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# Collins Mixer

#### Collins Bay Yacht Club Newsletter



#### **Upcoming Events**

- **June 23rd** Summer race series begins
- **June 25-26** Long Point Challenge Race
- June 30-July 1
   Canada Day Cruise
- July 3rd Croatia
   Cruise Meeting
- **July 16-21** Around the County + Cruise
- July 23rd Simcoe Island Race & BBQ

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#### **COMMODORE'S CORNER**

**JULY 2011** 

#### From the Commodore

Sailpast! For a day that was supposed to be raining all day according to our weather gurus, we escaped until dinner time. Our heartfelt thanks go out to Hub and Miche for once again providing their garage and picnic tables for the event. After three consecutive garage Sailpast parties, it would appear that this has become a tradition! Perhaps next year we will announce Sailpast as one particular date but we will all gather a week later for the event.

Carissa Hyatt and her crew did a great job in organising the social side of the day. Special thanks go to Margaret Vermeersch a new member from "Prodeo" who organized the kids games and to Bill Stevenson for once again providing the "Salad Tent".

Keith Davies did a masterful job of setting up a challenging race course complete with flukey winds and a very interesting start line! In the general milling about I realised that the only way to get any speed across the start line was on a port tack but even broaching the subject with "The Admiral" would have had me keel hauled before the first gun! Moondance had it right and nailed the start in dramatic fashion but soon fell prey to the superior speed of Naiad IV. Of course the magnificent Douglas went on to leave everyone in her wake as her superior speed in light air was the order of the day!

In keeping with dreams, a big thank you goes to Dave Sansom of "Dream Haze" for his organising of the actual Sailpast itself. Boats proceeded in an orderly fashion past the fabulous Douglas of the Commodore and Vice-Commodore and all were well-spaced and sedate in their passage. Flags and costumes abounded but a new twist this year was Rus II blaring the sound of bagpipes and Miranda with a solo guitar and voice performance from Jacques whilst Glenda did all the helmation. The winner of the 1st prize though went to "Three Rivers" for, among many things, flying the hateful Ottawa Senator flag upside down in the distress mode.

Now it's time to trash another boat marquee but I'm feeling rather mellow after my last Sailpast as commodore so I'll let you in on a not-well-known secret about the wonderful Naiad IV. When we purchased the boat in 1997, it was from an auction sale run by the RCMP based on the "Proceeds of Crime" legislation. You see, Naiad was such a fast boat that it was used in the drug trade to out run the regular police pursuit. If you look closely at a spot about 4-5 inches above the waterline and about 18 inches from the starboard bow you will see the remains of a poorly patched bullet hole that was the result of her last pursuit that ended in the capture of the notorious "Stella Bay Posse" who were rounded up off Main Duck in 1996.

Fair Winds to All, Lionel

#### **COLLINS BAY MARINA NEWS**

The season is in full swing – it's great to see summer here and all the cruising, racing and club events we waited all winter for well under way.

Reciprocal Program: Thanks to all of you who sign out your slips when you are away overnight so that we can welcome reciprocal and transient boats here for a stay. We hope many of you are enjoying the benefits of the Club/Marina Reciprocal Program. There are many lovely club facilities around the Lake that will welcome you for one night (or more) of free dockage. Please let us or Vice Commodore Owen know how you are received at other clubs as we are always working to make sure the program is a benefit to our boaters. Collins Bay Marina gives out free dockage to visiting club members who are on the CBYC Reciprocal List as added value for our boaters.

**Summer Events:** There is always a lot to do in Kingston in the summer. Here are a few July highlights you may want to fit in during your cruises:

- •"Against Winds & Tides" exhibit at the Marine Museum of the Great Lakes
- •Canada Day Celebrations www.downtownkingston.ca
- •Canadian Olympic Training Regatta Kingston (CORK) www.cork.org
- •Dragon Boat Festival www.dragonbaots.org
- Fanfayr outdoor Juried Arts and Crafts Show July 2-4 Confederation Park
- •Fort Henry Guard Sunset Ceremonies www.forthenry.com
- •Kingston Buskers Rendezvous July 14 17. www.kingstonbuskers.com

"Chestmates" Dragon Boat Racers are practicing in the Harbor. The Chestmates won two Silver medals at their first festival in Port Perry on June 16th. They will be participating in the Kingston Dragon Boat Festival to be held on the Cataraqui River on July 23, 2011. The Boat is owned by Breast Cancer Action Kingston.



