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6th Place - Red Sunset
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Commodore's Message



Hooray! We are now able to come to the marina and do some actual boating. We trust that the people of the province will act responsibly, get their vaccine shot and practice appropriate health and safety regulations so we can continue in a more normal lifestyle.

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We wish to thank Tara Dinyer and Jason Kirk who have stepped up to join your FPYC Executive. We feel fortunate to have two quality people step up to be on your Executive. Tara will assume the role of Membership Director to assist Sam Slade. This is great to have two Directors on opposite sides of the marina to spread things out. Jason will assume a Director at Large position and help out where he may.

What is also nice is it injects youth into your Executive with new ideas, young families and respectfully moves us away from an old club. We need youth to maintain the club and carry us in future years.

We are still in need of a Social Director. We believe things are about to open more fully and many social events may run closer together as we want to make up for some lost time.

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Okay folks we have our first social event of the year planned for Wednesday June 23 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. We are calling it a FPYC Dock Party. It will be held via Zoom. Unfortunately, we can only get 100 members connected so it will be on a first come first served basis. We want to make this as part of our meet and greet with new members too. We will have music, games and a lot of fun. Sorry it is BYOB. Someone smarter has to figure out how to get wine through a Zoom call. Look for more details in Scuttlebutt and future emails.

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SailPast is being planned for July 10. Please mark the date on your calendar and we will have more details in next months Scuttlebutt. Unfortunately, as we know things now, it will be run similar to last years SailPast. We might be able to take our boats out depending on restrictions.

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I am sorry that it appears we need to remind a few members about some ground rules on our Facebook page AGAIN. It was setup to be an information sharing tool. Please make sure that comments are relative to the club\marina and please be respectful in comments. This is not a place for political statements, the use of profanity or a place to complain. FPYC's Facebook page should be upbeat, informative and place search out solutions to boating matters. Members who fail to comply will now be removed.

Stay well and be safe.

Brian Weber
Commodore

Scuttlebutt In Review

- FPYC Sailpast
- Merchandise Update
- Membership Update
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- A Note from HOPA
- Hamilton Police Marine Unit Newsletter
- June Fun
- Try the tasty **Asparagus Strawberry Salad** recipe

FPYC Sailpast

FPYC is planning on holding our annual SailPast Saturday, July 10th. Unfortunately, due to Covid restrictions, we felt it necessary to delay SailPast until then. This year, we are planning on having Limani do a dinner for those interested.

We plan on something similar to last year. We will broadcast ceremonies from Limani's balcony on Zoom and marine radio. If restrictions allow, we hope to be able to take the boats for the balance of our SailPast tradition.

We are in the process of finalizing a dinner with Limani and have a few choices for your dinner. Limani will offer a meal too for those with dietary restrictions as we are hoping to accommodate everyone. FPYC members will have their meal subsidized and we will charge a nominal fee to members. We felt it necessary to charge the nominal fee as we are guaranteeing the number of meals to Limani. Previously, we had to pay for meals when members did not show. So, we felt we needed to get a monetary commitment.

Limani will manage the meal as a takeout and start handing them out at 5:00 p.m. in the D Dock parking lot. Limani will know what has been ordered by members similar to the way we handle the Commodores Ball.

We plan on having everything finalized very soon. So please look for more details in an email via Mailchimp in the next week.

FPYC Merchandise Update

From Donna Shepherd, Director-at-Large

I hope that everyone that purchased merchandise from our on-line store has had an opportunity to pick up their order. The store will open again July 5 - 18. In the meantime, we have merchandise available for purchase now. If interested in the following, please email donnashepherd5@gmail.com

Current Style Merchandise:

- White Adult Hat - \$30
- Youth Navy Short Sleeve T-shirt in small - \$20
- Ladies' White V-neck Short Sleeve T-shirt in medium and large - \$30
- Ladies' Navy V-neck Short Sleeve T-shirt in large - \$30
- Ladies' White Dry Fit UV 40+ V-neck Short Sleeve Shirt in medium - \$35
- Men's White Dry Fit UV 40+ Short Sleeve Shirt in XL - \$35

New Item for 2021:

Carry Cold Cooler Tote Bag - \$25

Top zipper closure, front pocket

Holds 24 cans

17.75" W x 15" H x 7" D



Vintage Merchandise (all royal blue):

- Unisex Short Sleeve T-shirt in large - \$5
- Unisex Short Sleeve T-shirt in XL - \$5
- Unisex Sweatshirt in XXL - \$10
- Drink Koozies - 4 Koozies for \$10

New Insulated Drinkware

On-line ordering of the new insulated drinkware will be June 9 to June 18 (five styles/sizes in various colours and prices). The drinkware will be laser engraved with the FPYC logo on one side and the member's boat name on the other side (12 fonts to choose from). More details and the ordering process will be sent by Mailchimp on June 9. Dockside pick up at Fifty Point will be June 26 – 27 (if the dates are not convenient, alternative arrangements can be made).

