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Newsletter
Bay of Quinte Yacht Club

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The future of BQYC is our youth!

Sophie Danner, daughter of Chris, FCS, at the helm in the Burrow's



BQYC is hosting the **Eastern Ontario Shark Championship on June 23-24** weekend. We're expecting 20-25 boats at the start line from Ontario and Quebec. Drop by to see the action. If you can help with Saturday dinner please contact Commodore Steve.



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Let's cheer our youth in action! They make BQYC proud!

Right: Messing about on the lawn during practice

Below: At RCYC in Toronto for the Lake Skiff Regatta



Coach Fede is actively training with our Opti racers, where BQYC made a successful showing at this past weekend's Lake Skiff Regatta at RCYC in Toronto.

Andrew Giacamuzzo placed a solid top half of the fleet finish in his first regatta of the season. The team was joined by Nicky Boucher of Royal St Laurence YC and Aidan Dennis of PCYC, both also on the National Opti team, to take advantage of high performance training with Coach Fede. Andreas Steinitz took overall Optimist champion with straight bullets in all 5 races.

Next on the calendar is Opti North American championships in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, June 20-July 1, for Andreas and Dan Steinitz, as team Canada chaperone.

FREE



We are opening our doors for you

get out on the water.ca

Come find out what sailing out on the water is really like with experienced volunteers

JOIN US

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For More Information:
info@bqyc.ca or 613-966-5931

Saturday July 7, 2018
9:00 am to 3:00pm



REGISTER

www.bqyc.ca

Try sailing or power boating.

Fun for all ages:

9 - 9:30am: Welcome
9:30 - 10am: Orientation & Safety
10 - 11:30am: On the Water
11:30 - 12:30pm: BBQ & Info Tables
12:30 - 1pm: Orientation & Safety
1 - 2:30pm: On the Water
2:30 - 3pm: Info tables

Volunteers Needed for this Special Event

See poster and get more info at the club as the event approaches.



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SAILPAST and BBQ on Saturday June 16th

SAILPAST

Commodore Steve Macklin and the Flag Officers of the Bay of Quinte Yacht Club cordially invite you to Sailpast and BBQ on June 16th 2018.

Following a Review of the Fleet on the water at 1400 hours, please join us for a Steak Dinner at the club at 1830.

We encourage you to invite out your friends to introduce them to boating or invite out a club member who does not have a boat.

DINNER

- 🚩 BBQ Steak, Baked Potato & Sour Cream, Green Salad, Cole Slaw, Rolls & butter.
- 🚩 Assorted Cheese Cake for dessert.
- 🚩 Dinner at 1830.
- 🚩 Dinner Price \$16.75 + HST
- 🚩 Tickets available at tickets@bqyc.ca on your account or at the bar. Please reserve early.

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 and many were familiar with naval practice and tradition. Cowes Yacht Club subsequently changed its name to the Royal Yacht Squadron and 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 Royals) review the fleet on special occasions.

Protocol demanded that a flagship be anchored with the Admiral on the quarterdeck to receive and return the salute. Vessels sailed past, dipping their colours in salute, and 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 and 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.

SAILPAST PROTOCOL

13:30

- 🦋 Commodore anchored South of Meyers Pier near Q54 depending on wind direction
- 🦋 Sailboats Marshal on the South Shore East of Cow Island
- 🦋 Power Boats Marshal on the North Shore East of Cow Island
- 🦋 All Vessels to Monitor Channel VHF 71

14:00

- 🦋 Review of the Fleet starts
- 🦋 Fleet Captain of Sail to lead the sailing fleet
- 🦋 Sailboats to pass Commodore's Yacht in single file on Starboard tack.
- 🦋 If no wind, sailboats are to motor

14:30

- 🦋 Fleet Captain of Cruising to lead the power fleet (once final sailboat clears)
- 🦋 Salute consists of "dipping" the Canadian flag (holding it so not to flutter), with the Skipper and crew facing starboard with hats removed. A sailing vessel may alternately salute by luffing the jib. The salute will be taken by the Commodore.
- 🦋 Protocol dictates that until the Sailpast is completed, only the flagship may be dressed (strung with flags). However, after the Sailpast, all yachts are encouraged to dress ship. So get out your flags ! Rumour has it there may be a prize for the best dressed Yacht.
- 🦋 After the review of the fleet, enjoy the day on the water or visit Sandy cove for a swim.
- 🦋 You are encouraged to dress sailing casual in blue and white.

18:30

- 🦋 Be back at the club for 1830 dinner.
- 🦋 We would like to take a group photo on the lawn just before dinner.

