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 **From the Bridge**

from – John Morrow,
Commodore



I am writing this article as *Serenity* and my crew, Linda, Julie and Steve, are heading to Pinhey's Point from Mohr Island. Pleasant weather and good company have been had on this Cruise Week excursion. Catherine and Phil are to be commended on a job well done. Participation in Club functions such as Cruise Week is a great time to renew and make new friends. Social sailing events, regattas, attendance at special clubhouse parties and greetings exchanged between members enable us to be a family yacht club, not just a marina. New member orientation and volunteering give the members opportunity to provide input to the Board and staff on areas that need improvement, or to provide compliments for addressing issues.

Our Harbourmaster has been diligent in overseeing infrastructure improvements, safety concerns and a general

clean-up of the harbour grounds. I have been impressed with Andrew Furey's timely management with the heavy workload that has been entrusted to his direction. Dawson and Rowan Brown are to be complimented on their work effort and great attitude towards making the Club an attractive and receptive cottage in the city.

As summer progresses, the Club is vibrant with activities for all, whether you are a tennis player, racer, cruiser or alternative water sport enthusiast. There appears to be a growing trend for sailboarding, wind surfing, canoeing, kayaking, rafting and paddle boarding. Your respective Board members are aware of this and are adjusting to the demand.

It is a beehive of activity at the Junior Club and tennis courts, with the youngsters in attendance at their respective camps. They say that sailing will teach us patience, but I believe these young instructors and camp counsellors have been born with an abundance of tolerance!

We are hoping to form a Volunteer Committee to coordinate the generous members who have expressed an interest in helping move the Club onward and upward. Hoping to see you and your family at the clubhouse or on the water.



IN MEMORIAM

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

PAUL KOWALSKI
Sunday, May 29, 2016



The Board of Directors and Members of Britannia Yacht Club extend their deepest sympathy to his wife, Fiona, his Father, Bob, and his many friends.

HARBOUR REPORT

by - John Wright
Rear Commodore



In June Andrew and the brothers Brown have been able to catch up on the important tasks related to the docks and operation of the harbour. Aside from addressing some safety concerns and issues that members have called to my attention, I have

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been able to plan some improvements to our facilities.

A new pod of Kropft docks have been ordered for installation in August. These will be located along Commodores' Row and serve a breakwater along the south wall, where we have frequently had larger boats drag their stern moorings during storms.

We are installing more robust bollards along the gas dock, and replacing the wood rail along the tie up zone. I've also requested money from the Board for a new septic pump system. We have selected the same model used at many Ontario clubs and marinas, including Trident, as we've had reports about its reliability and ease of operation. It is a vacuum system and will evacuate the entire contents of a holding tank.

I have also consulted the Harbour Committee and some of the dry sailors (not to be confused with the "temperance" sailors, as I'm not sure we have many of those) about improving the layout and function at the north crane. That may be limited by budget, however, we are moving forward to install a wash-down station beside that crane. This should be useful to everyone, for washing decks, as long as you stay with the boat so that you can move it, should someone need to lift.

Of long-term importance, I have surveyed the east river shoreline where we have observed significant erosion of the bluff. My investigations lead me to believe that this is not as dire as it appears looking down from above, as the rock shingle into the water has reached a stable angle of repose. However, I will be costing out and recommending a staged program to armor off the bluff with large rock to retain the soil overburden.

And lastly, with Andrew and the Harbour Committee's input, I have put together a "Harbour Information" document. I originally thought it would be helpful for new members, but several of my reviewers are encouraging me to distribute it to all the boat owners. Look for that later this summer.

A reminder to all boat owners – [the speed limit in the harbour is 2 knots](#) – please observe this to ensure minimum wake affecting everyone's boats.

In closing, please be safe in the harbour and out on the water and make the most of these prime weeks of our short season.



Treasurer's Report

by – Jean Favreau
Honorary Treasurer



After three quarters of the 2015-16 fiscal year at BYC, the results remain good. We will make budget again this year and we continue to improve the Club with good capital expenditure choices. At the time of this writing, \$108,000 of this year's available capital dollars have been spent; 63% in the harbour and 37% on the house.

The Finance Committee also took a more long-term look at the Club's financial practices this year:

- When the Long-Term Planning Committee presented the Assets Maintenance Plan earlier in the year, the Finance Committee reviewed it and proposed a scheme to the BOD to finance such a maintenance plan. It was approved by the Board and we now have a better understanding of the future financial requirements for the maintenance of our assets, and a way to pay for it.

- The Finance Committee also looked at how the restricted funds were treated financially. Two changes were proposed to the BOD: 1) - that the funds be separated from the general funds at the bank and placed in open GICs, and 2) - that those funds be presented in separate columns in the financial statements. Both changes were approved and implemented.

