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4th Place Photo by Stan McCall
Clouds in water.

Correction – 2nd place photo was
submitted by Art Veldhuizen....sorry.



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Commodore's Message



Let me start by thanking everyone for their trust and support for voting me in as your Commodore. It is a pleasure to be back in the seat as your Commodore. Yes, if you are new to the marina in the past five years or so, I am back. I was Commodore from 2011 until 2014.

There are so many shows on television that are reruns of some old favourites like MASH, Seinfeld and others. Then there are remakes like Magnum PI and Hawaii 5 0. Reruns and remakes seem to have found their niche on television. Hopefully, the same will be said for a returning Commodore. Some of you may know a little about Brian Weber. Others may not know anything except that I am old, and I am one of the people you always see sitting by the F Dock shelter throughout the summer. But Ruby and I started into big boats in 2001 and we moved from Newport to Fifty Point in 2005. So, I have a little understanding of the history with Fifty Point. But a lot has changed since 2005 or even 2014 when I retired as Commodore.

Most recently our Annual General Meeting was held on Zoom, which is certainly a major change. Video conferencing is moving our everyday lives into a new realm of communications. At FPYC, it opens the doors for people to attend meetings from their home, even Florida in the fall or winter. So why did I get involved again? I would like to see us venture into more new ideas and expand opportunities that would encourage more boaters to join and stay with the club year over year. We had strong work undertaken to boost membership. And there were some different social activities planned. Covid-19 derailed all this work. So, we need to get these things back on track. But we also need your help.

I would personally like to thank those dedicated individuals that worked on your behalf to make Fifty Point Yacht Club better.

As we get things rolling, you will see some changes to Scuttlebutt. One change is Karyn and Dean Maddeaux will be looking for Fifty Point anniversaries. We are also looking to spotlight members starting with your incoming Board. Boating is a small community, but we have a big family here at Fifty.

Stay well and be safe.

Brian Weber
Commodore

Scuttlebutt In Review

- Commodore Brian Weber Returns to the Helm of FPYC and gives a brief synopsis
- Heartfelt thanks and summary of our outgoing Board Members, Doug & Judie Galvin, Linda Goodrow, Steve Burgin, Sue MacDonald, Sue & John Fletcher and Donna Shepherd
- Welcome to the new Board Members, Paula & Steve Burgin, Tom Dunsmore, Bill Wickett, Jessie Holst Vincent and Vacant
- Membership Update
- FPYC Club Merchandise
- Random Acts of Kindness – A true Story
- Try the tasty RIGATONI DI CASA recipe
- Boat lift in commences April 16 with new Safety Officer responsible for communications

A Big Thank You

Okay here goes as I tread on some dangerous grounds in hopes of not forgetting anybody or belittling the work that others have done on previous Executives.

When people take on a role with the yacht club, most often they only hear complaints. But I wanted to extend my appreciation to our outgoing Board. They went above and beyond and stayed an extra 4 months to work on your behalf. So, in reverse alphabetical order, here they are:

Donna Shepherd, who took on the role of Membership and worked tirelessly to improve membership and brought in the Boom Program. Boom was a learning to sail program to teach sailing to young and upcoming sailors. While not on the Board, the Boom Program could not have run without the day to day supervision by **Mark Steen** and his volunteers.

Sue MacDonald took on the Social Director portfolio. Sue and her 'Sailmate' **Dave Spragge** came to Fifty a few years ago and both have been actively involved in club activities.

Jason Kirk is our outgoing Past Commodore. Jason may just have been our youngest Commodore. He along with **Heidi**, who served as a Director at Large took on roles when there was no one to fill positions. We have had the chance to see a growth in boat size and family.

Sue & John Fletcher our Cruise and Director at Large duo helped the club in many ways. They came to Fifty bringing 2 other boats with them. From their first days here, both have been active to support the club. Besides being on the Executive, they have 'picked up' many items for us.

Linda Goodrow is our outgoing Secretary. She initially came to help in another portfolio. But she was pressed into service as Secretary. Unfortunately, **Betty Van Klink** who had stepped up needed some time away and was unable to complete her term. Linda and Tony were only at the club for a few years. But unfortunately, have sold their boat.

Judie & Doug Galvin are our outgoing Treasurer and Commodore. This is Judie's second time on the Board and stepped up to take on the Treasurers role when it was vacant. Doug also stepped up to serve as Vice Commodore when there was a need and moved into the Commodore's position. They have sold their boat and they are moving on to new adventures.

Steve Burgin took on the role of Social Director. He was introducing some new activities, which unfortunately were scuttled by Covid-19. **Paula Burgin** has been doing Scuttlebutt for us over the past year and both are moving into new FPYC Board positions now.

