



Collins Mixer

Collins Bay Yacht Club Newsletter



SAVE THE DATE

NOVEMBER 5
Annual Awards Banquet

NOVEMBER 6
Annual General Meeting

DECEMBER 10Holiday Party

JANUARY 7
Curling Tournament

Volunteers are always needed and welcomed.

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Commodore's Corner

October is a hectic month as we go through the classic Canadian Season Activity Changeover (CSAC). This is when we put away all of the summer toys, change over the closet to bring in coats, boots and gloves and dare I say it, are forced to wear socks. As we prepare to either hunker down for the days of short sunlight, or plan to go south, thoughts of next year's season will keep us going.

The CBYC Executive has been additionally busy with preparations for the Annual General Meeting (November 6) and the Awards Banquet (November 5). Please plan to attend these functions, they are important.

For Chris and I, this fall represents the end of our terms on the executive. Per the Constitution I shall be stepping down as Commodore, while Chris will be standing down as Secretary as her activities at Queens and teaching art programs are making significant demands upon her time. We have both enjoyed serving on the executive and will miss the interactions with the other members of the team and the club membership.

See you at the Awards Banquet and the AGM.

Al MacLachlan Commodore



Past Commodore

As I come to the end of my tenure on the Executive Committee, I have one last piece of official business to perform. As Past Commodore it is my duty to help staff up the Executive Committee for the following year. Fortunately, some of the current Executive members will be returning.

At the AGM on November 6, we will be formally acclaiming members of the Executive with no competition and electing, by ballot, our new Commodore. Following is the lineup of candidates:

Election

Commodore Hans Mertins / Peter Feltham

Returning Executive Members

Vice Commodore Phil Morris
Treasurer Ghislain Trudel
Sailing School Director Richard Dickson
Fleet Captain Angus Fergusson
Social Chair Leigh Marsalekova

Membership Chair Ed Nash

Newsletter Hélène Hubert

New to Position

Race Chair John Giles
Cruise Chair Robert Mackey
Historian Robert van Dyk

IMPORTANT

To ensure the effective management of Collins Bay Yacht Club next season, we still need volunteers to fill some important positions on the Executive team. If you can help your club by filling one of the positions listed below, contact me (skipper938@gmail.com) or Al MacLachlan (maclachlan.al@gmail.com):

Secretary Clubhouse Chair Past Commodore * Sailing School Administrator Webmaster

I would like to thank the outgoing Executive members and the new and returning members for their time volunteering to help the CBYC and its membership. It has been my honour and pleasure to serve on the Executive for the past seven years. It has been a rewarding and unique experience.

Have a good winter season. See you on the docks next spring.

Lee Baker, Past Commodore

^{*} I know there are a lot of you out there! Will you spare the time? Your knowledge and experience would be valuable and appreciated.

From the Helm

We are often asked, "Why do we have to take our mast down?" An article published in the Fall 2016 issue of the *GAM* yachting magazine explains many of the "why" we do things the way that we do here at Collins Bay Marina. Below is part of the article which describes the risks of storing sailboats with the mast up:

"Winter storage is as important a boat maintenance issue as oil changes and bottom painting. Some boaters are tempted to leave the mast up to save time or a few hundred dollars, but this is often false savings, considering the resulting vessel damage. Yes, damage can occur while stepping and unstepping a mast, but it usually pales in comparison to the damage, sometimes unseen for years, due to leaving the mast up.

During the summer, most sailboats sit in a slip, gently rocking back and forth in their slip. The motion is continuously water dampened by the very nature of the boat design. They do call it "On the Hard" for a reason, and this can be very hard on the boat. The cradle offers little softening to the harsh pumping the mast may be subject to, as the winter wind whips through the boat yard.

The next is windage. Many a boat has been knocked off its cradle or stands due to high winds, and is much more likely if stored with mast up. Additionally, if knocked off the cradle, it is more likely to be dismasted and perhaps dismast nearby boats too. Why not take the mast down in controlled conditions, rather than allow Mother Nature to do it for you at her discretion. There has never been a better time from year to year to inspect and repair or do improvements. Far easier to do on the ground with a cup of coffee in hand, than when swinging from the bosun's chair hanging on for dear life. Oh and by the way bosun's chairs are meant for use when the boat is in the water, not on land. In the water the boat's righting moment will keep you aloft. On the hard if something supporting the boat fails, you better hope you bounce.

