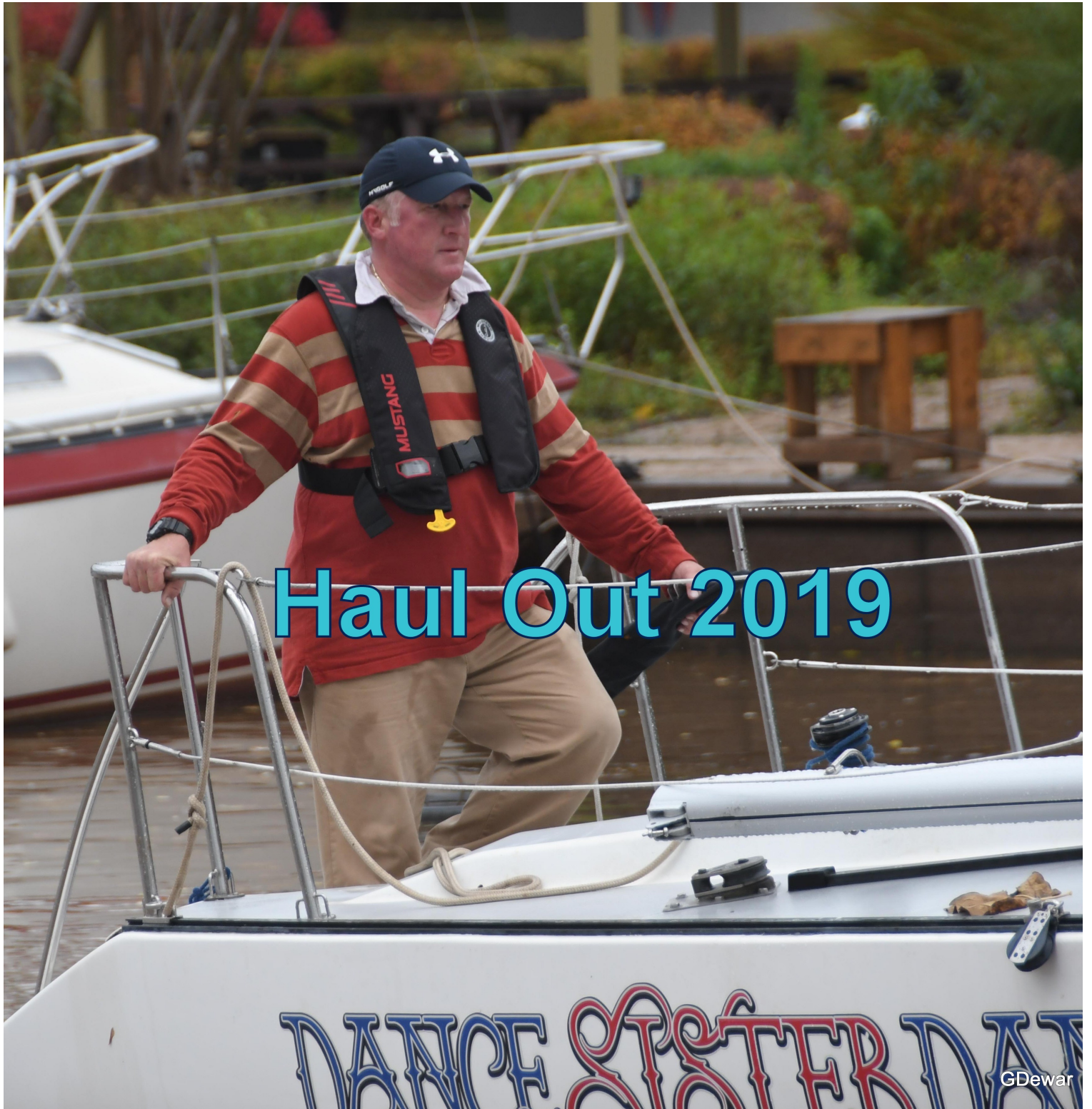


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Sunday	16:00 - 21:00

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PETER KIRKWOOD

COMMODORE

Well its time to shift gears and hibernate?? I don't think so!!

There are many club events coming up throughout the winter season for all of us to revel in camaraderie that only BHYC members can enjoy!

Darts are starting up (I bought darts ... just need to learn how to play!). We have Sailors nights, Awards night, Games night, Turkey Roll, and the ever-popular Annual General Meeting.

Bronte Sailors had a great racing season, with some wonderful wins in inter-club racing activity. I think a really great win for the club was Adrian Hanley's Overall win in the Lake Ontario 300. This was Adrian's second overall win and as he is keen to point out, no one has ever won it three times. Stay tuned, I think he is going for it next year!