Welcome Aboard and Help Wanted

Just in case you missed it, the following are coming aboard as members of your FPYC Board of Directors. This is only a brief introduction as they will more formally introduce themselves in the months ahead.

The new Executive members are:

Jessie Holst Vincent is your Treasurer. We are fortunate to have Jessie take on this role. The treasurer's position has come a long way in the past years. We have moved from Excel to accounting software and something called etransfers. But I know someone will teach the Commodore all about them.

Paula Burgin is your Communications Director. Paula has been doing Scuttlebutt for us. But she will now take on the full role by looking after our email address info@fpyc.ca, distribution of correspondence via Mailchimp and help manage our Facebook page.

Steve Burgin is moving from Social to being your Secretary. Steve is being charged with trying to keep the Commodore in line, at meetings.

Tom Dunsmore is taking on Social for us. Tom is looking forward to hopefully a more normal year of social activities as we all move past the regulations resulted by Covid-19. Tom is always looking for help. Unfortunately, the other Social Director's position is vacant.

Bill Wickett is coming back to the Board as one of your Cruise Directors. Bill was previously on the Board as a Social Director. Fifty Point Marina has told us that they are looking at reciprocals to open up July 1. Bill and Art are hoping to get as many interesting cruises for us post July 1.

Donna Shepherd is coming back for a year too. Donna will be managing our Apparel.

Vacant seems to have a big family with no first name. Vacant is taking over as **Vice Commodore, Social and Membership**. So, we need your help. **Meetings are on Zoom.**

If you cannot fill in full time to fill one of these vacancies, please contact the Director if you can help them out in any way. Sometimes all that is needed is a few hours of your time.

Summary of Your 2020 AGM

We had 29 families on Zoom. It was a combination of social and boat members.

Commodore Galvin welcomed the members and gave a high-level overview of the meeting and the effects Covid-19 had on FPYC.

Members were thanked for joining last year given Covid-19.

The following reports were given:

- Social;
- Membership;
- Cruising;
- Reciprocals;
- Merchandise Sales; and
- Treasurer.

Cruises are hoping to start July 1st. This is when the marina has said they will allow reciprocals. The members approved the financial statements. It was noted that we made a small profit, which was primarily due to the sale of merchandise. Otherwise we would have only covered our operating expenses with the reduced membership fees.

The members also approved an amendment to our reciprocal policy, Constitution and our incoming Board for 2021. All of these were either included in Scuttlebutt earlier or sent to you in a Notice of Meeting. Also, with reciprocals commencing again, membership fee is \$210 for 2021. Social members fees are \$65. These fees were approved at the 2019 AGM.

Incoming Commodore Weber presented an Outlook for 2021 and a marina update. The latter was provided by Rob Howe, Fifty Point Marina Manager.

A copy of the AGM presentation will be posted on the members section of the website later. If you were a member in 2020 and you wish a copy of the presentation before then, please contact Brian Weber, fpacca@gmail.com.

Introduction of our Social Director Tom Dunmore

Hello everyone,

Thank you for allowing me to be on your Board of Directors.

I and my wife Peggy have been married for 47 years and boaters for 38 years. We have two sons and daughter in laws with four grandchildren. We have been self employed in the investigation/litigation field until our retirement, three years ago. We have travelled many of the Great Lakes and River/Canal systems. We are looking forward to travelling the Rideau Canal system this year and possibly some of the Thousand Islands.

We have been members of several yacht clubs and have been on the Board /Bridge of many of them, most recently RHYC. Hopefully I will be able to contribute to your yacht club.

Peggy and I currently own Water Lily, the Mainship Trawler on the wall near Nancy's office. I would hope that you drop by and say hi on your walks or wave as you enter/exit the marina! I promise not to spray you with a hose. LOL

If you have any ideas for social events that we can have with the Covid restrictions, please pass them on. This is your yacht club and the Board would welcome your input and ideas and also your help.

I can be reached at 905-516-4478. Please call, text or email thdlaw@gmail.com.

Thanks again,

Tom Dunmore

Membership Update

From Your Membership Committee

Sam Slade and Donna Shepherd (ex-Membership Director and current Director-at-Large)

The 2021 membership application will be posted on the FPYC website, www.fpyc.ca, on April 15th. You will find the application under the QUICK LINKS-JOIN OUR CLUB tab. We would greatly appreciate if all members would complete a new form to ensure that our contact records are current.

