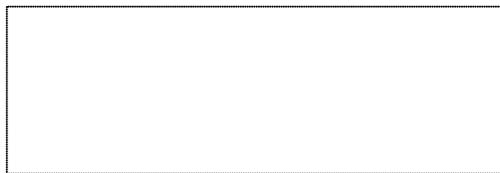




***Myka Auger – Junior Super Star
see
Between the Sheets section***
(Photo courtesy of Myka's Mom)

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FROM THE BRIDGE

from - Phil Moorman,
Commodore



I was at the Club Sunday afternoon and it was the picture of a gorgeous summer day; the sun was warm, there was a slight breeze off the water, conversations were being had under the marquee and people were strolling through the grounds. Your cottage in the city!

The summer started off with a great Commodore's Weekend and a rather unconventional Sailpast in the harbour. The summer camps and lessons for kids are in full swing, the Easter Seals Swim and Cruise Week have all been very well attended. The weekday evening racing program and weekend races are carrying on as usual.

Over the past few weeks we've been doing a lot of work in the harbour including inspecting and repairing harbour lighting, fixing the range lights and general maintenance. A few months ago we had an opportunity to purchase some gently used docks from Brockville; we have now replaced the T-docks in

the lagoon, and hope to install others in the inner harbour. Our hope is that we will have an opportunity to purchase more of these docks over the next two years and begin to install them in the main channel of the harbour.

The next big event on the calendar is the National Capital Regatta. Boats from all across Ontario, Quebec and the Northeast USA attend - sometimes even ones from other countries. As always, we are looking for members to help out with regattas, so if you have some time please contact Tom Clairmont, Bill Fuller or the office. It is a great way to meet other members and help out, so please give it some thought.

Cheers - I hope to see you through the summer.



PROJECTS

By - Rob Braden
Vice Commodore



Well, I wore a lot of shovels, but the water is finally down. Let's hope it cooperates and stays down in the fall when we need to work on the harbour walls.

In the meantime some amazing efforts by our fellow members and staff have resulted in some significant and important changes at the Club. Al Malo, putting in full days of volunteer work, along with Andrew Furey and his harbour crew in what

started as cold and wet and then turned to outrageously hot and humid weather, have made great progress on the new docks. They deserve a round of drinks from each and every one of us.

The pergola that went up on Commodore's Walk, bought and paid for, delivered and installed by the Martini Monday crew is not only a great addition to the area, but represents an important example of what being a member-run club means. They wanted something done and they made it happen. The Board of Directors are all volunteers, working on a never-ending list of projects and initiatives that keep this club going and growing, but the scale of some of our issues and priorities sometime leave little time for member driven projects like this.

BYC has become a modern version of a volunteer run club, far different from its older version of a volunteer club. Less time, less people available means a lot of the kind of volunteer effort that are highlights of our amazing history don't happen as often. The Pergola is exactly that kind of old-time effort. Making our club meet our needs by digging in and making things happen.

To add weight to how important we believe it is, the Board passed a motion last evening announcing that they will provide seed money, up to \$300, for approved projects in the various harbour areas, like the pergola that help to improve the use and look of the grounds and that increase the resources available to all members. This is meant for projects that would otherwise not be handled by the regular club operations, the House and Grounds Committees, the Harbour or the Social Committees. Get together with your harbour groups and come up with ideas and plans and bring them to the Board through

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one of the Directors. The rewards go way beyond the physical side of the projects, helping to build member camaraderie.

Other ongoing work:

East Wall Committee has been progressing on the refurbishment of the east wall of the clubhouse. As we will likely have to do it in stages, it's a process that tries to make sure we don't undermine future renovations or limit future use of the clubhouse with what is renovated now. Unlike the west wall, which replaced what was there with a new, better version of what has always existed, the east wall will involve some major changes to the inside of the building and how we use the building. We hope to be submitting drawings for quotes in September so that we will have detailed information and costing for members to evaluate at the AGM.

Funding for the paving around the new crane and the filled in ramp area has been approved and we should see action on that in the near future. Electrical: we need some help!

We are going to start on the improvement of the electrical infrastructure around the harbour. There is no quick fix here. We need to analyze this project from a standpoint of what is needed for: a) meeting the minimum requirements for lighting around the harbour; b) determining and meeting the minimum requirements for boats around the harbour; c) determining and meeting the desired or perceived needs of the boaters around the harbour. We will need to map out and analyze what the current infrastructure is and what will need to be done to meet the various options and then get quotes.

