



April 2016

DYC Breeze

Dalhousie Yacht Club
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Sunset Dining Room Hours

Wednesdays through
Saturdays noon to 9 p.m.



What sailors do during the long Canadian winters ... **Acoustic Therapy** - beats the winter blues! First Thursday of the month. *(Photo submitted by Len McIntosh)*

The "Chain Gang" working on the wooden dock (right) and refueling (below).
(Photos by Chris Bull)



Vision Statement: The Dalhousie Yacht Club is a friendly, safe and affordable boating community dedicated to learning, respect for all, and enjoyment in all aspects of the sport of boating.

Commodore's Report ...

(by Paul Haynes)

Happy Easter

I wish all members and their families a happy Easter and I hope that everyone enjoyed the long weekend with family and friends. If you haven't been on the website in a while, check it out as past commodore Jim White has been testing his skills with uploading some new pictures, adding a countdown timer to haul in, and a little needed house cleaning ! The count down timer is a great reminder that you have less than 40 days till your boat is launched, which means it is time to start thinking about working on the boats. If you're buying VC17, Marlon Marine in Port Weller carries it at a great price, and in the past they have donated great auction prizes for the Rock the Docks events and have always generously helped DYC .

The Piers

As you may have heard, the sonar studies on the entire harbour have been completed by the DFO (Department of Fisheries & Oceans Canada.) They are the owners of the harbour and Lakeside Park. DFO leases these lands to the city of St. Catharines, and we are one of the tenants of the City of St. Catharines. In the big picture, the club will operate as normal, and it will be two years before any major work will be begin. In the meantime the Flag will be actively reaching out to the groups involved to help with input for the future pier rehabilitation.

B-Dock Repair

A big round of thanks to our Dock Chair Tom Schultz and his crew of volunteers for the amazing repair that used pure ingenuity and a clever method to level the docks after 2 previous harsh winters of ice damage. Luck was on our side as the mild winter was exactly what we needed to keep the work going. Still some work to go, but the dock project is definitely on schedule to be completed before haul in. "Great Job," to everyone who helped.

Dock Invoices coming out in April - Must be paid prior to launch

You will be receiving your dock invoice in April. Launch Date is set for **Friday, May 6th**. Please ensure your dock

invoice is paid in full by **Wednesday, May 4th**, to avoid not been launched. If for some reason you do not receive a dock invoice in April, please contact the manager John Brown to confirm your email and contact information as no exceptions regarding unpaid dock fees will be made on launch day. DYC accepts all normal methods of payment. Please contact John Brown regarding your payment options.



New !! Early Launch Date for Boats on Trailers - April 23

This year we are launching boats on trailers directly after Docks In, in B Yard. We currently have about 10 boats, mostly Kirbys and also Wendy's J30 going in. This will save time and money on launch day, the smaller crane has a much lower hourly rate and swings faster than the big crane. It will also reduce the number of boats going in on the big launch day and will reduce the line-up at the mast crane. If this sounds like an option for you, contact John Brown.

Activity has been growing around DYC. Seeing many friends around the club, you can feel the vibe in the air. However, the Clam Jam event had lower than expected attendance. Please make an effort and invite friends. It was a wonderful evening with a hired band, "The Pub Jugs." It takes time and money to put these events together. Help build the club spirit by attending some events. Guaranteed you will have a good time. This year's Sailpast is scheduled for Saturday, June 6th. There will be a big push for high attendance, so mark it on your calendar and stay tuned for more details.

Looking forward to seeing you "On the Water."

Paul Haynes
Commodore



Summary of Board Meeting, March 23, 2016

(by Peter Nadorozny)

The meeting started at 7:05 p.m., called to order by Commodore Haynes

Commodore's Summary:

- Paul reminded members that he has provided to board members the youtube link to the Department of Fisheries and Oceans media presentation to City of St. Catharines on pier closure and possible actions to be taken.
- Paul discussed low member attendance at recent winter events. A suggestion was made to clarify menu choices such as for the clam bake. Paul encouraged more board members to attend events to help promote attendance by the general membership.
- Paul reminded the Board members that some photographs are needed prior to boating season and expected visits by guests and dignitaries.

