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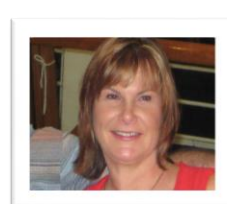


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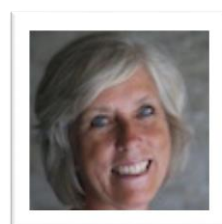


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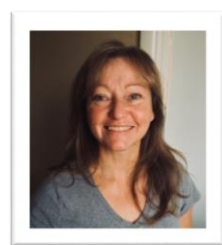


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Commodore's Message

Hello Everyone,

I hope you all had a wonderful Canada Day long weekend and stayed nice and cool. I heard a fun time was had by all and saw some great pictures from our club cruise over to the Lakeshore Yacht club. Our family went over the Island Yacht Club in Toronto, most hours spent pool side with the heat wave and of course a dinghy ride over to Centreville for the kids.

Be sure to join us at the Summer BBQ and Dance on July 21 at the Beach Pavilion. I hope to see you all there.

Our next Club Cruise is to Royal Hamilton YC on July 14 and 15.

Enjoy this beautiful hot weather and perfect boating conditions!!

SINCERELY,

Jason Kirk



JULY
21

FPYC SUMMER BBQ & DANCE!!

Festivities Start at 4:00 pm

Beach Pavilion

BBQ's ready at 5:30 pm

**Bring your own picnic dinner,
meat to BBQ & refreshments.**

**Dance the night away to the
sweet sounds of Big John and
the Night Trippers!**

FPYC will provide cake for dessert.

**Special activities for children.
Fun for all with Minute to Win It
challenges!!**

No tickets or sign up required.

New Executive Introductions

Doug Galvin, Vice Commodore

Hi to all Fifty Point Yacht club members;

I want to thank you for this opportunity to be the Vice Commodore of the 50 Point Yacht Club. Judie and I have a 423 Beneteau sailboat, Dream Weaver, on F16. We joined the yacht club in 2016 with our first sailboat, a 340 Hunter, Patience.

My love of sailing started when I was a teenager and I was sent to camp on the Toronto Brigantines. After camp I became a volunteer for the organization for the next 5 years until 1977. I crewed on Pathfinder but mostly on Playfair which I did help finish when she was completing her build in 1974. I was the Executive Officer on board – senior crew and second in command for two years in 1976 and 1977. In the pictures Playfair has the blue hull while Pathfinder's is white – built in 1964. Both boats and their sister ship "St. Lawrence II" are 60-ft and are rigged as two masted Brigantines, working as training ships on Lake Ontario and other great lakes.



I spent 5 years working on these boats in the summers and every weekend during the winter months on the maintenance and varnishing!!

I went from there to College to complete a degree in Navigation and graduated with a First Mates Certificate for any size Great Lakes or Ocean freighter. I went back to sailing as the Captain of the "Challenge" which at the time was a sailing passenger schooner in Lake Erie, where I met my wife Judie. At the end of the summer with a group of volunteers, we delivered her to the Virgin Islands for charter. She was a 60-foot two masted schooner; pictures show her in her current form as a three masted schooner in Toronto Harbour, which I was a part of the redesign and subsequent rebuild.



I finally had to earn a real living and continued my journey by working on various freighters on the east coast and back to the Great Lakes where I wrote the exam for my Captains papers for the Lake boats and for Ocean vessels. However with thoughts of having children (two girls) I stepped ashore and started a new career still in transportation but now trucks.

Judie and I have always wanted to get back into sailing and now as empty nesters have completed our dream of having our own boat and are thoroughly enjoying Dreamweaver. We have been together since our time on the Challenge and will continue to look forward to sailing together wherever it takes us.

The Fifty Point Yacht club is a unique entity on the Lake. I look forward to working with Jason and the board team to continue with the excitement happening at 50 Point.

So enjoy the water and may the winds be in favour wherever you are going.

Thank you

Doug Galvin



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Save The Date

Peter Collins & Kim Short, FPYC Social Committee

Summer BBQ and Dance: Sat. July 21, 2018

Beach BBQ & Dance Party at the Beach Pavilion

FPYC provides bbq's for you to cook your dinner on, bottled water will be available as well as cake, games for young and the young at heart.

