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Collins Mixer

Collins Bay Yacht Club Newsletter



Upcoming Events

- **July 30– Aug 1** Civic Holiday Cruise
- August 6 Pancake
 Breakfast, Anniversary
 Regatta and Dinner
- August 7 Pigeon Island Race
- August 11 Fall Race Series Begins
- **Sept 3-5** Waupoos Cruise

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COMMODORE'S CORNER

AUGUST 2011

From the Commodore

Well here it is right in the middle of the sailing season and after such a lovely spring it is a relief to see that we are having a summer!

Well, at the last board meeting Hub and Miche dropped a bombshell announcing that they had almost crossed all the "t's" and dotted all the "i's" on a deal to sell the marina! It is the end of an era for sure as of this writing the deal has closed. We will certainly miss the Steenbakker touch around the docks however Hub will be staying on in a consulting capacity to ease the transition. The family will still be in the area and now we can look forward to them joining our cruises. The purchasers are another boating family from Thunder Bay and we look forward to meeting them shortly when things settle down.

When this edition of The Mixer hits the air waves we will be getting ready for the long August weekend cruise, the racers will have accomplished half of their season and we'll be starting to think about when we might haul-out! Geesh, where does the time go?

Your board has been busy completing their various duties and while I'm talking about the board I want to mention that it won't be long before we go on the hunt for candidates for next year's board. This club is viable only because we have a dedicated group of people who help to advance the goals and aims of the club as stated in our five-year plan. Claudia Stevenson, our current past commodore, is charged with the responsibility to acquire these candidates for next year's board and as I will be a past commodore next year that responsibility will fall to me. Being that I have dedicated my life to general laziness, I want you to consider volunteering to Claudia this year for a position that you will follow through for at least three years! Actually, the various positions on the board are not that time-consuming and our monthly meetings are usually accomplished in less than two hours. Job descriptions are available for each position and out-going board members are always available for consulting services so you won't be left hanging. Please consider this seriously as we need new blood to keep that viability in our club.

Okay, time to trash another line of boats. Which one should I talk about this month as regular readers will know that nothing measures up to the mighty Douglas! Hunter, who would ever buy a boat without a back stay? A back stay not only serves to hold the mast in place but it can be used for hoisting your ensign, anchor light, and drying off bathing suits. What a waste! You need to have that nice, comforting stay behind you so that you have something to grab when you start to fall over the stern. That's it. I can't go on. No back stay, holy cow!!!!

Fair winds to all, Lionel

COLLINS BAY MARINA UNDER NEW OWNERSHIP

We are writing to inform you that Collins Bay Marina Inc. has been sold. A new family has purchased the business and are very excited to continue with the staff, services, operations and policies of the Marina. Hub Steenbakkers will serve as a consultant for the new owners over the next two years to help ensure a smooth and professional transition.

The new owners are Gerry and Lori Buzzi of Thunder Bay, along with their three teenage daughters Brittany, Desiree and Caitlyn. The Buzzi family are experienced and avid boaters and are looking forward to making a new home here in Kingston. They



will be moving into the Marina house as soon as possible to provide security and stability as the new owner/operators. Experienced in the hospitality business, the Buzzi's previously owned and ran a successful motel in Thunder Bay. We wish the Buzzi family and Collins Bay Marina continued prosperity and success.

Hub, Michèle, Mya and Landon will continue to live in Kingston and will keep their SeaRay and Olsen 30 at Collins Bay Marina. They look forward to having more time to enjoy boating and to

remain active with the Collins Bay Yacht Club activities.

It has been truly an honour and a pleasure for the entire Steenbakkers family to have owned and operated Collins Bay Marina for the past 40 years. We have been extremely fortunate to work with our excellent staff and to serve the wonderful customers of Collins Bay Marina. Thank you all for your patronage and support over the years. It is with mixed feelings that we leave our home and life's work, but we are looking forward to an active and productive retirement.

West while Mya Landon

Yours truly,

Hub, Michèle, Mya and Landon Steenbakkers

COLLINS BAY MARINA NEWS

Canada Day Pizza Party:

Mya, Landon and Miche were among many who enjoyed the CBYC Canada Day Pizza Party at the clubhouse on June 30. The event was complete with a guitar sing along by Commodore Lionel Redford, Jacques Levesque and Jim Gough. Canada Day weekend was glorious – sunny, hot and with some fair winds. A great start to the summer!