Photo taken by Glenda Levesque

#### More boaters wearing life jackets and fewer boaters drinking while boating

Kingston—Boaters in the Greater Kingston Area have taken the safe boating messages to heart. For more than 15 years, Greater Kingston Area Safe & Sober Community Alliance partners have worked together to raise awareness about the risk of alcohol use while boating, and to reinforce other important safe boating practices such as getting trained and wearing a personal flotation device (PFD) or life jacket. In 1994, a survey of boating behaviour in the Greater Kingston Area (ARF, 1994) provided community partners with invaluable background information on the perceptions, knowledge, attitudes, and behaviours of area boaters regarding the use of alcohol while boating. This information guided local prevention activities, and after several years of boating safety efforts and changes in provincial boating laws there was a desire to repeat the survey to monitor changes in attitudes and behaviour over time. Preliminary results from the 2010 survey demonstrate positive shifts in two important boating behaviours, and are definitely cause for celebration.

**PFD usage:** A much larger proportion of respondents indicated they wore a PFD all the time when boating than 16 years ago. In 2010, 22.2 % of respondents indicated they wore a PFD all the time when boating, compared to 8.1% in 1994.

**Alcohol consumption:** Only a small proportion of respondents (10%) indicated that in the past 12 months they had operated a boat after consuming two or more drinks in the previous hour. Comparatively, in 1994, just over 16% reported doing this.

Despite encouraging changes in these two important areas, there is still some confusion by respondents as to whether it is okay to drink alcohol as a passenger on a boat. While most indicated knowledge of the law, 10.5% of respondents thought it was legal for passengers to consume alcohol while the boat was underway as long as the operator did not. It is in fact not legal to drink alcohol on a pleasure boat while it is underway and puts the passenger at increased risk of injury and drowning.

Overall, preliminary findings from the 2010 survey are encouraging, and great news for the many boating partners with the Safe & Sober Alliance who have worked diligently over the years to raise awareness about how to stay safe on the water. Safe Boating Awareness Week is a great time to share this information with our communities. More boaters wearing life jackets and fewer boaters drinking while boating means that area waterways are safer for everyone.

The five key steps to safer boating include: wear your life jacket, boat sober, take a boating course, be prepared, and beware of cold water risks. For more information about Safe Boating Awareness Week please visit <a href="http://www.csbc.npts.ca/SBAW/sbaw/awareness">http://www.csbc.npts.ca/SBAW/sbaw/awareness</a> home.html

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### **CBYC BOARD HARD AT WORK!**

The CBYC Board conducted the June Executive Meeting in the cockpit of the Rus II. The Club House was occupied by the Adult Sailing School. That's commitment and flexibility!



Photo taken by Lee Baker

#### SAIL PAST/ FUN DAY JUNE 11TH



The Sail past and Fun day turned out be fun indeed! A total of 77 tickets were sold for the dinner and the sail past had 17 boats out in the sunshine to salute our Commodore and officially kick off the sailing season. Everyone was happy to see a clear sky for the most part of the day allowing for a dry sail past and fun race. The day began with a variety of tasty muffins and coffee while everyone socialized before the skippers meetings.

The sail past this year was judged on safety and a variety of corky criteria. We were pleased to see almost everyone wearing life jackets and putting safety first!

The runner up was Miranda whose crew provided the entertainment as they sailed by playing the guitar and singing along. First

prize went to Three Rivers for their meaningful and humorous flags including a martini glass and an upside-down Senators flag which impressed the commodore (a tried and true Leafs fan).

The Vice Commodore's prize went to Sabrina IV for youth involvement including a young woman on the helm and a well-dressed boat.

By dinner time the rain was pour down, but luckily our Marina hosts Hub & Miche anticipated the downpour and had all the tables set up once again in their garage. On behalf of the members I would like to say a huge thank you to Hub & Miche for generously offering their garage and helping to make the whole day a great success.

Despite the rain, many people stuck around and dinner was a great success. Members brought a variety of meat for the rented BBQ, and salads, buns and dessert were served under the tent. Thanks to Owen Bird who helped with the preparation of the food, and Lyndsay Yates who helped me serve. Thanks to Crystal Baker for cleaning the clubhouse in preparation for the big day.

