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Collins Mixer

Collins Bay Yacht Club Newsletter



Commodore's Corner

Well, it has officially been summer since June 21, but it sure doesn't feel like it. Hélène and I have been living on the boat for a couple of weeks now and we still need to use the heater now and then. But that's okay, the positive energy at the marina and yacht club keeps a smile on our faces.

They all told us that life would be busy once we retired. They were right! Getting the boat ready for Sail Past, organizing the Canada Day festivities taking place at the marina as well as the Gananoque weekend cruise, June's issue of the Mixer and offering our help when needed has certainly kept us out of trouble.

Speaking of Sail Past it was our first time participating and I must say, it was quite entertaining seeing the members' enthusiastic and fun-loving spirit. We appreciated all the hoots, toots, waves, smiles, bows, flag waving, and good wishes for a successful club and boating season.

For those of you who can make it, we're looking forward to seeing you on Saturday for a fun-filled day to celebrate our country's 150th birthday. I'd like to take this opportunity to remind you of the **Canada 150 Mayor's Sail Past** on Saturday. You'll find the details on page 17 of the May issue of Mixer.

For those of us who spend a lot of time living on our boats at the marina and are interested, a number of social lawn games are now available at the marina office which can be signed out by members to be played on the lawns of our lovely marina. These include a 6 person croquet set, a 4 person badminton set/volleyball kit and an 8 person bocce ball set (click on links for instructions on how to play these games - as for badminton, just keep whacking the feathery thingy to the person on the other side of the net and try not to miss).

Finally, if you've paid your CBYC membership fees dues for 2017, please drop by the office to pick up a Sail Canada 2017 Member Card.

I must sign off now as retirement work is calling. Happy Canada Day everyone, wherever you'll be!

Cheers,
Peter Feltham (Cattitude)
Commodore, Collins Bay Yacht Club

From the Helm

Here are the great dock hands who will be working at the marina this summer. Make sure you say hi! They are the wonderful students who are part of the great CBM staff! They help make the grounds and facilities the best they can be, and always with a smile.

All CBM staff are trained in first aid and CPR. If you need anything feel free to ask!

Have a wonderful summer!

Collins Bay Marina management and staff



Hi! I'm Brendan or *Night Hawk* for short. This is my first year at the marina and I'm super excited to see what this summer has in store. If you're ever looking for me, I'm the 6'3" crazy buff guy.

Hello all, my name is Brianna and this will be my 2nd year at the marina. I'm best known for my hatred of birds and ultimate fear of fish. I've been told that it's best to face your fears, so naturally this is the perfect job for me. Feel free to come strike up a conversation with me. You won't be disappointed! Have a great season!





Hi, I'm Jonny! You could say I'm the baby of the crew, even though I'm not the youngest or the smallest - it's strictly based on personality. I move the fastest when I see bees or wasps. But don't worry, I'm not allergic. Keep this in mind as a threat if you'd like me to move at a fast past. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone again and I wish you all a great boating season!

Greetings! I'm Kendal, and if you can't see me, then just look down. This is my 3rd year working at the marina, so naturally I'm #1 in the power rankings. You can see me anywhere from the fuel dock to trying to get rope out of the blades of the lawn mower. If you hear the sounds of a 13 year old boy's voice crack, no it's not Jonny running from a wasp, it's just me singing my heart out! Feel free to say hi. I'm super friendly and nice to talk to. Looking forward to seeing you all.





Hey, I'm Matt and this is my 2nd year working at the marina. If you're not sure who I am, I'm probably singing, making small talk, or you can just look for the most burnt CBM worker out in the yard. When I'm not attempting to crack the old joke, I'm probably driving the lawn mower into the garden. Every day is a beautiful day at Collins Bay Marina and I'm excited to be back for another year to get my burn on.

Surprised to see the dock hands share this level of honesty and vulnerability about themselves with you? The reason is that this fun-loving bunch delegated to one of their workmates the task of writing a bio about them. Great sense of humour! It certainly gives us good material for interesting conversations.