This is but one example of racing success against the best on Lake Ontario. I think great proof that if you can win at BHYC racing, you can compete anywhere!

Special thanks to everyone who made haul-out a success.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the AGM later this month.

Peter

commodore@bhyc.on.ca

REINIER VAN DER WAGEN

VICE COMMODORE

Haul-out was completed safely and went according to plan.

We will be adding sling marks to each boat as well as putting a reference mark on the keel and cradle of each boat before launch. This will make it easier and quicker to haul-out and place the boats in the cradle next fall. Please do not remove these marks. We will also be looking at a quick and secure way to tie down the cradle up-rights to the cradle base after breaking the cradles down after launch. This will to make it safer to unstack the cradles in the fall and avoid damaging the cradles during the same process.

Just before haul-out one of the hoists on the mast crane packed up. This was repaired relatively quickly but ended up costing a fair amount of money. The problem was caused by the failure of some water proof connections and not due to abuse. We replaced the control pendant on the mast hoist with a pendant similar to the one fitted to the boat hoist last year. Both pendants are now suitable for outdoor use. Please look after this equipment when you use it.

We applied 12 cubic yards of gravel to the area of the boat yard that was flooded to mix with the silt that was deposited and which turns into a boggy mess each time it rains. Although this has made a difference, we will have to add more in the spring to complete the job.

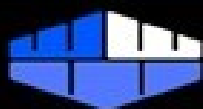
The on-line winter storage application and payment system worked smoothly. Thank you to Cam Watt who developed and commissioned this system. We are storing the same amount of boats as we did last year.

A big thank you to Steve Gogo and Gord Fyfe who repaired the light at the mast crane and also the lighting to our parking lot.

Two sections of our roof have failed and we are in the process of obtaining quotations to replace these sections.

As always, please send any suggestions, questions and queries to me at vicecom@bhyc.on.ca.

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BARRY JASPER RC SAIL

Congratulations

Everyone give themselves a pat on the back. we survived another underwater dock spring; the introduction of a rather different, idiosyncratic, committee boat; a poor weather spring; the challenge of LYRA; a different Bronte Rocks, and we finished off the season in style; with more boats than usual out for the fall pursuit race, the turkey race, and the diehards regatta.

Congratulations to all our cruisers, who enjoyed a more extensive programme in greater numbers, under Mike Paulson's direction.

Congratulations to all our racing fleets and the trophy winners who will be carrying home the spoils from awards night.

Congratulations to all our racing members, who ventured to other clubs and other countries to compete.

Congratulations to the VIP programme, with three VIP's representing Canada at the world championship in Kingston; especially to our BHYC member Jodi Munden, 14 races, 8 bullets, and a gold medal; against teams from Germany, USA, and Japan.

Congratulations to the race committee who have re-gained some stature in the local yachting community, and directed a successful racing programme, under the leadership of John Estey.

Congratulations to all the folks who worked on the sidelines, handicapping, scoring, etc under the direction of the sail committee, to pull off a great season.

Congratulations to Barbara and the Rocks Committee, Mary Ellen and the LYRA committee, Chris and the GHYRA committee; for organising three excellent regatta evenings, making a financial contribution to our programme, and a really significant contribution to the bar revenues.



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As the sailing season was coming to a close, we managed to get in one more cruise. Five boats set sail to Lakeshore Yacht Club for our last 'Hurrah'. The weather was still good, and we had an excellent pot luck supper on the patio at Lakeshore.

Lakeshore Yacht Club was having a fundraiser for cancer research and their members were having a potluck as well, so there were a lot of people there as well as ourselves. They also had raffles, (unfortunately none of our members won), music and as one of their members was celebrating their 80th Birthday there was Birthday cake as well. We were kept well supplied with cake by Lakeshore members.

As there were very high winds forecast for Sunday, we were all up bright and early and left for Bronte. It was the Sunday club race that day and we heard later that three crew members had gone over-board!! We saw 34 knot winds on the way home!! But thankfully everyone made it back safe and sound.

Mike

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Season wrap up and winterization is well under-way for the fleet. Bluewater V will be hauled this weekend and a work party is planned to get it ready for the winter so watch for emails or drop me a note if you can help. Outstanding projects include the foam and seat covers for the bench seats and some sanding and painting for the roof.

Thanks to all for the help in keeping things moving this year. We have had our share of struggles both technically and logistically but with the help a many volunteer we made it through the season successfully.

Dave

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Dinner at 6:00 PM

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There will be lots of wonderful raffle prizes and auction items, and a fun evening will be had by all.

Home-cooked turkey dinner with all the trimmings, and desert.

Tickets are still only \$10 – but reserve now as space is limited.

Turkey Roll is BHYC's way of giving back to the community.

