



Collins Mixer

Collins Bay Yacht Club
Newsletter



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APRIL 8

*Pat Ur Boat Pre-Launch
Potluck*

APRIL 30

Spring Coffee House

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Commodore's Corner

Hi Folks,

I will be honest here and tell you that I've been procrastinating on putting this message together. The Mixer's editor (aka my lovely wife H  l  ne) has been pressing me over the last couple of days to "get er done". This will be a short note as our webmaster extraordinaire Geoff is leaving for a holiday in the next day or two and needs to get this in the next few hours in order to post it online.

We're just a couple of weeks away at this point from the first boat launchings in April. Lori and Gerry who have just returned from their Mediterranean adventure tell me that the senior work crew will be coming in next week to start getting the marina ready for the season. As soon as things warm up a little more, a sure sign of CBM's readiness will become apparent to all when the bathrooms are finally made operational for the season.

As many of you may have noticed, the club's website has been updated with the new calendar, many club events and races already posted for spring, summer and fall. Please note that some events are still being finalized and of course, volunteers are required to assist in moving other events forward.

This season's events will begin with the "Pat Ur Boat" event on April 8th in the clubhouse. Everyone is invited to bring their favourite potluck dish and reconnect with their boat and of course sailing friends!

Please note that I am still looking for ideas for the July 1st, Canada Day celebration party to be held at Collins Bay Marina. A working group will be formed at the next executive meeting to begin planning the event.

I'd like to remind everyone that the new online membership site is up and running and you may now pay your seasonal dues online using PayPal. Please refer to the following information:

- Go To <https://cbyc.intekron.com>
- Click the "**Don't know your Password or Member ID?**" link and follow the instructions to retrieve your Membership ID and a temporary password.
- Login to <https://cbyc.intekron.com> using your temporary password and follow the instructions to renew your membership. Please note that payment will be processed through PayPal. You do not need a PayPal account to use PayPal, so please read the instructions carefully.
- Once you have completed your renewal, login again to <https://cbyc.intekron.com> using your temporary password and you will be prompted to change your password. After that you will have access to the member's only portion of the site.

Alternatively, you can still renew by printing and completing the 2017 Membership Renewal Form which is available as a link [here](#). Mail your membership renewal form along with your payment before May 15th to take advantage of the Early Registration Discount.

Well as promised, this will be a short Commodore's message. Remember to look at the events schedule posted on the club's website and think about volunteering to help with some of them. I hope to see many of you in a couple of weekends at "Pat Ur Boat" event.

Cheers,
Peter Feltham (Cattitude)
Commodore, Collins Bay Yacht Club



From the Helm

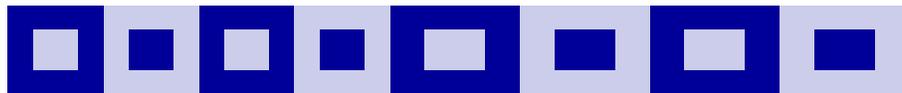
Gerry and Dave have almost completed the welding/repairs on the fuel dock pipes. There is a finger on F dock and on H dock that need to come out of the water to be repaired.

The crew is back on April 3rd. They will redeck and paint the fuel dock and put it back in place. They will get ready for launch and continue with the repairs to the docks.

Things are moving ahead with our fight against the airport. We are cautiously optimistic.

We are looking forward to the upcoming season — warm weather, sunny skies and the return of the wonderful people who make up our great community of Collins Bay Marina!