Dance the night away!

Commodores Ball: Sat. November 3, 2018

Details coming next issue

Photos by Karyn Maddeaux

Welcome New Members Get Together



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2018 Cruise Schedule

Dave Spragge & Judie Galvin, FPYC Cruising Directors

July 14/15 ***Royal Hamilton***
August 4-6 ***Queen City...***(Long Weekend)
August 24-26 Port Dalhousie Yacht Club - New Cruise - Book Now!!!!
September 1-3 ***Etobicoke...***(Long Weekend)...[Looking for a volunteer Cruise Captain](#)

Sign-up for all cruises now open through the FPYC website. Sign up early so you don't miss out!!

Enjoy the camaraderie of your fellow Fifty Point Yacht Club boaters at some of the finest clubs on Western Lake Ontario. Each cruise will feature a potluck dinner and/or appetizer event organized by a volunteer Cruise Captain.

The cruise captain hosts a pre-cruise coffee meeting, usually scheduled on Saturday morning of the cruise weekend. At the meeting, the captain shares any instructions or other information from the host club (calling-in instructions and/or dock assignments), distributes the cruise list, assigns a radio channel for boaters and gets agreement on a fleet departure time for those planning to travel together.

On arrival the captain checks with the Dock Master or Officer of the Day at the host club to confirm slip assignments and where the group can get together for the potluck dinner/appetizer event.

Cruise captains who wish to organize other activities, especially on long weekends, are encouraged to do so!

If you are interested in being a Cruise Captain, please email fpyc.cruising@gmail.com

A list of confirmed cruisers will be posted and updated regularly in the "Members Only" section of the FPYC website www.fpyc.ca. The password for this section is now your 2018 membership number.

If you do not see your boat on the list and you have submitted a request, it means that either your membership has not been paid, or there has been a technical glitch with your submission. If the later occurs, please forward your cruise confirmation to fpyc.cruising@gmail.com.

Oakville Cruise

Photos by Judie Galvin





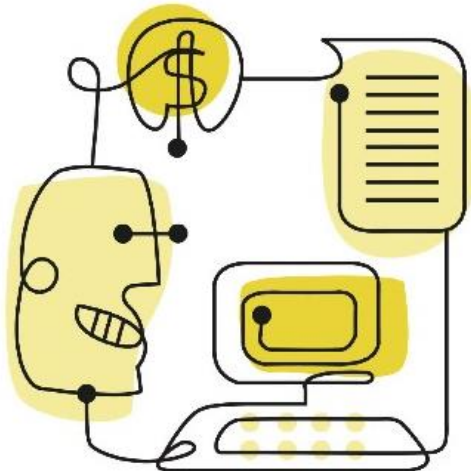
Watch for a notice of when your New Apparel will arrive.

We would love to see pictures of you sporting the new look on your adventures around the lake. Please send them to info@fpyc.ca and you may find yourself in Scuttlebutt!

Photo by Karen Maddeaux

Membership Committee Notice - Dean Maddeaux

For any members who have not yet received your Membership Cards, I have tried emailing you a few times but no response. I will put your cards in an envelope with your name on it and leave at the marina office for you to pick up at your convenience. Many thanks.



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Summer Fun on the Water



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Italian Anyone?



On a rainy Saturday at Fifty Point in June, members Mark and Heather Duce, John and Karen Molnar, Bruce and Judy Robinson and Brian Dunphy put on a delicious Italian dinner for boaters on F and G docks. We dined on Spaghetti and Meatballs, sausage, salads and garlic bread, followed by a yummy cake. Mother Nature cooperated during dinner and the evening by not raining and we all had a great time, including dancing on the docks. Thanks so much to all involved, boaters sure know how to cook a great meal and throw a great party at the marina.

