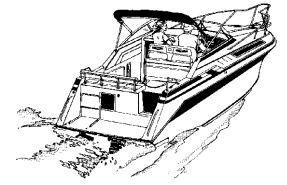


**Collins Mixer**  
**Collins Bay Yacht Club**  
**Newsletter**



***COLLINS BAY YACHT CLUB***

***40th***

***ANNIVERSARY***

***SPECIAL EDITION***

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Can you believe it, Collins Bay Yacht Club is forty years old! This is the type of milestone that lends itself to a moment of reflection and to a proper celebration. Unfortunately, the COVID pandemic has prevented us from celebrating this important milestone during the 2020 season. This special edition of the CBYC Mixer is the first installment in what we hope will be a proper celebration of this significant anniversary during the 2021 season.

This special edition of the Mixer contains information about the club, its beginnings and people and events throughout the years that will be unfamiliar to many of us. You will find images from the very beginning of CBYC, articles from those who have served as CBYC Commodore, from those who have served as CBYC Sailing School Directors, and from a range of members who have agreed to share some of their experiences and memories involving their participation in the club. While many things have changed over the past 40 years, there is one constant that is evident throughout. This constant is the investment of time, talent and energy by many club members that has combined to create numerous opportunities for sharing our passion for boating and sailing in ways that would not be possible in the absence of our club and without the cooperation and support of the Collins Bay Marina. We have much for which to be grateful and much that merits celebration.

I would like to thank Robert Van Dyk, our club historian, for maintaining our club's archive and for organizing this special edition of the Mixer. I would also like to thank everyone who has contributed images and articles and who have thus helped to remind some members, and to inform others, regarding the history of CBYC and why this club is so important to many of us. I would encourage everyone to continue to share images and observations of club activities with our club historian so that there is ample information in our archive on which future special editions of the Mixer can be based and to enable the documentation of our club's history as it continues to unfold.

The value of looking back is that understanding our past experience can help us to better understand the present, and can better prepare us to succeed in the future. CBYC was founded on the premise that our boating and sailing experience could be greatly enhanced by pooling our time, talents and resources to create opportunities for social interaction, sharing information and experiences, and becoming better sailors all while never losing sight of the pleasure and the pure fun that is inherent in our passion for sailing.



I think this premise is as valid today as it was 40 years ago. It's up to each of us to determine how best we can support this worthy goal and, in so doing, ensure the continued health and prosperity of the Collins Bay Yacht Club.

Happy 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary, everyone!

Bill Amirault,  
Commodore 2019-2020



## FROM THE HELM

When taking over the marina in 2011, we were pleasantly surprised with all of the events the yacht club hosted and the great community that CBYC was. We had never been part of a yacht club and all we knew of the yacht club at CBM was that it was the social group within the marina.

The first people we met after it was discovered that we were the new owners, was the Commodore Lionel and his wife Pat Redford as well as Bill and Claudia Stevenson on the lawns of the marina. Lionel made sure our transition to the yacht club was seamless and we were graciously accepted as the new owners!

After the announcement that our family had purchased the marina a celebration was held to welcome us and congratulate the Steenbakkers. The clubhouse was so full of revelers that we were almost touching the bottom! It was our first time inside the clubhouse and we met so many new, welcoming people. There were so many names and boat names for us to remember!

We have loved being a part of the many events that happen at Collins Bay Marina throughout our last ten years. So much fun and great memories were shared with us.

The synergy between the marina and yacht club is an asset to all and a treasured part of the last 40 years. So many joyful memories and friendships have been made that have lasted many decades. Although Covid has squashed a celebration and gathering, we are excited to share these memories as we look forward to once again celebrating together soon.

Congratulations to CBYC on 40 years of great times!



*Gerry, Lori and Family*



## Message From the CBYC Historian Robert van Dyk

We hope you enjoy this special edition of the Collins Bay Mixer! We have brought together some of the many highlights of the Club's origins and its evolution over the past 40 years. We have also included memories from some of our illustrious Commodores and Sailing School Directors augmented with pictures from the past.

We need to thank Judy Adams, one of our Club's founding Members for her diligent work as the first Club Historian. Judy collected pictures, saved press clippings, retained every printed version of the Mixer plus assorted other memorabilia and lovingly created photo albums to commemorate the Club's activities. Judy's collection included all of the 1981 to 2003 Mixers and her photo albums covered the years 1980 to 2005. In 2003 the first digital Mixers were created, the printing and distribution of booklets ended and by 2005 digital photos had replaced prints.

In 2015, Judy's life changed focus and she retired from the Club. In 2016, I agreed to become the Club's second Historian, responsible for digitizing Judy's collection and creating a history archive on the Club's website. Little did I know the responsibilities I had accepted not to mention the amount of work involved. Digitizing our history meant that all of Judy's collection had to be scanned. 126 Mixer booklets were scanned a page at a time using a flatbed scanner to create PDF files for the booklets. Hundreds of items in the photo albums were removed and individually scanned to create JPG photo files. Judy's collection for the years following 2005 were augmented with digital photos taken by my wife Marilyn and I during the many Cruises and Social events that we participated in as Members, Cruise Coordinator and Mixer Editors. We were fortunate that many other Members also contributed digital photos to help round out this history. Assembling the digital photo albums involved the use of photo editing software to make adjustments and add descriptive text as needed. WordPress was used to access the Club's website to create the CBYC History web pages and upload over 4000 files.

The articles in this 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary News Letter are extracted from this Archive.

As the Club Historian, I have a significant concern about how we will maintain our history. In the last few years, Facebook has been used to post pictures of the many events that make up our social fabric. The Mixer has included links to pictures of Club events posted on Facebook. Unfortunately, Facebook pictures are stripped of EXIF date records and compressed to very low resolution. Note also that the links, permanence and ownership are subject to the whims of Facebook. This means that we are losing control over our sources to retain the Club's memories. Unless action is taken, I suspect that we will not be able to create a 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary edition with information for the next 10 years!

I have put this dilemma to the Club's executive. But, there is something you, as our Members, can do to help solve this problem. When you participate in Club events and take pictures (whether using a camera or cell phone), please forward the pictures to me at [history@collinsbayyachtclub.ca](mailto:history@collinsbayyachtclub.ca) I will ensure they are archived by event and accessible on the Club's website.



If you have pictures of past events, it is not too late to include them too.

Finally, if you are interested in learning more about our Club's illustrious history, you can access all of the events captured by Judy Adams and me on the web by going to:

<http://collinsbaymarina.com/cbyc/cbyc-history/>

Robert van Dyk  
CBYC Historian 2016– Present

Robert van Dyk & Marilyn Sykes  
Mixer Editors 2013-2015

Marilyn Sykes  
Cruise Coordinator 2007-2010

# *Collins Bay Yacht Club Commodores 1981 to 2020*

1981	<i>Bob Wright</i>	2001	<i>John Giles</i>
1982	<i>Bob Wright</i>	2002	<i>Phil Morris</i>
1983	<i>Judy Adams</i>	2003	<i>Phil Morris</i>
1984	<i>Judy Adams</i>	2004	<i>Dave Johnston</i>
1985	<i>Paul Kruger</i>	2005	<i>Dave Johnston</i>
1986	<i>Paul Kruger</i>	2006	<i>Dave Sansom</i>
1987	<i>Gord Unsworth</i>	2007	<i>Dave Sansom</i>
1988	<i>Gord Unsworth</i>	2008	<i>Claudia Stevenson</i>
1989	<i>Dave Sewell</i>	2009	<i>Claudia Stevenson</i>
1990	<i>Dave Sewell</i>	2010	<i>Lionel Redford</i>
1991	<i>Bill Worthy</i>	2011	<i>Lionel Redford</i>
1992	<i>Doug Warner</i>	2012	<i>Owen Bird</i>
1993	<i>Doug Warner</i>	2013	<i>Lee Baker</i>
1994	<i>Doug Warner</i>	2014	<i>Lee Baker</i>
1995	<i>Gene Black</i>	2015	<i>Al MacLachlan</i>
1996	<i>Carmen Knapp</i>	2016	<i>Al MacLachlan</i>
1997	<i>Sue Knapp</i>	2017	<i>Peter Feltham</i>
1998	<i>Sue Knapp</i>	2018	<i>Peter Feltham</i>
1999	<i>Barbara Yates</i>	2019	<i>Bill Amirault</i>
2000	<i>Barbara Yates</i>	2020	<i>Bill Amirault</i>

