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*Father's Day found William Bockler with  
daughter Addilyn on her first sail*

*Photo by Erynn Bockler  
Lorie Gold photo*



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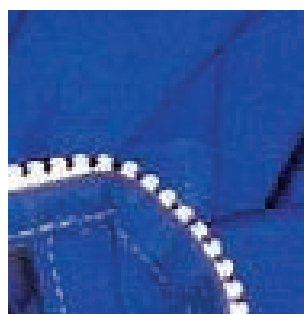


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VIP week was a resounding success thanks to the volunteers and more importantly our guests. For those who were not able to participate, the logistics required would rival a military operation. In the organizing team, there was a changing of the guard with **Eric Pilon** stepping down after 15 years and **Mark Bowen** stepping up to the plate. Many thanks to the entire team of a well-run event and especially Eric for all your work over the years, and welcome Mark.

I would also like to thank the **gardening committee** for the flower beds and deck planters along with the sailing school staff for keeping the yard clean and orderly. Judging by comments made to me, the outside appearance of the club and the yard conditions have been a cause of concern to many members; now let's keep everything tidy.

The time is right to remind members this is self-help club. There are numerous little jobs that can be addressed in a matter of minutes and make the place attractive. A few come to mind such as watering the planters on the deck and the flower beds. For those a bit stronger, emptying the garbage bins into the dumpster.

On Saturday July 2nd, I witnessed a genuine display of compassion. A boat from RHYC had to pull into Bronte due to an overheating engine and tied up to the visitors dock. The skipper's mechanical skill were just about at the same level as mine; so changing an impeller would have required signing a cheque; good luck finding a mechanic

on Saturday of a long week end. In stepped **Drew Thompson**, who had just launched his boat and was ready to leave for a sail, and he replaced the impeller. Trust me squeezing in the space to perform the work requires a contortionist. Drew reinforced "*Best Little Club on the Lake Where You Are a Stranger Only Once*". Well done Drew.

Some may not be aware that **Ken Reynold** and **Laurie McCoy** of *Mauna Kea* have left for a very long sail which will take them to the Caribbean. They anticipate to be gone for up to 2 years. You can track their progress on their log – <http://mauna-kea-sailing.blogspot.ca/>  
Safe journey Mauna Kea.

Wishing you all great sailing, *Richard*

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## Club Rentals

Please be advised that the club (upstairs) has been rented for a variety of functions over the next several weeks as well as one booking for a Fall event, see dates below.

- **Saturday, July 9**, Noon – 11pm; wedding ceremony and dinner; 70 guests
- **Sunday, July 10**, 1 – 4pm; Celebration of Life
- **Sunday, July 24**, 2 – 5pm; birthday party
- **Friday, October 7**, 5 – 11:30pm; pre-wedding reception; 85 guests

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## Call for volunteers

Racing is going well, so far only one race in each series has been canceled because of weather.

Racing would not be possible without volunteers who are running it. I wish to extend my thanks to all Race Committee volunteers and skippers and their crew who participated in our RC Skipper program.

Things are looking good for July, however we need volunteers for the Fall series. Please sign up for fall series, it is great way to get work party hours.

Our Race committee is engaged in organizing weekend races and regattas during the summer season. We also help our neighbor clubs by providing race management for their events. For all that we need volunteers...If you are interested, please fill out a registration form or contact me.

It seems there is some confusion about where to go for race results, information, etc...As you might have noticed, this year we have a new set of web pages related to racing and cruising. On our main racing web page [www.bhyc.on.ca/racing](http://www.bhyc.on.ca/racing) use link **Racing Information** to

access new area, other navigation links for 2016 are not maintained.

### Events ahead:

- **GHYRA & BHYC 'Going to the Movies'** - Friday July 8 - Awards Night
- **Easter Seals Regatta** - July 16
- **Club Cruise to Mimico** - July 16, 17
- **TGIF Race** - July 22
- **Bronte Overnight Race** - July 29
- **Bronte Shark Regatta** - July 30, 31
- **Toronto Hydroplane and Sailing Club Cruise** - July 30, 31

Our **Bronte Rocks Committee** is working hard to make sure we all have another great Regatta. To register go to [www.bronterocks.com](http://www.bronterocks.com).