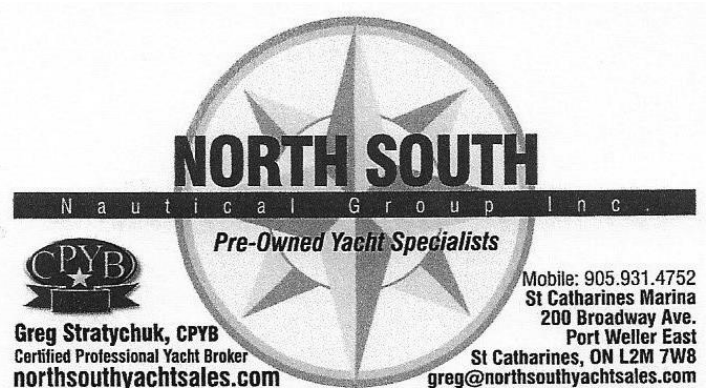
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Eight Bells

*When a sailor has died he or she can be honoured with the sounding of **eight bells**; meaning "end of the watch". The term "**eight bells**" can also be used in an obituary, as a nautical euphemism for finished his watch.*

Ernie Forsey



It was with a great deal of sorrow, that we received a call from his wife Dianna. One of the great characters of Fifty Point Yacht Club and a friend to all, passed away May 31, 2018 in Gander Nfld. after a short illness. It was fitting that he passed on the last weekend in May. Some 30 years ago, after an evening of enjoying a bottle of Pusser's, he and his friend decided to leave for Toronto about 3:00 a.m. as the wind had come up, and Ernie was not known to waste a good wind of about 20 knots. He had a red C&C 25 called Rusty Nail and his friend had a white one. This was the beginning of the Red and White Classic series of male only weekend races held on the last weekend of May. As many as 25 boats would leave 50 Point around 8:00pm on the Friday for Murphy's in Port Dalhousie for dinner and a few libations. After closing the bar, the party moved to the boats. If there was a good wind, it was not unusual to leave as early as

5:00 am. but no later than 8 to make the crossing to arrive at Ontario Place in early afternoon. There was no set time but a horn would blow and within 5 minutes, the raft of up to five boats deep would be cast off from shore with a great hullabaloo. The great attraction for the race was that there were no rules except one, all boats had to bring a bottle of Pusser's for the three largest boats that were moored to the wall at Ontario Place and became party central. At that time, it was a very lively place and within 15 minutes of the fleet arrival, the OPP showed up to strictly enforce the no drinking on the dock law. Thirty years after, sailors are still talking about the Red and White Classic. Ernie was a "Newfie" in the finest sense, as fine a man that you would ever care to meet. He could tell a great story as well as sail. He was fortunate to meet his wife, Dianna, who enjoyed sailing as much as he did. Ernie was often seen sitting at the end of the bowsprit, a pole that extended 8 feet in front of "Gander Bay", their Bristol Channel Cutter as they crossed the lake. Ernie, Dianne and their friend and fellow sailor, Les Armstrong, sailed down the St. Lawrence to Halifax and crossed to the Azores. Les returned and Dianna and Ernie continued on to Spain and crossed the Atlantic back the following year. About 10 years ago Ernie swallowed the hook, and retired with Dianna, to his roots in Victoria Cove on the Rock. No doubt but he and Lester, are probably taking that other sailor, Peter, for a sail in that great ocean in the sky, where there is always a good wind. Dianna will be having a Memorial Service in Ontario sometime this summer or fall and the time and location will be announced in Scuttlebutt. So, raise a glass of Pusser's, and remember the Ernie stories.

The crew of Sasea Lady

<https://obittree.com/obituary/ca/newfoundland/gander/staceys-funeral-home/ernest-james-forsey/3527458/>

Race Report by Garry Cooke

Solo Sailing on Lake Ontario:

As mentioned in the April scuttlebutt, there are a series of solo and double handed events organized by LOSHR (Lake Ontario Shorthanded Racing) group and LOOR (Lake Ontario Offshore Racing). The races start in Port Credit and run around this end of the Lake, depending which race you enter in the series. Port Credit also organize the Ontario 300 and 600 nautical mile solo and double handed races. The LOSHR and LOOR website is <https://www.loor.ca/>

There are two boats entered from Fifty Point in the Solo Spinnaker division of the Lake Ontario 300 mile race on 13-16th July. These two boats also represented Fifty Point in the Susan Hood (75mile) race in the beginning of June.

