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140TH ANNIVERSARY

1876 – 2016

BQYC is celebrating its 140th anniversary on Saturday September 17th 2016!

Our celebration welcomes the community in conjunction with the “Doors Open” Belleville community & Canada wide event.

GIVE THE GIFT OF SAILING

Have any friends you think would like to Learn-to-Sail?

Members get discounts on sailing school gift certificates!

Get your gift today!

MESSAGE FROM THE COMMODORE

“SAILING RANKS AMONG COUNTRY CHURCHES, AMISH BARNs AND POTLUCKS AS INSTITUTIONS SUBSTANTIALLY BUILT AND SHAPED BY VOLUNTEERS. THEIR WORK IS ALL AROUND US AND IT IS MIGHTY IMPRESSIVE.”

Nick Hayes, 2015 Apr 6, Sailing Magazine

I read that and thought “whoa... now that’s a powerful paragraph!”

I then mentally looked at our club to confirm and validate this statement... It was easy.... yes we rank and not just in the potlucks... which by the way... have been fabulous!

I can’t even begin to think where my list would end if I had to name individuals who have given of their time, talents or resources and many of you have longer BQYC memories than myself... so I am going to try to put this in the most concise answer I can muster.

Thanks goes out to our volunteer driven Board of Directors in the current and all past years that the club has been established, as well as their formal and informal committees and the membership, whom all helped turn ideas into reality and built our local institution of the BQYC. Does this mean that our institution is complete or is the work all done? No.

Will the work ever be done?

No. (Even though some days we would like to hope it would be)

We have our institution to improve and maintain; our clubhouse, the property, the equipment, our boating programs, our social programs, our membership... ours to enjoy today and for hopefully for many more years to come.

Have a chat with a director or two... There is no shortage of ideas that will need your help to turn into reality.

Consider volunteering this year!

Sincerely,

Krissy
Commodore

OPEN HOUSE & LEARN TO SAIL REGISTRATION

APRIL 11 & 14



WE WELCOME YOU!
APRIL 11TH & 14TH, 5 - 8 P.M.

OPEN HOUSE

We welcome everyone to come see the club, meet our members, and enjoy some drinks and snacks.

We will have information and short talks about the club's social and boating events, sailing school programs and what we offer members.

REGISTER FOR SAILING SCHOOL

Adult & Family Learn-to-Sail | Youth Sailing School & Day Camp | Youth Race Team

Learn more about our sailing programs and register for your summer of fun! Programs are open to everyone for very reasonable rates.

MEMBERS

Please invite your friends to learn more about our community sailing programs and what membership at BQYC has to offer while enjoying some free snacks!

INTRODUCTORY MEMBERSHIPS

Bring along a friend and show them the social side of the club. This is a great way to increase our membership through friends and co-workers.

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS

We have some excellent Friday
night dinners coming up!

PRIME RIB DINNER

Hosted by

Bruce Thompson & Crew

7:30 p.m. Friday, April 22

\$24.00/Ticket + Plus Tax

Guests and Crews of Members

Welcome!

Bring some friends and come
down to the club to swap some so-
cial tales and take in one of these
fabulous dinners.

WANT TO HOST A DINNER?

Contact Sue 613-969-6556 or

Krissy: paddyopoodle@gmail.com

LIFT-IN, APRIL 30TH

Lift-in begins at 7am on Saturday April 30th. Registration is on Tuesday April 12th and at our OPEN HOUSE on Thursday April 14th, 5-7 pm.

Lift fees must be paid prior to lift or the boat will not be lifted. If you need to make special arrangements, contact Dennis Gill.

densangill@yahoo.ca

613-966-5524



CRADLE MOVING AND SPRING CLEANUP DAY

SATURDAY, MAY 7, 8:30 A.M.

As in the past, we will be doing the annual spring clean up and cradle moving the Saturday after Lift-in. A variety of things need to be done to get the club in shape for the boating season. So please be prepared to rake, move cradles, move dinghies, window cleaning, etc.

In preparation for the storage of cradles for the summer, please ensure your cradle has your name and boat name painted on the bow and stern ends. Please paint as ink from permanent pens fade over the summer. In addition, those of you who may need access to your cradle during the summer, let Dennis Gill know so it can be placed accordingly.

