



## SOCIAL

*By Hans Juffermans*

Have you noticed the days getting shorter? It's hard to believe we're midway through the sailing and social season! And what a social season it's been so far. We had all the right ingredients for a great Sailpast. There was plenty of wind, sun (no rain), food and liquid refreshment.



While only one visiting Commodore was in attendance, we're sure he carried home tales of yet another fun time at HYC. This year we had new convenors for Sailpast, Becky and Mike Masterson. Who would have thought the former harbourmaster would be so good as assistant convenor for one of our major social functions! Many thanks, Becky and Mike. You did a terrific job.

## COMMODORE

*By Mary Ann Pope*

### Sailing, Working & Socializing

This summer has seen plenty of all three. There have been many days of fair winds for sailing so far this year. The Friday night Beer Can races have had excellent participation with many boats represented out on the lake. Thank you to Richard and Marissa for organizing and timing the race and for feeding the sailors.

As I write this, the last bit of work is being done on our new walk bridge. Watching the bridge take form has been very interesting - from the delivery of two beams and some pieces of metal - to the beautiful new structure which has been put into place by the crane. It has been hot work. Many members have generously contributed their talents and the final product is fantastic. Thank you to all who participated.

There has been lots of socializing so far this summer as well. It started out a little cloudy but the Open Boat Show turned out to be a very successful event. Everyone enjoyed seeing 'down below' on the other boats. Thank you to Jim and Lenore for a great event. Ron and Al once again shared their talents in the Art Show on the second floor of the club house. Thank you.

The sun shone this year on the Invitational Children's Day. George and Gwen once again organized the day that was not only enjoyed by the children and their escorts, but also by the members of HYC. Thank you for a rewarding day.

The Lobsterfest was blessed with a beautiful sunny, warm day. 115 lobsters were invited to dinner. And they were enjoyed by all. Delicious strawberry shortcake rounded out

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Lenore and Jim Weaver did another outstanding job in hosting the in-the-water Boat Show on June 17. The weather again co-operated. This time your social director was not in the middle of a major project onboard, and was able to enter his boat in the show. What fun it was to clean it up and show it off. Hope everyone enjoyed it as much as Devocean did.

The following weekend was the now-traditional Children's Sailing Day, again sponsored and organized by Gwen and George Rogan. Apparently more boats signed up than George could find children for. Way to go Hawkestone! The winds were just right for novice sailors and anyone who participated had a good time by all accounts. As usual George was the consummate MC, although we think the tale about 'buck-an-ear' (buccaneer) was quite droll.

To wind up the month of June we had the Lobsterfest on the 30<sup>th</sup>. This too was hosted by new convenors, the Robinsons and Hessers. What a fabulous event it was. Again the weather was top notch, even a tad too warm perhaps? We had plenty of wind for those that sailed during the day. The wind continued to offset the heat during dinner, and even turned a few umbrellas inside out. The lobsters were big and tasty and everything went very well. You would have thought the hosts were old hands at this event. Just shows how much hard work they put into things. Don't know how many trips they made back and forth from the beach to the clubhouse, or time spent hauling tables, or cleanup even the next day, but we all give you a hearty thanks for stepping up to take over and providing the attendees with a day and meal to talk about well into next season. Did I hear we sold a record number of lobsters? That will be a tough act to follow.

The social calendar will be quiet until later in July when we look forward to two annual events; the pig roast at LCYC and the Sun & Moon Cruise. These take place on the last two Saturdays in July.

As we head into August we will premier a new social event, the Captain Ron night. I am assured by all in the know that all sailors worth their salt, have not only seen the movie but own a copy. Your social director now has his own copy. This event is hosted by Pat & Frank Belchamber, who are avid fans of the cult movie. So get a copy of the movie, study up as there will be a quiz with prizes aplenty, plan your costume, and get your tickets early as there is a limit due to seating restrictions in the clubhouse. Refreshments will also be served. Can you ask for more? Come and participate in this new social adventure. Mark your calendar for August 4.

The next August event will be the beef barbecue on the 18<sup>th</sup>. Once again we will have new convenors, the Strabbings. Knowing the family connections, we can be sure the Tielens (Marisa in particular) will play a part in this event. We commend Enza and Rob for stepping up to convene one of our best-attended and most popular events. Looking forward to it. Get your tickets early, so they can plan for the numbers. The beef has been ordered!

We then turn our calendar pages to the long Labour Day weekend with its LSIS races hosted by HYC. Most of the meals and events have hosts, but we are looking for another one or two for breakfast this weekend. This will end our major events during the sailing season. We still have lift-out with pot luck lunches and the grand finale, Commodore's Ball. This year the Ball is on Oct. 20 to be held at the same locale as last year.

While not directly a social director's event, I would be remiss if I didn't comment on the Friday, friendly (?) race nights. These have been very well attended. We've even had wind, and lots of it on some nights. Not so much on an occasional night.

the dinner. Many thanks to Bob, Roz, Karen, Jim and their helpers for a very successful event.

All this and summer is not even half over! So much more to come:

- Lagoon City Pig Roast
- Sun and Moon Cruise
- Captain Ron Night
- Beef BBQ

There is so much to enjoy and take part in here at HYC. Here's to continued Sailing, Working and Socializing together!

Cheers!

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## HYC WEB SITE INFO

All members should keep themselves familiarized with the information posted in the members' section of the web site.

If you do not remember the login and passwords, please send e-mail.

Our By-law and supplementary letters patent are posted in this section.