1980

MEETING  
OF  
SEPTEMBER 1

at  
Bill & Judy Adams'

PRESIDENT: Bob Wright  
SEC.-TREAS.: Judy Adams

PRESENT: Bill Steenbakkers                      Gord Unsworth  
          Mary Steenbakkers                     Bill Adams  
          Bob Wright                             Judy Adams

1. Time line for COLLINS BAY RACE TO PIGEON ISLAND - September 13  
    0800 Boats Ready  
    0830 Captains' Meeting  
    0900 On Boats  
    0930 On Start Line (red buoy off Justus' dock)  
  
    1700 Barbecue  
    2000         and Party
2. Barbecue will be compliments of Bill & Mary Steenbakkers, Collins Bay Marina.  
    Two dollar charge will be per boat and will go towards the club.
3. The club should be called COLLINS BAY YACHT CLUB CBYC.  
    Bob will look into what may be necessary to begin the club.
4. Entry forms for race participants (see attached).     (Judy)
5. In case of light winds an announcement will be made at the Captains' meeting determining the mark and signal to be used by the committee boat to indicate a shortened course.
6. A scoreboard will be prepared for the race results - Judy
7. The next meeting will be at Bob Wright's, 804 Canniff Place, on Tuesday, September 9 at 2000 hrs.
8. Meeting adjourned at 2255hrs.



# First Pigeon Island boat race attracted 37 sailing vessels

COLLINS BAY — Whitecaps and a brisk 20-knot northeast wind made the first Pigeon Island race an exhilarating day of sailing on the weekend.

Robert Wright, commodore of Collins Bay Yacht Club, sponsor of the 28-mile race, said he had anticipated a dozen boats would enter the competition to race around the island from the dock at Collins Bay Marina.

Instead, 37 sailing ves-

sels of all descriptions, from a Newfoundland fishing dory to Trimarans, paid the \$5 entry fee. All boats in the race were given a handicap rating depending on the proven class performance.

"It's a fun activity. Anybody who has any inclination and has got themselves a boat, are in the race. We do it for fun," Wright said.

Winner of the first prize trophy was John Mayo,

skipping a Holland 25. Time was 316.1 minutes.

Second was Dave King aboard a Trimaran 33 with a time of 318 minutes.

Martin Thomas, came third with a time of 322.3 minutes. Paul Kruger came fourth with 322.4.

Boats set off at 9:30 a.m.. All the crews were back 7:30 p.m. for a hamburger barbecue.

Wright said next year the club would divide the racers into mono-hull and multi-hull classes.



The Pigeon Island Race continues to be held and other events have been added to CBYC's Racing schedule over the years. Compared to racing family cruisers during the Club's early years many of the Racers now own advanced racing vessels. CBYC has entered many events such as the Katie Grey and Ontario 300 and hosted the Eastern Yachting Circuit Regatta in 2004 and 2012, a big job.



## EYC is Coming to CBYC

Excerpt from the April 2012 Mixer

The annually Eastern Yachting Circuit (EYC) Regatta will be held at Collins Bay Yacht Club this summer from Thursday July 12<sup>th</sup> through Saturday July 14<sup>th</sup>. This event will see us hosting about 40 boats from around the east end of Lake Ontario as they compete in a Distance Race on Thursday and then do up to five Course Races on Friday and Saturday. Think of it as a club weekend cruise race on one day followed by two days of club evening races. In fact, the club's Anniversary Regatta weekend grew from when we hosted EYC in 2004.

The origins of the EYC Regatta go back to the days when society and family roles were different. Back then, the family would pile on to the boat and spend the first part of the family vacation cruising to the regatta destination, then spend the second half of the week doing some racing. The original intent was that the whole family would then race together. Mom got the family time, and Dad was able to get his racing fix in. Moving to how things are now, we see that it's no longer just Dad who wants to do the racing.



There are a lot of Moms out there who are just as if not more competitive than their spouses. And other boats come without the family, but with a serious crew. So, over the years the event has grown from a family gathering to what is now one of the premier events of the racing season for Eastern Lake Ontario.

To keep this going as a great event with good fun for all, we will be hosting the event along with some social and dining support. This will keep the competitors here enjoying our wonderful club location, reforming and making new relationships and have a little friendly competition.

How can you as a CBYC member help? There are several ways. We will need people to help with the planning of the event, and to be on-site during the event helping everything run smoothly. This includes parking, security (babysitting the cars and stuff while competitors are on the water) and yard support – which include being the on-site representative for and services or deliveries that may occur. Race committee will be needed. Spending the day on the water helping run the races is a great way to spend the day. Prior to the event we will need some help in gathering sponsors and selling advertising space. Someone who can set up the program book for printing would be helpful. If you are planning a cruise away, this would be a great time to go as we could use your dock spot for competitors.

The 2004 EYC event was our first Regatta. We set new expectations on attendance and quality. We have a reputation to uphold.

***Working together we can make this happen!***

Sponsorship leads should be sent to Bill Visser and if you want to volunteer contact Bill Visser.



### A historic note from the past by Judy Adams

Did you know that the current clubhouse is the second one CBYC has had. Both have been houseboats, although the first one remained on dry land.

The first clubhouse had been a houseboat at the marina and was donated by Bill Steenbakkers and moved to a location on the marina lawn by Bill S. and Bill Adams to provide a focal point for the club. Indeed debriefing after Thursday night races and the subsequent singsongs often lasted well into the night. It eventually became unsafe and outgrown and was demolished by a club work crew in the fall of 1991 (Thanks for the pictures Maxine Cohrs).

The concept of a floating clubhouse came from pictures brought back from Corpus Christi, TX. The present clubhouse was built through the perseverance and hard work of Commodore Doug Wagner. Club members contributed money, time expertise and/or materials to make the dream come true. Hub Steenbakkers built and contributed the base on which the building floats and launched the new clubhouse in the summer of 1992.





## Sail-past for 10th anniversary

By **ROBERT [BOB] DENDY**  
Steenbakkers Marina in Collins Bay is Ten Years Old!

A celebration of the tenth anniversary of the opening of Bill and Mary Steenbakker's Marina was the reason for all the beautiful boating activity in front of the Marina, as Collins Bay Yacht Club members mustered a fleet of eighteen yachts for a Sail-past.

Organized by Club members to honor the owners, Bill and Mary, (who are also members of the club), a combined fleet of power craft and sailing craft made a grand circle and parade past Commodore R.J. (Bob) Wright's anchored Cruiser "P-Nut Float". Each boat dipped their colors as they passed.

The most recent over-all winner of the Thursday night race, "Carol M", The big Trimaran "Desiree", the sailing cruiser "Leprechaun", the deep-water cruising sailboat "Najade", joined with "Roundel", "Trinco 11", "Kokanee", "Naid 111" and ten other

yachts to pay honor to the Steenbakkers.

Although the fleet was somewhat smaller than the fleet attending the 1898 Spithead Review for Queen Victoria, the sentiments were just as warm.

Collins Bay Yacht Club members were received afterward, on shore, by the Steenbakkers at a family Barbeque, with good food, fellowship and music, as well as lights and a libation for all. Some speeches were delivered and Bill Steenbakker recalled, for everyone, how they had started with 15 boats, with the water-line at the trees we were sitting under to 180 boats, all tied up at secure finger-docks, with ample shore storage space, and facilities for more comfort under construction. He confirmed that the past ten years had been a good deal of hard work for both he and Mary, but both of them enjoyed the Marina, and the friends they had made.

He encourages the Yacht Club as much as he can, and enjoys the activities both as

Marina-owner, and Yacht-Club Member. "The Steenbakkers have provided a clubhouse facility and a friendly atmosphere for a family-type Club such as ours to flourish in. They have encouraged the growth of the Collins Bay Yacht Club, and given our members a very happy place to be" said Judy Adams, Secretary-Treasurer of the club.