Carissa Hyatt, Social Chair

# Hate to Clean Spend the Weekend Cruising Call Judy to Clean Up Interior 613-766-8607 Email: judy2549@hotmail.ca



#### COLLINS BAY YACHT CLUB—FUN RACE 2011

The second annual CBYC Fun Race took place under sunny skies and light winds during the afternoon after the Commodore's Sailpast. Seven boats participated - a 40% improvement over 2010. By 2025 we should see the whole club out there!!!

The object of a Collins Bay fun race is not winning in the conventional sense but to introduce newcomers, and particularly cruisers and children, to racing in a light-hearted atmosphere. Factors that may or may not adversely affect boat speed are determined for each boat, and for each of these, time credits are assigned based on a highly specialized and complex algorithm. These credits are then added together and the total time deducted from the boat's recorded elapsed time. Only then are the standard PHRF-LO corrections applied to determine the fastest boat to complete the course and win the event

Due to a number of mildly regrettable circumstances, not all of the above was followed in this year's Fun Race but nonetheless a winner was declared and hopefully all boats competing had FUN!

The race, three times around a simple triangular course, was sailed, to say the least, under challenging conditions with a wind that swung around almost 180° during the course of the event, rendering windward legs broad reaches and broad reaches close fetches, and left one mark off Lemoine Pt almost continuously becalmed.

Line honours and 3rd place overall went to Gary Logan sailing his CS33 "Sabrina IV", helmed by granddaughter Sabina, and crewed by other grandchildren and a 4-legged friend.

Second was Paul Jones' CS36 "Three Rivers" who, despite minimal race experience, was talked into competing by the Commodore!. He had his bimini and dodger up, carried an extra anchor (main anchor 65lb with 50 ft of chain), and both an O/B and a BBQ on the stern rail. Admiral Laurie was on the helm over 50% of the time. A great show!

In first place, most richly deserved, and winner of the \$50 Pride Marine gift voucher, was the husband and wife team of Norm and Ina Pothier sailing their Catalina 34 "Cabernet". They also had their bimini and dodger up, had a big 3-bladed prop but their biggest handicap was a 10 ft Zodiac towed along behind. For this they were awarded a 10 min time credit alone.

Congratulations Norm and Ina.

Honorable mention is extended to all other competitors. "Whistler" with its young crew, "Naiad IV" carrying a dinghy on davits and flying an enormous Loyalist flag, "Orgueil" for being possibly the oldest boat in the fleet (if not Naiad) and "Moondance" for having a such brightly attired helmsman. Hat's off to you all!.

Finally, a big vote of thanks to Mike Miles for helping out on the RC boat and looking after all the marks and my wife Sue for helping out in the start sequence and recording all finish times.

See you ALL next year!!

Keith Davies, Race Chair



Photo taken by Mike Miles

#### **OJ & Bubbly Cruise**

It was with trepidation that four CBYC boats circled each other and skippers and crew alike gazed out into the fog. Just a few minutes ago "Pendragon" had emerged from the mist like a scene from Master and Commander proclaiming "You can't see anything out there"!

Leaving the dock at 12 noon the O.J. and Bubbly Cruise had hit a wall of fog at 12:20 at the mouth of Collins Bay. Nervous equipment checks had revealed a number of deficiencies in the fleet. GPS left at home, batteries not charging, main halyard shackle dropped in the lake, beer not yet cold etc. etc. The kinds of things that would not have been a concern



had it not been for the prospect of navigating to Prinyer Cove in the thick mist. It was "Russ II" who finally took the initiative leading the thankful group out into the fog as we clung within close sight of each other in the gloom.



Off Nicholson Point the fog lifted and most of us got out first sight of the North Channel this season. "Pendragon", "Russ II", "Pattio Paul" and "Pipedream" motor-sailed onwards in formation. "Ondine II" was somewhere ahead and out of sight. The sun was out and the wind rose from the South allowing sails to take the strain. At the West end of Amherst Island another plume of vapour off Lake Ontario flowed in and over the twin stacks of the power station making all invisible. "Russ II" circled back out of the mist and once again shepherded the stragglers.

At 15:30 we were all safely docked in a surprisingly busy marina and very shortly afterwards what promised to be a long Happy Hour started.

