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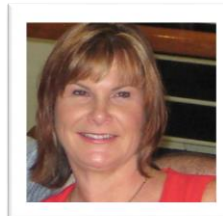


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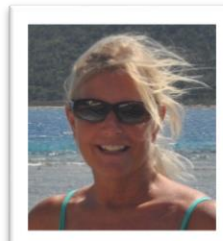


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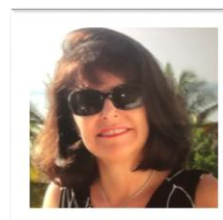
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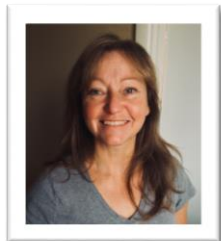


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## Commodore's Message



Hello Everyone,

Happy Canada Day!!

What a great weekend to finally get away. We had our first Club Cruise of the season over to Port Credit Yacht Club this past long weekend. The turn out was great and for all who were able to make it seemed to have a blast. When we got back to our marina on the Monday, some of the PCYC Cruisers were still around and mentioned to me how wonderful our club is, how nice everyone is and how good Limani was and they can't wait to come back. I am very proud to be the Commodore at our beautiful club with such wonderful people!

I would like to say a very special thank you to Betty Van Klink who has retired from being our Recording Secretary for the past three years. We will miss you on the Board. On that note, we have a few people retiring from the Board this year so we will be looking for some dedicated and hard working volunteers to step up and fill some of these roles.

Don't forget to mark [July 20th](#) down on your calendar, its our Summer BBQ and Dance. Can't wait to see you there!

Have a great July!!

SINCERELY,

Jason Kirk





## **Save the date from your FPYC Social Directors**

Steve Burgin & Susan MacDonald

### **Summer BBQ and Dance: Sat. July 20, 2019**

- Put on your dancing shoes, or better yet kick them off!
- Pot-Luck Beach BBQ
- **Where:** Beach Pavilion
- **Format:** BBQ's are set up at the pavilion, pot-luck, BYOB

## **Fifty Point Yacht Club Apparel**

Vintage apparel will be available at the gas dock, T's \$10, Sweatshirts \$20. Below T's are available for purchase, if interested, please email [info@fpyc.ca](mailto:info@fpyc.ca).



Two Ladies L navy & white T's  
\$30 each



One ladies XL T-hoodie  
\$40



One child's small T  
\$25

## **Cruising Report**

Sue Fletcher & Dave Spragge

As you are well aware every time you venture along the boardwalk to your boat, the high water dilemma persists. We ask you to take the time to refer to the Lake Ontario Cruising Club Association (LOCCA) website to review the most up to date information on the status of or sister boat clubs that you may be planning to travel to. Each club self reports on a monthly basis, outlining the conditions that they are experiencing; docks underwater, availability of hydro or fuel, whether they are open or closed to visitors, and navigational hazards. Also, the LOCCA site outlines the reciprocal privilege that each club offers.

**Check it out!** <https://locca.org> <https://locca.org/high-water-levels-2019/>

Clubs are still asking that visitors cruising to their locations phone ahead to each club to understand their conditions and availability to avoid any disappointment.

The interest in our Club Cruises is phenomenal so far! Please, when you sign up to join a cruise, consider stepping up and ticking that box to volunteer to be the Cruise Captain for that weekend. Have we mentioned how easy, but how VITAL, having a volunteer Cruise Captain is for each

event? If no one volunteers for the position, we will have to 'pick' a volunteer, so be proactive! Talk to Dave or Sue if you need to garner a little more confidence about the responsibilities. Captains like Tara/Second Wave and Chris/Sails Call who salvaged our cancelled cruise plans to Oakville into a fun filled Staycation at Fifty weekend are PLANNERS EXTRAORDINAIRE and we thank them for the experience of exploring our home port, meeting new friends and seeing familiar faces on the bike tours, scavenger hunt, and yoga. Applause to everyone who joined the potluck dinner with such a variety of delicious foods!

Registration is now open online for the July 13/14 cruise to Royal Hamilton Yacht Club as well. They are reporting that their club is "open and above water". RHYC also has a swimming pool, restaurant and beautiful lawn to enjoy. The waterfront development provides a lovely walk, with a variety of entertainment with the outdoor roller rink, music, ice cream shop, Haida to tour...

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The contest is open to all FPYC members and it's easy and fun.