Gordon Unsworth, Fleet Captain-Sail, said "We would like to encourage new memberships, and we would like to see our racing program expand to small

boats such as Lasers, or other racing dinghys." He said he was very pleased with the manner in which people had supported the Thursday night races for all sailing types and looked forward to more good times.

The Collins Bay Yacht Club has 62 members, and since the current roster was printed, several, (eight) new memberships have been granted. Members are from as far away as Ottawa, and as close as Bath Road, with most of the group living in the Kingston area.







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THE WHIG-STANDARD, Saturday, July 15, 1989/

## Collins Bay sailing school to open Monday

By VANESSA LU  
Whig-Standard Staff Writer

Starting Monday, the Kingston area will boast two sailing schools when the Collins Bay Sailing School opens at Collins Bay Marina, about six miles west of Kingston.

David Sewell, commodore of the Collins Bay Yacht Club which will run the new school, expressed surprise that the Kingston area — dubbed the fresh-water sailing capital of the world — only has two sailing schools but said the amount of work that goes into running one may be a factor. Sailing lessons are also offered at the Kingston Yacht Club at the foot of Maitland Street.

At the Collins Bay school, two instructors will teach five different levels ranging from basic beginners through to advanced racing. Students must know how to swim to qualify for instruction.

"We would like to offer all levels but it will depend on the registration," said Mr. Sewell.

The Collins Bay school can accommodate a total of 21 students, ages 10 to 16. The two types of boats, Petrol and Laser II, can only seat two to three people, allowing only 21 people to participate. The beginner's level concentrates on safety, basic boat handling and how the sailboat

works. The courses are divided into two-week programs with instruction from 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. weekdays. Supervision is available at 8:30 a.m. if parents drop off their children on the way to work. Mr. Sewell said that most students will complete a level in two weeks.

Courses can be taken on a per-week basis to help the boys and girls decide whether they would like to continue the lessons. The cost is \$75 per week for club members, and \$85 per week for non-members or \$170 for a two-week session. Mr. Sewell said the price of the lessons barely covers the cost of paying instructors, insurance and equipment.

In-water and dry land training are part of the school's curriculum. Instructors in motor boats will move from boat to boat during the in-water training to advise students on what they are doing correctly or incorrectly.

Peter Johnson, an instructor at the Collins Bay sailing school, does not anticipate many students in the advanced racing categories such as Bronze 4 and 5. He thinks that parents from the nearby area will enrol their children in lessons because "it's pretty healthy and fun." Most students will probably

take the beginner's level courses such as White Sail I, II, and III which will instruct them in basic sailing skills, he said.

"We're working on the assumption that there's a lot of people that haven't really been served," he said, adding that people who live in the new development areas may not wish to fight downtown traffic to attend the Kingston Yacht Club.

The latter school accommodates about 60 students who are often sons or daughters of club members, said Duncan Stewart, assistant head instructor at the Kingston Yacht Club Junior Squadron.

(In addition to the two yacht clubs, the H.M.C.S. Ontario offers sailing lessons at the Royal Military College to participants of the sea cadet program. The Ontario Sailing Association also operates a mobile sailing program on Wolfe Island during the week of July 31. The 15-hour course — mostly for beginners — is open to anyone nine years of age or older who can swim.)

Collins Bay instructor Mr. Johnson, an avid sailor who began teaching in 1975, thinks adult courses at the school may be very popular because "sailing as a sport is continuing to grow."

"Apparently the Kingston

Yacht Club is turning away adults," Mr. Johnson said. "We'll be offering adult courses in the evening." The fee for six sessions is \$100. The two-to three-hour sessions will probably run in the evenings or on weekends. Mr. Sewell added that the adults are almost more interested because they are "really keen."

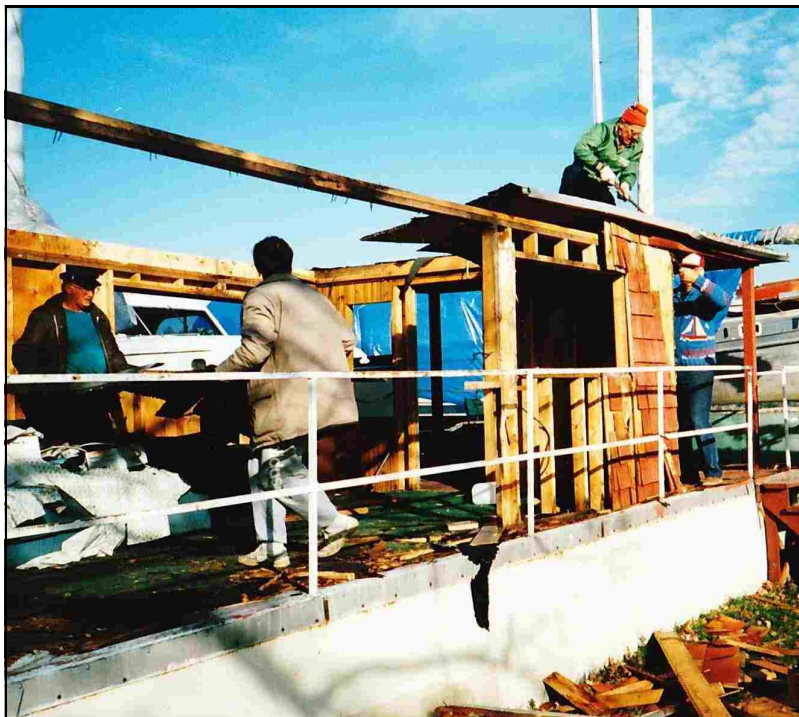
"We're very late getting started," he said. "There was a program offered at Loyalist Cove [Yacht Club] in Bath but they had to give up the program." That sailing school was a bit too far west, he said, so he thinks the Collins Bay Marina is very well centred with Kingston Township and Bayridge nearby.

"The bay is long and narrow and it's pretty sheltered from the usual winds, so you don't get high waves."

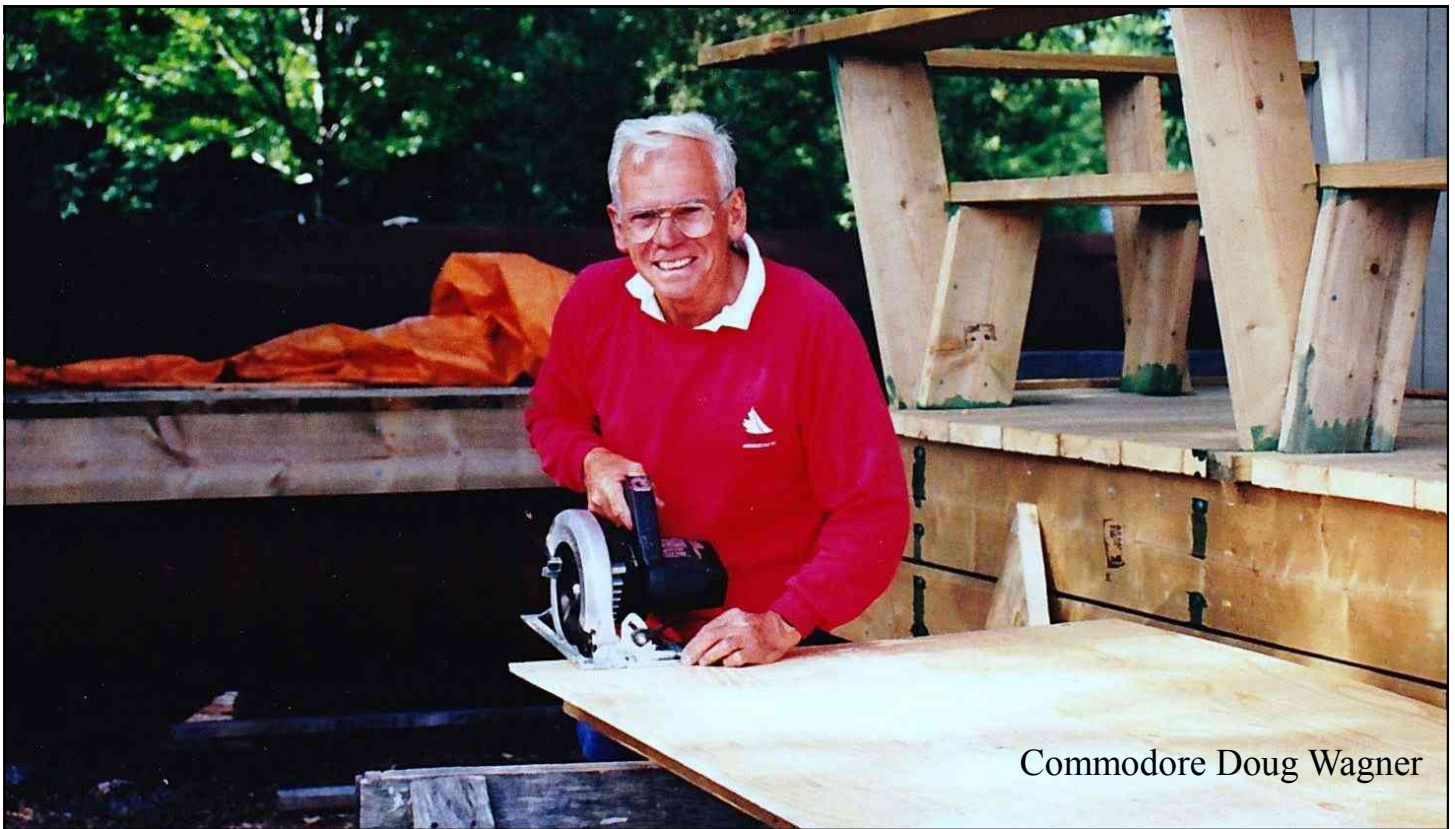
Sessions can be held in various locations in the bay depending on the wind conditions. At the end of the bay, the students can experience bigger waves or choppy winds, or in relatively flat water instructors can teach a particular technique, he said. A long, narrow bay provides great flexibility.

