

Collins Bay Yacht Club Newsletter

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2025 Membership March 15

April 14 CBM 1st Launch

May 1 Racing Meeting

?? New Mixer Editor Introduction

IN THIS ISSUE

We need a Mixer Editor

to deliver important and

exciting information to

our membership.

2025 CBYC Season

I'm honoured to be your new 2025 Collins Bay Yacht Club Commodore.

Welcome our new Board of Directors: Glenn Reid, Commodore Sylvain Lachance, Vice Commodore, Liz Taylor-Reid, Secretary, Bob Schaefer, Treasurer Dave Nickerson, Sailing School Director

Welcome to all of our amazing Captains who make CBYC such a great yacht club.

We are in need of a Mixer editor, if someone could volunteer to help out ASAP that would be appreciated.

My wife Liz and I have loved being members here for 13 years and we've been Clubhouse, Race and Social Captains for several years participating in making our club successful.

As your new Commodore my wish is to see our club grow more in every aspect

from cruising to racing and getting everyone to participate in our social events and cruises and have a good time. Let's all together make CBYC a vibrant place to enjoy our favourite pastime.

Feel free to email me if you have any suggestions on making our club even better.

I'd like to wish you and your family the very best for a Happy & Healthy New Year.

Cheers Glenn Reid <u>Commodore</u>



Do you have an article, a regular column, a recipe, boat porn or a comment to share? Your contributions and input are welcome, a beer for the first to email mixer@collinsbayyachtclub.ca



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From the Helm

HAPPY NEW YEAR from all of us at CBM!!

The 2025 summer confirmation mail outs have been sent out! The deadline is before January 31st. If you won't require a slip for the upcoming season, let us know so others on the wait list can make their plans.

As a gift to you, we have included free passes to the Toronto Boat Show! Enjoy the show. Launch begins Monday April 14th! The calendar is on the website, so have a look and let the office know your preferred date. We ask that you choose your launch date within the calendar as that is when we have the full complement of crane crew. If you have any questions, call or email Lori. We look forward to seeing you soon!

Gerry and Lori

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Live Google <u>CBYC Calendar</u> with overlays for:

Cruise, Fleet, Race, Social and Sailing School





Race

Attention All Sailors

If you are interested in racing or being part of a crew or in learning about racing:

Come out on **Thursday May 1st** @ 6:00pm to our CBYC Clubhouse the SS Maria

- Potential sail measuring opportunity for new PRHF applications
- Meet new and returning sailors
- Find crew or a Captain for crewing opportunities
- Share tips for racing your boat
- Club membership forms will be available
- Racing forms and paying our racing dues above the membership
- General discussion of the 2025 season
- Talk about EYC 2025
- Recruitment for the PRHF-3 (Non Flying Sail) fleet

Looking forward to seeing you all

Mark Sansom Dream Haze Race Captain COBR PHRF-LO





EYC 2025

The Eastern Yachting Circuit (EYC) 2025 Annual Regatta will be hosted by Collins Bay Yacht Club

July 10 – 14, 2025

As with our previous opportunities to host the event, this is shaping up to be a fun filled weekend for everyone, while showcasing Collins Bay to the rest of the lake. Working in partnership with the Marina, we will remind everyone what a great place we are to visit, as well as what a fun club we are!

Our immediate need is for people to help with the detailed organising plan in the roles outlined below. We are also looking for sponsorship leads. If you (or someone you know) should be added to our potential sponsor list, we want to know! The final sponsorship package Is being finalised as you read this so we will be reaching out soon!

- Bookkeeper working with the Club Treasurer, supervise the financial activities for the event. This would include establishing how financial transactions will be managed. The intent is that this will be a electronic process, so there is not physical cash handling involved.
- Registrar this position will

be most active as the event comes closer. They will be receiving entries (including entry fees) for the event. This position will also work closely with the EYC2025 Bookkeeper.