To get this started we need a few volunteers with electrical systems experience. I would like to form a small committee to start with so that we don't get bogged down with small details. The small details are important but first we need to look at the big picture. If you or you know someone who might be of help, please email me, or approach me at the Club.

HARBOUR REPORT

by - John Morrow
Rear-Commodore



Writing this from Blue Heaven on our way to Quyon from Mohr Island as part of Cruise Week. This sailing season so far has been blessed with lots of liquid sunshine! There are still numerous boats to be launched as the inclement weather has delayed boat readiness. Andrew Furey and the yard crew are to be complimented on the efficient and timely launching of members' vessels.

The docks from Brockville have been cut and capped for installation. Wood has been replaced as required and the lagoon T-dock has been replaced with the refurbished docks. Andrew, the yard crew and volunteers have enabled the dock replacement to progress sooner than anticipated. I must thank the boat owners for their patience with the obstacle course of docks they have to go through to reach their boats. Every member can assist with BYC harbour progress with their ongoing patience. I must single out one volunteer who has led the team project not only with hands on work but also with calculating requirements and formatting the reassembly of the docks. The "Dock Boss", Al Malo, has kept the project moving forward with his daily work and direction. Thanks Al !!

Paving of the blue crane area is in the plan after the dock project and the Manager, Paul Moore, is in the process of securing quotes. The members in the harbour can assist the yard crew by assuming responsibility for cleanliness around their respective slips. Let's all do our part.



Treasurer's Report

by - Howland Russell
Honorary Treasurer



All Members have been totally supportive of the frozen Membership and Mooring Fees we have had over the past two years and are now expecting for next year. However, this policy has not come without cost. For the BYC Annual Budget of \$1.6 million we had to find ways of absorbing increases in the expense equal to the inflation rate of 1.5%, or approximately \$25,000. I can assure you that as of this year all operating processes at BYC have been thoroughly reviewed, revised, remolded and re-built to enable what we all have enjoyed.

But as the saying goes, "All good things must come to an end." In 2015 we will have to raise our revenues by at least the expected rate of inflation in order to assure another balanced budget. Stay tuned for details on how this will play out.

These budget facts have surfaced while we have been working on the 2014 Budget. The "dock program" started in the harbor has led to discussions on equalizing dock expense/investment. Whenever and however it is finally resolved, I hope that it will result in holding Dock Revenue in a "Harbour Capital Reserve" account that will be used for the future benefit of the harbour.

If, in its wisdom, the membership should ever decide to re-establish Initiation Fees for membership, I hope those revenues would be held in a similar "Capital Reserve Fund" that would be used to meet the capital fund requirements of the Club in future times.

Enough about Capital Funds, let's rejoice in the status of our "Operating Funds." As has been the case for many months, our bottom line is where we want it to be. Although we had a slower start due to wet weather, we were also able to adjust expenses so that our net remained where we had planned. We definitely owe a **Hat Tip** to Paul and the Club Staff for being so nimble yet remaining focused on service to members.



House & Grounds Report

from - Janet Bayley, (Director)



We are pleased with how good the house and grounds are looking as we are into our very busy summer season for members and with many outside events. The gardens are flourishing thanks to the efforts of Jane Agnew and her crew – they continue to weed and water on a regular basis and the results are evident.

Thank you to the Breakfast Club for their contribution towards the new door handles (lever type) and "crash bars" on the outer washroom doors making for easier access for those with arthritis, hands full, etc. and for ease of exit in an emergency. They also purchased the three new picnic tables in the area by the tennis courts that John Irvin then painted with water sealant.

A group of members led by Brenda and Denny Foy and Marc Charbonneau approached the House Director and the Board with a proposal to install a pergola on the cement patio in the Commodore's Walk area. With donations from members and the work of some the pergola is in place - along with new picnic tables - for the use and benefit of all members. This same group also made a major cleanup of the area around the Bruce Shed their Work Party project. All members are invited to use the site. This is a great example of how members can contribute to and take pride in their surroundings and in the Club as a whole. Thanks to all of you.

We continue to address other needs around the House and Grounds as the season moves on. If you note something needing immediate attention, please advise the office or myself. At this time we are putting together our list of minor projects to be included in next year's budget. Please advise me of items you note which we might include on that list or on a Work Party list.