Registration is scheduled to take place tomorrow from 9 a.m. to noon at the Collins Bay Marina on Coverdale Drive, off Bath Road. Classes begin Monday, July 17 and run until Sept. 1.

## GOODBYE TO THE OLD CLUBHOUSE 1991







Commodore Doug Wagner



CBYC Members hard at work building the new clubhouse.

More Photos: <http://collinsbaymarina.com/cbyc/cbyc-history-album-1992/>





Doug Wagner, Maria, Hub and Bill Steenbakkers with Maria swinging the champagne bottle to launch SS Maria, CBYC's new floating clubhouse, in 1992.

### Commodore's Corner...

*Excerpt from the October 1992 Mixer*

This has been a great year for our Club, we finally have our Clubhouse and we have become incorporated, none of which could have been accomplished without the help and dedication of our friends and members. Our fall banquet is when we recognize and thank those who have helped.

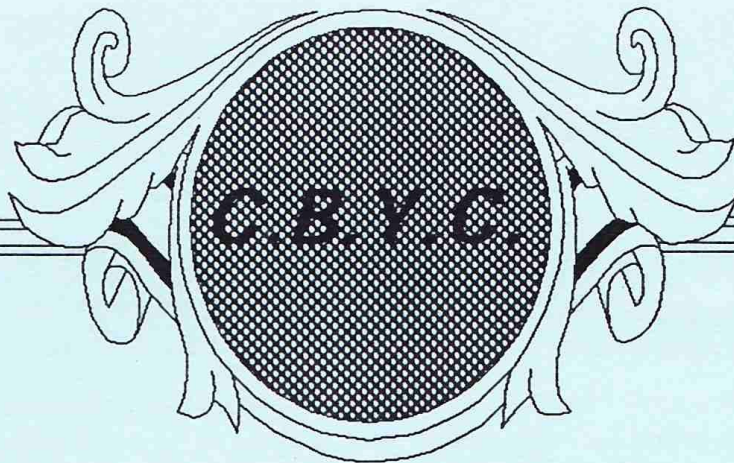
Our thanks goes to Hub for his generosity and expertise for the base of the Clubhouse, to John Vandebelt for his donation of paint and electrical supplies, to Paul Kruger for the outstanding stairs, to Henry Fierz and his boys for their time covering the roof, to Bill Worthy Jr. for the conceptual drawings and to Peter Cohrs for his engineering and plans, to those who have contributed financially and brought shares.

I cannot name all the helpers, if I try I would be sure to omit some, so my personal thanks to those who helped with the building.

This is also the time to present the Commodore's Cup which goes to the person who contributed most to the Club during the past year. This year we have chosen one who have over several years spent many hours keeping the Sailing School records up to date and preparing the graduation certificates, none other than...**Judy Adams.**

Our special thanks to Dave Sewell for preparing the documents for the incorporation, he saved us \$1,500.00 Last but not least my thanks to the Board who have worked all year to keep our Club functioning.

Doug Wagner

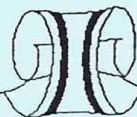


***GRAND OPENING!***  
***of***  
***OUR NEW CLUBHOUSE***

***FRIDAY, AUGUST 7, 1992***

***@ 6:00 P.M.***

***Come Along and Celebrate!***

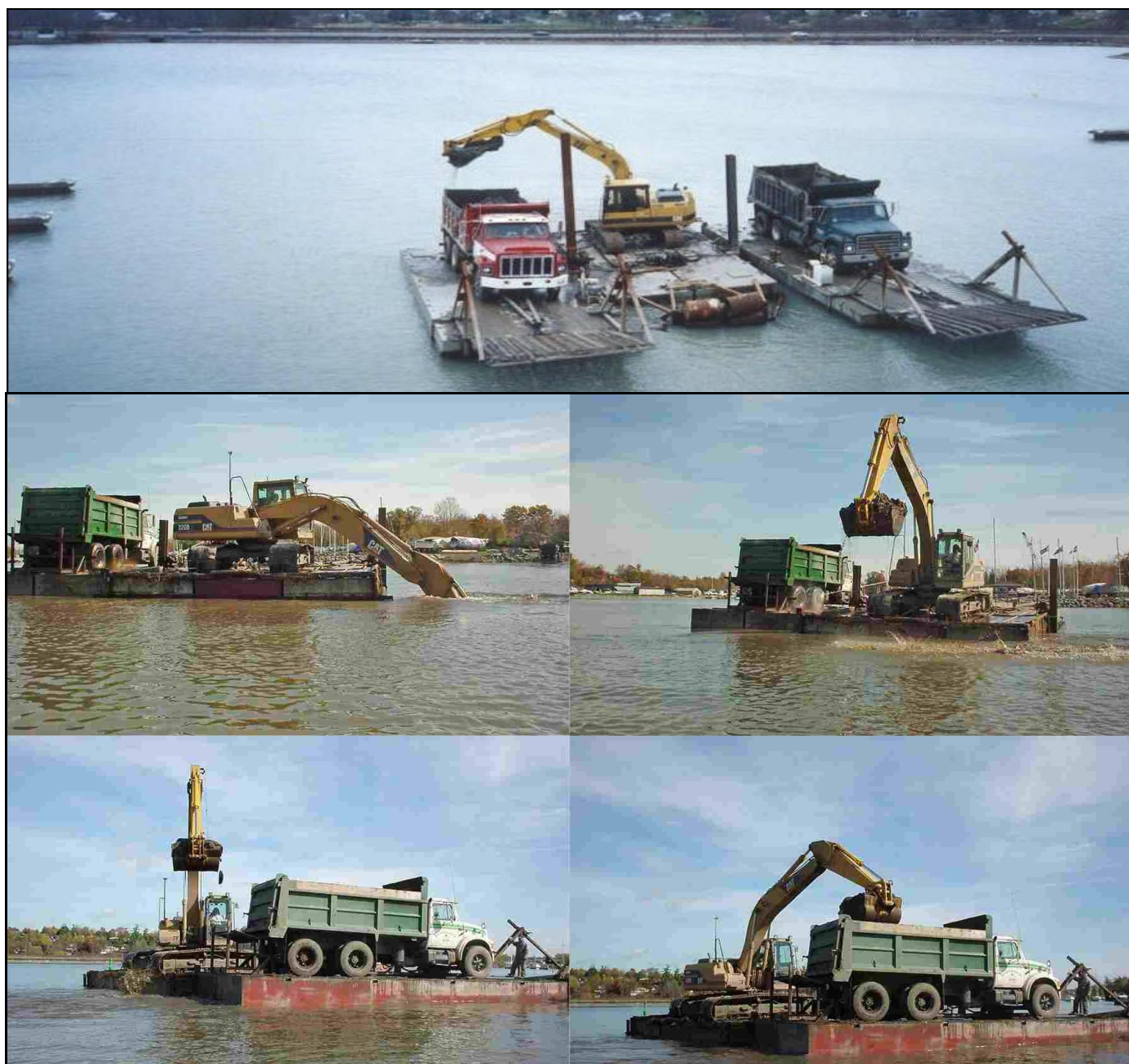




## July, 2001. Dredging is Underway Making Space for B Dock.

After three years of planning and obtaining permits Collins Bay Marina was finally able to start dredging the harbour and approach channel to a depth of 10 feet or more to make access for larger deep draft vessels. This project took most of the summer and involved moving all of the boats and docks as well as installing a new B Dock suitable for thirtytwo 40 footers.

