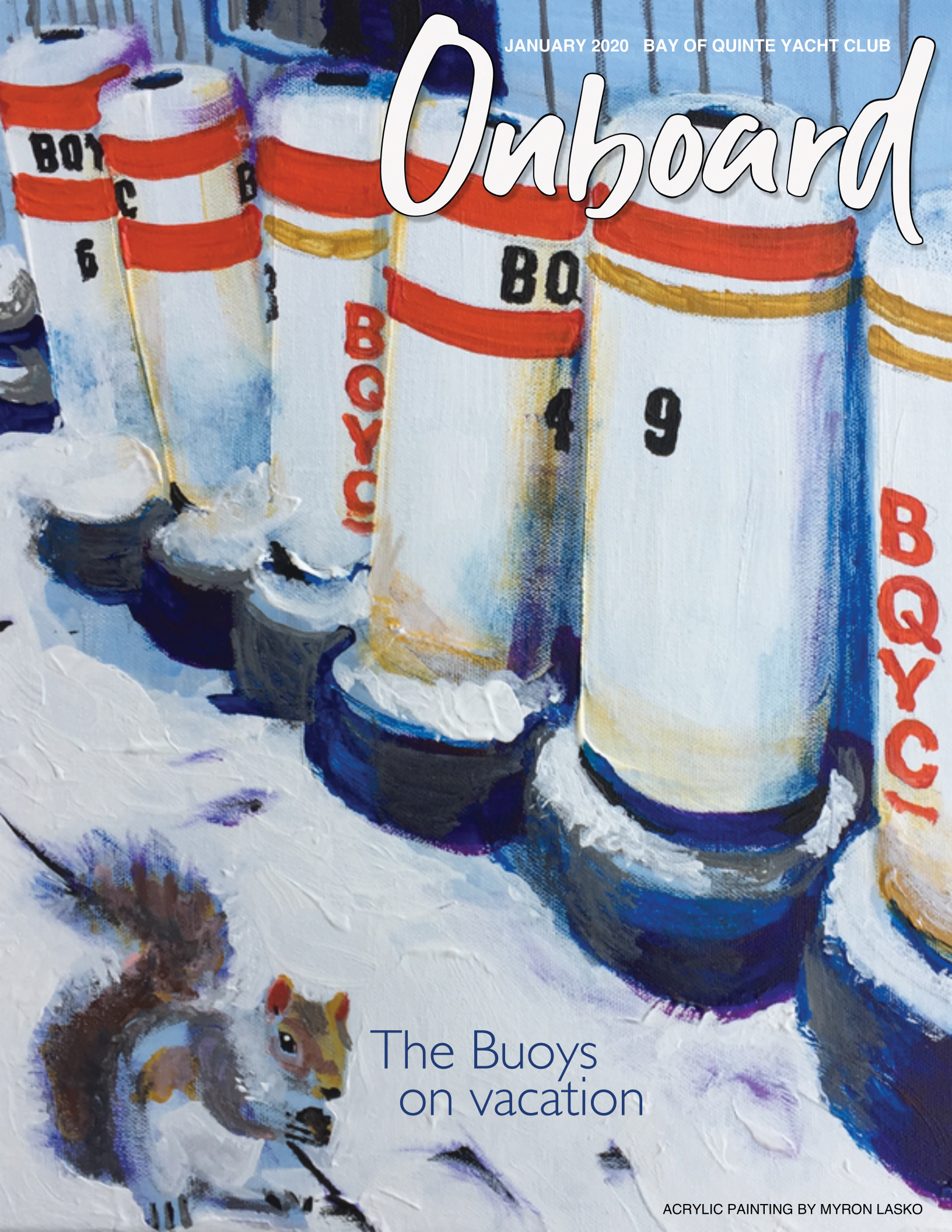


JANUARY 2020 BAY OF QUINTE YACHT CLUB

# Onboard



The Buoys  
on vacation

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### Greetings from your new editor.

Jane and I moved to Belleville 6 months ago from Bloomfield, where we lived for 3 years. We love it here - it's only a 2 minute drive to the boat and a 13 minute drive to Jane's horse. Everything is just so close by.