If you have any suggestions or questions, please don't hesitate to contact me. Best regards, Dusan.

### **RON PARKER** *Membership Director*

## Another Great VIP Week!

They say "You're only 40 once". That is not the case for this year's VIP Week.

Great weather, skippers, crew, volunteers and of course VIPs made the 40ish annual VIP week a huge success. Over the five day period more than 30 visually impaired sailors attended. Organizers were especially pleased with the overwhelming response from boat owners, crew and volunteers.

Wednesday was the highlight for many when we went to Fifty Point for pizza. We thank **Fifty Point Marina** for providing free lunchtime docking and use of their barbecues.

Friday's racing was enjoyed by all VIPs on nine boats. The VIPs on *Outward Bound*, **Marita Hill**, **Dave Greenwood** and **Jodi Munden** won first overall. Their names will be engraved on the recently resurrected VIP Sailing Club Champion trophy. Thank you **Ron Barr** and **Sue Sproule** for discovering it.

I would like to personally thank many individuals for their hard work; **Dawn Grenville**, who with the help of many volunteers in the kitchen organized over seventy lunches and snacks each day. **Ole Sigvardt** for organizing daily crew and VIP assignments, **Eric Pilon** who was responsible for invitations and communicating train and bus schedules.

This will be Eric's last year as a program organizer and we look forward to working with his successor **Mark**

**Bowen**, who has graciously stepped in to fill his shoes. I'm sure Eric won't stray far; he has already volunteered *Lady Frances* next year.

Thank you once again for all those who volunteered their time. I look forward to our actual 40th VIP Week next year.

## New Members

Please join me in welcoming recent new club members. They may require some help with club orientation. Offer to assist where you can.

### Senior

Denis & Sharon Hyduk  
Ross Lister & Penny Beasley

### Associate

Yolanda Willett

### Paddling

Sandi Robinson  
Joe Jany

### Dinghy

Robert Bodner

### Junior

Graeme Smyth  
Noah Lutz

## 2016 Roster

I would like to thank **Peter McDougall** for his hard work in preparing the 2016 Roster. His solo efforts made sure it was completed just in time for Sail Past. If you have not received your copy, I will arrange one to be left at the bar.



## School's out for summer!

School is out for summer and you know what that means? Our sailing school begins! By the time this is published, we should have welcomed our first of four sessions. Final preparations were made to have the yard organized and look fantastic! Some of you might have noticed that we are trying a smaller trailer this year to house the sailing school kids. I have recently met with all staff for the summer and discussed the importance of having and leaving a small footprint at the club. Staff addressed concerns involving lot organization, garbage, student behaviour, and property care and promised to work diligently addressing these issues.

Our July registrations are almost completely sold out! As for our August registrations, it needs a bit more support. To fill up these sessions in August, and for a limited time only, we are offering a **10% discount** for any regular crew member on BHYC boats towards junior sail training. Please mention this offer to any of your crew! To take advantage of this offer, they must contact me via email [rctraining@bhyc.on.ca](mailto:rctraining@bhyc.on.ca) to receive a coupon code.

For a final request, I would ask all members to interact with these young future sailors! They might be small, energetic and extremely excited but they are harmless. Please make them and their parents feel welcome. They could possibly become future members!!

**MIKE DOODY** *Rear Commodore, Power*

## What does it take to be Officer of the Day?

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- Visitor sign in sheet
- Visitor Package

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## The Next Race!

The Junior Race Team will be competing in two separate events on the July 9th weekend. The lasers and 420's will be competing in Sailfest at the Sarnia yacht club. Our Opti fleet will be competing in the Fogh Boreman located at Royal Hamilton Yacht club. We wish all of our racers the best of luck!

Don't forget to follow us on Facebook and Twitter!