COME CELEBRATE CANADA'S 150TH BIRTHDAY AT COLLINS BAY MARINA



WEAR RED AND WHITE

Bring your smile, laughter, lawn chairs and drinks

Family and friends are welcome

Play Canadian trivia and other games

Potluck happy hour



Join us for a BBQ

(free for CBYC members; \$5 per guest) Hotdogs, Burgers, Sausages, Salads, Cake

Crafters, bring your creations and set up a table

Stay for music and dance in the evening

We're hoping that you'll join us!



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Learn More About CBYC's 2017 Organized Cruises

The activities for this season's organized cruises are quickly coming together. For up-to-date information on itineraries, click on **Cruising** on the <u>CBYC website</u>. You'll also find details on how to sign up.

This summer includes a great line-up of cruises full of opportunities to share experiences with other CBYC members, discover new anchorages, and hone your sailing skills. The themes and informal activities for each cruise also make these events a lot of fun!

For more information, contact the volunteer captains or me at cruise@collinsbayyachtclub.ca.

Robert Mackey, Cruise Director



Attention Weekend Cruisers

The Weekend Anchorages email group is intended to allow CBYC weekend cruisers to share information on choice weekend destinations east and west of Collins Bay. Posts based on the recommendations of some of CBYC's most seasoned boaters are made every Friday morning throughout the summer.

All CBYC members are welcome to join the Weekend Anchorages email group. To do so, email cruise@collinsbayyachtclub.ca and type in the subject line: Weekend anchorages - sign me up!

Robert Mackey, Cruise Director





WAUPOOS CRUISE

Labor Day Week-End (September 2 – 4, 2017)

We'll have the marina to ourselves, along with Waupoos members!

Saturday, September 2

Sail to Waupoos Marina (\$1.25 per foot w/power)

6 p.m. Hors d'œuvres & BYOB

7 p.m. Pig roast dinner (vegetarian option: lasagna)

Sunday, September 3

9 a.m. Pancake breakfast w/sausage, home fries, blueberries (if available),

juice, coffee, tea

Explore local restaurants pubs (e.g. County Cider Co., Waupoos Market Pub Eatery, Waupoos Winery, Cressy Mustard Co.)

7 p.m. Potluck dinner & BYOB (bring a dish or dessert to serve 8)

Monday, September 4

Return to Collins Bay Marina at your leisure

Cost: \$34 (catered dinner, including tax & tip)

\$6 (breakfast)

Moondance Challenge: Keep track of your return time to Collins Bay on Monday and send it in to Hans Mertins @ hwmertins@gmail.com.

Cruise Organizers: Don Tardio and Patricia Mills (Seabatical); dontardio38@gmail.com

Sign up at the Office by Monday August 28th.



WAUPOOS CRUISE

Labor Day Week-End (September 2 – 4, 2017)

Menu

Saturday, September 2

6 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres & BYOB

Veggies and dip

Cheese tray with cured meats, assorted crackers and toasts

Goat cheese with pepper jellies

Non-alcoholic punch

7 p.m. Catered Dinner

Caesar salad with homemade dressing

Whole pig on a spit cooked over charcoal OR vegetarian lasagna

Garlic mashed potatoes

Carrots with grilled vegetables

Local corn on the cob

Trifle served in glasses

Bread rolls

Coffee / tea

Sunday, September 3

9 a.m. Breakfast

Pancake w/sausage and local blueberries (if available)

Home fries

Orange juice

Coffee / tea

7 p.m. Dinner & BYOB

Potluck dinner (bring a dish or dessert to serve 8)

Wavelength-Topmast Cup

We are pleased to donate the Wavelength - Topmast Cup to Collins Bay Yacht Club. The award is to be presented, on an annual basis, to the member who displays exemplary safety and seamanship throughout the season. The cup can be presented to any member and is not specifically aligned with racing or cruising or sail or power.

For 2017, we will organize a man overboard competition for sailboats, with marks for time to recover and (low) speed of boat at recovery. In subsequent years, other options for competitions, such as rope tying, will be organized.