Don Reidel
Grounds Director

CLUB VIDEO PROJECTOR AND SCREEN

The club now has a large 10 ft screen and video projector with audio permanently mounted on the ceiling at the west end of the dining room. The projector can be used for slide shows, presentations, and movies. It can be connected to a laptop by either HDMI or VGA cables. It can also be accessed via the club wifi for streaming directly from tablets/iPhone/Android using Chromecast. It should be a good benefit for club rentals, presentations, sail training, as well as by club members for impromptu post-race video de-briefings! So get your videos captured and posted to youtube! User instructions will be posted on the inside of the wiring closet door. Thanks to Steve Macklin and Ian McPherson for installation.



RECYCLING AT BQYC

Please note that the BQYC board of 2014-15 approved a recycling program for our club.

There are two large wheelie bins on the west side of the club building. There are numerous other blue boxes both inside and outside the club. Our recycling includes all the items that you would usually place in a curbside bin.

If you are hosting or assisting with a club event that is generating waste, please ensure that each garbage can has a blue box sitting beside it. They should be treated as couples.

Our recycling is picked up on Friday mornings. Please do your part to ensure that BQYC is recycling and reducing garbage.

HAVE YOU BEEN WONDERING HOW MANY MEMBERSHIPS?

Members	March 2016	2015	2014	2013
Paid	127	149	159	146
Projected*	21	0	0	0
Honorary*	8	8	8	8
Total	156	157	167	154

* Projected – based on level of affiliation with club, looking at boat storage, racing program or time with club

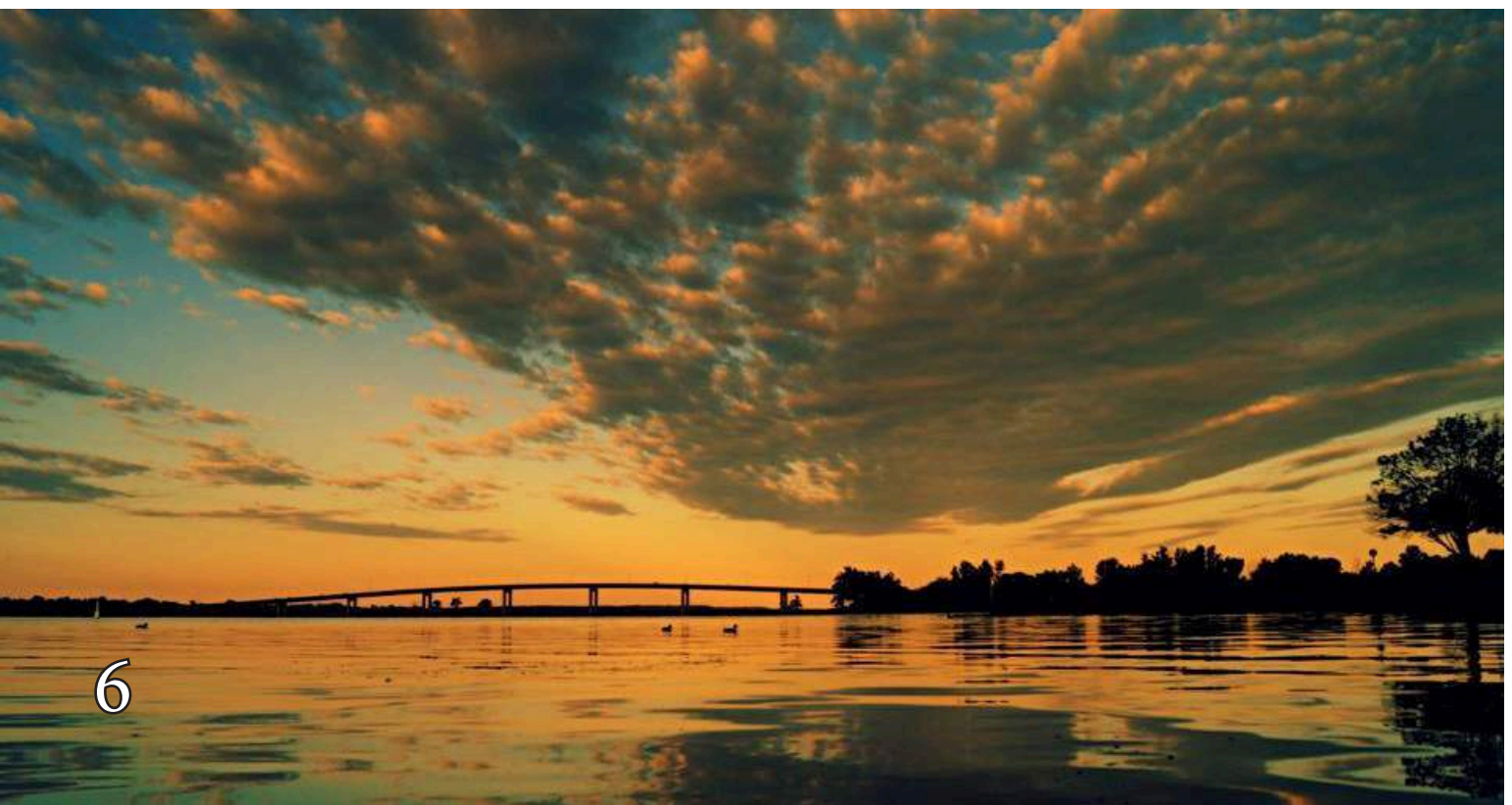
* Honorary Memberships that we issue to our local MP, MPP, and various City of Belleville officials