The changes put in place will help all members "to see" the funds in the financial statements. The cyclical renewal being assigned to assets maintenance, it will become obvious how much money the Club has to maintain and renew key assets for our operations. In addition, presenting the revenues and expenditures in a separate column will make it easy to see where the capital money is going, and how much is available for projects.

This is a great approach to help ensure a better financial discipline at the Board and the Club management, now and in the future.



House & Grounds Report

from – Kevin Bundy (Director)



Hopefully by the time you read this, your summer has gone well, enjoying both the water and land

activities that BYC and the Lake Deschenes offers. The Club has been busy with events like Caribbean Night, Bring on the Bay, "Get out on the Water" and the many races. As I write this, the NCR starts in a week's time, and planning is well underway for the Women's Keelboat Championship in September. As the House and Grounds Director, it is my responsibility to make sure that the clubhouse and the grounds are in good, if not exceptional condition, for these events. Remembering too, that we are using a clubhouse that is over a hundred years old, so it does have its challenges.

In this respect I am very thankful for all the help of my volunteers. These are members that you see raking leaves, setting up gardens, pulling weeds, painting, shining copper and brass and on and on. Without their help, the house and grounds would not be in the same condition it is now. I would ask that you not take their help for granted and join with me to thank them for their time and effort (or better yet, join us!).

Similarly, the staff of BYC have also been doing their part to keep the grounds clean and pristine. You may have noticed the colourful garden and lush, new grass that is by the new elevator. This has all been planted and maintained by our dutiful custodian "BC". Since he works an early shift, many of us rarely see him, but he has been a great asset, and even more so now that he has uncovered his green thumb.

As you probably know, the kitchen has undergone a much needed update. This has all been initiated and overseen by our General Manager, Paul Moore, and is in response to the increased demand for not only quantity but quality and variety of meals. Speaking of meals, I don't think I have seen so many culinary delights at BYC as I have this year to which we need to thank our Chef, David, and his assistants Mejun, Jessica and Chelsea. Other improvements by Paul have been a window in the

main entrance door and new carpet upstairs and on the exterior stairs.

In other news, part of the development of our Asset Management Plan was the inclusion of an audit of our electrical system. While there were no serious or eminent risks found, a significant number of electrical issues were identified and, in response, we have had our electrical contractor address them. One benefit is that you may have noticed that the lights at the main gate are on again at night!

Unfortunately though, our General Manager and I are still trying to get quotes for the clubhouse chimney and the acoustic ceiling panels, and it has been frustrating. We are continuing our efforts. I am also looking at replacing the lights that are immediately over the Dragon Bar with LED lights. One thing we are never short of at BYC is repairs.

Well, that wraps it up for me for this edition. Mary and I are heading out tomorrow to join in on Cruise week with our two grandkids. Maybe we will see you there!



And the flag pole went up!



Tennis Report

by Wendy Faas (Director)



First of all I would like to welcome all the new BYC members enjoying the Tennis Courts. We have had several new members join us from each of the three New Members' Orientation Nights. And I do think that there has been a definite increase in court usage from new and existing members. Keep it up guys the courts look best when they are full!

The NCTA Intermediate Tournament took place here again in early June, and brought a lot of tennis people from around the city to the Club for the first time. Men's and Ladies' Singles; Men's & Ladies' Doubles; and Mixed Doubles, were all contested with nice representation from BYC Members. Congrats go out to Dorette Pollard for making it all the way to the Ladies' Singles Final; and Congrats go out to James Ferguson who won all three draws he entered at the NCTA O35 Tournament.

The OTA Jr Tournament that was originally planned for mid to late August has been moved to the end of September, thinking we will get greater participation.

French Open Cafe au Lait and Wimbledon Strawberries and Cream continue to be popular events and with Milos in the Wimbledon Final, we had a record setting crowd and buffet table.

The Tennis Spring and Summer Series, which is in its second year, otherwise known as our "Race Nights" is as popular as last.

Our "Fall Series", the Club Championship tournament will begin in August and continue until matches are completed, no later than September 30.

- Sign-up begins August 1st, closes September 1st

There will be two spots to sign up - Outdoor and Indoor (upstairs) Tennis Bulletin Boards

- Self-organized Matches can begin as soon as sign-up Opens

All matches to be completed by Sept 30th - but lessons and Race nights will be complete so the courts will be available. weekday evenings.

- Round robin format, if a tie results then a play-off match will be required

- Pro Sets to 8

Important Dates coming up: Monday August 1 and Monday Sept 5 - **Inside Outside Round Robins** 10am to Noon; it can be a member and a guest, it can be a tennis player and non-tennis player; and the Pickle Ball Players will be back.



