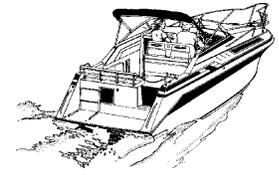


Collins Mixer

Collins Bay Yacht Club Newsletter



Upcoming Events

- **Apr 30**
Coffeehouse
1000 - 1400
- **May 1**
New Website
- **May 7**
Wine 'n Cheese
- **May 7**
Rites of Spring Race
- **May 12**
Spring Race Series
- **May 21**
World Record - PFD's
- **May 21-28**
Safe Boating Week
- **May 21, 22**
OJ & Bubbly Cruise

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From the Commodore

This is almost the best time of the year! The anticipation of another great sailing season. The Leafs are out of the play-offs so we can concentrate on getting the boats ready for launch and all that stuff we bought at the boat show is just waiting to be installed! The only thing that gets better is actually being out on the water and enjoying good weather that I've ordered up for the season.

Some of you folks have sold your last year's boat and bought a new one and anticipation runs really high in those families. I have not heard of anyone buying a Douglas and that is a pity as you will leave yourselves wanting a little more from whatever boat you have bought. There really aren't enough Douglai to go around for everyone so most of you will have to suffer.

The spring calendar has now filled up nicely with racing, social and work

party events. See more information in this addition of The Mixer.

Our website has undergone a major change thanks to Geoff Roulet and Owen Bird. On May 1st, the site will reflect the changes as Owen will pull the switch, so to speak. There will be more user-friendly links to our activities and board members will have access to the site to make changes which should allow information on events to be posted faster. Geoff will have more information in this Mixer.

Soon we will be getting ready to sip wine and eat cheese at our Wine and Cheese kickoff to the season on May 7th and I hope all members will be there especially those wearing their winter sailing t-shirts (see Social article from Carissa). In June we will have our Sailpast and Fun Day which this year will be a bright and sunny day

as opposed to the last two years. Your Fleet Captain, Dave Sansom, has asked for ideas on the "fun" side of things to spice up the day. We currently have the "fun" race involving everyone after the sailpast and the barbeque but it is felt that we need something in addition just to make sure that everyone is exhausted at the end of the day! .

Well, I've been racking my brains trying to think of another boat brand to trash in favour of the fabulous Douglas but I'm really tapped out. Any boat that stays on top of the water rather than under it is an excellent choice for anyone to buy as it gets you out on the water and away from the stress and pressures of life in the 21st century. Just filling the sails for a day trip or motoring into a secluded anchorage for a relaxing night rocking gently while the world goes by is a little bit of heaven on earth.

Fair Winds, Lionel

COLLINS BAY MARINA NEWS

Finally Spring is here!



After launching boats in 2010 on April first, it seems to many that the season is off to a late start but actually we are right on schedule. A typical spring sees us launching the first boats mid-April and this year Prospero and Ray Ocean were the first boats in on April 12. The days are getting warmer and of course by the time you read this it will be May and the launching season will be in full swing!

Premium Fuel \$\$\$

A reminder that the gasoline at our fuel pumps will be premium fuel this season in order to provide you with fuel that is ethanol free. There has been a lot documented on the risks of ethanol fuels and marine engines so after surveying our fuel dock customers the unanimous vote was to avoid the risk and switch to premium. It will cost only pennies more and may save plenty in avoiding unnecessary repairs. Please be cautious when buying fuel at other harbours – ask if their fuel contains ethanol!

Ready Set Inflate!

We participated in the first ever World Record for the most PFDs being inflated at one time across North America last year. It was a worthwhile event – many of those who participated had never actually inflated their PFDs before so after a quick lesson they were ready to test the concept! One participant discovered that her brand new inflatable was damaged and wouldn't inflate at all! After the shock of realizing her PFD wouldn't have saved her in an emergency, she returned the PFD to Mustang who replaced her jacket. This year's event takes place on Saturday May 21 – more details to follow.



Safe Boating Week May 21 – 28, 2011

To get the boating season off to a great start, don't forget to inspect your boat's safety gear. Fire extinguishers should be serviced annually, update your inflatable life jacket's canisters, make sure your flares are all up to date, don't forget to put your tool kits, first aid kits, flashlight, PFDs, sound signalling device, anchors, etc. back on your boat. And don't forget your Pleasure Craft Operator Card! For more information visit www.boatingsafety.gc.ca.



Have a fantastic, safe and fun filled season!