Vice-Commodore's Summary:

- Bill reported that the 2016 cruise schedule is posted for sign up by members.
- Bill noted that Saturday, June 18 is proposed as the Wooden Dock Party date.
- Bill advised that the club boat for sail past will be Brutus this year. Paul confirmed that the invitations to many dignitaries and special guests have been sent.
- Paul requested members bring ideas to promote this year's sail past to the next meeting
- Bill closed by informing members that Easter Seals Regatta is "a go" with Mark and Gwen Kennedy acting as event co-ordinators. The members thanked Mark and Gwen for coming onboard to continue this very worthwhile community event sponsored by the club.

Treasurer's Report:

- Richard provided a recap of disbursements and bank accounts.
- Richard led a discussion with members on the funds available to complete initial repairs on east-side women's washroom. Rossco recommended an amount be reserved for the roof as a priority, and to

repair the floor with vinyl and possibly paint the interior. It was agreed to monitor the club cash position for next month and determine action based on actual available funds in the spring.

- Richard requested a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. It was made by Kevin and seconded by Jon. Members approved the Treasurer's report



Manager's Summary:

- John presented the board with Mark and Gwen Kennedy's application for social membership
- John advised of the health inspection that morning and the club was approved and in good order
- John reported that the dock invoicing process is now underway with the bookkeeper
- John also stated he has cleaned up the members document section of the website, repaired some links and updated events section.
- Finally, John advised that the water will be turned on in yards by April 1 due to milder than normal weather this year.

Dock Chair Summary:

- Tom was pleased to report on the progress made to repair B Dock (main dock on west side). Work was resumed in earnest on March 17, 18, 19 and 20.
1. March 17, Dave Pressley picked up oxy-acetylene tanks and torch from Overhead Door (Brian Schmidt). Also prepared dock for planned work:
 - Pulled deck boards to gain access to piles
 - Prepared plywood boards to span gaps in deck in order to move equipment safely.
 2. March 18, Tom Schulz and Mike Gionet picked up 18 pieces of 7" diameter pipe at Interpipe in Mount Hope, ON using Mike's dump truck.
 3. March 19, work crew of 14 members (Dave Pressley, Dale Jack, Doug Palmer, Rossco Field, Larry Hildebrandt, Kevin Roach, Paul Haynes, Chris Bull,

Summary of Board Meeting ... cont'd

Peter Bennett, Lew Holloway, Len McIntosh, Dan Sundy, Bill Sullivan, Tom Schulz) set out to finally level B Dock:

- Existing 8" piles were torch cut most of the way around below the steel channel beams and above the waterline.
- Pipes were taken directly from Mike's truck, hand bombed on to a dolly, designed and fabricated by Rossco just for the occasion, and moved along the dock to the appropriate pile location.
- Pipes were then raised (with considerable concern) to an upright position and slid into the 8" pile where they dropped down to rest solidly on the previously (last November) installed concrete.
- A come-along was attached and the remainder of the 8" pile cut with angle grinder cut off wheels.
- Using the come-along, the dock was slowly raised in sections to the desired height.
- As we had only 6 come-alongs, chains were used to secure the deck at each pile.
- March 20, a smaller work crew continued:
- Holes were torch cut just below the 8" collar on the dock structure and ¾" bolts inserted to support the dock upon removal of the chains.
- The 7" pile insert was centered in the lower 8" pile and welded in place using rod shims designed and fabricated by Dale Jack (not completed at this time)
- **Next Steps** — Tom advised:
 1. Complete work started on March 20. We have been offered a welder unit by Brian Schmidt to use in place of the rental used previously.
 2. Rebuild the deck and fender boards.
 3. Design and install some sort of padding on protruding piles.
- Tom advised members that the estimated 400 man hours by members is probably understated
- Tom noted that the piles extend above the dock, and a plan is being developed to protect boats. Rossco suggested a contact that could source used 1/2" safety brand that could be used to wrap the exposed pilings.
- Tom estimated that there are 20 hrs of welding re-

maining to be done in next couple of weeks

- Tom thanked all volunteers for their hard work and a great job.
- Paul and board members thanked Tom and his crew for making this very important work for the club happen.

