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Newsletter of the Bay of Quinte Yacht Club

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Sailing or bailing?

Deja Vu...here we go again from 100 year flood to 1000 year flood in 2 short years. Who would have thought we'd be doing this again...so soon!

Water level update as of May 24th, after discussion with Peter Lyng at the City of Belleville. The city has closed the west-side road at Victoria Park due to flooding. They are making the east-side road 2-way traffic. There will be no parking at the docks along the east side due to the 2-way traffic & the encroaching water.

BQYC members are to use the BQYC parking lot. Please carpool whenever possible on Wednesday & Friday nights. The city is anticipating up to 3 more inches of water into early June.



They're doing a laser-level survey this morning of the park & our parking lot for mapping info. The city does plan to keep Victoria Park docks open and will adjust and fortify the ramps as needed. Dock power will be on a dock-by-dock basis. South dock power has been shut off. PLEASE keep your wake to a Grounds director, Don Reidel is looking at options for the soggy lawn around the patio

which may involve some gravel & boardwalks. Please help out if the call goes out for a work party.

The Victoria Park Pop-Up Shops were being installed for a grand opening on June 7th. That may also be delayed but stay tuned.

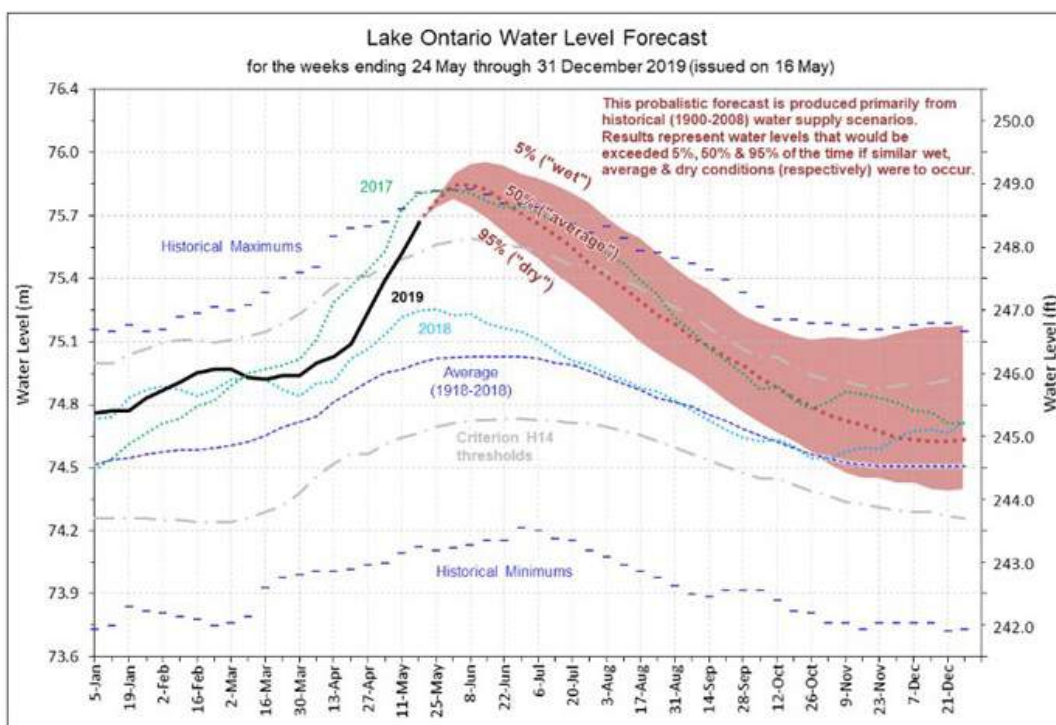
Steve



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RACE TEAM UPDATE

Andreas continues to race Opti, finishing in July in Antigua at the Opti World Championships. He has been training this spring in Miami & Nova Scotia in i420 to campaign for a position on the youth Worlds team in 2020. He's also excited to have been invited as well to Laser 4.7 Worlds in Kingston in August. Congrats to a rising great! Thanks Tracy for the update. You must be a proud mom!





Notes from the Helm

I've been spending a great deal of time at the club lately as it is a busy time of the year, especially now that the water levels are rising steadily by the day.

Lift weekend & the following clean-up demonstrated what our great club is all about, the spirit of camaraderie, helping each other & having fun & laughter to keep everyone calm & reduce their stress. It makes me smile in appreciation of what we have.

