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PETER KIRKWOOD Commodore

Report from the Commodore

I am late writing this due to sailing season being upon us. Too much fun on the water to spend time at a keyboard! I hope everyone is enjoying the start of the sailing season in their own way.

Sailpast is coming up fast and the forecast looks good at this time. I hope we can actually sail past out on the lake versus an inshore ceremony. I hope to see everyone out on the water that day and please stay for the Commodore's Sailpast Dinner.

Last comment about lake levels this year as it looks like the levels are stabilizing below the flood stage. Good news indeed for all as we can visit other clubs and be visited by their members. Last year we were fortunate to be in the water but we were pretty much limited to late year cruising and racing at other clubs.

Keep safe on the water

Peter

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Harbour Office News

Welcome to Diederik van Dijk, the new Supervisor of Harbours.

Bottom Wash Tuesdays – start on July 3, the cost is \$58.50 +HST, no appointment necessary, first come first served. First lift is 7:30am and last lift at 3:00pm

Amy Johnson

Oakville Power and Sail Squadron Summer Courses

Maritime – VHF Radio Course

Starts

June 5, 12 and 19, 2018

Location: Oakville Town Hall - 1225 Trafalgar Rd – Oakville. Room TBD

This course is 3 Tuesday nights – Time: 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm

To Register Online:

<http://www.boatingcourses.ca/cities/Oakville>

For More information Contact:

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or

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Two Additional Maritime

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REINIER VAN DER WAGON Vice Commodore

First of all, a final reminder for everyone to remove their cradle pads and bits, ladders, boarding steps, winter cover frames, furling support boards, etc. from the yard. Any items left in the yard by the middle of June are going to be thrown out.

We are still trying to identify which vessels, trailers, dinghies have paid for storage and which have not.

We also still need to get rid of Mega (departure date has been promised as June 15), the Shark trailer in the parking lot (in regular contact with the owner) and one cradle (should be leaving this week). One cradle is to be made collapsible (the owner has promised to take care of this asap).

All the wet moorings have been rented out for the season. If you need a set of boarding steps, there is a set that has been donated by a generous member. The steps are currently located in the yard at the upper pedestrian gate to the Town's yard.

I still need the owners of the following kayaks/canoes to contact me as soon as possible:

1. Pelican sit-on - Beige/white - Stored in rack B5
2. We-No-Nah - Orange - Stored in rack D1
3. Pelican Ram X - Green Canoe - Stored in rack D2

A low cost solution has been implemented on the garbage enclosure gates so that they don't need to be propped shut with a concrete block. If you have stored anything in the garbage enclosure area, please remove it as it will be put in the bin very shortly.

I would like to get the Gardening committee together in the first week of June to see what we can do with the gardens and deck. A concerted effort will be made to rejuvenate the lawn as well.

The area around crane has been repaved by the Town. A new weather-proof control pendant has been installed on the lower hoist (dry sailors, hoist) and the annual crane inspection was carried out at the same time. Mast Crane training to be carried out in the next month or so.

Any questions or suggestions, please send me an e-mail at vicecom@bhyc.on.ca.

Reinier

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BARRY JASPER Rear Commodore Sail

Well "Welcome to BHYC", here is the new permanent "Bronte Mark", still a work in progress, but hopefully to be deployed this week, at it's traditional location 43.23.00, 79.42.00

This mark will save a lot of race committee journeys it will provide a start/finish mark for the informal "Sunday Stroll Series" of races, which will be organised by Dusan, starting on Sunday June 24, all are welcome.

It will provide a turning mark for the GHYRA Regatta week races, which begin with registration at Newport on June 30th, see the GHYRA facebook page for details and advance registration. If you haven't tackled this challenging series before, it is a great week for both cruisers and racers, during traditionally best sailing weather of the season, and an opportunity to visit all our surrounding neighbor clubs.

Also, for the Oakville Challenge cup series, which is already under way; their next race is June 10 at 1.00 pm.

The TGIF and TGIS races will kick off June 16 at 3.00 pm and include a BBQ afterwards, these fun races provide an introduction, for those who don't race regularly, to the format and starting procedures of the racers.

We may even use it during Sailpast, the traditional start to the boating season, next weekend. Please mark this great social occasion on your calendar, commencing at 1.00 pm with the "blessing of the boats", then "sail past" on the water at 2.30 pm, and the celebration supper at 6.30 pm.

