, Uniden Marine VHF, Jabsco
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Atomic IV, 7 sails, twin head foil, dodger,
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Contact Leonard Landry for more details.

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Email leonard.landry@statcan.ca (3)

AJAX 28 – "NAN-SHE" - 1978

18 HP Perkins M20 diesel (1991)

2 x 12v batteries 115v shore connection and marine
 battery charger. Two settee berths and V-berths
 forward of head. Teak throughout. Rigged for single
 handed operation: Fully battened main and lazy
 jacks with Harken windward sheeting traveller;
 100% jib and 150% Genoa with Hood Seafurl 700
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2 burner alcohol stove and rail BBQ.

Folding cradle; recent survey; Lying at
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Contact: Jeff Cronin. 613 692 6273

E mail: croninj@3web.net (3)

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2005 Survey. Steel Folding Cradle, Genoa, Working
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Email: Frederik.herrndorf@sympatico.ca (3)

HUGHES 29 – "SLOOP JOHN B"

Blue hull, excellent "sailer".

Draws 4' 6"; inboard engine; sleeps 5+. Enclosed
 head. Wheel steering. Solid fiberglass; anchor; sails;
 sheets; cradle; stove; icebox; compass; clock;
 barometer; cockpit cushions; 110V electrical ship to
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12 h.p. Yanmar Diesel; Steel Folding Cradle; 8ft
 tender c/w; 2 h.p. Seagull Outboard Engine; 2
 Anchors - 1 Danforth, 1 Folding; Head w/ sink; VHF
 Radio; 2 Burner alcohol stove; 4 Sails including
 spinnaker; Compass; Depth finder; Clock;
 Barometer; Rail mounted BBQ;. 2005 Survey
 available.

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Contact D.M. Norman Home 613-829-1052 (3)

C&C 29 MK1 - TALON D'OR II - 1977

2004 survey. Comfortable cruiser/racer, atomic 4,
 10 ½ ft beam. Two jibs and spinnaker. Two piece
 Genco winter cover with Keeble frame. Excellent
 steel folding cradle. Sleeps 5, teak interior w/teak &
 holly floor. Nav table, gimballed propane stove, oven
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Asking \$29,000.

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Between the Sheets

NEWS FOR RACERS AND CRUISERS

January - April 2008

"The first rule of iceboating: In the event the wind dies, never sail further than you are willing to walk across a cold, frozen lake" - Anon

DON'T FORGET

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SPRING SAILORS' MEETING.....Sun. Mar. 30

RACE MANAGEMENT SEMINAR...Sat&Sun. April 5/6

FLEET CAPTAIN'S REPORT

by - Rob Braden



As one turns the page on the calendar to March, one's mind switches from thinking about snow to the coming sailing season. Before you know it, you'll be planning work parties to get the boat ready for launch.

The Sailing Committees at both clubs have been hard at work, getting everything ready for the coming season. After endless revisions, the SI's are almost ready due, in a large part, to the indispensable Joan Yuile.

This summer it is going to be very busy on the water. The regular regattas, National Capital, Easter Seals, NOD etc. will be joined this year by the Ontario Summer Games being held out of NSC and by the Canadian Shark Championships held out of BYC. David O'Sullivan petitioned and won the right for us to hold this 'counter' Shark regatta at our club this year - a real feather in our cap.

David will be looking for some help in getting it set up and then in the running of the event. We are putting together a sponsorship package we hope will attract some serious dollars to fund the event, so we expect it will be a fun event to be a part of, whether you are on the water or just down to enjoy the social scene at the Club during the event.

If anyone has something or some expertise that will add to attractiveness of the package or with the marketing end of the regatta, do contact either David or myself.

It is my intention to create more opportunity for dinghy sailing at our club over my tenure as Fleet Captain. The Sailing Committee and I have some

ideas in the works that will help to create access for youth and adults to get out in a dinghy this summer. One of these is to create a small Laser Fleet out of 2nd hand Lasers.