Commodore Steve Macklin



BQYC Summer Hours
Mon. – Friday 4:00 PM to 9:00 PM
Saturday 1:00 PM to 7:00 PM
Sunday 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Closing times subject to change

*Canada Day 2012, J boat dressed by
Matt Jeffs and crew. Let's remember
Matt on Canada Day this year.*



CANADA DAY CELEBRATIONS



Bay of Quinte Yacht Club Marche,

Belleville, Ontario

Sunday, July 1, 2018

6 – 7:30 p.m. Dinner

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Ticket price will include 2 choices of entrees, a salad and dessert bar.

The band Beer Battered Blues will be playing from 6.30 till dusk,
when you will have the best seat in town for the fireworks.

More details to follow

Upcoming dates to remember:

Saturday, June 16

Sailpast & BBQ

Sunday, June 17

B of LE Race

Saturday,/Sunday June 23/24

Eastern Ontario Shark Championship

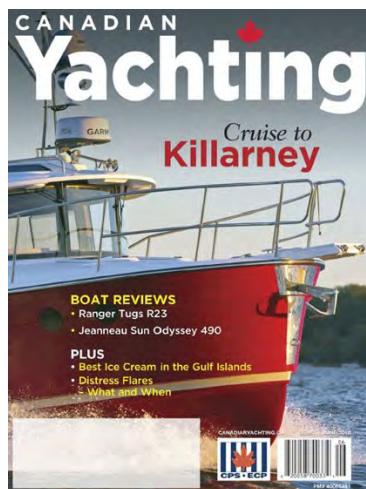
Saturday, June 30

Braidwood Overnight Race

**** Please order tickets at tickets@bygc.ca, purchase them at the bar or
call 613-966-5931 during club open hours**



Big thank you to Bob Muston who is taking on the role of caretaker for Wally, our safety boat. Bob is a new member this year and has a Peterborough 16 in Victoria Park. You can reach Bob at cell (647) 461-7116 if you need a driver for RC duty or to check out how to run Wally.



We have an article on BQYC in the June edition of Canadian Yachting. CY gave us permission to use the article for our club use. You can see a pdf of the 5 pages at the link below.

[www.bqyc.ca/photos/
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CYJune2018.pdf](http://www.bqyc.ca/photos/custom/CYJune2018.pdf)

**Hey Look, BQYC made
it into Canadian Yachting!**

The Katie Gray 50th Anniversary

This year marks the 50th Anniversary of The Katie Gray Race, an annual race from Belleville to Picton held on the Saturday of Labour Day weekend. *The race and trophy are named after the yacht Katie Gray who sailed the waters of The Bay of Quinte and Lake Ontario with amazing success in the 1870's and 80's.* Because this is the 50th Anniversary, we expect 75 boats and more than 300 sailors to join us in the race this year and our Katie Gray Committee has organized many special events to celebrate this occasion. These events are not just for the competitors. All club members, whether you sail or not, are encouraged to join in.



First up is the Past Winners Dinner to be held at the Waring House in Picton on Thursday, August 30. 49 of the 50 past winners (or their family, friends or crew) have been tracked down and promise to be there (the missing 50th is Brian Bennett who won in 1979 – anyone out there know anything about Brian?). There, they will each be awarded beautiful, unique glass medals with the image of the Katie Gray etched on them in recognition of their accomplishments. *Presentations of half-models of the Katie Gray will be made by our own Dick Bird to the Commodores of both the Bay of Quinte Yacht Club and Prince Edward Yacht Club. The Belleville Fire Department will be well represented as it was the Belleville Fire Chief, W.H. Campbell, who originally commissioned the Katie Gray.* There will be music, song, a slide show covering all 50 years and, of course, Katie Gray wine will be served. This is an excellent opportunity for all club members to enjoy a good meal, a fun evening and celebrate the successes of these champion sailors (a list of past winners is available on the club website). Tickets are being held in reserve until July 15 in order to accommodate the friends and families of the past winners but after that they will be available to everyone. Tickets cost \$40 per person and can be booked by contacting Andy Thomson at 613 966 5864 or captainandy46@gmail.com . Feel free to call early and put your name on a waiting list.