Membership & Marketing

by - Paula O'Sullivan
(Director)



"Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not." ~ Dr. Seuss

Hello Members!

With sailing and tennis well under way, this summer is shaping up nicely at BYC! Don't forget to sign up for the BYC Golf Tournament on August

12th, and if you're interested in helping out, volunteers are still needed for the National Capital Regatta August 10&11.

Also, our Fleet Captain, Bill Fuller, is looking for nominations for BYC's Sportsmanship Award; you can find posted signs in the downstairs bar with the requirements.

If your new to the Club and looking for something to do or people to meet, email me and we can meet up for a drink or two and get started on introductions to all the fantastic people around BYC who make this club the best one around.

On a personal note, I want to give a big THANKS to all the C&C 27 boats from BYC and NSC who came together and presented my father-in-law with The Mike O'Sullivan Cup. This new award is being presented to the C&C 27 with the best combined race totals on Thursdays from the Spring, Summer and Fall series at the Interclub Awards in the new year. Cheers and see you soon!



IT REPORT

by – David Brown (Director)



WELCOME TO SUMMER!

While there have been lots of obvious changes around the Club this summer in terms of physical upgrades, we have been working on some less conspicuous projects that

will hopefully bring a better experience to members.

We have been working with the National Capital Regatta organizers to ensure that online registration for this year's regatta is available well in advance of the event in the hopes of streamlining the process for both members and out of town guests.

We have had an analysis of the wifi network both in the clubhouse and around the grounds in an effort to improve our connectivity. We hope to engage a winning bidder to expand our wifi network to include the entire basin. This enhancement would improve security and benefit those boats that are not currently within range of the present network.

As our hardware and software become out of date, we are exploring our options. We hope to implement newer more integrated systems that will streamline many office processes and give members access to more secure, customizable and cost effective services. As the Club grows we need to address the concerns and realities of doing business in the 21st century and we aim to position the club in such a way as to ensure better privacy, security and user experience for all our members and staff.

... and that's what is going on in IT.

Sorry but I couldn't help sliding a geek joke.

Public Relations

by - Dan Delorey (Director)



The Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup

"Paying it forward" is asking the beneficiary of a good deed to repay it to others instead of to the original benefactor.

BYC members have been blessed to have a beautiful piece of paradise to call their own. It hasn't always been this way and we should

not take it for granted. Every year, tens of thousands of Canadians take action against aquatic debris by participating in the *Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup*.

Join us to celebrate the 20th anniversary of this. BYC members will be cleaning the Ottawa River South Shore from Sherwood Point to the Deschênes Rapids on **September 22nd** from 9:30 a.m. to 1200 noon.

I hope to see a good representation of the membership to maintain our piece of paradise for generations to come.

Contact me at pr@byc.ca to volunteer and visit -

<http://www.shorelinecleanup.ca/en> to find out more information.

Pay it Forward!

Tennis Report



by - Marc Forgette (Director)

As you read this, we're into the dog days of summer with tennis in full swing including weekly lessons and camps. It's been a tough start to spring and summer but it's finally here.

Wimbledon Sunday at the Club was well attended with the traditional strawberries and cream being served and organized by our very own Sandy Nash Braden. Andy Murray finally shook the 77-year-old curse and won Wimbledon in three sets.

The third and final sets of lessons have started and will continue until the third week of September. I would like to thank both Stan Kasta and Tim Lumsden for providing us with our weekly lessons and we hope to see them again next year.

Now it's time for everyone to put their new skills to the test by signing up for our annual Club Tennis Championship, which will run from

August 1 to September 15, 2013. Details and sign-up sheets are posted on the tennis board on the Upper Deck.

Enjoy the rest of the summer on the courts and I look forward to seeing all around the clubhouse.



Friday Nights at B.Y.C.

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Date:	Group:
Friday, August 2nd, 2013	Sentimental Journey Duo
Friday, August 9th, 2013	Roxy Swan Duo
Friday, August 16th, 2013	Al Short Trio
Friday, August 23rd, 2013	Kirk Armstrong
Friday, August 30th, 2013	Nobody's Fool
Friday, September 6th, 2013	Paul Telfer
Friday, September 13th, 2013	Roxy Swan Duo
Friday, September 20th, 2013	Kirk Armstrong
Friday, September 27th, 2013	Redneck Limousine

Note: Entertainment is provided from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. - under the Marquee (inside during inclement weather). Looking forward to seeing everyone out there this season where a ‘great time will be had by all’ - Look for the weekly entertainment posters in the near future!!