Fleet Captain Summary:

- John advised Jon that an 8-15 HP OB motor is needed for small whaler prior to docks in.
- Jon agreed to search and advise John what equipment maybe available
- Paul advised that VC 17 will be put on the big whaler probably after haul-in. The hull needs to be sanded prior. Gerard and Jason indicated they could help with this.

House Chair Summary:

- Rossco concluded the ladies eastside wash room discussion by reporting a work party of 6 members could complete floor and paint in a day when the decision to proceed is made.
- Rossco led a discussion on potential solutions to repair the harbour office roof to get through the next year.
- Paul suggested that the club obtain the material on site to be used to fender the fuel dock pending the inspection by DFO in the short term.

Learn to Sail Summary:

- Jason reported two interviews for new LTS instructors have been conducted. As well, some of last year's instructors are returning.
- Jason advised that applications are being made to the Pen Centre and Fairview Mall for a LTS boat display in those locations. John advised that the club must provide personnel to accommodate the display during mall open hours.

Membership and Communication Summary:

- Gerard requested feedback from the board on revised signage for club. A discussion ensued on the appropriateness of the lighthouse road sign and possible removal due to its poor condition. It was decided to leave the sign in place until launch. Gerard

Summary of Board Meeting ... cont'd

suggested the club salvage one side of the old sign for use on a wall location.

- Gerard will investigate some signage cost proposals along with recommended sign designs and possible locations. Gerard will bring this information back to the board for consideration.
- Gerard stated he will arrange for some logo signage on the west side washrooms given that location will not be under renovation any time soon. Board members agreed.
- A discussion regarding new ideas on how to welcome new members was held. While these ideas are percolating, it was agreed that we welcome new members at sail past as done in past years.

Yard Chair Summary:

- Kevin advised a meeting was held March 3, with Paul, John, Richard and Bill, to discuss ways to improve efficiency and reduce cost for haul-in. It was proposed that we use a smaller crane to lift small

