

## **Collins Mixer**

# Collins Bay Yacht Club Newsletter

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MARCH 11
Meet the Author/Dinner
Seminar

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### Commodore's Corner

The month of January has flown by and here we are in the first week of February. Each day is bringing an extra two minutes of daylight and one can begin to feel the increased warmth of the sun. We are definitely headed in the right direction and this trajectory is taking us to spring and the 2020 boating season. Hold that thought!

The Toronto Boat Show has come and gone and, for those of us who able to take advantage of the bus trip, it was a fun day. Although the sailboat exhibits make up a tiny fraction of the various vessels on display, the opportunity to view the latest sailing gear and to ask questions of the experts makes the trek to Toronto very worthwhile. The trip went off without a hitch thanks to the organization and planning of the Fender Heads. On behalf of all of those who attended this event, I would like to offer a sincere thank you to Gary Logan and Denis Reid for their work on our behalf.

The annual CBYC curling evening was held last night at the Royal Kingston Curling Club. This is a first class curling venue with amenities that help to create a very pleasant ambiance for social interaction. It was also a surprise birthday celebration for a CBYC past commodore, Al MacLachlan. Needless to say, a fun evening was had by all and the opportunity for a social get together of CBYC members, family members and friends, was much appreciated. On behalf of those of us who were fortunate to have attended this function, I would like to convey a huge thank you to Lionel and Pat Redford who organized this event this year and who have organized this event for the past several years.

The boat show trip and the curling evening are examples of opportunities for CBYC members to socialize during the offseason. It is quite rewarding to participate in the story telling and to catch up with sailing friends whom we may not have seen for weeks or months. It is also useful to discuss plans for the upcoming season and to obtain input that is often useful in converting dreams into actual plans

and projects. These offseason events require planning and organization by dedicated individuals and couples who are invested in fostering a robust and active club. I am grateful for their service and for their contribution to our collective welfare.

in the club's offseason activities boats in the two rows closest whenever possible. I can assure you that both you and the CBYC will be the better for it.

Bill Amirault

**CBYC Commodore** 

Our next planned offseason event is a seminar that is scheduled for the evening of 11 March 2020 at Bayridge Alliance Church in Kingston. This seminar will feature a presentation by a couple that sailed an Alberg 37 across the Atlantic. The wife of this couple, Sue, has written a book describing their adventures and the presentation will discuss some of their experiences and the lessons learned. Unfortunately, this event will be held on a Wednesday evening, rather than on a weekend, as this date was chosen based on the Sue's availability. If you are able to attend, this promises to be a very interesting presentation and yet another excellent opportunity for a fun social

I encourage you to participate

express my thanks to Lori Buzzi

and Darlene Amirault for their

initiative in organizing this

event.

evening. I would like to

### From the Helm

Winter is in full swing, but we are gearing up and planning for spring launch. The Marina has been a hub of activity with upgrades to machinery and all known repairs. We strongly believe having our

equipment in the best condition possible makes things run smoother and safer. All of us at the marina take boat handling vary seriously and are proud of what we do!

The launch calendar is on the website, beginning April 15<sup>th</sup>, weather depending! Call the office or book your preferred date online. All

to shore must launch by May 15<sup>th</sup>.

As we are thinking about spring launch here is a great article by Andy Adams in Canadian Yachting Magazine about spring commissioning. I am sure even the most seasoned sailors will find some helpful tips!

Here are some tips on recycling here at the marina. As you know Collins Bay Marina is rated with the highest rating through the Clean Marine Program, with a 5 star platinum rating!

The marina offers recycling



totes for cardboard and plastic/ whoever installed it for you cans. Please break down your cardboard to fit into the totes and place your cleaned/rinsed cans/plastic into the totes.

We offer used, oil and antifreeze collection as well but must be handed to one of our staff for disposal. DO NOT leave by the garbage cans as they can easily tip over and cause an environmental hazard

We also recycle/accept marine batteries as well as lithium and alkaline batteries. Please see any staff to dispose of these.

Shrink wrap is recyclable and

must take it away. DO NOT dispose of it into the dumpster.

CBM was mentioned in a Great Lakes Boating Magazine article.

Lori, Gerry and family



### From The Editor

This is your newsletter, for you and by you.

Please feel free to submit articles, photos, jokes, requests

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Currently looking for multiple contributions towards a multisource article regarding having pets onboard: training, customizations, considerations, funny and scary stories ...

