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Lily Owers skippers Dad's Dragon "Solveig"
with Dad as crew - note foot on tiller.***

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FOREWORD

This issue of Full & By is devoted primarily to the publication of the 2012 Annual Report from each Director, except that of the Commodore.

The Commodore's Report will be delivered at the 2012 Annual General Meeting.

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NOTICE OF 2012 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Take notice that Annual General Meeting of the Britannia Yacht Club for the purpose of receiving the report of the Commodore; the audited financial statement; and the reports of the Auditors for the past fiscal year; the election of Officers and Directors for the ensuing year; the appointment of the Auditors for the year 2013, and any other Yacht Club business as may be properly brought before the meeting will be held in the Clubhouse on **Wednesday, December 12, 2012.**

SCHEDULE

1700 HRS - BAR OPENS
1900 HRS - **PROMPTLY** - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Dated at Ottawa this 19th day of September 2012

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Vice Commodore's Annual Report

by – John Morrow, Harbourmaster



The sailing season of 2012 will be recalled as one of the warmest on record, combined with unusually strong winds despite the heat. The activities commenced in the harbour with correcting docks that were displaced by the winter ice. A successful launch with the mobile crane was achieved due to the acumen and ability of the crew bosses; Roger Woeller, Kirk Robertson, Andrew Furey and Kim Moffatt. Several vessels that had been blocked in the fall on Mauve Cove were launched at a later date due to owner's preference so they could work on their boats. The new hydraulic trailer and crane made this option possible.

I want to thank Paul Moore, Andrew Furey, Denny Foy and Kirk Robertson for monitoring the water levels and ensuring the gate was installed while I was away sailing in Tahiti. As in previous years, the water levels have been a concern, particularly for those boats with a greater draft, to navigate within the harbour. The low water levels, hazards and multiple deficient mooring pads poised a challenge for all boat owners this summer. Thank you to all boat owners that graciously accommodated my request to move slips to help others to be able to sail.

As a continuation of the Crane Project, the ramp at the south crane was filled in to make it level and the berm north of the Dinghy Shed will be removed to improve accessibility for this area during haulout. For most boats this year, under 12,000 lbs., haulout will take place with the new crane and hydraulic trailer and any boats over this weight will be hauled out using a mobile crane on October 20, 2012. The harbour gate is projected to be installed on October 22, 2012.

The multi-year harbour maintenance program that was approved at last year's Special General Meeting, is being initialized this fall in collaboration with the Planning Committee. The passageway or channel to the Inner Harbour will be repaired of structural deficiencies using the capital funds from 2012 and 2013 that were dedicated to this project. As a part of the project, the harbour will be drained to expedite the repairs. At the same time, redundant mooring pads, hazards and obstructions in the sluice gates will be removed.

Andrew and the yard crew have been diligent in moving abandoned and stored vessels to the east end of the property. By relocating these boats to their present location, more prime storage space for cradles and boats is available closer to the cranes. The abandoned boats are slated for auction at the end of September. At the same time they have been cleaning and disposing of scrap lumber and unused storage devices. In August, several of the water logged wooden docks were hauled out and disposed of. The crew also spent considerable time cleaning up and tidying the grounds in preparation for the 125th Anniversary. Thank you to Rod Miller and his Organization Committee and to all boat owner's for their help in making the grounds and harbour clean and tidy.

Frazier Electric has been used several times over the course of the season to address navigational aids, harbour lighting and electrical outlets to improve safety. As well, caps have been put on all safety ladders in the harbour thanks to Yannis Fainecos.

Finally, I would like to thank the members of the Harbour Committee, Steve Glover, Kirk Robertson, Kevin Bundy, George Clayburn, John Vines, and Dan Wideman for their commitment, input and time to ensure that the priorities of the harbour are being addressed.



Rear Commodore's Annual Report

by - Kelly Lyon, Projects



*H*ello friends! It's been another busy year of progress at the Club. How busy you ask? The other day I sat down to look over our master list of Capital and Maintenance Projects, and of the 40 projects that are on the list, some of the recent accomplishments to highlight (in no particular order) are as follow:

- Replace South Side Crane
- Purchase Hydraulic Trailer
- Fill in Ramp at South Side crane
- Replace Senior Clubhouse West Wall & Podium
- Reinstall Air-Conditioning in Sunset Room
- Repair Exterior and Interior Harbour Walls
- Retain Services of a Grant Expert
- Augment Finger Dock Inventory in Main Harbour
- Replace Sailing School Coach Boat
- Repair bridge to outer harbour break wall
- Replace Second Floor Carpet
- Replace First Floor Carpet
- Install Wheelchair Accessible Clubhouse Door
- Construct Dry Sail Area at North Crane
- Replace Half-ton Truck
- Augment Dragon Lounge Furniture
- Repair Boardroom Floor
- Install new BYC Sign at Main Entrance
- Remove Marine Railway Winch
- Fix Number Plates to Harbour Boards
- Replace Patio Furniture
- Replace Fireplace in the Boardroom
- Move BYC archive material off-site to a climate controlled storage facility

Over half of the projects on the master list have been completed - and then some - in cases where safety issues took precedence. Each of these projects came with their own challenges given the age of our two clubhouses, and the harbour.