A few weeks ago, we enjoyed a fabulous sold-out Prime Rib Dinner championed by the Thompson family & their extended posse. To me, the dinner represents the start of the boating season. Bruce explained this is the 25th year of this event & how it was started by Ian Steele.

The turnout of members this year for club clean-up day was beyond wonderful. Cradles and mast racks were put away, the entire grounds were cleaned, deck furniture was scrubbed to a sparkling shine, sea-cans were emptied & sorted & sail training boats were brought out for the summer. This was all achieved by 11AM! In the afternoon a gang of members helped each other raise masts. The volunteer spirit is alive & well!

The next 4-6 weeks is super busy at the club with Adult Learn to Sail, Burrows, Sailpast, Get-Out-on-the-Water, & Canada Day to kick off a great summer.

There is a full schedule of racing that is happening as well. Come take part or volunteer to help out.

BQYC & multiple clubs around Lake Ontario have started to flood & we are taking actions to protect our property. This link for the International Lake Ontario - St. Lawrence River Board provides daily updated information.

<https://ijc.org/en/loslr/b/watershed/current-conditions>

The response from the city to keep us open has been positive & they will do their best to keep us going. Please get involved if the call for help goes out for any flood related activities.

Thank You to each of you for your participation in our great club.

Keep a hold of yer tiller
Steve

Please be careful out there. Watch for floating hazards and debris!



BQYC burgees are making their way around the world. This photo is of John & Joan Boor's son Jason presenting the BQYC burgee to the Commodore of the Tokyo Yacht Club in Japan.



BURROW'S HOSPICE REGATTA June 01, 2019

We invite all members and friends to this years Burrows Hospice Regatta which will begin on Friday Evening, May 31 with the Ratings Auction occurring at 7PM. Come put some \$\$ on your favourite boats to adjust their PHRF rating up or down.

Saturday, June 01, will commence with a Skippers' Meeting at 1030, followed by 3 races starting at 1100. After the races is our annual Hospice Dinner & Auction. The steak dinner will be supported by the Shark fleet and club donors. We have many prizes & items donated by members & local merchants. All members & friends are invited to the dinner & auction.

REMEMBER: All proceeds from this event (sailing, suppers, auction) go directly to Hospice Quinte to assist in their work with the terminally ill. At the BQYC, we have a sterling record of exceeding \$3000 per year & often much more. Please help us maintain our donation standards while having lots of fun doing it. Tax receipts are available for your donations.

If you would like to donate items to the auction please contact Brian Thomson, bgthomson28@gmail.com or text 613 849 0955 Thank you in advance for your interest & participation for such a worthy cause.

Cheers, Brian

JUNE 22, 2019 BAY OF QUINTE YACHT CLUB

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TRY BOATING FOR THE DAY! PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS:

BQYC JUNIOR SAILING PROGRAM - TRY DINGHY SAILING

BQYC KEEL BOAT - TRY YACHT SAILING

BELLEVILLE DRAGON BOATS - TRY DRAGON BOATING

QUINTE OUTRIGGER CANOES - TRY OUTRIGGER CANOES

CRUISING CANOES - TRY STANDUP PADDLE BOARDS, CANOES, KAYAKS

BAY OF QUINTE POWER SQUADRON - TRY BOATING WITHOUT LEAVING THE DOCK WITH THE BOATING SIMULATOR



9:00 AM - 10:00 AM: ORIENTATION & SAFETY

10:00 AM - 11:30 AM: ON THE WATER

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM: BBQ & INFO TABLES

12:30 PM - 1:00 PM: ORIENTATION & SAFETY

1:00 PM - 2:30 PM: ON THE WATER



Participating Organizations:

BQYC Junior Sailing Program – Try Dinghy Sailing

BQYC Keel boat – Try Yacht Sailing – **Volunteer Skippers needed**

Belleville Dragon Boats - Try Dragon Boating

Quinte Outrigger Canoes - Try Outrigger Canoes

Cruising Canoes – You Can try - Stand Up Paddle Boards, Canoes, Kayaks

Bay Of Quinte Power Squadron – Try Boating without leaving the dock with the boating simulator

Volunteers required to assist with various activities during the day including the BBQ, BQYC ambassador's.

SAILPAST & BBQ on Saturday June 15th

Commodore Steve Macklin cordially invites you to the 2019 Sailpast & dinner on Saturday June 15th.