## BHYC Sailing School MEAT SALE !!!

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**SEAN DUBREUIL** *Secretary*



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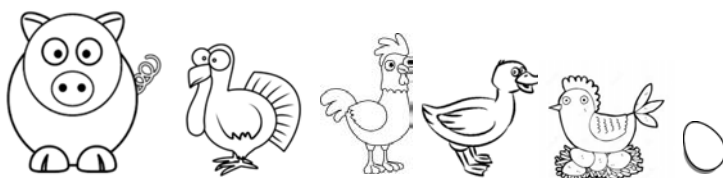
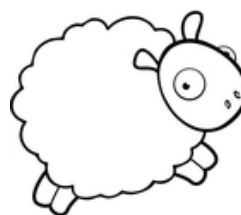
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Mike Paulson's  
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### It's Time!

**Time to Register** - Go to the BHYC website and click on the "Bronte Rocks Regatta" Quick Link. This will take you directly to yachtscore.com to register.

**Time to Volunteer** - Sign-up sheets will be posted at the bar.

**Time to Sponsor** - We still require monetary sponsorship, there are four levels of sponsorship, Platinum Level, \$2000 plus. Gold Level, \$500 plus, Silver \$250- \$499 and Bronze \$100.00- \$249. We are also looking for items "in Kind" - Raffle and Auction items for our draws; coupons from your business or small gifts for our Skipper's Bags (80-100). If you have a business or know of one that would benefit from the exposure or would like to support us personally, please let us know.



### BRONTE ROCKS!

Oh yes it does! And we need volunteers to sign up and help us have a blast! Why not have an awesome amount of fun and acquire your Work Party hours at the same time? Grab a pen because Sign-up sheets will be posted shortly in the club- house. Anyone with a Smart Serve card will be a great asset to our Margaritaville nights. See smartserve.ca for online certification.