Do you own, or do you know someone who owns, a Laser that has been wasting away up at a cottage? One with which you might be convinced to part. I will set up a volunteer group to restore the boats to working condition. There are lots of loose ends yet to be resolved, but the idea is to make them available to full Club members to use. Sailing a Laser is a lot of fun, even addictive, and the more that try them out; the more we will see newer boats coming back to the harbour.

The JAM courses have been very busy in the last couple of years. We are looking at ways to help newer racers gain more experience. Are you a racer with a lot of experience that might be willing to sail a couple of races this year on a boat with a crew that is looking for tips on how they might improve their performance? Are you a keen racer who would like to look at ways to improve your performance? Speak up, we could find some good synergy here. After all, BYC is a friendly club.

Last but not least, don't forget to attend the Spring Sailors' Meeting on Sunday, March 30. The usual race registration and PHRF renewal will take place. Come out and support the Breakfast Club first, then we'll meet at 12:30 after that.



**TIME TO
PLAN YOUR
SUMMER HOLIDAYS**

**2008 CRUISE WEEK
July 6 - 12**

SHARK BITES

by – David O'Sullivan, Shark Rep.



By the time you read this the sailing season will be right around the corner, so it's time to stop thinking about hibernation and start thinking about SHARK SAILING!

Last year was a successful year all around for Ottawa-based Sharks. Johan Koppernaes, Michael Lee and Doug Brown on "Shark Poop" came a very close 2nd in the Shark World Championships held in Austria. They were a couple of points away from winning their 3rd straight World Championship.

Myself, David Foy and Jamie Foy won the "Shark of the Year" honours along with the North American Shark Championships held in Kingston. Also, we were recognized by the city of Ottawa where David Foy won in the Individual Sport Award category for Sailing and we as a crew won in the Team Sport category. It was a truly wonderful evening at the Ottawa Sports Awards and we thank all who have supported us!

If last year wasn't good enough then this year you can rest assured it will be equally as exciting, if not better, as Britannia will be hosting the Capital City Canadian Shark Championships! June 7th and 8th will be the weekend when you can expect 30 plus Sharks to invade the water of the Ottawa River. Please come on out and support your club and let's make this an event to remember.

For those of you who are unsure about racing the event, it is a GREAT opportunity to come and learn from what the best the fleet has to offer.

For those of you who will not be racing please come down to the Club and lend your support - the Shark Fleet has always been known for it's warm, friendly and festive gatherings. For those of you who are looking to volunteer for the event (we need all the help we can get) please contact me at your earliest convenience (david_osullivan@rogers.com). I would love to hear from you!

As usual, if I can help in anyway to get your boat on the start line please do not hesitate to contact me or any member of the Crazy Ivan crew.

See you in the Spring!



DINGHY REPORT

by – Rob Frost, Dinghy Rep.



With the sailing getting closer and closer it's time

to really start gearing up for the upcoming season. Last year the dinghy racing proved to be on the rise with the most boats we've seen out on the starting line in years. We hope to continue the growth and increase the level of competitiveness among the fleet again this year.

This upcoming season poises to continue some great competitiveness for the dinghy sailors of the Club, with numerous sailors competing on an elite level. Kristyn Hope in the Laser Radial Class has been busy working towards earning a spot with the Canadian Sailing team, as well as Tom Arbuckle and myself, in the 49er class. Peter Soosalu has also made the move up to the 49er this season and is continuing to campaign the 29er, retaining his place on the Canadian Youth Sailing Team. In the Laser class Sam Fuller and Rob Hemming look to continue their strong competitiveness at numerous regattas this season. As well there are numerous up and coming young sailors at the Club that are on track to continue keeping Britannia a strong leader in dinghy competition around the province, the country and internationally. So keep your eyes open watching for some results over the summer.

The High Performance Team is running again this season in conjunction with the Silver Program, but with increased training and competing, so if you are interested in the High Performance Team and its program don't hesitate to ask myself (rfrost@lakeheadu.ca) or Clark Cada (casacada@sympatico.ca).



WINDSURFING REPORT

By – Suzanne Roberge, Windsurfing Rep.



Happy new year to all! I hope you are having a good winter doing your favourite sports or just relaxing. Spring and summer will be here before we know it. We hope anyway...