To keep everyone on the same page, please see the following simple rules:

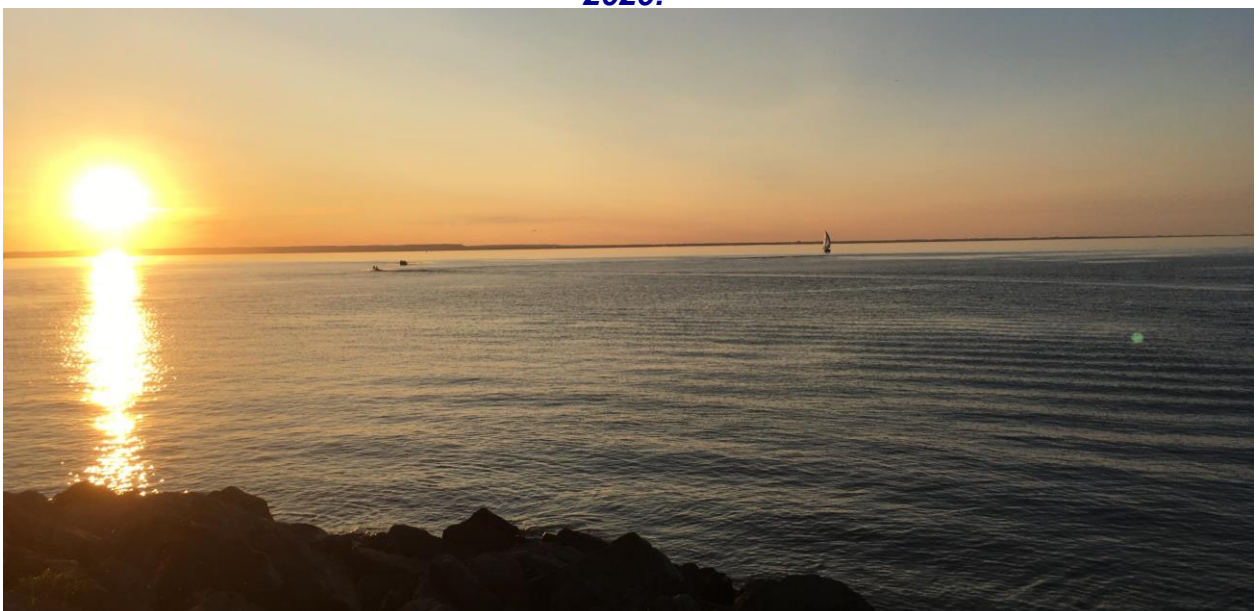


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- \* Photos must be of a nautical theme, e.g. boats, water, marinas
- \* Photos must be taken between May 1 and September 30 of 2019
- \* Entries must be submitted by October 4, 2019
- \* Editing is permitted but strong Photo-Shopping is discouraged
- \* Entries to be submitted by e-mail to [debhauser@sympatico.ca](mailto:debhauser@sympatico.ca)

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***The 10 winning entries will be featured on the cover of Scuttlebutt throughout 2020!***



# FPYC SUMMER BBQ and DANCE



## Saturday, July 20

### Beach Pavillion

**BBQ's ready at 5:30**

Bring your own picnic dinner -  
including meat for the BBQ &  
beverages

FPYC will provide cake for dessert

**Dance to  
Double Time**  
7:00-11:00

**FPYC Members Only**  
No tickets or  
sign-up required





## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Someone must be camera shy, we have 29 new Members!!!





## *FPYC Donation to GAMRU*

Supporting the men and women who answer the call when someone's in trouble.  
Let's all have a safe summer!



Jim White, Danielle Mackie, Jason Kirk (FPYC Commodore), J.F. Lamarche Photo by; Deb Hauser

