

Kingston Yacht Club



KYC Quarterly Log Mid-Winter Edition February 2010

Commodore's Comments

~ *Megaera Fitzpatrick, Commodore*

Well, I didn't win the freeze-up challenge, but it is looking as though we will have another great year of ice. I'm very happy for all of the new ice boat owners who will be able to get out on the lake!

I would like to report that the Board has agreed to tackle a number of capital projects this year which have been put off for a little longer than they should have. Our financial prudence has paid off, and we are in a sound financial position to tackle these projects. The finger docks are in the process of being



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refloated, we are going ahead with the men's washroom, as approved in last year's budget (finally!), the concerns about the Junior's/Visitor's washrooms have been heard and we are developing a plan to address those concerns and have them completed before the start of the sailing season. Jemmett's Landing will continue with phase 2 of improvements, the Community Club Sharks will get a facelift, and Learn to Sail will continue to invest in new Optis and various other bits of equipment to support our healthy Junior Sailing Program.

This year is the 100th anniversary of the Canadian Navy and there will be numerous events in honour of this occasion. Rob Colwell has kindly offered to be the Club liaison with the Navy, to see how KYC might partner in some of these celebrations. Keep your eye on the Log, Knotmeter and Notice board for announcements.

David Page, the KYC Archivist, is initiating a project to catalogue and reference all of the club burgees in the club house. He will also look at options to display them better. If you have any inside knowledge of the burgees that are displayed around the club, please contact David (Page 16)

I have noticed a decline in members using our club facilities, which could, in part, be attributed to the lack of ice. Last year was such a brilliant year for the ice boaters, and it kept the club hopping

through the winter. The Entertainment committee, headed by Rosemary Wilson is working hard to develop some new ideas that might entice you, the members, to come down and enjoy the club. I would encourage you to share any concerns/ideas with the appropriate Board member.

Thank you to our new Membership/Communications director, Matt White for taking on the Log Editor's position and the production of the Knotmeter. Any notices or articles should be forwarded to him (*See page 16 for contact info*). Thank you to Past Commodore Ralph Shaw for the fine job he has done as Log Editor for many years. Thank you also to Rob Colwell for producing the Knotmeter in a timely fashion.

You may have noticed a lack of communication from the office at the beginning of the year. This was due to a near death experience of Frances' computer. Thanks again to Matt White for the many hours it took to restore it to health. We made a decision to repair it instead of replacing it, knowing that our computing systems are in need of replacement, but feel it should be looked at as a whole, so that all of the systems will actually communicate with each other!

Remember to check the website for upcoming events. Looking forward to a busy social season!

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Getting through the winter months - Entertainment at KYC

~ Rosemary Wilson, Director of Entertainment

Brrrrr. It's cold outside but inside the club, things are heating up! Winter events started up with the first of the 'TGIF' events where fantastic food and drink is had by all. The very

popular Carol Sing and Roast Beef Feast was a great success again this year as was the "Ring in the New Year' event. 88 members and guests were treated to a delicious meal provided by Bert's catering

and danced well into the New Year to the sounds of Steve Cheesman and the Heaters. Thank you to Brett, Lorelle, Greg and Bert's Catering staff for all the hard work and our own Entertainment Committee for all the organizing and decorating.

While there is snow on the tarps and ice in the harbour, come down to the club to socialize with your fellow sailors at the weekly theme TGIFs and chase away the winter blahs. There will be some exciting new specials from the bar and kitchen so stay tuned to the Knotmeter for information. In addition, the Speaker's Series is starting up again on February 10 at 7pm with a reading from David More, author of The Lily and the Rose and The Eastern Door. A complete list of the Speaker's Series and TGIFs can be found on Page 15 of the KYC Log or in the club calendar on the KYC website. Store up on new knowledge or brush up on old during the winter in preparation for sunny and windy days.

Coming up in February is Winterfest! on Sunday the 28th. Regardless of the state of the ice, we are planning games and activities for members of all ages. Come out and have a Beavertail and hot apple cider and enjoy the fun.



Attending winter events is both a great way to support your club and keep our KYC family connected when the boats are out of the water. As well, on a sunny weekend afternoon or cold winter evening, the fire and easy chairs in the front room beckon and are a great place to read or work with



your favourite beverage in your hand. On a personal note - I find it a superb way to procrastinate when I'm supposed to be doing homework!

