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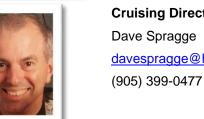


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Commodore's Message



Hello Everyone,

It's amazing how fast time flies by. It feels like just the other day I was taking the shrink wrap off of my boat full of excitement for the new season ahead and already it's time to wrap them up again for the winter.

The other night I went to the marina to pick up some things from the boat and I felt like I was in a different place. It was dark and calm with the dock lights still on and all the boats were gone. If I didn't love it here so much it might have felt very spooky... have a great Halloween and see you at the Commodores Ball!

SINCERELY,

Jason Kirk



# Join The Board!







## OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE** 

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2019 2:00 p.m.

at

Ingledale House Fifty Point Conservation Area

Nominees to date for FPYC Board of Directors for 2020:

CommodoreDougVice Commodore (1 position)OpenSecretaryLindaTreasurer (1 position)Jeff NCruise Director (1 positions)OpenMembership Director (1 position)Sam SCommunications Director (1 position)Open

Doug Galvin Open Linda Goodrow Jeff Miller Open Sam Slade Open

Additional nominations must be received by the Commodore by November 9, 2019. Nominations may be sent to info@fpyc.ca

## 2019 Annual General Meeting

# Agenda

- Opening remarks
- Marina report
- Review of 2019
  - Membership
  - Social
  - Cruising
  - Communications
  - BOOM Sailing School
- Treasurer's report

- Outlook for 2020
  - Budget objectives and Implications
- Changes to Constitution & By-laws
- Reciprocal Policy Changes
- Board of Directors
  - Thanks to outgoing Directors
  - Welcome incoming Directors
- Other business
- Adjournment

## Learn to Sail Program Update

Applications for the 2020 Learn to Sail BOOM Program will be available in early November.

Ontario Sailing has advised that the 2020 program will run for 10 weeks between June 29 and September 4. Each host site must apply for two consecutive weeks (i.e. two programs) and issue deposits for each program when applications are submitted.

More news to follow at the Annual General Meeting. If you have any questions or comments, please email <u>info@fpyc.ca</u>.



Pub Night - Stay tuned for some fun get-togethers over the winter months.

## Talk about fun get-togethers, party in the shower?



Mystery Photographer



## **Photo Contest**

Thank you to the following members for their wonderful entries in the photo contest. The top 10 will be showcased on the front cover of Scuttlebutt next season. Check out all the entries including the top 10 at the Commodore's Ball.

Art Veldhuizen Bill Wickett Daniela Stan Don Wood Drew Dulmage Jean Robinson Julie Wickett Kim Short Marielle Mantha-Aikenhead Nancy Verbunt Sarah Almeida Stan McCall Sue Fletcher Sue Millar



Time to put the boats to bed for a long winter's nap.





Photo by; Karyn Maddeaux

Photo by; Deb Hauser

# Ascension Island: Soon to be the largest marine protected area in the Atlantic Ocean

by noonsite.com 22 Oct 05:51 UTC Lots of marine life and snorkeling opportunities in crystal clear waters. © Rod Morris

Ascension Island, just 88 sq km, lies roughly halfway between the horn of South America and Africa and is part of a British Overseas Territory. Although a traditional port of call for ships on the Cape of Good Hope route, the few yachts that sail on this route only occasionally stop at Ascension. <u>noonsite.com</u>.

Predominantly a communications center for the likes of the RAF, the US Air Force, and the European Space Agency, it's what lies beneath the Island that makes its waters in need of protection.



This tiny island sits on the summit of a 10,000-foot underwater volcano, like <u>Tristan da Cunha</u> and the <u>Azores</u>, on the mid-Atlantic volcanic ridge one of the world's longest mountain ranges. This extensive deep-sea ecosystem houses an abundance of rare marine species and in excess of 25,000 green turtle nests are laid annually on the island.

In August 2019 <u>the Ascension Island government</u> announced plans to turn its national waters into a marine protected area, and this month the U.K. government confirmed they will allocate 7 million pounds (\$8.5 million) for marine conservation, some of which will go towards maintaining the Ascension MPA.

Within the MPA it is proposed that commercial fishing and mineral extraction will be prohibited, mainly enforced using satellite monitoring.

Visiting yachts need to apply for a permit in advance, see <u>Noonsite's Ascension Island information</u> for further details.

#### For more information:

- UK Government: Blue Belt Ascension Island Update
- Largest marine protected area in Atlantic Ocean will soon be official National Geographic

This article has been provided by the courtesy of <u>noonsite.com</u>. <u>https://www.sail-worldcruising.com/news/223285/Ascension-Island-set-for-MPA</u>

## The Land Down Under

If you sent an email in September to the <u>info@fpyc.ca</u> you may have notice the out of office message. Yes, Troy and I escaped for three glorious weeks to enjoy the beauty that Australia has to offer.

