



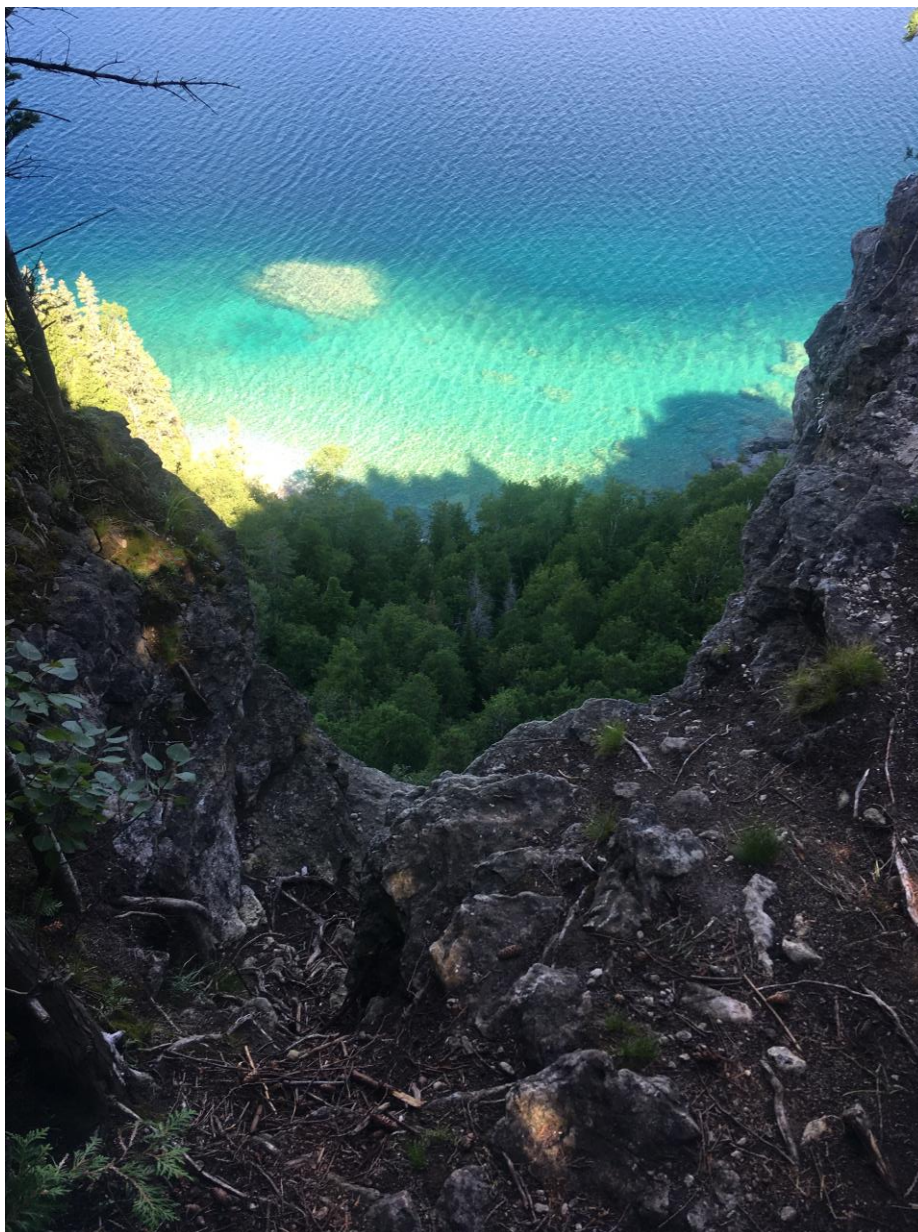
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Commodore's Message



Welcome to all members as we move into March and Fit out is coming closer.

March is also AGM month - delayed from last fall, and it will be a virtual event - read more on it from the Vice as he discusses the plan and how you can join the meeting. This year has been trying and very hard for many people as we just could not do what many would say is a normal life. BUT what is normal now in many ways was not thought of two years ago.

As we go into the AGM, there will be changes and regrets as in any new season and new summer. This year is no different as we say goodbye to various board members who have helped and supported the things that were done over the last few years. Linda Goodrow is stepping down and we will not see her and Tony on the docks, as they have sold their boat and have adjusted to their life living in a new house. The Fletchers, John and Sue who you will see on the docks and out sailing, they have put in years of service as cruising and at large directors. Jason Kirk, after spending over 5 years on the board his time has been completed and will be seen on the docks with his ever-expanding family. Sue Macdonald has put her time and efforts into the social side and is appreciated for her contributions. She and Dave will be seen on the docks as they enjoy sailing. There are people wanting to stay as they have more to offer like Brian Weber and Steve Burgin. All of these people have helped the club continue to grow and survive, and they all feel they can help and be a part of a vibrant club in the best spot in the lake.

