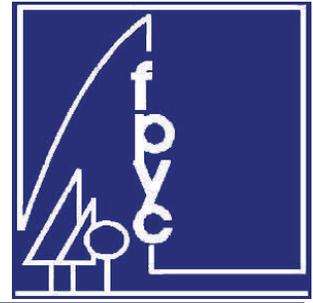


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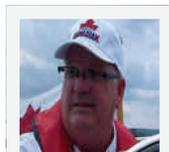
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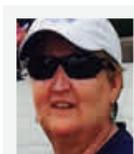
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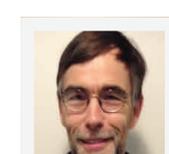
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# *From the Bridge...*

*Stephen Middleton, Commodore*



## *July*

### **Happy Canada Day!**

It is July 1st and I am sitting on the boat at Fifty-Point, in the cockpit, with the canvas enclosure all zipped up. It is cool and raining. Six boats have just left the harbour, part of our fleet heading out on the Lakeshore Yacht Club cruise. This is a major shift in the weather, after June spent the whole of its 30 days pretending to be late July. The rain is badly needed, only the timing sucks. But it's a small aggravation for we who are privileged enough to have only the weather to complain about. And the rest of the weekend, and all of next week, look marvelous. Good call on the part of the lucky folk who are heading out for longer cruises.

The spring social events are complete, wrapping up with a great Summer Solstice beach party two weekends ago. The boating season is now well underway and the focus is on the club reciprocal cruises. As I have said many times before, the reciprocal program is a unique and amazing boating tradition. We welcome all visiting boaters who are members of a yacht club. In turn, FPYC members are welcomed at over 70 yacht clubs around the Great Lakes. It is the warmth of that welcome that keeps the reciprocal traditional alive and adds so much to our boating experience. We can all contribute to, and help strengthen the program, by making a point of welcoming visitors to our club.

This year I sent a letter with updated reciprocal information to all of those clubs. We will publish the list on the website in the next few days. Many clubs, including FPYC, have implemented a "perpetual" reciprocal program and don't send out letters or emails unless something changes in what they offer. We typically hear from about half the clubs on our list who still send out annual invitations. Many are also adopting "true reciprocals", whereby they offer the same privileges to visitors as they receive from that club. We provide one free night and this is what you will receive in turn from most clubs. Some offer more. It is a good idea to check for a reciprocal policy on the club's website before you head out.

Our next club cruise is to the Royal Hamilton Yacht Club on July 16-17. We pick one destination each year to be the Commodore's cruise. Last year it was RCYC, this year it's another club with an "R" in it. For a number of years the Commodore's Cruise was an anchor cruise to Carrols Point. This year I would like to combine a night at anchor with the RHYC cruise and invite you to join Ann and I at Carrols Point for the evening of July 15. It makes for a very short and easy trip into RHYC the next day. Those of you who are not signed up for that cruise are still very welcome to join us for the Friday night.

My next article will be in September. I am taking August off to take off (on the boat). Have a great summer and go safe!

*Stephen*

*Lakeshore Yacht Club Cruise—July 1st*

On the July 1st weekend quite a few FPYC members travelled through some ‘weather’ to arrive safely at Lakeshore Yacht Club. During the weekend we enjoyed a wonderful steak dinner on the Friday night and an amazing pot-luck appetizer get-together on the Saturday evening. We all had a great time! Thanks to Sue for organizing an amazing cruise weekend!



## 2016 Cruise Schedule

### CLUB CRUISES UPDATE

Wow – what a great response to the club cruise sign-up! Some of our cruises are already full and wait listed. Please continue to sign up through our website <http://www.fpyc.ca/cruises.html> and we will notify you if a spot becomes available. The Royal Hamilton Yacht Club Cruise has been designated as the Commodore's Cruise.

#### **Carrols Point Anchor Cruise      July 15**

Join Stephen and Ann at Carrols Point on the Friday night for an Anchor Cruise. If you are interested in coming please email Stephen at [samiddleton@sympatico.ca](mailto:samiddleton@sympatico.ca)

#### **Royal Hamilton Yacht Club – COMMODORE'S CRUISE      July 16/17**

A short hop away with a great pool, children's play area and access to trails to Coote's Paradise.

#### **Port Credit Yacht Club      July 30, 31 & August 1**

Play areas and pool plus dining room and bar for the adults makes this a favourite family-friendly destination on the lake.

#### **The Boulevard Club      August 6/7**

A favourite with Fifty Point members, this club offers multiple sporting facilities and an outdoor pool. Downtown Toronto is a short taxi ride away.

#### **Bronte Harbour Yacht Club      August 20/21**

Enjoy waterfront trails or a stroll through Bronte Village or the nearby beach. Boat length is limited to **35 feet or less** for this facility.

#### **Etobicoke Yacht Club      September 3, 4 & 5**

Close the cruising season with first row seats to the Toronto International Air Show or enjoy the parkland and trails in the area.