The Board of Directors has confirmed the membership fees for the 2021 season based on reciprocal privileges being reinstated at Fifty Point Marina effective July 1st and the club's plans to host social events this season. The 2021 fees are the same as the fees approved at the 2019 AGM: \$210 for new members (includes a club burgee), \$210 for renewals and \$65 for social members. If circumstances should change due to additional pandemic restrictions, the Board would re-evaluate the fee.

New this year – the membership application can be completed on-line and submitted via email to Sam Slade, sammyslade1972@gmail.com. It only takes a couple of minutes to complete and we thank you in advance for submitting! Detailed instructions will be noted on the application. Alternatively, the completed form can be printed and scan/mailed to Sam (or mailed).

Our new FPYC Treasurer, Jessie Holst Vincent, will accept e-transfers as of April 15th at treasurer50@yahoo.com

If you prefer to pay by cheque, you can mail your cheque and application to Fifty Point Yacht Club, PO Box 10593, Winona, ON L8E 5R1.

New membership cards will be printed this year and will be available at the gas dock in early May. Thanks very much to Don Wood (No Rush) for arranging the printing and to marina staff for distributing the cards! More details to follow in the May Scuttlebutt.

A quick reminder - we are still looking for a volunteer for the second Membership Director position. If interested, please email info@fpyc.ca

We look forward to seeing everyone soon! Thank you for your ongoing support of the Club!



2021 Fifty Point Yacht Club Merchandise

From Donna Shepherd, Director-at-Large

The Board is pleased to offer FPYC merchandise again this year! All items from 2020 will be available (at the same price), with the exception of the 3-in-1 jacket which has been discontinued. The men's and ladies' t-shirt has changed to the "Gildan Softstyle Ring Spun T-shirt" – we are sure you will like the new fabric!

New items include a men's and ladies' water-resistant jacket (heavier fabric than the windbreaker), a youth t-shirt and two tote bags. Images of the new items are below.

We will have on-line ordering and curbside pick-up at our supplier in Stoney Creek again this year. Members can also choose delivery to their home address (a fee will apply). If you have any questions, please email info@fpyc.ca or Donna Shepherd directly at donnashepherd5@gmail.com

The on-line store will be open from April 7 to April 21. All members will receive an email on April 7 indicating the store is open. You will simply open the link to the on-line store provided in the email, click on the FPYC logo and the merchandise will be posted. A description of each item and a sizing chart will be included. Merchandise will be available for curbside pick-up by May 19.

Item (New items for 2021 shown in red)	Colour(s)	Price (includes HST)
Ladies' Short Sleeve V-neck T-shirt	White and Navy	\$ 30
Ladies' Vest	Navy	\$ 70
Ladies' Golf Shirt	White and Navy	\$ 50
Ladies' Windbreaker Jacket	Navy	\$ 50
Ladies' Water Resistant Jacket	Navy	\$ 60
Ladies' Dry Fit UV 40+ V-neck Short Sleeve Shirt	White and Navy	\$ 35
Ladies' Dry Fit UV 40+ V-neck Long Sleeve Shirt	White and Navy	\$ 40
Men's Short Sleeve T-shirt	White and Navy	\$ 30
Men's/Unisex Long Sleeve Hooded Shirt	White and Navy	\$ 40
Men's Vest	Navy	\$ 70
Men's Golf Shirt	White and Navy	\$ 50
Men's Windbreaker Jacket	Navy	\$ 50
Men's Water Resistant Jacket	Navy	\$ 60
Men's Dry Fit UV 40+ Short Sleeve Shirt	White and Navy	\$ 35
Men's Dry Fit UV 40+ Long Sleeve Shirt	White and Navy	\$ 40
Youth Dry Fit UV 40+ Short Sleeve Shirt	White and Navy	\$ 25
Youth Dry Fit UV 40+ Long Sleeve Shirt	White and Navy	\$ 30
Youth Hooded Sweatshirt	Navy	\$ 50
Youth Short Sleeve T-shirt (same style as men's)	White and Navy	\$ 20
Unisex Hooded Sweatshirt	Navy	\$ 55
Unisex Hooded Full Zipper Sweatshirt	Navy	\$ 55
Adult Hat	Navy and White	\$ 30
Youth Hat	Navy	\$ 20
Carry Cold Cooler Tote Bag	Royal Blue/Black	\$25
Game Day Tote Bag	Navy/White	\$30

Images of New Merchandise

Men's Water Resistant Jacket - \$60.00



Ladies' Water Resistant Jacket - \$60.00



Carry Cold Cooler Tote Bag - \$25.00

Two colour screen FPYC logo on front pocket
Top zipper closure, holds 24 cans
17.75" W x 15" H x 7" D



Game Day Tote Bag - \$30.00

Embroidered FPYC logo on front pocket
Open main compartment
17" W x 12.5" H x 4.5" D



New Insulated Glassware

In addition to the above merchandise, we will be offering new insulated glassware (five styles/sizes in various colours and prices). The glassware will be laser engraved with the FPYC logo on one side and the member's boat name on the other side (10 fonts to choose from!). More details and the ordering process will be included in the May Scuttlebutt. Glassware can be ordered from May 2 to May 14 and will be ready by May 21.

