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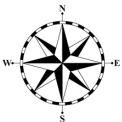
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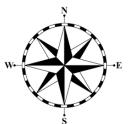
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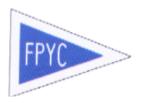
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Commodore's Message



Hello Everyone,

Seasons Greetings

It's the most wonderful time of the year...sorry, no its not, boating season is.

I would like to thank everyone who attended the AGM it was a great turn out. Thank you for the feedback we have received thus far. It really does help to hear what you have to say.

I have to say it is an honour and a pleasure to be a member and your Commodore at Fifty Point. Thank you for all the support. It was a great 2018 season.

Wishing you a wonderful Holiday season and all the best in the New Year!!

SINCERELY,

Jason Kirk

















Submitted By Garry Cooke

World Racing Update:

The Route Du Rhum: Trans-Atlantic race from France to Guadeloupe.

The latest running of the transatlantic race has again been used by single-handed racers as a proving ground for larger events such as those races that circumnavigate the planet. This year the famous British racer Alex Thompson was putting his 60 ft foiling mono-hull Hugo Boss to the test. While he was leading the fleet and only a short distance from the finish, of the 3500nmile race, he overslept and grounded on the rocks off Guadeloupe. He was able to start his engine and drag his vessel off the rocks and continue the race (there was some damage to his boat, but not fatal). Although he finished the race crossing the finish-line first, he was assessed a 24hour penalty for starting his engine, and thus slipped to 3rd place due to the penalty. (in my opinion an unnecessary penalty since he gained no advantage by starting his engine). Sleep is one of the main hazards in single handing your boat! I know, as I have done a few solo events myself, and if you take a nap, you are traveling blind for that period of time. I usually limit my naps to 15-20 minutes. According to the 'Collision-Regulations' a vessel is supposed to have someone on watch at all times. This is the dilemma facing single handers. In deep Oceans there is less of a risk, but in coastal waters and Lakes the risk is greater. However, the challenge and the achievement of piloting your vessel alone has an appeal for many sailors around the globe.



Hugo Boss finishing the 2018 Transatlantic race (15th November 2018)

The Golden Globe Race: solo around the world race

Since my last update a couple months ago, this re-run of the 1968 Golden Globe Race (sailing in similar vintage designs) has taken its toll on the fleet. From the 18 starting boats they are now down to only 8 boats. The boats are spread out over thousands of miles. The slowest boat is only just near Australia, while the leading boat has now rounded Cape Horn and is returning north up the coast of South America in the South Atlantic.

As I mentioned in a previous issue of Scuttlebutt, the leading sailor is a 73-year-old Frenchman (Jean-Luc Van Den Heede), and he currently leads the second-place boat by 1500 miles. He had an unfortunate knock-down and roll-over a couple weeks ago, which damaged the support for the tangs on the mast lower spreaders. He climbed the mast 5 times to do repairs, which are currently holding up well. Keep your fingers crossed! Follow the race on the web at:- https://goldengloberace.com/en/



Picture of Jean-Luc Van Den Heede.



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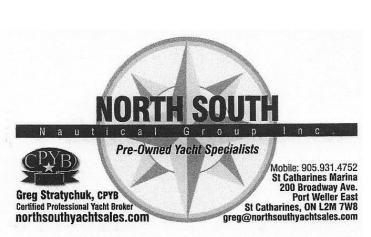
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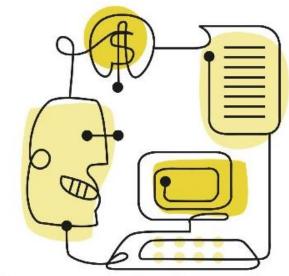




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Where is it?

November picture was the Bay of Quinty.

PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS

Look for their photos on the cover of Scuttlebutt in the upcoming year. Congratulations! Thank you to all who submitted photos, they were all a pleasure to see.

Lee Brubacher	1st	Don Wood	5 th
Nancy Verbunt	2 nd , 6 th	Karyn Maddeaux	8th
Julie Wickett	3 rd , 7 th , 9 th	Kelly Morrison	10th
Garry Cooke	4 th	•	



Welcome to Pub Night UPDATE January 19, 2019

Join us at Limani Restaurant January 19th, the cost is \$20 per person. As Limani is opening specifically for this event, we require a minimum of 20 people to make this happen. Karyn Maddeaux will accept e-transfers for payment and no ticket will be required. Payment is due by January 10th. Don't miss out! Send your payment in as soon as possible to secure your seat.

Please stay tuned for menu details and time of this event. Looking forward to seeing everyone there. If you have any questions please send to info@fpyc.ca

Steve Burgin



Your Board Members are looking into additions to our new line up for Spring. We would love to have your input on what you would like to see. Some suggestions have been golf shirts and 3 in 1 jackets. If there is something you would like to see in the line up, please let us know at info@fpyc.ca

Ontario Sailing BOOM Program Junior Sailing Program

The Ontario Sailing's BOOM Program equips two complete mobile sailing schools that travel throughout the province providing sailing lessons to Ontario communities. Your Board Members are looking to bring this program to Fifty Point in 2020.

