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Collins Bay Yacht Club
Newsletter



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OCTOBER 15
Fall Coffee House

NOVEMBER 18
Annual Award Banquet

NOVEMBER 19
Annual General Meeting

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Commodore's Corner

We're nearing the end of September and here we are, enjoying glorious summer-like weather. Because of it, many of us want to be out on the water to enjoy the last few days of summer. Recently, Kerr Bay saw at least ten boats from our club/marina at its anchorage. It was warm and sunny and as it turned out, a great opportunity to host an impromptu happy hour on Cattitude. Now Cattitude has a big cockpit, but not big enough to host a group of 20+ sailors. Fortunately, *Dream*

Weaver (Louis Lefrançois and Maryse Beaupré - former owners of *Dream Hunter*) graciously accepted to raft their newly acquired Catalina 36 MKII alongside Cattitude, doubling the floorspace for this impromptu happy hour. Everyone was comfortable and free to come and go between the two cockpits to chat with/get to know everyone and to enjoy the appetizers laid out for everyone. Happy hour lasted until the sun had set and darkness fell ... a sure sign that everyone enjoyed a great time.

Sunday morning rose to be another great "summer" day with



the sun rising through the morning mist.



The above photo, with the morning sun rising through the mist, is of *Sundog*, yet another Catalina 36 MKII owned by new club members John and Sharon. That makes three of them on B Dock. (The photo was taken at around 6:30 a.m. on Sunday morning at Kerr Bay by this Commodore.)

Alas, we all know that fall really is just around the corner. It's time to start thinking about the upcoming **Annual Awards Banquet** which will be held on November 18 (see details on pages 4 & 5). This is an opportunity to put on your Sunday best, mingle, enjoy a great dinner, win awards and door prizes, and have a good time. But don't party too late because early the following morning (November 19) is the **Annual General Meeting**. We need you to be bright-eyed and bushy-tailed as important decisions regarding club matters are made at this meeting. As well, vacant executive positions are filled.

Be sure to make your vote count.

Speaking of vacant positions, if you are interested in being part of the Executive Team, speak with our Past Commodore, Claudia Stevenson. She can fill you in on which positions are vacant, their responsibilities and expectations and answer any questions that you may have.

Where is our Treasurer these days? Well, Ghislain Trudel (*Pharr Aweigh*) is part of a Canadian team of Hydro linemen working long hours restoring power in St. Petersburg, Florida after Hurricane Irma's recent visit. Last year, he did the same but in North Carolina and Grand Bahamas after Hurricane Matthew's devastation (see article featured in last [November's Mixer](#) on pages 18 & 19). Below is a photo of Ghislain and his team (he's to the left of the front row).



Cheers!

Peter Feltham, Commodore



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From the Helm

Haul out has begun and so has summer. The weather has been amazing - a bit unusual but we will take it! If you have not booked your haul out, the calendar is on the website or give the office a call.

Haul Out Days 2017							
	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sept	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Oct	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	29	30	31				

REMINDERS:

1. We kindly ask that on haul out days you not park your vehicle where the crane may need to access a boat. Instead, park your vehicle in the parking area by the office/front lawn or on Coverdale Drive. If you need assistance to carry something to or from your boat, please ask any one of the crew who will be glad to help.
2. We recycle used oil and antifreeze. Please give container(s) to one of the staff and not on the ground by the garbage cans as there may be spillage.

3. We are collecting donations for the food bank. If you have unopened toiletry items or non-perishable food items you are getting rid of while cleaning out your boat, please drop them off at the office or give them to any staff member. Every little bit helps.

The airport battle continues on. We thank everyone who took the time to answer the survey questionnaire that was sent out recently. Your help is appreciated.

As the season is winding down, Gerry and I want to take a minute to thank all of you for your ongoing support. We are very appreciative of the Collins Bay Marina community. We truly love

what we do and we are so fortunate to have great people surrounding us.