A preview of one of the five styles:



Merchandise Inventory Available for Purchase

The following inventory is available for purchase. If interested, please email donnashepherd5@gmail.com
First come first served!

New Style Merchandise:

- White Adult Hat - \$30
- Youth Navy Short Sleeve T-shirt in small - \$20
- Ladies' White V-neck Short Sleeve T-shirt in medium and large - \$30
- Ladies' Navy V-neck Short Sleeve T-shirt in large – \$30
- Ladies' White Dry Fit UV 40+ V-neck Short Sleeve Shirt in medium – \$35
- Men's White Dry Fit UV 40+ Short Sleeve Shirt in XL – \$35

Vintage Merchandise (all royal blue):

- Unisex Short Sleeve T-shirt in large – \$5
- Unisex Short Sleeve T-shirt in XL – \$5
- Unisex Sweatshirt in XXL – \$10
- Drink Koozies – 4 Koozies for \$10

April Antics

Once upon a time there was a famous sea Captain. This captain was very successful at what he did. For years he guided ships all over the world. Never did stormy seas or pirates get the best of him. He was admired by his crew and fellow captains. However, there was one thing different about this captain – every morning he went through a strange ritual. He would lock himself in his captain's quarters and open a small safe.

In the safe was an envelope with a piece of paper inside. He would stare at the paper for a minute, then lock it back up. After, he would go about his daily duties. For years this went on, and his crew became very curious. Was it a treasure map? Was it a letter from a long-lost love? Everyone speculated about the contents of the strange envelope.

One day the captain died at sea. After laying the captain's body to rest, the first mate led the entire crew into the captain's quarters. He opened the safe, got the envelope, opened it and... The first mate turned pale and showed the paper to the others. Four words were on the paper, two on two lines:

Port Left.

Starboard Right.





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Random Acts of Kindness - A True Story

(submitted by Ruby Weber)

As she stood in front of her 5th grade class on the first day of school, she told the children an untruth. Like most teachers, she looked at her students and said that she loved them all the same. However, that was impossible, because there in the front row, slumped in his seat, was a little boy named Teddy Stoddard. Mrs. Thompson had watched Teddy the year before and noticed that he did not play well with other children, and his clothes were messy and dirty.

It got to the point where Mrs. Thompson would actually take delight in marking his papers with a broad red pen, making bold X's and putting a big "F" at the top of his papers. She was required to review each child's past records and she put Teddy's off until last. When she reviewed his file, she was in for a surprise.

Teddy's first grade teacher wrote, "Teddy is a bright child with a ready laugh. He does his work neatly and has good manners... he is a joy to be around." His second grade teacher wrote, "Teddy is an excellent student, well liked by his classmates, but he is troubled because his mother has a terminal illness and life at home must be a struggle." His third grade teacher wrote, "His mother's death has been hard on him. He tries to do his best, but his father doesn't show much interest and his home life will soon affect him if some steps aren't taken." Teddy's fourth grade teacher wrote, "Teddy is withdrawn and doesn't show much interest in school. He doesn't have many friends and he sometimes sleeps in class."

By now, Mrs. Thompson realized the problem and she was ashamed of herself. She felt even worse when her students brought her Christmas presents, wrapped in beautiful ribbons and bright paper, except for Teddy's. His present was clumsily wrapped in brown paper from a grocery bag. Mrs. Thompson took pains to open it in the middle of the other presents. Some laughed when she found a rhinestone bracelet with some of the stones missing, and a bottle that was one-quarter full of perfume. But she stifled the children's laughter when she exclaimed how pretty the bracelet was, putting it on, and dabbing some of the perfume on her wrist. Teddy Stoddard stayed after school that day just long enough to say, "Mrs. Thompson, today you smelled just like my Mom used to." After the children left, she cried for at least an hour.

On that very day, she quit teaching reading, writing and arithmetic. Instead, she began to teach children. Mrs. Thompson paid particular attention to Teddy. As she worked with him, his mind came alive. The more she encouraged him, the faster he responded. By the end of the year, Teddy had become one of the smartest children in the class and, despite her lie that she would love all the children the same, Teddy became one of her "teacher's pets."

