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Randy Scheib (Stargazer) & Ruth  
enjoying the 42nd VIP Week

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## PETER KIRKWOOD COMMODORE

Summer is here and the living is easy - at least somewhere where the water isn't so high! Gosh will it ever go down?

Lots of activities to take advantage of this summer including the LYRA event at the end of July.

Take advantage of summer, enjoy the water and your boating activities. Above all be safe out there

Peter  
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## 2019 LYRA Race Week



### BHYC LYRA BBQ And Distance Race Awards Night Friday August 2, 2019 17:00 – 22:00 hr

Summer has finally arrived and LYRA is quickly approaching. I am still looking for many volunteers to help before, during, and after the event. If you have a spare few hours please let me know.

The dinner is not just for LYRA participants, anyone can come and enjoy the excitement. A great way to start a long weekend, a Friday night out at BHYC! The LYRA website is capable of taking your dinner ticket orders. The price shown is including tax. You can also order your tickets at the bar.

Grilled Chicken with fresh pineapple  
Choice of Artisan Sausage  
Baby spinach salad  
Mediterranean pasta salad  
Herb and garlic baby potatoes  
Corn on the cob

By pre order **request only** a vegetarian option of Roasted Stuffed Peppers  
For only \$24.00

Meals must be ordered in advance so don't wait to the last minute. Even if you are not racing it is a great way to kick off a long weekend, and rub elbows with some serious sailors.

**FUN** is the goal for the weekend, so let's put our best foot forward, and show the lake we really are the

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&  
Canadian Power & Sail Oakville Squadron**

**Safety Day—Open House**  
**Saturday July 13, 11:00am to 2:00pm**  
**Everyone welcome**

**Bronte Harbour neighbours please Join us**

**Recreational Vessel courtesy Check**

**Book your free RVCC between 10:30am & 12:50pm**  
**EM mcjohnson90@hotmail.com**  
**for appointment time with Oakville Squadron**

**Open Question Session**

**Join the Oakville Squadron from 1:00pm to 2:00pm,**  
**find out about Radio Licensing and boating courses.**

**Beer & BBQ Burger (\$10) Kids (\$5)**

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# **BBQ Night**

## **Friday July 26th**

### **Cook Your Own Steak**

**Come and enjoy a casual dinner**  
**Cook your own steak on the BBQ**  
**We provide the steak you cook it**

**Served with**  
**Steak toppings**  
**Baked Potato**  
**Salad**  
**Dessert**

**Price \$18.00 + tax**

**BBQ Starting at 6:00 to 7:30pm**

**Purchase your tickets at the bar by July 23**  
**purchase early don't be disappointed**

August 2, Friday Night, all revved up,  
and somewhere to go



*Distance Races Awards Night*

*Come and experience our  
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Margaritaville opens at 5.30

Music and supper at 7.00

BBQ cooked and served by Pig-Out

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Baby spinach salad  
Mediterranean pasta salad  
Herb and garlic baby potatoes  
Corn on the cob

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Awards at 8.00 followed by  
Dancing under the Big Top.  
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**Oakville Easter Seals Regatta**  
**Saturday, August 3, 2019 marks the**  
**15<sup>th</sup> annual Oakville Easter Seals Regatta.**



**Hosted by:**

**Bronte Harbour Yacht Club**

**Oakville Yacht Squadron**

**Oakville Power Boat Club**

**Regatta Registration Non LYRA Boats:**

Online Pre Registration ([www.easterseals.org/oakville-easter-seals-regatta/](http://www.easterseals.org/oakville-easter-seals-regatta/))

Check-In Registration (Skipper's Bag) at Oakville Yacht Squadron :

Friday, August 2, 6:00pm to 7:30pm and Saturday, August 3, 8:00am to 8:30am

**Regatta Registration Fee: \$75.00/boat**

includes 2 Culinary Tastings Wristbands, Complimentary Wine/Beer (while quantities last) , Skipper's Bag

**Schedule of Events**

9:00am Skipper's Meeting at Oakville Yacht Squadron

11:00am First Gun (Course to be determined)