Cheers Mark

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**CBYC Winter Classic** 2020

On February 1, crowds descended once again on the Royal Kingston Curling Club to



take in our annual curling experience. They were there to a drink after her team, lead by witness and participate in a



scintillating 6 ends of curling. This year witnesses outnumbered players. However; not to be discouraged, players of all skill levels put on a show that mesmerized the viewing gallery. Or were they just asleep?

As we grow older, getting down with the stone seems to get more difficult and more and more of us resorted to the stick. Those of us who will not yield to age probably felt it the next day.

Lionel was careful not to have husbands and wives on the same team so as to avoid conflict. I'm not sure having them playing against each other works that well either. Although having Crystal buy me Chris MacLachlan organized a Gary Logan, beat my team soundly 6-1 was a treat.

Other rinks seemed to be having a great time too. Was amazing to see Lori Buzzi



playing skip standing there scratching her head on what to do next. It's sort of like assigning docks. Where do I put them so they won't crash into something else. Unlike boating, it can be sort of the point. No pun intended.



I said crowds descended on the event and I was not kidding. Usually we might have a few non playing spouses watching, drinking and generally being amused by the antics on the ice. This year was special as birthday at the event for hubby Al's 65<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations Al!



The viewing area overflowed with family and well wishers. We were all treated to a variety of snacks and of course cake.

A special thank you to Lionel and Pat Redford for once again organizing this mid winter event that Lionel wanted to call "CBYC Happy Time Mid-Winter Dispelling Those Winter Blues Athletic Endeavor". For those of you in the Book Club a better title could be "The Six Ends of Winter".

Enjoy the rest of Winter. Spring is around the corner.

Your scribe

Lee Baker







774 Baker Crescent, Kingston, ON





















































# The Fenderheads are at it Again!

On Wednesday January 22, a keen group of boaters and friends departed Collins Bay Marina and headed to the Toronto Boat Show. Gary Logan and Dennis Reed provided a nautical quiz along the way with prizes awarded to winners who impressed them with their nautical knowledge or sense of humour.

It was a perfect winter day and we anticipated arriving at the Boat Show when it opened at 11:00 a.m. Unfortunately, the heavy traffic in Toronto slowed us down both in the morning and departing later!

If you are interested in

purchasing a sailboat, this is not the place. Gone are the days with row after row of shiny sailboats to entice the interested purchasers. They have been replaced by row after row of power craft and the sailboats are relegated to one row at the back of the hall.

There are still lots of booths to check out and everyone had the phone number of our local Marine Outfitters handy if they wanted to comparison shop.

One of the seminars caught my attention and I decided to check it out. Sue Williams and her husband David were talking about Sue's new book, "Ready to Come About", their transatlantic voyages in an Alberg 37. The newly formed Collins Bay book club had read

the book and there were about 8 of us in the audience waiting to meet the couple. The Book Club had previously arranged for them to come to Kingston to discuss the book. This seminar is scheduled for Wednesday, March 11th and Lori has already sent out an email invitation to CBYC members. After meeting Sue and David, I am looking forward to hearing more about their adventures.

Once again the bus stopped at the Mandarin in Pickering for dinner. After a brief stop in Belleville to change drivers, we arrived back at Collins Bay at 10:30.

Thanks to the "Fenderheads" for organizing another fun winter escape and providing us with the opportunity to catch up with our summer friends!

I hope to see you on March 11<sup>th</sup> seminar and Greek dinner. Check you email for details and

Claudia



### Blast from the Past

First appearing in the Mixer's Aug 2010 issue, this is another example of the enjoyment that can be had on the beautiful waters of Lake Ontario.

### **Civic Holiday Cruise**

### "Cathouse to Catboat"

This year's cruise started off with a momentous event at Prinyers Cove on Friday, 30 July - the unveiling of the unknown, and, for most of us, previously unseen, large object on the foredeck of "Tamara C."

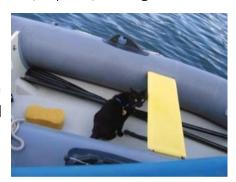
Tamara C's admiral and crew, Bill and Claudia, and Pat and David of "Windsong," had been



invited for Happy Hour aboard our cat-rigged Nonsuch, "Purrfection" . Rather than asking Wind Song to ferry them over in their "paddle boat," and preferring not to dive into the pea-green waters of Prinyers



Cove and swim over for the event, Bill and Claudia made the historic decision to unveil their furry feline Sapphie's "cat house" and introduce it to the water. Lest Sapphie feel deprived of his shelter, he was invited to attend as well, but graciously, and wisely, declined. Shortly after tying on to Purrfection, the newly launched cat house was thoroughly checked out by Purrfection's resident guard cat, "Spider," who gave



permission for the boat to stay, in spite of the alien "essence of Persian" she had detected.
Such was the beginning of a great weekend, starting with "the day the cathouse came to the catboat" - and we were pleased and privileged to be part of it.

