

MARCH 2020 BAY OF QUINTE YACHT CLUB

Onboard

Nautical
Paint night
hosted by Ayla Berry
was a popular event

photo: Maxine Holland



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New duds for the new year

It's finally here. Now that wasn't such a bad winter was it? Even if you didn't head to Myrtle Beach or Portugal. We can now look forward to sunswept days in the yard applying sweat, bottom paint and wax. T'won't be long now.

Putting on my Regalia hat I would like to announce that we are in the process of replacing our severely depleted stock, starting with a variety of outerwear in popular sizes. Initially we have ordered some hooded zip-up black jackets with red trim, light grey zip-up hoodies and some navy part-zip pocketed sweats, all embroidered with the red burgee and Bay of Quinte Yacht Club. I suspect these will go fast and will be handy for those cool May race nights. So first come first served! We will use the revenue from these goods to order our Summer supply of club branded polos, T's and likely more sweats -**Myron Lasko**, Editor/Regalia
New for 2020! Steve Macklin has acquired branded **sail ties** for us! A set of three 6' ties will sell for \$25 plus tax at the bar.



DOUG DIXON *Bar Director*

News from the Long Reach bar

I would like to take this opportunity to give an update on the staffing changes that are taking place at our wonderful BQYC Bar.

Maddie is returning home to Barrie for the summer and will be headed to Brock University in the fall to continue her nursing studies. We wish her well in her endeavours in such a noble and critical career in nursing. We all thank our wonderful health care workers and know that Maddie will be great in her field. We will miss Maddie behind the bar!

Bailey is taking a leave to focus on her student placement as she continues to pursue her education and career in accounting. Bailey has been amazing in leading and coordinating all aspects of the operations of the bar and I want to thank her for all the extra efforts – including being a great support to me in my orientation and learning. We will miss Bailey and wish her well, and... perhaps will see her back upon completion of her placement. All the best Bailey!

I would also like to welcome our new staff, **Lindsay** and **Freya** to the BQYC Bar Team. Many of you may have already met Lindsay and Freya. They are a great addition to our team, you will find them uber friendly, happy and enthusiastic. Along with **Honey**, count on continued great service with a smile!

FIONA KING *Fleet Captain of Cruise*

Reminder of Cruise Planning Meeting

The planning meeting for BQYC cruisers and wannabe-cruisers is scheduled for TUESDAY APRIL 21 at 630 p.m. No commitments to join in any of our organized get-togethers but please bring your ideas/cruising wishes/offers of organizing! Please advise by email if you intend to attend. (That way, I can let you know directly if there are any changes.) Hope to see you then fcc@bqyc.ca

How we are dealing with Covid-19

Members,

In this Newsletter installment I will address some topics that are top of mind for many folks at the club.

The threat from **Covid-19 virus** is currently low in the general Canadian population according to our government sources but it has recently been upgraded to a Pandemic in the global environment. As family at BQYC, we can "do our bit" to reduce the likelihood of infecting one another. Please be aware that your BQYC staff and Board of Directors are monitoring the situation, stepping up cleaning/disinfecting and may implement additional measures to create social distance if directed to by Hastings and Prince Edward Public Health.

Below are links to OFFICIAL information sources regarding the Covid-19 virus.

Hastings and Prince Edward Public Health: <https://hpepublichealth.ca/the-novel-coronavirus-2019ncov/>

Government of Canada <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection.html>

The best way to protect yourself and your friends is through prevention.

- wash your hands often with soap and water or alcohol-based hand sanitizer
- sneeze or cough into your sleeve, or a tissue, NOT into your hands
- avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth,
- clean high touch objects and surfaces such as doorknobs, phones and light switches.
- avoid contact with people who are sick
- stay home if you are sick
- anyone who is compromised, or suspects being compromised should stay home and contact their doctor.

High water looks like it will be a potential issue for us again in 2020. On Feb 15th we hosted a high water seminar at the club that was delivered by Ontario Sailing. The event was well attended and gave us some additional insight into Great Lake water basin and control mechanisms that are in place. If you would like to access the information that was presented, the link to the material is below.

<https://ontariosailing.ca/news/very-successful-high-water-seminar/>

At our most recent board meeting we discussed a goal to phase out **one time use plastics** from our club. Our sailing school is promoting this within its program and our entertainment committee would like to see our well equipped kitchen filled with members who love doing dishes! If you are organizing an event or participating in one look for ways to minimize the impact to our environment and waterways by choosing the reusable items we have in our club. Washing dishes is a great way to get to know your fellow club members.