Still on the horizon for this year is a second new furnace to replace the aging one for the Senior Clubhouse, and a rebuild of the east wall at the harbour cut.

Our biggest project to date - the West Wall Rehabilitation - is now complete, and it is a sight to behold. The new architectural design that was planned for and built has surprised us with some issues, and we continue to work with our building contractor to make the building weather tight. Planning and designing for the East Wall, including a new wheelchair accessible elevator, is underway.

Change is a good thing, and when I look around the Club, I see plenty of it. Best wishes to you and yours as our exciting 125th year winds down!



Fleet Captain's Annual Report

by – Wendy Smith



As I write this year's Annual Report I have Queen's Park afternoon fresh in my mind. 29 boats on the start line for a beautiful afternoon race. The wind was hard to find for the first leg up to the mark, but then everyone had a nice downwind ride back to the mark. Congratulations to Halcyon for taking first place. It was a classic day on the Ottawa River. This year has been a very busy one on the water and I hope all who raced had a fun summer.

Once again the Women & Wind seminar was well attended with excellent feedback. The women's fleet has grown to 24 boats this season, including four boats from Aylmer making it a true interclub fleet. Kudos to all the women on the line, and to the men who sponsor the second fleet through on-water coaching week after week.

Flexibility in launch dates allowed racers the time they needed to get boats into the water, and with the water level and no need for harbour gates the season got off to a start on schedule.

The Race Committee started the summer with a brand new motor on the mark set boat. The old motor had given many more years than ever expected, but for the safety of the RC, as well as for the benefit of the racing program, investment was made into a new motor. Plans are made to replace the Bob Ross motor next year which will again increase the efficiency of the Race Committee.

The Interclub Long Distance series is a combined score of 5 weekend races. Congratulations to Kokopelli who finishes first in the JAM fleet, and to Thumper finishing first in the PHRF fleet. A strong turnout in Quyon and then Mohr island gave racers lots of practice looking for wind up and down the river.

Tuesday and Thursday race nights are always hotly contested, and this year we have had great weather week after week with just a few races blown off due to weather.

The 125th Anniversary celebrations saw the 'big boats with full sails' race right in front of the clubhouse. There was good turnout on shore to watch the boats negotiate marks, and it's something your Sailing Committee will be considering again for next year.

In August BYC sent a proposal to the International Shark Class Association to host the Shark World Regatta in 2015. We were accepted as host club, so will be looking for volunteers to run the six day regatta in 2015, as well as the Shark Canadians in 2014.

This is my last of two seasons serving as Fleet Captain, and I would like to sincerely thank all of those who volunteered on the Sailing Committee this year. Joan Yuile, Suzanne Roberge, Al Malo, Kirk Roberston, David Watts, Malcolm McHattie, Jane Almond, Rob Braden, Sal Kahn, David Foy, and Bill Fuller.

On September 11th at the Fall Sailors' meeting the sailors elected Bill Fuller to serve as Fleet Captain for next year. I wish Bill great success and know he will do a fantastic job. Thank you all for the wonderful opportunity to serve on the Board.



Honorary Treasurer's Annual Report

by - Howland Russell

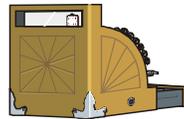


As you read this Annual Summary Report from the Treasurer, please keep in mind that you will receive a detailed and formal BYC Financial Report at the AGM; only financial highlights are included here.

Much of the good financial news from 2012 has already been passed to you via several Treasurer's Letters, but there is more –

BYC will complete its 2012 Fiscal Year on October 31st in good shape. Most noteworthy is that for the first time in over 5 years we will not carry forward an "Operating Loss." Why is that significant? No funds from 2013 will be committed to paying the balance of 2012 expenses. In addition, as forecast, we have paid a substantial amount on the mortgage and completed the West Wall Restoration on schedule and on Budget! Funds have been allocated to Harbour Wall repairs from both 2012 and 2013 as directed by the 2011 AGM. Additionally, funds have been committed to completing the area surrounding the Fixed Crane. All in all, BYC has invested over \$400k in Capital improvement Projects during 2012 while keeping Mooring Fees stable. In 2013, Mooring Fees will again remain stable while membership Fees will rise only \$20 per member.

The key to keeping this momentum moving and growing in 2013 will be continued good management; continued high member participation; and continued growth in membership numbers.