Your Entertainment Committee is comprised of the following hard working members: Elsabé Falkson, Mary Westerland, Liz Lazier, Robert Stewart, Megaera Fitzpatrick, Allison Morgan and Marianne Davis. Please contact members of the committee with any ideas you have about possible events or new services you'd like to see - we are always looking for ways to serve!

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The View from the Rear Commodore

~ *Suzanne Hamilton, Rear Commodore*

It has been a busy few months at the Club with lots of activity over the holiday season and a great deal of background work related to finding a new **general manager**. I'm looking forward to having a general manager on board who will help support the great work of members.

On another front, I am pleased to report that our Vice Commodore, Paul Davis, attended the Ontario Sailing AGM not only as the representative of the Club but also as a representative of the Regional Training Centre. On our behalf, he accepted 2 awards for sailing excellence: the Ted Ison Trophy for the under 18 division of race team awards; and, the George Blanchard Award for overall results. It's great fun to have unseated the perennial winner, RCYC.

New General Manager

~ *Megaera Fitzpatrick, Commodore*

We are thrilled to welcome Glenn Singleton to the Club as General Manager. Glenn will be arriving at the beginning of April, and assures us that he is as excited about the prospect as we are.

Glenn has an impressive background in club management. He is coming to us after 6 years as General Manager at the Rossmere Country Club in Winnipeg. Previously to that, he was General Manager at the Ken-Wo Country Club in New Minas Nova Scotia for 16 years. In those positions, he emphasized customer service, occupational health and safety and fiscal control. In his last position, he

We are very proud that KYC has been re-appointed as a Regional Training Centre and is now one of only 3 national centres with that designation. The Canadian Yachting Association is partnering with Ontario Sailing to help fund the Ontario Centre. The Ontario Sport Centre, Canada has hired a coach who will be nominally located at RCYC when not hosting training at other centres including KYC and the Miami Sailing Centre.

Special recognition should be given to all of the **athletes, coaches, parents** and members of the **LTS Committee!**

I know we're all looking forward to the warm days of summer but in the meantime, think good thoughts for a little ice in the harbour for our keen ice boaters.

was very successful in improving food and beverage services for members.

Glenn believes that the goal of member and guest service should be to exceed expectations. He is a sports enthusiast and is keen to learn about boating.

Thank you to the Search Committee consisting of Rob Colwell, Paul Davis, Suzanne Hamilton, Elsabé Falkson and Alison Brown, for your very thorough and professional recruitment process.

I know you will join me in providing a warm welcome to Glenn and his wife Dorinda when they arrive.

Past Commodore Report

~ Rob Colwell, Jr. Past Commodore

I look forward to working with Commodore Megaera Fitzpatrick and the new Board in 2010. The Search Committee has been very active in interviewing candidates for the position of Manager - we are very pleased that Glen has agreed to join our team here at KYC. In addition, I will be acting as the KYC liaison to CORK, working with the

Food & Beverage staff, serving on the Finance Committee and helping to finalize a KYC Policy and Procedure manual. Please do not hesitate to bring to my attention any ideas or opportunities in these areas, in particular if you are interested in getting personally involved. "Many hands make light work"! See you at the Club!

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KYC Junior Sailing Program

~ Chris Walmsley, LTS Director

The water is just barely frozen as I write this, but the LTS committee is busy planning for when the water is once again liquid. It's hard to believe, but now is also the time when parents are planning the summer activities for their children. We have all the Learn to Sail forms available on the KYC website, so you can start your summer planning with KYC programs first!

As with many activities at the club, much of the hard work occurs in the planning and preparation phases over the cold winter months. The LTS committee is no different. At this time of year we are busy lining up our Instructor and coaching

staff for the summer, ordering new dinghies to keep our fleets in top shape, and ensuring that when the instructors arrive in May and June, everything is ready for them to take over. Once they arrive, the boats come off the racks, program planning kicks into gear, boats are cleaned, rigging and checked so everything is ready for the arrival of over 100 kids on the first day of the program.

We are also busy with planning our marketing efforts. Expect to see the club and the Junior Sailing program represented at the Leisure and Recreation Show at the Olympic Harbour (March 26th & 27th). We have a poster campaign, and try to target locations where kids and parents frequent.