On the left side of the table are:

- Member request form for use of HYC Premises – this must be filled out and submitted to the Board for approval.
- General Messages – a general message board that is for member usage.
- Club Regalia for sale – lets you know about HYC items and prices
- The membership directory for each year, with slip and phone numbers
- HYC Policies and Rules - also in the Club booklet distributed each year
- Summary of Motions Document – This contains motions passed by the Boards of Directors and sets the precedent for situations.
- The Prescribed Rates Schedule which sets out the fees that are charged.

On the right side of the table:

- The Property Director has work party info as well as long term projects and the Oro recycling guidelines
- The Harbourmaster also has a section to communicate harbour layout and lift info.

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# TELLTALES



The social part comes in after the race with a gathering at the clubhouse. Once again we thank Marisa for anchoring the refreshments. Her example seems to have spurred others to bring some of their favourite nibbles for all to taste. These casual social gatherings are a great addition to our sailing schedule.

So mark your calendars to include as many events as you can. Come out and enjoy and consider taking on the hosting of an event. We have had great participation with new folks taking on events to host and thank each of you for doing so.

Here's to sailing, sun, suds and super people willing to help and participate. We couldn't do it without our people. Many thanks to our Hawkestone people for lending a hand to a new social director. I couldn't do it without you.  
Hans

## TREASURER

*By John Logrippo*

Greetings to all members.

Well here we are in the middle of July and it feels like we've already been through a summer and a half. It's definitely been hot and dry but along with that we've had a amazing wind. Let's hope it keeps up for the rest of the summer.

Our finances are still in good shape but we should brace ourselves for a major hit. We knew that dredging was in our budget for later this year but it appears that the estimated cost (based on previous dredges) will be "blown out of the water". The latest quotes are almost 50% higher than what we budgeted for. Our Harbour Master is looking at alternatives but no matter what the outcome, we will have a major expense on our hands this fall.

It should also be pointed out that we've already spent \$6215 on emergency dredging around the culvert. It couldn't wait until the fall.

It's also been decided that we have to replace our aging and worn motor and winch assembly for our mast crane. Early estimates from our property manager would indicate around the \$4000 mark.

We will have spent (upon completion) just over \$5000 on the reconstruction of our walking bridge which is definitely a great investment. Thanks to Ron Marsh, Richard Tielen, Albert Lambert and their crews for building a bridge that should last for at least a century!

We also spent almost \$1000 on emergency repairs to our sewage pump, and \$1500 on crushed stone to level out our parking area. Most other expenditures were routine.

Our lobster fest was a great success this year as we netted just over \$500 after expenses. Great job from Bob and Rosalind Hesser as well as Jim and Karen Robinson and the entire crew involved.

All in all though we are still in good shape financially and barring any unexpected expenditures we should survive the 2012 season. *Just a quick reminder that the monetary rate for uncompleted work hours has increased from \$25 to \$50 and the tracking of these hours will coincide with our billing period – i.e., Oct 1 to Sept 31. The mandatory number of hours to be worked remains at 10.*

Happy and safe sailing for the rest of the summer....



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## Trent Severn Crossing With Cs'ta Time

By Kory Keeping

Recently I had the privilege to assist the crew of Cs'ta Time to bring her from Hawkestone to Victoria Harbour. We set out early on Monday morning (July 16th, 2012) at 6:45 am. Terry and Betty-Anne came down to send us off. We made the first lock in 3.5 hours of motoring. Lake Couch was quiet and well-marked.



The second lock was Swift River; it was amazing the drop was 47 feet equal to a five storey building and the lineups were minimal since we travelled during the week. We made it thru without a scratch.



The third lock was the Marine Railway which was a sight to see, if you haven't been yet you should make a mini breakaway and

check it out by car. The boats get lifted out of the water on slings and are brought down the railway system. You should know exactly where to sling your boat as there is no way of checking when enroute. The staffs were excellent and most helpful.



The last lock was almost boring the drop is small in comparison and only fits one vessel at a time. The exciting part is the trek under Highway 400 thru a maze of buoys which bring you to Georgian Bay.

Jorge choose Queen's Cove Marina in Victoria Harbour which was a well-appointed marina. The marina had nice washrooms and showers. A swimming pool was located just outside the washrooms. They had facilities to do major repairs on vessels. Jorge, Kim and I rested until the following day. It took 11 hours from HYC to Queens Cove Marina I estimate adding a couple hours to the voyage if you travel on the weekend.

We raised the mast with the assistance of employees of the marina. The mast stepper was smaller than the one at Hawkestone which did the job. The workers ran the manual lift and the mast was erected even with the strong winds were fought. The mast stepper was at the end of a pier and Cs'ta Time filled the spot completely. The price of the crane was \$75.00 and the slip fees were \$1.50 per foot per night. Doral charges \$100.00 to lift the mast and \$1.75 per foot per night. Sometimes they will let you stay for fee one night if you lift your mast there. It is wise to call ahead and make arrangements.



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The following day Jorge treated us to a meal at the Quarter Deck Restaurant which is just off of the property. The burgers were good and the beer was cold - what else do you need?

## The Foot Bridge...

Oh, oh. With the rails and decking removed, the beams are worse than we thought.



The steel has arrived - time to weld the pieces and paint it up.





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New decking & rails gives us a beautiful bridge to.. well, nowhere until the crane arrives.



At last - The Opening Party!



All that's left is the cleanup...



And no more crossing by water!