- Infrastructure working with the marina and suppliers, supervise the installation of the tent and washroom facilities, as well as any connections (electrical) necessary.
- Social working with the marina and suppliers (we are subcontracting our Food and Beverage operation) ensure that we have a fun time the evenings of the event (Wednesday through Saturday).
- Communications working with the Club Webmaster, keep our website up to date as well as any social media announcements.
- Safety Working with the marina and local emergency services, develop and Safety plan and protocols (which hopefully will never actually be needed).
- Event promoters! we need people who will be able to help promote the event locally as we search for sponsorship.

There will be also opportunities to join these teams as well as actual "worker bee" positions at the event (Cleanup; Traffic control; Mooring assist to name a few) and we hope that you will be able to lend a hand there.

Please contact to be a part of the growing team.

Bill Visser EYC 2025 Regatta Coordinator

2025 Cruising

A minimum of three cruises are planned this year:

1) an "escape cruise", either 8 or 9 to the 13th July, to help free slips for EYC. We are planning a 'Round the County" cruise, leaving CBM 1000, after a Skippers' Meeting.

Given the time of year, we suggest North Channel/Adolphus Reach/

Glen Island/Long Reach/ Grassy Point/Big Bay/ SandyCove or Leggatt's Cove/Murray Canal/ Wellington or Nicholson Island/Little Bluff or Waupoos West/Wemps Bay/CBM.

Like all cruises, this would have a choice of flotilla or solo, and each afternoon would feature sundowners/happy hour.

2) Civic Holiday/Sir John Graves Simcoe Day: Points east. 3) Labour Day: Points west.

Hope you can join all three (two?!) (just one?!). The word "none" has just been banned from CBYC's vocabulary!

Cheers,

Peter MacKinnon Cruise Captain



Membership

Join us as a member of the Collins Bay Yacht Club

The Collins Bay Yacht Club (CBYC) is a social club formed by patrons of Collins Bay Marina. An active group of sail and power boaters with a strong foundation of camaraderie and community, the Club organizes many activities both on and off the water:

- An introductory wine & cheese/ Annual Sail Past (May 31, 2025)
- Socials dinner events, potlucks, barbeques, coffee houses, parties (cheers!)
- Cruises (discover Lake Ontario with fellow CBYC members)
- Course racing on Thursday nights (if interested of course!)
- * Long distance races (for the brave ones!)
- A first-class sail training program for both kids and adults
- * The use of our floating club house (S.S. Maria) (relax)
- Drop in game nights (euchre, cribbage, backgammon ...,)
- * Awards Banquet (Let's party!)
- * A warm, welcoming community

To learn more on our <u>membership page</u> and/or contact me directly.

See you soon, Lisa Harvey <u>Membership Captain</u>

Reciprocals and CBYC Membership

One of the many benefits of being a full member of the Collins Bay Yacht Club (CBYC) is that you can take part in a long-standing reciprocal tradition with a community of Yacht Clubs that share their facilities with members from other clubs. It is your opportunity to visit and enjoy these reciprocal privileges at other yacht clubs around the lake and St. Lawrence River. Cruise in or simply drop in to visit these clubs.

How Reciprocity Works

When a member of a yacht club visits another club that has a reciprocal agreement with their home club, they are allowed to use the facilities of the visiting club. This includes access to docks, clubhouses, and other recreational amenities. This practice is common among yacht clubs, and it allows members to enjoy yachting activities even when they are far from their home club.

Reciprocal Agreement

Reciprocal agreements may differ slightly at each yacht club. Some offer one free night of docking; others charge for the first night and offer a free second night of docking. There are many different reciprocal agreements. Check with the yacht club you are visiting.

Remember, you must present your current membership card, and it is common practice to fly your club burgee.

IMPORTANT: Reciprocal slips At Collins Bay Marina, reciprocity is available to visiting members of reciprocating clubs in the vacant slips of signed out CBYC members.

All CBYC members are therefore asked to radio Collins Bay Marina (VHF channel 68) sharing when your slip will be vacant. These vacant slips are offered to visiting members of reciprocal clubs.

Reciprocity needs your participation! Reciprocity will occur if space is available. CBYC participates in reciprocal arrangements with the following <u>clubs</u>.

CBYC Reciprocal and anchorage map:

Welcome

Please take the time to welcome our reciprocity visitors!