We are again trialing our 2-week Bronze IV. These are divided into A and B sessions. Please see the forms on the website for details, but be aware that enrolment is limited. Once again, we are offering a "Learn to Race" program. It is a 4-week program that is for sailors who have an interest in racing but



who may not want to commit a full 8 weeks. There is a limited supply of double-handed boats (420's) for sailors in this program. For single-handed sailors, they will need to either supply their own boat, or take advantage of the Boat Loan program (see below).

We are once again offering 29er and Opti racing program. The 29er race program will take place during the core summer program, and the Opti program will have spring and fall training available as well as summer activities. Once again, please check the website or talk to myself or the office for further details.

As Suzanne Hamilton notes in her article, KYC has continues to be designated as an Ontario Sailing Regional Training Centre, but for 2010, we are the only such centre in Ontario. That is both an honour and an obligation. We are busy thinking of ways to further strengthen our race program. We have the most desirable sailing location on the lake, a great race program, and we continue to look for ways to continue to build our programs and strive toward being the premier race training location on Lake Ontario.

Also of significant note is that our Race Team was awarded the Edward(Ted) Ison Youth Trophy for the Under 18 results, and George Blanchard Youth Performance Ranking Award for best overall results. Both are signs of strength of our youth sailors.

Our fleet consists of Oppies, Optimists, Flying Juniors (FJ's) and 420's. We will be adding 4 more "Oppi"s. These are roto-molded plastic optimist clones. We trialed 2 of these boats last summer in our Beginner Opti level, and these were very successful. Being made of

plastic, they withstand a tremendous amount of abuse without damage. During the summer, there will be more than 50 KYC dinghies, up to 20 additional race team boats, and more than 10 coach boats on the water. KYC Members can be very proud of what we offer to those interested in racing and learning to sail.

Again this year I'm organizing a Boat Loan Program to try to help out some of our Junior Sailors and Racers. The club has a limited number of suitable race boats and does not have any single handed boats. We'd like to be able to ensure that JS kids who are interested in racing, but who don't have their own boats, are able to participate. If you have a Laser >>, Laser, Opti, or Byte that is in reasonable condition, and you would be willing to loan or rent it for some or all of the summer, then please let me know. Last year we were able to help out a few of our racers with loaner boats. What better way to help out!!

As always, I thank my committee, Florence Boyd, Chris Macrae, Steve Black, Kim Foley and Paul Davis for all their efforts



Cruisers Report and Jemmett's Landing, Phase Two

~ Peter E. Fedora, Director Cruisers and Project Coordinator for Jemmett's Landing

Fellow KYC Members: I am pleased to again serve our Club as a member of the Board. This is my second year acting in such a capacity, and I am focusing my efforts this year on representing the Cruising Fleet and continuing with "Phase II" of the rejuvenation and property improvements at Jemmett's Landing. For those of you who may not be aware, I am both an active member of the racing fleet and in company with my wife Ze, and son Alexander, also participate in many of the Cruising events in our Mirage 29, 'Compulsion'.

It is wonderful to acknowledge our large and very active group of Cruisers. Special thanks are extended to Linda Hart for her efforts towards organizing this past weekend's Cruisers' Pot Luck Dinner and Awards Night, as well as to the many who contributed such tasty appetizers and dishes for us all to enjoy. Again this year many annual cruising favourites are being planned. Cruising Fleet Co-Captains Jim Cannon and Rod Munro are actively putting together the schedule for this coming summer. Thank-you to those volunteers who have already committed to coordinating the details for a given event. We hope to have the schedule confirmed and published in the near future. John and Marjorie Mason were honoured by the Cruising Fleet for their dedicated efforts in assembling last year's highly successful Escape Cruise, and they have graciously

offered to again organize this year's event, which is tentatively scheduled for early July.

Off season efforts with Jemmett's Landing continue. With the support of the Board, funds have been made available to continue with improving the Club Property. Dates will soon be published for the next series of work parties to venture to Wolfe Island and continue with clearing the property and preparing the site for installation of the planned shelter. We hope to acquire a permanent shelter / large shed to erect at Jemmett's Landing in which to house a selection of bicycles for us to share, as well as to store our lawn furniture and propane grill BBQ. I am soliciting for the donation of good-condition mountain bikes to be gifted to the Club, for our use at the Club Property. The plan is to assemble a selection of six bikes of different sizes (with helmets) that would be housed in a locked shelter, which we could all use. Other options for acquiring suitable bikes, such as the Police Auction, will be investigated. Should you have a suitable bicycle that you may consider donating to the Club, please contact me. We are also asking for any assistance with acquiring a suitable shelter to erect at the property, measuring at least 10 x 10 foot square.

