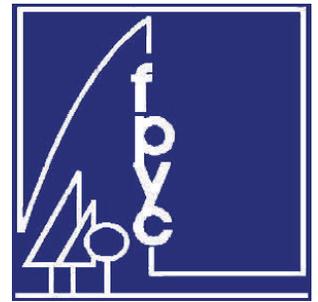


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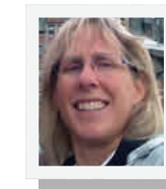
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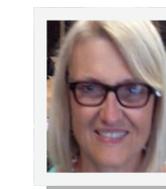
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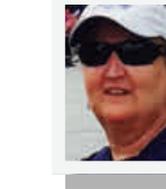
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From the Bridge...

Stephen Middleton, Commodore



February

Welcome to February, the deepest, darkest and wettest depths of winter. So far, if it makes you feel any better, we have had significantly less snow than Vancouver. To compensate they have kindly sent us a large helping of “grey and damp” as a replacement. Ann and I have been trying out a blue light. If you have seen these, they are supposed to help combat SAD - Seasonal Affective Disorder (aka severe winter blahs). Does it work? I’m reserving judgement. It is definitely not a week in the tropics. However, if I sit in front of it, close my eyes and picture a day on the water, I definitely feel better. But then I open my eyes...oh well, only 80 days to the Pre-Splash BBQ!

Speaking of Pre-Splash, the other exercise that helps take my mind out of winter is the planning for the 2017 FPYC season. While discussing cruising destinations and social events, you can almost feel the sun and breeze. Of course, none of this can happen without setting a budget; not so exciting to the imagination but equally essential to making it all happen. Those of you who have been following the discussion already know that this year will be different from the past several seasons where we have been able to draw on reserve funds to supplement club projects and activities. The additional funds have supported events like the Pre-Splash BBQ, the New Member Welcome, the Sailpast Dinner and long-weekend cruise dinners. This year we will be working with a balanced budget and that means making choices.

In a few days, the Board of Directors will meet to conclude our discussion on the approach to the balanced budget challenge. There are three distinct options for consideration. To summarize, the first entails working only with the current revenue from membership fees to pay essential club expenses, leaving just enough remaining to cover the Pre-Splash food, the colour guard and Reverend for the Sailpast and the band for the Summer BBQ. Everything else would be potluck. A second option is to charge a fee for each of the events sufficient to cover the cost of food provided by the club. The third option is to increase the membership fee to provide enough revenue to cover all activities with the exception of the Commodore’s Ball (to remain as a ticketed event). There are pros and cons to each approach, with the third option requiring membership approval.

More to follow on the budget and, depending on the outcome of the Board Meeting discussion, there may be a special communication and proposal to membership. Keep an eye on your inbox and as always, if you did not receive an email telling you that Scuttlebutt is posted, please email Jayne Herring at jayneherring9@gmail.com and we will update our email list.

In the meantime, we are expecting close to 30 people at the upcoming pub night with GAMRU. There is still room for a few more if you were thinking about coming. It promises to be an interesting evening and the Monday special at the Judge and Jester is fish and chips. A real winter blues chaser - how can you resist?

Stephen

2017 Cruise Schedule

We are happy to announce our club cruise schedule for 2017. The form to sign up for cruises will be posted on the FPYC website on May 1st and we will start taking requests at that time. Cruises are limited to 20 boats....first come, first served!

Oakville Club

June 17/18

The traditional start to the cruising season. The club offers a pool, tennis, squash and badminton, dining room and bar. Downtown Oakville is a short walk away for shopping and dining out.

Mimico Cruising Club

July 1, 2 & 3

Celebrate Canada's 150th birthday in style. Wear your red and white and decorate your boat for the occasion. There promises to be lots of local fireworks displays for viewing.

Royal Hamilton Yacht Club

July 15/16

A short journey with lots of time to enjoy the outdoor pool and the Hamilton Harbour waterfront trail. On Friday July 14, participate in an optional "anchor night" at nearby Carroll's Point.

Port Credit Yacht Club

August 5, 6 & 7

Join us on our family cruise weekend with lots for the kids and adults too – outdoor pool, playground, great restaurant and beautiful trails along the lakeshore. See if you can spot Mike Holmes and his boat!

Oakville Yacht Squadron

August 19/20

Back to Oakville for those who missed the first cruise to the area or just want to return with a view from the other side of the river. This self-help club has a full service kitchen for those so inclined.

Royal Canadian Yacht Club

September 2, 3 & 4

Wrap up the season on the Toronto Islands with tons of activities for all ages. Bring your bike to enjoy all the islands or if you are feeling adventuresome head over to the clothing-optional beach. The club has an outdoor pool and a beautiful verandah to enjoy a hot summer evening.