Is this the number of actual bodies? No... That would be around 250 souls this year to date. This is the number of memberships that have been issued by the club. For example in 2016 we are calculating the number of Single and Couples memberships and in previous the years the number of Boating and Social. Special Past Commodores you are also counted as well for all the years.

The Board is optimistic that a further positive impact to our membership through our marketing efforts at the Quinte Mall boat show, BQYC Open Houses and through our Introductory Membership Program and our Learn to Sail and Racing Program expansion is yet to come. Don't forget that you too can also participate in this positive impact by talking about our club and the new introductory rate with your friends and sailing crew!

Or come be present at our open houses on April 11th and April 14th or volunteer with the Introductory Sailing Program which will be beginning shortly.

We would also like to thank everyone that participated in the Quinte Mall information booth in late February to help us get the word out about our club and programs!



WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS!

Please welcome our newest members!

Mark Fawcett & Robin Lucy
Matt Giesebrecht & Kirsty McCulloch
Mary Meiklejohn

CHRIS WALLER FUND

My sincere thanks to all members who made a contribution to the fund, in remembrance of our long time member William(Bill) Miller who past away earlier this month, my appreciation to all of you for your support over the last 27 yrs.

Six children will go through the program this summer, Two are returning from last year, they enjoyed it so much and wished to come back, which is great.

I also purchased through the fund a SAM PAD PAK Heart Sine pad, this has to be replaced every four years this pad can be used on a person from eight years old and up.

by Trevor Waller

HEALTH & SAFETY

The Chris Waller Fund has a long standing supportive history with BQYC and with our BQYC sailing school assisting many children who may not otherwise have access to sailing lessons. The BQYC Board of Directors continues to support and encourage members to make contributions to this very worthwhile fund. Donations and contributions by members and friends may be made directly through Trevor Waller.

Thanks to the Chris Waller Fund new batteries and pads have been purchased for our defibrillator, located in the front hall - Note that our unit is for 8 and over.

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MEMBERS NIGHTS

Friday member's night continues with strong camaraderie and warm friendships.

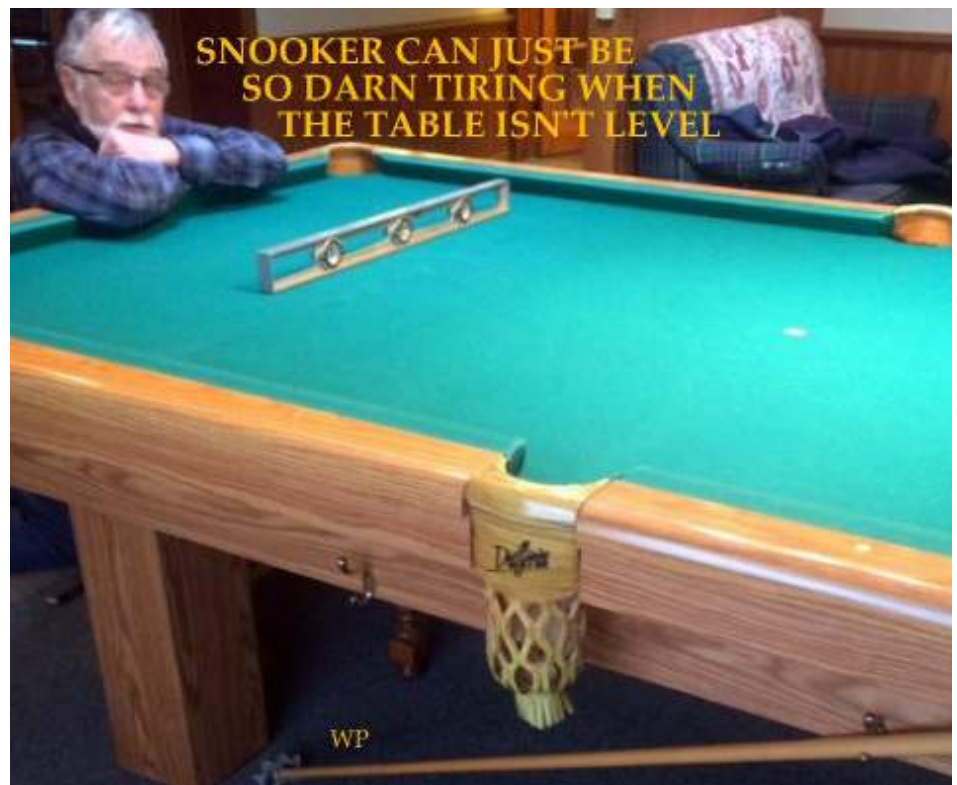
The member's draw convened by the comedy tag-team of Jack Press and Christian Roy continues to be a highlight of the night.