Membership & Marketing Director's Annual Report

by - Mark Korchinski



After four years, I have decided this is my last term on the Board. I have worked with three excellent Commodores and many committed Directors to operate BYC as a multi-faceted business without losing focus on the best interest of members.

Membership is the backbone of BYC and our 125th Anniversary was a great success from this perspective. The combination of 1-month trial memberships and the 125th Membership Promotion has resulted in almost one hundred new senior members for the Club this year.

Marketing BYC to the community at large has been an ongoing priority, however, challenges remain to grow and retain membership during a time of intense competition for discretionary recreation dollars.

BYC has existed and thrived for 125 years and I have full confidence that the new Board will rise to the challenge.



House & Grounds Director's Annual Report

by – Janet Bayley



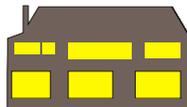
Over this past year many of you have worked hard to make the house and grounds of BYC look the best they have in many years. Much of the work focused on preparing for the celebrations of our 125th Anniversary and showcasing the Club to our members and the public. We are pleased with what was accomplished and the compliments received from members and visitors alike. A heartfelt thanks to all who volunteered their time and efforts.

Every year there is much to do cleaning, planting, painting, etc. to prepare our club for “the season” and for other projects throughout the year. Please share your skills and volunteer. Many hands make light work, meet new people, catch up with friends and take pride in what is accomplished. We are looking for new individuals to serve on the House and Grounds Committee and the Garden Subcommittee. Many of you do not wish to attend meetings but are willing to help – just let us know.

Throughout the fall and winter we will be on a number of things – cleaning up the gardens for winter, a second day cleaning and organizing the attic, the locker rooms, the upper deck, outside repairs, etc. If you have noticed an area or item that needs attention, please advise me or, for the gardens, Jane Agnew. We ask that you do not take on something yourself as there may already be plans or a long range vision for that area.

Thank you for your patience during the time it took to resolve the problem with lighting on the pathway beside the tennis courts, the hole caused by the sprinkler, etc. We are still working on other problems and often the “fix” is not easy.

My sincere thanks to everyone for your support this year.



Information Technology Director's Annual Report

by - David Brown



The turning of the leaves signals the end of one Board and the election of a new set of dedicated volunteers who are willing to help steer BYC in the right direction. I have sat as IT director for two years and feel that over all the Club's IT assets are in decent shape. With growth in technology, especially mobile technology, we can quickly get wrapped up in interesting tools, apps and add-ons that might be fun, but are not directly benefiting our core business. I keep having to remind myself that first and foremost we are a yacht club with tennis courts - not a **.com** start up. With that in mind we need to find a workable balance whereby IT can support the Club in its business without becoming an undue drain on our resources.

I regularly receive suggestions as to what we could do with our electronic assets, and I consider each one. While this input is valuable and encouraged, it must be weighed against certain criteria to be deemed viable. First, would it enhance our core business? Second, does it protect the Club from possible harm? Third, what costs are associated with a given project? Fourth, do we have the people power to support the project? Using

this checklist as a benchmark, I have been working on several projects that I think will enhance our club, even if just a little.

1. I have been conducting a privacy and security audit to determine how we handle personal information and what we do to protect it. The goal is to ensure your information is secure and meets industry standards.
2. After several suggestions came in asking for a web photo gallery for members to share their pictures, we have begun to enhance the current gallery used for event sales to accommodate member submissions.
3. Being a volunteer club, we have had many capable hands in the IT pot over the years. Because of this it seems that much of the documentation is either missing or incomplete. I have been working to gather as much IT info as possible including contacts, passwords, system information etc. to be kept in a central location for use in the future.
4. We continue to build our facebook (<http://www.facebook.com/BYCOttawa>) and twitter (<http://twitter.com/BYCTweet>) followers, using these tools to help communicate with members and other interested parties. We also have a LinkedIn account for those looking for business links with other members.

As always Paul and his staff have been invaluable in providing guidance and information necessary to IT decision making. As we stand today our administration software and hardware are current moving into the new fiscal year. We have decisions to make around servers and a few other nuts and bolts, but on the whole our infrastructure is in good shape. I hope that by the time the AGM comes around many of these little projects will be complete.

Tennis Director's Annual Report

by - Dan Delorey



Tennis has made definite progress this season to re-affirm its place at BYC. The Club made a significant commitment to tennis in replacing the fence in the Spring. Activity on the tennis courts has visibly increased with many new faces and all regular programs well attended.

BYC Tennis Lessons

Tennis lessons have attracted both new members and established members from the sailing community to give tennis a try. Thanks to our tennis pros Stan Kasta and Tim Lumsden, both Tuesday and Wednesday lessons have been fully registered all season. We are not worthy!!

BYC 125th Junior Tennis Tournament

The Club was a hive of activity with players and parents experiencing sailing, some for the very first time, the Club history display and the positive atmosphere of BYC in between matches. Max Keeping opened the tournament and Commodore Phil Moorman presented the trophies.