So now for myself and Judie, we are stepping down as we have sold our boat and we will be moving on to new adventures. We both have enjoyed our time at Fifty Point and will miss many aspects of life in the Marina, but most of all we will miss sailing on DreamWeaver.

So as I write this, my last posting to the Scuttlebutt, I will finish my term at the AGM and pass on to the new board and returning board to keep the traditions and vision of this club as it steps forward in the new world.

Thank you
Doug Galvin
Commodore

From the Vice

Well how are you managing with everything that is going on? Or maybe I should have said with everything that is not going on?

Over the past few months, we have done a lot of thinking and planning for when Covid-19 and its health-related issues are well behind us. For sure this household has done a lot of thinking about the past and our future plans. We have even managed to squeeze in a book or two. When all of this is going on, I enjoy listening to music.

One of the things I thought about was all these individuals that wrote television shows, books or songs, did they ever envision any of it becoming a reality?

Growing up, I used to watch the Jetsons. If you are old, I do not need to explain further. But they had flying cars, did video chats and had robotics that could do almost anything for them. Well in this pandemic, we have probably all used Zoom or equivalent to stay in touch with family and friends. We have even spent time getting a Smart House with things like Google Home, Nest and Smart Life. We even put in a new router and Wi-Fi extender to make sure everything works in all corners of the home. If I can make a suggestion, never change out your router unless you have lots of time on your hands. We found out that not everything works with the new router so now we are running two, one old and one new.

So now that we are speaking of Zoom. We hope everyone is familiar with the program. Given current safety precautions, we are going ahead with our virtual Annual General Meeting. Unfortunately, we are not able to meet in person and we have governmental regulations as to the timing for AGMs. Delaying it any longer makes little sense given the vaccination schedule and still the health concerns post vaccination. We hope to see everyone at our virtual AGM. If you have trouble with Zoom, we are able to help or ask your children or grandchildren. We might need remote learning too.

Have you visited our website recently? Donna Sheppard deserves our thanks for taking on the updating of our website. Redundant and underutilized material is being removed. We have made some additions to some of the tabs and cleaned up the front page. Please visit the website to see. Thank you, Donna!!

Whether you attend our AGM or not, I hope you will thank those retiring board members who have worked tirelessly on your behalf. We also want to thank those who have stepped up on your behalf to continue the good work done by so many before them.

Stay well and stay safe.

Brian Weber,
Vice Commodore

Virtual General Meeting - Sunday March 21 @ 1:00pm

A virtual Annual General Meeting of members will be held **Sunday, March 21, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.** The meeting will be **entirely virtual** in order to comply with COVID-19 pandemic regulations. Details about how to connect to the virtual annual general meeting will be sent by mailchimp Friday, March 19, 2021.

The business to be transacted at the meeting will include **presentations and approval of:**

- Committee Reports;
- Financial Statements;
- 2021 Executive;
- Amended Constitution; and
- Amended Reciprocal Policy.

All members are welcome and encouraged to attend. Only regular members who are in good standing are entitled to attend and vote at the general meeting.

Please direct all questions regarding the virtual annual general meeting to info@fpyc.ca.



Proposed Constitutional Amendment

The current constitutional wording is as follows:

Board of Directors Operations

Section 2

2.1 Flag Officers of the Club shall be:

- Commodore
- Vice Commodore
- Secretary
- Treasurer

Directors and Flag Officers shall be comprised of not more than 12 members in total. The Flag Officers and Directors shall be known as Members of the Board of Directors, hereinafter called Members of the Board.

We are proposing that we change 12 to 16. There are two key reasons for the change. They are:

- This year, we were unable to appoint a Communications Director as in previous years because we had already had 12 Directors with a full slate and a Past Commodore;
- By increasing the number, we would have the flexibility to have more people on the Board to reduce volunteer workload or work on a special project; and
- This allows 4\5 flag officers and 11\12 Directors.

Therefore, we are recommending that we amend the Constitution to allow the Board to be comprised of not more than 16 members in total.

Proposed Reciprocal Policy Change for Approval at AGM

Last year we changed our reciprocal policy. We believe the wording was well intentioned but it has some flaws, which may not have been fully realized. The current wording states “FPYC provides the first night free mooring and reciprocal privileges to current members of all yacht clubs on Lake Ontario.”;

While the intent was to reduce the overall cost of reciprocals, the current wording is prohibitive. For example, ‘clubs on Lake Ontario’ precludes those in Burlington Bay, The St. Lawrence River, Bay of Quinte, Sodus Bay, Collins Bay and many more.

We have not paid a reciprocal to any club that we have not visited. Plus, we have had many longstanding reciprocal agreements with clubs for years as a matter of courtesy without having them visit. We are not sure we want to advise a club we are no longer accepting them as a reciprocal. It only raises questions from others where we have a reciprocal agreement.

It has taken FPYC years to build a good reputation with other yacht clubs. We believe that cruising and reciprocals has a high importance for many members.