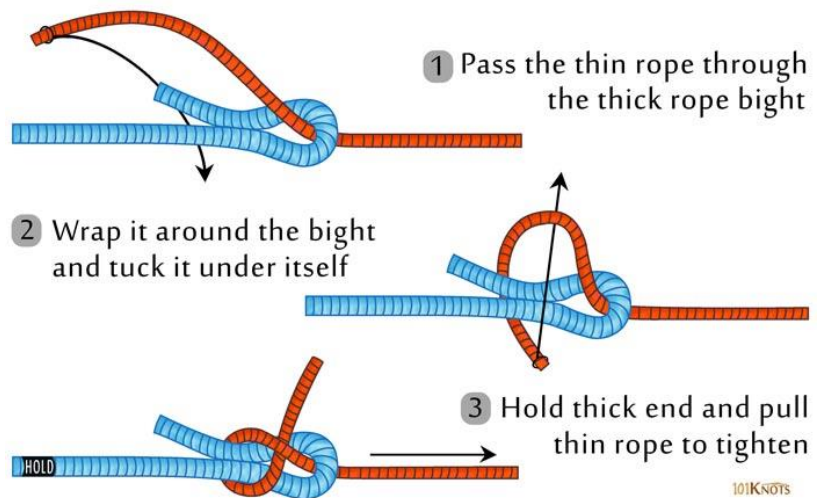
Thank you to our Members for supporting our fundraiser at Sail Past.  
The portion donated to GAMRU is \$500.00.



## Sheet Bend

Need to lengthen a thick clothesline, but all you have is a thin piece of rope? Don't fret. The sheet bend can lend a helping hand. The knot, also known as, becket bend, weaver's hitch or weaver's knot, though recommended for joining ropes of different diameters, is equally effective for ropes of equal thicknesses as well. It owes the name weaver's knot to its historical use in textile mills. However, weavers tend to tie it in a variety of ways. Its importance has led it to feature as the first knot in The Ashley Book of Knots.

## Sheet Bend Step By Step



<http://www.101knots.com/round-turn-and-two-half-hitches.html>

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Fifty Point Yacht Club



# LIMANI Mini Chefs

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Deadline Extension to register  
July 6th

Our mini chefs will be experiencing an hour of fun, making their own pizza and enjoying their creations, with drinks and a vanilla ice cream for dessert.

**July 10 at 3 pm**

Spots are limited. Reserve today  
\$20 plus tax per child  
includes pizza, drink & dessert.  
Children must be accompanied by  
an adult. Reservations must be  
made by **July 3**.

Please call 905.643.7277 or email  
maria@limaniatfifty.com.

LIMANI  
at Fifty  
TAVERNA



" Thank you so much for making our Karaoke Night so much fun. The memories we have shared will forever be in our hearts. We have more events coming up in store for you, stay tuned!

Maria and George ( LIMANI at Fifty)"





# Karaoke



Photos by; Karen Maddeaux & Sherrie Smith



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Photo by: Jan Price (Facebook)

Grayson sporting his  
FPYC apparel



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# NEW – Additional Program

## YOUTH LEARN TO SAIL

Come Learn to Sail with  
Fifty Point Yacht Club's BOOM Program



August 26<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 4 pm

Ages 8 to 14

Fee - \$395

Register by August 2nd, maximum 16 participants  
For more information and to register - [www.fpyc.ca](http://www.fpyc.ca)

Program Location:

Fifty Point Conservation Area Marina, 1479 Baseline Road, Winona  
The BOOM Program is provided in partnership with  
Ontario Sailing, [www.ontariosailing.ca](http://www.ontariosailing.ca)

## Keeping children afloat

A lifejacket or PFD is no substitute for adult supervision. Children should be within arm's reach as well as wearing a proper flotation device at all times. [View this video for quick tips on keeping your child safe on water.](#)

Buy only Canadian-approved devices. Have your child try on the device before you buy it.

- It should fit snugly and not ride up over your child's chin or ears.
- There should be less than 7.6 cm (3") between your child's shoulders and the device. Otherwise, the device is too big and could do more harm than good.

Look for these safety features:

- a large collar for head support
- waist ties or elastic gathers in front and back
- a safety strap that goes between the legs to prevent the device from slipping over your child's head
- buckles on safety straps and reflective tape

Look for a lifejacket or PFD with a label that says the device has been approved by any of the organizations below:

- Transport Canada
- Canadian Coast Guard
- Fisheries and Oceans Canada

[https://www.tc.gc.ca/en/services/marine/getting-started-safe-boating/choosing-lifejackets-personal-flotation-devices.html - choosing-lifejacket](https://www.tc.gc.ca/en/services/marine/getting-started-safe-boating/choosing-lifejackets-personal-flotation-devices.html-choosing-lifejacket)

### NEW

Do you have any approved children's life jackets that your kids have out grown? Are they still in great shape? Consider donating them to the Club's new lifejacket/PFD borrow bin. A bin will be set up in the Club House if you need to borrow a child's lifejacket, see if the correct size is available, sign it out and bring it back dry for the next person to use. This will be set up on a trial basis and available as an honour system. If you would like to donate a child's lifejacket/PFD please send an email to [info@fpyc.ca](mailto:info@fpyc.ca)







# WELLAND CANAL

## Lockage Schedule for Pleasure Craft

Effective July 15, 2019, the St. Lawrence Seaway Management Corporation is implementing a pleasure craft schedule for transits through the Welland Canal.