Following a Review of the Fleet on the water at 1400 hours, please join your fellow club members for a cook-your-own-steak dinner at the club at 1830. It's a great opportunity to invite your friends to introduce them to boating or include a club member who doesn't own a boat.

After review of the fleet, enjoy the afternoon on the water or visit Sandy cove for a swim. There will be a prize for the best dressed Yacht back at the docks. So get out your flags!

TRADITION

The Sailpast tradition began at the first Yacht Club formed at Cowes in England 200 years ago. The membership at Cowes was primarily aristocratic & many were familiar with naval practice and tradition. Cowes Yacht Club subsequently changed its name to the Royal Yacht Squadron & certain social graces were added to the traditional naval practices.

The actual "review of the fleet" is steeped in more than 600 years of Royal Navy tradition and history and was introduced in Yacht clubs as a continuation of the naval habit of having Admirals (and/or Royalty) review the fleet on special occasions.

Protocol demanded that a flagship be anchored with the Admiral on the quarterdeck to receive & return the salute. Vessels sailed past, dipping their colours in salute, & with their captain also saluting with the ship's company standing at attention.

Our Yacht Club tradition is similar, except that the salute is received by the Commodore instead & the salute is delivered by the passing boat, if under sail, by luffing its jib, or, if under power, by dipping its ensign. All of the crew on the saluting boat stands at attention facing the Commodore, who is the only one to salute by hand.



AVA GUSE, Sailing
School Administrator,
2019



Sail Training

The 2019 Sail Training season has had a great start. This year, 22 people registered for Adult Learn to Sail & have already started their lessons. Mitch Kennedy & Thomas Wager are coordinating ALTS again this season & led the in-class sessions on April 29th & May 6th. The On-the-water sessions take place on Mondays between May 13th & June 24th. As always, we've had tremendous support from our members who continue to donate their time, expertise & boats.

On the Sailing School front, registrations are going well for the four summer sessions which run:

July 1 - 12 July 15 - 26 July 29 - August 9 August 12 - 23.

If you are planning to register children or grandchildren, please visit the Sail Training link on BQYC.ca or call (613) 827-SAIL for more information on pricing & dates.

This year the Sailing School, Youth Race Team & Adult Dinghy Lessons are being managed by Ava Guse. Ava is going into her third year of Mechanical Engineering at the University of Toronto & has been an instructor at BQYC since the summer of 2016. Ava has had a long relationship with BQYC, from Sailing School & Youth Race Team participant, to volunteer, to instructor.

She currently has her Level 1/2 CanSail Instructor certification & is expected to achieve her Level 3/4 Certification prior to the summer. Rounding out the instructor team are Andrew Giacomuzzo, Anna Willmott, & Malcolm Campbell. All three have been Sailing School students & Sailing School volunteers at BQYC in the past. They're also expected to achieve their Level 1/2 CanSail Instructor Certification prior to the summer.

We are seeking at least one more instructor. If you know anyone who is a certified instructor with CanSail, please encourage them to call Steve Macklin or Mitch Kennedy.

There are many jobs to prepare for the start of the school, youth racing & adult dinghy lessons. If you're able to help out, please let Steve (commodore@bqyc.ca) or Mitch (vice@bqyc.ca) know. Looking forward to a great summer on the water with our new (or nearly new) sailors of all ages.

In Class session, ALTS



Sailing School Open House/Registration Volunteers



MEMBERSHIP UPDATE - DAVID MITCHELL

There's a bit of a rush when a new member application comes in for processing & getting Board approval. It does feel good as we attract people to the club & to boating. We're now almost at 250 members & I'm sure the Lift-in rush of renewals will kick in soon.

To let you all know this is my first foray in taking on a Board position, since being a member of any club since 1996, & I never aspired to being on any board. The poor optics of 4 vacant Board positions encouraged my decision to take this on & in a role I could contribute to & have time for. My preference has always been committee work, as an example spending 8 years on a Long Range Planning Committee, several of those years as Chair.

So what is the role of the Membership directorship? In brief; the role has a Rear Commodore title so it assists the Commodore & Vice Commodore in discharging their duties; it has the responsibility for handling all membership records, including but not limited to membership cards & club directory, interviewing then processing new membership applicants & also sharing in the important step of making sure the correct names are involved in the Friday draws.

So to date, membership cards have been made available at Long Reach Bar, please pick yours up. The Membership directory format has changed & the first edition published. The new format means it can be updated & published more frequently, it is posted to the Members Only site & hard copies are still available for those who want one for their boat. Our post Lift-in version will be coming out soon.