We did put in other restrictions, which are to remain:

- Limiting the number of boats on reciprocal cruises;
- Reciprocals may not be used the day before or the day after Club Cruises; and
- We only offer three one-night reciprocal visits per season.

Therefore, it is being proposed that we remove the words Lake Ontario from our policy.

We could further reduce costs by eliminating Harbour City Y C from our reciprocal list. HCYC has 4 small slips in the rear of Toronto Island Marina and they appear to be more dilapidated each year. HCYC is mostly members from Outer Harbour Marina, where we do not get a reciprocal at the marina and we get about 10 HCYC reciprocals annually.

From the Membership Committee

Many thanks to all who paid the interim membership fee in 2020! Your generous contribution funded FPYC fixed costs such as insurance, association dues, related fees and website management.

With the ongoing challenges related to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Board of Directors is currently deliberating the membership fee for the 2021 season. The status of the Fifty Point Marina Reciprocal Policy as well as opportunities to host social events are significant considerations when setting the fee. We will have further information available at the March 21st AGM meeting.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the Club!
Donna Shepherd and Sam Slade



Membership Anniversaries

We very much appreciate all of our members, thanks for renewing every year! We would like to acknowledge our members celebrating a significant anniversary with Fifty Point Yacht Club.

Please let us know if this year marks a special anniversary of your membership with the Club. Is it your 5th, 10th, 20th, 25th or any other special anniversary? If so, please send us a quick note and tell us a little bit about yourself and your time at Fifty Point. We would love to hear about your boat(s), what dock(s) you are on, how your boat got its name and any fun stories that you would like to share. Perhaps you have served on the Board, helped as a volunteer in any way, or just have a special memory of boating to tell us about?

Karyn and Dean Maddeaux will be coordinating these stories for publishing in Scuttlebutt. Please send your notes to them at info@fpyc.ca and we will forward to them.

(thanks Karyn and Dean for the great suggestion and assistance!!!)



A Note from the Editor.... Photo Contest

Hi Everyone...Paula here with an apology to all photo contest entrants. I have your photo's and I have the Judge's comments and picks, but unfortunately, I lost a major portion of my email where I housed the photos and names. I am sorry about this. I will continue to post the winners and captions, but your name may not appear. Feel free to send me your name if/when you see your photo come up and I will be sure to mention you!

PS...I have a much better plan for data storage next year!!!



March Madness

A girl has as many brothers as sisters, but each brother has only half as many brothers as sisters.
How many brothers and sisters are there in the family?

Answer: See Below....

CLEVER WORDS FOR CLEVER PEOPLE....

ARBITRAITOR - A cook that leaves Arby's to work at McDonalds.

BERNADETTE - To torch a mortgage.

BURGLARIZE - What a crook sees through.

AVOIDABLE - What a bullfighter tries to do.

COUNTERFEITER - Worker who assembles kitchen cabinets.

LEFT BANK - What the robbers did with bag full of money.

HEROES - What a man in a boat does.

PARASITES - What you see from the Eiffel Tower.

PARADOX - Two physicians.

PHARMACIST - Help on a farm.

RELIEF - What trees do in the spring.

RUBBERNECK - How you relax your wife.

SELFISH – The mission of a seafood store.

SUDAFED - Brought litigation against a government official.

Answer: Four sisters and three brothers



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“Pot’s” and Pans

There’s nothing like doing a little bit of baking when it’s cold and grey outside.

This loaf is moist and very flavorful.

It will fill the kitchen with a wonderful aroma as it bakes! Enjoy.

Carrot bread with Cream Cheese Glaze

Ingredients

Carrot Bread

2¼ cups flour
1 tsp ground cinnamon
1 tsp baking soda
1 tsp baking powder
½ tsp kosher salt
¾ cup vegetable oil
¾ cup sugar
½ cup brown sugar
½ cup buttermilk
2 eggs
1 tsp vanilla extract
2 cups coarsely grated carrots

Cream Cheese Glaze

4oz cream cheese, room temperature
½ cup icing sugar
2 tbsp milk
½ tsp vanilla extract

Directions

Preheat oven to 325°F. Line a 9x5-inch loaf pan with parchment paper, draping it over the edges to cover the sides. Lightly coat with non-stick cooking spray. In a medium bowl, combine flour, cinnamon, baking soda, baking powder and salt. Set aside. In a large bowl, whisk together vegetable oil, sugar, brown sugar, buttermilk, eggs and vanilla extract. Gently stir in grated carrots and flour mixture, just until blended. Pour into prepared loaf pan and bake 65-70 minutes. Let cool for 10 minutes before removing from pan.

For the glaze, using an electric mixer, cream together cream cheese, icing sugar, milk and vanilla extract until smooth. Drizzle over cooled carrot bread.

(Recipe courtesy of BITE ME MORE INC)





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>