The service offering will be based upon the following schedule:

### Upbound Transits – from Port Weller to Port Colborne

Transits are available on Monday, Wednesday, Friday, & Sunday.

On the day of transit, pleasure crafts must be in position at the Port Weller small boat dock with payment confirmed and registration completed with the Seaway's Operations Control Centre by 9:00 a.m.

\*\*Pleasure crafts registered after the 9:00 a.m. cut off time will not transit until the next scheduled operating day.\*\*

### Downbound Transits – from Port Colborne to Port Weller

Transits are available on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday.

On the day of transit, pleasure crafts must be in position at the Port Colborne small boat dock with payment confirmed and registration completed with the Seaway's Operations Control Centre by 9:00 a.m.

\*\*Pleasure crafts registered after the 9:00 a.m. cut off time will not transit until the next scheduled operating day.\*\*

During transits, pleasure crafts are to communicate with the Operations Control Center (OCC), utilizing Seaway working frequency Channel 14 (unless otherwise instructed by the OCC).

To receive updates concerning Pleasure Craft Transits of the Welland Canal, please go to [www.greatlakes-seaway.com](http://www.greatlakes-seaway.com) and click on "Email Updates". Input your email address and follow the step-by-step process to register for this free service.



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Oakville Yacht Squadron

Bronte Harbour Yacht Club

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Entrance to National Yacht Club



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Oakville Yacht Squadron



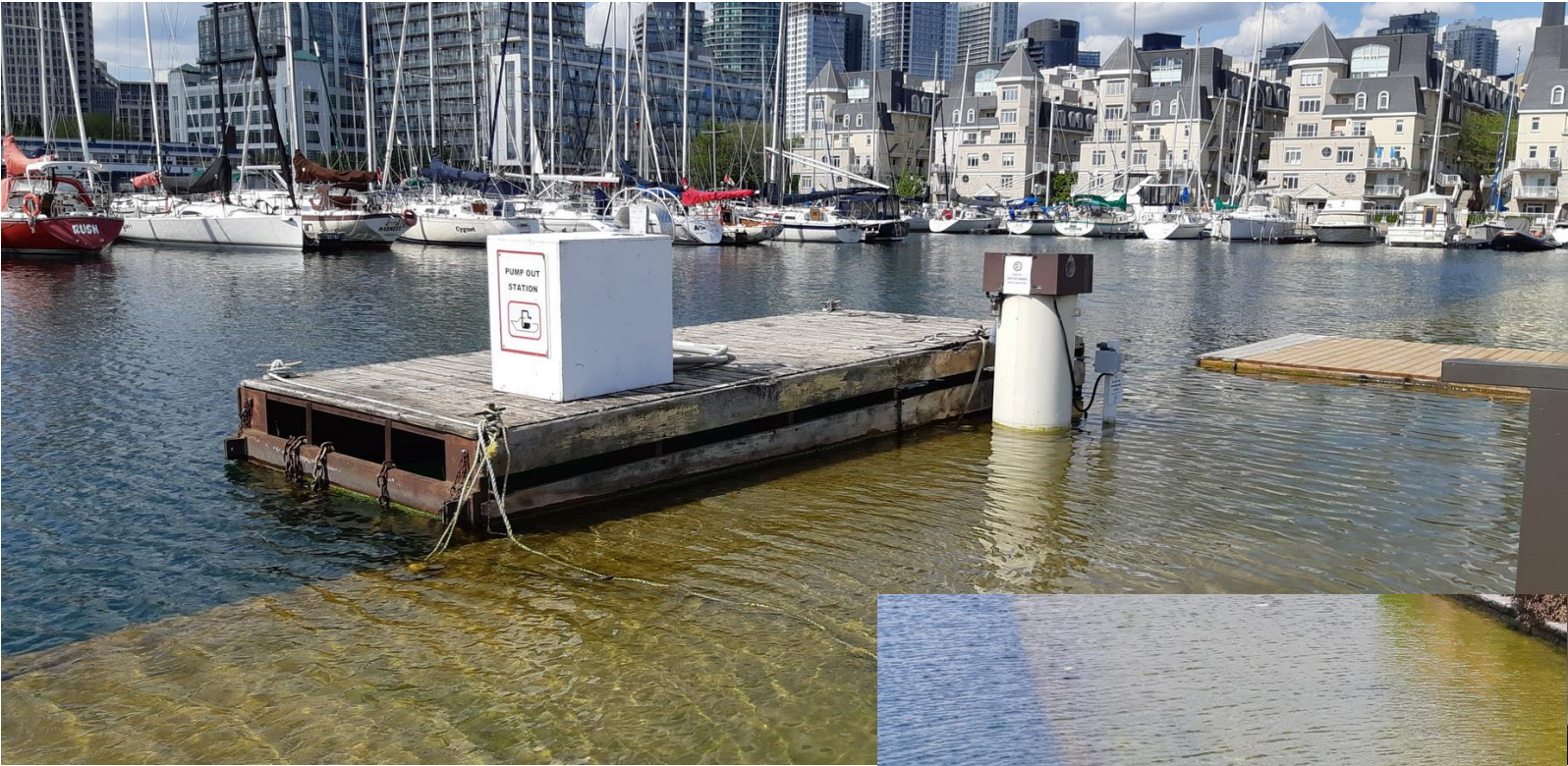
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Prince Edward  
Yacht Club