After the weeks of rain preceding this cruise our evening at Prinyer was miraculously warm and sunny. A perfect and unexpected culmination for the first CBYC outing of the year.



BBQs lit and kebobs sizzled on the shore. Maybe a little short on the green peppers? Dinner was a meat-lovers dream with the biggest and juiciest kebobs known to the Western World

That's how it seemed but then by now a number bottles of beer and wine had been consumed in the evening sunshine. World poverty and various other pressing global issues were solved (again) over dinner and as the sun set, temperatures dropped and bugs rose all retired inside for music and song courtesy of the CBYC singers.



Pat and Lionel and Norma and Dennis had arrived earlier by land and ferry (which is a kind of sailing I guess). Lionel led the band of three and Norma occupied our youngest ("I'm three years old") cruiser (thank you!). I am so happy that I know the words to the Spaghetti and Meatball song now. Kai makes me practice every day.

Sunday morning came late (for us at least) and signaled an early end to the sunny weather. Short but sweet! But there was still time for a leisurely glass of the O.J. and Bubbly which had been so blatantly advertised and which had attracted us to this cruise. As we toasted our luck that the world had apparently not ended the previous evening (smile) Jim produced a second bottle of bubbly (which he had been shamefully holding back on). Smiles all around as a wind from the South grew again, rustled the trees above our heads and promised us a brisk reach all the way home.

And so it was. Another season started.

We want more, much more!

Roger Hallet Pipe Dream



Photos for this article taken by Paul Loyst and Jim Gough



#### CBYC SAILS CROATIA IN 2012

Join us for our 2<sup>nd</sup> information meeting on

Sunday, July 3 at 2:30 pm in the Club House.

#### Plans so far:

Fly to Croatia for 2 weeks of sailing in a flotilla ~ last 2 weeks of September 2012 Four boats have confirmed!

#### **Decisions to be made:**

- With whom do you want to share a boat? Friends of CBYC are welcome.
- What charter company? (Need to consider charter costs + service commitment)
- Group discounts, early bird bookings
- Do we want to add a land tour?

#### Let us know if you are interested:

Contact Marilyn Sykes, Day Dreams (Dock C25) or email: <a href="massykes@magma.ca">mpsykes@magma.ca</a> See you on July 3rd!

#### **NAUTICAL TRIVIA**

#### THE KNOT

At sea we measure a ship's speed in knots. This is one nautical mile per hour which is 1.15 miles per hour or 1.85 kilometres per hour. The term comes from the olden days of sail when a series of knots were tied in a line of rope attached to a chip or log and spaced out at a distance of 47 feet 3 inches. The log was trailed out behind the ship with the knotted rope being paid out over the stern. The number of these knots which ran out while a 28 second sand-glass emptied itself gave the speed of the ship in nautical miles per hour.

Today we have electronic devices located on the ship's hull which measure the ship's speed by the rate of water flowing past it.





# 2011

# Canada Day Cruise ~ with kids & grandkids

#### Thursday, June 30

- Pizza dinner in the Clubhouse
- Music provided by our Kingston Duo / Trio or Quartet

#### Friday, July 1

- Early sail to Kingston Inner Harbour and anchor
- 11:00 am Wear Red & White! Go ashore. Enjoy the waterfront festivities, Canada Day Parade, live music, etc.
- 16:00 hours ~ Happy Hour on Day Dreams! Bring appetizers to share & BYOB
- Special Happy Hour for the kids
- 22:00 hours ~ Watch the fireworks from the best anchorage in town!!



Sign up on the Clubhouse Bulletin Board (After June 10)

Let us know how many are coming!

Costs ~ for pizza and prizes for the kids

~ to be determined

# Cruisers Code to the Thousand Islands

We are now approaching the busiest months of the year for cruising in the Islands. Occasionally cruisers would like to inform friends and fellow members out there on the water that there is a mooring ball or a dock free at one of the Islands knowing full well that the moment the information is communicated on the radio that the free space will be taken. What to do? Going back to the days of our youth we thought it might be fun to develop a code for our Mixer readers and perhaps provide that little extra time for friends to get together.