Bill Brown – B.Y.C. Social Director

An open letter to BYC members



Dear BYC Member,

I am writing to you on behalf of the BYC Foundation. On Friday, May 31, 2013, BYC Foundation staged a fund raising launch with an "ELEVATOR LIFT OFF" event. To date \$27,000 in donations has been pledged. Another \$ 23,000 and we meet our \$50,000 objective.

The 'East Wall' restoration of BYC is in the planning stage. An elevator is an expensive proposition, but one that most members agree should be part of the rebuild. The BYC FOUNDATION has undertaken this fundraising effort and has launched this campaign to raise the monies required for a lift.

We have been informed that an elevator might cost upwards of \$50,000. We are aiming to collect these monies through this Elevator Fund Raising Campaign. We ask each member to consider buying a link (or more). A virtual link will go up on the donation wall in the Clubhouse next to your name. You may choose that your donation be marked anonymous. Donation cards are available at the bar and can be left at the BYC Office. You can even have your donation charged to your chit account. Contact any BYCF Board member (Kirk Robertson, Mary Bundy, Marc Charbonneau, Alain Jegen or myself, Paul Dick) for more information regarding donations.

Please don't minimize your importance to the Club and the Members around you. Contributing makes a difference. Members pooled their resources in the past to effect positive change. We now endeavour to carry this tradition forward with your help. Remember that many of us, our family members and our friends will need a lift to continue to enjoy life at BYC. Thank you for considering our invitation to give.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul W. Dick".

PAUL W. DICK
President of the BYC Foundation

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Beautiful evening for
 One-Design racing - July 11
 (photo courtesy of Danny Marin)

Between the Sheets

NEWS FOR BOATERS - RACERS AND CRUISERS August-September 2013

You might be a sailing bum if you'd marry a girl just to keep a good foredeck person. – SCUTTLEBUTT - Curmudgeon's Observation

DON'T FORGET

BASKIN'S ODD COUPLE RACE.....Sat. Aug. 3
NATIONAL CAPITAL REGATTA.....Sat/Sun Aug. 10/11
STONY POINT RACE (ILD).....Sun. Aug. 18
ARMITAGE RACE.....Sat. Aug. 31
BASKIN'S WEEKEND.....Sat/Sun Aug. 31 - Sep. 2
FALL SAILORS' MEETING.....Tues. Sep. 3
100 MILE RACE.....Fri. Sep. 6
BYC SAILBOARD OPEN REGATTA.....Sat. Sep. 7
QUEEN'S PARK RACE (ILD).....Sun. Sep. 15
KEELBOAT REGATTA.....Sat/Sun Sep. 21/22
CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS.....Sat. Sep. 28

DEDICATION OF THE MIKE O'SULLIVAN CUP

On July 4th, at the first [C&C 27 Raft-up](#) of the year, The Mike O'Sullivan Cup was unveiled, recognizing the significant contributions that Mike has made to sailing on the Ottawa River. Mike is the long-time owner and skipper of *Thumper*, former BYC Fleet Captain, C&C 27 Rep, Protest Coordinator, and the force behind the birth of the C&C 27 one-design fleet.

The unveiling of the cup, at this on-water gathering of boats from both clubs, came as a total shock to Mike. In a message to the fleet written in the wee hours of the morning following the raft-up, Mike wrote: "I still have not come back down to earth for the wonderful and unexpected honour you have bestowed on me and the *Thumper* crew with the inauguration of The Mike O'Sullivan Cup. I was stunned beyond belief! Thank you from the bottom of my heart. I really enjoy the excellent racing we have and the enthusiasm and camaraderie brought to the 27 Fleet by all of you."

The dedication on the front of the cup reads:

"In 2013, The Mike O'Sullivan Cup was donated by the Ottawa C&C 27 Fleet, to honour Mike O'Sullivan and his crew on *Thumper*. For most of the previous 30+ years, *Thumper* dominated the C&C 27 racing on the Ottawa River, while at the same time demonstrating the highest degree of sportsmanship & integrity. As a tribute to that legacy, The Mike O'Sullivan Cup is awarded to the C&C 27 finishing first overall for the season, in the Interclub One-Design racing."