The equipment consisted of 3 barges. The centre barge remains stationary while the other barges shuttle trucks back and forth to shore in a cable ferry manner.





### **Dave Johnston's Commodore's Message from the August 2005 Mixer**

Saturday, June 25, 2005 marked the occasion of the club's 25th Anniversary. In addition to some exciting dinghy racing, the Marina was awash with flags and colours, and a wonderful banquet was held to celebrate this occasion. The banquet was an opportunity to meet many of the founders of the Club, partake in a great meal, and enjoy a few...well many, laughs. A picture of the Club emerged through a series of stories from these members – a Club founded on common interests and objectives, a Club that encouraged informality and participation, and a Club that above all shared the joy of boating.

As the original members described how the Steenbakkers family was instrumental in establishing the Club, providing facilities and encouraging Club activities, it was evident how the synergistic relationship between the Club and the Marina began and why it continues today.

I would be remiss, however, not to use this space to share a few observations on this occasion, and some of the challenges and opportunities that face the Club in the future.

One of the obvious strengths of the Club in its early years was its clear focus on a common purpose and vision, shared by all its founding members. One of our largest challenges will be to build on this strength and re-affirm our vision for the future.

As CBYC has grown through the years and expanded to its current level of about 100 families and individuals, members have been attracted to the Club for different reasons. Some may have joined for the opportunity for friendly competition on Thursday nights, while others have joined simply to enjoy the benefits of our reciprocal relationships. Whatever the reason, the challenge for the future is to ensure the Club remains relevant to its members, and at the end of the day, give folks the feeling that there continues to be value in being a member.



When Renza and I joined CBYC for the 2002 season, our primary interest was to enjoy our new boat, hone our sailing ability, and perhaps participate in social cruising and maybe the occasional race. We were ultimately convinced to join by a friendly, but persistent member! We knew very little about the many other facets of the Club. But we've participated in just about every activity and program organized by the Club and been struck how much this has enhanced our enjoyment of the boating life and improved our sailing skills. For us, CBYC has been a community, where we can interact with others who share common interests. Today, we all seem busy and overloaded with so many things. There are so many ways to allocate our time and invest our dollars. Boating remains an oasis for many, I suspect, but I believe we have an opportunity to reflect the changing demographics and continue to offer value to every member as we plan for the future. So while I think it is very appropriate to reflect and reminisce on the past 25 years, I think the Club needs to be equally focused on examining where it wants to go in the future, and start plotting the waypoints!

I believe we must continue to encourage and promote sail training - these kids (and adults) are the future of CBYC and will ensure the Club survives well into the future. There will always be cruisers and racers (... and neither the twain shall meet!), but both are crucial to the success of the Club and need to be nurtured. And, I believe every Club needs a gathering point - the Clubhouse serves this need admirably, and we should be encouraging and supporting its regular use.

Finally, CBYC must remain an inclusive organization, encouraging participation in activities that reflect our member's priorities and expectations. As we move towards 2030 (50th Anniversary), it is my sincerest hope that we will continue to espouse and strengthen these principles, and along the way create new memories to share at the next anniversary banquet. To the founding members, we thank you for your vision, your enthusiasm, your dedication, and your memories.

*Dave Johnston* Commodore 2004-2005



## CBYC'S BIGGEST LONGEST AND FURTHEST CRUISE EVER 2012

After 16 months of planning, 26 members of Collins Bay Yacht Club and 10 friends departed for our Sunsail flotilla in Croatia in September 2012. We had overcome our first major challenge earlier in the summer by acquiring International Certificates of Competence (ICC). The Croatia government, along with most other EU countries requires that all skippers provide proof of competence to operate pleasure craft in Greater European Waters. Although many of the CBYC Croatia cruisers had taken Canadian Yachting Association courses, we were dismayed to discover that the courses were not recognized by any government authorities, either in Canada or in Croatia. So, with the help of Phil Morris, we arranged to "challenge" International Yacht Training's examination. Phil proctored a three hour written exam and tested each skipper's knowledge of key sailing manoeuvres out in Collins Bay. All the skippers passed, with flying colours.



Finally, after long discussions on the docks over the summer about flights, land tours, weather forecasts, itinerary, packing clothes, provisioning, currency exchange, we were ready for the big day.

On Saturday Sept 15, 2012 the 36 CBYC members and friends descended on Sunsail's base at Kremik Marina in Croatia, with luggage, beer and provisioning on hand. We were quickly assigned to our boats and checked out by our Flotilla leaders: Guy, an extremely personable and proficient Captain, Goulash our technical guru and Katrina, our charming hostess.

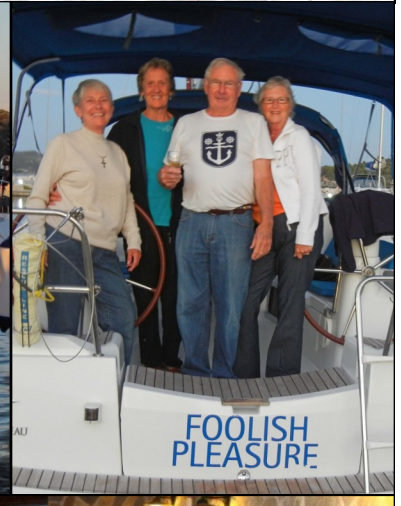
Now, the next challenge was remembering the new boat names of our colleagues so that we could call each other on the VHF radio. Dennis and Norma Reed, with Alison Froese and Judy Adams were now on "Foolish Pleasure" instead of Innisfree and Aslan. To hail Norm and Ina (normally on Cabernet) we had to call "Travels of Tin Tin". Try saying that fast three times! Needless to say, we had great fun checking out the boats, the marina and sharing impromptu happy hours.

Our flotilla started officially on the Sunday with a breakfast, hosted by Sunsail. Here, Guy provided an overview of our itinerary and most importantly explained the secrets to med mooring at the docks and the use of lazy lines. Katrina, told us about the requirements to register at each marina by handing over the boat papers on arrival and the consequences of not picking up the boat papers before departure the next day. One of the many joys of flotilla cruising with Sunsail, is that there are no worries about boat maintenance, fuelling and engine checks.....Goulash would look after this for us. We were ready for departure. Our first destination was a short distance to the town of Marina and for the next two weeks we sailed throughout the Croatian Islands (*more in the April 2013 Mixer*). After the flotilla charter ended some members continued with a land tour ending in Venice before returning home.

Marilyn Sykes  
DayDreams



# CBYC'S BIGGEST LONGEST AND FURTHEST CRUISE EVER 2012





## Bill Worthy Commodore 1990-1991

### Collins Bay Yacht Club 1980's

It didn't take long after the Collins Bay Yacht Club formed before Cruises and get togethers became the norm.