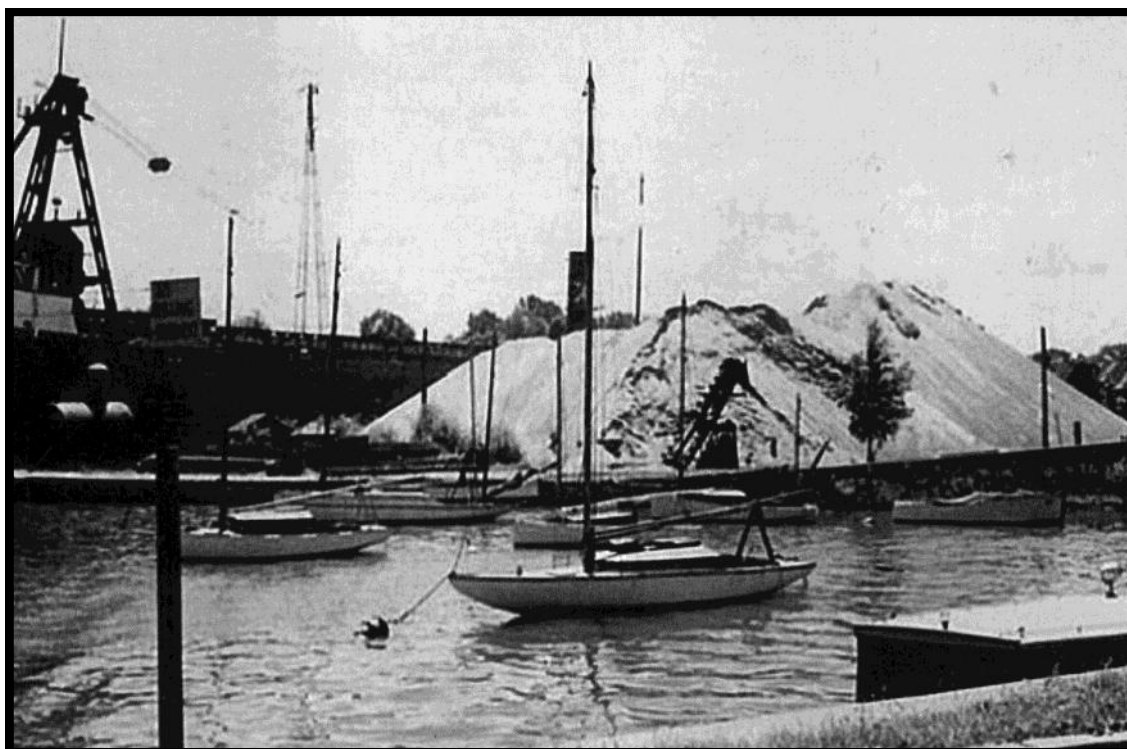
boats prior to launch day. It will be less expensive to contract a small crane vs the large crane.

- Kevin advised that sling stickers will be made available at the bar. Paul suggested a notice in the breeze to remind members. Jon stated for safety it is important that members ensure proper alignment and placement of sling stickers on their boats
- Kevin closed by stating the yard clean up day will be held a couple of weeks after launch

New Business

- Paul reported that the DFO have completed their harbour study, and the Flag is in the process of reaching out to the groups involved to help with input for the pier rehabilitation.

Motion to adjourn by Jon; second by everybody, the meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.



History Matters

(by Dan Sundry)

C.1939 the west side mooring field framed by a sand operation on Lockhart Point. Since the northern terminus of the 4th canal moved to Port Weller in 1933, the laker in the background was probably dealing with the Muir brothers dry dock via Lock 1 of the third canal. The sailboat in the foreground belongs to Bev Renshaw the first secretary of DYC.

Racing News

(by Larry Hildebrandt, Racing Chair)

Rules of Racing Seminar

Hey Racers, we are having a Rules of Racing Seminar on Wednesday, April 6th starting at 7:00 pm. If you're new to racing or have been doing it for a while, why don't you come on out and find who actually is in the right spot at the right time.

We will be going over the basics such as port/starboard, when boats are overlapped or not overlapped, starts and mark roundings. We will also be going over the start sequence and the different flags on the race committee boat. Penalties will also be outlined (what do you mean I was in the wrong?)



2016 Racing Season Kickoff Meeting Wednesday, April 27th @ 7:00 pm.

The racing season is upon us and it's time to make some plans. We will be discussing many things and going over the race schedule for the season and everyone's race committee duties. Mark your calendars and clean your bottoms ... the first race of the season is May 11th.