Enjoy the comradery of fellow Fifty Point boater with potluck appetizers on arrival day during two-day weekend cruises. On long weekends, the club *will provide the main course for a shared dinner** with other potluck food items appreciated. A potluck appetizer social is generally held on the Sunday afternoon of long weekends. Cruise Captains are needed for long weekend cruises to arrange main course dishes and perhaps organizing a group activity/game/contest too! If you are able to help, please indicate this on the cruise sign-up form or contact us directly at fpyc.cruising@gmail.com.

Sue Millar (G26) & Judie Galvin (G28)
FPYC Cruising Directors

** this may change based on the outcome of pending budget discussions*

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February Race Report

Garry Cooke

Solo Around the World Race: Vendee Globe 2016-2017.

The solo around the world race has been won by the French sailor Armel Le Cleach on Banque Populaire VIII, but the race still continues for about a dozen others. The British sailor Alex Thompson on Hugo Boss came in second place a few hours behind the leader. Both men knocked several days off the previous record. The last boat was about 9000 miles behind the leader as the leaders finished, but at the time of writing this, all the boats are currently in the Atlantic returning home. As noted earlier, the new foiling monohull boats have created a new trend I believe in boat design, since the leading 4 boats all had foils.

Check it out at: <http://www.vendeeglobe.org/>

World Sailing Events:

Jules Verne Trophy Around the World Record.

The Jules Verne Trophy for the fastest time around the world non-stop was recently won by the fully crewed maxi-trimaran 'IDEC Sport'. They made it in 40 days 23 hours shaving 4 days 13 hours off the previous record. (an average speed of 26.8 knots)!



Pub Night on February 13th (Monday) at 6:30pm

Don't forget our February Pub Night at the Judge & Jester Pub in Grimsby. We have had a great response, but we have room for a few more people for the GAMRU presentation.

If you are interested in attending please book on-line on the FPYC website, or call one of the executive as seating is limited.



Follow along with our FPYC club members on their travels!



Click on the word [BLOG](#) below to go to each site...

Steve & Lise Denison (Boat—GaYa)
'GaYa on the Move'

[BLOG](#)

Most recently in Treasure Cay, on their way to Great Guana Cay, Bahamas

Al & Laurie Pollard (Boat—Needfull Things)
'Needfull Things'

[BLOG](#)

Most recently in Florida waiting for a weather window to the Bahamas

John, Kathryn, Simon & Wavey Middleton (Boat—Nahanni V)
'Nahanni V At Sea'

[BLOG](#)

Most recently in Nevis on their way to Montserrat

2017 Fifty Point Yacht Club Social Events

Launch Day is getting closer & closer....time to start making plans, marking calendars and looking forward to life at the boat for the season! So we've cooked up some fun events again this year, that we're sure you're going to want to take part in! Here we go.....

Saturday April 29th – Pre Launch BBQ*

Saturday May 27th – Sailpast and Blessing of the Boats*

Saturday June 10th – New FPYC Members Potluck *

Saturday July 22nd – FPYC Christmas in July BBQ & Dance*

Saturday November 4th – Commodores Ball

We'll get these events up on the website calendar and each month in Scuttlebutt, we'll give details of the next upcoming event(s).

Pre-Launch BBQ

Date : Saturday April 29th
Location : D Dock Shelter area
Time : 11:00am – 1:00pm

Membership table & FPYC Clothing will be for sale during the BBQ

What is it?..... A little nourishment for all of us that have already launched and for those that haven't yet launched, and are still busy working on your boats to get them ready! There will be BBQ'd hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, (and maybe some healthy snacks too)...coffee, tea, pop & water.....all FREE OF CHARGE! Come and re-acquaint yourself with everyone and introduce yourself to new members, etc!

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**some details may change pending the outcome of budget discussions, but dates will not change*

Christine's Galley

White Chocolate Semifreddo



This amaretto-spiked dessert is creamy yet light and airy

Ingredients

- 3 eggs
- 1/4 cup granulated sugar
- 1/4 cup amaretto
- 1/2 cup heavy cream
- 3 ounces of white chocolate, melted (I used Lindt chocolate)

Serves 2 people



Directions

Fill a large bowl halfway with ice water.

Combine egg yolks, sugar and amaretto in a heatproof bowl set over a pan of simmering water.

Whisk until mixture is pale and thickened, about 2 minutes.

Place bowl in ice water until mixture has cooled slightly.

Press plastic wrap directly over surface and refrigerate for at least 30 minutes.

Beat cream until stiff peaks form, gently fold in the white chocolate and then the chilled egg yolk mixture.

Spoon mixture into two - 6 ounce ramekins, filling them to the rim. Smooth the top surface.

Cover and freeze until set, about 2 hours.

Original recipe called for toasted hazelnuts on top just before serving.

I would next time serve with fresh raspberries or strawberries.

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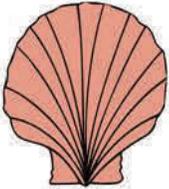
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