It was a 23 hour trek from Pearson Airport to Sydney including a brief layover in Vancouver. With no time to waste Troy and I threw on our shoes and hit the sidewalk as it was 9am and we had

things to see. The Sydney waterfront trail was lovely with the Royal Botanic Gardens on one side and Sydney harbour on the other. Do mind that you walk on the left side of the paths as you may get run over by all the Aussies who jog along the pathways and I'll tell you there are a lot of them! We explored beaches and watched as the surfers caught the waves in. I'm sure if my zoom lens was strong enough it would have shown them all with chattering teeth and purple lips. The Pacific Ocean was very cold. The cliff top coastal walk from Bondi Beach to Coogee offered breathtaking views.





From the Sydney coast line up to Cairns for a little snorkelling on the Great Barrier Reef. What a beautiful day. The colours of the water and the fish were magnificent. I found my favourite pastime. Exploring Cairns we came across a yacht club that was hosting youth sailing lessons. At least our kids don't have to worry about crocs! With so much more to explore we were on the move again. Further up the coast to the Daintree Rainforest totalling over 1200 square kilometers in size. This is the world's oldest rainforest estimated to be 180 million years old. We couldn't help but think of the

movie Avatar. The forest was incredible. This is also where I was able to cuddle a koala.

From Cairns we headed into the interior to Alice Springs. This was my first experience being in a desert. We jumped into our campervan and drove the 5.5 hours to get to Uluru and Kata Tjuta. These impressive formations did not disappoint. As rugged and seemingly lifeless as the terrain was it was impossible not to see the beauty that it offered. No matter how beautiful, both Troy and I agreed that we longed for the ocean and the desert was not for us.



We flew into Melbourne, picked up our rental car and headed off to the Great Ocean Road. It felt right being along side the ocean again. We started the journey in Torquay and followed the coastal drive towards Port Campbell. We hiked many waterfall trails with impressive gum trees and palms



that felt like we were in Jurassic Park. Oh but the ocean, it has a way of pulling you back in. The crashing waves on the rocks forever changing the landscape one day at a time. There are only 8 of the 12 apostles still standing

off the shore of Port Campbell National Park. These limestone stacks have been warn by Mother Nature and her salty waters causing several of the apostles to fall. This rugged coastline was nothing short of spectacular.

We left Australia exhausted and wishing we had more time to explore this amazing country and all that it has to offer. We may go back someday but for now there is just so much more to see in this wonderful world of ours. Happy Travels Everyone!



Cheers, Deb Hauser



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# NaiKun closes in on offshore wind partnership with major player

Published Aug 22, 2019 8:54 CEST Author Ivan Shumkov

August 22 (Renewables Now) - NaiKun Wind Energy Group Inc (CVE:NKW) seems to have found a new partner for its planned offshore wind project on the northwestern coast of British Columbia, Canada.



The company said on Wednesday it has signed an indicative offer with a "major" offshore wind player to develop the wind resource in Hecate Strait, within the traditional territory of the Haida Nation. The two parties are currently negotiating a definitive agreement.

"After months of work and lengthy engagements with numerous offshore wind companies, we are very pleased to be making this step to see the project move forward into a significant development phase," commented Michael O'Connor, president and CEO of NaiKun.

The company teamed up with sector major Ørsted A/S (CPH:ORSTED) two years ago with the goal of developing the project, but the Danish group abandoned the plan in October 2018. Since then, NaiKun has been looking for a new partner. According to its website, the project has provincial and federal regulatory approvals for a capacity of 400 MW.

https://renewablesnow.com/news/naikun-close s-in-on-offshore-wind-partnership-with-major-player-666138/



## Karyn's Kitchen

A tried and true yummy recipe submitted by Steve and Paula Burgin.

## **PUMPKIN CHEESECAKE**

¾ Cup (175 ml) 1/3 Cup (75 ml)	chocolate wafer crumbs finely chopped pecans
3 tbsp. (45 ml)	butter, melted
1-1/2 Cups (375ml)	canned pumpkin
3	eggs
½ Cup (125 ml)	firmly packed brown sugar
1-1/2 tsp. (7 ml)	cinnamon
1⁄2 tsp. (2ml)	each, ground ginger and nutmeg
3 pkgs. 250 g each	cream cheese, either regular or light, softened
1/2 Cup (125 ml)	sugar
1 tbsp. (15 ml)	cornstarch

- Heat oven to 350 F
- Combine first three ingredients. Press onto bottom of a 9" spring form pan. Bake for 10 minutes.
- Whisk together pumpkin, eggs, brown sugar, and spices. Beat cream cheese, sugar and cornstarch until very smooth. Blend in pumpkin mixture. Pour over crust.
- Bake 50 to 55 minutes or until center is just set. Remove from oven and run a knife around sides of pan to loosen. Cool at room temperature. Chill overnight.

Consider trying to drizzle chocolate in a random pattern over the cheesecake. Melt 2 squares of semi-sweet chocolate in a small plastic bag. (Microwave on mid-power in 10-second intervals ....be cautious, it can get hot!) Squish the melted chocolate to a corner of the bag and snip off a small piece. Squeeze out the chocolate like using a piping bag. Garnish the top of the cake with pecan pieces.