I really remember one Friday night gathering where we were planning for a cruise the following morning to Prinyers Cove in Prince Edward County. As the evening progressed some concern was raised over how much sleep we would lose by going to bed late and then having to get up early. {We all needed our beauty sleep in those days}

Somewhere in the chat I suggested we could stay up, sail to Prinyers, and then sleep in the following morning. Even though most of them had never sailed at night before, it didn't take long to talk them into the plan. {it was after midnight}. We provided a good briefing and checked all the lights and gear before setting out. It was a beautiful night and we had a nice wind to move us to our destination. Very memorable. Yes, we did sleep in the following morning.

Another memorable series of cruises included "special" breakfasts to celebrate the start of our cruise year. They took place in the 1000 Isles just east of Kingston. I think the first one was Milton Island but most of the rest occurred on the North end of Cedar Island. Appropriately just beside Whiskey Island. It was an even more special event for my wife and I as we had been married in May of 1957 and most of these first cruises were just after our April/May launch. We of course celebrated with Champagne at breakfast. Early in the 1980's the island authorities decided to ban alcohol from the docks. This of course cut into our ceremony so we snuck our champagne onto the dock hidden by Orange juice. For many years the event became known as the "OJ and Bubbly" Cruise.



There are many more memorable events that my family enjoyed over the years. CBYC will always be remembered by me as a great way to spend the summer and then talk about it all winter long .

Bill Worthy  
Commodore 1990-1991  
Vice Commodore 1988-1989  
Past Commodore 1992-1994

Bill with Alice Simpson, his partner for many years after his wife, Corinne, died. Bill and Corinne had 8 kids (including twins).

Alice and Bill enjoyed travelling and curling. Alice passed away a couple of years ago. Bill is still curling with Barry Elvidge and they are awesome!

Good photo of this renowned war hero. He crashed 2 F-104's during the war and walked away! His nickname was "Lucky Worthy"!

*Contributed by Claudia Stevenson*



## Dave Johnston Commodore 2004-2005

My first recollection of Collins Bay was a brief visit during a 5-day liveaboard CYA-sanctioned cruising course given by Phil Morris in 2001. Little did I know a few short years later I would be elected Commodore of the Collins Bay Yacht Club. But I do recall very strongly during our first season in 2002 that we were welcomed so kindly by the members that the transition to Commodore was easy and an appropriate way to say thank you! There were many highlights of my term, but the ones that come to mind were easily the EYC Regatta in 2004, the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the club in 2005, and approval of a new 5-year Strategic Plan.

EYC was the first time CBYC had hosted this wonderful international event which attracts enthusiastic racers from the eastern end of Lake Ontario. A hard-working committee lead by Bill Visser ensured the regatta was hugely successful with a record-breaking 50 boats and crews participating.

The Club's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary was a season-long celebration of the special relationship between the Marina and a fun-loving group of boaters. Events were planned through-out the summer that aligned to this theme. Looking back at the many highlights of the first 25 years, always supported by the Steenbakkers family, there was much to celebrate and be thankful for!

Finally, I was also personally gratified by the enthusiasm, contribution, and support of the membership to establish the Club's first Strategic Plan "CBYC 2010" to help guide future decisions that would sustain the financial viability of the Club and continue to support the activities which were so important to the members.



Fun fact! The first electronic version of the Mixer was published in 2004!

As the Club celebrates its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary Renza and I would like to extend our sincerest congratulations and appreciation for the opportunity to have been a part of this history!

Dave Johnston  
Commodore 2004-2005  
Past Commodore 2006-2007

## Dave Sansom Commodore 2006 - 2007

Capt'n Salty and I were cleaning up Dream Haze for haul out in the fall of 2005, and I was just taking some gear to the van. "Skipper Dave", Salty roars, "Beware of pirates to the south!" I chuckled at Capt'n Salty and carried on, thinking he was joshing me as usual. As I approached the end of the dock, looking up, there was Claudia, greeting me with a smile and saying, "Could I have a minute of your time?"

It seems that the Annual Meeting of the Yacht Club was approaching and there were no candidates for Commodore and I was being approached with this wonderful opportunity that no one in the existing executive of 13 positions was prepared to indicate interest!

My first reaction was to run ...away!

However, I retreated to a position of suggesting reviewing the Club Constitution and found that it was critical for the executive to have Vice-Commodore that was expected to succeed the current Commodore! I agreed to stand for Commodore if Claudia would take the position of Vice! .....Bingo!

I truly enjoyed being Commodore and to carry on the great work of the the previous executive, with Dave Johnston as Commodore, which in 2005 had conducted a major membership survey, resulting in CBYC 2010, a strategic plan for the next 5 years!

I love strategic plans!

So, with 20 years on Dream Haze at Collins Bay Marina, and a CBYC member, I look forward, along with Adm Jan, Capt'n Salty, and Mate Mark to enjoy another 20!



Skipper Dave

Dave Sansom  
Commodore 2006-2007  
Past Commodore 2008-2009  
*Dream Haze*



## Claudia Stevenson Commodore 2008-2009

Although we had been members of CBYC since the beginning, and even participated in the Pigeon Island race, the first event ever to be held at Collins Bay Marina, my involvement in club activities did not begin until after retirement when we moved to Kingston.

A committee was formed in 2004 to organize the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary activities and I enjoyed working on the event so much, I agreed to be the club's Secretary for the 2005 season. Dave Johnston (YerOut) was Commodore and I was always amazed at what he could accomplish while also working full-time and living in Merrickville. At the end of his term the club had 2 vacancies which the Past Commodore, Phil Morris, was having difficulty filling, Commodore and Vice Commodore. When Phil asked me if I had any ideas, I suggested he contact one of our dockmates on C dock, Dave Sansom. Dave had no previous experience with the exec, and after several discussions, he agreed to take on the Commodore's role if I would be Vice Commodore. That was the beginning of a friendship with the Sansom family which continues today! Lots of CBYC members have similar stories to tell, of friendships which began at Collins Bay Marina and still flourish. Many of these members bonded even more when they cruised together in Croatia.

When Cap'n Salty completed his two year term as Commodore, I moved into the Commodore's position. I was the fourth female Commodore and had the pleasure of working with a great executive. All positions were filled and the club benefitted from the commitment of many.

We are now celebrating our 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary, and I encourage everyone to step up and get involved.



Claudia Stevenson  
Commodore 2008-2009  
Vice Commodore 2006-2007 & 2015  
Past Commodore 2010-2011 & 2017-2020  
*Tamara C*

### Lee Baker Commodore 2013-2014

I was Commodore in 2013 and 2014 I believe. It seemed to me it was a time of change for the club. We recognized that the membership was evolving with more members from out of town especially from Quebec. We made the club more welcoming by flying the Quebec flag for the first time on our staff. Further we supported the first Saint Jean Baptiste day celebration. This has become one of the most well attended events of our summer celebrations.

In response to proposed new government requirements it was also necessary to modify the club constitution to keep us classified as a not-for-profit club. It was a sign that we had to become more formal.

Due to member's comments about sailing school students using the clubhouse too much, we worked on a plan, supported and financed by the marina, to bring in a trailer and modify it for sailing school use. Volunteers did a great job in fixing the old trailer.

Oddly, I was never elected to the position of Commodore. As Vice Commodore I stepped into the position as the elected Commodore had to step away from the role. It was my honour to serve the Club and members and help shepherd the hard working and fun executive through what I saw as the need for change.



Let's hope for a better year in 2021.