Not only are we offering an incredibly wide variety of styles and length of races, and formats that will suit everybody, from the diehards to the rank beginners, on June 23, there will be the opportunity for racing crews to compete without their skippers, in the "Crews Chance" and the "Lady Helm" regattas..

Per my Bluewater Blast last week, the news from the Race Committee is super encouraging, the membership has expanded, to the point where we have suspended the skipper volunteer programme, for the Tuesday-Thursday series of club races. If this level of enthusiasm and participation continues, we may be able to return to a free standing, self sustaining committee. Not only will this make my job a lot easier; but, will improve the quality of race management, for all the racing participants.

There is literally, something for everyone at the club this month, all we need is enthusiastic participants, to make this the best June sailing month ever.

See you all on the water.....and be safe out there

Barry

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BARBARA KEELEY-WATT Publicity Director

The Open House/ Boat Gear Sale was good fun and hopefully you found some boat gear treasure at the sale. The weather gods certainly cooperated to help make the day a success. A huge thank you to all the volunteers for your help preparing for the Open House and Boat Gear Sale on Saturday. Your efforts in the preparation are very much appreciated. There were almost 50 lunches sold, 2 new memberships, and happy members & friends who sold off their boat treasures. Andrew the Drone Photographer will be back for a drone photography shoot on a race night and possibly a regatta depending on his schedule.

'The nautical 'refresh' of the BHYC upper deck furniture is thanks to the generous help from a group of volunteers on Victoria Day – Marge Furness, Peter McDougall, Sue Sproule, Stephen Firth, Phil Gelsheimer, Dale Ward and Stein Pedersen.'

The BHYC Regalia orders are now available, for those members who placed an order please pick up your regalia at the clubhouse bar. There are a few shirts, fleeces and jackets available if there is anyone interested please let me know and I can provide sizes and colours. Hats will be available for purchase throughout the summer.

Dale ward has drilled the umbrella holes in the picnic tables on the front lawn, umbrellas & stands are behind the outside bar. Please feel free to use the picnic tables and umbrellas, and club BBQ's. (Please remember to collapse the umbrellas and return to the bar area). Flags have been hoisted, we have a new Canadian Flag, Provincial Flag, and a new BHYC club pennant on order, hopefully we will receive for Sailpast.

News around the harbour:

- Mark your calendar for the Public Meeting (Town of Oakville)- June 13, 2018, presentation on the **Harbour Master Plan** findings and discussion of future directions.
Wednesday, June 13, 2018, Walton United Church, 2489 Lakeshore Rd. W, 7-8:30 p.m.
- The **Oakville Wind Orchestra** will perform at the Bronte Waterfront Park sail pavilion, June 21, 28, July 5, 12, 19, 26 and August 7. Concerts are from 7 -8pm.
- **Bronte Public boat ramp** – flood damage restoration and relocation of the ramp is to begin in July.

Have a good June everyone!

Barbara

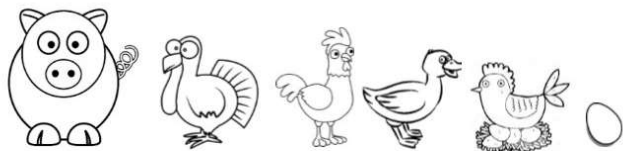
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Chicken is Here!

Chicken is here! We have farm raised chicken available in pieces. Frozen and vacuum sealed. Contact us to send a price list and availability. We will be doing a group of full chickens later this summer. Taking orders for pork halves and wholes as well as lamb halves and wholes. Pork half is about three wine boxes and half lamb is about one. They will be ready in the fall and can be custom cut.

Chicken dry rub: you can either put the rub on at home and keep in a zip lock bag or mix it and put it on before grilling (or baking or frying). Mix 1tsp paprika, 1 tsp cumin, 1 tsp onion powder, 1\2 tsp garlic powder, 1\4 black pepper, 1\2 tsp seasoning salt and 1/8 cayenne powder (optional). Brush chicken with olive oil or even just pat on dry. Does enough for two chicken breasts or similar. Adjust spices to your own personal taste.

Call Jamie at 905-580-5699, Sara at 289-242-3462, visit at Flash or Escape Pod or email lighthouse.stables@gmail.com



PETER WELLS Rear Commodore of Training

The Ontario Sailing Instructors courses have been in progress throughout May at the club and on the water. We had an unfortunate situation where there were double bookings of the club with other events. Some members complained directly to the OSA people rather than to the responsible board members which may jeopardize our being able to host the OSA in future years. Given the financial situation of the club, we rely on such sources of revenue but have made a commitment that we will try to avoid double bookings. However, should one inadvertently occur, we will do a better job of communicating to all members, will be notified and ensure that a bar area is set up for members in the lower porch & lawn area.