We hope to see you all at the **Annual Awards Banquet** on November 18th and at the **Annual General Meeting** on November 19th.

Lori and Gerry Buzzi
*Collins Bay Marina
 Owners and Operators*



Superheroes?

Photo Credit: Richard Dickson



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Annual Awards Banquet

November 18, 2017

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 **November 04, 2017**

Please Specify Seating Companion Choices on Sign-up
Sheet.

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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;*

or

Maple Glazed Salmon with Rice Cake and Vegetable Medley;

or

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

[VEGAN]

Dessert

Tea or Coffee

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

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CLUB TREASURER POSITION

After four years of devoted service to the club, our current treasurer, Ghislain Trudel (Pharr Aweigh), is stepping down to pursue other goals. The club is seeking to fill this important position. Interested?

Responsibilities

- Ensure appropriate bank signing authorities are established
- Make expenditure payments
- Consolidate monthly/yearly financial statements
- Ensure financial reports are available for action and review, as required
- Prepare, in collaboration with executive committee, a 5-year Capital Plan
- Submit accounting records for independent review or audit, as required

Upcoming Challenge

- Modernize the club's current practices and accounting (software) system (*e.g. having a common accounting system for both the club and the sailing school*)

For more information regarding this opportunity, please contact our Past Commodore, Claudia Stevenson, at pastcommodore@collinsbayyachtclub.ca.



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Blast from the Past

We hope that you enjoyed last month's "Blast from the Past". What a harrowing cruising experience! Here's another interesting story, a racing one this time, that our Club Historian, Robert van Dyk (*Day Dreams*) has selected for you.



THE MAGNIFICENT SEVEN C.O.R.K. 1984

Clinging desperately to the toe rail by my fingernails and sprawling across the foredeck up to my crotch in cold water, I calmly asked myself what the hell I was doing out here. I looked aft to Captain Bill who stood at the helm open-mouthed and frozen in absolute fear. In the pitch black of 2 a.m., we had just brought "TRINCO III" into one of the most spectacular spinnaker broaches I had ever seen, we were just off the coast of Oswego in a howling gale when it happened. I let go the spinnaker sheet and watched that massive chute fly off from the mast head, which at the moment was hovering just over the wave tops. Slowly "TRINCO III" rounded up, dangling dripping bodies from her leeward lines.

Bill Worthy was laughing as he grabbed the helm. "Let's get that chute back up. We're still in the race."

"Like hell we will!" gasped Captain Bill as he started breathing again. For some reason no one disagreed with him. People began scrambling to action as Paul Kruger and I got the genoa back up. Gord Unsworth, John Grimes and Captain's wife, Judy, strained to pull the trailing spinnaker out of the lake.

Up to that point in time we had been doing well. Our strategy had been to end up in last position by the first mark, and then, as the winds calmed down to light and flukey, sneak up through the fleet to cross the line first. And it had worked. After two races we were in first place. Can you believe that? Well it's true, "TRINCO III" was in first place going into the long distance race to Oswego and back. All the other skippers had been heard to mumble at the C.O.R.K. reception the night before, something like: "Shadow that "TRINCO III" boat". It was, of course, a bit difficult for them to do this. We had been so far behind by the first mark off the False Ducks that we couldn't see a single sail from horizon to horizon. We weren't discouraged though, because we were following the strategy that had taken us to first place.

True to our predictions, the wind had calmed down, and by dusk we had passed three boats just after Stoney Island it, the wind had started picking up again as we approached Oswego, coming out of the S.E. Becoming overpowered, we had beaten hard to windward, towards a burning warehouse in the brightly lit city. We fell behind.

Now we were winging dead down wind, on course, and cold and wet. Captain Bill and I were down below trying to sleep when Paul decided to relieve other Bill at the helm.

Next thing I know I'm on the floor as we went into another spectacular broach, this time from heavy following seas.

I heard Bill Worthy laughing at Paul, "Better gimme that wheel before you get Captain Bill all upset." just as Ol' Captain Bill stumbled over me and stood on my head as he hollered up the companionway: "What're you guys doing up there!"