Kind regards,

Lisa Harvey Membership Captain



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Sailing School

From the Sailing School CANSail 1-4 will be offered again this sail training season.

On-line registrations were opened 17 January 2025 and we already have 30+ registrations of the approximately 112 available over the 4 sessions. We have elected to increase the fees for 2025 this year to cover the increasing expenses including instructor/ coaches wage increases as well as inflationary pressures on SS equipment, supplies and other operating expenses.

Andrew Hope working on an application for Ontario Trillium Foundation grant funds to update the aging fleet of 420 sailing dinghies and a replacement coach boat

asset. This application requires CBYC Board Approval and submission by early March to be considered for this year's grant cycle. End of Season BBQ/CANSail

Other key dates on this year's SS tation – August 24, 2025 calendar include:

Session 1 – June 30 to July 11 Session 2 – July 14 to July 25 Session 3 – July 28 to Aug 8 Session 4 – Aug 11 to Aug 22

End of Season Two Generation Regatta – August 23, 2025

Certificates and Awards Presen-

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Andrew Hope and David Nickerson

Sailing School Directors



CBYC Sailing School

Blue Recycle Barrels

Where do I put my empty beer cans?

Where do I put my empty wine and liquor bottles?

No doubt you have seen the big blue plastic barrels labelled "CBYC Sailing School Bottles for Beer Store" at the marina beside the green recycle bins.

No doubt you have heard the weekly clinking of bottles as CBYC volunteers turn over these blue bins and sort wine, liquor and beer bottles from cans.

No doubt you have thought: "Why are they doing that?"

Great question! "THEY" are doing that to raise money for our CBYC Sailing School. Over the past seven years (minus one year of no bottle collection due to the pandemic), this wine/liquor/beer bottle and can sorting has been exchanged at the Beer Store for **\$6584.55!**

Barry Elvidge was the person who first began collecting "empties" after a casual conversation with the School Director approximately 15 years ago. Barry was the "behind the scenes" volunteer for many years doing the collecting, sorting and delivering the trailer loaded with bottles and cans to the Beer Store. He handed the job over to Jean & Bob White who coordinated the weekly collection with a roster of volunteers and then completed the weekly or biweekly run to the Beer Store. The coordination of the weekly collection in recent years has been undertaken by Shelley Nickerson, Bill Amirault and Larry Graham. Jean & Bob have continued to do most of the dropoffs at the Beer Store and handing over the cash obtained to the Sailing School Administrator.

Many CBYC members have taken their turns at emptying the barrels and sorting the bottles and cans. As you can appreciate, the barrels fill up after each weekend, so collection is typically completed on a Monday or Tuesday. There are clear directions as to how to sort the bottles, gloves to wear to protect your hands and a customized cart ready to transport the cans and bottles.

It only takes 1-2 hours a week and an ability to sort by colours AND count to 100. Why 100 you ask? This number of beer cans in a transparent bag yields \$10.00!

As last year's coordinator, Larry,

has moved into the Operations Manager position with the Sailing School, we are looking for a coordinator who will build a schedule of volunteers for this summer.

Would you consider coordinating this fund-raising activity?

Would you volunteer for one week this summer?

Would please join the racers and/or cruisers in drinking a qualifying beverage to contribute to the cause?

Thank you to all who sorted the cans and bottles last summer – the Beer Store reimbursement was \$1218.45!

Submitted by

Claudia Stevenson,

Club Historian

Darlene Amirault,

Sailing School Administrator



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Former CBYC Member: Donna Barnett



Donna Barnett and her husband, Allen Chapman, came to Collins Bay Marina when they bought a Douglas 32, *Naiad IV*, from its previous owners on C dock. They joined CBYC and participated in many events in Kingston as well as the Ottawa winter cruise.

Donna travelled extensively and published many books from her travels. She served as an officer in the Royal Canadian Navy (Reserve) for 36 years and retired at the rank of Lieutenant Commander.

Donna and Allen loved to sail and after they sold *Naiad IV*, they bought *Isabella II*, a Shannon. They sailed her on Lake Ontario while they prepared her for longer distances. They spent several years living on board *Isabella II* on the east coast of Canada as well as spending some time in the Bahamas. They settled in Nova Scotia.