I am pleased to report that registrations for the Learn to Sail program are progressing very well with some sessions already full. Please email Ally Dandy, Head Coach at registration@bhyc.on.ca if you are interested in registering your family members.

With some warm weather staying around, it seems as though summer is here to stay. Our Race Teams have been taking full advantage of the warm weather by getting on the water for training starting in mid May. The local regatta season kicked off in the last two weeks. Many of our sailors competed this past weekend (May at the Royal Hamilton Yacht Club's Lilac Regatta. One of our C420 teams, Will Peters and Matthew Tiplady achieved four bullets and one 2nd place to win their class in that Regatta while our Opti sailor Sterling Ott placed third in White fleet. Congrats to all our racers who competed this past weekend. Our racers will continue to train over the coming month before their next regatta either the Sarnia Sailfest or Fogh Boorman Regatta at the Royal Hamilton Y.C.

Peter Wells

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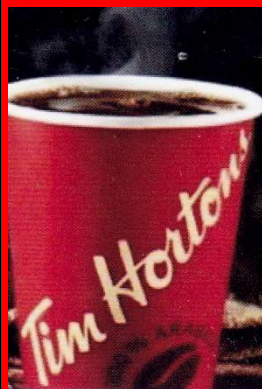
We have processed and reconciled the volunteer hours worked to the membership requirements for 2017. Any members who was short hours will receive an invoice for the missing hours (\$35/hr.) mid-month along with the details of the hours submitted. If you feel your account is missing hours worked, please submit the missing hours to the appropriate director for approval.

For 2018 we will be updating each member's volunteer hours at the end of June and again in the early fall to ensure each of you has an updated record of the volunteer hours you have submitted. Please be sure to submit your hours on a timely basis. Hours can be submitted online through the club website (preferred method) or by completing a paper form available from the bar.

2018 membership fees should have been paid in full by now. Payment by credit or debit can be made at the club bar. If you bank with TD Bank you can select BHYC as a vendor and make your payment through your online banking application. *Don Harkness*

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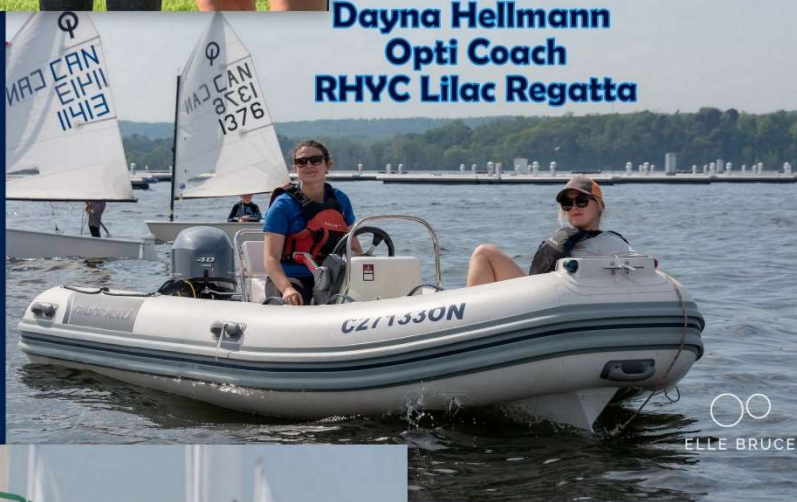
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**Will Peters & Mathew Tiplady
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Top of the Podium**



**Congratulations
BHYC Sailors!**

**Dayna Hellmann
Opti Coach
RHYC Lilac Regatta**



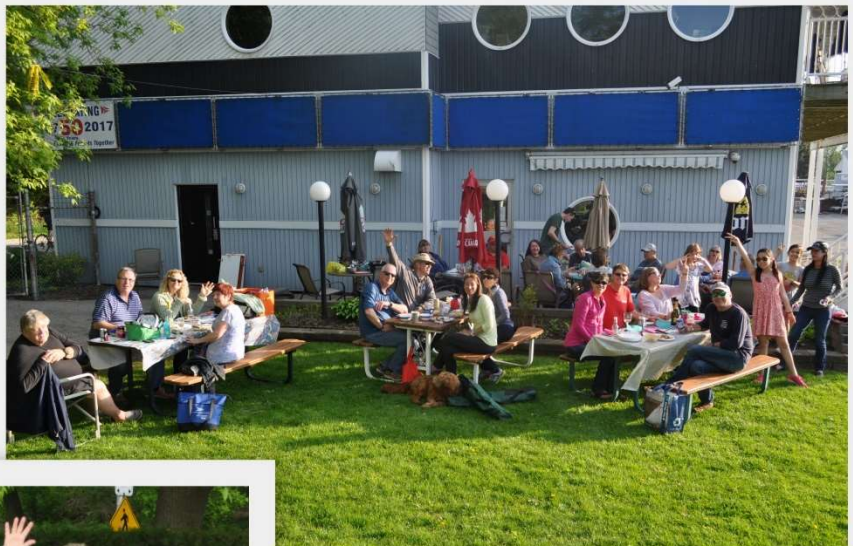
**Sterling Ott
3rd place
RHYC Lilac Regatta**