We know a boat that was the subject of an insurance claim of many tens of thousands of dollars last year, when rain water entered the stepped mast, froze, split it wide open and destroyed the in mast furling system. But the owner saved a couple of hundred dollars by not having the mast stepped."

This article explains the very real issues of leaving the mast up for the winter. We thank you for all your support wintering with us at Collins Bay Marina! (Click here for complete article.)

See you all at the Annual Awards Banquet at the Renaissance Event Venue on November 5th and at the Annual

General Meeting on November 6th!

Lori and Gerry Buzzi Collins Bay Marina



Racing

Our racing season finished with the traditional *Frostbite Race*. The format that we use for the *Frostbite* is different than the other races in the season. We utilize a "Chase Race" system where the handicaps for each boat are used before the start to calculate individual starting times so that every boat will theoretically reach the finish line at the same time, rather than starting together. The "slowest" boat left first followed by successively "faster" boats until the "fastest" boat left almost an hour later. It is always an interesting race where anyone can win. The hypothetical "slowest" boat won in both 2005 and 2006 (Yoki LIntu) and the "fastest" boat won this year.

The course took us upwind to Bayfield Shoal (H43) in medium winds. Most boats chose to fly their #1 headsail with the exception of the top two finishers (if this writer remembers it correctly) who both chose to go with their #3. Then everyone popped spinnakers and jibed down to Myles Shoal (K1) and out to a buoy at the north end the Simcoe Island channel (KE2). At that point kites came down and we close reached to Penitentiary Shoal (K3) then popped chutes again for the run home.

We had a great turnout with 10 contenders, including one boat out for their first race with us this year, Happy Puppy, after competing successfully in the Lake Ontario 300 (2nd place in their division) and the Lake Ontario 600 (1st place). Congratulations to all competitors and we hope to see you again next year.

The results were as follows:

Happy Puppy – Danny McKindsey (C&C 115)

Investors Group – Bruce Anderson (Olson 30)

Jeannie – Geoff Roulet (J35)

The Baron – Jim Beliveau (J24)

Lei Line - Dave DePlanche (Aloha 30)

Horizon Dancer - Glenn Reid (C&C 27)

Simmac II – Malcolm Stott (C&C 27)

Rainbow Chaser - Adam Marsalek (Viking 28)

Ongiara – Dan MacDonald (Niagara 26)

Tingirrautalik - Robert MacKey (Beneteau 1st 325)

John Giles

Frosbite Chilifest 2016

I have mixed feelings about fall. The boats are starting to come out of the water, which is sad, but I love sweaters, scarfs, leaves changing colours and heart warming foods, like chili!

So many people contributed to make this event a success. The clubhouse was packed with people and smiling faces. The Chili Potluck offered an array of delicious food including buns, meatballs, salads and desserts. Everyone who attended had a chance to taste and judge the assortment of chilies. Picking your favourite was a tough job, lucky for the tasters there were three categories to vote for.







This year the Frost Bite racers had warmer weather for their race, but after a long race, everyone was happy to warm up with chili. It was also nice that some members got to enjoy one last meal on top of the clubhouse before the end of the season.

Best in Show was won by Richard Ison for his chili, *The Best Chili on the Table* (hmmm... I think there was a subliminal message sent out to the tasters with a name like that). Tastiest Vegetarian was won by Helen Hubert for her *"Happy" Cow Chili* (happy cow indeed, mainly because he is still in the pasture instead of in this chili). Most Unusual was won by Karen Francis for her *Aloha Chili*, which contained many delicious ingredients but the pineapple in it really made this chili taste amazing. Trophies and chili survival kits were handed out to the winners but in my opinion the people who got to eat all the amazing food were the real winners.

Leigh Marsalekova Social Director





Click <u>here</u> for more photos of Frostbite Chilifest 2016

Fall Coffee House

Our Social Director, Leigh Marsalekova (Dijabringabeeralong), wanted to enjoy Thanksgiving weekend out on the water with her hubby Adam. Since we were going to be at the marina anyhow, Carolyn Nash (Bay Breeze, Peter and I (Cattitude) volunteered to run the Coffee House. We saw it as a perfect opportunity to socialize with boaters we don't often have the chance to chat with during the boating season.

It was a slow day, with only a handful of drop-ins and so many treats left over. What to do? Easy, run the Coffee House again. It turned out to be a good call as it was much busier on Thanksgiving Monday.