Our second special event is the Friday Night Welcoming Party at BQYC hosted every year by Kim Wilkes and Muren Pickering. This year, it will be a pizza truck and pizza will be served beginning at 7 pm and until it runs out. John Coull and the Long Reach Band will provide the dancing and singing music. *There will be a large crowd of visiting sailors milling about who will be more than pleased to show off their boats and lots of special activities are being organized.* Thanks to Kim and Muren, the proceeds from this evening go directly to BQYC so this is an excellent opportunity for members to support the club and enjoy a fun evening. Tickets cost \$15 + HST

And then there is the Sailors Hot Breakfast which will be served starting at 8 am on Saturday morning. A full, hot breakfast with fruit and yogurt will be served and will include the famous croissants donated by member Jean-Marc Salvagno of L'Auberge de France. No need to line up on the sidewalk on Front Street. Just come down to BQYC. After breakfast, members can sit in on the Skippers' Meeting and then watch the fleet as it is piped out of the harbour by our own James Wessel to the starting line which will be just off Meyer's Pier. The start will be at 10 am. A great way to spend a Saturday morning. Tickets cost \$10 + HST

Finally, the big event – the race! This is not limited to racing members of the yacht clubs. Anyone who owns a keel boat and has the required skill to sail from Belleville to Picton is welcome to join in. This is a celebration more than a race, and the more boats, the more fun it will be. And it is a wonderful sail. Registration costs \$25 and the deadline to enter is August 19. So bring your boat, encourage a friend who has a boat, don't miss the party. And speaking of parties, you'll find a huge one waiting for you when you get to Picton – but more about that in the next issue.

Registration for the Race weekend is online at www.bqyc.ca/katie-gray-register.php

Individual tickets for the Friday Night Welcome Pizza and Saturday Morning Sailors Breakfast will also be available at tickets@bqyc.ca (on account) or at the BQYC bar after August 1st.

Bay of Quinte Yacht Club and Victoria Park

Article from the archives submitted by club historian Susan Smith

In the late 1800's a group of engineers from the Dominion Government strongly suggested the construction of the roadway to Queen Victoria Park in their recommendations for harbour improvement and flood control. These same engineers also recommended the cutting away of Ashery Point which assisted with the straightening the bank on the west side of the river and deepening the channel to a depth of 9 or 10 feet. They proposed the rip rapping of a solid earthen roadway similar to the old Quinte Bridge roadway, with one or more sluice ways through it to prevent the harbour from becoming stagnant. No documentation was found to pinpoint the exact date of completion of the roadway but it appears to have been constructed around the turn of the 20th century. The sawdust from the Rathbun Mill (located on the island) was used as the base for the causeway.



The Island Park became a popular place with the citizens of Belleville. In 1924 Mr. Henry Corby's estate made provision for the construction and maintenance of the Corby Baths on the southern point of the Park. The Baths consisted of a one story, frame building on a concrete post foundation with the facilities for a ladies' and men's change house, band stand and first aid room. There was an open concrete pool located south of the Bath House that was used each summer by the children and citizens of Belleville. According to the 1938 Fire Insurance Survey for the City of Belleville, the Bath House and Band Stand were valued at \$1200.00 and the fire insurance premiums were \$1.65 per year. The facility was maintained by the Corby family and the City Parks Board. The Park and inner harbour were the site of many activities but over the years the old bath house fell into a state of disrepair and the pool developed a large crack and was unable to hold water, the entire facility fell into disrepair. The culverts were removed and the inner harbour became stagnant and polluted.

Following the Second World War (1947-1949) a group of Belleville citizens became interested in relocating the Bay of Quinte Yacht Club to welcome visiting boaters to Belleville but their efforts were thwarted by their inability to find a suitable location for a clubhouse and docking facilities. At the same time a similar group was encouraging the city to improve Victoria Park and the Belleville Harbour. In an article from the *Intelligencer* dated January 12, 1952, mention is made of plans for rejuvenation of the area. "In the opinion of many citizens the filthy conditions of the Belleville Waterfront is driving out-of-town yachtsmen away from the city." Plans were drawn up for construction of 'cruiser pens' and washroom facilities. Ground work for this rejuvenation of Victoria Park was completed in the summer of 1952 following a 5 year program of dumping fill to raise the level of the park. Over this 5 year period hundreds of loads of fill from all over the city were dumped to raise the park level. Then the City Parks Board was to take over the landscaping of the park "to make it a showplace". These plans did not materialize. Subsequently, the newly reformed Bay of Quinte Yacht Club was looking for a site for a clubhouse and docking facility and signed a long term lease (99 years for the price of \$1.00 per year) with the city for the southern tip of Victoria Park.



In the early 1950's, Senator Fraser was able to get appropriation from the Federal Government for the construction of a dock in the harbour. A work crew from Trenton built the large crib on land and pushed it into the water on the east shore of the point. The dock didn't settle where it was needed and Bill Finkle had to locate his crane on the South Front Street shore and put a line on the crib and pull it into place. This crib was then filled with rocks and capped. The dock was built as a visitors' dock and was referred to as the "L" Dock for many years. In the early days of the Yacht Club, boaters were able to keep their boats in the harbour. Many drove stakes into the shore and secured their boats with a stern anchor. Boaters also built their own docks in the harbour area. They requested permission from the Harbour Master and built their own docks at their own expense. All of these docks have since disappeared from the Harbour following the up-dating of Victoria Park in the 1980's

BQYC Flags

We fly our nation's flag because we're proud to be Canadians.
We fly our Club Burgee because we're proud to be BQYC members.
We fly the American flag out of respect for our visiting US neighbours.