Hub, Miche, Mya and Landon Steenbakkers

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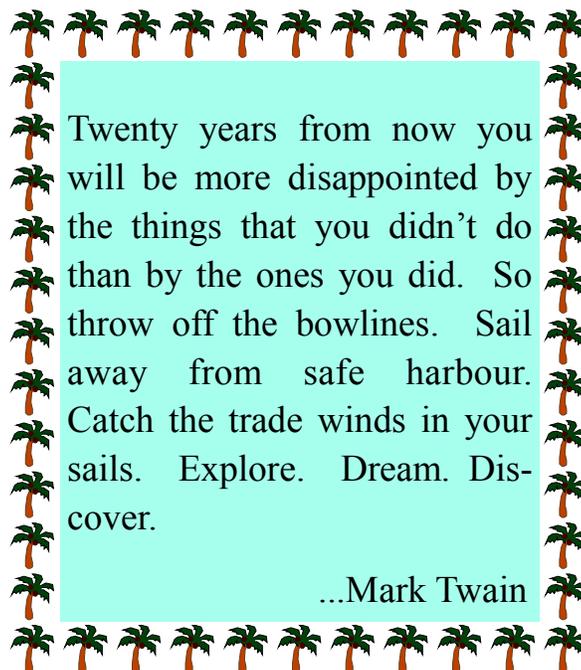
Sailing School

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Social

The warm weather has arrived and the first event of the season is nearly here. The clubhouse is open and we'd like to welcome you back with a Coffee House on April 30th. Join us between 10:00 – 2:00 for baked goods and great company as you catch up on your winter activities. Hopefully the weather will permit boat work in between coffee time. Remember to come wearing your best T-shirts and Tilly hats that show where you have been sailing over the winter. If you would like to volunteer and bring a baked item, please contact Carissa Hyatt social-cbyc@collinsbaymarina.com. New members are encouraged to join us!

Save the date for the 2011 Wine and Cheese on May 7th. This is an evening event that is sure to please as CBYC members toast to another season of sailing fun!



Sailing School Update

Since the last article in January, registrations for the youth programme have been going well with a large number of returning students. We have also accepted a block booking from the navy league for 12 cadets which has boosted early registrations. The Bronze program filled rapidly to the point where we had to turn away students for the earlier sessions.



A quick review of prior years bronze registrations indicated that they are usually filled. So notwithstanding our plan to hold off on boat purchases, and since the Club 420 is the standard boat for Bronze sail, I approached Nepean to see if they had a spare. We also looked into purchasing a new one. In the end after a quick financial review, we bought two, a used one, from Nepean, for a bargain price and a new one which was also discounted. We were able to accommodate the students who we turned away and also to open up new bronze spaces which are again filling. White sail registrations are steady and appear to be ahead of prior years. **One huge disappointment is Adult registrations which are virtually non-existent.**

Adult sailing is a big income boost since the only real cost is for the instructors time and books. So if any friends, co-workers or crew would like to join the adult programme do encourage them please. Contact me 613-881-0199 and I can supply information, brochures and posters!

We were at the leisure showcase at Portsmouth Harbour which is traditionally a major boost for registrations. Thank you to Crystal, Lee, Gary Logan and Dennis Reed for helping man the booth. This year it was only on one Saturday (rather than the entire weekend) and while we took a couple of registrations at the show we have not seen any major further response.

We are having a table in the Cataraqi Mall to promote the School on Saturday April 30 & Sunday May 1. We have team of volunteers to man the booth through the weekend, again thanks to all of you. I have made some posters and an indoor banner on a stand which can be use for future events too. Hopefully this event will spark interest from folk who otherwise would not know the School.

Some of the Hunters and the “Nepean” 429 need some work to ready them for the season. I have some parts on –order and will be asking for help to work on the boats. I appreciate everyone is busy getting their own boats ready but please consider offering a morning in May to help with the school boats.

In parting if you have any thoughts to boost adult registrations please contact me!