I wish you all a happy, healthy and successful 2010.

How are we doing?

Tell us how to make our club work better for YOU!

suggestions@kingstonyachtclub.com

Kingston Yacht Club Supports the Canadian Naval Centennial (100th Anniversary)

~ Rob E. Colwell, Jr. Past Commodore

In 2010, Canada's Navy will mark its 100th anniversary of service to our country. The Canadian Navy was formed under the Naval Service Act passed on May 4th, 1910. The aim in 2010 is to build and strengthen in Canadians an appreciation for their navy and to demonstrate the navy's ongoing role in our national development. The theme is "Bring the Navy to Canadians" by honouring the past, showcasing the

current and reinforcing the need for a navy in our future. Members of the Kingston Yacht Club have served in the Canadian Navy, Coast Guard and Merchant Marine. The Yacht Club wants to recognize their service during the centennial year and support the current Navy in achieving their stated aim. Navy Week will be celebrated May 2-8, 2010 and include the annual Battle of the Atlantic parade as well as other activities.

- April 7, 2010 Navy Display exhibition (soft opening) at Marine Museum Kingston
- May 1 Naval Heritage Display opens at HMCS CATARAQUI Official Opening of Marine Museum Display
- May 2 Battle of the Atlantic Parade
- May 2-8 Declaration of Navy Week Kingston
- May 4 Naval monument unveiling (Confederation Park Annex)
- June 20, 2010 'Open Doors Kingston" open house at HMCS CATARAQUI

Marine Museum: Great Lakes & the Environment Lecture Series

~ Ann Blake, Marine Museum Executive Director

In conjunction with the opening of the Marine Museum's Eco Gallery, a series of three lectures which will explore Great Lakes environmental issues will be presented this spring.

Sunday, 21 February, 2-4 pm: *Eels at the Edge*; Dr. John Casselman

The dramatic decline of the American Eel in the Upper St. Lawrence River and Lake Ontario, an integrator of aquatic ecosystem health.

Sunday, 21 March, 2-4 pm: *Great Lakes, Great Stakes*; Dr. Linda Campbell

Presentation on Great Lakes contaminants, by Dr. Campbell, Canada Research Chair in Aquatic Ecosystem Health.

Sunday, 18 April, 2-4 pm: Lecture topic to be announced

Includes presentation of film: *Mysteries of the Great Lakes*, courtesy of Science North

Lecture Admission by good will donation.

'Ready, Aye, Ready': Canada's Navy - Kingston and the Great Lakes

Marine Museum's exhibit celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Canadian Navy, open early May to 30 September. Entry fee included in regular Museum admission.

- general introduction to the history of Canada's Navy;
- shipbuilding and repair for Canada's Navy on the Great Lakes;
- history of naval training: Sea Cadets and Navy League; Naval Reserve;
- Kingston's naval history: French and Royal Navy from the 17th century;
- Kingston's naval sons and daughters: images, stories of Kingstonians who served.

Notes from the Harbourmaster

~ Gunnar Heissler, Harbourmaster

The budget for this year includes funds for a number of improvement projects; although the bulk has been allocated to the refurbishment of the floating docks, we plan to make improvements to the electrical system, provide additional lighting and make some

safety enhancements. There is an opportunity to consider some additions, and the committee is open to your suggestions, Please forward these to my attention.

harbourmaster@kingstonyachtclub.com

Please note the following dates on your 2010 calendar:

Launch: Saturday May 8th.

Stepping of the masts: Saturday May 15th.

De-stepping of the masts: Saturday, October 16th.

Haul Out: Sunday, October 24th.

It is the intent to remove the cradles and bogeys to the off-site summer storage by Saturday May 15th. Please collapse the cradles and ready them for loading onto the trailers by Tuesday, May 11th; please

remember to fasten all loose ancillaries to the main body of the cradles with ties or straps.

Have a great sailing season.