Some of the goodies enjoyed by those attending the annual Wimbledon Strawberries & Cream do.

Social Report

by – Beth Shepherd (Director)



The summer at BYC is full of excitement with sailing and tennis

programs underway. During the day the Club is alive with the laughter of children attending camps and schools. In the evenings we all enjoy wonderful meals, sunsets and entertainment on Friday evenings. In response to popular demand we are starting Friday Night Entertainment earlier. We hope you are enjoying the variety of performers - we are trying to appeal to a cross section of members by providing a variety of genres and performers. Please check the website or with the Office for specifics.

Interspersed with all the ongoing activities, the Club has hosted a number of successful events in June and July. The Commodore's Weekend had an extra special kickoff this year with the Commodore's Challenge Fundraiser. The Summer Solstice Ottawa River Cruise gave many members an opportunity to experience the rapids and down river in an enjoyable way. We congratulate long time member and octogenarian Shirley Bemis on her participation. (See BYC's Facebook page for photos.) I want to thank Jim Antonakos and his team for their excellent navigation. Despite some uncooperative weather, members enjoyed Canada Day at the Club and the Gnarleys played to rave reviews. July 16/17 saw the successful 59th National Capital Regatta with a good time had by all.

In mid-July BYC began offering lunches on Fridays. I look forward to lunching with my art group in August – what a great way to introduce friends to the Club! By the time you read this report, I anticipate that we will all have enjoyed another fun Caribbean Night and Resort Party organized by Sam Fuller and his team.

On August 15 BYC hosts its annual golf tournament at a new venue, the Glen Mar Golf Course, with dinner at BYC. On Sunday, August 21 we have a second Ottawa River rafting event. This is an afternoon event and includes, in addition to rafting, opportunities for body surfing, cliff diving and bridge hanging – especially designed for the kid in all of us. Bring your family and friends to this fun-packed day. I do need to remind you that fall is around

the corner and that Dave Wilson is organizing the 9th Oktoberfest for September 30.

Many thanks to Breanna, Paul and all the staff who are so responsive in getting all our social events realized.

This summer we have welcomed many new members to the Club. We hope our new members will turn into long-term members. Please let us know if we can help in any way. All members, please let us know if you need any information about the social events, have suggestions for events, or if you would like to join the Social Committee. Contact me at social@byc.ca.



**BOOK LAUNCH
AT BYC**

The BYC has been the scene for many launches but never a book launch - and one about aviation at that! The event had a unique connection with the Club itself. The book being

launched was member Peter Pigott's "*Brace for Impact: Air Crashes and Aviation Safety*" a history of air crash investigation. It was inspired by a tragedy that took place in front of the clubhouse on Lac Deschênes almost 70 years ago.

During the Second World War, the Royal Canadian Air Force (RCAF) kept a "crash boat" at the Club and stationed its crew in the shack next to the main building. On July 23, 1945, club members looked up to see an RCAF "Canso" flying boat thunder directly over the clubhouse. It then bounced down on the Ottawa River, taxied towards Britannia Beach and took off again. Nine-year-old Peter Sneyd and his friends paid little attention to it as, during the war, the lake had been used as a practice area for "touch and goes" by RCAF aircraft from Rockcliffe air station. This time on touching down, the Canso then stalled on takeoff, it's wing tipped into the water and tore away. Club members watched in horror as the aircraft then flipped over and began sinking. Holed in the fuselage and so close to the rapids, it went to the lake bottom within minutes, trapping the crew of seven inside. By the time boats from the Club got to the scene, it was marked by floating log books, oil slicks - and bodies.

Five of the crew had drowned and two were rescued by club members. They were brought to the clubhouse, dazed, bloodied and in their underwear. What was left of the

wreckage was dragged up on Britannia beach.

On June 20, 2016, before a packed audience at the book launch, Sneyd spoke about that day and the many club members - including his father - who tried to save the airmen's lives. After him, Lieut. Colonel Martin Leblanc the RCAF's Chief Air Accident Investigator demonstrated with a PowerPoint presentation how each air crash is a learning experience, and why flying is the safest form of transport. Copies of the book were signed and sold. All who attended agreed that it was an informative and historic event.



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The Nominating Committee is SEEKING CANDIDATES FOR NOMINATION TO THE 2017 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

August 1, 2016

The Nominating Committee is actively seeking candidates for nomination to vacancies on the **2017 Board of Directors**. In accordance with the By-law, eligibility for candidature is as follows:

- a) Be at least eighteen (18) years of age.
- b) Be a voting member in good standing of the Club.
- c) Be neither mentally incompetent nor an undischarged bankrupt;
- d) Not be an employee of the Club.