Now for **the good news**. Despite all the serious issues that we are facing this year our club continues to be a hive of activity and the excitement about the 2020 boating season is just starting to build. I would like to thank the members who have organized and hosted the events so far this year as well as the participants who have made it a priority to get out and become involved in our community. We have a great thing going in 2020!

BQYC hardcore hockey fans



who just happen to like fresh authentic Montreal corned beef on the side.

Photo: Dale Holland

CHRIS DANNER *Fleet Captain of Sail*

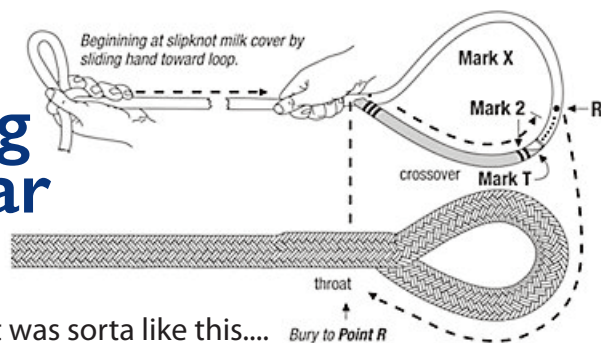
Wally needs you! Chris needs you!

- Looking for members to help with **race result calculation**. There is a seminar being held at **Kingston Yacht Club on Sunday March 29th from 9:30am to 4pm**. The cost is \$30 and includes coffee, tea, continental breakfast, and lunch. Register Here: any member wishing to help with race results should take the seminar. Please let Chris Danner know if you would be willing to help, and would be willing to attend the seminar, fcs@bqyc.ca or 438-863-7747.
- **Looking for help with maintaining Wally**. Wally has been cared for the past few years by **Bob Muston** (thanks Bob!), but Bob has purchased a sailboat (congrats Bob!) and is going to be spending more time on the Water. If you are handy, and would like to lend a hand at the club, please let Chris Danner know by email at fcs@bqyc.ca or calling 438-863-7747.
- **Skippers Meeting** is on April 22 – See you there!
- **All New Dinghy Series** – New this year, there will be a dinghy series. It will be sailed every other Thursday night (Ladies Racing Night). Results will be calculated. More information to come. In the meantime, if you are interested, please make sure that Chris Danner knows.



Dan Munroe introducing splicing
(note the amount of core exposed in his orange line)

Shark Bites Splicing Seminar



Didn't attend? It was sorta like this....



This talented group tried hard to get into the delicate operation. It was discovered that beverages helped reduce the stress of the operation immensely.



Peter Aker questioning the inside core of the line

Dale Holland was happy to capture the intensity of the concentration for us.

Long Term Planning Committee looking for members

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

John Trueman and **Lana Washington** and **Brian and Joan Smith**

We have 229 members and we hope all **23 pending memberships** join in for a great 2020 at BQYC. With the great publicity the club has been receiving, thanks to Dale and Linda, along with spring coming I am sure more people will become interested in joining. Please feel free to refer anyone to me at membership@bqyc.ca.

Membership cards have been printed and are available at the Long Reach Bar for you to pickup. The spring edition of the **Directory** has been created and posted to the Members Only site and the binders at the Bar and in the Office have been updated. The next edition will be completed soon after Lift-in. If people are looking for hard copies for their boat, please contact me @membership@bqyc.ca.

There was some positive feedback on the **New Members event** in October and I was told it helped the new members feel welcome. That's what the evening was all about. I can envision another one later this year.

As you may remember at the AGM I suggested the formation of a Planning Committee. At the February meeting the Board approved the formation of a standing committee called the **Long Term Planning Committee** (LTP) or (LTPC).

The March Board meeting saw the approval of updated Policies to reflect the formation of the Committee and its mandate. There will also be some minor changes to Constitution clauses to be updated and will be put forward to the next AGM for membership approval.

In the mean-time the committee membership will be selected by the Board at the April meeting from those expressing interest to join. An email will be going out to all members with detailed information on the LTP and requesting your expression of interest in joining the committee. The first meeting will be held soon after that Board meeting. The committee chaired by the sitting Rear Commodore will be made up of 6 additional members, 4 or 5 of which are boat owners and one or 2 non-boat owners to represent the purely social aspect of the club. We hope to have representation from a cross section of interests in the club. As this is a standing committee and as stability is key the terms of membership are 2 members stay on for 3 years, 2 for 2 years and the remaining 2 for 1 year. The horizon of vision is 2+ Years, however there may be items of a shorter implementation period but have lasting impacts, which will be delegated to this committee for review. The committee will listen to all stakeholders, perform research, do the analysis, present alternatives and recommendations to the Board and Membership for vote. The cycle repeats on the next round of items on the list and we then also take on a consultative role to future Boards for those approved items the Board of the day will undertake.