5:00pm to 7:30pm at OYS: Culinary Tastings, Silent & Silent Auction, Music Band, Wine/Beer (while quantities last), Cash Bar

Awards 7:30pm

Entry with Wristband only. Additional Wristbands \$25.00 each



# **Oakville Easter Seals Regatta Joins LYRA 2019**

## **Saturday, August 3, 2019 marks the 15<sup>th</sup> annual Oakville Easter Seals Regatta.**



The Oakville Clubs are gearing up for LYRA2019 on the Creeks. Bronte Harbour Yacht Club, Oakville Yacht Squadron and the Oakville Club are hosting LYRA 2019. The boats will begin arriving on Tuesday July 30 with the main activities commencing on Thursday July 30. The opening ceremonies will be preceded by parties and onshore activities hosted by each club every day and night (July 30 – Aug 4). We are packing in activities, parties and great food so don't miss out Register Now!!!

<https://2019.lyrawaters.org/registration/>

Our LYRA 2019 committee wants to give back to our community and as a one day special event we are hosting a Regatta within a Regatta.

On Saturday, August 3, 2019 our dedicated group of volunteers from Yacht Squadron will host the 14th annual Oakville Easter Seals Regatta raising funds in our community for kids with physical disabilities. Sailors and boaters are all invited to raise funds online in support of Easter Seals Ontario.

It's a day filled with inspiring moments and a unique opportunity for Easter Seals kids to not just benefit from the funds raised but to also actively participate and enjoy a boating experience. All are welcome to join us at for LYRA (3 days of course racing including Easter Seals) or if you want a one day event then just register for the Oakville Easter Seals Regatta for a fun day of activities both on and off the water.

All proceeds for the day will be donated to Easter Seals.





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## ***Registration is Open***

*We've got a fantastic regatta planned including, one big day of course racing, tasty meals, and a kick'n party.*

***Register at <http://www.bronterocks.com>***

*Registration includes skipper bag a free Bronte Rocks T-Shirt.*

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## ALLY DANDY HEAD COACH

Sailing School now has begun, and we are welcoming many new faces! Our first session started July 2nd and will be running everyday until the 23rd of August. We have some new coaches joining our team this year and we could not be more excited to introduce our sport to new sailors and broaden the sailing community.

All our programs are almost sold out, thanks to Barbara for her help with new promotional ideas! Despite the challenges with the high-water levels again this summer, our staff is working hard to make sure everything runs as normal. The water levels are slightly going down which is great to have more space in the boat yard.

Thank you to Reinier for ensuring the safety of our sailors with the high-water levels by installing new perimeter guides. So far, we are off to an incredible start, thank you to all our coaches for their hard work in preparing for the summer!

Our race teams are now training full time and are preparing for their 1st summer regatta in Sarnia and Hamilton. Good luck to all! Have fun and go fast!

*ALLY*

*Head Coach*

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## PETER WELLS RC TRAINING

Registration is now virtually complete with only 6 spots available and all those are in August and they may yet be taken up. The instructors have received a full week of training and the yard has been set up so that the location of the docks can be seen despite the high water so that launching and bringing boats ashore should be accomplished without anyone falling into deep water. All we now need is a little cooperation from the weather for us to have one of the best Learn to Sail programs in the club's history.

In July, we will be running a survey to gauge member interest in the purchase of paddle boards for use of the both the sailing school participants and club members.

*Peter*

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## DAVE MCLEAN RC POWER

### The end of an era!

For over 30 years the BlueWater IV served us well but all good things must come to an end. Commercial mariners from Port Rowan were quick to pick her up and will no doubt get some additional years service after a new paint job and some clean up.

**Officer of the Day program**, Volunteers needed, as the water levels recede we will again be able to offer slips to visiting boaters. Also dock assistants and guide are needed for GYRA, LYRA and Bronte Rocks. Please get in touch if you can help out.

**Dave**

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## BARRY JASPER RC SAIL

I will give you the bad news first, the tide still hasn't gone out. I keep thinking that that was a song title in the distant past, but the song escapes me.

This has left a number of dry sailors stranded, so please be generous with the offers of crewing or boat sharing opportunities. Most of the rest, is good news.