The two boats representing the club this year are 'Eclipse' an Abbott 33 skippered by myself (Garry), and 'Old Hand' a Beneteau First 285 skippered by Ron Ouwehand. The 300 race uses transponders, so you can follow the race online. I hope to complete the race this year, after having had a disappointing Autopilot failure last year.

Volvo Ocean Race concludes:

For those sailors that long to be on the deep blue sea roaring along at 20+ knots, but can only imagine it; the Volvo Ocean race has with some new drone technology brought some of the spectacle to our living rooms. I have been following the race for the past 9 months, and the race has finally wrapped up at the Hague, Netherlands.

It was the closest finish in the history of the race! At the start of the final leg, there were three boats tied for first place. Which meant that the winner was decided by the order they crossed the finish line on the last leg after 45,000 miles of racing.

The team I was hoping to win was the Dutch team 'Brunel', and they came in third place.

The second place team was 'Mapfre' from Spain, and the winner was the 'Dongfeng' race team the Chinese sponsored team (skippered by a French sailor by the way).

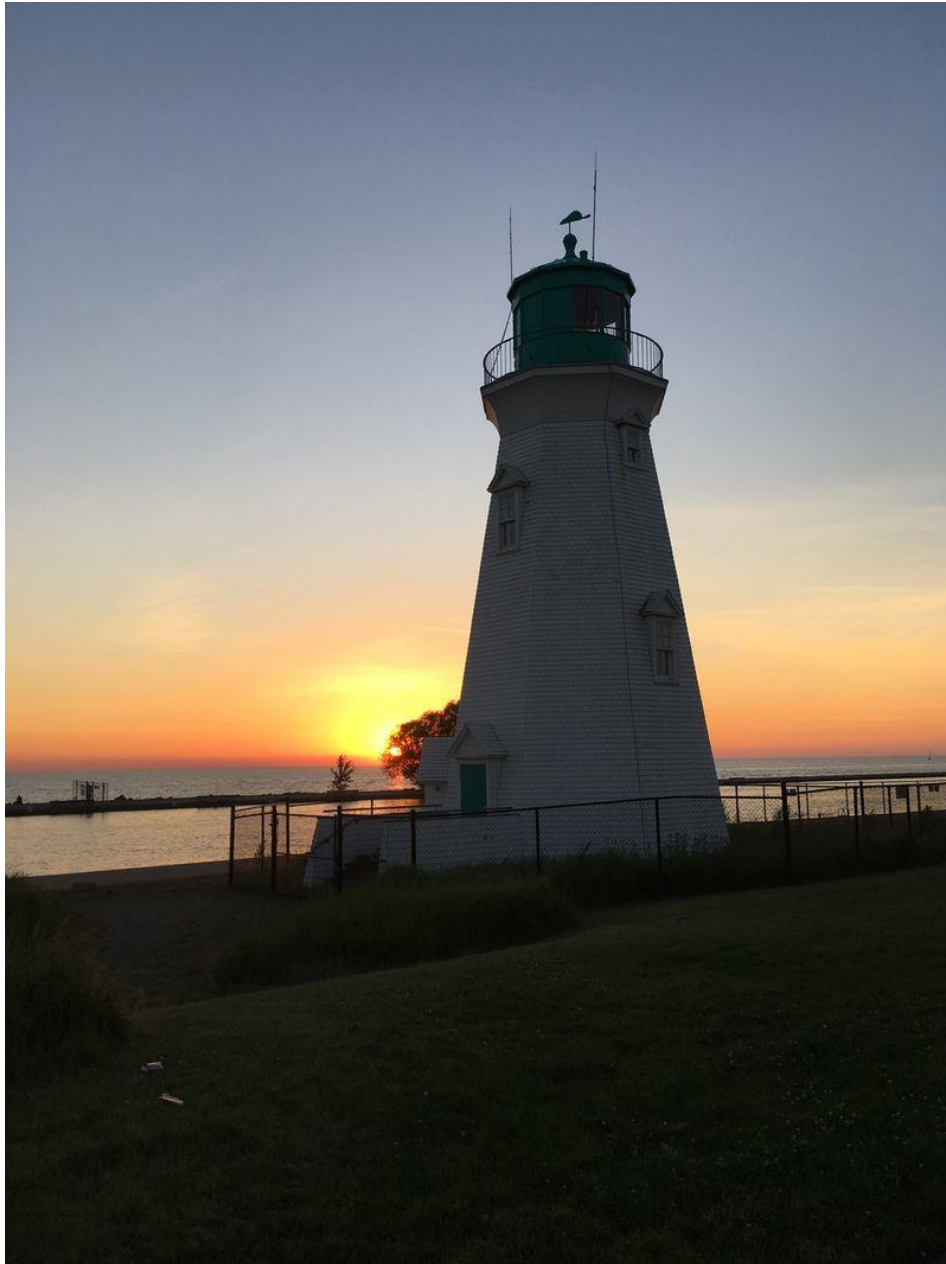
This edition of the Volvo race was not without tragedy however, there was a collision with a fishing boat in Hong Kong which killed a fisherman, and there was the loss of a sailor, John Fisher 'Fish' in the southern ocean, who was swept overboard after being hit by the boom. (when a boat is going downwind at speeds of 30 knots in a gale in monstrous seas, it is virtually impossible to find and recover a person in the water: he was not found). {More details can be found at