Dock Repairs — How the Magic Happened

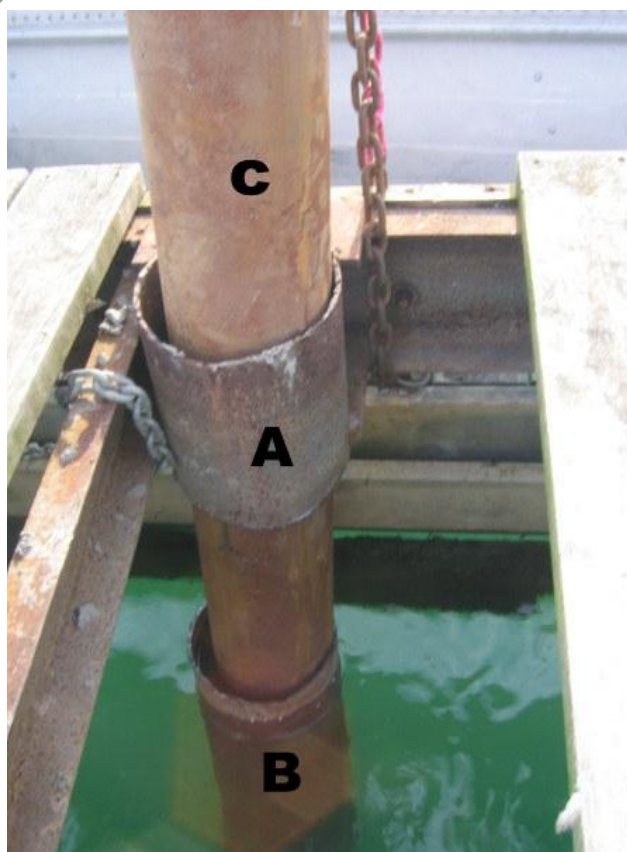
(by Dan Sundy)

The dock was originally constructed with the deck being attached to the top of an 8 inch pipe which had been driven into the harbour bottom. Ice damage had further sunk the pipes somewhat on the west (street side) of the dock, but more on the east (channel side) The deck was thus tipped significantly.

For the repair, the pipe was torched apart, separating Part A (with the deck still attached), from part B, the rest of the 8 inch pipe. A 7 inch pipe C, was then inserted into the 8 inch pipe and rests securely on the top of concrete, previously poured into the 8 inch pipe (see photo left.)

The deck and part A were then raised with come-a-longs as in the next picture (top left.) When the deck was level, the 7 inch pipe was drilled and a pin inserted at the level of the bottom of Part A of the 8 inch pipe. The come-a-longs are released and Part A with the deck then rests on the pin.

Concepts for the fix were conceived by the Dock Committee, Tom Schulz, Dave Pressley, Dale Jack, Dave Bellhouse, and Ron Wright. The project co-ordination was by Dock Chair Tom Schulz. The DYC Workers did heroic service totting and carrying.



Photos submitted by Dan Sundy
(continued on next page)





Photos above by Dan Sundy

Photos below by Capt'n Bill Sullivan



Vice Commodore's Report ...

(by Bill Sullivan)

Spring is officially here and there are only 36 days until launch. Hopefully the weather will start to warm up and we will see more activity in the yards.

On the cold but sunny weekend of March 19th and 20th, Tom Schulz and his team of volunteers again resumed the wooden dock repairs with burning torches, welding machines, pilings and just plain brawn.

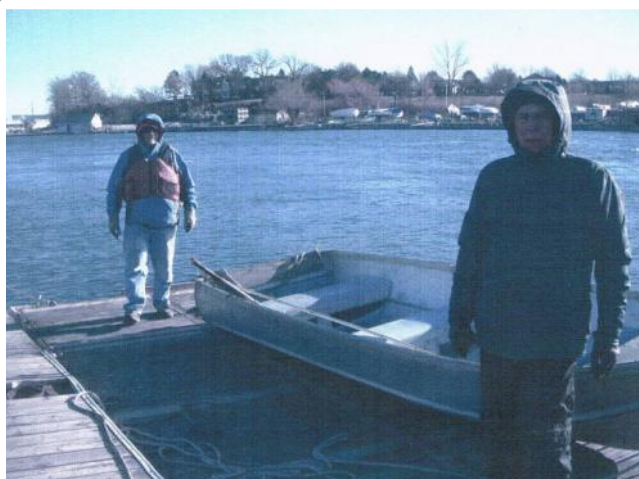
This was not an easy task. The docks are again level with 90%+ of the work completed. The team is to be commended. What would DYC do without guys like this? A special thanks to Mike Gionet who used his personal big truck to deliver the pilings from Mount Hope in Hamilton. I attended as official photographer and coffee runner (between naps.) See accompanying photos.