Bayview Farms:

There is a lovely, new produce market now open in Collins Bay - a great stop for your provisioning. Local, organic, fresh - the produce is picked up early each morning from local growers or picked fresh from their garden. Owned by Laurie & Clark Day (some of you may remember the 5 star restaurant they ran "Clark's by the Bay" and currently Clark runs "Aquaterra by Clark Restaubistro" downtown), these folks know good food! They are carrying local cheese, meats, farm fresh eggs, vegetables, preserves and baked goods. They are open Wednesday through Sunday from 11am to 6pm at 4085 Bath Road (just from Pride Marine). Check www.bayviewfarmandstore.ca or call 613-770-0774. Why go downtown when we've got it all here in Collins Bay??



How to Lay your Outboard Down:

I know, it sounds like one of the Commodore's musical selections but we've noticed that some boats installing Honda 4-stroke outboards often start out the season dripping oil into the water. We believe this may be due to when they are laid down or carried incorrectly; the oil migrates into the engine. Once the engine is brought vertical when it is installed on the transom, the spilled oil then travels through the manifold and vent holes and then drips into the lake until finally the spill is dry. Often these engines have a label or "stands" to indicate how they should be laid down. We thought we'd share this observation with you so we can help keep the harbour clean!

July 2011:

It's been an amazing summer so far – beautiful weather, even on weekends! We're impressed with how full the parking lot is and how empty the docks are as record numbers of boaters have been making up for June by getting out a lot in July. Thanks to those of you who are signing out your slips so we can provide safe harbour to visitors from around the lake! We're pleased to have welcomed more than the usual number of Great Lakes "Loopers" and American visitors to Collins Bay.

The races and cruises are well attended and well organized again this year. The sailing school is also in full swing. It's always lovely to see the young sailors testing their skills out on the Bay or playing on the grounds. We were amused today to see a group learning to tie their knots by joining all their pieces of string together in order to make a rope long enough to try to tie up their instructor to the Oak tree! All in good fun, the instructor was a good sport and of course managed to get free in short order with a few Houdini rope tricks of her own.

See you in the harbour!!

Hub, Miche, Mya and Landon

Entry into the USA - A Faster Way for Boaters to Report

For those of you who boat South of the border, the following is an information bulleting recently issued by U.S.

Customs and Border Protection regarding a new program to permit easier entry of pleasure craft into the U.S.



"The Small Vessel Reporting System (SVRS), a voluntary program offered by U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), helps boaters report their arrival to the U.S. at no charge. The program is designed to expedite entry of legitimate boaters, enabling CBP officers to focus their attention on higher-risk travelers and craft.

SVRS is available to: U.S. Citizens, nationals and lawful permanent residents; Canadian citizens; and permanent residents of Canada who are nationals of a Visa Waiver Program country.

Enrolling is quick, easy, and free via the Internet in just three steps:

- 1. Complete application at www.CBP.gov/SVRS
- 2. Schedule interview online with CBP officer
- 3. Receive boater registration number and password by email

SVRS participants report their entry to the U.S. quickly too, by calling a dedicated telephone line and responding to the questions. (CBP reserves the right to hold an in-person inspection if needed.)

The system is currently available in the Southeast at Florida, Puerto Rico, and the United States Virgin Islands. It is also deployed at the U.S./Canada border.

Please share this information with members of the boating community, especially the links below:

- Enrolment page (not case-sensitive): www.CBP.gov/SVRS
- General information: http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/travel/pleasure boats/boats/svrs.xml
- Audio of announcement for sharing or broadcast: http://dvidshub.net/r/6mv47y.

Thank you for helping to keep the public informed about CBP's traveler programs.

Laurel Smith, Director, Communication and Outreach Office of Public Affairs, U.S. Customs and Border Protection http://www.cbp.gov/



Reciprocal Program

The Marina would like to remind CBYC Club Members to *sign-out* of their slips (let the marina office know) when they will be on the water for a while so that they can continue to support the Reciprocal Program.

Board Position	Name	Boat	Telephone
Commodore	Lionel Redford	Naiad IV	(613) 766-2812
Vice-Commodore	Owen Bird	Bird Ship	(613) 767-4185
Past Commodore	Claudia Stevenson	Tamara C	(613) 634-4035
Secretary	Richard White	Orgueil	(613) 354-6051
Treasurer	Bob White	MoonShadow	(613) 634-0223
Fleet Captain	Dave Sansom	Dream Haze	(613) 634-7815
Membership	Mike Miles	Ondine II	(613) 389-0428
Social Chair	Carissa Hyatt	Bird Ship	(613) 767-4185
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Race	Keith Davies		(613) 531-0475
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Sailing School Director	Phil Morris	Wavelength	(613) 881-0199
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Webmaster	Geoff Roulet	Jeannie	(613) 531-3348
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Sub Committees:			
Sailing School			
Administrator	Crystal Baker	Pendragon	(613) 373-2889
Historian	Judy Adams	Aslan	(613) 389-1812

CLUB RACING NEWS

Crew of *The Baron*—Winners of the PHRF 2 Fleet Spring Series.

