



6:29 P.M. April 26, 2018
The Goofy Newfie, Andrew Furey
1st Boat on the Lake
(Photo courtesy of Bill Fuller)

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From the Bridge

from – Rob Braden,
Commodore



Our Club, Our Way.

Beautiful days scattered between cold, wet spells. This spring weather is not what comes to mind when thinking of spring. Often feels like late October days. Which shows how our interpretation of the weather depends on other factors. What would be considered a beautiful day in October, is a cool day in late May. In reality, as cool and wet as it has been, it has been good for getting work done without sweating profusely in the hot sun.

The Spring Work Party was a big success. A lot of work was accomplished. See Alan's article for an update, but let me say here and now, kudos to Alan for the amount of time and effort he put into organizing and then re-organizing to deal with the wind storm damage. He put in extra hours on OUR behalf to get the Club presentable again. I note that it was the past House & Grounds Director who also stayed to the bitter end to get the interlock brick

back in place. Sometimes it takes experience in a job to understand how much work is involved and Kevin and Mary Bundy were there to take up any slack. All 3 and many others, including some yard staff, put in a full day's work, to get the work done. They weren't doing it for themselves, but for all of us, for OUR club.

While we are at it, one of the great missed kudos goes to the gardening committee. They put in loads of time, but we don't usually see the benefits till well into the season. So, hats off to them as well. They put in the work so that OUR club will look great.

Ruth Martin and her crew did the Club proud with the success of the Women in Wind seminar. The most people ever registered and attended. Ruth didn't do this for herself, she did it for all the women interested in racing and for the Club as a whole. For OUR club.

So you may have caught onto my theme by now. BYC is a member driven club. As such we do work for the collective good of all members. It is OUR club and we do things OUR way. This includes the Regulations and By-law, which were created and administered for the benefit of all. Similarly, the management and the Board are guided by the financial realization of costs. We choose to do things, the policies we make, the staffing decisions, the capital investments for what is deemed in the best interest of OUR members. What we have today is fantastic and a result of all OUR efforts over the history of OUR club. We keep our operating costs down, and as such, we can keep our

IN MEMORIAM

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

HON. PAUL DICK, PC, QC
Wednesday, May 2, 2018



**The Board of Directors and
Members of Britannia Yacht Club
extend their deepest sympathy to
his wife Pierrette Cassista, sons
Wyatt and Andrew, grandchildren
Zofia and Kaya. Sister Joanne, niece
Angela, nephews Mark and Hugo,
and all his many, many friends.**

membership fees down, and we still managed to put \$1.5 million into capital projects to improve OUR club. With our aging infrastructure, we still have more to do.

I have recently run into a few situations where some members are making demands in the vain of My Club, My Way. I encourage members to keep in mind, that BYC resources are OUR resources, for the good of all. Staffing decisions are made based on meeting the needs of OUR members AND on a model of service that is fiscally responsible. So individual yard or club house staff may not have the time to meet your personal needs at any given moment.

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And claiming that You are a Member and They work for You, doesn't wash with what is good for OUR club. Personally, I find that the staff at BYC are consistently working above and beyond what is expected of them and that they provide a level of personal service, when they can, that is excellent.

The demands on staff are greater these days and members expectations are higher. We need to be realistic and mindful of what we ask of staff in the yard, clubhouse and admin. We are very lucky, we have great staff.

One last note, the recent wind storm left behind a lot of damage. This makes the 3rd natural event in the last 12 months that has had major effects on our club. See Al Malo's article for an update. The main thing to know is that after careful analysis of damage the Club is not in any danger. The Western wall of the Inner Harbour is not about to erode away. We do need to heed the damage and effect repairs, but it is not as dire as it appeared the morning after.

HARBOUR REPORT

by – Al Malo, Vice Commodore



The The annual Spring Boat Owners' meeting was held on April 8 and was very well attended. Thanks to Rod Miller who presented a review of the charts of the river highlighting the hazards to be mindful of and the great cruising spots to be enjoyed. Running aground can ruin your day

IN MEMORIAM

It is with the most profound sadness that we report the death of long-time member

PATRICK SANDERS

Monday, May 14, 2018



The Board of Directors and Members of Britannia Yacht Club extend their deepest sympathy to his family, Terry (Susan), Debbie (Bill Jones), Michael (Heather) and Chris (Samantha) his grandchildren Travis, Troy, Andrew, and Matthew, his longtime partner Pauline Burns and all his many, many friends.

and can happen on any body of water – always have charts and use them. Rod also reviewed the rules for entering and exiting the harbour. When entering the harbour, make sure you line up so you have a clear line of sight down the harbour and give way to boats exiting. When exiting the harbour, be considerate of the small boat sailors and students - sail has the right of way over power - be patient. Remember, the harbour is a no-wake zone and speed must not exceed three knots.

The big boat launch was delayed one week to account for the cold weather and allow owners more time to prepare their boats. Launch day was Friday May 11 and the weather was great. Thanks to Kirk Robertson who volunteered as our crane signal person and to our Harbour Manager, Andrew Furey, and his crew, the day went very smoothly. In addition to launching and stepping masts, Andrew used the crane to adjust the positioning of some of the dock pods that were still not quite in the correct spot after the big wind storm last

September. Using the cranes to reposition the anchors proved very effective and allowed these adjustments to be made much more cost effectively than having the dock supplier bring in their boat and crew.

The Lighting Project I discussed in my last article was approved by the Planning Committee and the Board. Guy Painchaud and Gary Fritsch worked through proposals from two potential vendors and researched the options. As this research proceeded, we were made aware that LED lighting varies in significant ways and it's important to select a solution appropriate to our needs as a Club. The lighting choice must provide adequate lighting to safely navigate around the harbour by water or on foot, but not so bright as to be uncomfortable (not bright like a commercial parking lot). In the end we found a lighting option that we felt would best meet our needs. We chose a fixture with the warmest colour temperature available of 2700k, adjustable wattage and Dark Skies compliant. Before proceeding, we decided that we needed to do a field test to ensure this is the option we want to invest in. Two sample fixtures have been ordered and will be installed in the harbour before making a final decision. We are still waiting for the sample to arrive and I'll be updating you when these units have been tested.

The electrical work has also proceeded thanks to a great deal of effort by Gary Fritsch. The electrical system components have been labelled and a schematic has been prepared. Locks have been

installed and barriers will be installed as appropriate. A list of electrical maintenance has been prepared and will be worked on this month. We are also investigating upgrading the power supply to the Bruce Shed.

For most of April the weather was cool and the water level stayed low prompting some to hope, in vain, that the flood control gate would not be necessary this year. However, around April 27, the water started to rise rapidly, and the gate was installed on Monday April 30 as the water level reached around 59.1 meters and water started to flow over the lip of the marine railway ramp. Thanks to Kirk Robertson for his advice and to the General Manager who quickly arranged for the crane, the gate went in just in time.

On May 4, we had a great Greek themed fundraiser - the food was great and the music had lots of enthusiastic folks up on the dance floor. However, this was not the only excitement of the evening. With the water level high enough to cover the pier, we experienced an extreme wind event. For over two hours, we had winds gusting from 50 to 60 knots from the west. This raised huge waves that not only damaged the awnings, walls and walkways at the front of the Club but also caused significant erosion of the western shore on the north side of the harbour. This storm compounded the erosion problem that caused concern after last year's extreme high water. Snow/hazard fencing has been installed to mark the undermined areas of the shore. Please stay behind the fencing as the lip is not stable. The General Manager arranged for the engineering firm that had previously studied the harbour infrastructure issues to do a site visit on May 11. We were reassured that the berm was not in imminent danger of breach or failure. However, this erosion will continue, and we need to address the situation sooner rather than later. A Harbour Renewal Infrastructure Team will be set up to study the situation over the summer. Recommendations will be made to the Board. Any work would have to be done later in the year

when we have low water conditions. In the meantime, essential repairs and cleanup will be done. If you are a member with engineering experience and expertise related to shoreline management, your input would be appreciated.

I'd like to thank the many volunteers who helped out with the Spring Work Party. We had planned to have an event for both House and Grounds and the Harbour but given the damage caused by the storm, most of the volunteers focused on work at the Club House. The work they were able to do was fantastic and they made tremendous progress on the walkways and flagpole area. This clearly illustrates the power of the volunteer effort of Club members which has been a long tradition at this Club.

While the house and grounds effort was talking place, a few of us worked on the North side to clean up Sherwood Point and the north wall and ramp areas. Thanks to Byron Boucher, Guy Painchaud, Bill Arnott, Dave Taylor, Pam Midgley, David Little and new member Willy Wahl for all their help.

You don't have to wait for a work party to pitch in – thanks to Jordan Morrow, Sarah McAuley and Isla Kelly-Middleton for their initiative cleaning up the picnic area at Emerald Cove.

At the Spring Boat Owners' Meeting, I introduced a project to install steel feet on cradles for boats that are hauled out or launched using the Blue Crane and the hydraulic trailer. This is essential to improve the efficiency and safety of this operation. I'm happy to report that the change to the Harbour Regulations was endorsed by the Harbour Committee and has been approved by the Board. To minimize the cost of complying to this new Regulation, the Club has implemented a program to bulk purchase the materials and arrange for welding services. To take advantage of this program, owners should sign up using a simple form available from the Harbour Manager or the BYC office. I continue to look at other aspects of Harbour operations with the General Manager and the Harbour Manager to

ensure that all necessary equipment and procedures are in place for a smooth and safe operation.

On May 22nd, we repaired the undermining of a support post for the flood control gate which occurred on May 4th. The flood control gates were removed on May 24th when the water level decreased to about 58.9 meters. We took advantage of the crane to replace three bent dock anchor posts and reposition anchors on the lagoon dock and the west wall of the inner harbour. In the afternoon we pulled the gates and the water rose to a few inches shy of the sidewalks so in most areas, people's feet stayed dry. Thanks to the Kirk Robertson and the Harbour Manager, Andrew Furey and his crew for a job well done. Thanks also to the members who tended mooring lines and checked the docks as the water rose. As tradition would have it, Denis Foy was the first person to head out of the uncorked harbour.

The Harbour Manager is especially busy at this time of year. In addition to launching boats, there is a long list of maintenance tasks that need to be addressed. Andrew and his crew do a great job for us and, as members, there are things we can do to help this team. Please note that our goal is to complete Big Blue launch activities by June 15 and you can help by booking your launch time early so the crew can plan their activities. After June 15, launches will be scheduled once per week - usually on Wednesday morning - and there will be a fee charged for launch on other days. Please also

ensure that your cradle is folded as soon as possible after launch. All your property, cradles, trailers, dollies, buns etc. must be clearly marked with the boat name or the owner name so the crew don't have to guess.

The review of the Harbour Regulations is continuing, and I'll provide updates as the Harbour Committee review proceeds.

If you want to provide input on any of these issues, I'm at the Club most days and available for discussions. Your input is appreciated. I can be reached using this email address -

harbourmaster@byc.ca



PROJECTS

by – Kelly Lyon
Rear Commodore



Happy Spring to you all - and it's about time. Our four major projects that were commissioned by the members, and the Board of Directors, are all on time and within budget.

My portfolio has been a quiet one compared to the Harbourmaster whose portfolio has been battered by the most unbelievable weather I have ever seen. Cudos to Al Malo, Paul Moore, Fuller Construction and our very dedicated Club members for their quick response at a time of crisis. "Heart and Soul" for our dear club is the only way I can sum it all up.

Acoustics will see a vast improvement in the Dragon Lounge. With the talented efforts of Alan and Alex Galley, you will see a flurry of

activity in the next few weeks. I welcome your feedback regarding the new acoustic tiles. The job doesn't end there however. We are researching, and will include, a muffler system to drown out the noise coming from the furnace room into the Lounge.

Junior club boats arrive this week - one new very attractive coached boat, and two new 420's. All will serve to strengthen the growing force on the other side of the harbour and are well deserved.

Tennis repairs to the first functioning tennis court is scheduled for the end of June. A contractor has been secured. All we need now is a stretch of warm weather so the repairs can proceed.

Our kitchen has taken on twice the size that it was without anyone noticing! The project is 80% complete and has been inspected by the City Health Inspector - we passed with flying colors. My hat is off to our Manager, Paul Moore, and his talented Chef and Kitchen Staff who have lent their time and expertise to lead this charge. It has not been an easy project given the fact that the kitchen is open for business mostly 7 days a week. These people have done an amazing job under very difficult circumstances. I am very proud of their work!

Taking my Projects Director hat off and putting my Chairman of the Laser Masters 2018 Inland Championship hat on - this Championship will be held in conjunction with the Commodore's Weekend. I am happy to say that we are ringing in at 30 registrants from all over Canada and the United States. We are in the stages of pre-qualifying to host the 2019 Canadian Championship, and I know the lads are eyeing the Worlds thereafter. I predict our Inlands will be an exciting Regatta with fierce competition!



TREASURER'S REPORT

From – Randy Tivy
(Honorary Treasurer)



Well, we are over 6 months into our fiscal year and it's appropriate that I give members an update from the Finance deck.

Good news all around! Our Food and Beverage results are showing that members are using the Club all year around. We are slightly ahead of budget in this area. With winter moving into summer we are hoping for strong sales as the boating and tennis season begins. Our Club is becoming the place of choice for corporate events and weddings and this helps support member pricing. Membership and Harbour fees are hitting budget. It would be nice to fill the few moorings left in the harbour.

Earlier this year we received some good news from the Province of Ontario and a cheque for \$11,000. This was to help offset the damage and cleanup costs from the 2017 flood. The cheque was not a gift, but the result of good work by our club management. Our Rear Commodore, Kelly Lyon, has been updating you on capital projects, and I am pleased to let you know that we have the money in the bank to pay for them. As well we have funds set aside for our 2017/2018 maintenance projects. I am told that this is a first.

Your Finance Committee meets once a month before Board. I am fortunate to have very qualified and committed members Tom Swindells, Jean Favreau, Danielle Seabrook, Wayne Scrimm, Kelly Lyon, Al Malo and Rob Braden.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us.

House & Grounds Report

From - Alan Galley, Director



2018 SPRING CLEANUP AND OTHER PLANS

Due to the excellent turnout and hard work of BYC member volunteers and staff we managed to get a lot of the surficial damage cleaned up from the May 4-5 combination of wind storm and high water, not to mention the annual job of mulching and pruning of the gardens, replenishment of sand for the playground and beautifying the Dragon Lounge and adjoining rooms. Much of the interlocking stone damage along the outer harbour wall has been repaired, although there is still a good few hours of work to be done. Not only were patches of interlock dislodged, but also in some areas the stonework has been undercut and will have to be reset, and the interlock deck further south along the harbour wall also has to be repaired. There is also damage to the bridge out to the pier that has to be rectified. The Fullers very graciously volunteered to take care of the fence repairs along the wall adjoining their property. I will be putting out a notice soon asking for another evening of volunteer time to help rectify this. Eventually much of the interlocking stone around the clubhouse will have to be reset, but it is not critical at this time.

A hard-core volunteer crew continued to work on resetting the benches along the outer harbour wall and sanding and repainting them. This is very much appreciated! The

benches are still only a stopgap until we can get a report on whether the outer seawall in front of the clubhouse can be capped with cement to bring it up to the level of the wall beside the marquee. If this is doable, the wall benches will be replaced with the same type that was installed next to the marquee.

Another project that will require some volunteer time is to place concrete plugs under each leg of the marquis tent and under the north wall awning to ensure firmer anchoring during storms. House and Grounds are working closely with the Harbourmaster and his team to coordinate other repairs and to work on such things as the "Goose Issue." We hope to come together with a plan to minimize the use of the grounds by roving gangs of geese during the sailing season. Any suggestions from members on this issue (besides very radical ones!) would be gratefully accepted.

On other notes, the kitchen and upper bar renovations are almost complete. A lot of kudos have to go to the club staff and General Manager for keeping both operations going at 100% during these renos. Although it was a disappointment to the Breakfast Club teams to lose one of the access windows into the kitchen, the result has been an increase in space for the permanent kitchen staff to operate. The other great news concerning the Upper Deck restoration is that the Sunset Room will soon be open for those who enjoy quiet dining and spectacular river views for their evenings at the Club.

A report on playground restoration has been submitted to the Board for approval. The Board, the BYC Foundation and the Breakfast Club, generously support this project. The great turnout for the Greek dinner the evening of the windstorm was very gratifying and helped raise substantial funds toward playground restoration. Constructing a playground that meets CSA standards is not an inexpensive or trivial endeavour, but we hope in the end to have a play structure to serve 5 to 12-year olds to accompany the existing structures.

House and Grounds has also been working closely with the Board and Club Manager in developing a plan to beautify the east wall of the clubhouse. Any plan will involve some realignment of infrastructure, which is why the Board is taking the time to come up with the most optimal plan. In the meantime, parking has been restricted to those who require accessible parking, and it would be much appreciated if folks would just use the main parking lot from here on.

The acoustic ceiling panels have arrived from the manufacturer and instalment will commence over the next week during times of least use for the Dragon Lounge. Roughly 70 panels will be installed about 12 cm below the present ceiling in patterns that will be aesthetically pleasing and also optimize noise reduction in the lounge. A noise filter for the furnace air duct is also being finalized.

Thank you again to the members who continue to step forward and volunteer to keep the clubhouse and grounds looking beautiful. Please do not hesitate to contact me with comments or suggestions.

IT Report

by - Trevor Pillon, Director



When we relaunched the website I was pleasantly surprised to find that the old webcams seemed to work much better than they did

before. It was one less project for the IT Committee to tackle before the start of the sailing season!

Well, that was in March when we all knew the lake was frozen. Now that the spring is here it has returned to its old ways and simply can't keep up with the demand from members looking to see how much the water has dropped today. Excluding the homepage at byc.ca, the webcams page is the most popular page on the website by thousands of page views. We've made some immediate tweaks but the consumer-grade cameras we have been using just aren't equipped for the traffic to one of the best views in city. As a result, we will need to reprioritize the webcam project and are already looking into various options for static images and streaming video. In the meantime, you can still access all three streaming video webcams at byc.ca/webcams and if you are just looking to catch a glimpse of the water, the BYC Surf Cam (pointing West toward Britannia Beach) usually has less traffic. Please be patient, even in the best of times the live video takes a few seconds to load. Also, if all you care about is the water level at BYC, you can always check the official real-time water level indicators at the bottom of the webcams page.

In other IT Committee news we are hard at work getting ready to release a new online race registration system as a beta test this season. Representatives from the Sailing and Tennis Committees have been diligently updating the site with news, events and other information. Work continues on a classifieds section and we are moving towards a solution that we can use for both member advertisements (Buy/Sell) and an online Crew Bank. Please stay tuned!

As always, if you are interested in helping out with any of the above projects or have anything else to contribute to the IT Committee, please contact Trevor at IT@BYC.ca



Tennis Report

from - Marion Xhigness, Director



The next few weeks should be busy around the tennis courts. Lessons, and drop-in games are in full swing, and two of the tennis courts are going to be repaired or painted in mid-June, a more specific date is not available at time of submission. The technique we are going to use on one of the courts is very weather dependent. Canada Court Supply needs 3 or 4 dry days in a row in order to be able to use this new Armour Crack Repair. So we will have to be patient and flexible, but it will be worth it in the end. If you want to check it out here is their web site, www.armorcrackrepair.com

Thank you to all those who came out for the Spring Work Parties: The Tennis Work parties April 21, and April 28th; and the Tennis players who helped with the Club Work Party May 11th. Fingers crossed we will get the divider curtain to stay up. Thank you Sandy Braden!

We have had an over-whelming response for both our Junior & Senior Lessons this year. Currently all lessons are full but Senior Lessons Session II should start July 4th. Watch the bulletin boards for registration opening. Don't forget our Group Tennis Lessons are Free to All Members. June 9th and 10th will be a busy weekend

Commodore's Weekend
Tucker Rodger Regatta
Laser Masters Inland
Championships
6th Annual French Open
Weekend
Sat 9:00am Women's
Final on the Big
Sunday 9:00am – Café
au Lait, croissants and a great
Men's Final on the Big Screen
All Members Welcome

July 15th & 16th
 25th Annual Wimbledon
 Weekend
 Saturday 9:00am
 Women's Final on the Big
 Screen
 Sunday 9:00am -
 Strawberries and Cream,
 and a great Men's Final
 the Big Screen All
 Members Welcome
 Shoe Tags are coming,
 we will let you know when
 they are available
 Mailbox is always open
 for comments and any
 questions - tennis@byc.ca
 See you on the courts



Social Report

by – Sue Levesque
 (Director)



The summer entertain-
 ment kicked off on Friday,
 May 11. It was Fastlane's
 first time entertaining at
 BYC and they were
 fantastic. They played a
 wide range of music.
 Judging from the number of
 people who stayed until the
 end and the demographics
 of those people I would say
 that the night was a
 success. For those of you
 who missed them, they will
 be back in August 17.

We will also be having a
 Caribbean Night in July and
 a Steak and Lobster Night
 in August and so it is
 looking to be a fun-filled
 summer. Stay tuned for
 further details and enjoy the
 summer.



**BREAKFAST CLUB REPORT
 FOR 2017-2018**

The Breakfast Club Group would
 like to thank you, our members,
 who came with family and friends to
 support the Breakfast Club in its
 fundraising this past winter. There
 was a great sense of community
 from November to April on those
 Sunday mornings even when the
 weather was very inclement. Many
 of you were patient as you waited
 for your breakfast to arrive. We are
 working on trying to speed up the
 service. First Come, First served
 will still be the policy!

Another big thank you, of course,
 goes to the Members who
 volunteered to work on the Teams.
 They helped with the setup, the
 cooking, the toast-making, the
 serving, the coffee makers, the
 dishwashing, etc, etc. on those
 Sunday mornings! Without these
 Member Volunteers the Breakfast
 Club would not happen. We thank
 them all and hope they will all
 return for next year's Breakfast
 Club Season. The Breakfast Club
 also thanks BYC Staff who helped
 us every Sunday morning. Thank
 you, B.C., our clubhouse attendant,
 who prepared the room for us. Also,
 a big thank you to Staff Member,
 Karly, who answered dozens of
 questions, located many items for
 us and never lost her lovely smile
 all the while!!

Although Breakfast Club served
 more people than ever this year
 we made less profit than last year,
 which had also been less than the
 year before. Food prices have
 increased yearly, so there will
 have to be an increase in our
 prices next Fall with some
 changes in the menus.

Breakfast Club funds raised
 this year - and some funds held
 over from last year - will go
 towards new outdoor furniture
 for the Marquee; some furniture
 to be added in the Main Lounge;
 Purple Martin Buildings that will
 help to keep mosquitoes in
 check, etc. The

Breakfast Club also donated funds
 to refurbish the Dragon Bar next
 December. Other projects are
 pending. Some funds have been
 held in reserve to be used at a
 later date.

Thank you again for your support!
 Wayne & Patricia Scrim
 and Joan Yuile



SOCIAL CALENDAR



- June 1 - Hands of Time
- June 8 - Divided Highway
- June 15 - Classic Soul
- June 22 - Sentimental Journey
- June 29 - Gravel Foot

- July 6 - Snap, Crackle and Pop
- July 13 - Brothers Brady
- July 20 - Nepean Panharmonic
- July 27 - Rockphies

- August 3 - Worth It
- August 10 - Acoustic Shooters
- August 17 - Fastlane
- August 24 - Hands of Time
- August 31 - Simon Clarke

- Sept. 7 - Snap, Crackle and Pop
- Sept. 14 - Sonic Blue
- Sept. 21 - Roxie Swan
- Sept. 28 - Ottawa Rube Band

**TUCKER-RODGER REGATTA
FUN SAILING AND TENNIS EVENT**

In 1978 Don Tucker and Don Rodger decided on a fun regatta. It was a very unstructured event. The entry fee was a 12-pack, and a great deal of skill and imagination was involved. It was a Le Mans start beginning at the flag mast to the pier where all the Lasers were tethered.

The course involved: sail to the first mark, dump the boat, drink a beer – sail backward to the next mark – sail to the third mark and salute the Race Committee in an imaginative manner.

The P.M. involved outfitting our Lasers in an unusual way, and style points were awarded for costumes and boats. A BBQ was held in the evening. This continued until the early 80s.

The event was reinstated in 2010, and became an event during the Commodore's Weekend in order to involve all members. In the past it involved just Laser racing, but now we provide numerous events –

- Sailing, • Tennis. • Pickle Ball• Croquet

This is a "FUN" event, and style points will be awarded for your costumes, enthusiasm and participation. Equipment will be provided - including boats.

Sadly, Don Tucker passed away in 2015, but his spirit remains with us.



BYC ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT
& Steak Dinner
Monday, August 20, 2018
At the Stittsville Golf Course (formerly the GlenMar)
7967 Fernbank Road, Stittsville, KOA 1B0

Fun for all skill levels *Prizes!*

Golf (including cart) followed by Dinner at BYC : \$65.00 +HST
Dinner only: \$20.00 +HST

11:00am: Registration and Chipping Contest for Prizes
12:00pm: Shotgun Start, Scramble Format
6:00pm: Cocktails BYC followed by BBQ Steak Dinner at 7:00pm

Guests Welcome!

Reserve as foursomes or individuals at
 613-828-5167 or info@byc.ca
 Britannia Yacht Club, 2777 Cassels Street
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Ottawa RIVERKEEPER
 CLEAN AND CLEAR:
 A SWIM GUIDE APP FOR THE OTTAWA RIVER

From - Larissa Holman,
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Ottawa Riverkeeper is a citizen-based action group that brings people together to protect and promote the ecological health and diversity of the Ottawa River and its tributaries. We work to keep the river clean, safe, and accessible for everyone – including boaters!

One way we do that is through the *Swim Guide* app, an innovative resource that can enhance your next outing on the water.

While the Ottawa River is often safe for swimming and boating, that's not always the case. In order to fully enjoy the river, you need to know when and where it's safe to swim, paddle, and play. The *Swim Guide* provides water quality test results for dozens of beaches on the Ottawa River and its tributaries, letting people know when and where they can safely enjoy the river. By gathering data on the *E. coli* levels at different beaches, it can flag areas whose levels are too high, and thus unsafe for swimming and/or paddling.

Swim Guide also provides beach site descriptions and photographs, integration with Google maps for detailed walking, driving, or biking directions, and simple tools for reporting pollution problems and environmental concerns.

We encourage you to download and use the app to make informed, safe decisions about your time on the water - and hopefully you have some fun, too!

<https://www.ottawariverkeeper.ca/whatwedoprograms/the-swim-guide/>

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MOBILITY CUP 2019!

Alan Galley and Aaron Wong-Sing
 Co-chairs, MC2019

Dear Members,

Mobility Cup 2019 will take place from September 9-13, 2019. Although the competitors will be based out of Nepean Sailing Club with its specialized dock facilities for the week, the evening social events will be taking place at both NSC and Britannia Yacht Club. This will be the third time that NSC will host this event for sailors with disabilities.

As with any regatta planning, it is crucial to get volunteers on board early in order to ensure the funding, logistics and coordination are in place well before the event begins. It is for this reason that as co-chairs we are already approaching members at the two clubs to consider taking a role in one of the many volunteer teams we have listed below.

With regards to financing MC2019, we have developed a brochure with which to approach potential sponsors (see <http://mobilitycup2019.org/>), but now the tough part begins for the canvassing. We would love to hear soon from anyone with experience in approaching companies, or is involved with companies that have been generous in the past in supporting regattas. The same holds for persons willing to develop a framework for approaching individual donors from each of the clubs – or from elsewhere! Our goal is not only to ensure that MC2019 breaks even, but also to ensure funds are available to upgrade the Able Sail facilities and equipment for years to come.

We would like to thank you in advance for stepping forward to help out Mobility Cup 2019. It will be a rewarding experience for all of us. When you wish to sign up for a volunteer activity, please complete our Volunteer Registration form at <http://mobilitycup2019.org/volunteer/> or contact us at - mobilitycup2019@gmail.com if you have any further questions.

We look forward to hearing from you and working with you over the next 16 months!



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Between the Sheets

NEWS FOR BOATERS - RACERS AND CRUISERS June-July 2018

" A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining, the breeze is blowing, the birds are singing, and the lawn mower is broken." – Curmudgeon's observation

DON'T FORGET

PINHEY'S POINT RACE (ILD).....Sat. June 2
BRITANNIA CUP REGATTA.....Fri. June 8
COMMODORE'S BBQ.....Fri. June 8
LASER MASTERS' INLAND CHAMPS.....Sat/Sun 9/10
TUCKER-RODGER REGATTA (FUN).....,Sat. June 9
COMMODORE'S SAILPAST.....Sun. June 10
TUCKER-RODGER REGATTA (FUN).....Sat. June 10
GET OUT ON THE WATER.....Sat. June 23
CUP & SAUCER/JEFFERSON PURSUIT.....Sun. July 1
SUMMER SAILORS' MEETING.....Thurs. July 5
QUYON RACE..... Sat/Sun July 7/8
HOMEWARD BOUND RACE.....Sun. July 8
DON HEWITT MEMORIAL.....Wed. July 11
NATIONAL CAPITAL REGATTA.....Sat/Sun July 14/15
CRUISE WEEK.....July 15-20
MOHR ISLAND RACE.....Sat/Sun July 21/22
2017 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS.....Sat. July 28
QUEEN'S PARK SERIES RACE #1 (ILD)....Sun. July 29
BASKIN'S ODD COUPLE RACE.....Sat. Aug. 4

Fleet Captain's Report

from – Aaron Middleton



By now we should be on the water or only days away! Finally, after another high-water delay and the great washout of 2018 we can heave the main or shift into forward and enjoy one of the key activities at our cottage in the city.

As we hit the water, a great many thanks should be provided to those who participated in the 2018 Spring Cleanup. There was a tremendous amount of work done in repairing the washout damage created by high waves along the waterline of the Club. It looks great! Thank you all!

2018 CRUISE WEEK

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Friday, July 20

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Let the races begin! **If you haven't already, please ensure you register for racing.** Registering late puts a significant strain on our preparations and coordination of race activities. As in past years, any boat not registered appropriately for racing will receive an 'NR' as a score in each race. There is a registration process at our end and it can take our volunteers a couple of days of coordination to completely process a submission. Please have your registration in at least 48 hours before your first race to ensure you are scored.

BYC hosted the 2018 Women in Wind workshop at the end of April and it was a smashing success. A special thanks to the organizers Ruth Martin (BYC) and Kit Holmwood (NSC), the presenters, volunteers, management and staff for a great day of sharing and learning. Materials from the meeting can be found on the BYC website at <http://byc.ca/sail/womens-fleet>.

Some reminders of upcoming events during the spring and early summer:

- BYC Pinhey's Pont Race (ILD) is on June 2
- The new weekday fun series on Wednesdays called Retired and Unemployed/Under-employed Series Trophy (RUST) starts June 6
- Britannia Cup Regatta is on June 8
- Commodore's weekend is June 9 & 10, and includes the BYC Tucker-Rodger Fun Regatta on June 9 and the BYC Sailpast on June 10
 - Laser Masters' Inland Championship hosted this year by BYC is on June 9th and 10th
- NSC's Nepean One-Design regatta is June 16 and 17, and registration will be closed at 2130 hrs, June 15, 2018.
- The Friday evening Race Practice series was delayed by two weeks and started May 25 and will continue for two more nights on June 2 and June 8. This is a great opportunity where people interested in learning or practicing starts, rounding and downwind with an on and off the water coach advising can come out to learn and practice. There is also an opportunity for folks to practice with the NSC race committee, who is hosting the series.

There is a lot more happening and I urge folks to visit our new website and check out this year's calendar, notices and 2018 Sailing Instructions, all of which are now updated almost daily. You can also follow up with your fleet representative at their new email addresses.

Remember, this year we will only accept weeknight and long-distance series scoring inquiries, protests and long-distance finish times electronically. Scoring inquiries and protests via email and long-distance finish times via email or the NSC/BYC online form. We are also trying to ensure club racing registrations are available electronically and work is underway on an electronic crew bank.

As Fleet Captain I am here to represent the entire fleet (you) and I am happy to hear new ideas and answer questions to help you and others to make the most of and enjoy our 2018 on-the-water season! Contact me at fleet@byc.ca.

CLASS 1 NEWS & UP-RIVER

PHRF <165 (ish)

by – David Foy, Class 1 & Up-River Rep.



Hi everyone, this will be quick...

Spring is officially here. Time to think about sailing and, more importantly, racing. At the time of writing this it's looking like the first long distance race is going to be

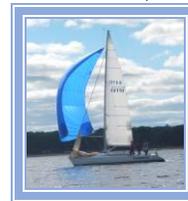
the Spring 50 Mile. After that is Pinhey's on June 2, then the Commodore's Sailpast on June 10. I expect to see every boat out for Sailpast. Special instructions will be issued.

Speaking of the Sailing Instructions, I encourage all of you to read them. They are on the website, and printed copies will be available soon for those that want them.

For you racers, it's a good time to get your registration in. Even if you only think you might race, it's a good idea to get one filled out. Rumour has it that by the time you get this we will be able to register online. There are also printed copies available on the bookcase in the Main Lounge. If you don't have a PHRF certificate, I can point you to the right people.

And now back to dreaming about how to make Gunsmoke faste...r

Cheers,



CLASS 5 NEWS

by – David O'Sullivan, Class 5 Rep.



Hi All,

At the time of this writing the harbour gates are almost out and it's time to start thinking racing if you haven't already!

If you haven't registered for racing then I would ask that you do ASAP.

PHRF and the Kelpie Cup scoring this year will be the same as last where it's your PHRF-LO low point score added to your Long Distance series low point score. The scoring races for the PHRF-O, the Long Distance series and the Kelpie Cup will be posted throughout the season so you will be able to measure your progress.

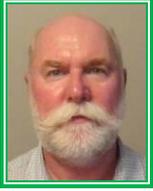
As always, if any of you have any concerns with our class, racing in general or just want to say "hi", I can be reached via email at class5rep@byc.ca.

I hope to see you all on the water in the near future!!!



CLASS 8 REPORT

by – Brian Williamson, Class 8 Rep.



Although we don't have the severe high-water problems that we had in 2017, normal high water levels are currently delaying the start of racing. If you're like me you're probably using the time to prep, launch, and tune your boat to be ready as soon as the gates come out (or as soon as you can book a launch date!).

Class 8 (PHRF Div 3) is open to any boats with a PHRF rating of 217 or higher - mainly Sharks and Tanzer 22s, but many other boat designs. Last year three BYC boats raced (Moon Beam, Skylark, and Carpe Diem). We welcome any new boats who would like to join the fleet. In particular, JAM is a great way to get started racing - but using your spinnaker adds a whole new dimension of challenge and excitement. If you are a JAM racer interested in stepping up to Class 8 racing, feel free to contact me to get started - I'd be glad to help any way I can to help you grow our Class 8 fleet.

For new/prospective and current racers in all classes, BYC and NSC are jointly running Friday evening keelboat race practice sessions that started May 25. This is a chance for new racers to go through the motions in a relaxed learning environment so you develop basic experience and confidence to compete in the summer races. Evenings start with a briefing in the clubhouse, followed by on-the-water practice sessions, then a debrief session back at the club. If this is you, check out the details at – <https://nsc.ca/web2/blog/keelboat-race-practice/>.

The Sailing Committee has implemented email contacts to the class reps - feel free to contact me at class8rep@byc.ca for any questions or to raise any issues about class 8 racing.

For JAM sailing, Tony Latus has taken over this year as the JAM rep. Contact him for any concerns about JAM racing. I'll forward any items I receive to him so he can deal with them, but better to go directly to him at jamRep@byc.ca.

Good luck to all Class 8 boats for the upcoming racing season - see you on the course.



C&C 27 REPORT

by- Mohamed Fahmy, C&C 27 Rep.



Why C&C 27?

OK, you joined BYC, NSC or CVGR and decided you want to spend more time on the water and enjoy the pleasures of sailing. You put aside some money or made an arrangement with your bank and decided to buy a boat. The big questions, what make, what size, where can I find it and for how much?

Before answering these questions, you should ask yourself, what do I want to do with the boat. You have three options, cruising, racing or both. If the answer is cruising only, you ask yourself how many family and/or friends will be cruising with you. If four or more, this article may not be useful for you. If three or less, keep reading. If in addition to cruising, you also want to race then let's try to answer the other questions.

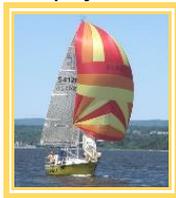
What make? There are thousands of boat manufacturers around the world; each produces several models and several sizes. The choice is so vast, but it is important to choose a company with a solid track record of producing quality yachts. One of these companies is C&C, which originated in Canada and has been in business for more than half a century. One of their most successful models is the 27, about a thousand of them, 979 to be exact, were built over a time span of 12 years from 1970 to 1982. These boats were so very well manufactured that the first batch is 48 years old and still going strong. The 27 is very popular with cruisers and racers of boaters on Lake Deschênes that about 5% of all the boats made are here in Ottawa and Gatineau, roughly 50 boats and growing.

The boat's size is perfect for the body of water that we have here, with a draft of only 4.75' the boat can sail almost anywhere from Quyon to the Deschênes Rapids, crossing the rapids is not recommended though. For cruisers, 4 people can sleep comfortably, and it takes the same number or less to race the boat competitively.

Let's answer the remaining two questions. Where can I find a good C&C 27? The short answer is, everywhere. These boats can be found from Newfoundland east to British Columbia west to Florida south and everywhere in between. It is, however, recommended to buy a boat sailed before in soft waters because salt water is very detrimental to the engine and equipment. In addition, buying from the southern USA is also not recommended because the heat of summer bakes and deteriorates the deck and equipment. Fortunately, there are many good 27s for sale in Ontario, Quebec and around the Great Lakes.

If you finally decided to buy a 27, another choice has to be made since there are 5 versions of this class. Mark 1, boats serial number 1 to 167, Mark2, boats with serial number 168 to 451 were built from 1970 to 1974. Mark3, boats with serial number 452 to 914 were built from 1974 to 1981. Mark 4, 64 boats built in 1981 and 1982. Most of the boats on our lake are Marks 3 and 4 with fewer marks 1 and 2. All these marks can sail together as one-design even knowing that there are fundamental differences in mast height, sail area, rudder shape among others. On the other hand, Mark 5 is a completely different design; it only shares the 27 designation. The recommendation is to buy a Mark 3 or 4 to be competitive if you decide to race. Several websites list boats for sale including Kijiji, Yachting World, Yachting, etc.

Now, the important question. How much to pay for a good 27? Of course, the condition of the boat, sails, and equipment determines the price, but in general, the price of a good boat that was listed for 30k a decade ago is now barely exceeding 15k. Many good boats were sold for less than 10k. If in doubt, a certified surveyor can estimate the proper price, the surveyor's evaluation is needed anyway to make sure that the boat's history is clean and for insurance purpose as well. If the boat is not available locally, you should ask how much it will cost you to truck it. And if the boat is sold in the United States, you shall have to pay duties at the borders.



JAMMING IT WITH TONY

by – Tony Latus – JAM Rep.



It's time to make fresh JAM! What would life be without surprises and changes? So, last issue I told you that our regional handicap authorities had decided to make some significant changes. This would essentially eliminate the difference between those flying spinnakers and those sailing jib & main (JAM). I mentioned this at the Spring Sailors' Meeting, but just to make sure it's clear, PHRF-LO have rescinded that decision. This means that the handicap differential stays in place for at least this year.

Their rationale, as I understand it, was that in many club-racing venues the typically short round-the-buoys races in fact gave little real advantage to those flying

spinnaker, over those without. This makes some sense, when you observe a typical downwind leg. Many boats spend a good portion of their time either sorting out spinnaker problems, getting the launch completed properly, or getting ready for recovery well before the leeward mark, resulting in a relatively small amount of time actually flying the spinnaker effectively. Meanwhile those without spinnakers have none of those concerns, can maneuver more freely, and can focus on other matters. Think back on the many times you have looked across the water, with great complacency and satisfaction, at a crew screaming and yelling at each other as they struggle to take control of the big sail. So here is the very positive spin on this little story: not only did the gods of handicapping look down upon the poor spinnaker sailors and offer them salvation (which means you as a JAM racer were in fact virtually neck and neck with them anyway), but in their wisdom (and because of a certain amount of flak from the people) they reversed this decision.

So, as a JAM racer, not only are you highly competitive with spinnaker flyers, but you get to keep your handicap advantage as well. This is just too good a deal to ignore. So, if you are concerned about a significant disadvantage racing JAM, even in a fleet flying spinnakers, be not afraid. In many cases you have a chance to gain the upper hand. Use your increased manoeuvrability to maximum advantage, use your freedom from spinnaker distractions to focus on the wind shifts and getting yourself set for the best possible rounding position on the leeward or reaching marks. All that being said, of course on the long-distance races, where spinnakers can be flown successfully and effectively for an extended period, then there will clearly be an advantage to those boats. So much for spinnakers.

Now, to touch on one more item which should be of interest to you, the Keelboat Race Practice, Friday Evenings (May 11, 25 & June 8) is a GO, and the details are available elsewhere in this issue, and on the BYC website. If you are still sailing JAM because of inexperience or a general lack of confidence, these sessions are designed specifically for you. They are intended particularly for those who want to race and want to improve their skill and knowledge in a practical, hands-on, focused series of education & training sessions. They will concentrate on race procedures, from starting, to rounding marks, plus spinnaker work (if you want to have a go), and much more. It's free, and easy to attend. Don't miss it! We be Jammin'!



LASER FLEET NEWS

by – Nicolas Kim, BYC Laser Team Coach



BYC Laser Team March Break Training Camp Summary April 2, 2018

Training in the off season is an important step to becoming a podium athlete and this is especially the case in sailing, given our short sailing season. With the help of the Club trailer and devoted parent drivers, four athletes of the BYC Laser Race Team and I went down to Miami, Florida, during the March break for a training camp. The camp was 7 days in total with a rest day in between and was run alongside the Ontario Sailing team, who were also training at the United States Sailing Center.

Training started every day at 7:30am with a half hour run and 30 minutes of yoga to get warmed up. After a hearty hotel breakfast, the team walked to the sailing center, rigged and sailed for 4-6 hours in winds ranging from 6 - 22 knots. Each day ended with group races with the provincial team where our sailors were able to measure themselves against the best sailors in Ontario. The rest of their time was spent on fitness, video debriefs, learning how to cook their own meals, and touring Coconut Grove. The camp was a huge success

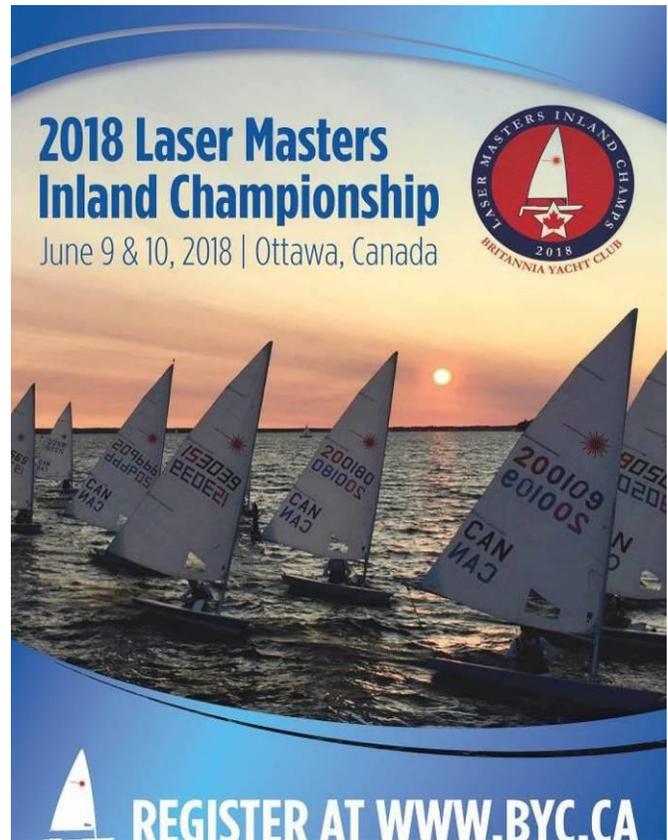
and I would like to thank the Club and the parents for all their support.

The whole team will begin spring training at BYC in mid-May to get a head start on our competition.

See you soon on the water!



Photo from left to right: Ian Craig, Stuart Cowper, Raphael Hebert, Aethan Cubitt, Nicolas Kim



WOMEN, WIND & WAVES

by – Ruth Martin – Women's Fleet Rep.



The 2018 season kicked off at BYC with the interclub Women in Wind Conference held on Saturday, April 28. The Conference brought together a record number of experienced racers, cruisers and new members for a day of presentations, discussions and hands-on workshops.

The objectives established were enabling sailors to learn or refine sailing skills, and networking with other sailors. Also included was building the confidence to become a more valuable crew member or knowledgeable helmswoman. Speakers covered basic to advanced sailing levels. Presentations included sail trim, Race Qs and learning to communicate on a sailboat, among other subjects.

The event was both informative and lively, especially when all 88 participants and presenters gathered together for plenary sessions and lunch on the Upper Deck. After the learning part of the day ended at 15:30, many moved on to the Dragon Lounge where they continued to renew friendships and network with new acquaintances.

Our sincere thanks go both to the Conference presenters, all of whom were volunteers, for generously sharing a wealth of knowledge and experience. Thanks also to Breanna, Karly and the BYC team for ensuring that the facilities, food and service were truly top notch.

For anyone that would like to know more about the Women in Wind Conference, all materials that were made available to participants as well as presentations received from speakers are posted on the BYC website's Women's Fleet page.

Coming up in the calendar:

Women's keelboat racing is scheduled for Mondays starting May 28 and continuing through September 24 except for the holiday Mondays in July, August and September.

Additionally, BYC will be hosting the first Women's Interclub Up-river Race this summer. The event will use the Queen's Park race course with the start scheduled for 14:00 on August 19. All types of boats, with or without coaches, are welcome. A family BBQ is planned at BYC after the race.

Dates to remember for the 2018 sailing season include:

- SERIES I STARTS - May 28
- SERIES I RAFTUP - July 23
- SERIES II STARTS - July 30
- INTERCLUB UP-RIVER RACE – Aug.19
- RACING BANQUET - Oct.1

Women interested in getting involved in racing, members who might consider loaning their keelboats on Monday nights to allow us to expand the fleet, and anyone with suggestions for Monday night racing should contact me at womensrep@byc.ca.

BYC RACE COMMITTEE LIAISON

From - Tony Latus



Hi, just a brief reminder from your Race Committee Liaison Rep. If you recall from the Spring Sailors' Meetings, Devon and I explained the new instruction that has been written to give guidance on the methods and procedures followed by the Race Committee staff at BYC. This document is intended to provide guidance to the RC personnel for the execution of races. It is also background information to help competitors understand the decisions and actions taken by the RC. For all those who wish to better interpret the logic and reasoning of RC decisions and actions, I strongly recommend you review it. It will make life on the race course easier and more transparent.

I have been appointed as your Race Committee Liaison; therefore, if you have any comments, questions or observations about RC procedures or actions in a particular event, you are strongly encouraged to contact me first and foremost. I will undertake to further investigate any issues that cannot be addressed

immediately and will contact members of both the Sailing Committee and other relevant personnel as necessary in order to do this then get back to you with an answer. So, if you feel the need to fire some arrows after a race, I am your target, and will be pleased to receive your 'input'.

See you on the water!



from - Kirk Robertson – Handicapper & Jury Chair



All the certificates have been updated on the PHRF website. The NFS change has been delayed for a year. However, there have been enough changes that you would do well to download your certificate and make sure the results of the first few races reflect your certificate.

RUST Scoring

New this year is the RUST Series on Wednesday afternoons - look at the NOR, etc. Boats taking part will be scored according to National Handicap for Cruisers (NHC) rules. Each race in which your boat has a finish will have its handicap modified for the next race according to the formula described on RYA website.

Boats with a PHRF certificate may also be scored under PHRF rules (if I and other scorers can follow the directions in Sailwave on double scoring).

The system has been used in England since 2014 and they are kind of pleased with the way it handles diverse boats.

I have a table of initial Time Correction Factors (TCF) for over 2800 classes normalized for boats racing here. Hopefully; it covers all the boats wanting to race.

Protests

When you suspect you may have infringed a rule, it is almost certainly faster and more certain to do your turns than protesting. It does not stop you from protesting the other boat, but will keep 'DSQ' off your record, if the protest committee later finds you at fault.



CRUISE WEEK

by – Catherine Trinkwon



Cruise Week info session: Friday, June 1 at 1830h in the Sunset Room

Cruise Week is a low-key flotilla that meanders up and down the Ottawa River exploring the various anchorages (more information follows in the next section of this article). If you haven't been on Cruise Week before or if you're new to the Ottawa River, grab a beverage from the bar and join us for an overview about possible activities and what to bring, and provisioning tips. Newcomers might want to take notes and bring chart #1550 (Ottawa River). We plan for a 45-60min session, including questions.

If you've been on Cruise Week before, feel free to come and share your knowledge and new ideas, but you won't miss anything if can't make it.

For questions or to join the Cruise Week email distribution list, email byc.cruise.week@gmail.com.

Cruise Week – Sunday, July 15 – Friday, July 20

For boat owners or those with access to boats, join us for Cruise Week - a BYC tradition for nearly 30 years. This multi-day flotilla on the Ottawa River is a great chance to meet new friends and catch up with long-time friends. This event has minimal structure to maximize relaxation. We typically stay in a different anchorage each day – our destination depends on weather, whim, and wind, and we usually start with an onshore BBQ at Pinhey's on Sunday afternoon. Highlights include the World Nautical Bocce Tournament, Pinhey's Point tours, the Swamp Queen drag contest, spontaneous socializing, and lots of laughter. No activity is mandatory, but daily Happy Hour is highly recommended: past events have included (informal) wine and Scotch tastings, and Martini Madness.

For questions or to join the Cruise Week email distribution list, email byc.cruise.week@gmail.com.

VHF radios

Ensure your VHF push-to-talk (PTT) button is not accidentally engaged. This happened several times on channel 16 for hours at a time last summer, and no one else could use the channel. While many boats on the river use cell phones, quite a few also use VHF. Please make sure nothing can accidentally press your VHF's PTT button.

Other cruising events

See the Sailing Instructions (SIs) or watch the BYC web site for details about these cruising-related events:

- BYC Baskin's Weekend: Saturday, Aug 4 – Monday, Aug 6

- BYC Baskin's Weekend/Cornboil: Saturday, Sept 1 – Monday, Sept 3

Have a safe and fun summer on the water.



From Tony Latus – your Trusty Rusty Rep.

AHOY THERE!

It's almost time to start RUSTING! As I mentioned in the last F&B issue, the *Retired & Unemployed/Under-Employed Sailors Trophy* series, starting this year, is open to everyone. All classes of boat in a short round-the-buoys mid-week fun series. I've bumped into quite a few racers over the last few weeks who are curious about the concept, where the idea came from, and want to join in. So, as a bit of background, here's how it all got started. I came up with the idea for this race series last summer, while out tuning my boat solo, where I met a dinghy racer doing the same thing. We agreed to race to a windward mark, me in my Bluenose and him in his Finn (guess who?). We were pretty much neck and neck in about 8 knots of wind. Afterwards, I began to recall my teenage years racing in Calgary at GYC, when the club was so small that we all had to race together in a mixed fleet, all the time. It was fantastic fun: tiny dinghies, 505s, Enterprises, Flying Dutchmen, Fireballs, big Cats, even a couple of small keelboats. Then I pondered over how many boat owners at BYC I would find wandering somewhat disconsolately, mid-afternoons, waiting for evening race time, and for the working folks to show up. So I said to myself: "why couldn't we all go out and have a short fun race?" Answer: "No reason why not", except how would we do it, with no Race Committee, no mark-layers, etc. etc.? And so, the RUST Cup concept was born, developed, proposed to and passed through your

very active Sailing Committee, and has now appeared, 'fully fledged' on your BYC website, complete with SSI and all the trimmings.

So, Come join in! Every Wednesday afternoon, 1415 start time, June – September. You don't have to be old, rusty, or unemployed, just free to sail your boat on Wednesday afternoon! At end-of-season the amazingly ugly Rust Cup itself will be presented to the overall winner at one of the Awards Nights. So, ensure you register for racing on the Club's standard forms (tick the RUST box), and then inform the Volunteer RUST Scorer of your intention to participate. Full details are available in the RUST Cup SSI, plus contact info for all the key people running this show. I can be contacted for any initial queries as the RUST Rep at rustcupRep@byc.ca. To help ensure the first race comes off smoothly, we are organizing an evening familiarisation session (date to be decided, but soon). This will address how the whole race procedure, and the way ahead can be set out, and clear up any grey areas before the first race.

In closing, I would like to pay tribute again to the efforts and support of the Sailing Committee members and the Board of Directors, in getting this new race series from 'drawing board' to reality in very short order. There is clearly the will to make racing more accessible and fun wherever feasible, and the RUST Cup series is the proof! Hope to see you on the start line. I'll be the one on port tack.

PERSONAL OFFSHORE SAFETY COURSE WITH ERIC HILL

From – Catherine Trinkwon

Eric Hill returned to BYC on April 21-22 to teach his Personal Offshore Safety course to 14 eager students. Topics covered included heavy weather seamanship and boat handling, emergency prevention and response, medical emergencies, just to list a few.

At Saturday night's pool session, each student dressed in foul weather gear and jumped into the water to experience how today's PFDs inflate manually or hydrostatically. This exercise emphasized the need for crotch straps to prevent the PFD from riding up. It also emphasized the need for knowing how to locate and use its safety features such as oral inflation tubes, spray hoods, and strobes. We practiced efficient movement through the water wearing full gear, towing tired swimmers, and heat preservation techniques. The highlight was the life raft exercise: what to pack in it; deploying, righting, and boarding it; and managing the crew while aboard.

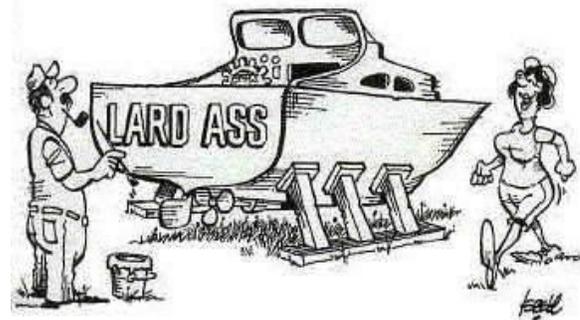


On Sunday morning, the group deployed flares. A couple of flares caught fire as they burned out – yet another good experience for students. In an emergency situation, this might cause further panic in the uninitiated.

To reinforce Saturday's lessons, on Sunday afternoon the class split into small groups to discuss emergency scenarios both in racing and cruising, based on past actual accidents or tragedies. Each group presented how they'd handle the situation, which prompted further discussion among the students. The class concluded with a discussion of weather and identifying dangerous weather patterns.

Over the next year, Eric will update and rewrite much of the course. If you took the course in 2014 and need to maintain a valid ISAF/World Sailing certificate, you should recertify in 2019. Typically, recertification tuition is much less expensive than the regular tuition. If you have questions about the course, see the contact info at <https://www.seasurvival.ca>

Here's a guy with only seconds to live...



"Did you name it after me,
like you said you would?"



The Bob Yuile Memorial 61st National Capital Regatta D3 Laser Gold Cup Event



July 14th & 15th, Britannia Yacht Club, Ottawa

All Dinghy and Sail Board classes welcome

Fees Include: Regatta souvenirs, lunches Saturday night
BBQ dinner

Register before June 23, for discount

Free Camping Available

Pinhey's Point Race

SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2018

(STILL GATES PERMITTING)

DINGHIES, PHRF, JAM & C&C27 O-D

Warning Gun - 1200 hrs.

This race is part of the joint
Interclub Long Distance Race Series

BRITANNIA CUP REGATTA

(FUN)

LASERS

FRIDAY, JUNE 8, 2018

Special instructions will be issued

TUCKER-RODGER REGATTA FUN SAILING AND TENNIS



Saturday, June 9, 2018

Sailing, Jr. Tennis Tournament,
Pickle Ball, Croquet,
Attitude Adjustment Hour
BBQ to follow

We invite all members to
participate in these events

THIS IS A FUN EVENT

COMMODORE'S SAILPAST



SUNDAY, JUNE 10, 2018

Special instructions
will be available on bar
& on line

CANADA DAY

**CUP & SAUCER AND
JEFFERSON PURSUITS**



SUNDAY, JULY 1

**2018
SUMMER SAILORS'
MEETING
THURSDAY, JULY 5
AFTER RACING**

QUYON RACE
Saturday / Sunday - July 7/8, 2018
PHRF, SHARKS, DRAGONS, DINGHIES
July 7 - Warning Gun - 10:00 a.m.
July 8 - Warning Gun - 12:00 Noon

HOMeward BOUND RACE
Sunday, July 8, 2018
PHRF, DINGHIES, JAM
Warning Gun - 12:15 P.M.

**Don Hewitt Memorial
Regatta**
**WEDNESDAY,
JULY 11, 2018**
**ALL JUNIOR
MEMBERS**

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
WILL BE ISSUED

MOHR ISLAND RACE
(MARGARITA WEEKEND)
SAT/SUN, JULY 21/22 2018
PHRF, SHARKS, C&C 27 O-D, DRAGONS,
THUNDERBIRDS, JAM, DINGHIES



Sat., July 21 - Warning Gun at 1000
Sun., July 22 - Warning Gun at 1200

2017
Club Championships
SATURDAY, JULY 28, 2018
0900 hrs. - SKIPPERS' MEETING
1000 hrs. - START

QUEEN'S PARK SERIES
ILD RACE #1
SUNDAY, JULY. 29, 2018
PHRF, SHARKS, DINGHIES
DAYSAILERS & JAM

Warning Gun at 1330 hrs.

Britannia Yacht Club Activities Calendar

June 2018

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday

Office Hours: Mon. - Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Bar Hours: Monday to Friday - 4:00 - 11:00 p.m.
Sat & Sun - 11:00a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Food services: Meals always available when bar is open

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					HANDS OF TIME	PINHEY'S POINT RACE PHRF, Dinghies, JAM (ILD Race)	French Open Men's Finals Croissant & Café au Lait Doors Open Ottawa
					JUNIOR TENNIS LESSONS 5:30-7:00	Private Wedding	
4	Women's Series I	5	PHRF Handicap Spring Series	6	Sailboard & Dinghy Spring Series	8	10
					RUST Cup 1415	COMMODORE'S BBQ	COMMODORE'S SAILPAST
					GROUP TENNIS LESSONS 6:30-8:00 BEGINNERS 8:00-9:30 INTERMEDIATE Last Quarter	DIVIDED HIGHWAY BRITANNIA CUP JUNIOR TENNIS LESSONS 5:30-7:00	LADDER MASTERS' INLAND CHAMPIONSHIP French Open Tennis Finals
11	Women's Series I	12	PHRF Handicap Spring Series	13	Sailboard & Dinghy Spring Series	15	17
					RUST Cup 1415	CLASSIC SOUL	NSC ONE-DESIGN REGATTA
					GROUP TENNIS LESSONS 6:30-8:00 BEGINNERS 8:00-9:30 INTERMEDIATE New Moon		FATHER'S DAY
18	Women's Series I	19	PHRF Handicap Spring Series	20	Sailboard & Dinghy Summer Series	22	24
					RUST Cup 1415	SENTIMENTAL JOURNEY	GET OUT ON THE WATER
					Private Event	Private Wedding	Private Wedding
					First Day of Summer Private Event First Quarter		NSC Pinhey's Point Race (ILD)
25	Women's Series I	26	PHRF Handicap Summer Series	27	Sailboard & Dinghy Summer Series	29	30
					RUST Cup 1415	GRAVEL FOOT	
					Private Event	Private Event Full Moon	Private Wedding

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Britannia Yacht Club Activities Calendar

July 2018

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Sat & Sun - 11:00a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Canada Day - 11:00a.m. to 11:00p.m.

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							CANADA DAY CUP & SAUCER and PURSUIT RACE THE GNARLEYS
2	Women's Series I	3	PHRF Handicap Summer Series	4	Sailboard & Dinghy Summer Series	5	8
					RUST Cup 1415	SUMMER SAILORS' MEETING 9:00 p.m.	QUYON RACE - All Classes
					GROUP TENNIS LESSONS BEGINNER 6:30-8:00 DOUBLES 8:00-9:30	Last Quarter	HOMEWARD BOUND RACE All Classes
					Sailboard & Dinghy Summer Series		D3 Fogh Laser Gold Cup #3 - Sarnia Y.C.
9	Women's Series I	10	PHRF Handicap Summer Series	11	DON HEWITT MEMORIAL REGATTA (Jr. Program)	13	15
					RUST Cup 1415	Brothers Brady	10:30a.m. - 1:30p.m. Wimbledon Sunday
					GROUP TENNIS LESSONS 6:30-8:00 BEGINNERS 8:00-9:30 INTERMEDIATE	New Moon	BOB YUILE MEMORIAL 61st NATIONAL CAPITAL REGATTA ALL DINGHIES D3 FOGH LASER GOLD CUP #3 D3 FOGH LASER GOLD CUP #4
					Sailboard & Dinghy Summer Series		CRUISE WEEK 15-20
16	Women's Series I	17	PHRF Handicap Summer Series	18	Sailboard & Dinghy Summer Series	20	22
					RUST Cup 1415	CARIBBEAN NIGHT	MOHR ISLAND RACE (Margarita Weekend) Up- July 21 - Down - July 22 Classes - 5, 6 & 8
					GROUP TENNIS LESSONS 6:30-8:00 BEGINNERS 8:00-9:30 INTERMEDIATE	FRUIT BOWL - HUDSON Y.C.	D3 Fogh Laser Gold Cup #5 - Port Credit Y.C.
					Private Event	Private Event	
23	Women's Series I	24	PHRF Handicap Summer Series	25	Sailboard & Dinghy Summer Series	27	29
					RUST Cup 1415	ROCKPHILES	2017 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP
					GROUP TENNIS LESSONS 6:30-8:00 BEGINNERS 8:00-9:30 INTERMEDIATE	Full Moon	QUEEN'S PARK SERIES RACE #1 (ILD Counter All Classes (Interclub))
					Private Event	Private Event	D3 Fogh Laser Gold Cup #6 - Sturgeon Lake S.C.
30	Women's Series II Start	31	PHRF Handicap Summer Series				
							Private Wedding

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