

COLLINS BAY MARINA NEWSLETTER

2018

It is finally on its way!

As announced last season (after hitting some delays) we are excited to announce that we have been working with Bell and Fibe is here! We will definitely have updated Wi-Fi starting this spring! As well, we will be upgrading the service to the docks, which will allow you a better, stronger connection to get those important emails! Better late than never!

With Thanks.....

Once again this year we are offering our seasonal custom**ers'** tickets to the Toronto International Boat Show being held January 12 – 21, 2018 at the Enercare Place, Exhibition Place. We hope you enjoy the show and all the wonderful vendors! This show is always a great place to connect with fellow boaters and gives us hope that spring is not far away!

<u>Winter Projects &</u> <u>Improvements</u>

Gerry, Dave and James have been working hard since fall haul out and winter close up. The crew have been repairing docks and will be working in the washrooms doing some beautiful upgrades! Thanks to the great crew for all their hard work keeping our marina the best it can be!

Spring Launch

The launch calendar is now on our website. Please call the office or send in your request as the dates fill up quickly and to avoid

disappointment. We are scheduled to begin launch on April 18th, weather permitting! The start of a new boating season is always a good time. Come early, be prepared and enjoy the day. It is a good time to renew old friendships and make new ones.

Convenient payments

You now have the opportunity to pay your bills electronically via e-transfer or you can set up automatic bill payment with the office. These options are now in place to make payments easy for you. See Lori for more information or to set this up.

First Aid

All of the crew, dock hands and management are First Aid/CPR trained. If there are any problems, please see any of the staff. The office also has an Epi Pen for use in emergencies. There are 2 AED machines at the marina, one at the washroom building and one at the clubhouse on D dock

<u>Clean Marine</u> <u>Environment/Outside</u> <u>Contractors</u>

The Marina is a proud diamond rated Clean Marine Facility. We offer recycling for plastic/glass, cardboard, used oil, antifreeze, lead/acid batteries. We provide this service free of charge, but it is important that you hand the material to one of the staff and do not leave it next to the garbage where it can be spilled and cause and environmental hazard. Outside contractors are responsible for their own waste/recycling disposal. We allow outside contractors to work onsite at the marina, but they must report to the office and show their insurance and WSIB qualifications. If you are not sure who to use, please see the office for a referral

Summer Events

Collins Bay Yacht Club hosts many great events throughout the season (as well as the off season) While it is not mandatory as a marina customer to join the yacht club, we highly recommend joining in on the fun and community! There are many races, cruises, **children's sailing school as well as bbq's and wine** and cheese events to be a part of! See <u>www.CollinsBayMarina.com/CBYC</u> for more information.

The City of Kingston hosts many great events such as the Canada Day Parade on the water and fireworks, the annual Christmas parade and so much more! See <u>www.ygkevents.com</u> for more information and to plan your time while at the marina!

Games, Books and more

Thanks to a generous donation by our Commodore and first mate-Peter and Helen, there are a number of outside toys available for everyone! We have a croquet set, badminton set and bocce ball! Drop by the office to sign them out and enjoy! The marina office also hosts a small lending library. Feel free to borrow or lend a book!

Website/Social Media

Are you a new boater? Check out www.CollinsBayMarina.com for our "New Boater" page which has many great tips and links to help you while you are learning the "ropes" The marina is also on Facebook, please check often to see different events being offered and news and updates throughout the season. For those of you who can't be at the marina, especially during the winter, we have a web cam which allows you to check on your boat, the weather or just enjoy a view of the bay. The link for the webcam is at the top of the website home page.

We wish you all a wonderful 2018 spending time on the water and enjoying the peace that it brings