Sail-past was a blast, literally and figuratively, thanks to our organising secretary Mary, and the social committee team, and the wind.

My favourite week of the year, VIP WEEK, was a huge success, kudos to Dawn Grenville, Peter McDougall, Mark Bowen and Ron Parker, and a small army of volunteers, huge commitment, huge responsibility. Sets us apart from the other clubs on the lake.

The first regatta Lady Helm and Crews Chance, was a great sailing day.

The Bronte summer fixed mark was laid, with the assistance of Bob one of my crew, and Grad Dewar and Graydawn. Dusan will be utilising this mark to start and finish "Sunday Stroll" series of races, SI's are on our website. It will also be used as a course mark for Fiasco, Ghyra, Challenge Cup, and TGIS-TGIF races.

By the time this goes to print, another annual GHYRA regatta week, will be in the record books. Thanks to Chris Burcher and his volunteers, for hosting the Friday wrap-up supper and awards night.

July 13<sup>th</sup> is boat safety day, come out and check it out.

The cruise to Mimico had to be cancelled but get ready for a July 13-14 cruise to Etobicoke. My crew loves this place, had good experiences there.

The first two Oakville Challenge Cup races are also in the record book, the next race in this series, will be the BHYC overnight July 19-20. If you are coming out, don't forget the mandatory skippers meeting on Thursday night.

That weekend Hamilton is organising a WAR regatta for ladies and sharks, sounds like a great formula, check it out.

July 15<sup>th</sup> is early-bird deadline for registration in any or all the LYRA race week races July 29 through August 3, please try at least one everyone

Plans are finalised for the LYRA Friday night which BHYC is hosting, there are lots of volunteer opportunities that week, for on-the water activities contact myself, for off-the-water activities please call Mary Ellen Bockler.

Easter Seals Regatta is part of the LYRA regatta this year, but separate registration is also available, the NOR is published and registration is open. Natalie Bullard and her team have been busy, pulling this together.

The NOR for Bronte Rocks has been published, registration is open, for a more compact Rocks this year, Barbara Keeley-Watt and Barbara Dermott and the volunteers have done a great job of attracting sponsors, putting this event on a solid footing, to enable us to put on a top notch event. Cam has laboured with the website and registration set-up. There will be opportunities for volunteer work-hours here too.

In the background club racing continues, the race committee grows stronger, Bluewater is being modified to suit all our idiosyncrasies.

Thank you to everyone involved.

See you on the water, be safe out there.

*Barry*

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### WHERE IS "BRONTE"!

(update from Natalie Bullard)

In May, "Bronte" was recalled from her Foster home and is currently in the Canine Vision program. She will be in training for up to 6 months and is expected to graduate this Fall. For those new members, "Bronte" was donated to the DogGuides in memory of Bill Bullard by Willow Lane Farms Lindsay, breeder of Sam and Angel.



## IAN CONEY MEMBERSHIP

I hope all of you have enjoyed the first good weather weekend of the year!

We are looking forward to the open house on July 13<sup>th</sup> which we are holding with the Canadian Power and Sail Oakville Squadron, see the ad in this issue.

The 2019 membership cards are available for pick up at the bar. If the water level ever recedes to the point where other clubs can accommodate visitors, you will need your card as proof of current membership.

Cheers and safe sailing,

Cheers,

**Ian**

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## RON PARKER—VIP

### Another Great 42<sup>th</sup> VIP week!

Despite high water levels our 42st VIP Week went very well. Skippers, crew, volunteers and of course VIPs made the week a huge success.

We had some rain, no wind and East wind but managed to have 5 days of great sailing.