*Lori and Gerry Buzzi
(A Perfect Waste of Time), Collins Bay Marina*



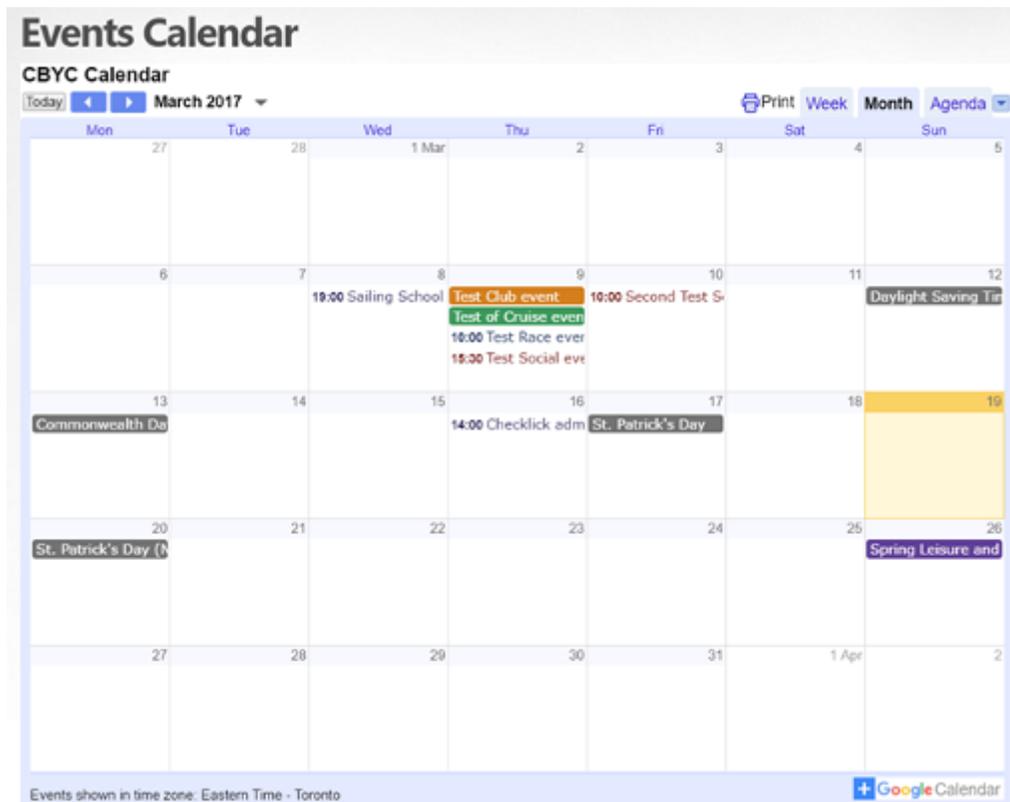
All work and no play is not good for the soul. So following a busy spring, summer, fall, and winter, Gerry and Lori took a well-deserved break from their responsibilities and enjoyed a fantastic vacation on a Mediterranean cruise.

And now they are back home with wonderful memories of their trip and ready for another successful boating season. Welcome back Gerry and Lori! We're all looking forward to seeing you again very soon.



CBYC's New Events Calendar

If you have visited the Collins Bay Yacht Club [website](#) lately you will have noticed a change in the club's [Events Calendar](#). This new calendar should look familiar to those of you who employ Google's calendar app for personal scheduling since that is exactly what it is – a Google calendar embedded in the club website page.



As with the old calendar tool, events appear colour coded: **red** for **Social**, **blue** for **Race**, **green** for **Cruise**, **purple** for **Sailing School**, and **orange** for general **Club** events. The functionality of the regular Google calendar is carried over to our website and you can; using the buttons in the upper-right, click to show the calendar in **Week**, **Month**, or **Agenda** (chronological listing of events) form. You may also click to **Print** any of these formats.

The club calendar is actually a synthesis of five calendars, one for each of the event categories. This means that you can opt to display events from only certain categories. For this, go to the drop-down menu in the upper-right of the calendar and uncheck any of the categories for which you do not wish to see events. The calendar below shows just the Social (test) events for March.

Date: April 08, 2017

Time: 5:00 p.m.



CBYC
Pat UR Boat
Pre-launch Potluck



*Come to the Clubhouse.
Bring your favourite dish to
share with your boating
friends.*

*Don't forget beverages, plates
and cutlery.*

Let the 2017 season begin!