I have some experience in doing this job having edited newsletters for the Queen City Yacht Club, the Cook Bay Yacht Club, Bronte Harbour Yacht Club and the Prince Edward Yacht Club.

I have a slightly different in-your-face style than **Susan Rollinson** who did a wonderful job for the club as editor.

I am a graduate of the Ontario College of Art and spent half my career as an Art Director/Creative Director on corporate accounts for a number of leading Canadian advertising agencies. Twenty years ago we moved from Toronto to Orangeville where I shifted gears and worked from home designing and producing dimensional signage. I still do this today as my unique art form. You can view my stuff at [www.signsofthecounty.ca](http://www.signsofthecounty.ca)

We sail *Blue Indigo*, a Northern 29 on E dock. She is an ideal cruiser and a bit of a slowpoke on the race course. I look forward to the weekend fun regattas.

- **Myron Lasko**, Onboard editor



### **FIONA KING** Fleet Captain Cruising

## Happy New Year all!

Please mark **TUESDAY APRIL 21, 6:30 p.m.** in your planner for a **Cruisers Planning meeting**. Bring your ideas! Better yet, come prepared to fill us in on a cruise you would like to lead.

In the meantime, if you would like to be added to the Cruisers group and email list, please fill out a form at the bar and leave there for me. If you are already on the list but have boat (or other) changes please let me know. Thanks to those of you who've already done so.

We have ordered perfect conditions for get-togethers on the water for 2020: ideal water levels, no health issues or damaged props or blown transmissions.

**Bruce and Betsy Thompson** are also hoping their Thousand Islands cottage dock is above water this summer as they are once again generously offering to host the BQYC cruising bunch. Date TBA.

Lastly, it was brought up last spring that perhaps some boaters would be interested in getting together for a Trent (or Rideau) cruise. This would take a great deal more advance planning; if anyone is interested in either let me know and I can get you together asap. We do have members with experience in both and I am sure they would be happy to share their wisdom.

# Your 2020 Board of Directors



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## New decade, new lease, new opportunities

Welcome to 2020, the start of a new decade as well as the start of a new 25 year lease with the City of Belleville!

I am excited by the energy in the club at both the board and membership level. My primary goal as commodore this year is to do everything possible to ensure this momentum continues.


At the Levee, I shared some thoughts on the past decade about our accomplishments, our challenges and how our club worked hard to ensure BQYC remains an important part of the boating and sailing community in the Quinte region. I also shared some of the exciting things we are working on. Just in case you missed it, here is what I highlighted for 2020:

- You will see BQYC partner with [Quinte Sailability](#) to facilitate the move of their program to our location.
- You will see an investment by the club to renew and rebuild the Dinghy ramp that is used by members and our sail training school.
- You will see work being done on our Club governance documents to modernize and align them with current legislation
- You will see the club host socials, regattas, cruises, sail training, Get Out on The Water, and weekly racing in an effort to keep expanding the opportunities for our members and the community to be involved in boating
- You will see a renewed focus on long range planning and growth.
- You will see all of this work being done by a committed group of volunteers.

I would like to challenge the BQYC membership to continue to look for ways to volunteer and support the club. Reach out to the director in the area you are interested in. I'm sure they would be happy to hear from you.

I would also challenge the membership to continue to build relationships with each other and to become evangelists for the sport of boating and everything BQYC has to offer this community. Volunteering to help with Adult Learn to Sail, inviting folks to the "Get Out on the Water" event, and taking friends for a sail are great opportunities to share your passion for boating and our club.

Photo: Myron Lasko



Sure is windy  
out here.



Bill 154 has passed and the **Ontario Not-for-Profit Corporations Act (ONCA)** is scheduled to be proclaimed in early 2020. Not-for-profits like BQYC will then have 3 years to comply.

What does this mean to us at BQYC ? Not that much in our day-to-day operation. We will continue Racing on Wednesdays and Members Night will still be Fridays !