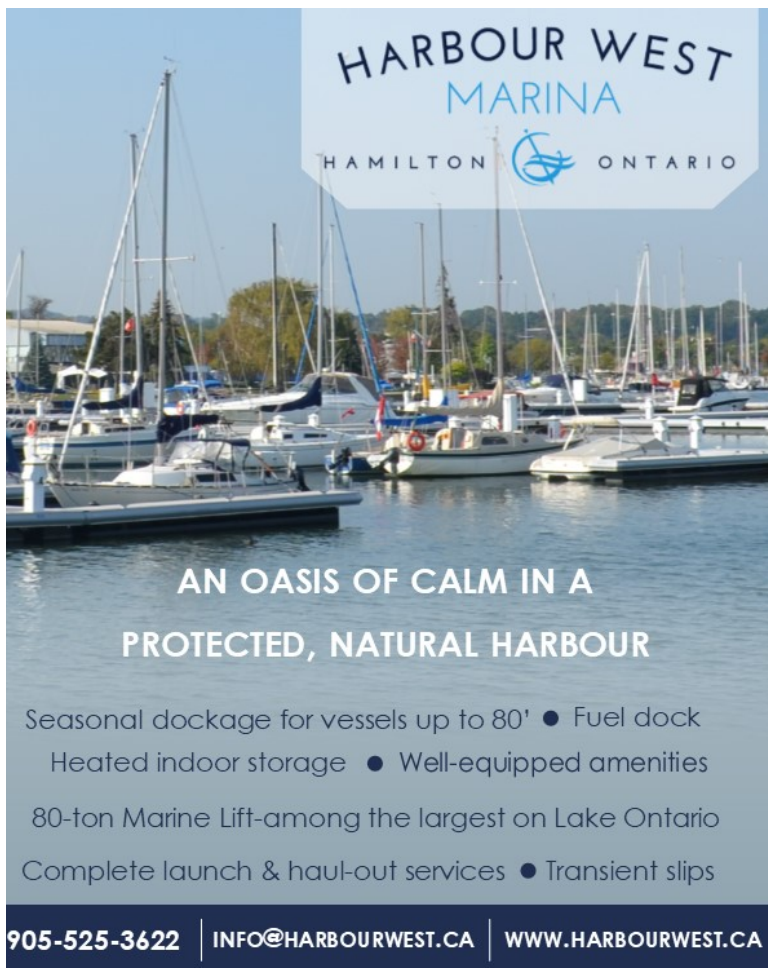
Friday's racing was enjoyed by all VIPs on seven boats. The VIPs on **Bay Laurel**, Jodi Munden and Marilyn Lee won first overall. Their names will be engraved on the recently resurrected VIP Sailing Club Champion trophy.

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. **Peter McDougall** who this year, officially took over from **Ole Sigvardt** for organizing daily crew and VIP assignments, **Mark Bowen** who was responsible for invitations and **Alexandra Arden** for coordinating assistance from GO Transit.

For the third time the **Lady Frances Award** in memory of Eric Pilon was presented by **Fran Pilon**. This year the recipient was **Grad Dewar**. Grad has assisted the program every Friday by setting the marks for our racing. The award is presented to a person who selflessly gives time for the Visually Impaired Sailing Program. We also send a special thank you to Ole for over ten years of helping with VIP week. We also wish him a speedy recovery.

Many thanks to those nameless who donated to the program and thank you once again for all those who volunteered their time. I look forward to our 43nd VIP Week next year.

- RON PARKER



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# 42nd VIP Week



Lady Francis Award  
Grad Dewar



Bay Laurel  
1st



Vagabond V  
2nd



Stargazer  
3rd



Kachina  
4th



"Thanks Reinier for installing the perimeter guides in the yard  
Ally (Head Coach)

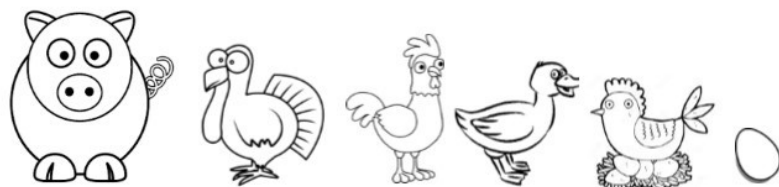


## Chicken is Here!

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](mailto:lighthouse.stables@gmail.com)







## BARBARA KEELEY-WATT - PUBLICITY

It's been a very busy month, the BHYC 2019 Muskoka Chair is now proudly displayed on the Bronte Pier. Thanks to Cam Watt for the beautiful design using our BHYC theme "Get Active on the Water" and promoting our BHYC boating culture for Sailing, Power, and Paddling. Great job Cam.