Lastly & most importantly please join me in welcoming the following new members to the club:

Peter & Liz Young

Andrew Twigg & Felicity Buck

Matt Coffey & Appel Maracle

James Horne & Deanna Reid

Stephen Brown

Wishing you all a great sailing season!

David

Great turnout, kids young & old, at our 2019 Easter Egg Hunt



CRUISING UPDATE – Fleet Captain of Cruise - FIONA KING

Many thanks to those who handed in your completed cruising questionnaires so promptly. These will help with communications regarding upcoming cruises. We have 30 members represented to date, with 6 powerboats and 10 sailboats.

Our brainstorming session on April 16th was uplifting due to the enthusiasm & offers of help from various people, including several new members. Some of the destinations in the works are: **Carrying Place Canal** for a raft-up, **“Festival on the Bay”** in Trenton, Waupoos, Thousand Islands, & the **Scottish-Irish Festival** in Trenton.

Regarding our upcoming cruise to Napanee, it is **POSTPONED** due to dangerous high water levels, as noted below. Photos taken by Bernie and I on a recent drive to the area.



Also, Dave & MaryLou Valcamp are heading to the French Festival in Cape Vincent on the other side of the pond (July 12-14). Dave has offered to give advice/help to anyone else interested. (He also suggests getting one's DTOPS sticker for your vessel through Homeland Security.) Contact Dave by emailing him at dvalcamp@sympatico.ca or calling 613-962-0418.

On April 26th Brian & Margaret Credico gave an interesting audio-visual presentation on the Iles-de-la-Madeleine. Thank you to both of them,

as well as to those of you who braved my cooking & partook of the Pulled Pork Supper! Hazel's beans were enjoyed as always; my appreciation also is extended to Hazel Lloyst, Gena Hughes, Nadine Goulet, & Jill Cox for their kitchen help. If you wish to be kept in the loop - **please send me your completed cruising questionnaire!** You're not obligated to participate but this

will help with our planning and communications. I'll be composing a BQYC Cruisers' Group email list, like the racers currently use. For those of you who'd like to meet up to go to Main Duck or the Trent (currently closed due to high water levels) or Rideau, I'm happy to try and put you together with like-minded boaters.

RAFT-UP SATURDAY JUNE 8*

Weather permitting, Bernie and I plan to be anchored aboard *Samba* by 2 p.m. so you're welcome anytime after that to join us. We're planning for Sandy Cove but will go elsewhere if winds dictate.

For those of you who haven't done this before: Make sure you have adequate fenders & long enough bow/stern lines; sailors – watch your spreaders; bring your beverage of choice & a finger-type food item to share. If you wish to leave earlier than about 5, please try & wait to be on the outside of the raft so we don't have to break it up.

(Some of us will spend the night in the cove but we will break up the raft before dark.)

This is a good opportunity for those of you wishing to practice anchoring if you come earlier!

Let me know if you plan to join in & I can advise directly if changes occur in the plans.

*** Any date changes/cancellations will be posted at club and an email will be sent out if time permits. Obviously all dates are pending weather conditions.**

Please contact me if you have any ideas, questions or concerns.

Fiona

fcc@bqyc.ca

MARKETING UPDATE - DALE HOLLAND

We're in the process of refreshing out regalia inventory & the glass cabinet in the member's room will become the display case for club labeled merchandise. New club burgees are in stock & available, so dispose of your old tattered burgee & start out the season with a new one. Any suggestions for items which the club should stock please drop me an e-mail.

'YourTV' Belleville (Cogeco) will hosting their volunteer appreciation event at BQYC on Tuesday June 18. I'll be looking for boats to take the 'YourTV' volunteers out on the water for an approximately 1 hour cruise or sail. 'Your TV' will then in appreciation of your commitment supply you dinner.

"Get Out On The Water 2019" is scheduled for June 22, so please keep this date available as Volunteer skippers & other members are needed to assist with activities that day. The Belleville Dragon Boat Club, Quinte Outrigger Canoe Club, Bay of Quinte Power & Sail Squadron, and Cruising Canoes have already committed. I'm still waiting for a response from the Quinte Rowing Club and Quinte Search & Rescue. 'Your TV' will be again promoting, at no charge this event on our behalf.