We are in the first year of a 25 year lease and have the opportunity to plan for a very pleasant future for Bay of Quinte Yacht Club. Enjoy the club and the beautiful Bay of Quinte.





Clue Mystery Dinner February 2020

Dale and Max Holland hosted the Clue Mystery Dinner. It was a first for us, developed out of a love of the Clue Game and something to do that was new and different than the Hobo Dinner.

The format was each table became a character in the Clue Game. If you are familiar with the game, you will know the names: Mr. Green, Professor Plum, Colonel Mustard, Mrs. Peacock, Mrs. White and Miss Scarlet.

Each table rolled the single dice and took their turns to get into one of the eight rooms. Once in a room, they could make a "guess".

Tables were encouraged to purchase an extra dice, at the cost of \$5.00 which went to a local charity, the Grace Inn Shelter. A total of \$100.00 was raised through the evening.

There was laughter, accusations, mystery, and some fraternizing between tables.

Mrs. Scarlet was about to solve the mystery, but it was not yet her turn, Mrs. Peacock came in with the winning Accusation and the mystery was solved.

Dinner was pasta served with chicken d'olio (with olive oil and herbs), we also served microgreens from Green Wheel Farms (yummy), dessert was a light fruit with cream cake.

Stay Tuned for Next Year's Clue Dinner. We will be limiting tickets to 40 as a result of the nature of the game and may even have to raise funds by auctioning the tickets .. Just a thought!! I would like to acknowledge everyone who supported before, during and after the event, it was great to see the club returned to normal within minutes, it was truly a team effort to close the event down. Dale and I were so very grateful for all the help in the kitchen as well from our volunteers who signed up before the event, Helene, Kristy, Hazel, Jeff and Heidi, who made the meal-making and serving so much easier. Cheers, Mr. & Mrs. Body



Martin's Bio

Martin Smit is the Entertainment Director for the Bay of Quinte Yacht Club. Martin is a recently retired school principal, and he and his wife Trisha have been members of the club for a few years. Martin and Trisha sail *Jimson*, a 30' Gilbert that can be found on S dock. Martin and Trisha also play with the Celtic/Folk Band, Seventh Town, which has performed for a few events at the club.

If you have any ideas for events, or would like to help out, stop him for a chat anytime or please email Martin at entertainment@bqyc.ca.

Upcoming events

March 17 - St. Patrick's "Cup O'Stew"

April 11 - Easter Egg Hunt and Pancake Breakfast

Don't forget our Tuesday Socials and Friday

Members Nights - these are a great way to get to know other members from our club

The Entertainment Committee welcomes event ideas and volunteers. We are currently looking for people or groups who would like to plan a club dinner or fun event. No experience necessary! If you have an idea or are interested in helping at an event please email Martin at entertainment@bqyc.ca



We've been busy

The Marketing Committee has done a great deal of work in the last two months. A new online **Sail Training advertising campaign** has launched. New **video promotions** have been put together for Adult Learn to Sail, Junior Sailing camps and a general club promotional video. Thanks to **Jim Doyle** and the **students of Eastside Media Club** for all the work put into the promotional videos.

We have some new branded clothing starting to come into the club thanks to **Myron Lasko** who volunteered to take on Regalia, along with being the "On Board" editor.

On March 26th we were supposed to be hosting a **Belleville Chamber of Commerce Business Card Mingle**. This event would have given the club an opportunity to highlight what BQYC offers to our membership and the community. Perhaps once the virus has died down.....

I am looking for a member to help coordinate **"Get Out on The Water 2020"** which is to be held June 13. Anyone who is willing to help in anyway with this initiative please contact me. Last year we had over 60 individuals come to the club and experience sailing.

Yes. I am an **optimist** that the IJC will have the water levels at a level where the club will again be offering a full slate of activities in the Summer of 2020.

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

Upcoming Calendar of Activities

March 26 - 5 to 7 pm Belleville Chamber of Commerce Business Card Mingle **CANCELLED**

April 7 and 9 - 6 to 9 pm Open House and Sail Training Registration

April 11 - 9 am Member and Family Easter Egg Hunt and Pancake breakfast

April 14 and 16 - 5-7 pm Members room Lift In Registration

April 22 pm Skippers Meeting

April 21 6:30 pm Cruising Meeting

April 27 6 pm Adult Learn To Sail Course starts

May 1 and 2 LIFT IN 7:30 AM

May 8 7pm Prime Rib Dinner

*We're getting our eggs
in order
for Saturday April 11
Hope you'll join me!*