BYC Tennis History

A full house was on hand to listen to a presentation of the history of tennis and sailing at BYC. Tennis has been played regularly at BYC ever since 1926 and produced a national champion in 1940.

Len Ball Dedication

The BYC community gathered together to dedicate the tennis courts in memory of Len Ball. He was an avid tennis player, sailor and a longstanding member of the BYC Board of Directors. Simon Fuller shared some personal memories of Mr. Ball and Commodore Phil Moorman cut the ceremonial ribbon to dedicate the "Leonard Ball Courts" to close the ceremony.

Tennis Events

The annual Winter Tennis Day and Dinner was well attended thanks to the efforts of Jane Craig. Bunny Lumsden continues to be the admiral for the BYC Tennis breakfast team. Thanks Bunny! Wimbledon Sunday was excellent! Sandy Braden-Nash did an outstanding job! Members also got together to watch the Rogers Cup and US Open finals on the new big screen. Awesome! BYC hosted the National Capital Tennis Association Awards Dinner in September. The Annual BYC Tennis Championships were played in September, with the awards dinner in October.

BYC Tennis Committee

A special thanks to Bob Murray, Jane Heney, Alison Green, Howdy Russell, Marc Forgette, Sandy Nash-Braden and Scott Dignam for their efforts. It is people like them that make BYC work! When something needed doing they did not hesitate. Bravo!!

Tennis Director

In August I assumed the vacant Public Relations portfolio on the Board of Directors until confirmation at the BYC AGM. Marc Forgette acted as the interim Tennis Director and this was confirmed at the Tennis AGM. Marc brings tons of enthusiasm and fresh ideas! Thanks Marc!



Youth Director's Annual Report

by - Jeff Taylor



The Junior Club Learn-to-Sail (LTS) program had another very successful summer. Nine Coaches taught and coached 150 kids over 5 sessions lasting 10 weeks. Sailors in all levels took part in Wednesday night sailing, the National Capital Regatta, the Aylmer Regatta and Nepean's Fanfare. We focused on trying to get more racers out for the Wednesday night races and will continue this effort next year. The year-end banquet was a huge success with many smiling faces.

No new boats were purchased this year, however time and materials were invested in the 420s, Squadrons and Optimist dinghies to ensure that they were all in good shape for this summer's LTS program. Tom Arbuckle spent a number of weeks making fibreglass repairs, resealing drains and inspection ports and making sure that all of the boats were ready.

The docks that the Club purchased last year were delivered in the spring and set-up for the beginning of the LTS program. They worked very well taking less space and allowing sailors to easily board their boats.

The Silver and High Performance Team had 16 Laser sailors with 2 coaches. The High Performance Team competed at Pointe Claire, Port Credit, Hudson, National Capital, and CORK. The Silver team competed at Port Credit, National Capital and CORK. The two teams became quite close and competed together at CORK.

Over the past few years, the CYA has been developing a new Learn-to-Sail program called CANSail. We have had a number of meetings with the coaches and Junior Committee to discuss its implementation at BYC. Over the course of the next few months we will be working with Michelle Martin our head coach from this year to develop the necessary materials to be ready for next summer. The new program will require some minor on-line upgrading by our coaches.

Our Learn-to-Sail fleet needs to be continuously upgraded particularly the 420's. Our complete fleet is old and in need of replacement. With the introduction of the new program next year we will be reviewing our fleet with the goal of creating a renewal plan for our boats.

Donations of new boats can be tax deductible through Ontario Sailing and the Club. Please consider making a donation. Information is available through the manager Paul Moore or myself.

This is my first year as Junior Director and with the support of the membership I hope to be back next year.



Social Director's Annual Report

by - Bill Brown



Congratulations on another incredibly successful year of entertainment at BYC. This past year we enhanced your entertainment through the comments and suggestions that were submitted throughout the year.

For example, this year, we increased the number of entertainers to provide a broader perspective and variety of music on Friday nights under the Marquee. We also ensured that there was at least one major event per month this past year so as to provide something for everyone. I am pleased to report that in almost all instances, the events were sold out in a short period of time.

Much of the success can be attributed to the hard work of many, however, I must say that much of the success may be attributed to the effort of the BYC 125th Anniversary Committee as well as the enthusiasm of the membership at large.

We have much to be proud of as this past year has served to bring about an enhanced understanding of just how BYC is steeped in rich history. We started out with a great party in 2012 and we will continue into 2013, building on the success of what we have established and implemented during this past couple of years.



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REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

In recent months the Nominating Committee met regularly to review potential candidates for the 2013 Board of Directors. The Committee completed interviews with all members who put their name forward as candidates.