We never did have the nerve to put the spinnaker up again, the winds staying around 30 knots all day, as a result, we never got the chance to sneak up through the fleet in light and flukey winds.

I could go on and on with more tales of the Magnificent Seven, the first Collins Bay Yacht Club challenge to the C.O.R.K. Off-shore fleet. We had

really scared them. They didn't think anyone from C.B.Y.C. could be serious, or even sail for that matter. We mumbled something about next year, with new sails, new equipment and new gear.

Maybe next issue I'll tell you how Paul broached us twice again before deciding mono-hulls don't handle like trimarans.


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The 2017 Women's National Keelboat Championship at Lunenburg Yacht Club

The **Women's Keelboat Championship** is a national event that is open to competitors across the country. It is hosted annually, rotating through the western, central, and eastern regions of Canada. This year Lunenburg Yacht Club in Lunenburg, Nova Scotia, was selected to host the regatta. The LYC has achieved a strong reputation in the sailing community and has a long history of hosting successful regattas. Its portfolio includes the **2017 Sonar World Championships**, the **2014 Sonar North Americans**, the **2002 Volvo World Youth Sailing Championships**, as well as the **2008, 2011, and 2014 Canadian National Optimist Sailing Championships**.

The **2017 Women's National Keelboat Championship** was the final regatta in this year's *Sail Canada Championships* series. The event started on Wednesday, September 13th with on-water training and practice races in the afternoon. Four days of racing followed where 15 teams from 4 different provinces *squared* off in pursuit of a gold medal. Sailors raced the 4-crew *Sonar*, supplied by the Lunenburg Yacht Club, in a round robin style series that ended on Sunday, September 17th. The award ceremony took place on Sunday afternoon, with the top three boats receiving Helly Hansen prizes.

The first day of the race was off to a good start with warm winds and clear skies. With a southerly breeze blowing 6-7 knots throughout the day, the race committee was able to get 4 races in, moving into the second round robin round.

The second day of the race was a long one. After waiting for some time for the wind, the race committee got 4 races off in 6-9 knots of wind, completing the 2nd round robin and getting a head start on to the third round robin.

The third day started off with lots of fog, but it soon cleared giving way to sunny skies and a building breeze of 9- 12 knots! Sailors raced off of Loyd and Couvey Island at the mouth of Mahone Bay which provided challenging sailing conditions and tactical racing.

The fourth day started out as a light and foggy day at Lunenburg Yacht Club, but turned into a beautiful day of racing on the ocean just outside of Mahone Bay. The race committee managed to get in 3 races completing the final round robin of the event. The regatta wrapped up with 15 races in 5 round robin series completed.

After 4 days of highly competitive racing between some of Canada's best female sailing teams, the final results were tight! The **2017 Sail Canada Women's Champions**, from Kingston Yacht Club, are Melodie Gummer, Janice Wilby, Carol Luttmmer, and Susan Fraser. This is the team's second consecutive year winning this event! (Click [here](#) for original version of this article. See full race results [here](#).)

"The competitors had to deal with thick fog, hot sun, stray seals popping up and the prospect of seeing Hilton, the great white shark that inhabited these waters all summer long. Next year's event is already set for Mimico Yacht Club in Toronto in Sharks." — Janice Wilby



Katie Gray Race

The 49th Katie Gray Race was held on the Labor Day long weekend.

We (Dave White & Luise Von Flotow) went down to Belleville on the Friday (46 nm); we estimated 8 to 12 hours. *Grandpaw* left the CBYC dock at 7 a.m. From Collins Bay to the Glenora Ferry (23 nm) took just three hours with NW winds at 13+ knots. The rest of the way was motor sail and we arrived at the BQYC dock at 5 p.m.

Saturday's race saw 43 boats on the 10 a.m. start line. After a few hiccups at the beginning, and with the wind SW at 8 knots, *Grandpaw* started to play catch up and passed a few boats. The finish line was at the cement works at Picton. We arrived at PEYC by 1645.