Are you ready? Is your equipment ready? The sailing calendar says we start Wednesday night racing on May 28th. Also, this year, we are adding two more weeks to our season, extending it into September.

The fleet now has two people with an RS:X, Rick and Andrew. But we still need more racers out there. If you know someone who used to race, even if they have an old board, tell them about our racing program.

Alors... à bientôt sur l'eau!



C&C 27 REPORT

by – Konrad Lewinski



Well, in just over two months we'll be out racing One-Design again. I look forward to seeing last year's participants again this year, and hopefully some of the new 27's in the club, as well as other club boats make the leap into this most exciting racing fleet! Despite the age of our boats, we all have a great time preparing them for line honours every Thursday night.

For the second year we encourage those C&C 27's that have traditionally done JAM to come out for the Spring Series to get a taste of One-Design racing. The use of Spinnakers is not a requirement to see how your boat and crew stack up, at least for the first upwind leg, and judging form the interesting hourglass hoists, blown jibes and squirrely take downs, a well sailed JAM boat can at least expect a mid-fleet finish on nights when the breeze is up, as it usually is for the Spring Series.

See you on the line!

JAMMING WITH BRIAN

by - Brian Hargadon, JAM Rep.

We are still looking at ways to increase the numbers in our JAM fleet and come up with ideas for information sessions for participants and prospects of this Fleet. There have been communications between Nepean and ourselves, however, nothing has been firmed up as yet.

There is a Race Management course being put together for April 5th and 6th and you will hear more about that as I obtain the details.

By the way, if you have never had any e mails from me and you are sailing in the JAM Fleet, it probably

means I don't have your correct e mail address. If you send it to me at the address given below, then I'll include you on the list.

brian_hargadon@sympatico.a

CHICKS' CHATTER

by – Mary Jaekl, Women's Rep.

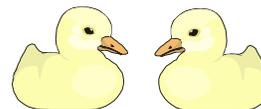


Hurray! Only three months to go before our first starting gun on May 26th!

The next Ottawa Women's Interclub meeting will be at Nepean Sailing Club on March 13th at 7:00pm. We're planning to talk about the 2008 Racing Schedule, Sailing Instructions and the upcoming Women and Wind Seminar on April 12th.

Ladies - do you love sailing? Have you ever thought of racing? The Women and Wind Seminar is a great chance to get acquainted with fellow women sailors who "took the plunge".

Is there a burning topic of interest on your mind? Do you know (or are you) someone who would be a great speaker? Would you like to volunteer to help organize the event? Please contact me (mary@itdepartment.com) to let me know and don't forget to mark your calendars for both events!



2008 SPRING SAILORS' MEETING

SUNDAY, MARCH 30

12:30 P.M.

**PHRF-LO REGISTRATION
REGISTER FOR RACING**

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Britannia Yacht Club Activities Calendar

March 2008

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	
Office Hours: Open Mon. to Fri. 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.					1	2 Breakfast Club	
Bar Hours: Wed. & Fri. - 4:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. Sunday - 11:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.					Food services: Light meals available when bar is open		
3	4	5 Movie Night	6	7	8	9 Breakfast Club	
					New Moon	Daylight Saving Time Begins	
10	11	12 Movie Night	13	14 Friday Buffet	15 St. Patrick's Day Dinner & Party	16 Breakfast Club	
					INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY First Quarter		
17 	18	19 Movie Night	20 	21 GOOD FRIDAY	22	23 	
St. Patrick's Day						Full Moon	EASTER SUNDAY BRUNCH
24	25	26 Movie Night	27	28 Friday Buffet	29	30 Breakfast Club	
EASTER MONDAY					Last Quarter		
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Britannia Yacht Club Activities Calendar

April 2008

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Food services: Light meals always available when bar is open						
	1	2 Movie Night	3	4	5	6 Breakfast Club
					Race Management Seminar with Irene McNeil	
					New Moon	
7	8	9 Movie Night	10	11 Friday Night Buffet	12	13 Last Breakfast Club
						First quarter
14	15	16 Movie Night	17	18	19	20
					PASSOVER	Full Moon
21	22	23	24	25 Friday Night Buffet	26	27
28	29	30				
Last quarter						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday