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Commodore's Corner

The 2016 sailing season is ramping up quickly. Gerry and his crew are busy launching and stepping masts. I have even observed some boats sailing, this was amazing as I thought boats were only to be cleaned, maintained and have parts purchased for them.

Social life at the club has been active. Coffee on the deck is up and running (thanks Lori!) and we have held several events already (Pat Your Boat, Coffee House, Wine and Cheese). It's also the part of the season where we see old friends working on their boat, either on the hard or at their slips. If you see someone you don't recognize, why not take a moment to introduce yourself? If they are new club members, do make them feel welcome. If they have not yet joined the club, please take a minute to let them know about the club.

Interested is knowing about upcoming events? Take a moment to consult the events calendar.

As I sit and write this, I am amazed by our Canadian weather. Working on the mast was like being on the coast of Scotland. It was cold, windy, cloudy, and damp (I actually like that, but with a last name like mine that is to be expected). Working on the rigging it was sunscreen and a T-shirt, then coming home to put the new plants in the garage due to frost warnings.

We have this window of opportunity now until late September, so let's get out and enjoy it.

Safe Boating!

Al MacLachlan

From the Helm

Introducing the Collins Bay Marina staff for 2016:

Hey guys, I'm **Will**. This is my second summer here at the marina. I had a great time last season and I am ready for another great summer!



Hey guys, I'm **John**. this is my third summer at the marina. I'm happy to be back! I'm finally set to graduate school next year, so this is likely my last summer. It's been a blast working here, thanks to everyone that has made it the best job there is!



Hi! My name's **Matt**. Six feet and dangerously handsome! This is my first summer with the marina. Looking to get my tan on. Look forward to seeing you all!



My name is **Kendal** and this is my second year working at the marina. I have for many years kept a sailboat called Sapphire at the marina. I love all the people here and the nice weather...looking forward to another great year!



Hi everyone! I'm **Brianna**. This is my first summer working at Collins Bay Marina. I am very excited to be working here and I'm looking forward to meeting you all! I hope we have a warm and sunny summer!



The marina's favourite "grandpa" has years of experience both building and sailing boats. Paul can often be found at the base of our ladders due to his condition ladder challenged!





Boating Courses Kingston Power and Sail

Click <u>here</u> to register online for courses offered in Kingston

From the Helm

Henry is a problem solver and is always 3 steps ahead of the rest of us. Things run smoothly when he is around. He does whine a lot but we are used to it!



Petah (that's **Peter** with an accent) is the newest member of our crew with the latest in 4-piece mast. Mr. Bridgeland has added a much needed international flavor to our "motley crew".



Tony's favourite times of the day are lunch and when he gets to Saturday! Any available women please contact him at the marina between 9 and 5 (not at lunch)!



You will find **Brittany** in the office, taking care of everything! She is an integral part of the marina and Lori's right hand!





Dave is often found looking for the

backstay for his hew Hunter. When not

sailing he can be seen in the yard with

his new best friend HAUL E! Dave helps

the old guys when they get tired which





Coffee House Event

Cookies and Muffins and Squares - Oh My!

This past April 30, the weather was warm and the sun was shining, attracting many boaters to the marina to get their boat sea (or lake) worthy



Hot coffee and a variety of baked goods, donated by our generous boating community, were on hand for our members. Many took a break to refuel with friendly chat and sweet treats.

Many thanks to all our bakers: Stacey Ison, Brandy Hayes and Robert MacKey ...and to any one else who snuck in. Special thanks to Raigilie MacKey for keeping track of the finances.



Wine and Cheese Event

This year's Wine and Cheese event packed the clubhouse wall to wall to wall to wall with boaters who weren't "blue" but rather "gouda"nd happy to be spending a fun evening together at the end of "Coverdale" (yes, it is a cheese; look it up) on such a "brie"zy

evening.

New acquaintances were made. The air was festive with conversation and laugher. Wine glasses were filled and refilled and we were "barely buzzed" (yep – it's a cheese too) - well, some perhaps more than others.

Topping off the evening was the Social Chair's chocolate fountain that brought out the inner child in everyone who dared to poke pretzels, cookies, marshmallows or fruit through its cascade of warm flowing chocolate.

Under the "moonglo" (I'll stop being cheesy now) - we all said goodnight and until next time.

Thanks Leigh. It was so much fun!

Hélène Hubert, Mixer Editor

(More photos will be posted on the Collins Bay Marina and Collins Bay Yacht Club's Facebook page)





Impromptu Get-Together or a Touch of Tradition?

Like the 80's Faberge Organics shampoo commercial, "she (in our case that would be Pat Redford—Knot Happening) told 2 friends who told 2 friends and so on and so on ...". Result? A successful impromptu get-together on a summer-like day, picnic tables ladened with potluck appetizers, attendees treated to OJ and bubbly, stories shared and laughter filled the air (sadly, some of the laughs were at Larry Graham's (Oriana) expense (see photo below we'll let Larry tell you the story if you haven't already heard it).

The party continued with dinner in the clubhouse or at the picnic tables. The remaining crowd reunited in the clubhouse after dinner, ending the day on a high note with musical entertainment, provided by Lionel Redford (Knot Happening) and Ed Nash (Bay Breeze) and sing-alongs.

So, was it an impromptu get-together or was it perhaps nostalgia of days gone by when the *OJ & Bubbly Cruise*, highlighting the official start of yet another CBYC boating season, was held on Victoria Day weekend? Having never taken part in this cruise, I asked Marilyn Sykes (Day Dreams) to tell me about it. She explained that those whose boats were ready to join in

on the first official cruise of the season sailed to and docked at Cedar Island. This was a tradition for most of CBYC's 35-year history. It wasn't uncommon to see 8 to 15 boats snugged in at Cedar Island. At times the foul weather did influence the number of boats that would take part in this cruise - with as few as two boats one year. In spite of the



low turnout, happy hour still drew a crowd of over 40 boaters.

In the recent past Loyalist Cove Marina and Prinyers Cove Marina were chosen destinations so that boats could plug in their heaters, (the month of May can be so iffy) or those whose boats weren't ready could easily

come by land yacht. At these venues, the cruise still drew a crowd of over 40 members (including land yachters), evidence that this is a tradition that is enjoyed by many.



Though there hasn't been an "official" OJ & Bubbly Cruise in the recent past, several faithful members still hold an "unofficial" cruise to Cedar Island on the Victoria Day weekend. This year was no exception with Luffin Life, Eclipse, Ariane C and Sabrina IV enjoying a great weekend together.



A grateful thanks to those who played a part in initiating this fun weekend event at the marina and for treating us to some traditional OJ & Bubbly! (Pat/Lionel Redford (Knot Happening), Marilyn Sykes/Robert Van Dyk (Day Dreams).

Hélène Hubert, Mixer Editor

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Winter Cruise in Ottawa

Fact: Ulaan-baatar, Mongolia is the coldest capital in the world; Ottawa? Not far behind!

So why did so many CBYC boaters from the Kingston area (and beyond) drive to Ottawa on a record-breaking weekend to attend the Ottawa-area Winter Cruise on February 13th? It's called dreaming of warmer temperatures and fun on the water with a group of like-minded boaters! I can't say sailors, because our Past Commodore and his first mate have joined the league of boats without sails, and Lee and Crystal were at the party. The prize for longest distance travelled goes to one of our new members, Ed Sediak, co-owner of the former Shimmer (now named *Entre Amis I*) on C dock , who came from Toronto! Welcome to Dan & Wendy Delorey from Ottawa who came with Ed.

There were a few faces around the table that evening attending this Winter Cruise for the first time. The Get'er Done Gang; Gerry and Lori and Dottie McLelland enjoyed Pat and David's hospitality as well as our new Mixer editors, Helene and Peter. It was good to see some old friends as well, including Romie and Geoff Kelland. Should I mention that all of the CBYC Douglas owners were present?

Thanks once again to our gracious hosts for opening their home and letting us all get together for a funfilled winter evening! Thanks as well to everyone for their contributions! It was truly a night/weekend, and for some a homecoming, to remember!

Claudia Stevenson (Tamara C)



OPPORTUNITY— Sailing School Administrator

Do you have well-developed administrative skills? Are you a good communicator? Are you looking for a great opportunity to put your skills to good use and perhaps develop new skills? If so, the Sailing School Administrator volunteer position could be yours.

The time commitment is an average of 10 hours a week. Payroll is done every two weeks through an online program. Peak periods are May (sailing course registrations) and September (closing up the school for the season). To find out more about this position, simply contact the current incumbent, Crystal Baker, at school-cyc@collinsbaymarrina.com or 613-373-2889. She will gladly share with you her experiences and what it takes to be successful in this role. She has generously offered to coach and mentor the person who will be stepping into this role. You can also consult the position's statement of responsibilities here.



If you are interested in being considered for this opportunity, please send an email to Al MacLachlan at machlachan.al@gmail.com.

Crystal (Baker (left) at the Recreation and Leisure Show at Portsmouth Olympic Harbour Marina promoting CBYC's sailing school.

Flare Disposal Days

The Ottawa squadrons are hosting an expired flare disposal event on **June 10 & 11, 2016** at *The Chandlery* in **Ottawa**. Click for a list of other Flare Disposal Days. Unfortunately, no dates are available for Kingston at this time, but check back often for more dates.



Do you have expired flares?

You can't light them, throw them in the water or in your household garbage

Ottawa/Britannia-Rideau Power and Sail Squadrons and The Chandlery are hosting a

Safety Equipment Education and Flare Disposal Days

Learn about required safety equipment, the care and maintenance of that equipment and how to safely and effectively use flares when needed.

DATE: June 10,11, 2016

PLACE: The Chandlery 367 Poulin Ave, Ottawa, ON K2B 5V2, www.thechandleryonline.com

TIME: June 10, 9:30 AM - 8:00 PM; June 11, 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM

In accordance with Transport Canada requirements, flares are approved for four years from the date of manufacture. Typically, this means that you need to replace your flares every third or fourth boating season and dispose of the old ones. If they have expired or will expire during the boating season, you must replace them... it's the law!

For more info, email us at pastcommander@cps-ottawa.com.





The Commodore and his First Mate do the Grenadines

Commodore Al MacLachlan and his First Mate Chris finally succumbed to the allure of a Caribbean charter and joined us on a 10-day roundtrip junket from Grenada to Bequia this March. Armed with very full CBYC luggage, much photographic equipment, and a yearning to explore, Al and Chris joined our salty crew.

Following our arrival in Grenada, we were briefed in at the Moorings base in Port Louis in downtown St. Georges. For those who have not frequented Grenada recently, Port St. Louis was constructed in the aftermath of Hurricane Ivan which devastated much of the island. Our boat for the charter was a Moorings 50.5 monohull named 'Where the Wild Things Are'.

From St. Georges, we motored north in somewhat fickle winds to our first anchorage at Flamingo Bay. Following a very tasty curry dinner aboard prepared by Al and Chris, we settled into a rolly night. All was well by sunrise and we were off to Carriacou. Upon arrival, we anchored in Hillsborough Bay. Here we enjoyed fine dining at the Mermaid Café, a great hike around the north coast and fine snorkeling at Sandy Island.

Next up was Union Island where we checked into the Grenadines. Just to note here that the reception in the Customs & Immigration Offices at Union Island was not as welcoming as we remembered in 2005. Nevertheless, we took advantage of all that was on offer including the restaurant at the Anchorage Yacht Club and Happy Island, a bar situated on an island made from conch shells.

Once in the Grenadines, the weather was fantastic with steady trade winds featured most days and nights. From Union Island, we made for Saltwhistle Bay and enjoyed a rather vertical hike to Saline Bay via Robert Righteous Bar where we were indulged with much local hospitality and quaffed 'Canadian Coladas' – so dubbed because they were out of pineapple juice for pina coladas so we urged our server to make them with the juice they had on hand instead. They were delicious! Our night in Saltwhistle Bay was crowned by a wonderful dinner at the 'Last Bar Before the Jungle'.







torical whaling centre.

Owing to the wind and sea state, we plotted a course for Beguia with the intent of visiting the Tobago Cays on the way back. We were rewarded with a rollicking upwind sail in 25-30 knots with 6-10' seas. These conditions required a couple of tucks in 'Wild Things' main to keep the old girl manageable. Even so, the Commodore's biceps grew several inches that day as he muscled the helm over an extended period. Coming into Admiralty Bay is always a visual treat. Not only is it a really well-protected harbour, but the number of boats and waterside animation are quite spectacular. We reacquainted ourselves with 'African', a bigger than life local figure who runs a mooring ball business from his Lagoon 410 anchored in the harbour. It was here that the Commodore and First Mate sampled the fruits of the Whaleboner Bar and the Black Pearl restaurant. We also kicked the tires at Maria's Café and laundromat. In addition, several of the crew had a sizzling hike over to Friendship Bay and the island's his-

Hard to believe how quickly a 10-day charter can go, but after a couple of glorious days in Bequia we had to turn back south via Tobago Cays. While the buck to Bequia took the better part of 6 hours, we had a virtual sleigh ride to Tobago Cays in a matter of 3 hours. Once there, the crew took shifts to explore the turtle sanctuary. Meanwhile, things were evolving in the mooring field, a catamaran arrived and proceeded to drop its hook, with at best 1:2 scope, between 'Wild Things' and the boat immediately ahead. The Commodore, sensing a potential insurance claim, took to the foredeck and reeled off a number of photos of the offending catamaran in the event we had an international incident later that night. While we enjoyed a fantastic BBQ of fresh Tuna that night, we were mindful of our neighbours who partied into the wee hours of the morning blaring weird Moorish sounding dance tracks disrupting the rhythmic snoring that usually emanated from the forward cabins. We also discovered the next morning that one of our bridles on the mooring ball had cut clean through as the winds in the anchorage were fierce over the entire night.

The following morning, we left the Tobago Cays with mixed feelings and made for Union Island to check out of the Grenadines and then to Tyrell Bay on Carriacou for the night. For those who haven't visited Tyrell Bay, it is easily the most popular anchorage for cruisers on Carriacou. We enjoyed a great dinner at the Lazy Turtle, a smallish dive-oriented inn run by a British couple. Well fed, the crew returned to 'Wild Things' for the night. All was well until about 5 or 6 a.m. when a particularly strong gust raked the anchorage and dislodged our anchor. At first we didn't realize what had happened but by the time the Commodore and I returned from the Customs and Immigration office, we were some 75m from our initial anchoring position.





Upon returning to St. Georges we took up a slip on the Moorings dock and enjoyed a final dinner at the Victory Bar & Grill, one of the restaurants in Port Louis. The following couple of days were land based and involved an enlightening tour of the island with notable destinations of the Westerhall Rum Distillery (big hit), Belmont Estates Chocolate Factory and a remarkable rainforest that offered noticeably cooler temperatures by virtue of elevation and flora.

With the Grenada and the Grenadines segment of the trip sadly in the rear view mirror, the crew split up to return home for Easter Weekend with only the McLachlans and the Hopes stopping over in Trinidad. What followed was a whirlwind tour of Wendy's homeland including: Port of Spain, Chaguaramus, Maracas beach, Las Cuevas beach, Caroni Swamp and the Asa Wright Nature Centre.

All told, a great couple of weeks were enjoyed by all. The crew and boat performed admirably. Hospitality was top drawer and the wind and sea state the best we have ever experienced in our 8 charter vacations. Wendy and I can't wait to retrace our steps on our own hull.

Andrew & Wendy Hope (Shimmer)



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Meet the Executive Committee

Chris and I started sailing in the early 70's. I was racing Albacores with my brother-in-law George, who still has a Freedom 25 at PEYC. On those really windy days my – then girlfriend – came along for the wild ride. Even after a good dunking, when Chris got caught under the sail, she still had a love for sailing.

When we moved out of the Toronto area, we would still get together with George, who had by now graduated to keelboats, and get in some sailing.

After several moves, two great kids and a series of boats including a Giesler Brothers 18' cedar strip that always leaked because it lived in our driveway when it was really meant to live in the water, out of the sun and in a boathouse. A few days before we planned to go out we had to put the sprinkler on it. It was always part of a great planned retrofit that life was too busy to execute.

Well, the kids left home, another boat was in the driveway and Chris brought up how she loved the sailing we still did on occasion. So, off to Orillia to get our first sailboat, Smyrill — an Aloha 27, which we had for 3 years. She was a great boat. But then came the opportunity to buy Commotion, our much loved CS 33. We have now been at Collins Bay for over 8 years, enjoying both racing and cruising.

When not sailing, Chris is involved in the arts in Kingston. She has gone back to Queens to study Art History, act as a docent at the Agnes Etherington Centre, and paints.

I try to find time to take photographs, build and fly model aircrafts, and I work part-time at Marine Outfitters to pay for my boating habit.



Al MacLachlan, Commodore & Chris MacLachlan, Secretary

Meet the Executive Committee

Dear CBYC Member,

Just a reminder that it's time to renew your CBYC membership for 2016 and that we hope to see you back again this season. Please print and complete the 2016 *Membership Renewal Form* available here.



ow that I've communicated this important message to you, let me introduce myself. I'm your CBYC Membership Chair, Edward Nash



For me, sailing became a passion about fourteen years ago. I'd never really spent any time on the water, but the romantic notion of sailing away, casting off all lines and heading toward the horizon where untold adventures awaited was something I had always imagined doing. After a friend bought an express cruiser and, after repeated invitations, he finally got me and my family out for a trip to Toronto Centre Island, and I was finally on the water. The trip was relaxed and quick, but I looked out thinking what would sailing be like? An introduction at the marina to a well-travelled sailor, and my first sailing experience was realized. Hooked? I was downright addicted. Within a matter of weeks I had bought a boat (an Oday 28), without any sailing experience whatsoever. Fortunately my wife Carol and I had the good sense to take a sailing course at Humber before our boat was even launched and the rest is history. We have sailed on all size of boats, all over Lake Ontario, in St. Vincent and the Grenadines, and the Bahamas, but since 2012 the best part has been enjoying our boat Bay Breeze out of Collins Bay - worth the drive from/to Mississauga every weekend.



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