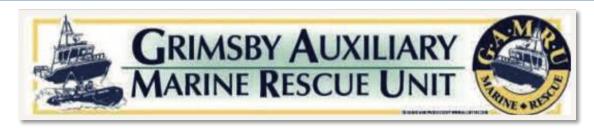
- The junior learn-to-sail, 5 day program, runs Monday-Friday from July 1 to August 30
- Ages 8 14 with a maximum of 16 participants in each program
- Potential for adult class in the evenings

If this is something you might be interested in or have any questions or comments, please let us know at info@fpyc.ca





Photos from Ontario Sailing BOOM Program



Record season winds down for weary marine rescue volunteers

GRIMSBY, Ontario (November 26, 2018) — The busy volunteers from GAMRU South Shore Search And Rescue have wrapped up the 2018 boating season with a record 38 rescue missions for the year.

The tally tops the 34 rescue missions logged in 2016, the previous record year.

Missions spanned the gamut of on-the-water emergencies from vessels disabled or aground to boats overdue, capsized vessels and missing sailors. A dozen of the missions were for either persons in the water from capsized boats or to aid small, non-motorized vessels like kayaks or paddle boards. The average response time was just over 11 minutes.

"It's a significant number because a large portion of the season we only had one vessel operational," notes unit leader Bob Gordon. The volunteers' 34-foot steel cutter was out of service with engine issues for the last portion of the season, Gordon says.

Both vessels have been hauled out of the water for the year. "It was a busy season and our folks deserve a rest," Gordon says.

In the past three seasons, GAMRU South Shore Search And Rescue has been called out to 100 rescue missions, making it one of the busiest volunteer rescue organizations on Lake Ontario. The organization was established in 1988.

It was also a hectic year off the water with volunteers capping a busy fundraising campaign, including the most successful charity auction in recent memory. It was also the grateful recipient of donations from the St. Catharines Game & Fish Association and the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation of Canada. While it receives a per-hour stipend from the Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary while on approved rescue missions, GAMRU South Shore Search And Rescue relies almost exclusively on donations and local fundraising to cover equipment, maintenance, training and other operational costs.

GAMRU South Shore Search And Rescue responds to rescue calls in western Lake Ontario, serving the communities along the south shore from bases in Fifty Point and Grimsby. More than 30 active volunteers maintain two fully-equipped rescue vessels and train year-round to maintain the skills and readiness to be effective on the water. The organization gets no government funding for operations. GAMRU is a member of the Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary and a registered charity.

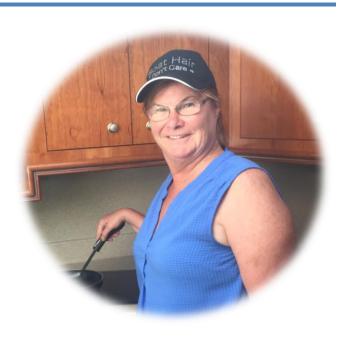
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Karyn's Kitchen

Wow! Here it is December already and lots of Christmas get-togethers happening. This is a great, easy appetizer recipe to make for hosting or bring along to a cocktail party or dinner. I especially like to make it at Christmastime, as the colours being red and green look very festive. I hope that you and your family will enjoy and I wish you a wonderful holiday season.



PS - This is a great recipe to make ahead and serve at marina get togethers too. Just be sure to keep the sun-dried tomato mixture separate and pour over cheese just before serving.

GOAT CHEESE AND SUN-DRIED TOMATO APPETIZER

- 1 small jar (about 4 oz). Sundried tomatoes drain from oil and chop finely
- ¾ cup Olive Oil (I prefer to add remaining oil from jar of tomatoes for extra flavour, but reduce olive oil by this amount)
- 8 large cloves garlic (chop finely and roast slightly by adding a bit of oil and sauté on low heat for about 5 minutes)
- 5 full stalks of fresh Italian parsley (chop and omit stems)
- 10 leaves fresh basil (chop and omit stems)
- 1/4 tsp black pepper
- 1 tsp hot sauce
- 1/2 tsp salt
- ½ tsp sugar
- Large size tube of goat cheese (or another type of soft cheese if you prefer)

Combine all ingredients in bowl except goat cheese. Preferably let rest overnight in fridge or at least 4 to 6 hours. This is very important as some of the oil will be absorbed by the ingredients for a better texture and flavours will blend.

When ready to serve, stir mixture well and spoon over log of goat cheese and serve with toasted baguettes or crackers.

Items of Interest

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

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Sail-World Cruising

https://www.sail-worldcruising.com/newsletter/6197

Spartan - Ocean Racing & Training

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Tips for Boating in the Great Lakes

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