Deadline for an expression of interest to be included in the slate, prepared by the Nominating Committee, is Wednesday, AUGUST 31.

If you are interested, please provide the Committee with the following by the above date:

- a) A biographical sketch of 25 to 50 words, written in the first person.
- b) Your background and any preference for the specific portfolio.
- c) An indication of what you foresee you might want to achieve in your second year on the Board (the first year being more of an apprenticeship).
- d) What your platform would be, and your rationale for selection for nomination.

As well, if you know someone you feel would be a good candidate, we would be most interested in receiving your recommendation.

We look forward to receiving many replies, and encourage anyone interested to let us know. Just get in touch with me or any member of the Nominating Committee -

Daryl Cormier (Chair)
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Bruce Cantley
Sam Fuller
Philippe Johnston
Angela Hussey

Daryl Cormier
Chairman, 2017 Nominating Committee

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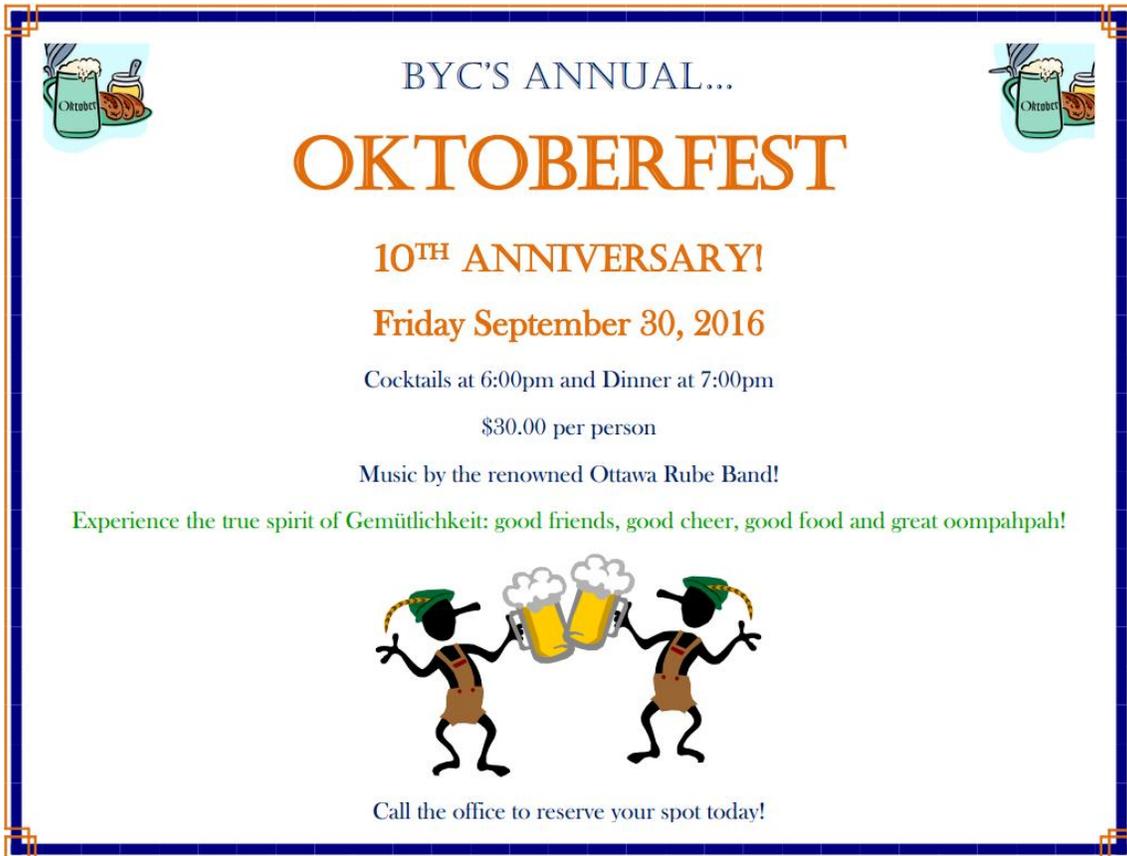


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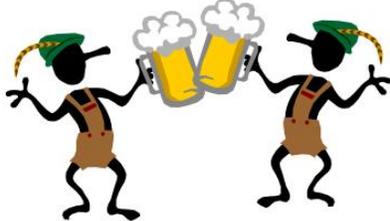
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Between the Sheets

NEWS FOR BOATERS - RACERS AND CRUISERS August-September 2016

“Sailors, with their built-in sense of order, service and discipline, should really be running the world.” – Nicholas Monserrat