Phil Morris

Nautical Fact

Nautical Miles - A Nautical mile is the unit of distance used at sea and it is very different from the standard mile of 1609 meters used on shore. A nautical mile is the distance on the earth’s surface subtended by one minute of latitude at the earth’s centre. If the earth were a perfect sphere, one nautical mile would be equivalent to an arc length of one minute at all places. Because of the earth’s actual shape, the length of the nautical mile varies slightly with latitude, being shorter at the equator and longest at the poles. The length of a standard nautical mile is 1852 meters or 1.15 statute miles.

| DATE | THE EVENT | VOLUNTEER CRUISE CAPTAINS |
|---|---|---|
| May 21st/22nd  | <p align="center">OJ & BUBBLY CRUISE</p> <p>Our 2011 club cruises will kick off with the OJ & Bubbly Cruise to Prinyers Cove. Cost is \$10.00 per person. Sign up sheet on the Bulletin Board at the club house.</p> | Hans Mertins, Moondance |
| June 30th/July 1st  | <p align="center">CANADA DAY CRUISE</p> <p>A cruise that provides a chance to bring the children and grandchildren sailing. The anchorage in Kingston's Inner Harbor offers access to events as well as the best place to enjoy the fireworks. Happy hour for the adults and on-board events for the children.</p> | Marilyn Sykes, Daydreams |
| July 16th-21st  | <p align="center">LONG DISTANCE CRUISE</p> <p>This year we are looking at a cruise to Cobourg by way of the inside passage. Cobourg has a great marina in a lovely setting. The return trip could be a reverse passage or on "the outside". Dates and destination subject to change. Stay tuned for more information.</p> | TBD |
| July 31st/ Aug 2nd  | <p align="center">CIVIC HOLIDAY CRUISE</p> <p>Last year was such a great success that we are pleased to confirm a cruise to Dennis and Norma Reed's home/ anchorage where a great time is part of the address. Later in a manner known only to Dennis and Gary, we shall make our way to Lee and Crystal Baker's home on Hay Bay for more food frolic and good times. Don't miss this one!</p> | Dennis Reed, Innisfree and Gary Logan, Sabrina IV |
| Sept 3rd-5th  | <p align="center">WAUPOOS WEEKEND</p> <p>This is the last distance cruise of the season and is well attended. Hopefully the weather will be kinder than last year! In the past years the cruise has included the Challenge Cup with KYC. Details are still being worked out.</p> | TBD |
| Sept 17th  | <p align="center">FISH AND CHIPS CRUISE</p> <p>The official end to organized Club cruising is our cruise to Confederation Basin with dinner ashore. Even if you put the boat away early you can still sail the land yacht to this event.</p> | TBD |



We are still on the hunt for Volunteer Captains, whether alone, a couple, two couples or a committee. Why not give it a try?

Jim Gough

Racing at CBYC – Join the Thursday Night Fun at an Easy Pace!



Many members of the club have expressed an interest in racing Thursday nights but are a little nervous because it is a new world to them. Well, it really isn't that bad. When you think about it club level racing is just cruising, with attitude.

To make the entry to the racing portion of our sport you can join us in the **Jib and Main (JaM) division**, also known as the **Whitesail fleet**. This group sails without a spinnaker, which means less crew required, less intensity and less work! Also keeps the expense down, especially if you don't have the spinnaker gear. We race slightly separated from the others, and usually sail the same course.

The rules here are not that complex. As noted earlier, racing is just cruising with attitude. So, if you know your basic right-of-way rules (which you have to in order to get your PCOC) then you know the basic rules of racing. Just like cruising,

1. **Port gives way to Starboard**
2. **Windward boat keeps clear of leeward boat**
3. **Overtaking boat keeps clear**

That's it. You have the basics.

Because we are sailing fairly close to each other, there are some provisions for safety where all competitors must give the other boats room to be able to make a safe manoeuvres. It doesn't have to be a lot, just enough to not interfere. This is most apparent at the start and finish, and at defined turning points.

The starting sequence is also pretty simple. A series of flags are displayed giving you a five minute count-down to your start. At the time that all flags are removed, you can cross the start line and go! If you cross the start line before you are allowed to go, you will be told to go back and start again, while your competitors can carry on – in case you haven't guessed yet, you don't want to be that boat.

As you can see, the basics are simple. Do the rules get more complex than this? Absolutely. But to get started, this is more than enough. If you are out there and uncertain, ask. We gather at the clubhouse after racing for a wee bit of social time, so there are many who would be pleased help you learn. After all, the more we have out there the more fun it is!

One more thing. The race results are based on a corrected time, so in order to race you will need a rating. Contact Bill Visser on Whistler (Dock E14) to set one up. You will also need to register to race so we have all of the correct information about you and your boat.

See you out there!

Bill Visser

CBYC Racing 2011

Five new bright yellow racing buoys recently arrived and will soon be in the water awaiting the first race of the season. The schedule will be much the same as in previous years with a few date changes and one new, very significant and true, long distance event.