Mark your calendars for July 13th, we have a Safety Day & Open house with our harbour neighbours. Come out and meet the Canadian Power & Sail Oakville Squadron, check out the boating safety information, buy your vintage Bronte Rocks Tees, book a RVCC safety check (see poster elsewhere in the Signal for booking details), meet your harbour neighbours and enjoy a Beer & BBQ Burger lunch. The Oakville Squadron will have a Question & Answer session from 1:00 to 2:00pm.

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Wishing everyone a good July.

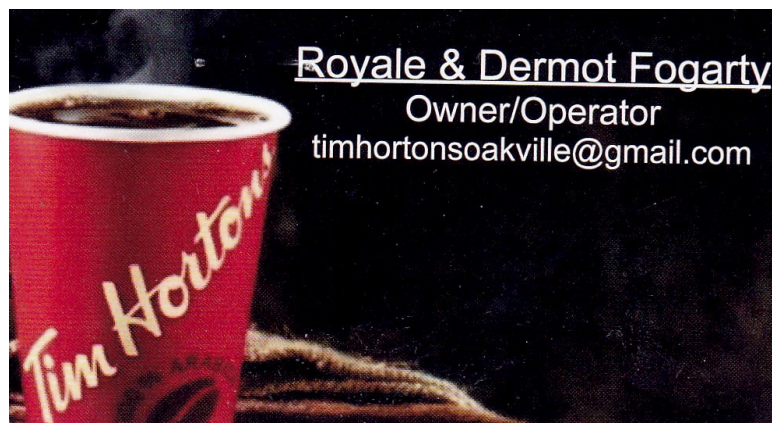
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## BHYC Board 2020

Like many other clubs, BHYC is challenged to find members willing to serve on its board. For 2020 we have 8 positions to fill. Fortunately, three incumbent directors have agreed to stand for another term.

The table below provides a clear picture of the overall board situation.

Position	Status for 2020
Commodore	Open
Vice Commodore	Open
RC Sailing	Incumbent Barry Jasper has agreed to stand for another term
RC Power	Dave McLean will be serving second year of term
RC Training	Open
Treasurer	A potential candidate is currently shadowing, candidacy not yet confirmed.
Secretary	Mary Johannesson will be serving second year of term.
Social Director	Dan Laferrière will be serving second year of term.
House Director	Open
Membership Director	Incumbent Ian Coney has agreed to stand another term.
Publicity Director	Incumbent Barbara Keeley-Watt has agreed to stand for another term.
Past Commodore	Peter Kirkwood

The Nominating Committee will be shifting in high gear to recruit candidates for the open position. The current board has a number of initiatives in progress and it is critical we have a complete board for 2020 to see these projects to completion. There are no more words I can add to impress the need to have a complete board for 2020 if we are to continue building a value proposition in a club membership.

If anyone is interested in running or wish to have more information on the main responsibilities associated with each position, please don not hesitate to contact me.

Richard Bissonnette  
Past Commodore/ Chair of Nominating Committee  
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## PHIL GELSHEIMER HOUSE

Finally, good weather is upon us and temperatures have risen, both outside and in the kitchen as our travelling char broiler finally arrived. Due to an error in its shipping label, it had a most circuitous route to the club. It came up from the US to Moncton, NB then went off to Island Grove, AB before reverting and eventually arriving at our club.

When it arrived, I stared at the heavy crate sitting in our lobby wondering how I was to move it upstairs. Like a scene from *Touched By An Angel*, unexpectedly came in Reinier van der Wagen and Steve Gogo and my dilemma was resolved when the two of them, along with an appliance dolly, got it upstairs and into the kitchen. The good folks from Golden Horseshoe Restaurant Services did the rest as it was installed very quickly and is now ready for tasty burgers and steaks.

You hopefully have seen emails noting that the floors are being repaired in the entrance and upper bar floor area. Some prep will be needed along with the installation so the upper bar will not be open from July 6th to July 11th but during this time the lower bar will be available for members. Hopefully the upper bar will re-open for the evening of Friday July 12th.

With all the flooding, thankful the club did not become an ark,

Stay dry if you can,

**PHIL**

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