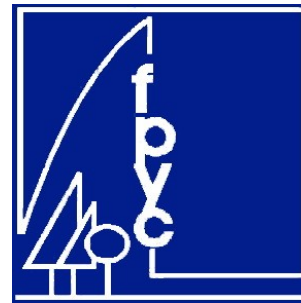


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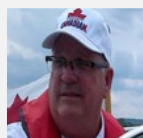
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From the Bridge...

Stephen Middleton, Commodore

October



Here we are the week after Thanksgiving and haul-out is well and truly underway. Getting the boat ready for winter is a lot of work and there seems to be more of it each year. Definite sign of age - you do the same things you always did and they take longer and feel harder. That said, Asherah is on the hard and for the first time in four years the mast is horizontal.

Mast-up, mast-down? It is an ongoing, fiercely debated topic, one that I normally give a wide berth but this year it seems like such a refreshing change from the US election debates that I just can't resist. Most years I choose to keep the mast up. My reasons are simple; I have seen firsthand the risks inherent in raising and lowering a fifty foot pole that sits on a floating base. Not to mention, for those with keel stepped masts, actually threading the enormous needle through the hole in the deck. The consequences of error are very real and immediate. There is no question about cause and effect. And besides that, it is a lot of extra work.

On the con-side, we have the argument about added stresses on the boat while it is not supported in its natural environment. That and the increased risk of the whole thing, cradle, boat and mast, just blowing over. These feel like more theoretical risks. To investigate these, I have taken the chance inherent in extrapolating from a little knowledge, and played around with formulas that calculate the pressure of different speeds of wind on a pole sticking straight up in the air (you can Google anything these days - just be very careful how you phrase the question!) My answer was a number that seemed quite small relative to the forces that a sailing boat is designed to take while underway. Additionally, my view of the falling over phenomenon is that it is more dependent on how the cradle is positioned and the ground under it than it is on wind pressure on a stick. But enough on this topic, the uppers and downers are all going to continue doing what they have always done anyway. The real significance of haul out is that it signals the clear and definite end of the season. A time when most of you turn your attention to winter interests and the FPYC board starts thinking about next year.

The first question for the 2017 season is a question of "Who?" That is, who will be serving on the Board to ensure that all of the work gets done to make sure that those cruises and social events we enjoy, actually do happen? I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone on the board for their time and dedication. The typical BOD member is a very busy person, with a demanding day job, who still carves out and contributes the time and energy required to make FPYC a success. There are a number of changes to the board for next year.

First off, I must acknowledge those who have given such great service and are stepping down in 2017:

Lise Denison - Secretary, Cate Baldwin - Social, Brian Sommers - Membership and Nigel Spink - Cruising. Thanks to each of you for contribution to the club.

Next, a welcome to those who are volunteering for the board for 2017:

Elizabeth (Betty) Van Klink - Secretary, Chris Pollard - Membership, Judie Galvin - Cruising

...continued

From the Bridge—Continued

At this time we are still looking for a director to share the work on the Social program for next year. If you are able to help out in this role, or if there is a particular event that you would be willing to take on, please contact either Bill Wickett or me. Your help will be very much appreciated.

We will also be giving careful consideration to what you, the members, want in a racing program. Over the past several seasons FPYC members have had the option to participate with the Newport Yacht Club in their racing program. Garry Cooke, FPYC Racing Director, is currently in discussions with Newport about the future of this arrangement. Over the past several seasons Garry has offered a number of other racing options within FPYC, most recently we have proposed pursuit races on weekends. There has not been a high level of uptake for these alternatives. We now want to hear from you about your interest and what you want to see in racing within FPYC. We will have more to follow on this topic over the next two months.

The rewards of the Commodore's role are significant. They arise from seeing the value that FPYC delivers to our members, their appreciation, and the people you get to work with to make that happen. Put these together and you have a compelling reason to volunteer. Continuing in their role with the board, their contribution to the club and to my personal enjoyment of the Commodore role, we have:

Jayne Herring - Communications, Sue Millar - Cruising, Jeff Shrubb - Treasurer, Bill Wickett - Social, Cindy Shrubb - Membership and Dave Goede - Website. Thank you all.

On a final note, my two year term as Commodore ends at the AGM in November. We are looking for the next FPYC Commodore. I can say from experience that this is a very satisfying and rewarding role. If you know someone who you think will fit, please do talk to them about stepping forward. In the mean time, I am planning to retire from work next year and, assuming I can make it stick this go-round, will have more personal time available (at least that is the plan.) In the absence of a candidate for 2017, and with membership approval, I am in a position to volunteer to stay in the role for another season, but will not be able to continue into 2018.

Given the circumstances, I want to know that we have the next Commodore ready to take on the role this time next year. There are many club members who could do a great job, we just need one (or more) of you to take the plunge. Starting date is flexible. Give me a call. You will be glad you did.

Stephen

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

FPYC AGM

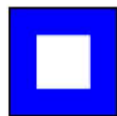
on

Sunday, November 27th

2:00 p.m.

Ingleddale House, FPYC

More info to come.....