*Tickets will be sold for a gift
basket.*

*\$5.00 for 1 ticket
Or
\$10.00 for 3 tickets*

*If you have any questions
please contact
Leigh Marsalekova at:*

social-cbyc@collinsbaymarina.com

CBYC Coffee House

**Come in, have a treat and support
your club.**

Donations Needed

Would you like to help?

Contact Leigh Marsalekova at

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Date: April 30, 2017

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.





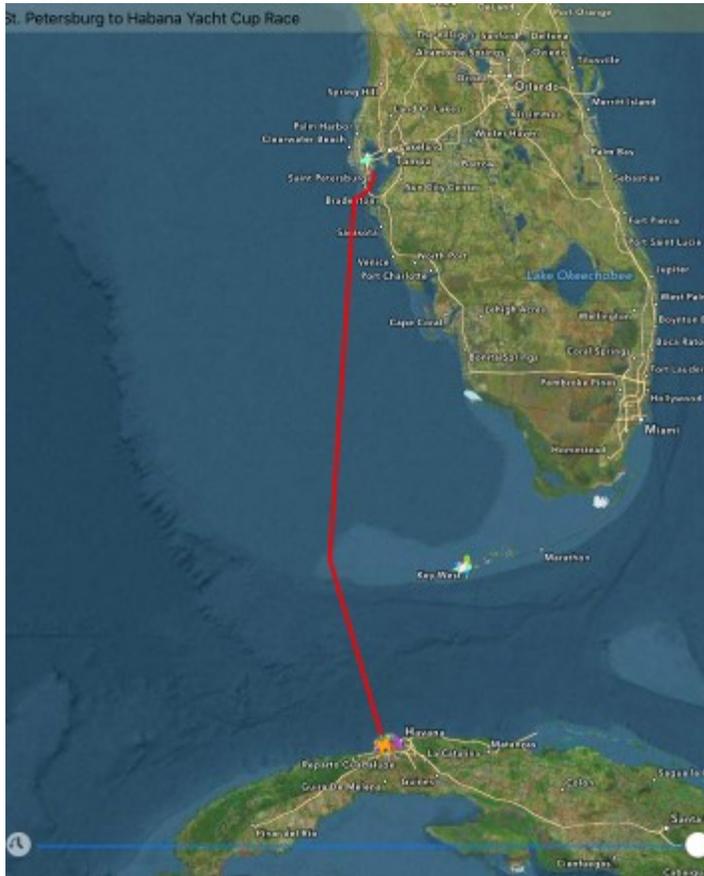
We can all agree that we appreciate having access to the clubhouse for social activities, skipper meetings, training sessions, BBQ dinners, and more. But our clubhouse has been feeling somewhat neglected lately and is in need of some TLC.

Unfortunately, the position of Clubhouse Chair is still vacant. Therefore, the Admirals of *Knot Happening* (Pat Redford) and *Knot Again* (Crystal Baker) have taken the initiative of drawing up a task list and a work schedule. Details will be communicated to you soon by email.

Let's give our clubhouse the attention it deserves — while we still have time, before the boating season starts. *Many hands make light work*, as the saying goes, so we are counting on you to sign up for the **Clubhouse Work Party** and give an hour or two of your time or commit to doing a task or two. Let's get 'er done!

St. Petersburg to Havana Race 2017

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (WFLA) – As a low morning fog hugged the ground at the marina in downtown St. Petersburg, more than 500 sailors were busy with last-minute preparations for a 3-day journey into history. The St. Petersburg Yacht Club organized a regatta with 80 boats to sail to Havana.



The last time the yacht club held this event was in 1959. Then revolution and political strife hit and the event was canceled. The event has significant history. It began in 1929, organized by George S. Gandy Jr., the son of the man who built the first bridge across Tampa Bay.

“Being able to bring this race back was kind of a bit of a dream because I always thought this club missed having that grand race because this was one of the four big races in the world sailing at the time. So this is great, it’s a big thing.”, said SPYC Commodore Richard Winning.

The last time the event was held 58 years ago, his father was the Commodore of the St. Petersburg Yacht Club.