Each week the Tuesday Social starts at 4pm serving hors d'oeuvres. Our bar tenders usually come up with a specialty drink! Please join this social time!

POOL & SNOOKER

Our Saturday's pool/snooker was a great success this winter, with ten to twelve members playing every week from mid October to April. Every one has a good time; we are not serious players, just having fun.

A reminder to all, the pool table, is for all members any time the club is open Winter or Summer, so keep this in mind, if you have guest visiting or you want to get out of the house, make up a party, come on down have a game.



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KATE AT THE MALL DISPLAY

Thank you to everyone who participated for all of your time and hard work that went into the boat show.

It was a success! The opportunity to talk to new faces, introduce them to the club, sailing school and invite them to attend the open house are all a great help to the promotion of the club!



SANDY - FEB 24

BQYC proudly hosted a presentation evening by Sandy McPherson, skipper of the Open 60 OCanada.

Although an ice-storm put the freeze on attendance, we still had 50 brave sailors come hear about Sandy's journey in 2015 and what is in store for 2016 and beyond. We enjoyed some 5-alarm Chili prepared by Sue Jordan with Wayne Petersen doing the pot-stirring and clean up. Thanks also to Ruth Owen and Cathy Davis for fabulous cookies. The club presented Sandy with a \$200 honourarium from the Chili proceeds and many members also chipped in with donations to help him in his ultimate goal of the VendeeGlobe 2020. At the end of the night Sandy was thanked by members of the BQYC Youth Racing team who presented him with a team hat and challenged him to a single-handed Opti race some time.

You can follow Sandy's journey on facebook and at:
canadianoceanracing.com



ST. PATRICK'S DAY BQYC & CPS





NORTH U - SAIL TRIM SEMINAR

On Sunday April 03 while the snow fell, BQYC hosted a one day North U seminar on boat speed and sail trim. 58 Sailors enjoyed learning from instructor Geoff Moore.

We learned concepts of sailing on the “Verge of Stall” & about “Collecting Beans”. It was also great to share a beer and talk sailing with fellow sailors from neighbour clubs including Presquile, Collins Bay, Kingston, Brockville, and Oswego.

A hearty lunch was included thanks to brilliant organization efforts of Kathy Graham and team of Peter & Sue Simmons, Krissy & Cathy Davis, and Annelle Reidel with contributions from Anne McKinnon, Sandy Barnes, and Wanda Kent.

Thanks to everyone involved - see you on the race course!





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FEBRUARY 13

Ross Findlater and friends celebrating his son's birthday party with a hockey game in Victoria Harbour!



MARCH 27

The ice has not yet completely released the docks in Victoria harbour, but Tiger Niles was able to chip its way out of the boathouse and get in the first sail of the year. On a sunny but cool day, Peter was joined by a few hearty sailors including Peggy, Andrea, Ross and his brave daughter Alexandra.

For the rest of us, it is less than a month to lift in!



RACING SEASON



BQYC's racing scene has never been so jam-packed with options for every sailor's taste. We will continue with our Wednesday 7-race A and B series straddling the mid-summer Fleet Captain's series. We will cap off the fall with the 5-race Frostbite ending with a Wabbit hunt. Through the summer will be a 6-race Ladies series on Thursday nights culminating in a long distance race. We are excited to also see great growth in our Saturday afternoon Dinghy racing series starting in June.