Elle Bruce & Justin Triplady



Macassa Bay



May 2018

Cruisers



SBrans

Darts Finale - Many Winners

Another successful darts session wrapped up just before launch. The winners of the trophies highlighted the competitiveness of many teams; in fact, the final results were decided in the very last evening.

Prior to the awards presentation, Steve Firth and Dan LaFerriere slaved in the kitchen to serve a scrumptious feast.

The teams were pretty evenly matched at the start of the season, but several teams pulled away from the rest of the pack after just a few weeks. The contest was fierce amongst the top teams all season. Despite a stated preference for 301, the team of Dave Platt and Bob Yorke shared winning honours in cricket with Graham Beattie and Mary Ellen Bockler who made an exciting push to even the results on the last darts night. Sam Spares, Marg Paulson and Steve Firth eked out a win in 301. It was another tie for top honours with two teams having best scores. One team included Sam Spares, Marg Paulson and Steve Firth, while the other team included Dave Platt and Bob Yorke. Ian Coney was awarded the anchor trophy for his whole-hearted enthusiasm and good humour.

The darts evenings are the epitome of the saying "many hands make light work". Huge thanks go to those on the spares list who make a critical contribution and to everyone who helps with set up, clean up and keeping the games running smoothly. Special thanks go to Dave Cavell who ensures the chalk boards are in pristine condition for each darts evening.

Wednesday darts evenings are always lively and fun. We can look forward to another enjoyable darts season, starting in November.

Submitted by
Sandra Brans

MIKE PAULSON Cruising Director

It finally feels as though Summer has arrived and on cue, Bronte Harbour members set out on the first cruise of the year. Macassa Bay was the destination as RHYC were still having problems with their break wall. It involved some last-minute planning and Macassa Bay were very gracious allowing us to go and extremely welcoming once we got there.

With the rain and fog on Saturday it was decided that the cruise would leave on Sunday and return Monday. 5 boats set sail and were joined by a contingent of drivers on Sunday evening for a happy hour and pot luck supper. The evening was beautiful, warm and sunny and the food was enjoyed by all. 29 in all attended and I would like to thank all for participating and making it such a success.

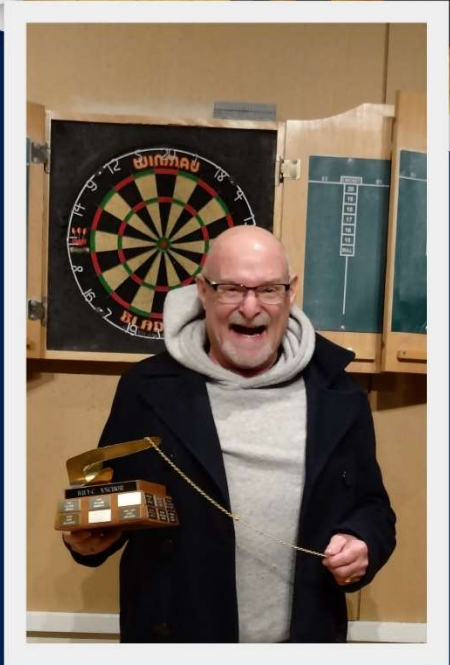
Our next cruise to Newport Yacht club to visit with our good friends Sue and Nigel will take place on June 23rd and 24th. Last year it was a huge success and we hope to replicate it again this year!! If you would like to join the cruise, please register on the BHYC site so we can get an idea of how many will be going.

Mike

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Darts Finale 2018



Enjoy good food and camaraderie with BHYC friends this Sailpast:

Sailpast Dinner

June 9th, 2018

Dinner at 6:30 pm

Please order # of dinners, with entrée choice steak or salmon, by replying to social@bhyc.on.ca by June 4th.