www.volvooceanrace.com}



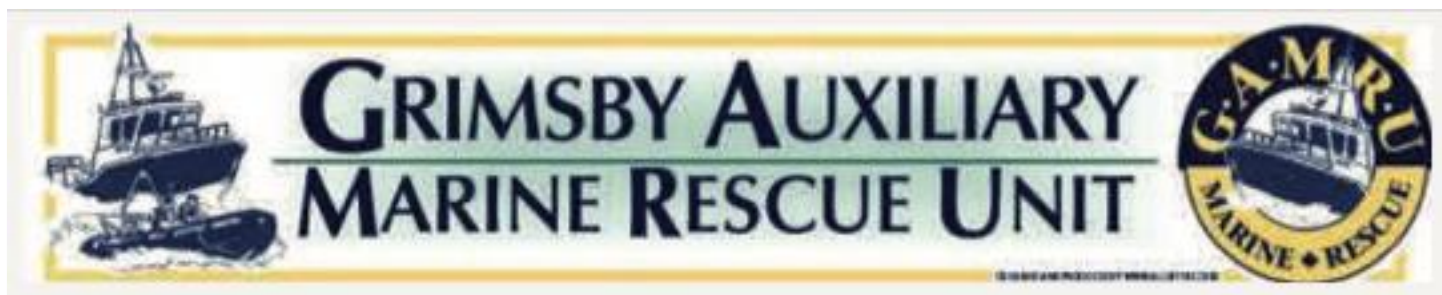
Do you recognize where this picture was taken? Play along and see how many places around the lake you recognize. One picture will be posted each month. Answers will be posted in the next issue of Scuttlebutt.

Photo by
Deb Hauser



Don't forget to send in your photos for the photo contest!!!!

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Karyn's Kitchen



This Sangria recipe is great to enjoy at get togethers with mid to large groups, and since those hot summer days are now upon us, I thought this would be a great recipe to share. It is quick and easy to do and this sangria will go great with afternoon appetizers or a yummy summer BBQ. Enjoy!

SUMMER SANGRIA

Ingredients

- 2 bottles red wine (Merlot or Bordeaux work well)
- 2 to 3 cups of sprite or 7-up
- 2/3 cup orange juice
- ½ cup lemon juice (if possible, fresh works best)
- 1 cup brandy
- 1 cup triple sec
- 1 quart of strawberries, cut in half (or quarter if large ones)
- 1 each of lime, lemon and orange sliced (half fruit, then slice)
- 2 tablespoons of sugar



Mix all ingredients in a large container, pot or punch bowl. Let sit for at least an hour to allow flavours to blend. Serve in glasses with ice, making sure to include some of each fruit with every glass.

Make approximately 12 to 15 servings.



Thank you to the two officers from the Canada Border Services who answered questions on June 10th regarding boats visiting US waters. A thank you to Nancy as well for organizing the event.



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