Get Involved at KYC!

"Many hands make light work"

Committee Spots Available on:

- Membership Committee
- Communication Committee
- Information Systems Committee
- LTS Committee
- ALTS Committee
- Property Committee
- Shark North Americans Planning
- Finance Committee

Other Positions and/or Jobs:

- Grounds Clean-up Day Crew
- Shark North Americans Crew
- Log Editor
- Adult Sailing Instructors
- Archivist Assistants
- Launch Crew
- Jemmett's Landing Work Crew

And many more!

Please contact Matt White, the Membership Director, to be connected with the right person.
membership@kingstonyachtclub.com

Membership, Communication & Information Systems Initiatives

~ *Matt White, Director-at-Large*

I am delighted to join this very dynamic board, who has worked tirelessly on improving the club's facilities, programs and member experience. My contribution going forward will focus on three areas: membership, communication and information systems. There is plenty of room for improvement in these areas, and I am excited to take these projects on.

KYC is blessed with a dedicated group of members that keep our club vibrant & strong. I am continually impressed by the commitment our members show towards the club itself, and the sport of sailing. We do however, face obstacles - since 2003 we have been experiencing steady decline in membership numbers year-over-year. This is a troubling trend that must be reversed to ensure the longevity and prosperity of our institution.

I intend to lead the effort to address our membership decline, and hope to put us on a stronger footing for the future to come. We must recognize that we are facing increasing competition from other recreational clubs and activities - so we must ensure we are delivering a service that is attractive to new members, while remaining true to our core purpose of promoting the sport of sailing. This cannot be achieved by myself alone, and I am calling on any members who wish to sit on the Membership Committee, to please contact me. In addition, I will also be looking for volunteers to help ensure any new members' transition into the club be an easy one. Collectively, all members have a role to play in recruiting new members. We must be cognizant that we are a private members club, and our best

recruiting tool is our own members proposing new members. Please invite your friends down to join our weekly TGI Fs!

Effective communication plays a big role in attracting new members, and retaining existing members. I plan to look at all of our communication strategies and to improve upon our current practices to maximize the member experience. We must balance new and old technology to ensure we reach all members and promote our events and offerings effectively. Standardizing, and harmonizing our visual identity across all mediums will be core to this project. Again, I am looking for members who are interested in this area to help me with this endeavour.

Finally, I intend to initiate a review and overall assessment of our information systems. The main objectives of this project will be to improve the member experience, and improve our back office processes. Currently our Point-of-Sale system (for the bar), our membership database, and our accounting system do not link together effectively. In addition, our website is out-of-date, and provides little personalized interaction for members. Working with our staff, suppliers, and other clubs, we will look at options to tie our systems together. Eventually we hope to offer statements, renewals, and event registration options online. This will be no easy task, and I intend to move slowly and do a thorough review of all options before proceeding.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any suggestions, comments, or would like to lend a hand.

membership@kingstonyachtclub.com

Sailing Report

~ Sean Marshall, Sailing Director

Looking outside now in the middle of winter, it's not long before it will all start again. But to help us get through the winter it's good to remember the season we had. So here is a recap of the awards from last years racing.

Fleet Champions

IOM

Peter VanRossem
Greg VanRossem
Henry Fierz Jr

Sharks

Dartos D. Ruddy
Shanti P. Schell
Cloaca M. Fair

Offshore

Benecuda S. Marshall
Cara Mia V R. Colwell
Force 10 R. Crowson

Weekend Series Offshore

Cara Mia V R. Colwell
Force 10 R. Crowson
Benecuda S. Marshall

Special Awards

Obscure Use of Sailing Skills

- Steve Harrison

Spectacular use of Flying Sails

- Brandon Tattersall

Best Crew

- Jim Beatson

Page 1948 EYC Trophy

- Cara Mia V

Best Team

- Cara Mia V

Best Race Committee

- Crew of Shanti

Most Improved Skipper

- Steve Harrison

KYC Achievement and Leadership Award

Peter Van Rossem

- IOM Canadian Champion
- IOM US Champion
- IOM 2nd US Region 3&4
- IOM Top Canadian Boat Worlds

Paul Davis

- Soling World Champion
- 7th Shark Worlds
- 8th Shark Canadians



Regatta Report: Danielle Boyd at the 2010 29er Worlds

~ *Danielle Boyd*

The 2010 29er World Championships took place from January 2 - 9 in Freeport, Bahamas. Emily Hill and I (Danielle Boyd) traveled south to compete in the event. In the 12 days I spent there I learned more about sailing and the 29er than I have in the past four years racing the boat. Emily and I were tested tactically, and our lack of Worlds experience and international competition put us at a disadvantage to over half the fleet. However Emily and I went into the regatta with a list of goals, and revisited them after each race to keep our heads clear and our focus up.