Left to right are Ray Shattler, Al Walker, Henk Muis and Wayne Wall.

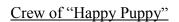


Happy Results from the Lake Ontario 300 Race!!!

"Happy Puppy" won 1^{st} place in the IRC-1 class and first place IRC overall in the Lake Ontario 300 this year. Martin Lachapelle, Liberte, won 3^{rd} place in their PHRF FC-3 class.

Dan McKindsey, *Happy Puppy*, poses with Denise Bienvenu and their first place flag.





Top Row: Dan McKindsey, Kash Gilbert, Neil Asbil, Ray Shattler, Luc Vallée

Bottom Row: Bill Reid, Hans Mertins,

Denise Bienvenu

Martin Lachapelle, Liberte, won 3rd place in their PHRF FC-3 class. Dan is posing with Liberte's 3rd place flag.



August Civic Holiday Cruise

July 30th to August 1st

DON'T BE LEFT OUT!!! - THE CRUISE IS OPEN TO ALL CBYC MEMBERS

Volunteer Cruise Captains: Dennis REED and Gary LOGAN

When/What/Where:

Saturday July 30th BBQ at Dennis and Norma Reed's gorgeous home near Lyon's Island on the Adol-

phus Reach.

Sunday July 31st Pancake and sausage breakfast with all the fixings followed by a "crazy

sail" (details known only to Dennis and Gary) to Hay Bay to join Crystal and Lee

Baker at their home for a pot-luck dinner.

Monday Aug. 1st Sailor's choice day. Relax on the hook in Hay Bay for a restful day or pick a desti-

nation sail of your choice.

Cost: \$15.00 per person. This includes pork chops, corn on the cob, salads and the trim-

mings, plus a full pancake breakfast.

Sign up at the marina office prior to July 28th. If you need more info contact Dennis Reed at 613-373-0288 or Gary Logan at 613-634-1378.

For those who have attended this cruise in the past you know how much fun it is. For those of you who have not, this is one of the premier cruises of the year, a must on your cruising calendar.

LOVE TO CRUISE

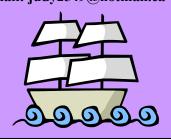
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CBYC CELEBRATES CANADA DAY With the Kids and Grandkids

Traditions are important! Celebrating the traditions of our fabulous country is fun. Celebrating with our CBYC friends and families as part of the 5th annual Canada Day Cruise is becoming a special tradition.

This year, we started the celebrations with pizza and a sing-a-long in the Club House on the eve of Canada Day. Our own CBYC Kingston trio (Jacques Levesque ~ Miranda, Lionel Redford ~ Naiad IV, and Jim Gough ~ Rus II) entertained the kids and grandkids with renditions of old favourites, such as "On Top of Spaghetti" and a new favourite, honouring Hub's ability to turn a Douglas 32 into a 40 footer with his magical tape measure.

On Friday July 1, 10 boats left the Marina, bright and early, to sail / motor over to Kingston's Inner Harbour. Wearing red and white, the kids and grandkids plus the adults, who are all kids at heart when it comes to parades, headed to shore and walked downtown. The instructions however were clear. Be back on your boats by 15:00 hours for a very special Canada Day show.

Eight kids were dinghied over to Moonshadow just before 15:00. On the dot, the Lasalle Causeway opened and Kingston's fireboat came under the bridge and we were all treated to an impressive show of water being sprayed from the boat. The squeals of delight from the kids were as much fun as the show itself. Next, Bob took each child on a "fast" dinghy ride in the harbour. That too, was a hit. The little ones stayed on Moonshadow for Happy Hour including crafts, games and snacks. In the meantime, the adults congregated on Day Dreams and Miranda for their own happy hour.

The parties broke up and we all returned to our respective boats for dinner and to await the fireworks at 22:00 hours.

The tradition of sharing our passion for cruising with kids and grandkids is alive and well within CBYC. And, we also have an opportunity to celebrate our love for our country in a special way.

