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It's that time again when we put away all our toys and prepare for winter. Haul out was extremely well organized and successful due to great volunteers led by Vice Commodore Reinier

Award season is upon us and we will be sharing a sold-out meal with competitors on Nov 17.

The annual meeting follows soon after and the board looks forward to sharing our work with all members.

Don't forget the Turkey Roll and there will be. Christmas caroling next month. Games nights and as usual darts will provide opportunities for us to congregate through winter.

All the best

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V i c e C o m m o d o r e

Haul-out came and went. A big thank you to everyone who worked - team leaders, work party crew, last minute fetchers of coffee and tools and gas, those who found useful things to do in the moments when the job that they signed up for was not required, the makers of lunch and those who helped tidy up long after the work was done. You made this event a success.

It is clear that we need to make a different plan when it comes to bottom washing. There are a number of aspects that make bottom washing problematic. The poor preparation of the hulls before launch, the amount of bottom washing that takes place during the season, the amount of crew available for bottom washing and the fitness of the bottom washing crew. It is a cold, hard and lonely job. Some boats were so badly fouled that it took over an hour to execute the bottom wash. I am thinking that, in future, each boat owner should do his own boat. We will still provide the pressure washers, the gas, the hoses, the water, technical support, a person who determines which boat is next to be washed, etc. Please let me know what you think.

As you put your boats to bed for the winter, please remember to unplug your boats from the electrical power when you are not on board. If you are doing work on your boat, please consider your neighbours in the yard by containing and collecting any sanding dust, spatter of paint, grinding compound and boat wax. Please place your ladders where they do not obstruct walkways and take them down when you finished working on your boat.

We re-graded the parking lot just before Haul-out. This was not a simple task, not even for a Bobcat, as the screenings (the gravel) was a lot more compacted than we imagined. While it seems that what we did, has made a difference to the storm water runoff towards the front door, it is clear that we need to have a second go at it. We will try to do this before Launch.

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

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Bluewater V



RON PARKER RC Power BLUEWATER V

It's been a pretty quiet year for articles from the R.C. Power. But now, I've finally got some big news. Bronte Harbour Yacht Club has purchased a 26-foot fishing boat to replace our current committee boat.

The Baja 260 Fisherman is beamy and has a low center of gravity making hopefully for a stable platform in a chop. The boat has a powerful V8 and can now serve as an emergency response vessel. The large open comfortable cockpit should attract race committee volunteers.

As with any used semi-commercial boat it needs its share of repair, however it surveyed well and came in well under budget. And with several thousand dollars in needless fishing equipment, we will have bonus dollars to fix 'er up.

My intention is to bring her back for Awards Night for those interested to have a look. A Bluewater V Committee led by the new R.C. Power shall take on the task of making this boat the best it can be.

Thank you to those that served on the Bluewater Replacement Committee. Your input and research has been of great assistance.

-RON PARKER

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JOAN SPARES Social Director

With the first week of November we have a return of Thursday Games Nights! Every other week, throughout the winter you can meet with your BHYC pals in a little friendly competition. Thanks to Marge, Trudy, and Barb, you have a reason to leave the TV set off at home and come into the Club. Check the BHYC online calendar for dates (they are usually alternate Thursdays). And don't forget Wednesday night darts!

While you are recording dates on your calendar, don't forget Turkey Roll on November 30th! Then there's our annual Christmas Sing Along on December 15th. You don't have to be Celine Dion to join us; it's just a lot of fun to join your BHYC friends and sing old Christmas favourites

Hard to believe it will soon be the end of the year, isn't it? This year, on New Year's Eve, come along and bring in 2019 at Bronte Harbour Yacht Club! You will be able to enjoy dinner and music (by a professional deejay) and boogie until we've seen the old year out and the new in! More info on this in the December Signal.

(Check the online calendar for these events.)

Joan

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BHYC Games Night

Returns Thursday November 8th and 22nd from 7 to 10. Please bring your favourite game and a munchie to share and join the camaraderie.

Last year Sequence, Euchre, Cribbage and Scrabble topped the list, but perhaps you have another favourite - Poker anyone? This year we will track the competition and have an overall performer for all game categories at the end of the season.

Come out and connect with other BHYC members, enjoy a libation, some snacks, and plenty of healthy competition. Let the Games begin!

Trudy Doody, Marge Furness, Barbara Keeley-Watt

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MARY ELLEN BOCKLER Secretary

DON HARKNESS Treasurer



Annual General Meeting

Date: Thursday, November 29th 2018

Place: Bronte Harbour Yacht Club

Time: 19:30 hours



Mary Ellen

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Now that the boats have been hauled out it is time to turn our attention to some of the more administrative tasks of club membership.

Please make sure your volunteer hour submissions are up to date. I will be posting a printout listing of reported hours on the bulletin board located in the club front entrance in time for our annual meeting. The list will include a description of the activities performed and the corresponding dates by membership number but will not include your name. Any member who is short hours will receive an invoice for the missing hours (\$35/hr.) early in 2019.

Our club membership year runs on a calendar basis. Membership renewal invoices will be mailed in early January. Our bylaws require you to notify the club prior to January 1st if you intend to resign, otherwise you will be deemed to have reviewed your membership regardless of whether you tender your resignation after January 1st.

In September we have added a new method for members to pay their invoices which has turned out to be very popular. You may make payments on your account through your online banking portal via an Interac e-Transfer.

Simply add payments@bhyc.on.ca as the recipient and indicate your membership number and details of what you are paying (i.e. house, storage, etc.) in the comments section. Your payment will be automatically deposited into BHYC's account and a notification sent to our bookkeeper. There is no need to create and send a password to the recipient. Alternatively, you can still pay by cash, credit or debit at the club bar. Cheques are always welcome as well.