DON'T FORGET

LAC DESCHENES PHRF REG.....Sat/Sun Aug. 6/7
STONY POINT RACE.....Sun. Aug. 14
STAN CARSON MEMORIAL C&C REG... Sat. Aug. 20
IAN MELLER MEMORIAL REGATTA..... Sun. Aug. 21
ARMITAGE RACE.....Sat. Sept. 3
BASKIN'S WEEKEND/CORNBOIL.....Sept 3-5
FALL SAILORS' MEETING.....Tues. Sept. 6
100 MILE RACE.....Fri. Sept. 9
BYC SAILBOARD OPEN REGATTA.....Sat. Sept. 10
QUEEN'S PARK RACE.....Sun. Sept 11

FLEET CAPTAIN'S REPORT

by – Sal Khan



During the winter of 2016, the Sailing Committee decided to examine long distance (up-river) race attendance with the purpose of eliminating some from the 2016 racing calendar. Two such races were examined, 1) the Canada Day Cup and Saucer and, 2) the Jefferson Pursuit Race. Attendance had been flagging in both races and the SC was debating cancellation of both races.

Malcolm McHattie, Up-River Rep., suggested combining the two races and offering the combined race on Canada Day. He agreed to champion the race and it was renamed the Canada Day Jefferson Pursuit Race. Over the winter Malcolm, with the help of Kirk Robertson, decided on a new course and prepared marketing material while Kirk calculated start times (or sometimes called chase times) for all boats in the Club, be they registered for racing or not.

This spring Malcolm spoke with many boat owners encouraging them to participate in the race. Paul Moore did his share for the race and offered a BBQ and a draft for \$10 for the racers and as part of the Canada Day celebration.

Due to Malcolm's efforts and tenacity, the race drew nine participants up from one participant, in 2015. The

SC can be expected to examine every up-river race with the goal of tweaking the races to make them of greater interest to sailors. Perhaps the idea of appointing a volunteer champion for each race.

Following is Malcolm's description of the background to the Canada Day Jefferson Pursuit Race:

"The Jefferson Pursuit has been a popular event on the BYC calendar for many years but participation has recently declined. This was partly attributed to its recent scheduling early in the season before sailors were ready for a special sailing event. The Sailing Committee decided to schedule a 2016 "Canada Day Pursuit" with the idea that sailors not otherwise occupied would enjoy a good sail on Canada Day, and would appreciate a variation from the regular race format.

A pursuit requires careful setting-up. The slowest boat starts first and the fastest last - all boats have a good sail and all finish around the same time. Establishing a valid starting order is as easy as holding a poll before an election, and as accurate. The 2015 Shark Worlds long-distance race mass finish was just a front (from behind). The inevitable inexactitude makes a pursuit suitable as a fun event for all, including those who do not race regularly.

The majority of boats in a pursuit will sail most of the race trying to catch all boats ahead, a minority trying to keep ahead of boats behind, which keeps competitive and less-competitive sailors interested. If any should fail in their endeavour, they can rest assured that their start time was miscalculated, or at least unreasonable. Everyone should have had a good sail and gather at the bar in timely manner.

For Canada Day 2016 participants were asked to register and at 12:00 mid-day. This gave time to assign start-times and be ready for individual starts between 13:35 and 14:00. Nine boats entered, two not registered for regular racing. This was more than in recent years and an indication of feasibility.

A pre-set 8 nautical mile course - once around each of the remaining permanent buoys with start and finish at "S" - enabled start times to be pre-established based on "Time on Distance" for all boats with PHRF Lake Ontario certificates. For other entries start times were assigned based on Kirk Robertson's list of PHRF equivalent for almost all boats in the World. Each skipper was given a sheet with the individual boat start time.

The Club barbecue was operational for lunch, and there was enough time for everyone to be well fed and the boat prepared before racing.

Start times were grouped at five-minute intervals in the interest of straightforward start-management. The up to 5-minute advantage some boats had over some others did show-up at the finish, but the overall calculation worked well with most boats gathered together approaching the finish. A less coarse start would make it fairer but may be more difficult to manage. The plan was to finish the race by 16:00 hours, in good time for evening plans, including an excellent barbecue at the Club. If no boat had finished by 4.00pm then the boat closest to the finish, as determined by the race officer, would be declared the winner. In the event all boats had completed the course by that time.

The race ran well and, for those who had lacked excitement, thunder storms and a sudden fierce blast of wind immediately after the finish challenged crews taking sails down and entering the harbour. Once at berth, the Club showers were hot, the bar was open and the barbecue was fired-up.