What we will need to do is revise our Constitution, Bylaws, & Policies to conform to the Act. Actually, we are already in pretty good shape. Ian in the role of Vice in 2018 did a lot of work on our policies. We also have ongoing help from Ontario Sailing (**Lisa Roddie**) who has reviewed our club documentation.

It will mean changing things like Financial statements being required 21 days prior to the AGM (instead of 10 days) and mapping our existing board names to the Act. (ie Commodore = President). We will clean up where things are documented and remove duplication. We also need to be very specific on what being a member means and the classification of memberships. There is more to it than that, but you get the general idea.

The plan is to work towards compliance in our documentation in the first half of 2020 with revisions ready for final membership approval at the fall AGM. I intend to form a committee to review markups and help with wording . If this is your forte, please drop me a line if you would like to be involved in review.

### **JOEL FRIJTERS** *House Director*

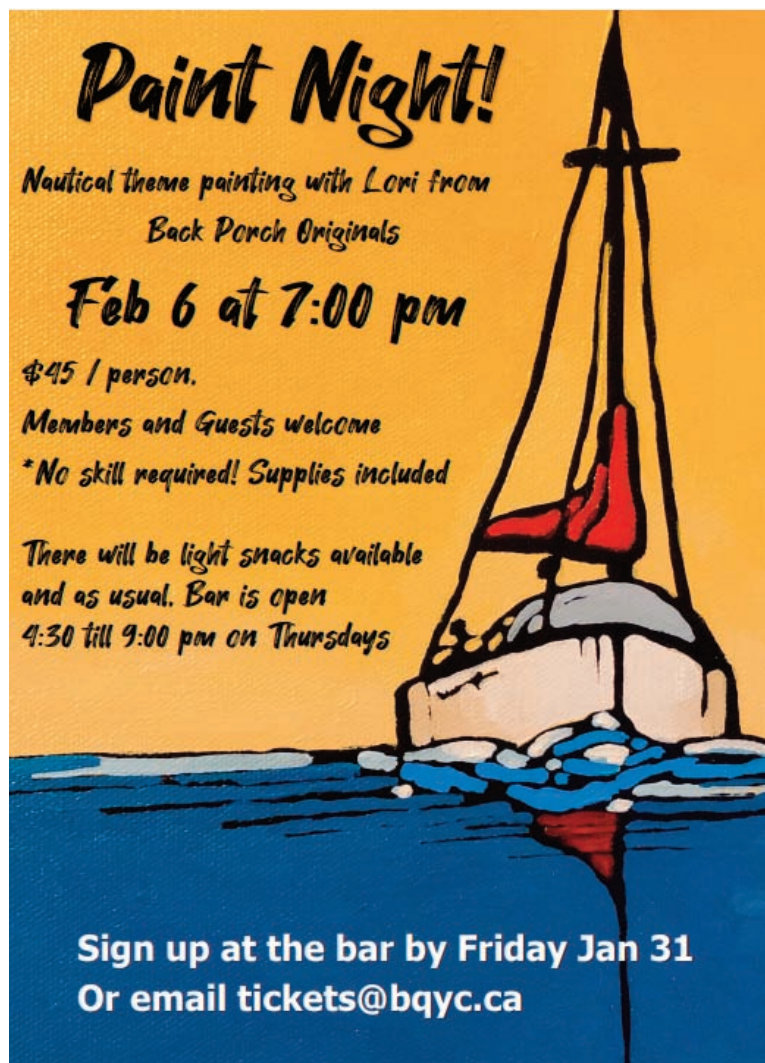


Apart from great holiday celebrations it has been a pleasantly quiet start to the off-season in regard to matters of the House at BQYC. Many thanks to **Matt Giesebrecht** for leaving the House in great working order and other than a lightbulb or two there have been no (knock-on-wood) emergencies.