Nominating Committee Members:

Rob Braden, Chair
Henry Chan
George Clayburn
Paul Kowalski
Bob Leroux
Alana Riordan

The Nominating Committee offers the following slate, together with their suggested portfolios for the consideration of the Membership. We wish to thank all those listed for agreeing to serve, and for showing dedication to their Club and its membership.

At the request of the Commodore and in accordance with Club Bylaw 9.3.I. as Chair of the Nominating Committee, I present to the Members the proposed slate of Officers and Directors for the Britannia Yacht Club for the year 2013.

Commodore	- Phil Moorman
Vice Commodore (Harbourmaster)	- John Morrow
Rear Commodore (Projects)	- Kelly Lyon
Fleet Captain (determined by the boaters)	- Bill Fuller
Honorary Secretary	- David Burke
Honorary Treasurer	- Howdy Russell
Director, House and Grounds	- Janet Bayley
Director, Information Technology	- Dave Brown Jr.
Director, Membership and Marketing	- Paula O'Sullivan
Director, Public Relations	- Dan Delorey
Director, Social	- Bill Brown
Director, Youth	- Jeff Taylor
Director, Tennis (determined by Tennis Members)-	Marc Forgette

Konrad Lewinski assumes the position of Immediate Past Commodore.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Braden
Chair, Nominating Committee
Wednesday, September 18, 2012



News from the 125th Anniversary Committee Chair, Rod Miller

*T*he 125th Anniversary year is coming to a close. In my last message to you I was able to thank those people that were directly involved in the June celebrations. As my last epistle to the members I would now like to thank the people that worked tirelessly in the background.

The Anniversary Committee began meeting once a month in April 2010, and met every month on Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m. through to April 2012. At this time they met every week as well as working on the particulars of the week of celebrations. Their involvement poured over into their family lives giving up family time to attend to the nitty gritty of seeing that the week was a success. Janet and Ralph Bayley, with Janet as House & Grounds Director, spent an inordinate amount of time seeing that the club and grounds were a showpiece. This was to the detriment of giving up sailing on their boat at Trident Yacht Club.

Beverley and David Brown spent endless hours putting together the historical display that adorned our Upper Deck.

Joan and Bob Yuile spent many hours with Bob taking pictures of Lasers to go along with the tribute to Bruce Kirby, and the number of person hours that Joan has spent working on the "Book" cannot be anything but a labour of love for the Yacht Club.

Al Malo working along with Joan on the "Book" displayed his dogged determination again showing his feelings for the Club, getting the pictures to meet the text. Who can not remember Al in his paddle boat at the week of celebrations ready to take on the Rideau Canoe Club national team members in a race!

Marc Charbonneau presently is doing the lay out work for the "Book" spending many hours getting it together for a very professional presentation.

Gail Brooman helped us out in relating the pictures that were chosen for the original book so that Al Malo could get them together for the new version.

Marion Geddes who saw me through the down times, the frustrating times, and kept me on the straight and narrow. Marion also did the portrait of Bruce Kirby for the Wall of Recognition.

I thank you all for giving up so much of your family and recreational time to make this Anniversary a success.

Paul Moore was the go-to guy organizing Yacht Club staff to meet our every need. Thank you all for your time and patience.

There is one last event to take place before we put this Anniversary to bed. The book will be published and will be distributed at a special event on November 23!!! While voting members will be given a book, Associate members will have to pay \$20.00, as will voting members for extra books. We are suggesting that all members may like to make a free-will donation to youth sailing at Britannia when they receive their books.

The details of the final party will be sent out in a letter that will describe how the books will be distributed.

Thank you all for making this Anniversary a time to remember.



**FROM THE
BRIDGE**

By - Phil Moorman
Commodore



We are coming to the end of the fabulous 125th Anniversary celebrations and what a year it has been! This summer's events have set new records for attendance, from the Commodore's week in June to the National Capital Regatta in August the buss around the club has been just great. The dedicated group of members and staff that have organized these events deserve our heartfelt thanks! There are still a few 125th related things to come including the long awaited BYC 125th Anniversary book, a 125th commemorative plaque which we will install in the clubhouse and the raffling off of the beautiful print by Mr. Harris.

In terms of the health of the club we are doing well; the financials are the best they have been in years, we anticipate being able to invest over \$100,000 in capital projects again next year, we will pay down the loan for the renovation of the clubhouse west wall quicker than anticipated, club membership is steady and we have received positive feedback on the programs being offered. Is there room for improvement? Of course and with your input and help next year will be even better.

Several challenges continue to resist our efforts to resolve them including the striking of an acceptable lease with the NCC and fair tax treatment by the City of Ottawa. But be assured we have an experienced group of members on this and we will continue to present a reasonable and fair resolution to these nagging issues.

The Board of Directors and I have shifted our attention to year-end activities such as finalizing the 2012/13 budget, completing several capital projects including two in the harbour and preparing for the Annual General Meeting in December.