Entree: Salad, baked potato,
choice of salmon filet or strip loin steak.
Dessert: homemade strawberry shortcake

Price \$20 pp

As sailing (and racing!) season approaches, you might want to take advantage of various menus that our local restaurants offer. If you are not already familiar with "Skip the Dishes", you can look it up and learn more about it:

<https://www.skipthedishes.com/oakville/restaurants>

Many restaurants in and around Bronte use this service and for a very reasonable delivery fee. Here is a list of some of the closest restaurants, many of which charge less than \$4 for delivery! Simply order online with Skip the Dishes and have your food delivered to the Club!

Hero Burgers - Lakeshore Road West Bronte

Pizza Pienza - Lakeshore Road West Bronte

Zara's - Bronte Lakeshore Road West

Anora's - Lakeshore Road West Bronte

Nonna's Oven - Rebecca at Lakeshore Woods

South St Burger - Burloak Drive, across and North from near Tim Hortons

Freshii - Burloak Drive, across and North from near Tim Hortons

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JUNE 18 – 22, 2018

VIP SAILING WEEK

BRONTE HARBOUR YACHT CLUB

Our Club's biggest community event every year and once again we are looking for skippers, boats and crew to help on the water, in the clubhouse and at Fifty Point (with any luck). Once again Email sign-up is the only way to register; vip@bhyc.on.ca. You will receive a confirmation from Ole Sigvardt. Please come out, help and pray for normal water levels.

We invite visually impaired people from all over the GTA for five days of fun day-sailing, a cruise to Fifty Point Marina and a day of racing. Participants learn the fundamentals of sailing on 30 foot keel boats, seamanship basics, and some basic racing techniques. The week ends with a race around audible marks.

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IAN CONEY
Membership Director

First and foremost, I want to thank the many people who so ably took care of things while I was recuperating. I'm not going to name them because I'm sure to forget someone and that wouldn't be right.

I'm pleased to see that we've seen an upturn in membership applications this year, and would like to welcome the following new members:

As Senior Members we welcome Trina Parsons and Patrick Foster, Ridvan Jakupi and Scot and Lisa Van Dam.

Associate Members include John Haining, Evie and Terry Samoglou, Maureen Chasty and Hedley Grieves, Randy Scheib, Ivan Sevo and Robert Homola. Ivan and Randy are looking for a boat and already have earned volunteer hours by helping out on the Race Committee.

Welcome Diseree Squires, Janet Grassi and Brian Buchanan as Crewing Members.

If I've missed anyone, please let me know and I will announce in next month's Signal.

Please introduce yourself to our newest additions and give them a warm welcome.

Cheers!

Ian

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STEIN PEDERSEN
House Director

Many thanks to Marge Furness and the gang she organized to refurbish the tables on the deck with a nautical blue cover. She also found a sale on deck chairs and we have a number of new chairs. The old chairs do deteriorate in the sun and after several seasons need to be replaced as they can no longer be cleaned.

By the time you read this we will have completed some necessary electrical repairs, replacing plugs that do not work and lights that are intermittent. The three outside BBQs will have been serviced, first time in at least 5 years and they needed it. The washroom makeover is slowly progressing.

Just a note on club bookings. The club staff maintain a binder for bookings, that way if someone comes in and wants to book the club for an event, they know whether it has already been booked or if there is a club function such as sailpast scheduled. For all our many committees, please ensure that you do not schedule an event for upstairs without checking the bookings. If the club is booked for an event, the downstairs is available for members.

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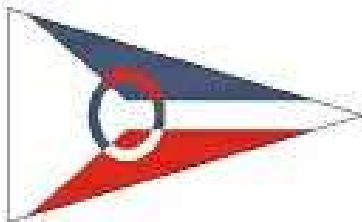
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GHYRA
Regatta Week



2018 GHYRA Regatta registration is open!

THE ROUTE:

Saturday, June 30th: Registration at NYC-SC 1 800-2100

Sunday, July 1st: FIASCO Regatta in NYC-SC

Monday, July 2nd: NYC-SC to BHYC

Tuesday, July 3rd: BHYC to NYC

Wednesday, July 4th: NYC to OC/OYS

Thursday, July 5th: OC/OYS to RHYC

Closing ceremonies to follow at RHYC



****Note: Fiasco registration fee is included
in GHYRA registration**

**Visit www.ghyra.org or contact us at ghyracommittee@gmail.com
for more information and to register.**

Space is limited - Register today!