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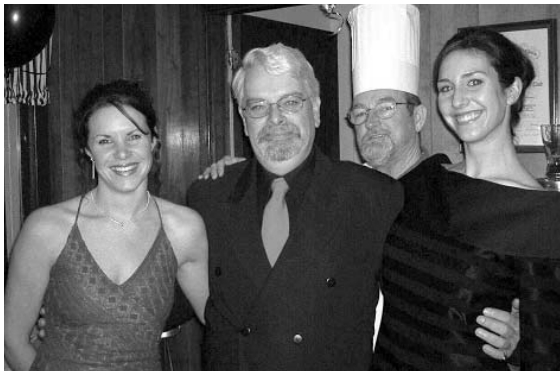
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ARMDALE YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER



HAPPY NEW YEAR - WELCOME TO 2004



New Years Eve
Debra, Paul, Stan, Raelene



New Years Day Levee Reception Line
Tony Cook, Norman Raine, Terry Hill,
Dave Hickey, Kristine Jagoe, Linda Mosher,
Tom Harper

Commodore - Tom Harper

Last night was one of those times when being the commodore is one of the best jobs in the world. As you have all heard from me (over and over and over again), I have always been a big believer in the importance of volunteers. I believe that volunteering brings a real sense of community to the club. It introduces new members to old, involves and exposes members to the tremendous amount of behind the scenes work that takes place to make Armdale the club it is. From a purely practical point of view, it also saves us money, money that would otherwise have to come from increased dues and fees. Last night I was at the club to congratulate the hardworking group that volunteered during our Annual Cleanup. House Chair Terry Hill and Vice Commodore Dennis Harding supervised a group of over 20 club members, who scrubbed, washed, painted and repaired. From one end of the clubhouse to the other, nothing was left unturned. I would encourage all of you to take the time to volunteer when you can, where you can. In addition, whenever you see, or hear of, a fellow member pitching in take a minute to say "thank you"

Now that the Cleanup is finished we can look ahead to a new year, a virtually new board with lots of new ideas. Its only 3 months or so until I see you on the water!!

Tommy



AYC - JAN 04 VIEW FROM HERRING COVE ROAD



TONY COOK PRESENTS DAN PRIDE AN AYC MUG



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FROM THE EDITOR

Hello, I hope everyone had a great Holiday season and if you are like me, your looking forward to a new season of fun on the water. January is traditionally the month for renewal and new beginnings. AYC is no exception. We have some new faces on the Committee of Management including mine. I would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude and sincere appreciation to John Banks, our previous BURGEE editor, and to Andrew Bryson, our previous WEBMASTER. Their time and energy producing many BURGEE s and many WEBPAGES is a constant reminder to us that we have great people at AYC. The many volunteers we have to keep the members informed makes AYC one of the best clubs in the country. In addition, on behalf of all members, thank you to all out going members of the 2003 Committee of Management (COM). Well done (Bravo Zulu) to all. I look forward to working with everyone on the 2004 COM, AYC Management, and the Boat yard Staff and wish you success in the upcoming year. For those of you who do not know me, I have been a AYC Senior member since 1997. Since that time I have served on the Committee of Management (COM) as Secretary for a year (1998) and enjoyed that experience immensely. I am married (32 years +) to my wonderful wife Cynthia, who likes to go for a sail once in a while, but prefers the cruise ships with all the amenities aboard (to be honest, I like them as well especially in those southern climates.) I own a boat called Lightning, which is an Hboat (www.hboat-class.org). These boats are very common in Europe and are fun to sail, and fun to race. The racing part is a little harder than the lazy cruising part but once in a while I get the urge and join in with the Wednesday night or a Saturday race. I intend to do more of that in 2004 and look forward to participating again. I have enjoyed reading the BURGEE for many years and I have always wanted to contribute to its production in some way. I have already been approached by several members, and I welcome articles, pictures etc that will either be in the BURGEE or will end up on the website. A new feature will be entitled "LOOKING ASTERN" and will reflect the memories of current and past members of AYC. If you have a story, please share it with us.

Don't forget, send pictures, either by email (aycwebmaster@eastlink.ca) or by dropping them off at the bar, or the main office with BURGEE EDITOR written on the package.

GO GREEN GO SAILING

Gregg Flynn 477-0940
Lightning - H36

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VICE COMMODORE REPORT

I would like to thank the membership for giving me the opportunity to serve as your Vice Commodore for 2004. I also would like to thank and congratulate the Committee of Management for 2003 on a very successful and productive year. They lead and safely navigated AYC throughout 2003. It's hard to get into the boating frame of mind this time of year when the wind chill is - 40 deg C and the arm is iced over. But we can always dream about that first trip down the arm in the spring. There is no better feeling then that first trip down the arm after a long winter. You instantly forget about everything, all worries and stresses are forgotten (Well at least until we arrive back at the dock). Fortunately it is mid January and before we know it the yard staff will be preparing for the first launch of the season. AYC ended 2003 and started 2004 with two very successful functions. We had an outstanding New Years Eve Party with approx. 130 + people in attendance. The 2003 entertainment chair did an excellent job of organizing and the setting up for this event. This was complemented by the outstanding buffet and service provided by the caterers and staff. The New Years day levee was also a successful event. We had a great turn out by members and guests. We need to again thank Stan and Sharon Lloyd of Sweetwater Catering for contributing refreshments and chowder to this event.