On a personal note, I want to thank my fellow Board members, Paul Moore the General Manager and Club members for the tremendous support and advice over this past year. The governance of our Club, when there is so much activity, is daunting at times but you have all helped me drive forward on important priorities, and to make the right decisions day in and day out.

**All the best and
see you at the AGM.**

THANK YOU

On August 17th The Britannia Yacht Club got together and, as a group, threw all their support at me. This kind of response has been one of the most humbling experiences of my life.

It's not very often that people get selected to represent their country in their sport; however Britannia seems to continue to produce world class sailors, from the Foys, to Peter Soosalu and I, Mat Soosalu and Joel Riordan at youth worlds, to Rob Frost and Tom Arbuckle with their Olympic 49er campaign, plus many more.

Campaigns such as ours are a lot of work and take a lot of time, having

IN MEMORIAM

It is with the most profound sadness that we report the death of

Vernie Foy
on

Tuesday, September 18, 2012



**The Board of Directors and Members
of Britannia Yacht Club
extend their deepest sympathy to
her children Dennis (Brenda), Shane,
her grandchildren David, Nancy,
Jamie, Rebecca and Alanna, their
families, and all her friends.**

the BYC provide me with its resources and support is a tremendous contribution and of course without the help of all the volunteers and wonderful organizational skills of Kelly Lyon, it would not have been possible to put on such an amazing event.

If the Britannia Yacht Club and all its wonderful members continue to support their local sailors with the amount of enthusiasm that I was lucky to experience, there is no doubt that we will continue to develop world class sailors.

Thank you for all your contributions and support, I personally would not be able to pursue this kind of adventure without your help.

Nick Kroeger

"Thanks Britannia for putting on a great event. You helped us raise more than we expected and it felt like a homecoming from my Britannia High Performance days. We really appreciate what you have done for us.
Jason Hearst"

"Every once in a while something happens that is just amazing - your support, the fundraiser, the well-wishings from BYC will be something I

cherish and remember forever. Thank you very much.

Landon Gardner"

"The support of BYC and its members was unbelievable. They made us all feel like it was our home club. I would like to thank the membership for their support and for putting on such a great event.

Michael Hasko"

overhang structures at the stern. There are cruising sailboats with large windmill structures spinning high above the deck.

The investment in Solar Power Panels could save the BYC the considerable costs of commercial Hydro electrical power.

Recently several homeowners in my neighborhood installed Solar Power Panels

on the roofs of their houses, facing the Sun and on backyard lawns. The initial cost of the installation is \$30,000 for a fixed setup. Greater efficiency is achieved by adding a rotation mechanism, \$10,000, that tracks the path the Sun.

The 10 year contract guarantees the property owner payment of 63 cents per Kilowatt to supply electrical power to the hydro grid. The projection is full recovery

for the cost of the installation will be realized in 6 years.

Solar Power Panels could be installed on several boat sheds and buildings at the BYC to provide a new income source. Additional hydro power could also be provided by installing a hydro electric generator along the East Main Harbour Wall, where river water spills into Ottawa River. BYC members with professional expertise in the subject may wish to research the technology, provide a Cost/Benefit Analysis and advise the BYC Board of Directors on the feasibility of new Solar Power Panel and Hydro Power installation. An electric powered golf course maintenance cart for general duties around the harbour could transport staff and equipment for many small projects.

Post Scriptum: Check out the new traditional Navigation Aid at the Venetian Night Marquee. The Sign Post directions and Compass Rose provide backup in the event of GPS failure.



Nick, front row left, and his team with Honorary Coach Ralph Nolting. Back row - Crazy Ivan challengers

SOLAR POWER FOR BYC

by – John Bienko

I use a Solar Power Panel to charge the batteries on my boat and discovered several boat owners have adapted the technology to provide electrical power to their craft. Sail makers are designing sails with Solar technology film to supply electrical power to boats. Architects are incorporating solar systems in new building construction. The International Space Station carries Solar Panels, twice the size of a football field, to convert energy from the sun for electrical power. Solar panel on cabin roofs and

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Between the Sheets

NEWS FOR BOATERS - RACERS AND CRUISERS October 2012

“Good seamanship is knowing how to get yourself out of a situation that a better sailor would never have gotten into in the first place.” - Curmudgeon's Observation

DON'T FORGET

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS.....Sat. Oct. 6
FALL 50 MILE RACE.....Sat. Oct.13

Class 11 Report

from - Bill Fuller, Class 11 Rep.



Wow!! Another summer gone by. Didn't even get a

chance to give frequent Full & By updates - but, as they say, "better late than never."

The summer at BYC was a very memorable one for the Laser Fleet. With the help of Don Rodger, Don Tucker, the Riordans, Kim Moffat and Lynn DeL'Orme as well as numerous other Laser sailors no fewer than ten (10) Lasers were restored and made available for two major events - the 125th week regatta and the Tucker/Rodger invitational.