“It took a lot of effort between here and dealing with the Cuban government and the U.S. Government, but you know it’s a big sporting event, it’s a sailing event and it’s been a bit of a challenge so it’s been a great challenge to have all these boats show up for this event, it’s been a great thing.”, said Winning. Among the sailors making the trip are two vessels with wounded warriors. The journey was expected to take 36 hours for the fastest boats.

The trip ended at the Hemingway Marina and was to include a separate 16-mile regatta from the Hemingway Marina to Morro Castle in Havana, which was cancelled due to 30-knot winds and 20 to 25-foot seas.

The boat named “FRUITION” that I sail on during the winter months is a Palmer Johnson 43 foot boat from the early 80’s. She is heavy with little freeboard compared to the later model boats. We had a total of 8 onboard with 3 nationalities — 3 Canadians, 1 Englishman and 4 Americans. Bruce Anderson and myself being from CBYC.

The race was to start at 1000 hours on February 28th from just outside the entrance to the St. Petersburg Yacht Club harbor entrance.

The 76 boat participating, with over 500 sailors, were divided into 8 different fleets based on Spinnaker, multi hull and cruising PHRF's.

We were part of the Cruising A fleet which included 2 boats that should not have been in our fleet. A brand new "out of the box" 4.5-million-dollar Oyster 75 from the Miami boat show with a rating of 26 and a beautiful 84-ft Frers with the same rating.



Oyster 75



Frers 84

These are the boats that we were competing against out of which just 4 boats finished.

PHRF - Cruising A									
1.	USA 43677	Antares	Carl Roth	US Sailing	Port Richey, FL, USA	Beneteau F456	45.5	120.0	
2.	USA 1	Blue Heron DC	Russell Hoadley	Davis Island Yacht Club	Tampa, FL, USA	Catalina 425	43'6"	134.0	
3.	30707	Fruition DC	William Gately	Venice Yacht Club	Venice, FL, USA	Palmer Johnson 43	43'	131.0	
4.	USA 5	Grand Nellie	Ronald Parfitt	Dormant/Tarpon Springs	Key West, FL, USA	Schooner	73	108.0	
5.	USA 74503	Graycious DC	John Noble	SPYC	Lighthouse, FL, USA	745	73.3	26.0	
6.	00	Lynx	Captain Alexander Peacock	West Florida PHRF	Newmarket, NH, USA	Square Topsail Schooner	122	91.0	
7.	USA Cay 11	Metolius	David Arata	St Pete Yacht Club	Tampa, FL, USA	Frers	84	26.0	
8.	11	Muñequita	Martin Zonnenberg	SPYC/DIYC	St Petersburg, FL, US	Tartan 4000	40	141.0	
9.	USA 204	Picaro	Michael Redmond	Pasadena Yacht and Country Club	Cincinnati, OH, USA	Beneteau 473	47	146.0	
10.	45154	Seanchai	Edward Steadman	Saint Petersburg Yacht Club	Saint Petersburg, FL, USA	Little Harbor 44	44	157.0	
11.	USA 284	Tattoo DC	Glenn Benson	St.Petersburg Yacht Club	St. Pete Beach, FL, USA	Jeanneau 45 DS	45'	126.0	
12.	USA 38	XTC	Thomas Glew	SPYC	Saint Petersburg, FL, USA	Beneteau Oceanis 461	46	152.0	



FRUITION



Bruce, Norm, Colin, Steve, Ben, Paul, Mark and Bill

Due to lack of wind, the start of the race was delayed and moved about 5 miles further out of Tampa Bay. At the new start line we had light breeze that moved us forward at only 3 knots into the incoming tidal current. The whole trip, for boats with our PHRF rating, should have taken about 48 hours. There was little to no wind however for the first 150 miles. We even did a few 360's due to lack of steerage. The rhumb line should have taken us due south through the Dry Tortugas leaving Rebecca shoal to port. However, the Gulf of Mexico has loop current that has to be taken in consideration. The current shifts position on a regular basis and becomes about 3 knots in the Florida Straits between Florida and Cuba in an easterly direction. With the lack of wind, we had decided to avoid an unexpected holiday in the Bahamas and stayed well west of the Dry Tortugas and let the current take us back towards Havana.