A year later, she found a note under her door, from Teddy, telling her that she was still the best teacher he ever had. Six years went by and another note from Teddy said he had finished high school, third in his class, and she was still the best teacher he ever had. Four years later, she got another letter, saying he'd stayed in school and would soon graduate from college with the highest of honours. He assured Mrs. Thompson that she was still the best teacher he ever had. Four years passed and another letter came. This time he explained that after he got his Bachelor's degree, he decided to go further. She was still his best and favourite teacher. But now his name was a little longer.... The letter was signed, Theodore F. Stoddard, MD.

The story does not end there. Another letter announced Teddy was getting married. His father had died a couple of years ago and he invited Mrs. Thompson to sit at the wedding in the place that was reserved for the mother of the groom. Of course, Mrs. Thompson did. She wore that bracelet, the one with rhinestones missing. And she wore the perfume that Teddy remembered his mother wearing on their last Christmas together.

They hugged each other, and Dr. Stoddard whispered in Mrs. Thompson's ear, "Thank you Mrs. Thompson for believing in me. Thank you so much for making me feel important and showing me that I could make a difference." Mrs. Thompson, with tears in her eyes, whispered back, "Teddy, you have it all wrong. You were the one who taught me that I could make a difference. I didn't know how to teach until I met you." (Teddy Stoddard is the Dr. at Iowa Methodist Hospital in Des Moines that has the Stoddard Cancer Wing)

Random acts of kindness. Just try to make a difference in someone's life today.

“Pot’s” and Pans

Here’s one more fantastic casserole to try before we shift gears into warmer weather and thoughts of cooking outdoors on the grill.

RIGATONI DI CASA

1 lb. (450 grams) rigatoni
2 tbsp (30 ml) butter, divided
1 each, small onion, carrot and celery stalk, diced
1 lb. (450 grams) lean ground beef or pork
2 cloves of garlic, minced
28 oz. (796 ml) can diced tomatoes
1 bay leaf
2 tsp. (10 ml) dried basil
½ tsp. (2 ml) each, dried oregano and thyme
¾ tsp. (4 ml) salt, divided
½ tsp. (2 ml) pepper
2 tbsp. (30 ml) all-purpose flour
1-1/2 cups (375 ml) milk
1 cup (approximately ½ of 450-gram container) Canadian Ricotta
1-1/2 cups (375 ml) shredded Canadian Mozzarella



- 1) In a large pot of boiling salted water, cook pasta 11 minutes or until al dente. Drain well, then return to pot. Meanwhile, melt 1 tbsp. (15 ml) butter in a large saucepan over medium heat. Add onion, carrot and celery, cook 2 minutes. Add beef and garlic. Using a fork to break up meat, stir until no longer pink, about 5 minutes. Add tomatoes, herbs, ½ tsp. (2 ml) salt & pepper. Bring to a boil; simmer covered, stirring occasionally, for 10 minutes while preparing white sauce.
- 2) Melt remaining butter in a small saucepan over medium heat. Sprinkle with flour and remaining salt. Whisk about 1 minute. Gradually whisk in milk. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat; whisk 3 to 5 minutes until smooth and thickened.
- 3) Preheat broiler. Uncover meat sauce and simmer 5 more minutes. Discard bay leaf. Add meat sauce to drained pasta. Heat if needed. Transfer to a 9 x 13 (3 L) casserole dish. Top with dollops of Ricotta. Drizzle white sauce over the top, spread, if needed, to cover. Sprinkle with Mozzarella. Broil 2 to 5 minutes or until the cheese is bubbly.

(Recipe courtesy of MILK CALENDAR)



Follow along with our FPYC club members on their travels!

Gunter and Sue Millar

<https://sunspiritmillar.blogspot.com/?m=1>



John, Kathryn, Simon & Wavey Middleton

[WakaNahannis at Sea](#)

Bahamas: Part 3



Steve & Lise Denison

[GaYa](#)

2019-2020

Prep Time for Season 4 in the Bahamas



Items of Interest

FPYC is not endorsing these sites but they may be of interest to our Club members.

Sail-World

<https://www.sail-world.com/Canada>

Canadian Yachting

<http://www.canadianyachting.ca/>

Sail-World Cruising

<https://www.sail-worldcruising.com>

Spartan – Ocean Racing & Training

<https://www.spartanoceanracing.com/>

POWER BOATING CANADA

<https://powerboating.com/lake-ontario/>

Get My Boat

<https://www.getmyboat.ca>

Sail Canada

<https://www.sailing.ca/>

Press - Star Sailors League

<http://finals.starsailors.com/>

Ontario Sailing

<https://ontariosailing.ca>