The 125th Wednesday night races saw no fewer than 27 Lasers participate in five races. The competition was fierce and friendly, and completed under the watchful eye of non-other than the boat's designer, Mr. Bruce Kirby. Bruce was also kind enough to give a very historic and instructional talk after the racing which was attended by virtually all sailors, race committee and sailors at large. The main thrust of his message was that the body of water that we sail on produces some of the best sailors in the World - something we should all be proud of and strive for excellence with.

The evening went off without a hitch (special thanks to Rod Miller's organization). It was fantastic to see some of the salt of the earth coming out of the woodwork to participate in the sailing - Patty Bickerton, Gavin Rolleston, Dave and Mike Scrivens, Dave Foy, Dave O'Sullivan to name a few (talented fleet eh!).

The following Saturday was reserved for the Tucker/Rodger event (sans alcohol). The two Don's as well as Rod Miller made the event very memorable and exciting. The exquisite backwards sailing displayed by Mike Fahmy as well as his capsized and immediate

righting gives everyone hope that they can display the masterful skills that Mike displayed on that day!

The Wednesday evening racing was not as well attended this year. We again encourage the participation of the Junior racing teams throughout the summer months. The two series were highly contested between Sam Fuller and Andrew Furey. The results have yet to be tabulated.

National Capital Regatta saw a small fleet of full rig Lasers won by Sam Fuller, with honourable mention to Dawson Brown who was fourth and also \$100.00 richer for beating Sam in a race. The Radial fleet was won by Francis Guiton from BYC as well as Alexandre Hill Keast, Ben Taylor & Emilie Macfie also positioned in the top 10.

The Ian Meller Memorial Regatta was well attended by both BYC and NSC sailors - 5 races completed in one day - also won by Sam Fuller.

The Masters are back!! Great to see Mike and Dave Scrivens at the Lac Deschênes regatta at the end of August. Both sailors carried the BYC flag with great pride at their former club. Next year we plan on attending some of LDSC's Sunday afternoon racing.

Next year looks to be a promising year with the return of many high performance sailors, Junior sailors, the old stalwarts, Masters' sailors and graduates of BYC's dinghy fleet in the past.

Boats are still on the dock until the gates go in on October 20. Help yourself to some great sailing - you won't regret it.

Cheers and happy sailing.



STAN CARSON MEMORIAL REGATTA

by - John Irvin, Regatta Chair



Sadly the Stan Carson Memorial C&C Regatta suffered from poor winds and a weak turnout. The good

news is that "Stan's Cup" has been donated by his widow, Joan Carson, and it will be presented at the November Awards Dinner.

I would like to recommend to the Sailing Committee that a "C&C Wannabe" division be established for coming years to increase participation.



WINDSURFING REPORT

by – Suzanne Roberge



Well another season is over. According to my data, we only missed two Wednesdays due to lack of wind or rain. So that is pretty good! Thank you to those who participated and thank you to the Race Committee.

Rick and Denis have participated in other Ontario Sailing races in the Kona category during the summer but at the time of printing, the overall results were not known. This winter may bring a trip to Florida again to participate in the Calema Midwinters then in June; we will be at the World Kona One Championships in Trois-Rivières, Québec.

Sadly, our BYC Open on September 8 was cancelled due to lack of interest/participation and lots of rain in the forecast for that day.

Have a great fall and winter months!!



PERFECT WEATHER FOR THE 100

from - Malcolm McHattie, Up-river Race Rep.



Wow! It was perfect weather for almost all the 25 hours of the 2012 100 Mile Race - at least according to enthusiastic participants. Some 12 thunder storm cells provided somewhat intermittent daylight conditions, ample warm showers (for those boats without on-board facilities) and up to 45 knots of driving energy. Six boats

started at 1900 hours on Friday night and all were home for dinner on Saturday.

For many people such a race is an acquired taste. We all seek challenge and adventure but we usually choose to, and are usually able to, sail in near idyllic conditions - warm, sunshine and moderate winds. Most of us do not venture when the forecast is less comfortable.

The special rules for the 100 Mile Race require harnesses for each person, with the appropriate lines on the boat, and careful preparation of usual safety equipment - for example each lifejacket with whistle and light and marked with boat and crew names. The race starts on Friday evening regardless of the weather or weather forecast and it is up to the sailors to decide to race or not. 2012 demonstrated that BYC has some intrepid sailors.

Gunsmoke made 100 nautical miles (185 kms) in under 22 hours, followed 50 minutes later by Work Release. Kelsea finished in 24 hours and 46 minutes, just 20 minutes behind Thumper. Phoenix and Mary Brown retired honourably having started the race and completed the long, dark and stormy night sail. Thumper, one of the two smaller boats in the race, was the winner, finishing one hour ahead of Gunsmoke according to corrected time. Thumper even flew its spinnaker in a 45 knot gust - way to go. The spinnaker may not have agreed.