For weekend keel boats, we start early with the venerable Trenton Warm-Up Race followed by the Quinte Hospice Burrows Regatta in June. The Commodore's Sailpast is always a highlight with the Bay of Quinte awash in boats honouring our Commodore. Rumour has it some Vikings may show up as well. We have aligned the Family Race to coincide with Canada Day Festivities. Use that chance to invite some friends along to try racing and club hospitality.

Some exciting new highlights this year include a Laser/Opti/Able Regatta in August followed the next week by the Shark Canadian Championships. Late August rounds out with our major distance events in the Round-the-County and the Katie Grey.

We will include some raft-ups for the Trenton Air Show and the August long weekend at Sandy Cove. Another great opportunity to bring out your friends.

The Skipper's meeting will be Tuesday April 19th. Please come between 5-7 PM to pay your \$100 race fee and share a beverage with your fellow racers followed by the Skipper's Meeting at 7-8 PM. Our club PHRF reps have a few sail measurement dates set on Sat April 23th 1-3PM and Wed May 04th 7-9PM.

Date	Event
Tue, Apr 19	Skippers Meeting
Sat, Apr 23	Sail Measuring
Sat, Apr 30	Lift-In
Wed, May 04	Sail Measuring
Sat, May 07	Clean-Up Day
Wed, May 11	A Series starts
Sat, May 21	Trenton Warm Up Race
Sun, May 29	B.of L.E.
Sat, Jun 04	Burrows Hospice Regatta
Thu, Jun 09	Ladies Racing Starts
Sun, Jun 12	Pursuit Race
Fri, Jun 17	Vikings @BQYC
Sat, Jun 18	Commodore's Sailpast
Fri, Jun 24	Braidwood Overnight Race
Sun, Jun 26	Air Show Raft up
Fri, Jul 01	Canada Day & Single/Double/Family Race
Wed, Jul 06	Fleet Captain Series Starts
Sun, Jul 10	Wills Cup
Thu, Jul 14	EYC @ Sodus Bay
Sun, Jul 24	Challenge Cup
Mon, Aug 01	Sandy Cove Raft Up
Wed, Aug 03	B Series starts
Sat, Aug 06	Laser / Opti / Able / Dinghy Regatta
Sat, Aug 13	Shark Canadian Championship
Sat, Aug 20	Round the County Race
Sun, Aug 28	Ladies Race Long Distance
Sat, Sep 03	Katie Grey Weekend
Sun, Sep 11	Robb Cup
Sun, Sep 18	Frostbite Starts
Wed, Oct 05	Wabbit Race
Sat, Oct 15	Lift-Out
Sat, Nov 12	Cups & Flags

SHARK CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2016



BQYC is thrilled to be selected to host the Shark Canadian Championships on Aug 13-14. This is an important event on the Shark race calendar and we will see a turnout of +30 of the best Shark teams from Ontario, Quebec, & USA. The regatta can also bring excellent recognition to the club both locally and in the Canadian Sailing community. To make an event of this scale go from being good to great needs lots of help from club members. Planning meetings will start in April. Please contact FCS Steve Macklin to see how you can get involved.

Thank You!

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VISITING BOATERS

One the most rewarding things that we can do as volunteers at BQYC is to help visiting boaters at our Club's Reciprocal Dock. Many of us have done this – some for years – some for decades. Most of our visitors come from yacht clubs on the north shore of Lake Ontario but over time, boats from every yacht club on the south shore have found their way to BQYC as well. We have also hosted rare boats from Norway, Sweden, Florida, San Diego (a long story), Halifax, and Victoria B.C. All of our visitors have three things in common. They are nice people. They like to help. They all have stories to tell. Here are a three.

The Victoria visitors started their trip by heading south to the Baja, then north to circumnavigate Vancouver Island, land tug to Lake Superior, and then sail west to us. Somewhere between Toronto and BQYC, they met up with a retired NHL player alone on his maiden voyage in his newly-acquired 26' sailboat 'heading south'. The Victoria boaters helped him find Belleville. We encouraged the Toronto boater to equip his boat with a few things such as charts, life jacket, safety gear, storm gear, and dock lines before he headed south on his retirement adventure. The Victoria boaters promised to keep an eye on him at least as far as Oswego.