DON

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PHIL GELSHEIMER House Director

During October the club house has been a hive of activity as the House Maintenance Team sprung to work. Anyone who has been in the club washrooms will have spotted Mike Mills' handywork. He did a great job by putting frames around the mirrors, re-grouting the sinks, and replacing shower stools and mats. He also re-faced men's room counter, something that needed repair since before I joined in 2014.

More lighting improvements happened as Ridvan Jakupi managed to get access to the tricky light over the stairs and singlehandedly replaced the bulbs, bringing it to life though only for a short time as the ballast failed. No worries, as a new ballast is on its way. In both bathrooms we have new vanity lights above the mirrors, courtesy of Jayson Stansfield's recent installation efforts. Thank you to Rob Bodner for finding drain leak from the glass washer in the bar that was staining ceiling tiles in the women's shower. Repairs are underway and should be completed shortly. Thanks to Dale Ward for refinishing a quality knife in the kitchen that is now ready to slice and dice accordingly.

I've had ADT, our alarm monitoring company, come in and look at our security system which dates to 1993 (back when Kim Campbell was Prime Minister).

Bell Canada, who bought security firm Alarm Force, and is also going to give us a quote in November. To help remind locals that the storage yard is not a public place, new 'Private Property – Club Members Only' signs have been posted on gates to the yard, along with a 'Private Property - No Fishing Sign' by the creek.

For those who missed the broadcast email, the bar hours will now be 5pm - 9pm every day of the week. A reminder that when there are no/few members in the bar after 7pm, bar staff may announce last call and close the bar. These changes are needed to help the bar cover its own costs and avoid being open at times when sales don't cover expenses. Note that these times will change to accommodate club events as needed.

Best wishes to our bartender Sharon, who had a bad fall in the parking lot this month and twisted her ankle. She is rebounding admirably and will soon be back delivering your pints.

Until next month,

Phil

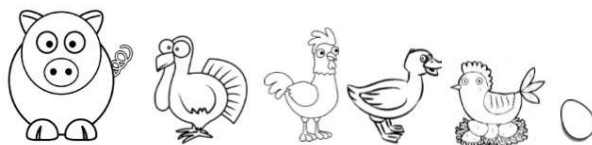
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Chicken is Here!

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.

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BARRY JASPER Rear Commodore Sail

All eyes are focused on November 17th Awards Night, Dawn Greville and Joan Spares have been busy organising the food and entertainment; Sue Sproule, Ron Barr and Peter McDougall the scores, awards and Flags; and Grad Dewar and Mark Hellman the video presentation. The last hurrah for the season.

Not that the season end actually means a lapse in activities.

The sail committee has met for their season post mortem and done the basic planning for the 2019 year.

The race committee held a wrap up supper and plans for 2019 include race officer training in April, and Orientation for the new Bluewater.

Our cruising director just returned from the reciprocal clubs cruising meeting and is working on his event schedule.

The GHYRA committee is putting together the 2019 regatta, details will be announced at the kickoff party January 12th at BHYC.

The LYRA committee will be involved with the LYRA AGM later this month at OYS, where the committee will present the plans for the 2019 regatta including the race officers, judges, the schedule of events and the draft Notice of Race.

Anyone wishing to get involved in any of these activities, with the race committee; the scoring, handicapping, protest part of club racing; with cruise organisation; or with the planning for Bronte Rocks 2019; now is the time to put your best foot forward and send me an e-mail at rcsail@bhyc.on.ca

Barry

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Secretary

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This is great opportunity to step away from the sidelines and actively participate in the running of your club.

If you are interested and wish to have more information, contact Richard Bissonnette
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RICHARD BISSONNETTE

Past Commodore/Chair of Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee is pleased to report that four candidates have agreed to run for the 2019 opened board positions.

The candidates are:

- Dave McLean – Rear Commodore of Power
- Barry Jasper – Rear Commodore of Sail
- Mary Johannesson – Secretary
- Daniel Laferriere – Social Director

Thank you to the members who have stepped forward to contribute to the smooth running of our club.

Please note that nominations remain opened until the Annual General Meeting. Anyone interested in running for any of the opened position should contact a member of the Nominating Committee.

Nominating Committee Members:

- John Estey
- Dan Klick
- Pat Jeffrey
- Jim Pollock

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Help keep Turkey Roll rolling!

Always a lively evening, Turkey Roll generates funds for Halton's Women's Place, Salvation Army's Lighthouse and Ian Anderson House Cancer Palliative Care Hospice. It's BHYC's way of giving back to the community.

Help make this year yet another success.

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7pm-9pm

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- a snack or munchies to share*

** for pleasure only...no gambling please **



Bronte Harbour Yacht Club

presents the

45th Annual Turkey Roll

Fundraiser & Banquet

Friday, November 30, 2018

Dinner at 6:00 PM

Turkey Roll is BHYC's premier fundraiser and our way of giving back to the community. All proceeds from the raffles and auction items are divided among local charities and community services, including:

- **Halton Women's Place**
- **Oakville Salvation Army's Lighthouse**
- **Ian Anderson House Cancer Palliative Care Hospice**

Support is also provided to BHYC's signature Visually Impaired Program (VIP) and to the Junior Sailing Program to sponsor spots for underprivileged kids.

Please support this highly worthwhile effort by donating:

- **Gift cards**
- **Products or services**
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For more information, to make a donation, *or to volunteer*, please contact John McMullen at 905-635-4162 or john.mcmullen@teksavvy.com

BHYC resident Heron



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Dawg House - Skipper John Estey



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