All cruises will include a potluck appetizer social event. The long weekend cruises will also include a club-sponsored dinner – the main course is provided and other potluck dishes are encouraged. Volunteer Cruise Captains are required for the long weekends to coordinate the dinner and appetizer social events. All other cruises require a communications volunteer. Interested volunteers can email the cruising directors at any time [fpyc.cruising@gmail.com](mailto:fpyc.cruising@gmail.com) for more information.

*Sue & Nigel*  
*Cruising Directors*

# Christine's Galley

## Chicken & Mushroom Kabobs



### Ingredients:

2 tablespoons Olive Oil  
2 tablespoons Lemon Juice  
1 teaspoon zest of lemon  
1 clove garlic crushed  
Salt and Pepper to taste  
Chicken Tenders  
16 cremini or button mushrooms  
4 Green Onions  
8 wooden skewers, soaked  
lemon wedges for serving

### Directions

Toss chicken with olive oil, lemon juice, zest, garlic, salt and pepper.  
Thread chicken/veal onto skewers by folding each strip 2-3 times to press meat together  
Alternate with green onions and mushrooms. (red pepper)  
Grill over barbecue preheated to medium-high, 2 to 3 min. per side or until meat is just cooked through and mushrooms are tender.  
Serve with lemon wedges.

Option: I tried raw shrimp and it was delicious. The original recipe called for veal scaloppini.



## *July Race Report*

*By Garry Cooke*

### *FPYC Yacht Racing Season*

The racing season is well under way, with racing every Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m., with our neighbor club at Newport. Race results are posted on the notice board outside the Marina office (south side) and we currently have about 15 boats racing, and would enjoy having a few more. Everyone is welcome to come out.

The last pursuit fun race was on Sunday June 26th in the afternoon. The wind was quite favourable at 15-20 knots from the south, allowing a great run along the shore towards Newport and back to Fifty Point. Due to the higher winds forecast some of the pre-registered boats did not participate (but they missed a great sail!).

The results of the race were:

- 1] 'Eclipse' Garry & Katherine Cooke
- 2] 'Ashera' Stephen & Ann Middleton
- 3] 'Patience' Doug & Judie Galvin

The race was close between first and second place, with Ashera leading up to the mark on the first leg, but Eclipse squeezed past at the mark and led the way back to the finish.

The next race is scheduled for Sunday, July 24th with a Skippers Meeting at 1:00 p.m. at 'D' dock rain shelter. I would like to have a BBQ afterwards, but I need to know if there is any interest and also how many people will be coming. There would be a small charge for food, depending on what is required (e.g. burgers and salads etc.) Please send me an e-mail beforehand so I can work out start times ahead of time. The notice of future race dates can be found on the calendar on the FPYC website, and also on the club notice board at the main Marina Office.

### *Yacht Racing Global Update*

The single-handed racing community is getting ready for the next big around the world race, the Vendee Globe, which starts in October from France. A race from New York last month allowed single-handed sailors to test and qualify their boats and themselves as they raced to Les Sables D'Olonne, in their 60 to 70 foot racing machines.

The first place boat crossed from New York in just over 9 days, with some light winds towards the end of the race that changed the relative positions of the leaders. When I crossed the Atlantic a few years ago on the 60 foot 'Spirit of Canada', it took us about 13 days, and that was with 3 days being almost becalmed at the beginning, but we did have four persons onboard as opposed to the single-handed racers, and Halifax is a little closer than New York.

Many of the new boats are using not only Carbon composites, but many are using additional fin-like keels/wings, that are actually horizontal with winglets (similar to Airbus and Boeing wingtips) and project out through the side of the boat.

There is one fitted on each side, and they serve to provide a vertical force (lift) from the wing fin that reduces the heel of the vessel, allowing the boat to carry more sail, and hence go faster!



### *Sailboat Pursuit Racing*

Pursuit style racing is a simplified fun style racing. Each boat is given their own start time based on the type of boat, the size of sail carried etc. The boats are handicapped by adjusting the start time, so that the boats although starting at different times (perhaps up to 5-8 minutes from the first to last boat) will finish relatively close together, so that the first boat to cross the line is the winner, the second boat is second etc.

There is no need to wait for the results to be handicapped after the finish in order to determine the winner. You can see who is winning by the order of the boats crossing the line.

We plan to use this format for races throughout the year. (Please check the FPYC.ca calendar for more information)



*Summer Solstice Dance—July 18th*



*Summer Solstice BBQ—July 18th*





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## IT'S STILL NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN FPYC!!

Your FPYC membership is \$190 after May 1st and the price includes a burgee for new members.

Send in your membership form to Cindy Shrubbs (her address is at the bottom of the membership form on the last page), or email Cindy Shrubbs at [pogo26@cogeco.ca](mailto:pogo26@cogeco.ca) or Brian Sommers at [bsommers@sympatico.ca](mailto:bsommers@sympatico.ca).

The club accepts e-transfers and complete instructions can be found on the membership page of the [fpyc.com](http://fpyc.com) website.