Cruising: Cruise sign-up sheets are posted on the club notice board until the end of July. More to come for August and September. I am just awaiting confirmation from some of the clubs. The first 12 boats to sign up will be guaranteed a slip. After that, you will be on a waiting list. So I ask that if you sign for a cruise and subsequently have to cancel, please let me know in good time so that someone on the waiting list can get your slot. billsbluemoon665@gmail.com or 905-984-0026. Thanks.

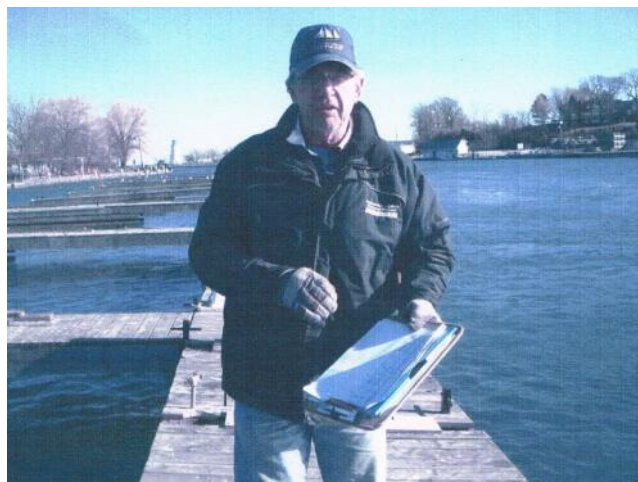
See you around the club



Capt'n Bill



Photos by Capt'n Bill Sullivan



GHYRA : Cruisers Take Note

(By Allen Baird)

Do you know that our club is a member of the **Golden Horseshoe Yacht Club Association (GHYRA)**? The member clubs include: Oakville Club (OC), Oakville Yacht Squadron (OYS), Bronte Harbour Yacht Club (BHYC), Burlington Sailing and Yacht Club (BS&BC), Royal Hamilton Yacht Club (RHYC), Newport Yacht Club (NYC), and Dalhousie Yacht Club (DYC). Five years ago the association created the one week regatta that includes sailing for member clubs and a fun reception and dinner at each location. The regatta is designed to invite crews for a full week of fun sailing – **(20) Cruising Boats** and **(40) Racing Boats**.



Last year Wendy Northcotte (North Caught) and I (Chimo) sailed in the GHYRA REGATTA for Cruisers and Racers. Several Boaters were interested and questioned us about joining the regatta. The 2016 edition (July 2 to 8) regatta kicks off with registration now till April 30th.

The NOR lays out the plan for 2016. Interested Boaters should go to (www.ghyra.org) website. Note: entries in "Racing" are filled. The "Cruising" fleet has room for five more boats, so move on registration immediately if you would like a fun week of sailing to the clubs around the west end of the lake.

Please feel welcome to contact me for information regarding the week of regatta events.

Cheers,

Allen Baird ... [905 934 6144](tel:9059346144)



The "Just for Fun" Race Series at DYC

(by Len Macintosh)

The "Just for Fun" race series are open and free for all DYC sailors. These "races" are organized to provide regular opportunity to hone your sailing skills.

The Tuesday evening and Sunday morning races start just outside the harbour and circle the marks utilizing all points of sail and last from 60 to 90 minutes finishing just outside the harbour. Locating the race marks will give you lots of navigating practice.

The distance races are held at monthly intervals and are a 4 or 5 hour sail to NOTL and back.

Both series are self starting races using GPS or Cell Phone time with provisions to shorten the race in the event of light air.

Performance Handicaps (PHRF) are used so all finish times are adjusted based on the boat. PHRF certificates can be obtained through the club, but in the event you don't have a certificate, a PHRF is assigned based on best available information.