A preview of one of the five styles:



A Note from Our Membership Committee

First and foremost, I'm very excited to announce Tara Dinyer has agreed to join me on the board and fill the open membership director position. Tara will not only be a big asset for membership but for the entire board! Welcome Tara.

Thank you to members who have renewed their membership. Your continued support of the club is much appreciated. Just a reminder that new and renewal membership fees for the 2021 season are \$210 and for social membership the fee is \$65.

The membership form with payment details is posted on the FPYC website, www.fpyc.ca under QUICK LINKS-JOIN OUR CLUB. Please send your membership form to sammyslade1972@gmail.com. Payments can be sent by e-transfer to our Treasurer, Jessie Holst Vincent, treasurer50@yahoo.com. Payment preference is e-transfer however if you prefer to pay by cheque, you can mail the cheque and form to Fifty Point Yacht Club, PO Box 10593, Winona, ON L8E 5R1.

We hope to have the membership cards from the supplier later in June. Unfortunately, due to lockdown issues out of control, the cards may be delayed. We will provide an update by Mailchimp if the cards will be available for pick-up at the gas dock later in June. Thanks in advance for your patience on this matter!

If possible, please have renewal payments completed by June 15 so we can update our records.

Thanks again for supporting the club.

Look forward to seeing everyone on the dock!

Sam Slade and Tara Dinyer



Cruising Report

We still have the following cruises planned for 2021:

- o July 2-3-4 Bluffers Park Yacht Club
- o July 17-18 Royal Hamilton Yacht Club
- o July 31-Aug 1-2 Oakville Club
- o Sept 4-5-6 Etobicoke Yacht Club



Currently we need the government to remove restrictions, confirmation that Fifty Point Marina is still agreeable to the July 1st date to receive reciprocal visitors, AND that the yacht clubs we plan to cruise to are able to receive reciprocal cruises.

If the above points are positive, we will open registration on the FPYC website 10 days prior to the cruise and will advise members via an email through Mailchimp as things become clearer. Stand by.

For each cruise we will require a volunteer cruise captain(s) to be a point of contact for our boats going on the cruise and to receive any last minute change information from, or about the destination club. Cruise captain gets a guaranteed reservation on the cruise, no matter when they reserve. Even if you are 19th in line and on the wait list, you get to step past the velvet ropes and go to the head of the line.



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MARCH 5, 2021

Dear Hamilton Boating Community,

The 2021 shipping season is just around the corner and we would like to remind local recreational boaters about safe boating when navigating around commercial vessels in the Hamilton Harbour. Hamilton port is the busiest Canadian port on the Great Lakes, with over 650 vessels transiting the port every year.

Did you know...

- It can take a commercial vessel 1-2 km to come to a full stop - even from full ahead to full astern
- Large commercial vessels will have fixed routes in and out of the Harbour
- If you hear 5 short blasts of a horn, that means *DANGER* – a ship is nearby!

For your safety, please remember to...

- Stay clear of commercial docks and slips
- Stay clear of large commercial vessels as they are restrained by draft, stopping distance and visibility
- Never pass between a tug and tow

Navigation Lights:

- Show your navigation lights from sunset to sunrise and/or in reduced visibility

Speed:

- Stay alert and maintain a safe speed at all times

Navigational Dangers:

- Be familiar with the location of navigational aids in the harbour and dangers in your area

Resources that may assist you in navigating through the Hamilton Harbour:

Port of Hamilton Practices and Procedures:

<https://www.hopaports.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/HOPA-Port-of-Hamilton-Practices-and-Procedures.pdf>

Vessel Tracking Hamilton:

<https://www.hopaports.ca/locations/port-of-hamilton/vessel-tracking/>



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Submitted for a safe boating season by
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It is hard to believe that 2020 is over! This has been a year of many challenges, and the marine world is no exception. It was an extremely busy year on the water with more vessels and new operators than ever before. The purpose of this newsletter is to keep the people in our area informed on some of the trending issues on the water and how we have, or will combat these issues. We hope it also serves as an invitation to our community to contact us when they have concerns about our waterways. We would like to open the lines of communication between the marine police and the people we serve and protect.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS

This year we received more complaints about the operation of PWC's (Personal Water Craft) than ever before. The concerns came mainly from other boaters and swimmers in the areas of our busiest beaches. After receiving some several complaints early in the season, we switched gears and created a project called "Sea Don't". During this project we stopped **248** PWC's in order to check their safety compliance and educate the operators on how to manoeuvre in and around busy areas. The common theme was that the PWC's were new and the people operating had little to no experience. The project was successful as we saw complaints decrease as the season went on.