There were six days of racing. Even though we were in the Bahamas, it was cold, and five of the days were an offshore north wind. These conditions made for tricky and interesting racing. The first three days were windy with relatively flat water. Emily and I had not sailed in this much wind together since the spring, and found these conditions initially intimidating. Our starts and tactics were affected by trying to control our boat. However part way through the second day we began to think more clearly, and make more tactical decisions on the course. We became more in tune with the settings on our boat, and with some help from the 49er Canadians we became more focused about our racing. It was a great help to us to debrief over dinner with some of the top American

teams, learning about boat settings, and discussing the situations that had happened during the day.

In the final three days of competition Emily and I got our confidence back. It helped that the wind was lighter. We were finally putting into use the manoeuvres we had practiced during training to get off the start line in the first row. By the final days of racing we felt a lot more competitive with the rest of the fleet, and were using more boat-on-boat tactics to come out a-head.



This event will help us enter our 2010 coaching and sailing year. We have grown as sailors, and will be able to apply our new found knowledge to our coaching as well. The six-day event was a great experience, and we hope to continue competing in the future.

We want your KYC Photos!

**We are compiling a database of KYC pictures and images.
Please help out by dropping a CD of photos off with Frances.**

Regatta Report: Robert Davis at Orange Bowl Regatta

~ Ron Rostorfer, Orange Bowl Race Committee

Coconut Grove Sailing Club's 47th annual Open Orange Bowl Regatta saw a duel of Olympic proportions, December 27-30. Young Laser Class Olympic hopefuls Robert Davis of Kingston, ON Canada and American Kyle Rogachenko of Collegeville, PA put on spectacular sailing performances, with one or the other winning all 10 of the races in the 25-boat fleet. Especially telling was that one race could be discarded, and for Robert, it was a second place finish! The four-day regatta got off on a slow note, with very light air on Sunday,



December 27. After a postponement waiting for wind, a 4-5 knot steady breeze developed and the fleet was sent on a windward-leeward twice around course. Not a fast race, but quality light air conditions prevailed. Two races had been planned that day, but only one was sailed due to the conditions.

A good, but shifty NW wind settled in, and four races were conducted, putting

the regatta back on schedule. It was a grind for the competitors, even though the Race Committee passed out water and power bars after each race. David Hartman, a Great Grand Master was heard to remark to Jo Ann, "Why aren't we still racing, it's not dark yet?"

Kyle Rogachenko recovered from an opening race 4th to win three of the four races, with Robert Davis taking three seconds and a first. Gordon Lamphere from Lake Forest, IL emerged as third place in the fleet.

Tuesday was a transition day for the wind.

The first lap of the windward-leeward course was to the NW, and the second lap to the EAST! It wasn't pretty, and the race was shortened at the second windward mark. Still, no time was wasted. Things steadied out from the NE after that, and two good quality races were completed. This brought the total to eight of the 10 races scheduled, with Robert and Kyle tied on points! Generally, after each race, these two were seen sailing together discussing how the race was won - or not won!

By Wednesday, our usual easterly arrived - a great sailing breeze, and fairly steady. Robert and Kyle again traded firsts and seconds; But, after ten races with one discarded, Robert and Kyle were still tied for first overall!

Finally at the awards presentation the tie between the two outstanding performances of Robert and Kyle had to be broken, with Kyle taking the win on the tie-breaker

Congratulations to Robert Davis for also placing 3rd overall in the 2009 Laser Performance Grand Prix Series. Over 700 sailors from across North America participated

KYC Corinthian Fund

~ Gord Grothers, Corinthian Fund Chair

The 2010 sailing season is fast approaching. We encourage all young sailors to organize their racing schedule for the coming summer and submit a regatta schedule with cost breakdowns to the Corinthian Fund. We

support Provincial, National, North American and International events throughout the year. There are limited resources so we want to encourage early submissions which allows for a fair budgeting process.