Special Thanks to: Jean & Bob (Moonshadow) for hosting the kid's Happy Hour; Joanie and Laura (Gibwanasi) for organizing games and crafts for the kids; Bob (Moonshadow) for organizing the fire boat; Jacques & Glenda (Miranda) for hosting the adult Happy Hour.

Participants: Cabernet, Day Dreams, Gibwanasi, Miranda, Moonshadow, Naiad IV, Pipedreams, Raymoni, Rebel Yell X, Rus II.

Scribe: Marilyn Sykes

Photos: Marilyn, Chance (Pat & Lionel's Grandson), Bob (Moonshadow)

The children enjoying the afternoon on Moon Shadow







Barb and Clarence and Guests on Rebel Yell

Joanie, Laura and Bob



A game of Bingo

Laura, and Ina with the Young Ones





Pat and Lionel with the Grand kids.

Norm enjoying the cuisine



Pancake Breakfast August 6th:



The weather has been fantastic for sailing and most of the socializing is happening informally on the dock, on the course or on a cruise.

The next organized event will be August 6th in the Clubhouse for our annual Pancake Breakfast followed by the Anniversary Regatta.

The breakfast will begin at 8:00am and includes pancakes, sausages, and coffee for \$5.50 a person (children \$2.50).

Volunteers are needed for this event to be a success. Anyone interested in lending a hand can contact me at social-cbyc@collinsbaymarina.com or at 767-4185. Help is needed on BBQ, the cash, to mix the batter and be the chef, serve the plates, coffee and clean-up.

Even if you are not participating in the Regatta, I encourage you to be social and join us in the club for a hot breakfast. I look forward to seeing everyone soon. Enjoy your summer!

Carissa Hyatt, Social Chair

2011 LABOUR DAY WEEKEND CRUISE

THE WAUPOOS WEEKEND

SEPTEMBER 3rd, 4th and 5th

This is it, the last big cruise of the year! We know how much club members await this cruise given the rush in past years to secure one of the limited reservations. THIS YEAR IS DIFFERENT! This year we are the only club at Waupoos for the Labour Day Weekend. Space will not be a problem.

Our Volunteer Cruise Captains are Geoff and Romie KELLAND from Beluga V and Hans MERTINS from MOON-DANCE.

We are still working out all the details but we expect that many of those events that you have enjoyed in the past will be the same: Happy Hours, Potlucks, a BBQ, and one or two fun events. We are looking into some things that many have been less enthusiastic with to see if they can be changed or replaced.

Keep watching the club website as we get into August and of course, keep an eye out for bulletin board posters.

Solar Panels

If you look around the Marina, you will notice that quite of few boats are now equipped with solar panels.

Solar panels can be a quiet option to assist with charging your batteries. They have come a long ways in the past few years in terms of format and efficiency. There are rigid panels, flexible panels and foldable panels that come in a variety of sizes and price ranges. Information on wattage, voltage, amp hours, milliamps can be confusing. Where to start.

West Marine has a number of videos and articles on their website at: http://www.westmarine.com/webapp/wcs/stores/servlet/WestAdvisorView?langId=-1&storeId=11151&catalogId=10001&page=Charging-with-Solar-Panels to help you decide whether solar panels are right for your specific situation and to offer tips on selecting the appropriate size and format and any needed accessories.



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Sailing School Report

The Sailing School is well underway and we are in the third week of the youth programme. It looks like all our sessions will be full and it is particularly gratifying see new students enjoying themselves so much that they are booking further sessions.

Before School started we had two days of instructor orientation which included on water teaching and demonstrat-

ing.



Our Team from left to right Camila, Kanon, CJ, Kevin amd Ellie

- Camila is our Head Instructor she came to us from Bronte Harbour YC where she was Head Instructor for 3 years. She is a bronze Coach and has the program manager certification. She has been sailing for 11 years and an instructor for 6 years and enjoys instilling the love of the sport in new sailors. When not sailing she enjoys snow-boarding and has bee bungee jumping. Camila will leave us in mid April as she has a job teaching in Kashewan in Northern Ontario where school starts early.
- **Kanon** is also a bronze coach and this is his third year with CBYC.
- CJ our "veteran" instructor has been four years with CBYC. She was in the UK last year at the "Queen's" Castle continuing her studies
- **Kevin** is our rookie instructor returning to CBYC freshly qualified as a white sail coach. He has been sailing for 7 years and enjoys coaching especially when a student shows great improvement. He also enjoys basketball, boxing and paintball and plays the guitar and the trumpet.
- Ellie is also a bronze coach and taught last year at PEYC. She has been sailing since she was age 5 and enjoys passing on her love for the sport. She is studying kinesiology and when not helping Dad (John in the sail loft) she enjoys kiteboarding and Ballet.