The National Yacht Club

Above: Pump out  
To the right: Visitors dock

We cannot emphasize the importance of calling ahead to marinas to receive clarification if they are receiving guests and if there are any dangers to be aware of.

Thank you to Paul Charles for these water level awareness pictures.





## Corner Kitchen

Canadian Eh?

### Maple Grilled Corn

Here's a decidedly Canadian twist on one of the world's most popular veggies.

60 ml (1/4 cup) pure maple syrup  
120 ml (1/2 cup) melted butter  
Salt and pepper, to taste  
12 ears of corn, husks and silks removed

1. Preheat the grill to high.
2. In a bowl, combine the maple syrup, butter, salt and pepper. Set aside.
3. Remove the first layer of husks from each ear of corn.
4. Gently spread out the remaining husk leaves, remove the corn silk and baste the corn with the maple-butter mixture. Pat the remaining husks back around the cob and wrap each in aluminum foil.
5. Place corn on the grill and close the cover.
6. After four minutes, give the corn a quarter turn and close the cover. Repeat three times until all four sides have been grilled (a total of 16 minutes). Unwrap, remove husks and enjoy!

Recipe courtesy of Maple from Canada <https://www.puremaplefromcanada.com>







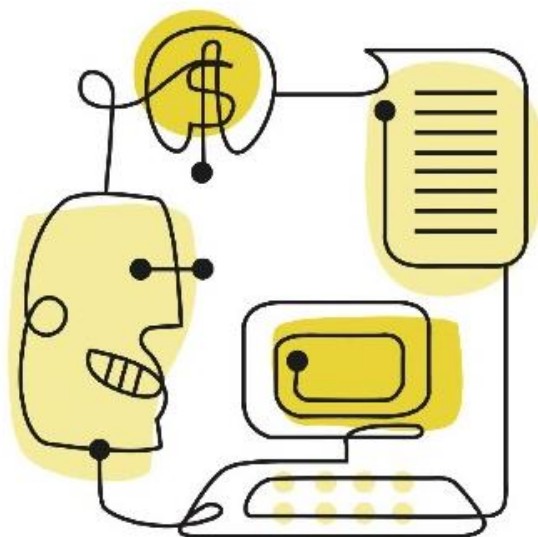
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End of 2019 Bahama Adventure



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## **Items of Interest**

**FPYC is not endorsing these sites but they may be of interest to our Club members.**

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### **Sail-World**

<https://www.sail-world.com/Canada>

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### **Canadian Yachting**

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

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### **Sail-World Cruising**

<https://www.sail-worldcruising.com/newsletter/6197>

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### **Spartan – Ocean Racing & Training**

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

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### **POWER BOATING CANADA**

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

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### **Get My Boat**

Tips for Boating in the Great Lakes

<https://www.getmyboat.ca/resources/top-destinations/472/tips-for-boating-in-the-great-lakes>

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### **Sail Canada**

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

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### **Press - Star Sailors League**

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

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### **Ontario Sailing**

<http://campaign.r20.constantcontact.com/render?m=1117729130203&ca=c3977b60-7e55-4469-bc01-59f0330c6e0d>