Questions? See the FAQ on the website or ask any member of the executive for information.

*Please note that there may be a delay in receiving your membership Card if you plan on signing-up during the summer months as our Membership Directors may be away on vacation.*



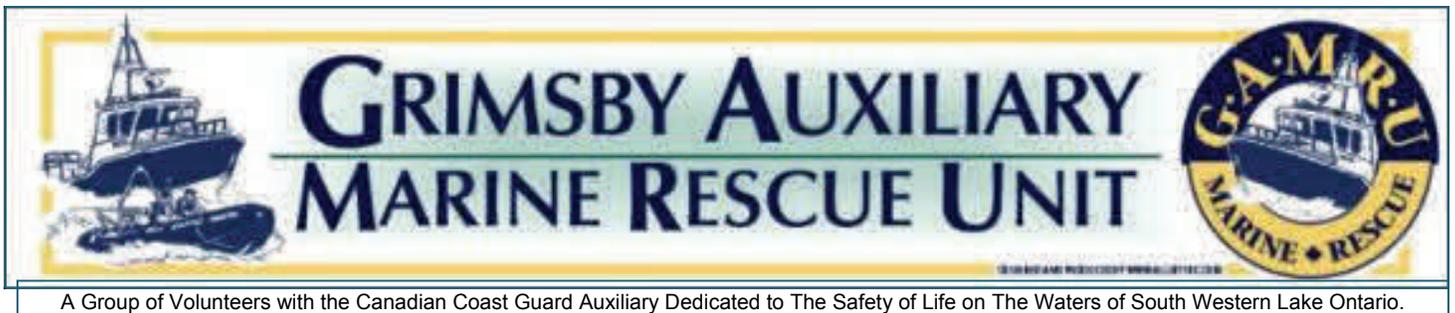
### Hitching a Ride...

On the way home from the Lakeshore Cruise, Enchantment experienced mechanical issues and her crew got to experience the adventure that is towing! Thanks again to Cate & Stephen Baldwin of Island Fever for their expertise and for letting us hitch a ride all the way home and to Tom and Connie of Natural Heeling for the escort and also to Vern and Lenore for assisting at the gas dock!





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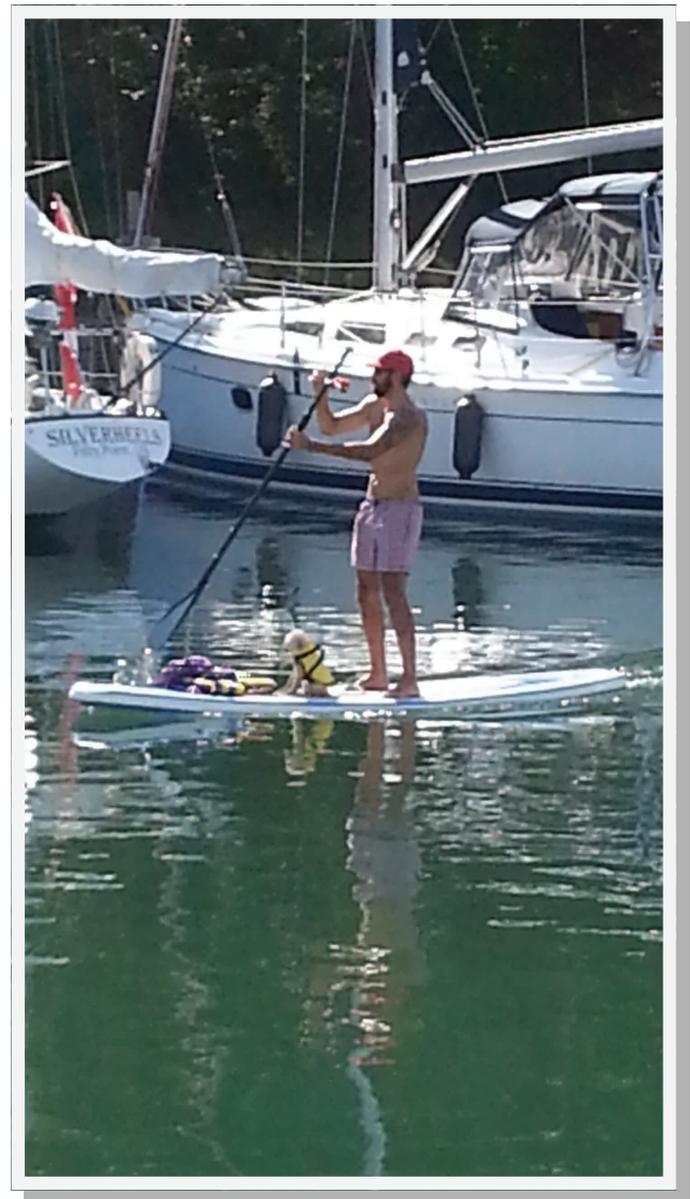
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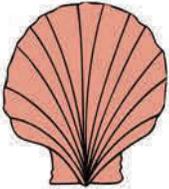
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