OUR MIKE WITH HIS TROPHY
AND, OF COURSE, HIS CIGAR!!!

Youth Report

By Jeff Taylor – Youth Director



Well here we are mid-way through July and into our second session of CANSail 1 and 2. The Don Hewitt Regatta was held Wednesday, July 17, for the CANSail 3s and 4s. The CANSail 5s and High Performance Team are at Four Sisters and Steerers' Regattas in Port Credit. This same group was at Sturgeon Lake last week. The Optimist Race team has been at a Regatta in Point Claire. The Opti team has been doing quite well with Anna Morineau first in championship girls out of 30 Optis and Athena Charette second in green fleet out of 20 Optis at the PCYC regatta. Myka Auger is currently racing at Opti Worlds and previously won 2 gold medals – one in Quebec City and one in Trois Rivières.

During our registration cycle we were estimating a Laser fleet of about 8 to 10 athletes. Much to our surprise that number is 15 to 16 and we have had to make a number of adjustments to accommodate the numbers. What is most impressive is that almost all of the athletes have been travelling to the away regattas. Way to go team!

Both the Optimist and Laser Fleets are looking forward to CORK in August.

All of our new Topaz boats were received before the beginning of the Junior Club program. We now have a total of 7 Topaz Dinghies and, as a result, we are only using a couple of the old Squadron boats. By next year all of the Squadrons will be retired. One of the new Topaz boats was donated by Mr. Killick. The boat will be christened "Mary K" after Mr. Killick's late wife in a ceremony held July 25th.

There will be Junior Regattas July 24 and August 14 during the day. Non-Junior Club juniors are welcome to participate. Contact the Junior Club for details. As a reminder all Jr. Club sailors are welcome to race on Wednesday nights for the entire season. Please come out and enjoy the fun.

Finally after years of discussion we were informed that the Club would like to configure and place some of the new docks off of Sherwood Point. There is no schedule as yet but we are looking forward to seeing how this will benefit the Junior Club program and all dinghy sailors.



Myka



ALPHA COURSE

by Sal Khan - Alpha Course Rep.



For some time, like any old time sailor, I have been comparing racing in the 70s and 80s with what it is today. Progress in boat design, sails, instrumentation and equipment has been incredible, with obvious speed gains made by today's boats relative to the older, heavier IOR designs.

But, like anything else, we have taken steps backwards when it comes to basic sailing. Although almost every sailor uses GPS instead of dead reckoning, collectively sailors don't want to sail at night (Spring 50

Mile Race used to start at 8: pm), or even finish races in the dark (Fall Series). This is very sad as some of the most interesting racing is done in the dark.

We stare at computer displays to read approaching inclement weather and make justifications for staying in the harbour. I have been racing on the river since 1974 and have survived many spectacular squalls. I do remember some masts breaking, but I don't remember anyone being seriously hurt in the squalls, and to the best of my knowledge no Class A boat racing was lost on this body of water because of a squall. Further, we spend hours driving to the Club and spend time and money getting boats ready to race week nights and then complain if the race is longer than an hour.

I am hoping my words above, provoke interesting discussions at the bar, and at the next Sailors' Meeting.

UP- RIVER RACING

by - Malcolm McHattie - Class 5 Rep.



Upriver Racing: Ontario versus Quebec

After a record late harbour gate opening, resulting in several cancelled events (Shorey, Jefferson, Spring 50), Summer has made its presence known with rain and storms, despite which the lake water level continues to drop. Belatedly it feels like summer and two Pinhey's races (NSC and BYC) and the Quyon weekend have been successfully completed in classical Ottawa River conditions. Light and variable winds keep everyone busy while some invisible hand helps to keep all players in the game.

Racers have exploited unusually high water in the search for shore wind. More than one boat demonstrated that touching bottom or running aground is not contingent on a low lake water-level. Three boats used keel navigation and a rare favourable wind to sail through the west channel (Ontario side) around Aylmer Island, leaving the rest of the fleet on the Quebec side looking in vain for wind and the church steeple.

There were expected surprises in Quyon. Construction of the massive new hull for the cable ferry has begun and, to make space for the work, the visitors' dock has been moved to shallow water closer to the sandbar. Keelboats can now only use the river-side slots, and that with great care. Be prepared to anchor when visiting Quyon.

