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## Commodore's Message

Hello Everyone,

I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season, and the beginning of a great new year is just around the corner.

I can't believe it is time to hand in our deposits to the marina already. I went and dropped off ours before the deadline, and it looks like a winter wonderland. It is beautiful with all the snow on the docks and the frozen water but of course I still do think it looks better in the summer with all of our boats in the water and all of us.

This month is the boat show. I can't wait to see what our future boat will look like ;). I hope to see you there.

We are off to Mexico for a week. Take care

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

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Jason Kirk



#### New Executive Introductions

Happy New Year Everyone,

My name is Debbie Hauser and I am filling the role of Communications. A big shout out to Jayne Herring who has set the bar high, thank you for your years of service.

My husband, Troy & I have been members of the Yacht Club for 6 years. Due to busy family life with two boys, we have not been able to participate in many Club activities. As times have changed and we are now empty nesters, we are able to enjoy more free time and look forward to social activities with fellow boaters.

I grew up spending my summer vacations fishing the northern lakes of Ontario in a small 16' aluminum boat with my family. Troy introduced me to the world of sailing when we met. He grew up sailing on Georgian Bay and admittedly, I have enjoyed sailing primarily as ballast for many years. I am however, now taking a more active role, attempting to learn the fine art of sailing. So I am looking forward to a fun season of boating and getting to know my fellow club members. Feel free to stop by Ohana at D43 for a chat.

Just a note of business;

The cruise schedule for 2018 will be coming out in the February edition along with available Fifty Point Yacht Club apparel so we can all look great in the upcoming season! Anyone interested in submitting pictures or articles please have them to me one week prior to the first of the month. I would love your input on what you would like to see more of or less of. This is your publication; please feel free to share your experiences.

Cheers,

Debbie



#### World Sailing Events:

#### Volvo Ocean Race around the World:

There are a number of sailing events occurring recently, one of the toughest races is the Volvo around the world race. The race leg#3 in December ran from Cape Town to Melbourne through the so called Roaring Forty's; an area below 40 deg South Latitude, just north of the iceberg limits of Antarctica. They have endured winds gusting up to 53 knots, propelling their 70 foot monohulls at speed up to 30 knots. At the time of writing this article the boats were about half way to Melbourne with Dongfeng Racing team and Spanish Team Mapfre in the lead. Check out the action and videos on the website www.volvooceanrace.com .



Volvo Ocean Race: Intense low pressure system with wind gusts to 53 knots recorded while enroute to Melbourne from Cape Town.

Sailing conditions are tough while driving the vessels deep into the southern ocean.



#### SOLO around the world record in a 100 ft Tri-maran:





Francois Gabart has smashed the around the world record single handed with an incredible time of 42 days 16 hours, some six days quicker than the previous solo record. Details and photos are given on the website

www.macifcourseaularge.com (you will need to have google translate the text, unless you are proficient at French)

He follows in the footsteps of sailors like Ellen MacArthur and Thomas Coville.

#### Beavers are at work at Fifty Point:

There has been significant tree damage in the park over the years caused by the industrious Canadian Beaver. This fall more damage has occurred in the area east of the basin. Some rather large trees have been taken down, as well as smaller ones that have enabled the beavers to construct a small dam.







Photo Credit: Garry Cooke

Thank you Garry for your world sailing events update and photos of the damage caused by our four legged engineers.



Follow along with our FPYC club members on their travels!

Steve & Lise Denison GaYa

Boat is on the hard in Florida.



## Al & Laurie Pollard Needfull Things

Boat is on the hard in Florida.



John, Kathryn, Simon & Wavey Middleton Nahanni V

St. Vincent and the Grenadines





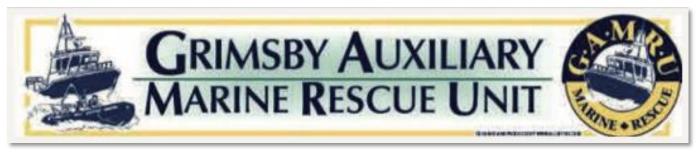
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