This race will be a warm-up for the LO300. Over 100 nm out to the Lake Ontario Weather Buoy and back, the Lake Ontario Challenge for the Brule Cup, will be sailed over the Jun 25/26 weekend

The first LD race, the Rites of Spring Race, will be on May 7th so, as soon as the weather warms up, get a move on with your fitting out and launch.

Let's make this another great season. It is not going to be quite the same without the invincible and ever present Black Knight, but new members are joining the club all the time and let's make sure they are warmly welcomed into the racing fleet.



Thursday Night Racing

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|----------------|------------------------------|
| Practice Race: | May 5 |
| Spring Series | May 12 - Jun 16 |
| Summer Series | Jun 23 - Aug 4 |
| Fall Series | Aug 11 - Sep 22 (not Aug 25) |

Weekend Events

| | |
|------------------------|-------------|
| Rites of Spring Race * | May 7 |
| Amherst Island Race | Jun 4 (Sat) |
| Sailpast/Fun Race * | Jun 11 |
| Lake Ont Challenge * | Jun 25/26 |
| Simcoe Island Race | Jul 23 |
| Anniversary/Pigeon Is. | Aug 6/7 |
| Frostbite Chase Race | Oct 1 |

* These races will not count towards Fleet Championship scoring

Keith Davies, Race Chair

Eastern Yachting Circuit Annual Regatta is coming to CBYC in 2012

Yes, it's true! The Eastern Yachting Circuit (EYC) Annual Regatta is coming to CBYC in 2012. For those of you who missed the earlier announcement, it will be held Thursday July 11 through Saturday July 13, 2012.

On the Thursday we will have the distance race, about 25 nautical miles followed by five races over two days on Friday and Saturday. We plan a BBQ each night with the awards and closing ceremonies on Saturday night. We also plan to have a tent on the property so we can bring in a band and have a dance floor going (after all – sailors are known for being adept on their feet).

In order to help run a successful Regatta, as we did in 2004, we will need the help of the club membership in several ways. They are (and you can do more than one):

- ⇒ Participate in the Regatta
- ⇒ Be one of the support team helping run the Regatta. This may include set up before the event and tear down after the event.
- ⇒ If you don't want to be part of this great social activity, plan to go cruising and free up a dock.
- ⇒ The big one – provide me with leads for sponsorship.

That's right. In order to help make this a great event we want to keep the registration fees low for participants. Therefore we need sponsorship support. We will sell naming rights and advertising space to our sponsors to raise funds to cover costs. So, if you have any suggestion on who we might want to connect with I would be more than happy to take the information. Sponsorship will be available from naming rights and exclusive sponsorship for the entire event for which the sponsor will pay all of expenses for the entire regatta down to taking an ad out in our program

I am also looking for people to help form the base organization team – specifically right now I need to set up a marketing team to set the sponsorship packages and help sell them in the future; ; a graphics person to help design the logo and art work and someone who would like to take on the challenge of coordinating the catering. The reason I say challenge is simple because the rules keep changing – what we did in 2004 may not be approved in 2012 under the liquor and food service regulations. Not that there was anything done that was bad in 2004, but rather how things were achieved and technology has changed. And between now and the regatta in 2012 there will be more changes, so it's hard to nail down final details. But, we can plan. I know its a long way off until the Regatta, but if we start now the workload will be a bit less intense.

Hopefully this has provided you with an idea as to what we need, and where you can help. Closer to the event (about a year from now) I will be putting a call out for volunteers to help with the actual running of the event, so stay tuned.

If you have any questions, or wish to volunteer or even provide me with a sponsorship lead, you can email me at bvisser1@cogeco.ca, or drop by my boat (Whistler) on Dock E14 (unless Hub moves me).

Looking forward to a great event!