Lee Baker  
Commodore 2013-2014  
Vice Commodore 2012  
Past Commodore 2015-2016

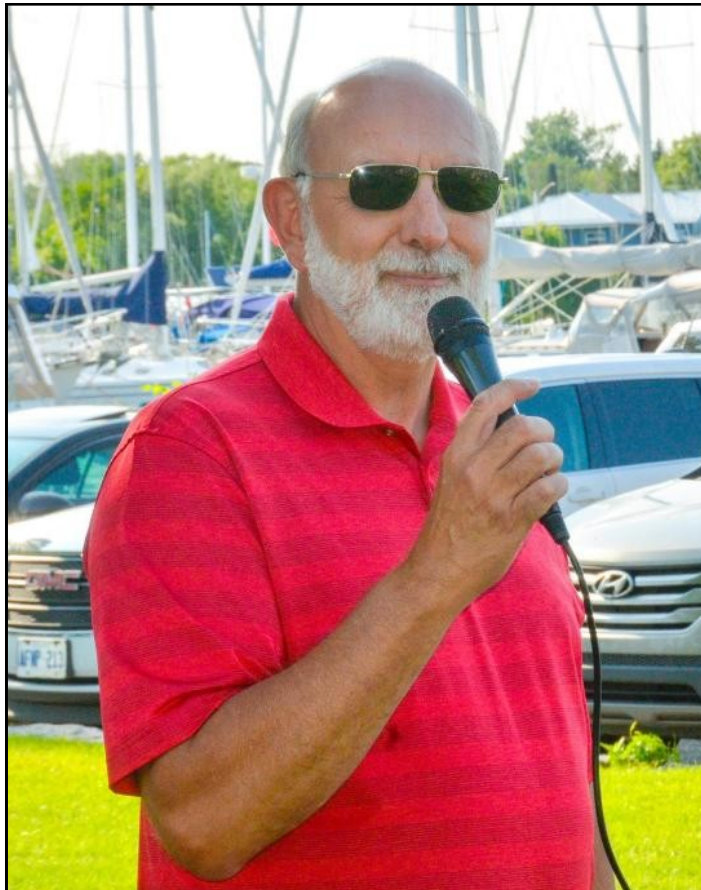


### Bill Amirault Commodore 2019-2020

I must admit that I was a bit apprehensive about taking on the CBYC commodore position as the previous incumbent, Peter Feltham, is a very talented individual who promoted increased participation in the club and who was personally involved in many of the club's successful events. This was not an easy act to follow, however, having been a club member for many years, I realized that I should take my turn at club leadership.

My apprehensions were soon replaced by the satisfaction and confidence that comes from working with a competent and caring club executive. Robert Mackey and Richard Dickson provided excellent leadership for the sailing school. Helene Hubert, followed by Mark Sansom, nurtured the Mixer. Geoff Roulet, followed by Mark Sansom, ably addressed the challenges of managing and improving the club website on a shoestring budget. Liz Taylor breathed new life and energy into the CBYC social program and organized, in my opinion, one of the best CBYC end-of-year parties ever. Glenn Reid stepped into an unanticipated vacancy in the racing chair while managing the clubhouse. Helene Hubert initiated a very successful women's sailing program. Claudia Stevenson continued her role as the executive's ambassador while Peter Feltham organized some very popular club cruises. And our secretary, Ruth Cass-Beggs Smith, ably kept track of it all.

My second year, 2020, was the year of the COVID 19 pandemic. This created a rather unique experience for everyone. On the one hand, the pandemic caused the suspension of all face-to-face club activities. On the other hand, it launched the era of Zoom executive meetings, Zoom seminars (many thanks to Bruce Anderson for organizing these), Zoom social events, and our first CBYC Zoom AGM. Jacquie MacKinnon, our treasurer, negotiated with our insurance provider to have our premium significantly reduced. Ed Nash, our membership chair, continued his effective management of our membership renewal process that, during this time, was the club's single source of revenue. George Dew, our cruise chair, initiated and analyzed a membership survey that will enable the club executive to better focus its planning for when things eventually get back to normal.



As you can see, in spite of the suspension of most club activities, a fair amount of behind the scenes work continued. And I would be remiss if I failed to acknowledge the outstanding planning and leadership of our marina owners, Gerry and Lori, that enabled us to enjoy a safe, all be it abbreviated sailing season, when most of us were expecting there would be no season at all.

I am grateful for the opportunity to have served as the CBYC commodore. It has been a most interesting combination of the easily predictable and the completely unanticipated. If the club can survive these bizarre times and circumstances, I am confident that many more rewarding years lie ahead for the CBYC.

Bill Amirault  
Commodore 2019-2020  
*Aslan*

## Gary Logan Sailing School Director 1997-1999 & 2015

Hi my name is Gary Logan. I was the Sailing School Director for Collins Bay Sailing School, for a four year term, starting in 1997. At that time I was a new member of CBYC and was asked if I would like to become the director of the Sailing School. The handover was a cardboard box full of loose paper work with no directives. At this time, the Sailing School was in its infancy. We had 6 aluminum sailboats (Petrel 12) and one coach boat. The sailboats were purchased from the Bath Marina (which at that time was going out of business).

So along with Carol (my wife) the two of us had to learn the finance, pay roll, employment insurance, tax etc. The hiring of instructors and interviews were conducted out of our home, along with putting another message on our answering machine for messages to be left for the Collins Bay Sailing School. During this time we were still both working at our full time jobs.

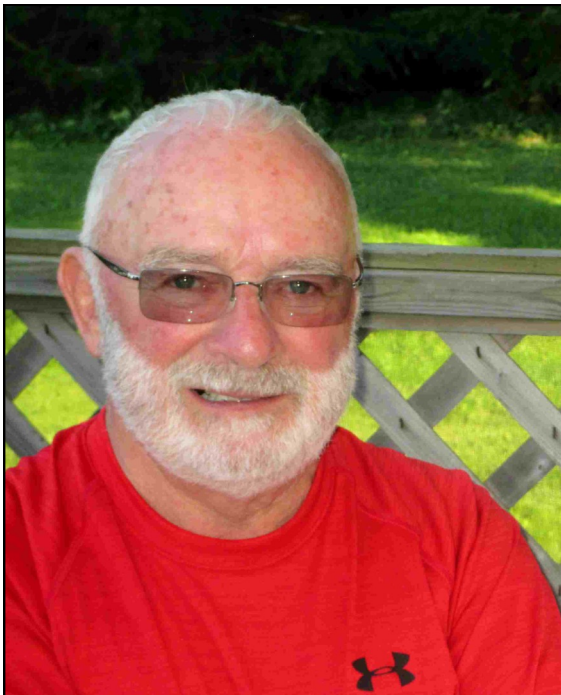
The first year was exciting and very fulfilling. We got to know the members of CBYC and even talked a few of them into helping out, which they did gladly. Together with the help of the club members we managed to build up the fleet and purchase new boats, along with new sails for the older ones and with the purchase of a new coach boat and motor.

After three years of being the Director of the Sailing School we had managed the purchase of a fleet of fiberglass boats, Hunters and Laser 2s. We also had new coach boats with outboard motors. At this time we still had a substantial bank account, which was managed and controlled by the Director of the Sailing School, not CBYC. This changed after my term as the Director.

Many years later in 2015 I once again filled in as Director for one season. I agreed to do this as long as Crystal Baker stayed on as the school administrator. Thankfully, she accepted this position, again, thanks Crystal. During this time we now had about 7 instructors and many more students. I'd like to say thanks to my wife, Carol, for all her help and a big thank you to Crystal Baker.

This is a very valuable program that teaches young people (and adults) good sailing skills and self assurance. Many go on to become good sailors, boat owners and even members of the yacht club. Many of the students stay with the Sailing school and go on to become instructors themselves. One example is my granddaughter, Sabine. She started sailing at the Sailing School when she was 8 years old, and went on to become head instructor during my last year of being the Director. (Not proud or anything)!!

The Club, and all of the people who participated in the development and running of our Sailing School, should be very proud of what we have achieved. Can't possibly name everyone, but it's been a fantastic achievement. I'm happy to have been part of it.



Gary Logan  
Sailing School Director 1997-1999 & 2015  
*Sabrina IV*



## Ed Billing Sailing School Director 2005-2007 And 2009-2010

Joanne and I had been customers of Collins Bay Marina and the sailing school since 1991, putting all 4 of our children through the school. We joined CBYC on January 2005. I attended the Annual General Meeting that year and I felt I could offer something to this portfolio. I was very quickly welcomed as a new member and joined the new slate of officers as Sailing School Director for 2005.

I was introduced to the Sailing School's Administrator Sarah Visser, who was the lynch pin to the organization. Sarah had everything well in hand for the upcoming season and allowed me to take over my portfolio with the knowledge that everything was ready to go. The main priority for this year was to re-build a slightly tattered relationship with the Marina and the CBYC House Committee responsible for the upkeep of the club house.