We had very interesting little visitors drop in. There was Zoey, the *Snackatician* from Mango. ("Tell me Zoey, howdo you become a Snackatician?" "Oh, you have to eat LOTS of snacks." "And when exactly did you become a Snackatician?" "Last year.") When given the choice to choose any snack available, Zoey chose an apple! A healthy Snackatician she is.

There was also Rhys the *Navigator*, *Anchor Assistant* and *Pirate Translator* (Mango). He knows how to make boat knots but also has his very own repertoire of customized knots that he describes as being "horribly" complicated. What practical use does he have for his customized knots? Tying up his little sister Zoey as a pirate would, of course.



Then there was Kian (AKA *Skully* and *Jack-of-all-Trades*.) He enjoys sailing with his parents and grandparents (Bob and Jean White) on Moon Shadow. Kian will be 12 next year. It is at this age that Bob and Jean offer to take their grand-child on a trip anywhere in the world, serving as a valuable learning experience. Kian's choice? Australia. Why? He really enjoys snorkeling in the Bahamas so he wants to live the experience it in the Great Barrier Reef.







Thanks to everyone who dropped in. We appreciate your support!

Hélène Hubert, Mixer Editor



Hélène Hubert (Cattitude) Mixer Editor

For more photos, click <u>here</u>.

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CBYC

Annual Awards Banquet November 05, 2016

Reception Starts at 6:00 p.m. Followed by Dinner and Awards



Renaissance Event Venue 285 Queen St, Kingston

Tickets \$50 Per Person

Sign-up Sheet in the Marina Office. Tickets must be purchased by **October 28, 2016.**Please Specify Seating Companion Choices on Sign-up Sheet.









Menu

Starter

Choice at the Table

Chef's Soup of the Day with fresh rolls; or Garrison Garden Salad with Sweet Vinaigrette

Main Course

Choice at the Table

Chicken Breast Fricassee with a White Wine and Mushroom Sauce, Garlic Mashed Potatoes and Vegetable Medley;

Maple Glazed Salmon with Rice Cake and Vegetable Medley;

Georgian Stuffed Pepper with Garlic Mashed Potatoes; and Vegetable Medley Topped with a Tomato Piccalilli Sauce [VEGAN]

Dessert

Puff Apple Pie with a Brandy Sauce Tea or Coffee

If you have any allergies or dietary requirements, please specify on sign-up sheet.





CBYC Annual General Meeting

Sunday, November 6, 2016 Royal Kingston Curling Club 09:00 - 12:00 Hours

AGENDA

9:00 a.m. **Coffee**

9:30 a.m. **Call to Order and Welcome**

Executive Committee Reports

Membership Ed Nash

Treasurer Ghislain Trudel
Sailing School Richard Dickson
Ben Rotveel

Fleet Captain Angus Fergusson Cruise Director Tammy Fergusson Social Director Leigh Marsalekova

Newsletter Helene Hubert and Peter Feltham

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Membership discussion Membership's Feedback/Comments/

Suggestions

Noon **Ajournment**

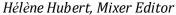
TREASURER ON A MISSION

What? Our Treasurer, Ghislain Trudel (Pharr Aweigh), will NOT be present at the upcoming Annual General Meeting! What could be more important than CBYC's AGM?! Okay ... I have to admit that helping the victims of hurricane "Matthew" normalize their lives is a pretty good reason to not be present at this year's AGM.

You may not know this about Ghislain but he is a retired Hydro Quebec employee who is a member of an emergency crew that gets deployed where they are needed after a natural disaster. Earlier this month he was putting his expertise to good use in the Carolinas and has recently been deployed to help out in the Bahamas for the next few months.

Ghislain has agreed to report on his experience, so more to come on this story.

Wishing you well Ghislain. Be safe!











LET'S STAY CONNECTED

Many club and non-club activities take place between December and March (Holiday Party, curling tournament, Boat Show, Ottawa Winter Cruise, winter vacations, volunteering, etc.). So, as a pilot project, the Mixer will be issued during this period. The intent is to keep the members of our club informed and connected between boating seasons.

The success of this initiative will depend, in part, on your contributions. Tell us about you're interests or about what you do for fun between boating seasons (e.g. winter trips, sports, volunteering, get-togethers, etc.). For example, did you know that between boating seasons Dave Nickerson (Panacea) teaches the Navigation course in Ottawa?

In April, we will be asking for your opinion as to whether the Mixer should become a year-round publication ... or not.

Hélène Hubert, Mixer Editor



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