## Ask Andrew – Carbon Monoxide

Canadian Yachting Oct 10, 2019

When operating at a slow idle, carbon monoxide can build up and blow back into the vessel.

As the seasons change and we move from warm summer into cooler fall, many fanatic boaters (especially those with

cabin space) begin to use on-board heaters to extend the boating season. I was recently asked about some of the dangers associated with having heaters aboard – and I launched into a lecture about ventilation and the danger of Carbon Monoxide.

As I thought about the subject after the fact, I realized that there's a bigger story, here. The story is so big, in fact, that there are questions on carbon monoxide on the test necessary in obtaining your boater's license (Pleasure Craft Operator's Card) in Canada. That said, to most boaters, carbon monoxide poisoning is one of those terms that they hear, but without understanding exactly what it is, it's dangers, and methods of detection and prevention.

Anything aboard that involves burning a fuel (engine combustion (gas or diesel), diesel/propane onboard heaters, fuel burning stoves, generators, and barbeques), produces carbon dioxide by the natural incomplete burning of the oxygen in the air. If the oxygen being burned is coming from enclosed cabin spaces, it will no longer be available for breathing – all that will be left is the poisonous carbon monoxide exhaust gas.

The statistics are frightening: US coast guard ranks carbon monoxide poisoning among the top 5 causes of death of boaters. According to a 2017 US coast guard report: there have been 800 reported cases of carbon monoxide poisoning related to boating in the last 15 years (2002-2017), with 140 fatalities. In Ontario from 2001 to 2007 (the last period I can find numbers for), there were 74 accidental deaths from asphyxia due to furnace fumes and vehicle exhaust.

To make matters worse, the term 'silent killer' is highly accurate: Carbon monoxide is colourless and odourless. That said, there are a number of preventative measures that can be taken aboard, to protect yourself and your guests from being exposed and injured:

These exhaust tubes are inadequately secured to the boats muffler, potentially leaking exhaust fumes into the engine compartment.

1) Where both gas and diesel engines produce carbon monoxide, gasoline engines produce higher levels

2) Cold, poorly tuned, and overloaded engines produce more CO thank warm, properly tuned and load-matched engines

3) Each engine aboard (running engines and generators) should have their own exhaust line, venting exhaust gases overboard



4) Engine compartment blowers should be properly positioned, operable, with blower hoses secured and no rips/tears in the hose

5) Despite CO gases being vented overboard, boaters should still be aware of how CO gases can collect :

a. Boats with aft canvas enclosures can create the 'station wagon effect': exhaust gases are captured beneath the canvas and don't allow the CO to disperse

b. Swimmers/waterskiers should be kept well away from the exhaust vents when engines/generators are running

c. Swimmers should stay away from areas where CO gases can accumulate: beneather or around swim platforms and between pontoons

d. When rafting two vessels together, or docking against a seawall, CO can collect in areas that might otherwise be well ventilated

e. When riding with the bow high, exhaust gases may collect in cabin spaces and enclosed areas



While not an ideal generator installation, at least the generator is in a well ventilated area!

6) Cabin heaters that burn fuel (wood, paper, diesel) should have an independent exhaust flue, allowing exhaust to be vented topside

7) Non-electric stoves, water heaters and other appliances should never be used when unattended or when users aboard are sleeping (when CO poisoning symptoms may not be evident), and should only be used during periods when there is adequate ventilation in the cabin spaces

Beyond all of these preventative measures, is the detection of the poisonous gases. The American Boat and Yacht Council (ABYC) standard for carbon monoxide detection systems (A-24) requires that any boat with a cabin or sleeping area requires a CO detector. CO detectors can be battery powered, or wired into the boat's electrical system (but should include a block on the electrical panel to prevent the detector from being accidentally turned off). CO detectors had received negative reviews in past years due to their tendency to go off during periods of high humidity and other 'nuisance type' alarms. Modern CO detectors, especially those designed for marine use have been improved significantly.

#### Please read this as you stow your boat:

A final note, as a reminder for those who are involved with winterizing and shrink-wrapping – whether you've hired a contractor or are a do-it-yourselfer: Heat shrink guns produce a very high

level of CO as shrink-wrap plastic is being heated. Be careful in areas of poor ventilation, and never heat shrink-wrap from the inside of the wrap.

Stay safe on the water.



Andrew McDonald is the owner of Lakeside Marine Services – a boat repair/maintenance firm based in Toronto. Andrew has worked in the marine industry for 12 years and is a graduate of the Georgian College 'Mechanical Techniques - Marine Engine Mechanic' program.

Questions or comments for Andrew? Email him directly via: <u>askandrew@lakesidemarineservices.ca</u>

http://www.canadianyachting.ca/diy/safety/5276-ask-andrew-carbonmonoxide



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Follow along with our FPYC club members on their travels!

## John, Kathryn, Simon & Wavey Middleton

WakaNahannis at Sea

Bahamas: Part 3



Steve & Lise Denison GaYa End of 2019



## **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/

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#### Press - Star Sailors League

http://finals.starsailors.com/

Ontario Sailing https://ontariosailing.ca