Sailing instructions for both series will be available at the skippers' meeting Wednesday, April 27 (7:00 pm). These instructions will be online and in next month's Breeze.



McKELVIE, James Bruce - Passed away suddenly with his wife at his side, at the Greater Niagara General Hospital on Thursday February 18, 2016 at the age of 85. He leaves behind her beloved wife Winnifred, and his sister Mrs. Phyllis (Morris) Kendall of Bobcaygeon. Bruce has numerous nieces and nephews, and great nieces and nephews and even great great nieces and nephews. Bruce was known to many of his nieces and nephews as Unkie Bruce. For years, Bruce had a service station on Academy St. and later he was the Manager of Canteen of Canada for 20 years. He spent several years selling Real Estate and finally retired from Galbraith Electric as office manager. He was a Lifetime Member of the Dalhousie Yacht Club. Thank you to the Doctors and Nursing Staff and Paramedics for their kind, compassionate care of Bruce. Cremation has taken place and in accordance with Bruce's wishes there will be no viewing. Bruce was a kind generous person who had many friends and neighbours. Bruce and Winnie were able to spend their retirement years for many many winters in Venice, Florida. In lieu of flowers, donations to Well-spring or the Walker Family Cancer Clinic would be appreciated by the family. Arrangements entrusted to **PASSFIELD MORTUARY SERVICES** 905-682-0474

Rusty Skills Competition

Can you:

- Belay a cleat?
- Hoist a sail?
- Tie a bowline?

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the Indoor Boating Skills Obstacle Course

Saturday, April 16

Dinner to follow

Watch for further details!

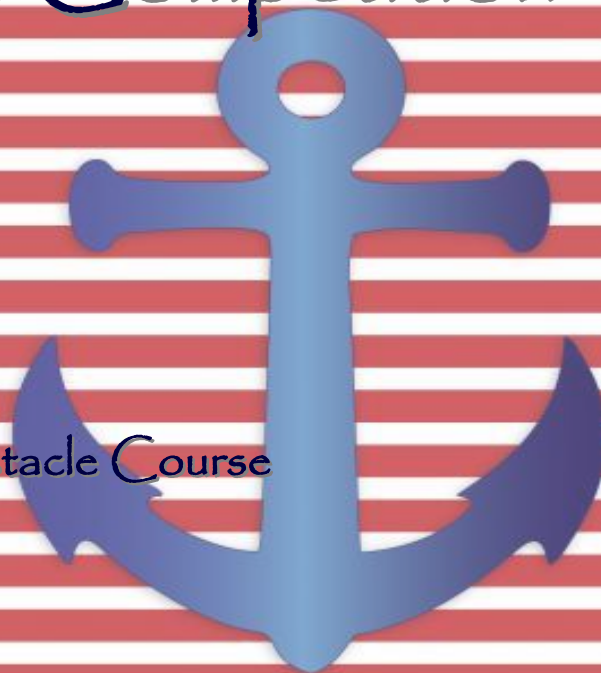


Photo Contest Give us your best shot!

Categories are:

Club Spirit
Cruising
Racing
Scenery

Submit up to two photos to each category.

Email submissions to John Brown with "photo contest" in the subject line, by January 31st, 2017.

They could be used to update our website and as pamphlet content!



Fireside Cards – Wednesdays, 7 to 9



Progressive Euchre

No experience necessary

Acoustic Therapy Night

in the club house
First Thursday of
every month

Come out and enjoy participating
Eats at 6:00 ... Tune up 7:00 ... Pack it up 9:00



Essential Oils 101
or
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Free Seminar

Thursday, May 12
7 p.m.
DYC Clubhouse

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From the Editor's Desk ...