Other great weekends were enjoyed by upriver sailors: Mohr Island (Margarita Weekend) covering the same water as the 100 Mile Race but with a fun, very fun, night at anchor; the Baskin's Weekend together with the Odd Couple Race, the Stony Point (to Constance Bay) the Armitage, also to Baskin's for the corn boil and the Queen's Park. There remain the NSC 20-Mile Race and the Fall 50-Mile (October 13th). The fun Frostbite completes the season on October 20th, one day before the final haul-out.

This is the first year officially hauling-out with our new fixed crane. An additional challenge is to clear the harbour earlier than usual so that it can be drained for work on the walls (volunteers needed). Flexible haulout is a great advantage for those who choose to come out early but requires discipline among those who like to continue sailing until later. Compared with the focus of the traditional one-day haulout, there are many more opportunities for the weather to make the task more than usually painful. Fortunately the BYC yard crew is well up to handling the weather as well as harassed boat owners.





from - Kirk Robertson - Protest Chair & PHRF Rep.



The season is drawing near an end. We have a reasonable number of protests and thankfully not too many collisions. Some came from over-canvassing the boat, some from not keeping a proper look-out. Both are things individual boat owners can improve. Remember over-canvassing boats go slow, and not keeping a proper outlook can cost a lot of money.

From the PHRF side, I think everyone who wanted a certificate got one this year. We still have more work to do to ensure our SailWave files match the PHRF database; but PHRF is helping there.

You will soon get your membership billings for next year. On it is a tick box for PHRF fees. Use it or tell the office if you want to race PHRF; your certificate will be automatically updated for next year.

If you are thinking about new sail(s), remind your sail maker you are racing PHRF; they may suggest a different sail for your boat and get the sail dimensions from them. PHRF will accept these numbers instead of your own measurements.

If you think the rating for your boat is wrong (especially this year); first check out the forum on the PHRF website, others may be of the same opinion and PHRF may be already looking at it. If your boat is not mentioned and you still think your rating is wrong, measure everything and compare to other boats in PHRF. A previous owner may have modified the boat and you knew nothing about it.

GOOD RACING.



THE CORK TEAM

by – Kirk Robertson

Each year for the past three, BYC has sent a race team (6 people this year) down to CORK in Kingston. We take the BYC whaler along.

In years past, we worked the International Youth week. To give credit where it is due, the whole exercise was the brain child of John Vines. This year we were invited for the Olympic Classes Regatta and worked

mostly at the 29er North American championships working in every position, signals, pin, line, gate and mark set.

We also worked on the Kite course (the new Olympic class), F18 catamarans and the Soling North Americans. As in the past, we have been invited back for next year (with an invite to Australia in 2014).

You might ask why do it?

It gives us a chance to work with some of the best race officers in the world and improve our game at BYC and introduce us to the latest race management techniques and practice.

It gets Britannia recognized as a club with good race management.

We do get official recognition as a club for assisting at CORK.



ALPHA COURSE

by - Sal Khan - Tuesday Night Rep.



My focus this year was to improve race management on Alpha course to what had been discussed in the previous couple of years at Spring and Fall Sailors' Meetings.

With the support of the Sailing Committee the following now take place:

- On Time - Races now mostly start on time
- Longer legs - 1 mile legs when possible
- Extended course - Class 1 boats sail the extended course with the race officer having the authority to shorten course when required
- Finish – There is now more flexibility in finishing races
- Course changes – The course is being changed whenever possible to reflect changes in wind direction
- Radio – The race officer has started to use the radio to announce start sequences, call boats over the line early, and indicate course changes

It would be a good idea for sailors to further discuss the above at the 2013 Spring Sailors' Meeting to update, change or consolidate instructions to next year's race officer.

BYC COMMODORE'S AWARD

Past Commodore Konrad Lewinski and Commodore Phil Moorman presented Lynn DeL'Orme with the Commodore's Award on Friday, August 10, for her many years of volunteerism at BYC!

Lynn spoke about how rewarding it is to volunteer. She has made many new friends through volunteering and encouraged all new members to get involved at the Club.

Lynn is a Past Commodore, Past Harbourmaster, Past Youth Director, and is the current Chair for the 55th National Capital Regatta.



CONGRATULATIONS LYNN

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

SATURDAY,
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0900 hrs.
SKIPPERS' MEETING

1000 hrs.
START

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FALL 50 MILE RACE

SATURDAY, OCT. 13, 2012

PHRF, SHARKS & JAM

Warning Gun: 0800 hours

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FROSTBITE RACE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2012

With the gates going in on the 20th, it looks like the Frostbite will be run with radio controlled boats in front of the Clubhouse. Stay tuned!!

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