FPYC

2016 Commodore's Ball

Date: November 12, 2016

Time: Cash bar at 6:00, Dinner at 7:00.
Dancing to a live band after dinner

Location: Jordan Beacon Harbourside Hotel and Suites
2793 Beacon Blvd., Jordan ON

Cost: \$55 per person

Menu: choice of entrée req'd at time of ticket purchase

- Prime Rib
- Chicken Supreme
- Salmon Filet with lemon dill sauce
- Includes salad, sides, dessert, wine at table

Accommodation:

Hotel has reserved a block of 10 standard rooms available at \$89.95 for the night of November 12. **Cut off date for these reservations is Oct 1, 2016.**

Individual room reservations may be made by calling the hotel directly at 905-562-4155

Tickets are available at the marina from:

Anne Middleton F26

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Email with order or questions social@fpyc.ca



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Christine's Galley

Deconstructed Baked Potato



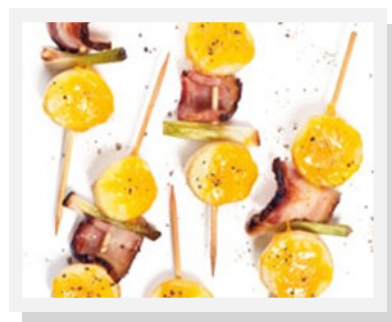
All the flavours of a classic baked potato in this easy to eat appetizer

Ingredients

12 baby potatoes
3 slices of thick-cut bacon
6 green onions
1 teaspoon vegetable oil
3/4 cup finely grated cheddar cheese
1/2 cup sour cream
Freshly ground black pepper

Directions

If using wooden skewers, soak in warm water for 20 minutes
Meanwhile preheat oven to 400 degrees
Slice each potato in half
Cut each slice of bacon crosswise into 4 pieces
Cut the thickest part from each green onion (white and green)
Slice white parts in half so that each piece is about 2 inches long



To Skewer

Cut potato in half (cut side facing up on baking sheet) carefully push potato halfway down skewer
Thread a piece of bacon, leaving space in between each ingredient when assembling
Skewer a piece of green onion, then another potato half
Place on a large baking sheet - foil/parchment lined
Repeat with remaining pieces
Turn each potato so its outside up
Lightly brush cut side of potato with oil
Bake in centre of oven for 18 minutes or until potatoes are almost fork tender and bacon is almost crisp
Remove from oven
Pile some cheddar on cut side of each potato
Continue baking for 5 minutes more or until potatoes are fork tender, bacon is crisp and cheese is melted
Sprinkle with black pepper
Serve warm baked potato skewers with sour cream for dipping

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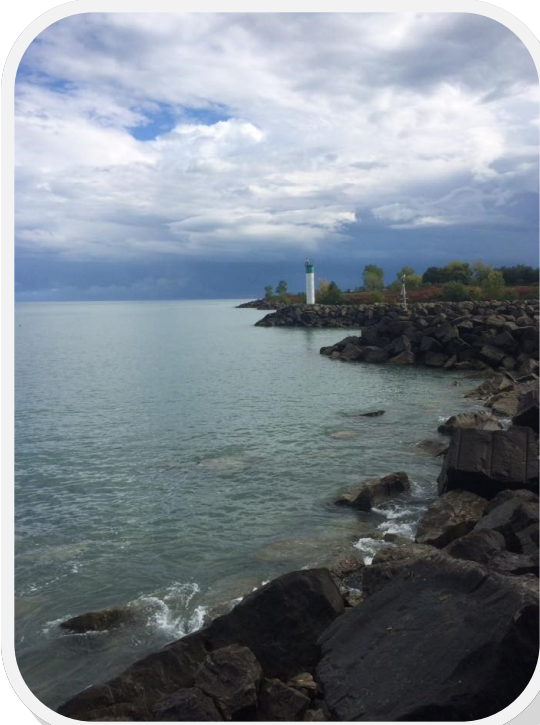


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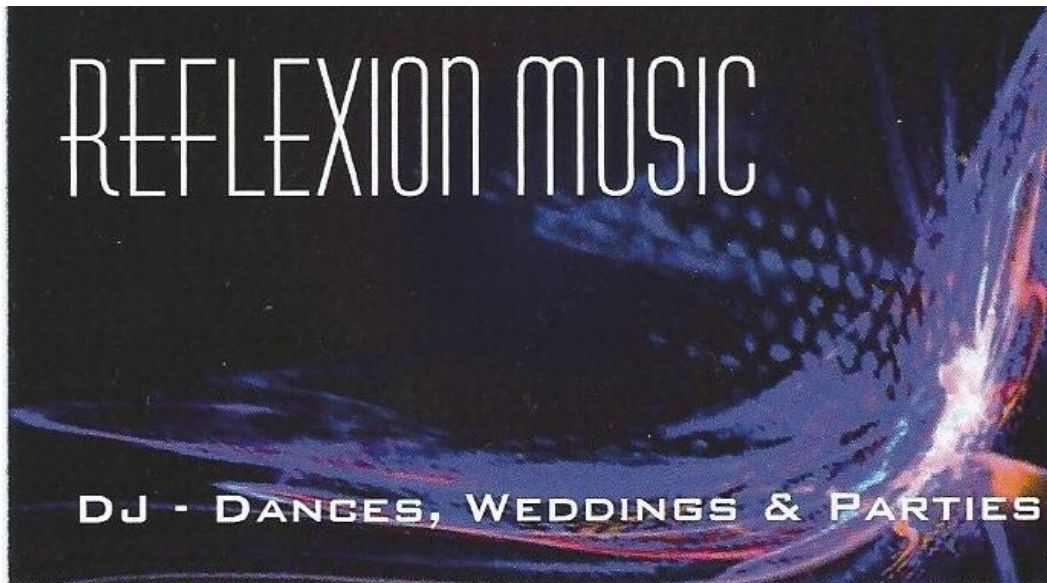


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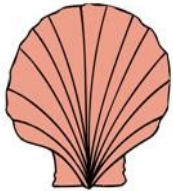
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