In the event that a competition is not organized, the Fleet Captain will be responsible for identifying a recipient.

Phil Morris, Wavelength Sailing School Fintan Harnett, Topmast Maritime Training





Cup was donated to the CYBC by Phil Morris (right) on behalf of Wavelength and Topmast and it was accepted by this year's Commodore, Peter Feltham on behalf of the club (left)

CBYC Wine and Cheese (AKA Rubber Boots Party)

You may remember that in last month's issue Shelley Nickerson of Panacea wrote "The most prominent feature of the evening was the various styles of rubber boots: Wellingtons, bright yellow, red or purple boots and of course the more popular Gill white and blue boots. Those who wore "shorties" were in for a soaker but those with no boots had to rely on valiant partners or friends to piggyback them through the water to dry land." Well, here is the proof in photos (photo credit: Jean White).







On June 10, 2017 we had our annual pancake breakfast. Many members drifted into the clubhouse as the smell of bacon wafted through the marina. The event was well attended and fueled many racers who were participating in the Amherst Island Race, as well as members who wanted to take advantage of not having to cook breakfast that morning. A big thank you to Sylvie Desmeules, Ghislain Trudel and Raglyn Mackey who volunteered their time.

Your Friendly Neighbourhood Social Director, Leigh Marsalekova





Leigh purchased these beautiful flowers which served as centrepieces (see photo above). Thank you Leigh for always thinking of the "little extras". We really appreciate your efforts!

Kind Reminder

Members and guests are reminded to <u>not leave any food in the clubhouse</u> as it attracts unwanted visitors. Racoons recently damaged the door screens to gain access to the clubhouse and left behind a dirty mess made while helping themselves to food that had been left behind in the garbage can. This unexpected visit has:

- incurred costs to the club for replacement screening material;
- someone's time to research local suppliers and to arrange for repair; and
- someone's time to clean up the mess in the clubhouse.

Therefore, to avoid such incidents, we ask clubhouse users to dispose of their garbage in the marina's garbage cans located across from the clubhouse in the parking lot.

As well, when using the BBQs, it is important to not only turn off the burners <u>but also</u> the gas tank(s).

Thanking you for your understanding and usual cooperation.





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Sail Past

Sail Past was a full day of activities - Sail Past itself, boat safety check, Sailing School Open House, locker sale, and BBQ.

Sail Past

Great news! Every boat passed the "review of the fleet". (The review couldn't be too harsh seeing that the Commodore's own boat didn't yet have a main sail.

Here are the Sail Past prize winners:

DREAM HAZE - MOST CREATIVE CREW

Dream Haze Challenge

Sail Past has been an annual event to bring our family together and they put great effort into being as original and artistic as possible. The chief architect is my daughter Diana and her children Emily and Andrew. They develop the concept and tell my wife Janet, son Mark, me - Capt'n Salty what to do, when, and how - all except how to sail the boat, that's where I still am the skipper.

We have been successful in persuading the Commodore to award us a prize for several years and hope to be competitive in continuing years. But we also wish to encourage other crews to celebrate Sail Past with their concepts of entertainment, while showing respect to the Commodore and the club.

I must say that we were impressed to see the Commodore and first mate in Viking garb. They may have possibly surpassed our own effort Maybe we can duke it out again next year.

Skipper Dave, Capt'n Salty, Dave Sansom & Crew









TINGIRRAUTALIK - MOST CREATIVE (read threatening) SALUTE



Special recognition goes out to Sabrina IV



ENTRE AMIS II - BEST DRESSED BOAT (AND CREW)



... and to Bay Breeze (what you don't hear is <u>Ride of the Valkyries</u> blaring as they sailed by)



Boat Safety Check

Several members took advantage of a free boat safety check offered by volunteers of the Kingston **Power and Sail Squadron**, including our own Sailing School Director, Richard Dickson.



