



# HARBOUR VIEWS

*COLLINS BAY MARINA NEWSLETTER*  
52<sup>nd</sup> Season 2023

*WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO THE  
UPCOMING SEASON AND WELCOME  
EVERYONE BACK FOR ANOTHER GREAT  
YEAR! IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS,  
COMMENTS OR CONCERNS, WE LOOK  
FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU!*

## LAUNCH

We begin launching mid-April, weather depending. Our first scheduled launch is Wednesday April 12<sup>th</sup>! Please schedule your launch with the office either by email request or by phone as soon as possible as dates fill up quickly, especially the two Saturday's! If you are in the two rows closest to the shoreline, make sure to book your launch prior to May 15<sup>th</sup> to ensure there are no charges for a late launch. If you won't require your slip in 2023, let us know right away so we are able to accommodate as many as possible on the wait list. Come early, come prepared and enjoy!

Launch Days 2023							
	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
April	2	3	4	5	6	07	08
	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
May	30	01	02	03	04	05	06
	07	08	09	10	11	12	13
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	28	29	30	31			

## SEASON KICK OFF BBQ AND SAFETY DAY

Rather than the usual yacht club wine and cheese, the marina is once again hosting a BBQ for all marina customers on the lawns (or if raining, in the clubhouse) in conjunction with the SAFETY DAY, Saturday June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023! The day will be jam packed with (proposed) Coast Guard, OPP, Fire, RCMP boat tours and safety information, fire extinguisher demonstrations, Flare Return, CBYC yacht club racing, membership, youth and sailing instruction information, fire extinguisher inspections, KPSS courtesy vessel checks and more! Join us June 10<sup>th</sup> to kick off the season and have a free lunch on us! The start of a new boating season is a good time to renew old friendships and make new ones! Stay tuned for more information!

## TORONTO INTERNATIONAL BOAT SHOW

As a valued customer of the marina, we are happy to announce the 65th annual Toronto International Boat Show is back! We are offering you complimentary tickets to see this bigger than ever show. The show is being held January 20-29 at the Direct Energy Center. Enjoy the excitement of the in person show!

## 2023 INITIATIVES/PROJECTS

- Complimentary coffee will return on weekends! Join us at the gazebo in the mornings. Please bring a reusable cup!
- We have secured 3 flats of lumber to redeck some of the tired docks! We are looking forward to sprucing up the docks, always aiming for a top-notch facility to be proud of!
- As the economy is seeing some challenges, and steep increases to everything, we are not immune to these rising costs. Maintaining the excellent standards, services and facilities is

imperative to us. We are very pleased to announce that after some sharpening of our pencils, we are curbing the 2023 fee increase by only approximately 1%!

### OFF SEASON EDUCATION

During the winter season, you may have some extra time on your hands. Kingston Power and Sail Squadron offer online and in person courses to expand your boating knowledge, safety and experience. Check out the courses they offer!

[www.boatingcourses.ca](http://www.boatingcourses.ca)

### ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY\*SEE OUR HANDBOOK

As a top rated Clean Marine marina with Diamond *Elite* rating, we are proud and passionate about the initiatives we have in place to protect our land and waterways for the future. A clean environment is essential to the enjoyment of boating. Please help us protect the environment by taking the following initiatives:

- WASTE OIL, ANTIFREEZE, BATTERY RECYCLING

We have facilities to recycle waste oil, antifreeze and lead/acid batteries. We have a container outside the office for household batteries.

***We provide this service free of charge, but it is important that you hand the material over to our staff in the yard or office. Do not leave it next to garbage cans where it may be spilled. Never put toxic waste in the garbage.*** Outside contractors are responsible for their own waste recycling/disposal.

- AVOID USING TOXIC ANTIFREEZE

Use only non-toxic antifreeze (propylene glycol – pink in colour) to winterize your engine. It contains rust inhibitors and is approved for this

purpose. The only exception is in closed loop heat exchangers which must use the regular toxic antifreeze (ethylene glycol – green). These closed loop systems do not vent into the water and will not pollute the environment if properly maintained.

- OIL/FUEL/ANTIFREEZE/WASTE SPILLS

Toxic waste spills are preventable. The primary cause of oil spills on the water is poor engine maintenance. Make sure your engine is properly maintained in order to reduce the likelihood of oil leaking into the bilge and being pumped into the water. There are many products available which absorb oil and not water. We strongly recommend that boats with inboard engines have an oil absorbent sock in the bilge. Oil absorbent socks are available at your local Marine stores. The following precautions will help prevent toxic spills:

- Do not carry fuel onto docks or fuel your boat at the dock.
- Keep your bilge clean. Keep a bilge sock oil absorbent in your bilge. If you have a leak, get it fixed!
- Do not drain bilges, engines or lower units onto the gravel. Capture the oil/antifreeze and bring it to our staff for recycling.

Do not flush antifreeze into the lake or onto the ground; collect it and bring it to us for recycling

- RECYCLING TOTES

We offer recycling totes for clean cans, glass, plastic, cardboard (break these down) and paper. Please use the marked totes for these items which are important in keeping recyclables out of the landfill!



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