We were forewarned of a front coming in from the north with up to 30-knot winds.



24 hours later than expected. To our surprise we saw many boats that should have been well behind us, making us think that our westerly course had not paid off, only to find out a little later that only 22 boats out of the 76 starters had sailed all the way. Only 4 boats finished in our fleet of which the two boats that should not have been in our fleet finished a full day earlier.

Sail Number	Yacht Name	Yacht Design	Owner/Skipper	Status Rating	Finish Time	Elapsed Time	Corrected Time	Class	Fleet
St. Petersburg - Habana Race - Cruising Racing									
PHRF Division									
PHRF - Cruising A									
1	USA 74503	Graycious DC	745	John Noble	26.0	02/Mar/17 - 06:49:30	1:18:54:30	1:16:54:02	1 1
2	USA Cay 11	Metolius	Frers	David Arata	26.0	02/Mar/17 - 10:14:29	1:22:19:29	1:20:19:01	2 2
3	11	Muñequita	Tartan 4000	Martin Zonnenberg	141.0	03/Mar/17 - 00:08:31	2:12:13:31	2:01:20:13	3 4
4	30707	Fruition DC	Palmer Johnson 43	William Gately	131.0	03/Mar/17 - 07:52:01	2:19:57:01	2:09:50:03	4 7
5	USA 284	Tattoo DC	Jeanneau 45 DS	Glenn Benson	DNF	126.0			13
6	USA 38	XTC	Beneteau Oceanis 461	Thomas Glew	DNF	152.0			13
7	USA 1	Blue Heron DC	Catalina 425	Russell Hoadley	DNF	134.0			13
8	USA 43677	Antares	Beneteau F456	Carl Roth	DNF	120.0			13
9	USA 204	Picaro	Beneteau 473	Michael Redmond	DNF	146.0			13
10	USA 5	Grand Nellie	Schooner	Ronald Parfitt	DNF	108.0			13
11	45154	Seanchai	Little Harbor 44	Edward Steadman	DNF	157.0			13
12	00	Lynx	Square Topsail Schooner	Captain Alexander Peacock	DNF	91.0			13

Regardless we were proud of ourselves to have made it under sail all the way. For the next four days the harbor was closed and nobody was allowed to leave due to 30 to 35 -knot winds with 20 to 25-foot waves.

We took a double-decker convertible bus into Havana for the day and felt like we went back in time to the 50's. I think that at least 90 percent of all cars there are from that era. Some made up of different car parts and tractor diesel engines and yet some pretty original in fantastic shape. Our skipper/owner of Fruition is a few years older than us and impressed us by naming every car by make, model and year from that era as they drove by. He could not believe that those cars were still on the road.

Havana itself is pretty depressed with most homes and buildings in desperate need of upgrading and maintenance. The infrastructure has been neglected for decades with deteriorating sidewalks and streets in the downtown area. We took an original 1958 Chevy Impala convertible back to our hotel.





The Hemingway Marina is huge and will accommodate hundreds of boats along the seawalls made up of four fingers and was the location of our 'all inclusive' hotel.



The marina again is in desperate need of repairs, but has great potential of becoming what it used to be decades ago. Sailors from all over the world take shelter there and races from the US are now being held from Miami, Key West, St. Petersburg and more. Hopefully this will turn the local economy around to make this place as it once was. The all-inclusive hotel was very reasonable at \$55.00 per day including breakfast, lunch and dinner and all the local beer and rum you can drink. No complaints about the food whatsoever. It even included the bus ride to and from Havana in a double decker convertible bus which gave us a beautiful view of all the cars driving by us.

After being stuck there for several extra days we departed at 0400 hours to avoid the big line up of 60 some boats at the customs office wanting to leave. The winds had subsided to the 15-knot range and we headed back north again in big waves that had not yet settled down. Waves were coming over our bow to disperse just before the mast.