The finish-line, between a drop flag and the onshore flag-pole, is in a wide part of the river beyond the ferry lane. This allows for clean finishes even when several boats are approaching - close finishes often happen

even after 5-7 hours racing. The two ferry-boats must be taken into account but can usually be avoided without serious penalty.

The new ferry, due in 2014, is much longer and additional distance needs to be allowed for the cables to sink away from its drive mechanism. This will require a rethink of the finish. A finish line before the ferry lane would be subject to the strong current and fickle wind of the Woolsey narrows - enough of a challenge late in the day without the addition of a finish line to negotiate. An opportunity for some lively discussions.

Quyon is an attractive town of historical importance for the Ottawa River. It has, however, hollowed-out with the changing economy and there are now few services. Gavan's Hotel, itself historical, possibly notorious, has long been a lively spot for BYC sailors to squeeze-in and enjoy the noisy local culture, live music and dancing. A restaurant opposite served both supper and breakfast, if you could find a seat. Now the restaurant has closed and Gavan's, which for a brief period opened for breakfast, is quiet and closes when BYC racers leave. Anybody like to invest in a riverside restaurant at Quyon?

Things happen thick and fast over the next while. The C&C Stan Carson Memorial Regatta (round the buoys) on Saturday July 20 is open to all boats, although only C&C boats are eligible for one trophy. The following weekend is Mohr Island, leaving on Saturday morning July 27, overnight at anchor with Margarita and other good company, and return with the current on Sunday afternoon. Time to enjoy the Real Summer.



WINDSURFING REPORT

by – Suzanne Roberge



Well, we made it to the Kona Worlds in Trois-Rivières! Denis Dagenais, Rick Collins, his wife Ling and son Kai (age 8), myself, plus 60 some other people from a few different countries. It was a great experience overall.

I had never been to a regatta with so many people on the start line! Quite the colourful site... especially if you bring up the rear as I did! In five days, our great Race Officer, Irene McNeil, managed to run 8 races (we needed 4 to make it legal). Some days we had wind, some days we did not. Here's our ranking: Rick 22nd, Denis 24th, Ling 51st, Suzanne 53rd and Kai 64th. These

results are then broken down by weight categories for the men and one category for women.

Kona is a one-design concept, with people using the same board with sails of different sizes depending on their weight.

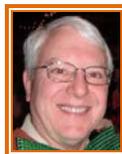
Next up is the Canadian Masters' Windsurfing Championship in Toronto followed by the National Capital Regatta and I think we'll have a great turnout this year.

As for our Wednesday night racing, well we haven't had much luck so far but we'll keep hoping!



2013 CRUISE WEEK

from – Bob Sunday - Cruising Rep.



I am pleased to report that Cruise Week (July 7-12, 2013) was enjoyed by the skippers and crews of 14 boats this year. And this included 8 boats that stayed with us at least 3 nights. But most of all the 3 boats that came out for their first Cruise Week are to be congratulated.

Highlights of the week will probably be remembered differently by each participant but here are a few:

- The Sunday night BBQ on shore at Pinhey's was washed out by light rain. But our spirits weren't dampened as we enjoyed an extended cocktail party hosted by Simply Devine.
- Monday, Adagio and Sapphire were the early risers and led the way for an enjoyable sail to Mohr Island with light winds on the aft-quarter. At our first official raft-up, on Grand Dame and Wind Song, we presented a special prize for the boat (which we won't name) that decided to explore the Constance Bay sandbar up close and personal.
- Tuesday, we headed to Quyon for our next stop and a chance to top up our stores and ice. After adapting to the temporarily moved finger docks, we headed ashore for the 3rd World Nautical Bocce Ball Championship. Eight teams fought valiantly for the new trophy provided by Mojo's crew, but it was the Grand Dame/Sapphire team that took home the prize.
- On Wednesday, aboard Zephyr, we had an expedition to Pontiac Bay so that all could experience the beauty and difficulty of this great anchorage. While slowly motoring in the narrow channel, a fresh

homemade strawberry-rhubarb pie was baking in the oven. This was eagerly enjoyed by all aboard while moored in the bay, with a unanimous request for another Pontiac pie next year.