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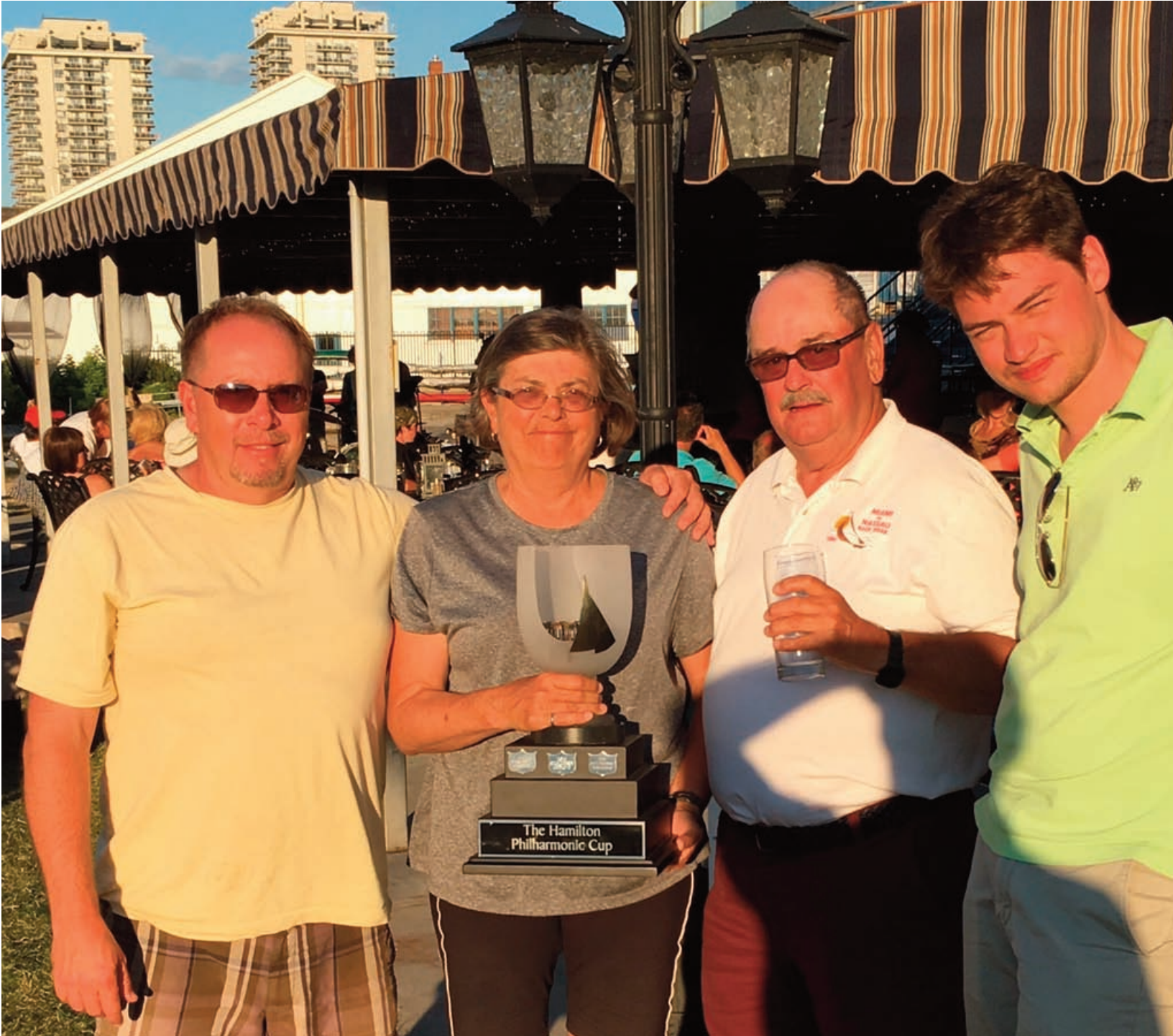
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3  <i>July</i> GHYRA Race Week July 3-8	4	5 <b>Tuesday Night race</b>	6 <b>Sip 'n Stitch</b>	7 <b>Thursday Night race</b>	8 <b>GHYRA and BHYC "Going to the movies"</b>	9 <small>Note: club is rented noon to 11pm for a wedding ceremony and reception</small>
10 <small>Note: club is rented 1-4 pm Celebration of Life</small>	11	12 <b>Tuesday race night</b>	13 <b>Sip 'n Stitch</b>	14 <b>Thursday race night</b>	15	16 <b>Oakville Easter Seals Regatta</b> <b>Club Cruise to Mimico CC</b>
17 <b>Club Cruise to Mimico Cruising Club</b>	18	19 <b>Tuesday race night</b>	20 <b>Sip 'n Stitch</b>	21 <b>Thursday race night</b>	22 <b>TGIF Race</b>	23
24 <small>Note: club is rented upstairs 2-5 pm for a birthday party</small>	25	26 <b>Tuesday race night</b>	27 <b>Sip 'n Stitch</b>	28 <b>Thursday race night</b>	29 <b>BHYC Overnight Race July 29-30</b> <b>Ontario Shark Regatta July 30-31</b> <b>Club Cruise to TH&amp;SC July 30-31</b>	30
31	1 <i>August</i>	2 <b>Tuesday race night</b>	3 <b>Sip 'n Stitch</b>	4 <b>Thursday race night</b>	5	6
7	8	9 <b>Tuesday race night</b>	10 <b>Sip 'n Stitch</b>	11 <b>Thursday race night</b>	12 <b>TGIF Race</b>	13
14	15	16 <b>Tuesday race night</b>	17 <b>Sip 'n Stitch</b>	18 <b>Thursday race night</b>	19 <b>TGIF Race</b>	20 <b>Club Cruise to Fifty Point Yacht Club</b>
21 <b>OYS sendoff party for Lee Parkhill. Olympic sailor 3-7pm</b>	22	23 <b>Tuesday race night</b>	24 <b>Sip 'n Stitch</b>	25 <b>Thursday race night</b>	26 <b>BRONTE ROCKS REGATTA SEPTEMBER 3,4</b>	27

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