The Florida visitors came as a group. Three trawlers from Miami on their way to Sandusky Yacht Club, Michigan. The wives insisted that they there was no way that they were going back to Miami until the Cougars (not the animal) had left their beach-front condos.

Numerous Toronto boats visit us on the way to and from the Islands every year. One boating family from Toronto visited us several years in a row; Mom, Dad, and two preteen kids. Both parents were blind. Two little girls from Manhattan were sent by their mother to Toronto, met their grandfather and sailed with him to our Club dock - in the aftermath of 911 – safe with their grandfather -safe in Canada. And then there's our regular Toronto visitor Ted – solo sailor – Dawn's favourite – who finally revealed in a sailing magazine recently that he is 91 years old.

*Cougar is American for those mini front end diggers that are great for removing sand etc. from your living room after a serious storm/hurricane.

Wayne

CPS EVENTS APRIL 2016

April 11-13, 7pm-9pm
Loyalist College
**Boating Basics Course (Pleasure
Craft Operator Card)**
\$60.00/person

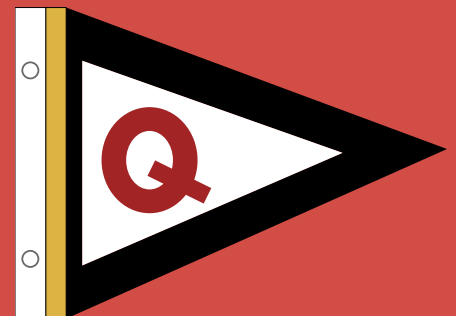
April 13, 7pm-9pm @ BQYC
Pre-Lift-In Workshop (free)
Featuring Gord Gardner, Head
Technician, Crate's Marine

April 21, 7pm-9pm @ BQYC
CPS Pub Nite/Speaker's Nite
Donations welcome
Thinking about selling or buying a boat? We will have P/Cdr. Lee Abrames, Certified Marine Surveyor, speak about the benefits of a marine survey and what's involved in performing one.

April 25&27, 7pm-9pm
Loyalist College
**Maritime Radio (VHF) Course
(with DSC Endorsement)**
\$80.00

Preregistration is required Call
Lance at 613-922-8283 or Don at
613-966-9051.

BQYC members save \$5.00 when
preregistering.



BANK ACCOUNTS CLARIFIED

When we receive campaigned donations, sponsorships and grants from members, community members and foundations it is crucial that these monies be used specifically for identified projects and never for club operating expenses. It is for this reason that a separate account held within BQYC holds these funds and are dispersed solely for the purposes as received. As treasurer and as a board as a whole all money received by BQYC goes directly to intended purposes. This is no different than the separate account also held within BQYC to hold funds for capital improvements from initiation fees collected. It is critical to our success as an organization that capital donations, sponsorships and grant funds are separated from operational. The race team receives sponsorship funds to support the team and these funds are held within the donation program and accounted for by the Sail Training Committee and by the treasurer and by the board, and ultimately the membership with audited statements. If you have any questions on finances, email treasurer@bqyc.ca for information.

Please participate in the Open House - come out and learn all that the board is working on. Come and see where you might like to get involved or create a new idea!

MONEY MATTERS



To effectively lead a club the board of directors must not only have a vision but it must have collaboration among themselves and with the members. When this happens good things become the focus of our energy, and in turn events held become successful and successful events means financial soundness. We are on the right track! We have a great start to a great year!

Directors have expressed a desire to keep cost reflective of our needs while improving our capacity for growth. On the social side there have been many wonderful dinners prepared and served by our members which have been well attended. Kudos to all the hosts and chefs who have diligently not only kept costs down but generated income to support club expenses. A tremendous effort by Wayne Peterson and Sue Jordan developed a planning sheet that enables each host to consider all associated cost which helps them budget and set pricing accordingly.

There is always going to be a high demand for upkeep and for future expansion of club activities. Our dues, storage fees, sail training programs, racing programs and social events contribute to the bottom line.

With member input the sail training committee is undertaking a huge project to improve the dinghy launch area, facilities, regatta capacity and fleet management. It all takes money, but this group has taken a keen interest through grant and foundation applications which if we are successful will help take some of the financial burden off of us. And, the improvements will help secure our future in dinghy sailing school, training and racing. That being said, it is important to show potential funders that we, as members, are supporting our initiatives.

