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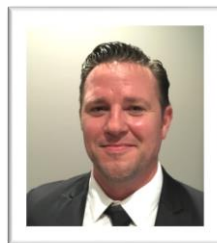


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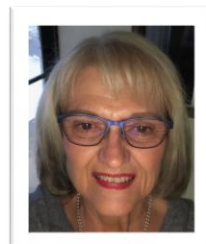


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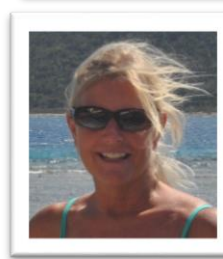


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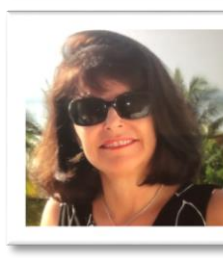


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Commodore's Message



HAPPY NEW YEAR to all boaters.

Well a recap of an interesting year for sure.

2020 started off with lots of promise and excitement for a good season and fun on the water. The Club planned activities and put things in motion to make a great year. BUT by March things were starting to look bad and at times in the spring we were not sure about getting a season in at all. With the Premier (and others) making plans and changing plans just as fast, no one could keep up and comply at all times. Finally we got into the water and enjoyed the great weather of the summer and actually had a pretty good year on the water. Travel was restricted by many clubs and areas and in fact some clubs launched late or not at all. On to the fall and haul out and it went smoothly, barring some misaligned boats, wind damage, theft, and fire. Well I would say the year 2020 had it all and then some. And one glad to see in the wake behind us.

So, now as we look back and remember the past year of 2020....remember the good parts and tell the grandkids about all the trying times you had and or experienced vicariously through others.

Let's all look forward to the year 2021 and hope we get the good weather of 2020 and get some great boating in.

So to all HAPPY New Year, let's get on to 2021!

Thank you
Doug Galvin
Commodore

From the Vice

We hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. This year we wondered if Clement Clarke Moore knew what significance his famous poem would have for us in 2020 when he wrote:

“Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house,
Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse;
The stockings were hung by the chimney with care,
In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there;”

Now that we are all in lockdown there is no place to go. We just sit around and dream of a better 2021. Oh and if Santa was late arriving at your house reliable sources report he spent half the night returning to his sleigh for his mask.

We wish to thank Jessie Holst Vincent for stepping up and agreeing to take on the role as Treasurer. We also understand Jesse and Ian are the proud owners of a Niagara 35 and they are moving to G Dock.

We are still in the need for other Directors in Membership, Social, Communications and now Secretary. As it appears our Secretary is selling their boat and under current Bylaws our flag officers are required to be boat owners. So keep this in mind as we will be planning to hold our AGM soon.

In a typical year, we would be looking forward to the boat show. Unfortunately, this is not the case this year. We are still seeing the effects of 2020 carry forward into 2021. Here is hoping that we will see enough vaccinated to bring a more normal 2021. However, at this stage Hamilton Conservation Authority is proactively looking at event and safety protocols, which might be required in 2021.

Given the majority of Ontarians will not see a vaccination, if we so chose, until late 2021, it will be interesting to see how lockdowns might affect owners outside their region. Many boat owners at marinas\yacht clubs do not live within their municipality. And lockdowns are supposed to prevent us travelling outside of our area. As a matter of interest 50 Point Marina is in two municipalities, Niagara and Hamilton.

Stay well and stay safe.

Brian Weber,
Vice Commodore

FROM YOUR SOCIAL COMMITTEE

On behalf of the Board of Directors, the Social Committee would like to send out our sincere thanks to Tara Dinyer for suggesting and organizing a Pre-Christmas Zoom Meeting for the membership.

Tara did an amazing job in staging the event and having it so well planned and organized. There was a lot of fun packed into about an hour and it was great to see so many members take part. Besides seeing familiar faces, the slide show brought back many wonderful memories. It helped to remind us all, that even with the challenges of the COVID pandemic, we were very fortunate to have a nice summer.

A hard-fought trivia game and a surprise visit from Santa brought smiles to everyone. Individual Break Out rooms for small groups of members rounded out the evening with a good opportunity to chat with people.

These Zoom meetings are a great way to stay connected and show how well we can adapt to the circumstances.

Thank you again Tara, for such a wonderful and thoughtful gesture.



PHOTO CONTEST

We certainly have some talented photographers among our membership! There were many beautiful pictures submitted showcasing the things that highlight some of the reasons that we love boating. There was a total of 43 photos submitted and thanks to all who took the time to send them in.

Betty Lou Munro graciously agreed to be the judge and to pick out the shots she thought were the best. The photos were provided to her unnamed so she wasn't aware of who the photographer was. From the 43, Betty Lou picked the top 12, and from that 12, selected the top 3 finishers. In true Betty Lou fashion, she not only selected the photos, but added a caption to each one!

Beginning with the January issue of Scuttlebutt, the winning photographs will be posted, one each month, starting with the First-Place finisher.

Our thanks to Betty Lou for agreeing to act as our judge and take on the difficult task of picking out the best from a wonderful selection of photographs.

Have your cameras at hand and be ready to submit for next year's contest!



January Funnies





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“Pot’s” and Pans

We’re facing cold weather and short days, so naturally, our thoughts turn to comfort foods. This is one of our favorite recipes for its great taste and relative ease of preparation. It’s easily adaptable to personal tastes as you can decide on which herbs to add and it’s nice if you add some cooked chicken. Enjoy!

Three Cheese and Herb Penne

2 cups (500 ml) coarsely grated Cheddar cheese
1 cup (250 ml) coarsely grated Mozzarella cheese
¼ cup (50 ml) grated Parmesan cheese
1 lb. (500 g) Penne pasta
3 tbsp (45 ml) butter
2 small cloves of garlic, minced
¼ cup (50 ml) all-purpose flour
1 tsp (5 ml) mustard powder
¼ tsp (1 ml) ground nutmeg
3 cups (750 ml) Milk
2 tbsp (30 ml) finely chopped fresh herbs (such as parsley, dill, oregano or basil)
½ tsp (2 ml) salt
Pepper to taste

- 1) In a bowl, toss cheeses together and set aside.
- 2) Cook pasta according to package directions; drain well and turn into a 13” x 9” (33 x 23 cm) baking dish. Set aside.
- 3) Melt butter in a saucepan over medium heat. Add garlic; cook for 1 minute. Stir in flour, mustard powder and nutmeg. Gradually whisk in milk, making sure there are no lumps. Stirring, bring to a boil; reduce heat and simmer for 1 minute. Remove saucepan from heat.
- 4) Set aside ¾ cup (175 ml) of tossed cheese. Add remaining cheese to the sauce a handful at a time, stirring until melted. Stir herbs, salt and pepper into the sauce.
- 5) Toss sauce with pasta, Sprinkle with reserved cheese.
- 6) Place baking dish under broiler for about 1 minute or until the cheese is bubbling.



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.

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

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

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

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<https://www.getmyboat.ca>

Sail Canada

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

Press - Star Sailors League

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

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<https://ontariosailing.ca>