I am excited to announce a **free seminar**, coming to our club on Thursday, May 12. As many of you know, this past January I suffered a bad fall, breaking five ribs, while vacationing in Green Turtle Cay. As there are no doctors or hospital on the island, I could receive no medical care until I returned home. I was lucky that a friend from the Niagara area was also vacationing in GTC. As a Registered Massage Therapist, she had her essential oils with her and, under her care, I did not bruise, did not need narcotic pain killers and was able to travel home as scheduled, five days after my injury. This prompted me to begin researching essential oils as an alternative or adjunct to pharmaceutical remedies. I also discovered that many cruisers

keep a supply of various oils on board since, while out of the country, it is not always easy to get the medications we may use for even everyday ailments and injuries and medical help may be difficult if not impossible to find.

During a discussion with Val Jack, I discovered that she and her daughter, Ashley, are very knowledgeable in this regard and that Ashley is willing to offer a free seminar at the club to help us all learn more. Please contact your friends and family members to see if they might also be interested and RSVP me by May 5th with the number of those who will be attending, in order that sufficient hand-out materials can be prepared.

As always, if you have any ideas, stories or photos to share with club members, **please** email them to me **by the 25th of the month**.

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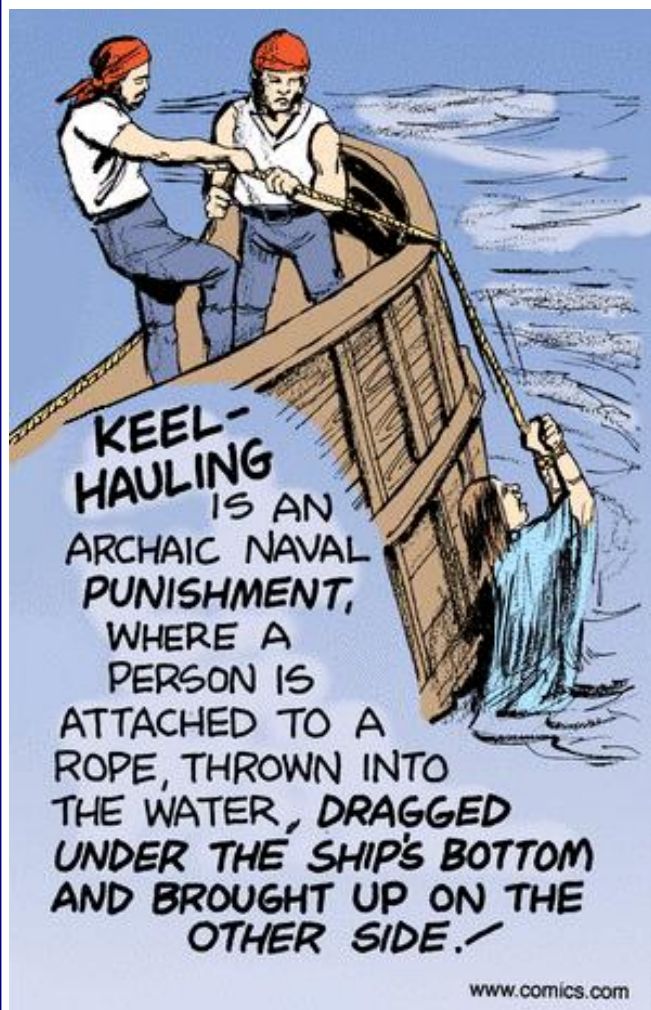
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DYC Calendar of Events

April 2016

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6 Fireside Cards Rules of Racing Seminar	7 Acoustic Therapy Night	8	9
10	11	12	13 Fireside Cards	14	15	16 "Rusty Nails" Competition & Dinner
17	18	19	20 Fireside Cards	21	22	23 Docks IN & Trailer Boats Launch
24	25	26	27 Fireside Cards Racing Kick-off Meeting	28	29	30

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5 Acoustic Therapy Night	6 Boats IN	7
8	9	10	11 Race Night	12 Essential Oils Seminar	13	14
15	16	17	18 Race Night	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Race Night	26	27	28
29	30	31				