All proceeds from the raffles and auction items are donated to:

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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

SAILORS' NIGHT

Again, this winter we will be having Sailors' Nights at BHYC every second Thursday evening at 7:00 PM alternating with the Thursday Games Nights.

The first Sailors' Night will be on January 9th. There will be presentation on the Panama Canal. The elaborate history and impressive engineering that went into the construction of the great Panama Canal will be presented in a very interesting film. As well, 6 of our BHYC members who cruised the canal last year will share their experience. Save the date.

Again, this year, I will be organizing the Sailors' Nights and I have a few presentations already being prepared. I would ask any member that may have an interesting sailing subject to share with us, to please contact me. As well, if you have a suggestion for any such presentation, please contact me. Many of our members have considerable expertise or have experienced interesting events that could certainly be of interest.

Please contact me at p.mcdougall@lobmail.ca

Peter McDougall

DON HARKNESS—TREASURER

On behalf of the Board I would like to thank all of the members for their hard work in making BHYC a great club. As a volunteer club we would not be able to offer our programs and services without your help. So far this year you have recorded almost 2,900 hours which I know does not represent all of the hours generously volunteered.

A link to the year to date work hours recorded in our tracking system will go out by email shortly and a hard copy will be placed on the club bulletin board by the front door. Please review your work party entries to ensure none are missing. Most membership classes require 25 hours of volunteer work per year per member. Any shortfall will be billed to the member at \$35/hour.

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Marge Furness

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BARBARA KEELEY-WATT—PUBLICITY

Now that the 2019 sailing season has come to an end and the boats are safely tucked away, we switch to winter activities at the clubhouse. There are many winter activities planned from November through to March. Come out and enjoy Darts Night, Sailors Night, and Games Night, times are shown on the BHYC Calendar.

If you are travelling over the winter, please keep in touch and share your adventure. Send a photo or article and let us know where our BHYC family is.

Here's a beach photo from my recent hiking holiday to the beautiful and remote Isle of Lewis, on the Outer Hebrides.

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THE BHYC DEN OF INIQUITY

What's this? Is there is a den of iniquity at BHYC filled with wickedness and immorality?

Not really, I refer to the little known or seen, but often smelt, supply room across from the sailing school office. For members who have gone in there know it is a dark, crowded and, particularly right after the grease trap has been cleaned, has a smell that is definitely wicked. Alas, there is not much that can be done about the grease trap, but steps are being taken to make it more bearable for members and staff who must brave it on a daily basis.

The room had 3 upright freezers: one used routinely, another has some items in it, and the last stood empty. It was this last one that failed quietly this year.

To get the fridge out of the room some storage shelves have to be moved and will be repositioned to where the freezer stands. Gloriously, this should allow more space to move around and see items on the shelves.

Just as important, the dim lighting will be changed so it becomes a brighter and happier place to be. Admittedly, 'happier' is a bit over-the-top.

Many thanks to Ridvan Jakupi for his help in making this happen!

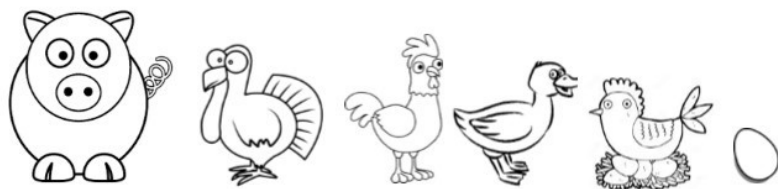
Phil
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Chicken is Here!

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.

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





BHYC Board 2020—Update

Since our last update, our situation has improved significantly thanks to some sitting directors agreeing to serve an additional term and some former board members stepping forward. The asterisk indicates the sitting member has agreed to serve an additional term of one year. The table below provides a clear picture of the overall situation.

Position	Status for 2020
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Vice Commodore*	Reinier Van Der Wagen
RC Sailing *	Barry Jasper
RC Power	Dave McLean
RC Training	Mark Hellmann
Treasurer	Victor Grimble
Secretary	Mary Johannesson
Social Director	Open
House Director	Peter Fuller
Membership Director *	Ian Coney
Publicity Director *	Barbara Keeley-Watt
Past Commodore*	Richard Bissonnette

As mentioned earlier it is critical that a full board be in place to keep the momentum going on the initiatives in progress.

The only position for which no candidate has stepped forward is Social Director. It should be mentioned that there is a complete support committee in place for this position. What is missing is someone willing to sit on the board to represent the social committee and provide coordination of the social activities.

It should be noted that having a complete slate of candidates does not mean that nominations are closed; anyone interested in any of the positions highlighted by an asterisk should contact me.

Anyone interested in contributing in running for a position or wish more information, feel free to contact me.

Richard Bissonnette
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