Sadly, Donna passed away on January 6, 2025 after a difficult and brave journey with the disease AL Amyloidosis. She was 63 years old.

We extend our sympathies to Al-

len and their children on the loss of this wonderful wife, mother and friend.

<u>Obituary of Donna Joan Barnett |</u> <u>Serenity Funeral Home and Chap-</u> <u>els</u>

Claudia Stevenson

CBYC Historian

(Donna 2nd from left in Ottawa 2015)



The Musical days at CBYC

Who knew there was so much musical talent at Collins Bay? I learned one January day on a CBYC chartered bus trip organized by the Fender Heads (Dennis Reed, Gary Logan & John Morrison) to the Toronto Boat Show. Several boaters had brought along their guitars and the sing along passed the time during the trip. I thought I knew the words to many of these songs from my university days, but I didn't know ALL of the verses which these
boaters knew! Talk about an ice
breaker. I quickly learned there
was a lot of talent among the boat-
ing community.preparation for future events. One
energetic boater even produced a
collection of favourite songs and
handed them out so people would
have all of the verses to these

I am not sure how it began, but I remember many fun-filled cruises and social functions which included "jam" sessions and sing a longs to old favourites. At first there were only a few guitars (Jacques Levesque & Lionel Redford) and then at the next event, more musicians would bring their instruments and join the fun. There were even jam sessions in the clubhouse in preparation for future events. One energetic boater even produced a collection of favourite songs and handed them out so people would have all of the verses to these songs! This musical fun continued for a few years, until gradually some of the musicians sold their boats or became preoccupied with other distractions. What a shame!

If anyone still has a copy of the CBYC song book, perhaps they could share it.

Claudia Stevenson

CBYC Historian

Mixer Editor

As many of you know, our club's success is directly proportional to the commitment and hard work of our dedicated volunteers. From organizing events to managing projects, the success of our club depends on everyone pitching in and sharing their unique talents. But there's one role that is crucial for keeping everyone informed, engaged, and excited about what's happening-and we need your help to fill it.

We're reaching out to you today with a plea for someone to step into the important role of Newsletter Editor for our club. This position is essential to keeping our members connected and ensuring the smooth flow of information across all corners of our organization.

The newsletter is our club's heart- or Mark. beat. It's how we communicate our events, celebrate milestones, and recognize the contributions of our amazing members. The editor plays a key role in collecting stories, news, and updates, and then crafting a polished, informative newsletter that gets everyone excited about what's coming next.

We are confident that there's someone out there in our club who has the skills, passion, and energy to make our newsletter, a fantastic reflection of our community. If that's you, or if you're someone who's willing to step up, we would love to have you!

A few hours a couple of nights at the end of the month makes a huge impact to a successful community. If you are interested in volunteering as the Newsletter Editor, please contact Glenn, Liz

We're happy to provide more details about the role and give you all the support you need to get started.

Thank you for considering this important position. We can't wait to see what amazing things we can accomplish together with your help!

Please join our team.

Mark Sansom

Club Webmaster

- Race Captain
- Past Mixer Editor
- Past SS Ops Manager

Social

Hope everyone is doing well and staying warm this winter.

Summer seems far off now but we can look forward to a great social season for 2025 at CBYC.

Check out our calendar for social events, races, and cruises. Always looking for volunteers to help out so please send me an email and I will put you on the list.



Our first social is our Sail Past on Saturday May 31st followed by our complementary Wine &

Cheese in the SS Maria Club House @ 4:00

Wednesday Nights at 6pm in the clubhouse is games, cards night so pop by and start up a game, meet some people and enjoy a few hours off the boat



Looking at a Lobsterfest for St. Jean Baptise celebration on Saturday June 21st so let me know soon if you could help out with the committee for that special event.

Remember it's all of our club at

CBYC so let's all help each other and ensure a successful and fun boating season.

Look forward to seeing you this spring and having a a great social season!

Cheers Liz Taylor Reid

Social Captain

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Boat Porn

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Beautiful Girls

By Edwin Amell

The 2024/2025 Executive Committee

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