EDUCATION

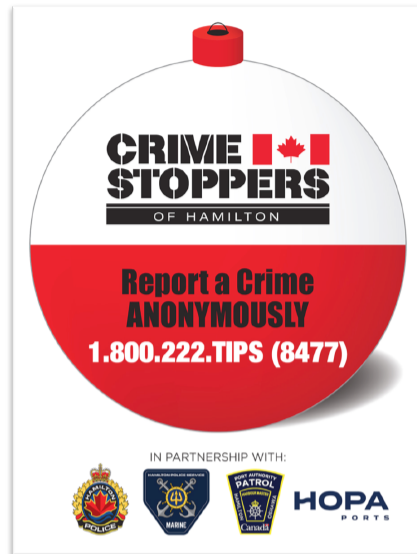
Our expectation of vessel operators and passengers is to be prepared! Having the required safety equipment on the vessel is not only the law but will also save your life. Know where your equipment is and make sure it is accessible. It is your responsibility to check your equipment frequently and ensure it is in good working order.

During our safety checks, we often find operators who do not have the required paper work such as vessel licence and proof of competency. Owners/Operators of vessels need to ensure that they have this information readily available. For more information visit: <https://tc.canada.ca/en/marine-transportation>

CRIME STOPPERS HAMILTON ON THE WATER

Another new project we started this year was in partnership with Hamilton Oshawa Port Authority (HOPA) and Crime Stoppers Hamilton. The project and partnership will bring awareness to the marine world that Crime Stoppers Hamilton is now "On The Water"!

We encourage people to share information anonymously with police. We posted signs at marinas in the area and are using social media to reach as many people as possible. Crime Stoppers is a valuable tool that is often underutilized. If you have information please call 1-800-222-TIPS (8477)



FLARE DISPOSAL

In September 2020 we teamed up with HOPA and Brewers Marine Services to provide a drive thru flare disposal at the Hamilton Police Marine Unit at 110 Harbourfront Dr. It was a successful day with approximately **1300** expired flares turned in. Our goal is to have a flare disposal day every couple of years. Flares expire every 4 years and it is not safe to dispose of them in the garbage. The oldest flare turned in was from 1971.

We received a few requests for a flare demonstration day. Some people have never seen an ignited flare and are unsure how to use them. We are looking into the feasibility of an event focused on flare use. Safety is always our priority.

CONTACT US

The Hamilton Police Marine Unit wants to keep our community informed. Check us out on our twitter account @HPSMarine, our website hamiltonpolice.on.ca and now watch for this newsletter. If you or someone you know would benefit from this newsletter we can add them to our address book.

Contact us at our email marine@hamiltonpolice.on.ca

or by phone, 905-546-4941 (not monitored 24/7, in case of emergency call 9-1-1).



June Fun



If you see a yacht at sea,
you're in desperate need
of a vacation.
It is a hole in a leather sofa.



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Recipes from Your FPYC Board Members!

Asparagus Strawberry Salad

(Bill Wickett – Mariposa)



This is a recipe we have had since the 90's and always look forward to May and June when Ontario asparagus and strawberry seasons overlap. Can be made anytime of year with the availability of imports.

We have shortened the original recipe, cutting out some of the items it listed that we don't carry on board (poppy seeds?) and want to reduce tasks in the galley (grating onion?). The goal is to be flexible and simple when on the boat.

1 lb. asparagus (more or less)
1 pint strawberries (more or less)
¼ cup crumbled blue cheese (or goat cheese or feta)

¼ cup of a vinaigrette dressing. Make one or use a bottled version. Whatever works for you.

We made this last week.

Stir or shake together:

2 teaspoons Dijon mustard
3 tablespoons olive oil (or any oil except engine oil)
3 tablespoons white balsamic, (or red wine vinegar, or lemon juice)
2-3 tsp sugar (or maple syrup)
Salt and pepper

1. Steam, grill or microwave the asparagus until just tender. Don't over do it. Let it cool while slicing the strawberries and dealing with the dressing.
2. Plate the asparagus. Spread the sliced strawberries on top. Sprinkle the cheese on top. Pour the dressing over everything. Serve as a side or a main with whatever you have on the BBQ.

This dish travels well for visiting or potlucks when we can get back to doing that. Prepare the asparagus, strawberries, cheese and dressing ahead of time in tubs. Assemble in a few minutes when ready to serve.



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.

Sail-World

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

Canadian Yachting

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

Sail-World Cruising

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

Spartan – Ocean Racing & Training

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

POWER BOATING CANADA

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

Get My Boat

<https://www.getmyboat.ca>

Sail Canada

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

Press - Star Sailors League

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

Ontario Sailing

<https://ontariosailing.ca>