FREE RECREATIONAL VESSEL
COURTESY CHECK & 10% DISCOUNT
AT MARINE OUTFITTERS

Interested in having a free Recreational Vessel Courtesy Check (RVCC)? This can be arranged directly through the Kingston Power and Sail Squadron or through our own Sailing School Director, Richard Dickson at schooldirector@collinsbayyachtclub.ca.

Marine Outfitters will honour a 10% discount on any safety equipment found to be deficient up to 1 week after the courtesy check.

Locker Sale

One person's junk is another's treasure.





Sailing School Open House





BBQ







Sail Past 2017 was a great success! Thanks go out to our fleet captain Angus Ferguson (*Pandion*), all those who helped stage this annual event as well as all of the participants. Thank you everyone!

Link for more photos of Sail Past 2017

Maurice Smith's Dedication Has Been Recognized!

Dedicated to heritage



Sunday, June 18, 2017 5:41:55 EDT PM



Ongratulations to Maurice Smith (*Presto*) for being this year's recipient of the *Ontario Historical Society's Carnochan Award*! This award is presented to an individual you has contributed many years of service to the heritage community. Click here for the full story.

If you don't recognize Maurice in the photo above, you may in the photos below.





Lori Buzzi, Collins Bay Marina

CONGRATULATIONS SUE AND KEITH!







The Davies Family (I to r - Julie, Tristan, Michael, Laurel, Sue and Keith)

(You may remember Keith from last month's issue on page 20.)



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What Should You Do?

We had an interesting experience sailing in the Adolphus Reach a couple of weeks ago. We were returning to Collins Bay after a lovely evening in Kerr Bay (incidentally, the water is still quite high there, no surprise – but it was odd to see the shoreline without the usual deer browse line!)

As we neared the Brothers Islands we could see something floating in the water. We decided to have a look (carefully watching the depth). As we got closer, we could see that it was a semi-submerged boat. Approaching with trepidation (not really wanting to find anything), we discovered a 10 ft. skiff. It had neither rudder nor tiller and no engine and seemed to be just drifting. There was a New York registration on the bow, so we assumed this was a boat that had drifted from the States in a recent storm.



So what do you do when you find a boat? Should we become salvagers?

We decided to phone the Canadian Coast Guard, better reception and a bit more private than using the radio. They asked for our latitude and longitude, a description and the registration number. We were then passed to Trenton Search and Rescue. They told us that they would be contacting the OPP to see if anyone was missing. Then they asked us to send them information and a picture of the boat.

Al deftly maneuvered to the skiff and attached a tow-line. We did not want to leave the boat drifting, as it was a hazard to navigation. With our prize behind us, we made our way to the fuel dock at Collins Bay Marina. The able bodied staff helped us to pull the boat onto the dock and dump the water out. We took a photo on our phone and sent it to the Search and Rescue.

So, the skiff is still at Collins Bay waiting to see if an owner has been found. At this point we have not heard from the Coast Guard again.

We now have experience towing a half-submerged boat. Interestingly, we had to be very careful not to allow the skiff to swing into Commotion and damage our hull. Other people find 41' yachts abandoned upon the high seas, we find a 10' skiff, oh well!

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Al and Christina MacLachlan (Commotion)

F Dock Reunion

Several years ago, F Dock had its own little culture. We named F Dock the **FUN** dock (because it certainly was!) and even had our own t-shirts (designed and embroidered by Chuck Jones of Xtasea Tu - see photo to the right).

The current Commodore was known as the **Mayor of Dock** back then for his ability to bring everyone together and for being the go-to person for any type of boat trouble.

F Dock was in a very real sense, the envy of many fellow boaters, despite the fact that they occupied more prestigious locations at the marina. The reason was the very evident comradeship which prevailed on our dock (boaters from other docks often made reference to this on their visits down to "F").

Though there were weeds to contend with, a longer walk to the washrooms, and a "not so pretty view" of the work yard, it was a small price to pay to sustain the wonderful companionship we enjoyed on the dock.