If there are any questions, please contact Gord Crothers at:
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Cannon Balls - Naval Trivia

~ Unknown Author

It was necessary to keep a good supply of cannon balls near the cannon on old war ships... But how to prevent them from rolling about the deck was the problem. The storage method devised was to stack them as a square based pyramid, with one ball on top, resting on four, resting on nine, which rested on sixteen. Thus, a supply of 30 cannon balls could be stacked in a small area right next to the cannon. There was only one problem -- how to prevent the bottom layer from sliding/rolling from under the others. The solution was a metal plate with 16 round indentations, called, for reasons unknown, a Monkey.. But if this plate were made of iron, the iron balls would quickly rust to it. The solution to the rusting problem was to make them of brass - hence, **Brass Monkeys**

Few landlubbers realize that brass contracts much more and much faster than iron when chilled..

Consequently, when the temperature dropped too far, the brass indentations would shrink so much that the iron cannon balls would come right off the monkey.

Thus, it was quite literally, cold enough to freeze the balls off a brassmonkey. And all this time, people thought that was just a vulgar expression?



Please Make Note: KYC Log Publication Schedule & Deadlines for 2010

For those of you interested in make contributions to the KYC Log please adhere to the following...

Publication	Issue	Contributors' Deadlines
2010 v2	Launch	Saturday, 17th April 2010
2010 v3	Summer	Saturday, 19th June 2010
2010 v4	Haulout	Saturday, 18th September 2010

Submissions should not exceed 500 words, should be submitted in electronic format, may include photographs, and should be sent to the KYC Log Editor at: log@kingstonyachtclub.com

Those interested in making regular contributions should contact the Editor and ask to be placed on the 'Reminder List' of those who will be contacted prior to each issue.

Calendar of Events

MONTH	Day	Event
February	Fri 5	TGIF - Offshore Fleet
	Wed 10	Speaker Series: (7pm) A reading by David More author of <i>The Lily and the Rose</i>
	Fri 12	TGIF - No-Boaters
	Fri 19	TGIF - Cruisers
	Wed 24	Speaker Series: Cooking with Brett "Keep it Simple" (7pm)
	Fri 26	TGIF - Ice Boaters
	Sun 28	Winterfest - join in the activities and have a Beavertail! (1-4pm)
March	Fri 5	TGIF - Hockey Boys
	Wed 10	Speaker Series: Club History with the Archivist (7pm)
	Fri 12	TGIF - Other Clubs (... as always, Hosted by KYC)
	Fri 19	TGIF - Marine Museum & Power Squadron
	Wed 24	Speaker Series: Knots and Such - Bring your own project (7pm)
	Fri 26	TGIF - Junior Sailing
	April	Fri 2
Sun 4		Easter Sunday - [KYC Closed]
Wed 7		Speaker Series: Racing Rules (7pm)
Fri 9		TGIF - POH & Confederation Basin Boaters
Fri 16		TGIF - Women in Wind
Fri 23		TGIF - Radio Controlled Boats
Wed 28		Speaker Series - Sailtrim and Tactics (7pm)
Fri 30		TGIF - Burn Your Socks
May		Fri 7
	Sat 8	Launch
	Tue 11	Weeknight Racing Begins
	Sat 15	Stepping of masts
	Sat 29	Pigeon Island Race
	June	Sat 5
Wed 9		Race Team Parent Night (7pm)
Sat 12		Harbour Race
Wed 23		Junior Sailing Parent Night (7pm)
July		Sun 11 - Fri 16
	July 17	Shark Singlehand/Offshore Double
	Sat 24	Partridge Bowl

Kingston Yacht Club ~ Contacts

Board of Directors ~ 2010

Position	Name	Email
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KYC WINTER BAR HOURS

Monday	<i>Closed</i>
Tuesday	<i>Closed</i>
Wednesday	4:00pm - 9:00pm
Thursday	4:00pm - 9:00pm
Friday	4:00pm - 9:00pm
Saturday	Noon - 6:00pm
Sunday	Noon - 6:00pm

The KYC Bar is always open for extended hours on "Special Event" nights.
FOOD SERVICE: Light Meals are available whenever the KYC Bar is Open.

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