Wayne Peterson



BQYC BURROWS HOSPICE REGATTA 2018

In early June, we had our annual Burrows Hospice Regatta in support of Hospice Quinte. Friday night following the members draw, our Shark fleet put on a great BBQ featuring chicken, sausage, salads and very yummy desserts. Saturday morning prior to racing we were busy buying better handicaps for our boats to make winning easier, and buying handicap points from our competitors to make it more difficult for them to win. Over \$200 worth of points were purchased. That money went directly to Hospice Quinte. There were 3 afternoon races conducted by our expert Race Committee of Ross Findlater and Gord DeVries who gave us great courses, made sure there was good yet challenging winds, and got us off the water in time for supper. Supper was delicious souvlaki with salads, and a masterfully decorated cake. All very tasty and prepared by Daryl and Cassandra Picard. The auction followed supper and was very entertaining as quite a few bidding wars broke out. Not only for expensive items but for inexpensive more 'sentimental' items. In all we raised almost \$3200 from the regatta events. All the money went directly to Hospice. Important in all of this



were our volunteers who made sure everything ran smoothly. Many thanks to: Wayne Peterson, Matt Geisbrecht and Kirstie, Annelle Reidel, Chris Danner, Steve Macklin, Daryl and Cassandra Picard, and the Race Committee. Your work made our weekend a success. Many thanks also to our sponsors who made generous donations: Daryl and Cassandra Picard (Saturday supper), Evan and Cindy Sullivan (Shoppers Drug Mart Quinte Mall), Dave and Jane Lanning (Lanning Hats), John Sherratt (OJ95.5), Belleville Integrated Health Centre, Tony McGarvey (Hawkins Cheezies), Steve Macklin and the Shark fleet (Friday BBQ).

Sailing Results:
PHRF Div. 1. Spankin Mad- Brian Thomson 2. Freya- Dave Render 3. Grayling- Hugh Cooke
Hospice Division
1. Spankin Mad- Brian Thomson 2. Freya- Dave Render 3. Grayling- Hugh Cooke
Overall championship
1. Ryland Marie- Peter Schilling 2. Just our Pace- Dick Curtis 3. Veritigo- Maxine and Dale Holland
Winners of the Freeman Burrows Cup: Jack Press and Egon Wenslaff



Photos below submitted by Wayne Peterson, Annual Trenton Warm Up Race



BQYC Entertainment Update & Thanks

Prime Rib night hosted by Bruce & Betsy Thompson was a huge success with 84 members & friends attending. The Prime rib was cooked to perfection and members enjoyed a relaxing meal & evening. Thank you to the Thompson family for a great evening. Past Commodore's Dinner, hosted by the Past Commodore's, Kim Wilkes, Trevor Waller, Bob Owen, Bernie King, Egon Wenzlaff, Frank Scotti, Susan Smith, & Dale Holland was a most enjoyable evening.

Complementary cocktails provided by the Past Commodores were enjoyed by all, the table centrepieces were elegant, dinner was excellent a succulent barbecued pig (complete with head) and barbecued chicken with all the trimmings and dessert. Amazing Music kept people dancing till midnight. Thank you to our PCs for a great evening.

Two sets of furniture have been purchased for the upper deck.

Thank you to Sue & Peter Simmons & Steve Macklin for assembling them.

Entertainment is looking for volunteers to assist with dinner for sail past, and also for volunteers to assist with barbecuing, setup and kitchen detail for the Marche on Sunday July 1st. If interested please contact me @ sj16@bell.net

Your help is very much appreciated!

Sue J



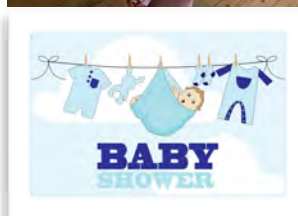
Left: PC Frank Scotti & Jean



Above: A fine feast fit for a fleet



BQYC members held a very exciting surprise baby shower for Vanessa as we welcomed the little one who will arrive in July. Congratulations Vanessa, please come visit and let us meet the new member of your family during your leave. Our new bar staff below, Ryliee and Bailey are holding the fort during her absence.



BQYC Board of Directors 2018

BQYC is administered by a Board of Flag Officers and Directors, elected by membership at the AGM in Nov.

Commodore	Steve Macklin
Vice Commodore	Ian McPherson
Rear Commodore	Sandra Barnes
Fleet Captain Sail	Chris Danner
Fleet Captain Cruising	Egon Wenzlaff
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Club Historian

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