Race Results: 1) Fiddler's Green (Trevor Klotz),
2) Busted Flush (Sal Khan), 3) Blew-By-U 2 (Bill Fuller).

CLASS 5 NEWS

from – David O' Sullivan, Class Rep.



Hi All - By now the season is well under way and there has been lots of great racing and warm weather to date. As you may have noticed for the Summer Series, we in Class 5 are racing the "close course" with a lot less travel time to get out. Please bear in mind that we will be back to the "far course" come the Fall Series.

Increased course lengths... this season has seen a significant change in this area, some are for it, some are not. As a gentle reminder, this is YOUR class, if you have an opinion, I would be more than happy to make sure it is heard.

As always, please check out raceqs.com, Thumper and many others are making use of this excellent piece of free software.



CLASS 8 & JAM REPORT

by – Brian Williamson
Class 8 and JAM Rep.

By now it's mid-summer and the racing season is in full swing – spring season finished and the Summer Series just started. At this point I'd like to give a call out to the active racers to recognize their efforts:

Class 8 (PHRF Div 3) has two BYC boats racing

- Skylark
- Carpe Diem (joined in the summer series)

JAM racing has six boats racing in two fleets (defined based on their handicap rating):

A fleet (PHRF rating under 224)

- Wind Warrior
- Solitaire
- Waskana
- La Leone II

A special recognition to Wind Warrior who placed 2nd overall in the Spring Series, but also to recognize the BYC boats who have raced regularly.

B fleet (PHRF rating 224- 244)

- Muskad
- Carpe Diem (joined in the summer series)

C fleet (PHRF rating over 244)

- no BYC boats (yet)

JAM racing is an easy introduction to racing (no spinnaker handling!) that is good fun - any cruising boat can give it a go, with just a bit of simple, advance registration. You don't have to make a major commitment just come out and give it a try for a few times to see if you enjoy it. Thursday evening JAM racing is a good excuse to get out for a sail as a prelude to the weekend. Contact me directly or through the BYC office if you want help to get started in the JAM races.

Good luck to all Class 8 and JAM boats for the rest of the Summer Series – see you on the course.

C&C 27 REPORT

by – David O'Sullivan, Class Rep.

The C&C27 one-design fleet is alive and kicking!! We've had many great days of racing with many great replays to watch on raceqs.com!!! As you now know, we are racing the "close course" for the Summer Series but will be changing back to the "far course" for the Fall Series.

As said in my Class 5 report, - increased course lengths... this season has seen a significant change in this area, some are for it, some are not. As a gentle reminder, this is YOUR class, if you have an opinion, I would be more than happy to make sure it is heard.

July 7th saw our first raft-up of the season with 9 boats all rafted together, anchored within spitting distance of BYC's pier (Thank you D'Arcy Craig for the picture). We had some good eats, great conversation

and we even traded secrets here and there. If you have not been to one, I highly recommend the next one. It's a great chance to get to know your fleet, make friends and even learn something from one another... stay tuned!



Six of the eventual nine C&C 27s

UP-RIVER RACING STEADY AS SHE GOES

by - Malcolm McHattie – Up-River Race Rep.



If it were not for the Ottawa River's rock-solid reputation for reliable, predictable and steady winds, 2016 upriver racers could be excused for thinking otherwise. Many boats were unable to finish the Shorey and none finished the Spring 50-Mile. The BYC Pinhey's took over 7 hours while the identical NSC Pinhey's, two weeks later, took less than three. Most recently just four boats braved the heavy rain-storms and variable winds sailing to Quyon - they were rewarded with a pleasant and rapid ride home.

So it goes with sailing, and most participants thoroughly enjoy the experience - at least once they are dry after a rare soaking. It was good to find that several slots in the Quyon docks could be used by deep-keel boats - it is just necessary to approach carefully and check the depth. Once docked the boat is relatively easily accessed from Gavan's.

This summer has, so far, been exceptionally dry and temperatures have been bouncing up and down, so it is reasonable to hope for normality and expect that we will soon be back into those reliable, predictable and steady winds we are used to.

The Mohr Island (Margarita Weekend) -July 23/24 - is next up for a weekend stay-over. Of the two upcoming races to Baskin's Beach, the "Odd-Couple" couples with the August Baskin's long week-end, and the "Armitage" delivers crew to the Baskin's Labour Day Cornboil and weekend bash. A good excuse for a sail and to have light fun as well.

In August and September there are events each weekend, including upriver races, a Single Handed Race and round-the-buoys regattas. The Sailing Instructions have all the details.

Enjoy the remaining three-quarters of our season.