Bill Visser

Regatta Chair

EYC 2012 at CBYC

EYC - 2012



Diesel Engine Spring Maintenance & Tips



- Check engine air intake, remove oil soaked rag and reconnect (clean) air filter.
- Check exhaust hoses and connections. Remove oil soaked rag from outlet.
- Clean and inspect water intake hoses and connections. Ensure filter is clean then fill filter canister with water and ensure that the through hull valve is open.
- Reinstall water pump impeller...ensure gasket/O ring is in good condition. Inspect impeller for deterioration and cracks on the fins. (Lubricate impeller and fins with Vaseline). Bend fins in proper direction and use a plastic tie-wrap pulled tight to hold in place. This will make it easier to start impeller into pump housing. Once the impeller is half way in the, the tie wrap can be slipped off.
- Check the alternator belt for condition and adjust if necessary.
- Check oil in engine and transmission (most Manufacturers recommend oil change in spring even if you have changed it in the fall.
- **Batteries: Be safe when working on or around batteries. Wear protective gear (face mask, rubber gloves etc).** Top up water level to “O” ring in each cell. (Use distilled water). Charge batteries. Ensure batteries are clean (a damp dirty top will self discharge even if the battery is not connected).
- Ensure that all terminals and connectors, engine starter etc. are clean, before connecting. (Safety). Remember to prevent sparks and arcing, always ensure you connect the negative -- terminal last. When disconnecting it is the opposite, the negative – comes off first.
- It is a good idea to put a light coat of corrosion protection on all terminals. This comes in spray can or use Vaseline.
- Start engine. **If engine doesn't start right away – do not crank too long. This will over heat the starter. The fuel system may need to be bled.**

When engine starts, ensure that water is coming out of the exhaust.

If you need more information talk to Gary Logan on Sabrina IV – dock C12.

Gary Logan

OJ 'n Bubbly Cruise

aka: Mimosa Classic

Saturday/Sunday May 21/22 2011

Destination: Prinyers Cove Marina

Activities: **mimosa, mimosa, mimosa, mimosa, mimosa, mimosa,**

Dock Fees: **\$1.00/ft** for a minimum of 7 boats.
\$1.25/ft if less than 7 boats.



Once again folks let's start off Collins Bay Yacht Club's cruising season by joining in on the fun that can be had with the club's annual OJ'n Bubbly Cruise.

As per the last OJ'n Bubbly cruise the intent is to conduct a skipper's meeting Saturday 10:00 prior to departure. Food will be Kebobs supplied by Bob's Butcher shop, choice of beef, chicken, pork or turkey; and cruiser supplied potluck salads and deserts. The cost: **\$10.00** per person.

The sign-up sheet can be found on the outside bulletin board at the club house. Please indicate your kebob preference when paying at the marina office.

2011 Reciprocal Program – March 10, 2011

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

Maximum of 40 clubs

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|---|------------------------|
| Alexandra YC | Toronto ON |
| Ashbridge's Bay YC | Toronto ON |
| Bay of Quinte YC | Belleville ON |
| Brockport YC | Brockport NY |
| Brockville YC | Brockville ON |
| Bronte Harbour YC | Oakville ON |
| 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 YC | Fairhaven NY |
| Fifty Point YC | Stoney Creek ON |
| Frenchman's Bay YC | Pickering ON |
| Grimsby YC | Grimsby ON |
| Henderson Harbour YC | Manilus NY |
| Highland YC (Bluffers Pk)* | Scarborough ON |
| Kingston YC | Kingston ON |
| Mimico Cruising Club | Etobicoke ON |
| National 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 | Olcott NY |
| Oswego YC | Oswego NY |
| Presqu'ile Yacht Club* | Brighton ON |
| Port Hope YC | Port Hope ON |
| Prince Edward YC | Picton ON |
| Pultneyville YC | Pultneyville NY |
| Rochester YC | Rochester NY |
| Royal Canadian YC (The) | Toronto ON |
| 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 |

Bold* Indicates clubs which have so far extended Reciprocal invitations to CBYC for 2011.

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

New Website for Collins Bay Yacht Club

On May 1 we will be switching over to a new website for the club. The URL will remain the same (<http://collinsbaymarina.com/cbyc/>) but the look and operations of our pages will change. The new site is employing the WordPress content management system, which means that individual executive members can maintain the pages related to the activities in their area of responsibility. The CBYC site is a work in progress and will develop as the season progresses and executive members add content.

In exploring the new website, among the new features you will see are:

- ◆ a **Calendar** with events listed under the categories of; Cruising, Racing, Social, and Club (general). The calendar listings are linked to pages that will hold additional information.
- ◆ a **PDF version** option. Clicking this link will generate PDF version of the page that you can save on your computer or print out for future reference.
- ◆ **RSS Feeds and Twitter**. You can, if you wish, have the website inform you of changes via an RSS link or through your Twitter account.

As we begin this migration to a new site and tools I am sure we will experience some hiccups. Please let me (cbyc@collinsbaymarina.com) know of any errors or problems you see and please bear with us as we deal with these.

Geoff Roulet.

CBYC Webmaster

Fyi....

There is an interesting article about Snake & Salmon Islands by Mary Alice Snetsinger in the Srs Vista Magazine this month. seniors,kingston,ca

Judy Adams will leave a copy in the clubhouse for those who are interested.



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