Rod Sieffert, "Purrfection"

### From Breaking Waves I:

I was asked to "tell all" about the August Civic Holiday Cruise held July 31 to August 2, 2010 a first time event for us. The list of a maximum of 15 boats filled up in record speed. Three more vessels squeezed onto the list and headed out, some leaving early on Friday. Volunteer Cruise Captains Dennis Reed of Innisfree and Gary Logan of Sabrina IV led the charge. The weather was wonderful for the entire weekend with sunshine

and good variable winds.

Marilyn Sykes proved to be a master Cruise Coordinator and sent out the logistics to the fleet consisting of Day Dreams, Gibwanasi 3, Innisfree, Pendragon, Sabrina IV, Luff'n Life, Moondance, Purrfection, Tamara C, Ondine II, Stardust IV (by land yacht), Pirate Jenny, Rebel Yell X, Moksha, Beluga, Miranda, Wind Song, and Breaking Waves. We were to "Depart CBYC no later than 11:00 am Saturday. Arrive at 44° 03.8 minutes north, 076° 59.3 minutes west". Good mud bottom, but be prepared for

weeds. and be prepared for a good time!"

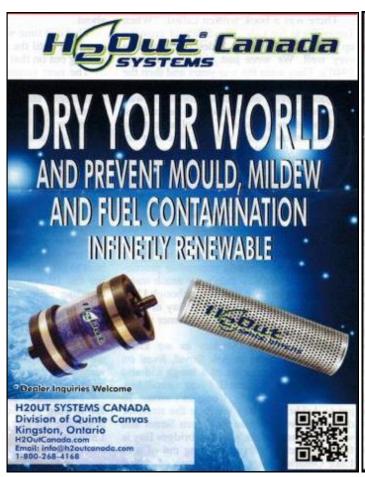
The good time part was easy to understand but these minutes north and west reminded me that I should have re-taken the navigation course I took 35 years ago prior to this event. We managed to all arrive however on the east side of Lyon's Island on the north

shore of Adolphus Reach just off our first port of call at the lovely home of Dennis and Norma Reed's.

We invaded the Reed's in our dinghies laden with chairs, beverages, plates, utensils, plates, glasses, pot luck appetizers, salads and desserts. A magnificent BBQ followed of pork chops, corn on the cob



Photo taken some time prior to the invasion.





(kept warm in a cooler), potato salad and rolls. Hats off to Dennis and Norma for putting on this great meal and warning their neighbours in advance of our invasion! Photo taken some time prior to the invasion.

After dinner there was a special induction of Hans Mertins of Moondance into the Fender Head Society, led by Grand Masters and former inductees John Morrison, Dennis Reed, Terry Smyth and Gary Logan.



This highly secret society requires an advanced skill set that hopefully is unattainable for most members. Hans was a most deserving inductee having demonstrated his advanced knowledge of clothes line twirling, holding tank



physics, mud bottoms and 360 degree anchoring! We all lauded Hans' attainment of this challenge race the next day. highest honour with appropriate profuse bowing.



Music and songs followed by our talented musicians Lionel Redford of Naiad IV and Jacques Levesque of Miranda accompanied by Rod Sieffert of Purrfection. Also much to our surprise Carmen Knapp of Stardust IV fame performed a solo act on borrowed a guitar.



We eventually all retired to our berths to rest up for the

Sunrise came early on Sunday, but we rallied and headed into the Reed's again for the legendary "omelette in a bag" breakfast on shore. I was amazed to see eggs cooking in baggies with everyone's name inscribed in a vat of boiling water, but they were fabulous!

A skippers meeting followed breakfast and we all took notes. The challenge race then



began to Hay Bay to join Lee and Crystal Baker at their lovely home for our second port of call. We raced around various markers, looked for special objects on shore, took compass bearings and did what we could to win a prize. It was our first race.

We then looked for north 44° 05.84' and west 077° 01.92' but more realistically for us, the Welsh flag at the end of the Baker's dock and the Nova



Scotia flag on their flagpole.
The second invasion began to the Baker's with dinghies loaded with provisions for another great evening. We all enjoyed a great pot luck dinner as we took over the Baker's kitchen, BBQ and entire property. Hat's off to Lee and Crystal for putting on this great



meal and for their distinctive flags.

Co-cruise Captain Reed handed out prizes to deserving winners including our first power boaters ever to join the festivities, Peter and Carol Pain.