WINDSURFING REPORT

by- Suzanne Roberge



The season is well underway and we had some windy Wednesdays and some calm ones! But who's complaining when you get to sail in such a nice place! The recent National Capital Regatta was well attended by the windsurfers – 8 Konas, 3 raceboards and one junior. Kudos to the Race Committee for managing to do 9 races in light winds and to the Organizing Committee for another great NCR. Next up is the Canadian Masters' Windsurfing Association Championship in Châteauguay, Québec that a few of us are attending.

The storage unit is ready! For the past 5-6 weeks, the windsurfers have worked on the construction every Tuesday night, plus a few more hours here and there. I would like to thank all those who helped: Matthew McGarvey, Andrew Hope, Laird Roe, David Cocking and Gavin Rolleston (painting). By the time you read this, the move from the Bruce Shed to the container will probably be completed. I would also like to thank last year's Board of Director for agreeing to buy the container and Paul Moore for facilitating everything.

Last but not least, we have a new windsurfing member, Michele Loewen. Michele had not windsurfed in many years and bought a Kona One Design and joined us on the water for the first time at the NCR. Like riding a bicycle, she had not forgotten how to sail!! You will also see her out on her Shark on Thursday nights. Welcome aboard Michele!

CRUISE WEEK

from – Catherine Trinkwon



Cruise Week 2016 started with a chilly beat to Pinhey's Point in 15-22 kn of wind and a bit of rain. Anchored by 3pm, Inception and Danalee wondered what the weather would be for the onshore BBQ but by 6pm it was hot and sunny. It stayed that way for the rest of the week.

Eight boats made it for the Sunday night BBQ, including two new boats: Swiss Account (Tim, Monique, Emily, and Jake) and Skedaddle (Dave and Karen).

Monday morning started early, with mist over the water and Jake fishing before 6 am. By early afternoon, most of the boats had left for Baskins. Zephyr, Swiss Account, and Inception had their sails up, chasing zephyrs and the occasional bit of wind. Eventually, instead of bobbing around in the heat, they dropped their sails and motored the last mile to Baskin's. Emotional Rescue, Zephyr, and Inception hosted Happy Hour, where we conducted a wine tasting. New World Pinot Noir wines were the most popular.

Tuesday started with another heat warning, with light winds and easy sailing from Baskin's to Mohr Island. At anchor, many people swam to keep cool. At Happy Hour, 'Philomena' kicked off the Swamp Queen competition with a bagpipe tune from the foredeck of Inception. The 'gals' were encouraged to mingle so that we could get to know them better. 'Tomisina', 'Philomena', 'Tina', 'Jane', 'Stephanie', 'Andrea', 'Roberta' (aka Bobbette) all shone. Newcomer 'Tina' took 3rd place, veteran 'Philomena' was 2nd, and newcomer 'Jane' won with classic good looks and good manners.



Wednesday's weather included yet another heat warning. It was shifty downwind sailing to Quyon for provisioning, an ice cream run, and the Quyon World Nautical Bocce Tournament. Eight teams competed. Congratulations to the winners: Julie, Anton, and Byron. Second place went to Bob, Karen, Jake, and Elizabeth.

During Happy Hour on Impulse, Talon d'Or, and Zephyr, while the adults socialized and ate great food (including lamb burgers from Talon d'Or), Anton and Jake caught catfish.

On Thursday morning, a Scottish mist hung over Mohr Island, and in the distance you could hear bagpipes. Several people explored the island by kayak and dinghy. The weather cleared by early afternoon, and

boats sailed back to Pinhey's Point. Danalee, Emotional Rescue, and Inception hosted Happy Hour, which was a Scotch tasting. Each bottle had a story: one was from a departed friend; one was purchased while on tour of an Irish distillery; one was discovered as "an excellent price point performer"; one was a long-time favourite (not for the faint of heart); one had the same surname as a friend; and two were gifts from a career promotion. Some who hadn't tried Scotch before became adventurous. A brief rain shower and lightning show later in the evening forced the socializing into the cabins.



Thank you to those who made this a fun week. About ten boats joined us for most of the week, and another five or so joined us at other various times. We enjoyed your company, and we hope to see you next year.



After dumping three times on one leg in the Tucker/Rodger Regatta.

Jenn Welcher took on crew Joel Riordan.

NOT SURE THAT WAS A GOOD IDEA!!