Unlike our race to Mexico two years ago, we stayed pretty dry. The winds died just north of the Dry Tortugas and we were forced to motor for the last 22 hours to make it home to Venice, Florida two days later. During our 22-hour trip under motor, we were accompanied by three dolphins at our bow for at least half an hour.



As we motored into the Venice jetty, we followed two replicas of the Columbus ships, "Nina" and "Pinta", that were hosting tours for the weekend.



Ben Rotteveel, CBYC boat Olsen 30, *Investors Group*

Amherst Island Windmills

It was a cold, cold Sunday in March when Pat and I braved the tortuous winds pounding through the vehicle deck of the Frontenac II and ventured to Amherst Island to view the progress of the windmills initial construction.

Before we start organizing a marine blockade to protest this blight on the landscape you should know that the pier that is

being built on the island is not going to interfere with anchoring in Kerr Bay as far as I can see as it is situated east of the bay closer to Wrights Bay. The mainland side of the operation will be based

by the former site of the Invista plant now dismantled. Unless the island pier stretches out more than the length of a windmill blade we should not be disturbed from enjoying our favorite anchorage.

Having said that, we were taken aback somewhat by the road construction appearing west of the Kerr Bay near Barry's Bay as it seems that the west end of the island is getting a road make-over for heavy equipment. I'm

sure the residents by the gap and on the south side of the island are going to love that!

If anyone is interested, there are lots of places for sale on the island already as witnessed by our short trip along the north shore.

Perhaps we will have another look next month and see if there is major progress in all the construction phases.

Your frozen servant,

Lionel Redford (*Knot Happening*)



Executive Team 2017



Hello fellow CBYC members. My name is John Giles and I'm your Race Chair. I am an owner and crew on the Olson 30 race boat Investors Group, and on the CS 30 cruising boat Poppy.

My job is to prepare our Thursday night and weekend race schedules in order to minimize conflicts with CBYC events and other local races. I also ensure that we have race marks in place, committee boat volunteers, and coordinate the racer organized Chateaubriand BBQ that has been very well received over the years.

This year the BBQ will be held following our inaugural Poker Run, where the winning boat will be determined by the best poker hand, not the fastest boat. I am looking forward to many of our cruising members to come out for what I expect to be a fun day.

I will be working closely with three dedicated volunteers: Barry Elvidge who tirelessly works on our committee boat to prepare race courses and record finishing times; Bill Visser (Whistler) who takes those times to calculate our results, and is also our PHRF handicapper; and Geoff Roulet (Jeannie) who is planning and running our Long Point Challenge race.

I am working with Kingston Yacht Club and Marine Outfitters on a new venture, the Kingston Keelboat Championship, where boats must enter races from each other's club in order to qualify for the trophy and flags that Dave Wilby has generously offered to provide. I hope that we get support from club racers to make this project a success.

If anyone has questions, suggestions, comments, or would like to crew on a race boat, I can be reached at race-cbyc@collinsbaymarina.com and I can often be found at slip C24 on Poppy with my wife Margaret.

As our Newfoundland friends say, long may your big jib draw.

John

Executive Team 2017



I am Geoff Roulet, the skipper of *Jeannie* a J/35 docked in slip C26. In November last year I volunteered to again take on the responsibility of the CBYC Webmaster position, having served in that role a few years ago.

I have been sailing keelboats for 19 years now, first a Tanzer 7.5 and since 2006 the J/35. In 2000 I joined the club to take part in the racing program and I have been out on the water since then competing in CBYC events, CORK, and EYC.

In 2012 I retired from 39 years as a secondary school teacher, Ministry of Education consultant, and since 1990, a professor at the Queen's University Faculty of Education.

Now that I have more free time I have increased my outdoor activities with more skiing in winter, and rowing and kayaking in the summer, and longer distance racing.

Last season *Jeannie* completed the Lake Ontario 300 race and this year I am registered for the LO300 again, but this time in the single-handed division.



Hello everyone - I'm Edward Nash, your Membership Chair.

For me, sailing became a passion about sixteen 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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