The F Dockers rocked! The friendliest, most helpful bunch ever - always with a smile and a laugh - whether it was to get help to push off the dock or to tie down upon returning from a sail; helping with boat challenges or projects. Weekends and vacations were about happy hour, shared meals, lots of wine (of course), cruises, laughs and stories of our

F dock



(From l to r): Chuck and Eleanor Jones (Xtasea Tu); Gord and Anne Harris (Serendipity); Diane and Gerry Doucet (Thyme Off); Darlene and Bill Amirault (formerly Sybarite/now Aslan); Peter Feltham (formerly Sumfun/now Cattitude); Elizabeth Scott (Melina/now Windwood); and Art and Barb McKay (formerly Lion's Den and Long Gone)

adventures (some good ... some not so good). Often a whole gang, 20 to 30 at times, would go to RAXX for rib night.



Larry and Gail Graham (Oriana)



Barb and Art MacKay

But, for a variety of reasons, many have since gone their own way — some purchased bigger boats and sadly no longer fit on F Dock, some got out of boating for new adventures, while others are boating elsewhere. However, many of us have to this day remained good friends and have managed to keep in touch, sharing new stories, great meals, but fewer bottles of wine it seems. Those who can, still occasionally meet up at RAXX on Thursdays.

On June 22, seventeen of the original group were able to make it to the **F Dock Reunion** (at RAXX on rib night, of course). More had wanted to be there, but life being what it is, they had to send their regrets. On the plus side, Mel Rundel, who took very good care of our boats during that period of time, did join us for the evening, accompanied by his lovely wife Elizabeth.

The reunion was a great success! Just like old times, we laughed, shared stories and enjoyed each other's company. The best outcome of the F Dock experience is that we all make great efforts to reunite. This alone says it all.

Thank you Diane for having organized this wonderful evening for us all!

Combined contribution by: Leo Crowley, Diane Doucet, Elizabeth Scott, Chuck Jones and Hélène Hubert



Leo and Faith Crowley (formerly Savannah)



Darlene and Bill Amirault; Diane Doucet



Executive Team 2017



Hi - I'm Phil Morris, Vice Commodore. I joined the club in 1997 when I brought my DS16 to Collins Bay and after only a year was roped in by Bill Learnmonth to help with Membership. After this I became the newsletter editor, Webmaster, Vice Commodore, Commodore (2 years), Past commodore, Fleet Captain and, after a year hiatus, Sailing School Director. As one of my fellow executive members said, "Couldn't keep a job down, huh?". Having escaped again for a couple of years I came back into the executive this year as Vice Commodore (again).

I started sailing dinghies in the UK on reservoirs and, for a while, also took up rowing in 8's. I quickly realized these on-water sports were far too energetic for me and began sailing a small 17' UK self-built keelboat - a Lysander named "Fur Elise". I say "sailing", but most of the time it was motoring on the English Canals, since there were no decent bodies of water nearby.

When I left the UK for Japan in 1979, with a young family and a demanding job, I didn't have much time for sailing and it was only when we came to Canada from the US in 1986 that I took up sailing again with the DS, an O'Day 25 "Second Wind" and now the CS 30 "Wavelength". After getting caught in fluky winds off of Lemoine Point and scaring my crew, not to mention myself, I pretty quickly realized I needed some serious training and took a number of Sail Canada courses.

In 2001, I became a Basic Instructor and worked my way up to Advanced Instructor and continued on to become a Sail Canada Instructor Evaluator, and by 2010 a Senior Instructor Evaluator.

Since 2001, I have taught over 110 student courses, 15 Instructor Clinics and 1 Instructor Evaluator Clinic. In between times, I have managed to go sailing in the Caribbean, Georgian Bay and the North Channel and have done a couple of offshore boat deliveries.

I retired (early) from my "real" work as a Director of R&D for Alcan Aluminum) in 2006 and have been teaching semi-full time and writing material for Sail Canada since. Does that make it eleven years? I must be getting old!

See you on the water or on the dock!

Phil Marris



Phil Morris, Vice Commodore (Wavelength)

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