- Wednesday afternoon, we all made it back to Mohr Island with a good strong wind for more swimming and another enjoyable happy hour, this time aboard White Pearl.
- On Thursday many of us just relaxed at Mohr Island exploring in our dinghies to the sound of bag-pipes from our lone piper from Mojo on the sand spit. Then with the good winds, we headed back down river towards Constance Bay for our final official get-together.
- Friday was our little-to-no-wind day for the home stretch to BYC, though Grand-Dame and Mojo decided to stay at Pinhey's for another night.

Thanks to all the participants. You are the ones who made this one of the best Cruise Weeks ever. We look forward to doing this again in 2014.

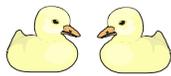
CHICKS' CHATTER

from - Judy Goodwin

Our sailing season is well underway as we approach the end of the first series. It has been fantastic so far with great participation by coaches and crews. Thank you to all the dedicated helms people who have kept their crews informed as needed. Thank you to the boat owners and coaches for your generous contribution to our program.

It is wonderful to see so many boats out on Monday nights and to know that dozens of women are practicing and improving their sailing skills. We have a unique opportunity here of which more and more women each year are taking advantage. Word has it that our Women's racing program is so successful that it stands out as one of the best in Canada!

May the rest of the season bring us fair winds and satisfying results!



from - Kirk Robertson - Protest Chair & Chief Handicapper



There are nearly 40 boats registered for PHRF at BYC this year. Registration is simply a matter of filling out a PHRF Application form with your particulars, the type of boat and usually just one (1) or two (2) sail

measurements. I always keep a 100' tape in the car and am glad to help you get these measurements.

Quite a few boats have gone to smaller headsails this year (-145%); they seem to be easy to set and to handle.

Protests

We have seen only a few protests and these have been settled before they got into the protest room. You can now email your protest to protests@byc.ca and I will find them in my inbox.

There have been a few questions and almost protests about RRS 49.2. It states that on a boat with lifelines, one's torso cannot be outside the lifelines, except for a few specialized cases. Apparently in JAM races crew have been holding headsails out with poles and/or hands. This is legal but your torso must stay inside the lifelines, while doing it. Please read the RRS and guides like the offshore regulations and follow them.

You have been warned, so a future case may come down hard on the offending boat.

This may give boats that can race without lifelines an edge; but they generally don't race against boats that have them.

It may be in the SIs next year, but it would help a lot if you emailed your intent to retire from a race at the same web address in case a matching protest appears.

P.S. - We now have a mailbox at BYC scorer@byc.ca to which we can send finish times



SUMMER SAILSTICE 2013

by - John Irvin, Coordinator



The winds and weather conspired against us to some extent, but a hardy few overnighted at Mohr Island. Several other boats played around the bay and Aylmer Island. The majority of BYC sailors out that day were in the NOD Regatta where all competitors were registered for Sailstice.

All told, somewhere around 100 BYC sailors were on the water. A good first effort.



BASKIN'S ODD COUPLE RACE

SAT., Aug. 3, 2013

DINGHIES, KEELBOATS, JAM

Warning Gun at 1000 hrs.

Singlehanded classes may be sailed by either half of an odd couple.

Keelboats may **NOT** use spinnakers

STONY POINT RACE

SUN. AUGUST 18, 2013

PHRF, SHARKS, DINGHIES,
DAYSAILERS, JAM

Warning Gun - 1000 hrs.

Joint BYC/NSC start as part of
Interclub Long Distance Series

ARMITAGE RACE

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31, 2013

PHRF & JAM

Warning Gun - 10:00 A.M.

Then join the fun at
Baskin's Weekend/Cornboil

**2013
FALL SAILORS'
MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPT. 3
AFTER RACING**

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

SAT., SEPT. 28, 2013

0900 hrs. - SKIPPERS' MEETING

1000 hrs. - START

Special instructions will be issued.

100 MILE RACE

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2013

PHRF & JAM

Warning Gun at 1900 hrs.

Special Instructions will be issued

Join in on the Chili Fest before the race.

SAILBOARD OPEN REGATTA

SAT. SEPT 7, 2013

Special Instructions will be issued

QUEEN'S PARK RACE

SUNDAY, SEPT. 15, 2013

PHRF, SHARKS, DINGHIES,
DAYSAILERS & JAM

Warning Gun at 1330 hrs.

RETURN OF THE KEELBOAT REGATTA

SATURDAY, Sept. 21/22

PHRF

Special Instructions will be issued