Not in the picture is our hard working Administrator Crystal Baker who keeps us all in order!

Pictures from Instructor Orientation Day –on the water



Now where does the rudder go?

Ah that's better!





Duck!

Pictures from Instructor Orientation Day and the School



Ok, now we are sailing!



Back (wards) to shore?



And now School's In!

Phil Morris

School Director

New Technology Implemented in the 1000 Islands

Hot breaking news!!!- An innovative company in the heart of the 1000 Islands has invented a new propulsion and guidance system! Your intrepid reporter has it on good authority that the company has been perfecting the technology for many years in plain view of boaters and residents in the area, but has confused onlookers by sometimes also using a traditional tugboat as camouflage.

We recently positioned Miranda in a strategic location to get a front row seat of the technology in action near Downie Island. The tug was used to bring the vessel into position and then it was cut lose. Using a clever ruse, the vessel began clearing the shoreline of small trees and brush and placing the material on the bow of the ship. We realized that this was not only a great display of the versatility of the technology, but also created a means of shielding the new technology from passersby.

Finally, we witnessed the marvel at work. When the vessel needed to reposition, a large long boom like the elegant neck of a Canada Goose, but with a huge beak, was lowered into the water and then quickly rotated to one side or the other to generate both propulsion and steering! The boom was flexible enough to operate on the port, starboard and stern of the boat giving the operator 270 degrees of freedom. We marveled at the skills of the operator as he moved the barge around docks and the island at will.

Lo and behold, this flexible system was also capable of being used as a shore anchor by digging the boom (and shovel) into the shoreline to steady the ship until the two vertical anchors were lowered onto the seabed.

So there you have it – another important discovery by CBYC members. We rather doubt that this new technology will be used very frequently by sailboats, but we hear the commodore is always looking for ways of getting a few extra knots on his Douglas, who knows...



2011 Reciprocal Program – July, 2011

Invitations have been sent to the following clubs for the 2011 season.

Maximum of 40 clubs

Alexandra YC

Ashbridge's Bay YC

Bay of Quinte YC

Brockport YC

Brockville YC

Brockville YC

Brockville ON

Bronte Harbour YC

Burlington Sailing & Boating Club*

Cathedral Bluffs YC*

Toronto ON

Belleville ON

Brockport NY

Brockville ON

Oakville ON

Burlington ON

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Scarborough ON **CFB Kingston* Kingston ON CFB Trenton YC Trenton ON** Cobourg YC* **Cobourg ON** Crescent YC **Chaumont NY Dalhousie YC** St. Catharines ON Etobicoke YC **Etobicoke ON** Fairhaven NY Fairhaven YC Fifty Point YC **Stoney Creek ON**

Frenchman's Bay YC
Grimsby YC
Henderson Harbour YC
Highland YC (Bluffers Pk)*
Kingston YC

Pickering ON
Grimsby ON
Manilus NY
Scarborough ON
Kingston ON

Mimico Cruising ClubEtobicoke ONNational Yacht Club (The)Toronto ON

Niagara-on-the-Lake Sailing Club Niagara-on-the-Lake ON

Oak Orchard YC Oak Orchard NY

Oak Olchard N C

Oakville Yacht Squadron

Oakville ON

Olcott YC
Oswego YC
Oswego NY
Presqu'ile Yacht Club*
Port Hope YC
Port Hope ON
Prince Edward YC
Pitter ON

Prince Edward YC
Pultneyville YC
Pultneyville NY
Rochester YC
Royal Canadian YC (The)
Toronto ON

Royal Canadian YC (The)

Royal Hamilton YC (The)

Hamilton ON

Sodus Bay YC

Sodus Point NY

Stormont YC*

Cornwall ON

Tuscarora YC

Wilson NY

Whitby YC

Whitby ON

Youngstown YC*

Youngstown NY

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Please refer to the binder in the Clubhouse or the website for the latest updates.



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Naval Slang and Its Everyday Useage

"Big Wig"

Three hundred years ago ..any person of note was expected to wear a wig as it was a sign of acceptability, responsibility and of position in society. In nineteenth century France the size of the wig was an important sign of power and prestige and as a consequence wigs became huge. As many countries followed the trends set by Parisian society, the practice became widespread amongst European nobility. The attire of any sea officer of importance would not be complete without a wig of considerable size. Hence among the lower -deck officers these 'important' officers would be known as 'bigwigs', a name that has stuck to this day for high-ranking persons.

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