Island/Anchorage	Code Name
Brakey Bay	Cyrus Keys
Cedar Island	Foresters
Beaurivage	Shore View
Milton	Paradise Point
Lindsay	The Kawarthas
Mulcaster	Castle Cove
Georgina	Ray's Rock
Endymion	Racer's Retreat
Camelot	Brittany
Gordon	Train Station
Downey	Aussie's Anchorage
Leek	Commodore's Cove

## AROUND THE COUNTY+PLUS CRUISE

#### "Come for as long as you can; go as far as you like"

This year, our long distance cruise will revive the Around the County Cruise from years past with the addition of a visit to the lovely town of Cobourg.

The cruise will depart Collins Bay on July 16<sup>th</sup> and finish, weather permitting, on July 21<sup>st</sup>. We will sail the inside passage for three days to Brighton and then out on the lake to Cobourg.

On our cruise we will be anchoring for our first two nights and on the third day (Brighton), cruisers will have the option of reciprocal docking at Presqu'ile Yacht Club, depending on numbers and/or use of the public wharf. Other marina facilities are available.

Cobourg, "Ontario's feel good town" is an easy day sail on Lake Ontario from Presqu'ile Bay. Once again, reciprocal docking at the Cobourg Yacht Club may be possible, depending on numbers. If not, the Cobourg Municipal Marina, which the Yacht Club shares, offers excellent accommodation.

The Cobourg harbour is picturesque and the town has much to offer. The downtown core is only steps away from the harbour with many shops and restaurants to explore. Two places to eat which we might want to choose from are "The Cat and Fiddle" for traditional pub food or the Matterhorn for great Schnitzel dishes among other meals.

There is no cost for this cruise. Each boat will be asked to bring a wrapped "white elephant" prize not to exceed \$15.00. The prizes will be awarded along the way. Anchoring out will include happy hours on the various boats so be prepared.

This is a cruise for any club member with any size boat with any amount of time to invest. If you only have the weekend to spare come for the first night only. If you can make it to Brighton, great! Those who go on to Cobourg have the option of making the 80 kt/m sail back to home waters in one jump or using Presqu'ile Bay as a stop to break the sail home into a two day affair. It's up to you.



Come out and enjoy the great sailing and company. We look forward to seeing you.

A sign up sheet will be on the Clubhouse wall as of the weekend of June 18<sup>th</sup>. If you can indicate how far you think you can go, that would be great. A skippers briefing will be held at 08:30 on Saturday July 16<sup>th</sup>. For further information call Jim or Krys Gough at 613 -821-1378 or email goughroad@aol.com.

Picture of Cobourg Marina from Kiril Strax's photostream on Flickr.com

#### 2011 Reciprocal Program – June, 2011

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

Maximum of 40 clubs

Alexandra YC

Ashbridge's Bay YC

Toronto ON

Toronto ON

Bay of Quinte YC

Belleville ON

Brockport YC

Brockville YC

Brockville YC

Brockville ON

Bronte Harbour YC

Burlington Sailing & Boating Club\*

**Burlington ON** Cathedral Bluffs YC\* 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 **Pickering ON** 

Grimsby YC
Henderson Harbour YC
Highland YC (Bluffers Pk)\*
Kingston YC
Kingston 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

Oakville Yacht Squadron
Oakville ON

Olcott YC
Oswego YC
Oswego NY
Presqu'ile Yacht Club\*
Port Hope YC
Olcott NY
Oswego NY
Brighton ON
Port Hope ON

Port Hope YC
Prince Edward YC
Picton ON
Pultneyville YC
Rochester YC
Royal Canadian YC (The)
Port Hope ON
Picton ON
Pultneyville NY
Rochester NY
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Please refer to the binder in the Clubhouse or the website for the latest updates.



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#### "Touch and Go"

When something is "touch and go" it might or might not happen; it indicates a state of flux, of uncertainty as to the eventual conclusion of a situation...it can be used to describe a perilous or risky situation. This is understandable when we look at the origins of the term. When a ship accidentally ran aground, but was lucky enough to shift off the bottom almost immediately ...without any serious damage she had literally been in a 'touch and go' situation—touching but getting going again. Some sources also point to another old nautical definition of the phrase referring to the activities of a ship heading into port for a brief amount of time before heading straight back out to sea and on to her eventual destination

Excerpt from "Not Enough Room to Swing a Cat" by Martin Robinson, (Naval Institute Press, 2008)



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