The Sail Canada charitable tax receipt donation program has been renewed for 2016 and this year a goal has been set for \$20,000 to purchase a safety coach and training boat for the sail training programs. Sail Training (formerly referred to as the sailing school) encompasses the adult and family learn to sail program, the junior sailing school and camps, the dinghy race training program and race team, and the open dinghy regattas held most Saturdays throughout the summer.

Great things happen when we work together - we look forward to your contribution! Every dollar helps as we share the cost!

2016 DONATION CAMPAIGN UNDERWAY!

The excitement of receiving confirmation from the Parrott Foundation Grant for \$100,000 is fresh in our minds, and we couldn't be more thrilled for BQYC! The application was successful in part because of your contributions and support received in 2015. Together, we are making a difference!

In February, your input on the dinghy launch area was instrumental in allowing the Sail Training Committee to assess all ideas and put this in a framework for ongoing funding and growth. An Ontario Trillium Foundation grant has also been submitted as we publish this newsletter. We are looking forward to their positive reply.

Foundations like to see organization members participating in their own fundraising efforts to supplement grant requests. For 2016 our campaign has been set at \$20,000 for the upgrade and purchase of a stable, safe and reliable sail training coach safety boat and motor. This will be used for all our sailing programs and regattas for youth. This safety boat will be used for numerous activities at the club. We hope to have the funds raised for implementation by the beginning of summer of 2016.



The charitable receipt tax program is again through Sail Canada; forms were mailed to everyone, are available at the bar and online at www.sailing.ca – Please make sure to highlight this is for BQYC so that we receive your contribution. Sail Canada will issue you a tax receipt. Please join us.

All donations help us reach our goal. Thank you for your ongoing support!

March 2, 2016

To BQYC Commodore
Kristine Davis

Kristine, I would like to present the following cheque for one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) to the BQYC Sailing School in memory of Ray Goulet.

Ray had been a member of the BQYC for many years and it was here that he made many friends, shared many pints of Guinness with like minded drinkers, and shared the many tall tales and harrowing experiences of race night.

Ray loved race night and he was keenly interested in all things sailing, including the BQYC Sailing Program. I think it is fitting then, that this token of his interest in sailing be put to use for whatever the Sailing School sees as important.

Ray forged many friendships here and the measure of that was seen at the reception after his funeral. Many members came out to pay their respects and to raise a glass to Ray, and I am sure that he smiled.

The wonderful industrious women of this club, who are the back bone of any organization, rallied around, and presented a wonderful reception for Ray. I thank them profusely for this and Ray would have been very touched and most appreciative with all the fuss.

I am certain that many of you know Ray as crusty, a little salty and an often quirky sea dog and you would have been correct. On the side, that he seldom presented, he was appreciative, soft hearted and gentle. This side was never quite balanced with his interesting wit, upfront attitude and smarts.

Ray loved the BQYC for many reasons, the most important one being the fact that it was situated on the Bay of Quinte. How he loved the Bay and any thing to do with it.

I hope that by this small contribution to the sailing school, others will come to love it, and to appreciate all that the bay has to offer in this very beautiful part of Ontario.

Sincerely

A. Nadine Goulet



THANK YOU TO OUR VALUED MEMBERS!

PARROT FUND GRANT ANNOUNCEMENT



Your Board of Directors is very excited to announce that, through the efforts of the ongoing Dinghy and Sail Training Committee Fundraising Campaign, BQYC has been successful in receiving a significant donation from the Parrott Foundation in the amount of \$100,000. These funds will be directed toward Dinghy and Sail Training capital projects and will have a tremendous immediate and ongoing benefit to BQYC, its membership and the local community.

The Board and Committee would like to reiterate its appreciation to members who have previously donated to this project. Your generosity and show of support to the Project in 2015 has been instrumental to achieving this additional fundraising success.

The demonstration of this local support from the Parrott Foundation will also enable BQYC to pursue additional funding from other regional and provincial sources and the committee intends to submit its application for funding to the Ontario Trillium Foundation this week. The results of the Trillium application will be known by the beginning of July.

These funds along with your ongoing support in our 2016 BQYC Donation Campaign through Sail Canada will enable us to address our needs and priorities for:

- adequate and safe safety/coach boats
- improvements to ensure a safe and adequate dinghy launch
- fleet maintenance and upgrades
- other related equipment and infrastructure

Thank you and congratulations to all those involved in this extremely worthwhile undertaking.

Your BQYC Board of Directors



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