Hub and Michelle Steenbakkers (then owners of CBM) were the biggest supporters and ambassadors of the Sailing School but it was evident the Sailing School needed to fit into the CBM environment. There were a great many patrons of Collins Bay that wanted to enjoy their boats and surroundings, including the washrooms and grounds, without the rambunctious activities of the eager students of the School. I introduced a scheme that paid the Staff a bonus at the end of the year based on the feed back from the Marina. The staff were truly incredible and mature beyond their years in ensuring land-based activities did not interfere with the boating clientele. At the end of the year, I was thrilled to give them their bonus cheques based on Hub and Miche's very favourable report.

Many Programs introduced for 2005 included a highly successful Regatta for students and CBYC members to race on the day of the sail past. We also introduced the addition of Bronze students to the keel boat Race Program on Thursday nights. This was eagerly adopted by many race boat skippers giving the students a glimpse into what sailing, and racing was all about.

During David Johnson's tenure as Commodore the executive discussed and developed the first 5 Year Strategic Plan for CBYC and a part of this was the operation of the Sailing School. We mapped out a plan for size of the school, succession planning and school focus. There were many new initiatives introduced as part of the Plan.

The club agreed that the focus of the Sailing School was indeed its mission statement which was "to introduce and encourage youth sailing in Kingston".

2006 and 2007 were also good years for the school. At the end of each of the 3 years we added between \$10 – 15, 000 a year to the bottom line.

I retired in 2008. That was a very peaceful year for Joanne and me.

The start of 2009 continued to be peaceful until May when Commodore Claudia Stevenson asked if I could step back into the role of Sailing School Director. The plan was for the Executive to form a Committee to govern Sailing School functions by the end of 2010. I agreed to return until then. We had a good year and although tired by the end had fulfilled the mandate given to me by the Executive. We added another 7K to the Balance sheet after starting out with exceptionally low attendance.

By the end of 2010 I was very tired but the Sailing School account was in great shape with a balance of \$47,622.31 for the next Director to take over. The equipment was in excellent shape and the staff had truly done themselves proud. The Marina was pleased with how the School was running and I assume the membership felt the same.

It is still my belief that the original mandate spelled out and agreed to in the first 5 Year Strategic Plan is the right one for the Collins Bay Sailing School. I am pleased to see in recent years other members of the club stepping in to help with the School. It is a very lonely place without that support.

Edward Billing  
Sailing School Director 2005-2007 and 2009-2010  
*Cartouche*



***From the Editor: For space, we have provided the highlights of Ed Billing's detailed report. For the full report please go to:***

***<http://collinsbaymarina.com/cbyc/wp-content/uploads/History/MixerArchives/History40thPages/EdBilling40thAnniversary.pdf>***

**Richard Dickson Sailing School Director 2016-2018**

In the fall of 2015, having just retired from the Army, I was keen to spend more time sailing and at the marina, and was looking for a way to contribute to the club. I had offered to help with the running of the sailing school, but as it turned out, what the school most needed was a new Director – so on a cold November day, shortly after the AGM, I found myself at the Logan’s house getting my handover briefing from Gary. When it was all over, Gary broke out the scotch to seal the deal (and it was pretty good stuff too – Balvenie Doublewood if my memory serves me). So now it was official.

I was very fortunate to have Crystal Baker stay on as School Administrator for my first year – Crystal had been Administrator several years earlier and, along with Gary, came back on short notice in 2015 when it looked like the school might not run. Crystal possessed the corporate memory on how the school actually ran, and what needed to be done, by when, to make that happen. On top of that, Crystal and Lee were always among the volunteers who showed up whenever help was required at the school. I was also fortunate to have Bill Amirault, join the team in the new position of Operations Manager, which he did for two years from 2016-2017. Although the position was envisioned with mainly an equipment maintenance focus, Bill brought great mentoring skills from his years in HR development with the military and was keen to play an active role with our young instructors.

In 2017 Crystal stepped down as Administrator, but along with Lee continued to remain involved and available to lend a hand when required. Our new Administrator was Keith Davies, who brought a real love of the sport and decades of experience sailing and racing in the UK and Canada.

The school was also in pretty good shape – both financially and in terms of equipment – when I took over. The past few Directors had done a good job of updating the teaching boats over the previous five years: we had a new fleet of nine Topper Topazes which were ideal for our young beginner sailors, and had also updated a number of our 420s for the more advanced sailors. Most of the old aluminium coach boats had also been replaced over time with newer RIBs. Finally, Gerry and Lori Buzzi had recently donated a construction trailer to serve as the school office and equipment storage.

There were however two significant challenges facing the school. The first was in sustaining our instructor cadre. Since its inception the school had been largely self sustaining – drawing instructors from amongst former students who had completed CANSAIL 4 (Bronze Sail), which was the highest level that the school taught. However, Sail Canada had recently decided that instructors could no longer teach up to their own level of qualification – instead requiring them to be qualified at least one level (and in some cases two levels) above the level they would teach. This meant that we would either have to source our more senior instructors from outside the school, or start offering an advanced sailing program to continue to grow our own. We were unable to attract any outside instructors in 2016, but in 2017 we hired two advanced instructors who had started sailing at Collins Bay before going on to more advanced sailing with KYC and the Sea Cadets. This allowed us to introduce CANSAIL 5 instruction for the first time in 2018, followed by CANSAIL



6 instruction – the most senior level – in 2019. CANSAIL 5 and 6 also require competition outside of your own club or school, so in 2017 we started participating in the in KYC’s informal “bronze sail” regatta, and in 2018 we started participating in CORK and fall CORK. None of this would have been possible without volunteer assistance from students’ parents as well as many other club members.

The second major concern was declining enrollment. Since reaching a high point in 2012, enrollment had been on a slow but steady decline to about 60% of the peak by 2016. The school was still covering its costs, but retained earnings were not sufficient to offset equipment depreciation, or to permit investing in any major capital improvements. Luckily our fleet was in relatively good shape. As a result, from 2016-2018, our focus was on maintaining the existing fleet as best as possible, increasing enrollment, and instructor development. By 2018, enrollment had recovered somewhat, but was still below capacity or the peak experienced several years earlier.

The school undertook one additional initiative while I was Director – introducing an adult start-keelboat-sailing (SKS) program in 2018. The school had always offered adult dinghy lessons, but it was becoming less and less popular. Our dinghies were ideal for teaching 8-12 year olds, but not adults. As well, the average age of the adults trying sailing was increasing and the dinghy program was not what many of them were looking for. Gerry and Lori very generously donated their Tanzer 22 – The Goddess de Marseille – to the club as a teaching boat. With much support from club members – everything from donated equipment and sails, to labour cleaning her up and making repairs – the Goddess was ready to launch for the start of lessons at the end of May. More importantly, with assistance and support from Phil Morris – to set up and help run the clinic – as well as Marco Rancourt and Dave White for the use of Le Reve Possible and Grandpa – we were able to host a Sail Canada SKS instructor clinic at our club and qualify four instructors. The program got off to a good start in 2018 and 2019, and appears to be increasing in popularity. A number of our SKS graduate now have sailboats at the marina and have joined the club.

But enough about all that. The biggest and most rewarding part of the job was working with outstanding young coaches in the youth program. It is gratifying to see new instructors – initially awkward and uncomfortable in their new positions of responsibility – grow over several summers into confident and capable leaders. Sabine Munro, who was Head Instructor for my three years as director, brought her own personality and a real passion for sailing to the position.

In late 2018, after three years as Director, I handed over to Robert Mackey, but stayed on as Operations Manager for one more year. As well, I continue to work with Dave White and Al MacLachlan as the Adult Keelboat program coordinator. I want to thank everyone at the club – too many to mention – for all the assistance that club members offer to the sailing school. Both Commodores – Al and Peter – were always supportive and, of course, Gerry and Lori who continue to support the club and sailing school in so many ways.



It is my firm belief that as a community of sailors, a yacht club has a duty to pass on the love of sailing to the next generation. In that light, sail training, especially youth sail training, needs to be seen as a central aspect of our club – not a side-activity – and the concern of all club members.

Richard Dickson

School Director – 2016-2018

Operations Manager – 2019

Keelboat Program Coordinator – 2018-present

*Windsome*