Summer Hours now in effect: Mon - Fri 4:00-9:00 PM, Sat - Sun 1:00-7:00 PM

Upcoming Calendar of Activities (More info TBA):

May 31 - June 1 Burrows Hospice Regatta
 June 4 - 6 Club Cruise to Napanee (verify with Fiona's report)
 June 8 - Sandy Cove Raft Up
 June 15 SailPast
 June 22 Get Out On The Water 2019
 July 1 Family Day Race; Mache Dinner stay for the Canada Day
 Fireworks
 Have a great summer!

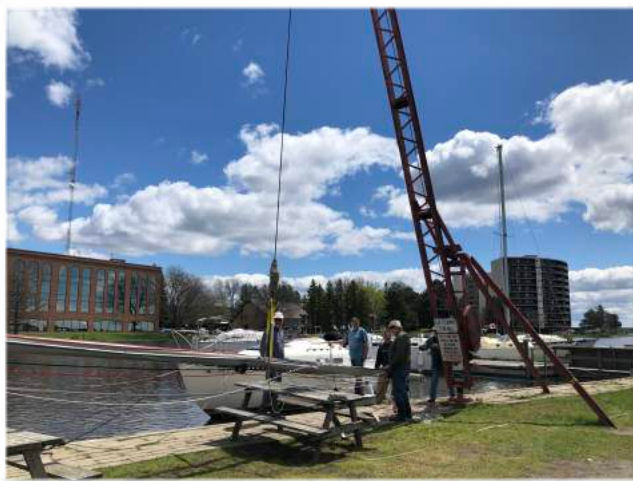
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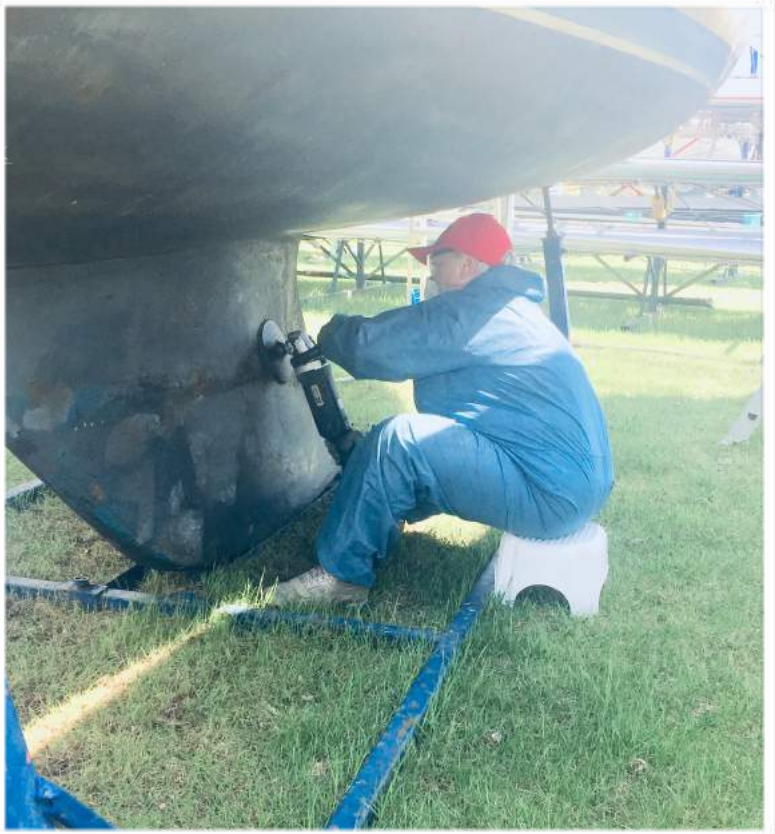
The board requests your cooperation in reducing the use of perfumed fragrances & scents when visiting the club. This makes it a more comfortable & healthy place for fellow members & guests with allergies, sensitivities & medical conditions that are triggered by exposure to the chemicals in these fragrances.

Please get those remaining masts up before the water rises any higher! There is a two week difference in these photos & it is still rising.



Goose Nest, an annual appearance on the lawn, soon to be a pond for the gosling swim training. Thanks Wayne Peterson for the photo.





*No laughing matter!
Now you'd be sitting in water! Next
week, you may be kayaking in the
same spot!*

*That being said, BCYC is a hearty
club with a great group of members
who know how to have fun, 'come
hell or high water!'*

Please stay tuned for flood updates.



***Be safe out there. If in doubt, stay docked or seek shelter. Be prepared, be alert and be wise!
Have a great summer!***