That being said there is always a good deal of work to be done around our beloved club so many hands make light work. Please let me know through email or in person how you would like to help. There are no formal House committees formed at the time of writing but there will be one or two formed soon. That is all for now - the House is settled :->)

## **A short Joel bio**

Joel Frijters is the new House Director at the Bay of Quinte Yacht Club. New is the new norm for Joel as he newly joined the Club with his partner **Tina Warren**, newly graduated from the Learn to Sail program, and is new to boat ownership with the mustard-coloured beauty *Charlock*. You will recognize Joel around the Club with his great nimbus of blond hair and smile that does not seem to leave his face. When Tina and Joel aren't sailing they can be found dreaming, planning or wishing for the next sailing season to come sooner. In addition to being the go-to for all manner of House related activities Joel is always available to chat, share from his compendium of almost-useless facts or share a terrible joke. This short biography was entirely written and submitted by Joel Frijters, House Director :->)



**Paint Night!**

*Nautical theme painting with Lori from  
Back Porch Originals*

**Feb 6 at 7:00 pm**

*\$45 / person.  
Members and Guests welcome  
\*No skill required! Supplies included*

*There will be light snacks available  
and as usual. Bar is open  
4:30 till 9:00 pm on Thursdays*

**Sign up at the bar by Friday Jan 31  
Or email [tickets@bqyc.ca](mailto:tickets@bqyc.ca)**

**Ayla Berry, a new 2019 member ("Ruya"), is  
hosting a Paint Night with Back Porch Originals  
February 6th at 7:00pm.**

Not familiar with a Paint Night or have questions?  
Email [secretary@bqyc.ca](mailto:secretary@bqyc.ca) or ask Ayla or any of the  
event committee members for more information:  
Tina Warren, a new 2019 member on "Charlock",  
Sue Jordan, Sandy Barnes and Linda Pearson  
Join the fun and support this new initiative.  
We hope to see you there Feb 6 at 7:00 pm.

Tickets (\$45 per person) can be purchased at the  
Bar or by emailing [tickets@bqyc.ca](mailto:tickets@bqyc.ca)  
by Jan. 31st please!



**Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons**  
**Escadrilles canadiennes de plaisance**

### Course Offerings

We are pleased to offer the **Boat & Engine  
Maintenance course** Tuesday evenings, starting  
January 14, 2020! Nathan Bresett will teach hull  
maintenance for the first 6 weeks, and Donny  
Maracle will share his wisdom on engine work for  
the following 8 weeks. Register online today!  
\$162 for members - \$180 for non members  
Contact Donny Maracle for more information  
[donny.maracle@sympatico.ca](mailto:donny.maracle@sympatico.ca)

**Pleasure Craft Operator's Card**—One day course  
March 28 & April 18, 2020

**Marine radio (ROC-M)** May 2, 2020

Interested in Boating 4- **Near shore navigation?**

Our neighbouring squadron in Kingston will be  
hosting an ONLINE blended learning session in  
the new year. Register online today!

Cost: \$225 (members), \$250 (non-members)

For information email [nicholasaoireilly@hotmail.com](mailto:nicholasaoireilly@hotmail.com)



**PUB NIGHT  
THURSDAYS**

Every boater's favourite night  
every third Thursday at BQYC.

We're planning some  
fun topics with some  
guest speakers  
Join us 7 - 9 p.m.  
for camaraderie and  
refreshments as we  
regale each other with  
tales from the seas!

**Fireside Chat 7:30 - 8:15**

**JANUARY 16**

*How the water cooler  
tradition started with the  
scuttlebutt - Nautical  
Terms and their origins*

**FEBRUARY 20**

*It's in the stars!  
Celestial Navigation*

**MARCH 19**

*Rum Running on the  
Bay of Quinte*



## Welcome back you guys!

Please join me in welcoming back the following members to the club:

**John Trueman and Lana Washington**

**Brian and Joan Smith**

A few people have decided not to re-join. We wish them well and they will be missed.

As we are in the midst of membership renewals it is very hard to provide factual data right now, but will have a better feel for the numbers in the weeks to come and you will see them in the minutes of Board meetings as they are reported there. As the numbers firm up the next task is membership cards and an interesting statistic is only 56% of Membership Cards were picked up in 2019. This of course begs the question of the value of the Cards to members, except to those members traveling to other clubs and locations where proof of membership may be requested, to get reciprocal benefits. More to come on that I am sure.