**LAC DESCHÊNES
PHRF REGATTA**

**SATURDAY/SUNDAY
August. 6/7, 2016**

Special Instructions will be issued

STONY POINT RACE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 2016

**PHRF, SHARKS, DINGHIES, DAYSAILERS, JAM
Warning Gun - 1000 hrs.**

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



**Stan Carson Memorial
C&C Regatta**

Saturday, August 20, 2016

Flying/non-Flying, all C&Cs and C&C Wannabes

**IAN MELLER MEMORIAL
REGATTA**

(Special Instructions to be issued)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, 2016

ALL DINGHIES & SAILBOARDS

BASKIN'S WEEKENDS

MARK THIS DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR

SAT. SEPT. 3 TO MON. SEP. 5

**SEPT. 3 TAKE PART IN THE
ARMITAGE'S RACE THEN HEAD
TO THE BEACH FOR THE**

BASKIN'S CORNBOIL WEEKEND

ARMITAGE RACE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2016

PHRF & JAM Warning Gun - 10:00 A.M.

2016

**FALL SAILORS'
MEETING**

**TUESDAY, SEPT. 6
AFTER RACING**

100 MILE RACE

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2016
PHRF & JAM**

**Warning Gun at 1900 hrs.
Special Instructions will be issued**

Join in on the Chili Fest before the race.

SAILBOARD OPEN

SAT. SEPT 10, 2016

Special Instructions will be issued

QUEEN'S PARK RACE

SUNDAY, SEPT. 11, 2016

**PHRF, SHARKS, DINGHIES, DAYSAILERS
& JAM**

Warning Gun at 1330 hrs.

FALL 50 MILE RACE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2016

**PHRF, SHARKS & JAM
Warning Gun: 0800 hours**

Special SIs will be issued

Britannia Yacht Club Activities Calendar

August 2016

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Office Hours: Mon. - Fri. 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.						
Bar Hours: Mon. To Fri. - 4:00 - 11:00 p.m. Sat. & Sun - 11:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.						
FOOD: Mon. to Fri. 4:00 to 9:00 p.m. Sat. & Sun. - 12:00 - 7:00 p.m.						
Food services: Meals available until 9:00pm Mon.-Fri. 7:00pm Sat. & Sun.						
1 BASKINS' WEEKEND	2	3	4	5 ACOUSTIC SHOOTERS	6 LAC DESCHENES PHRF REGATTA.....	7
Civic Holiday	New moon					
8	9	10	11	12 BEV DUNN	13	14 ILD Counter STONY POINT RACE PHRF, Sharks, JAM, Dinghies, Daysailers
		First quarter	CORK International Regatta, 29er and Byte CII North Americans - Aug. 1 1-14, 2016.....			
15	16	17	18	19 DIVIDED HIGHWAY	20 STAN CARSON MEMORIAL C&C REGATTA	21 IAN MELLER MEMORIAL REGATTA (Dinghies & Sailboards)
			Full Moon	Private Wedding	Private Wedding	
22	23	24	25	26 KIRK ARMSTRONG	27 BYC/NSC SINGLEHANDED KEELBOAT REGATTA	28
		Last Quarter		Private Wedding		
29	30	31				

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Britannia Yacht Club Activities Calendar

September 2016

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Office Hours: Mon. - Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.						
Bar Hours: Mon. To Fri. - 4:00 - 11:00 p.m. Sat. & Sun - 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.						
Food services: Meals available until 9:00pm Mon.-Fri. 7:00pm Sat. & Sun.						
			1 One-Design Keelboat & JAM Fall Series	2 Ugly Mack & Skully	3 ARMITAGE RACE PHRF Rated boats	4 BASKIN'S WEEKEND All BYC boats - Sep. 3-5
			New Moon	Private Wedding	Private Wedding	
5 LABOUR DAY 	6 PHRF Handicap Fall Series FALL SAILORS' MEETING AFTER RACING	7 Sailboard, & Dinghy Fall Series	8 One-Design Keelboat & JAM Fall Series	9 DRIVE IN RADIO 100 MILE RACE	10 BYC SAILBOARD OPEN REGATTA	11 ILD Counter QUEEN'S PARK RACE All Classes (Interclub) Grandparents' Day
			First Quarter	Private Wedding		
12 Women's Series II	13 PHRF Handicap Fall Series	14	15 One-Design Keelboat & JAM Fall Series	16 THE WILD VINES	17 Laser Gold Cup #6 - CORK Fall Regatta at Portsmouth Harbour	18
			Full Moon	Private Wedding		
19 Women's Series II	20 PHRF Handicap Fall Series	21	22 One-Design Keelboat & JAM Fall Series	23 THE BROTHERS BRADY	24 NSC20 Mile Trophy Race ILD Counter	25
			Last Quarter	Private Wedding		
26	27 PHRF Handicap Fall Series	28	29 One-Design Keelboat & JAM Fall Series	30 Oktoberfest OTTAWA RUBE BAND 		
			New Moon			

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