Monday's sunrise came even earlier

than the day before. One by one we pulled up our anchors and headed out into the wind for CBYC. Being one of the last boats to head out, we chatted with John and Janet Morrison of Luff'n Life as they sailed by on the issue of tardiness. John reminded us of an old military saying: "Don't expect to soar with the eagles in the morning if you fly with the turkeys at night".

We were prepared for fun and fun we had!

I speak for all when I say a special thank you to our ports of call hosts, Dennis and Norma Reed and Lee and Crystal Baker. We appreciate and sincerely thank you for your generosity and hospitality. We admire your willingness to host our enthusiastic fleet!

A special thank you as well to Dennis Reed, Gary Logan, Marilyn Sykes and everyone else to numerous to list for their time and effort in making this event happen. Our thanks to Joan Legris of Gibwanasi, Janet Morrison of Luff'n Life, Crystal Baker of Pendragon, and Robert van Dyk of Day Dreams and the editor for their photos of the events.

We are looking forward to this great event next year – if we make the list!

Scribe: Helen MacLeod-Beliveau



# CBYC/CBM Meet the Author/Dinner Seminar



# Sue Williams Author of "Ready to Come About"

CBM/CBYC invites you to hear author Sue Williams and her husband David discuss their exciting/harrowing sailing adventures on their Alberg 37 in the North Atlantic!

Book sales and signing will be available after the presentation!

Dinner provided by Minos restaurant and includes pork or chicken skewer, rice, Greek potatoes, salad and desert

Coffee and tea will be provided

Please bring your own plates/utensils and beverage of choice (no alcohol)

\$11/person to be paid before the event

# Wednesday March 11<sup>th</sup>, 5:00pm-9:30pm

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### Vacant Position for 2020 CBYC Executive

The following position is available on the CBYC executive for 2020:

Sailing School Operations Manager – The Sailing School has a director, Robert Mackey, and Administrator, Keith Davies. To function efficiently and share the work during the summer season, we need an Operations Manager.

#### Portfolio: SAILING SCHOOL OPERATIONS MANAGER

Responsibility statement updated by: Robert Mackey and Richard Dickson

Date: September 16, 2019

### Primary purpose of portfolio:

The Operations Manager is *responsible* to the Director, and *responsive* to the Dinghy Program Manager and the Keelboat Program Manager. The Operations Manager oversees the day-to-day equipment needs of the dinghy and keelboat sailing programs of the Sailing School.

### Specific responsibilities/obligations:

- Ensure all Sailing School equipment is maintained to a high standard and meets all legal requirements at all times.
- Assist with the coordination of pre-season dinghy and keelboat equipment preparations as well as post-season winterizing.
- Report any operational issues in a timely fashion to the Sailing School Director.
- Contribute to the development and implementation of assets replacement planning.

### Volunteers required to assist in fulfilling the specific responsibilities/obligations:

- To prepare the boats and equipment at the beginning and the end of each season.
- To assist with repairs to boats and equipment throughout the season.

### Key Challenges:

- Maintaining the safe and smooth operation of the Sailing School.
- Responding to day-to-day equipment issues.

We need you! Please give serious consideration to these positions and feel free to discuss with any member of the executive.

Claudia Stevenson

Past Commodore

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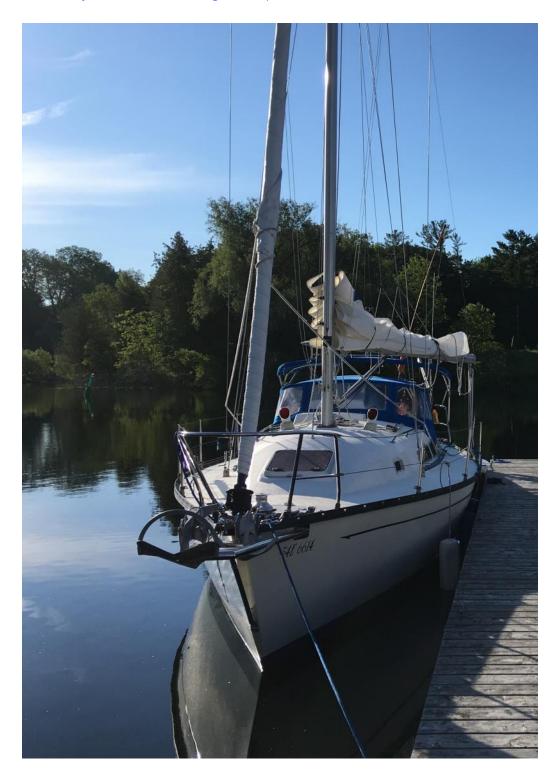


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## **The 2020 Executive Committee**

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