During the AGM I had mentioned my suggestion for a planning committee to look at many, in fact any, aspects of the club and come up with a plan that current and future Boards would undertake to execute. As an example of something to look at I related the fact that the level and structure of membership fees in my view is not sustainable. As we now have a 25 Year lease on life it makes sense now to have this kind of conversation. At the December Board meeting I submitted my proposal for such a committee for consideration and I am putting the motion forward at the January Meeting to establish the Committee. I will be advising the membership of the results.

To finish up on this report wanted to relate an interesting experience for Louise and I. We recently went on a family trip for a few days in the sunny south. As I was running out the door to leave I just grabbed my BQYC cap. While out and about we were stopped at least 4 times by people who wanted to relate stories of sailing the Bay and pleasant experiences of BQYC. They could have carried on with their vacation, but stopped to talk. Very gratifying. We have a great club, lets 'Plan' to keep it that way.

Enjoy the club and the beautiful Bay of Quinte.

**A friendly reminder:** Membership year ends January 31, 2020.

Door Code changes February 1st. **Names of members who have not paid their dues will have their names removed from the members drum by Friday, February 7 members social night.**

Photo: Dale Holland



**Seen at Shark Bites Wednesday January 8**

## Looking for 2 champions

The marketing committee is constantly looking for avenues to raise the profile of the programs and services that we offer to the community. If you know of any opportunities, please contact me.

The board agreed and I am working out the final arrangements to host a **Belleville Chamber of Commerce Business Card Mingle** in late March. This will provide an opportunity to highlight our sail training programs and community involvement. I have attended several Chamber Mingles as a representative of the club and I have often been asked where we are located and what do we offer.

I am looking for two champions; someone to take over **club regalia** (club branded items for sale at the club). Last year club burgees and hats were purchased for resale. If you are interested in sourcing promotional material such as clothing, coffee mugs etc. your help would be greatly appreciated. Also someone to lead the BQYC coordination of "**Get Out On The Water 2020**". This is a single day event (Saturday June 13, 2020) where the club is open to the public to try sailing and other on-water activities. Last year we partnered with the Belleville Dragon Boat Club, Quinte Outrigger Canoe Club and Bay of Quinte Power & Sail Squadron. We had two on water sessions, one in the morning and one in the afternoon, with a bbq lunch. Over 50 individuals signed up and participated in on water activities.

Please follow BQYC on social media

On Facebook @ <https://www.facebook.com/BayOfQuinteYachtClub/>

On Twitter @ <https://twitter.com/BQYC3>

On Instagram @ <https://www.instagram.com/bayofquinteyachtclub/>

## Upcoming Calendar of Activities

**January 18** – Mystery Clue Dinner - tickets \$25 taxes included

**February 8** - Leafs vs Habs. Dinner at 6:30 - authentic Montreal Smoked Meat delivered same day fresh from Montreal. Served with french fries. Wear your sweater, support your team!

\$20 per person plus tax. Contact Dave Render or Chris Danner if you can assist

## Hockey Night on our Big Screen! Saturday Feb.8 6:30pm



VS



Smoked meat served on rye with french fries. \$20 plus tax.





# Menu Mystery Clue Dinner January 18, 2020

Salad  
Caesar Salad

Main course  
Agoilio with Blackened Chicken

Dessert  
Assorted Pastries & Cakes



**The Bodies are hosting a Mystery Dinner.**

**Book January 18th to come out and solve a murder.**

**Using the format of the popular game "CLUE", each table becomes a Suspect in the game! We ask that you dress according to your table colour, or come in full character dress, you choose.**

**It promises to be a fun and entertaining evening. Be sure to bring your friends to this exciting event. We will be accepting "Bribes" for moves in the game, these funds will be going to Grace Inn Shelter. Come out, pick your character, and figure out Who-done-it! \$25 each for members and their guests.**

## Clue

**Jan 18 @7pm**

**Bay of Quinte Yacht Club**

**Tickets \$25**

**Play Clue & have Dinner**

*Mysteriously yours,*

**Mr. & Mrs. Body (aka The Hollands)** *Dunt da dunt da daaaaaagh!*