Grandpaw's finish time was 6h18m which, on corrected time, gave us 18th out of 20 in the spinnaker fleet (we did not get to fly it) so it could have been top third in the white fleet of 23 boats.

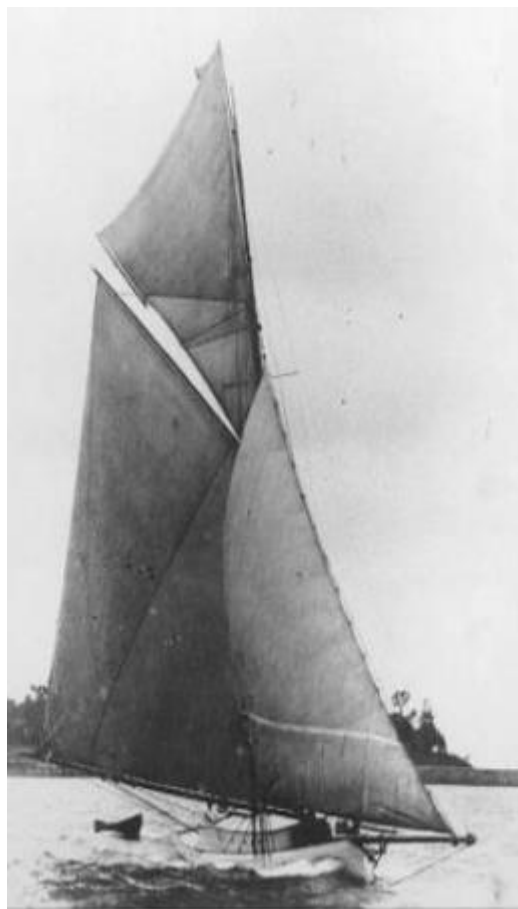
Sunday was wet and gusty. We skipped the race back to BQYC. After a 9:30 a.m. departure from the docks we arrived back at CBM at 6:30 p.m.

Next year will be this race's **50th anniversary** and the organizers are hoping more boats will be participating. *How about 4 from CBYC for a shot at the team trophy?*

Dave White (Grandpaw)



The Katie Gray Trophy



To know more about the origin of the *Katie Gray Race* and about the trophy's interesting "lost and found" story, click [here](#) and go to page 13.



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Waupoos Weekend

On Saturday, September 2, sixteen boats set off for Waupoos with a 10-knot westerly.

That evening, Linda May, the caterer, provided a delicious meal for 48 cruisers - plenty of appetizers, a sit-down dinner consisting of roast pork, potatoes and BBQed veggies, corn on-the-cob, and Caesar salad. Dessert was cake with custard and berries in a cup.



In spite of the cold and windy conditions, [dancing to the music](#) provided by *Bigbadcliff's DJ Service*, continued till late evening.

Sunday morning's breakfast was well attended with 35 attendees. The orange juice, coffee, blueberry pancakes, sausages, and home fries were enjoyed by everyone.



Pat and I were presented with a *Boat of the Year* plaque in recognition of our efforts in organizing this event for the past three years.



Monday morning saw an early departure of most boats with favorable winds. Conditions were to deteriorate later in the day so everyone scooted for CBYC.



That evening, 35 attended the potluck dinner and there was a wide variety of appetizers, casseroles, cheeses, and desserts. The rain and cold didn't dampen anyone's spirits.



Most boats participated in the *Moondance Challenge* (no spinnakers or flying sails) and their elapsed times were to be forwarded to Hans Mertins at hwmertins@gmail.com. (If you haven't yet submitted your time, please do so ASAP as the plaque for the trophy needs to be engraved in time for the **Annual Awards Banquet**.)

Don Tardio and Patricia Mills



Note: Linda May has decided to close her catering company at the end of October. Her services will surely be missed as she catered this cruise for a good number of years.

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