The club was closed for maintenance during the first week of the January and what a successful work period it was. The improvements will be obvious to anyone who has recently visited the clubhouse. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Terry Hill (House Chair 2004) and his entire work crew un-behalf of the AYC Membership.

The new amendments to the bylaws were approved at the special meeting held 03 December 2003 and have been submitted for registration. The Bylaws Committee worked hard throughout 2003 so our membership could have an up to date document, which reflects our present day-to-day operations. The Bylaws will be mailed out to all members early in February with the house and yard rules attached. The Bylaws Committee as well as all the other various committees for 2003 deserve our gratification and respect for a job well done.

We have a lot of exciting projects and activities starting in the New Year. Presently we are putting the required committees in place to plan and manage all the 2004 projects/activities. There is a lot more to report but I will save it for the budget meeting or the next edition of the Burgee. If you have any concerns, questions, comments or suggestions please feel free to contact me. My door is always open and the phone is always on. I am looking forward to seeing everyone around the club in the New Year.

Be safe and keep warm. Dennis Harding

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FLEET CAPTAIN SAIL REPORT

Happy New Year to all. We just came home from the AYC Levee and what a grand time. All our yachting friends dreaming of the season to come with our yachts gift-wrapped on shore in their cradles and the more adventuresome few floating in their bubbly environment. No floating for our 40-year-old plywood vessel though, gift wrapped with a fishnet stockings to keep her warm..... Dreaming of the season to come. Speaking of which, we have been busy with the 2004 racing calendar mostly prepared. We have some ideas for additions for which we would like your input. Perhaps the addition of an occasional Sunday race. Not a full crew but a race with just the skipper and the yacht. A single-handed race. Maybe a series of three of these events spread over the season. We have also talked about some added recognition. A new award for the best performance by a skipper who has never before won a trophy. An award for the best overall performance of the three combined Wednesday night series of races. Perhaps breaking the Thursday night 10 race series into two 5-race series and adding an overall award. Talk to us, tell us what you think. We want to do what you want. It is your club.

Most importantly, to make it all happen, we need your help as well as your input. Volunteer for the race committee. There are many roles that need to be filled. Graphics, promotion, sponsorships, protest committees (I know, we will have no need for this committee this coming season but one has to be prepared), awards, planning and the list goes on. Write, call or approach Roy or myself with your help and or ideas.

Next and even more importantly, we are soliciting applications to run the race house this coming season. We have received a suggestion that the race house should be run on a volunteer basis with some sort of non-monetary reward. We would welcome any volunteers for this position keeping in mind it is a large and very important commitment. Being realistic, we also have a budget and are willing to pay an hourly wage to make sure a dedicated individual fills this critical position. If you think you might be that individual, please contact Roy or myself to start some wheels rolling (or sails set).

Watch the next Burgee, the bulletin board and the web page for news of the skippers meeting sometime in March where we set the course for the coming year. Show up and provide input.

Norman Schneiderman, Fleet Captain Sail 477-0906 nnn@hfx.eastlink.ca

Roy Cheverie Rear Commodore 222-0524 charles476@hotmail.com



Awards night took place November 15, 2003 just a few months ago, however I thought it would be a good way to start the new year by inserting the results in the BURGEE. The results have been posted on our website for quite a while with pictures, however I realize that some people do not have access. Gregg

See farewell note from Bob Lee page 5



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REAR COMMODORE'S FAREWELL (November 2003)

Dear Fellow Members,

With mixed feelings I will retire as Rear Commodore at the end of December. It has been a great learning experience at many levels and it was a pleasure working with David Hickey and Tony Cook, the Fleet Captain Cruise and Sail, respectively. On the other hand I will enjoy being less busy in the coming year. We tried very hard to do things well and for the most part I think we did.

The Awards night and Commodore's Ball on Nov. 15 was a great success. The awards presented that evening are indicated below. With respect to the race results, all of these will eventually be posted on the AYC website.

David Hickey will be returning next year as Fleet Captain Cruise and the new Rear Commodore and Fleet Captain Sail will be Roy Cheverie and Norman Schneiderman, respectively. I have every confidence that this team will do an excellent job and has already got off to a fast start; the second draft of the 2004 sailboat racing schedule is already prepared!

Yours sincerely,
Bob Lee

Ice Breaker

First - Brad Boutilier - Doghouse
Second- Vangie Sadler - Melville Island
Third - 6 boats - Genevieve, Highlander, Phantom, Rhumble, Rogue Wave, UNO US

Manufacturers Life - Wednesday Spring Evening Series (in continuous use since 1937)

First - Dan Pride - Highlander
Second- Norman Schneiderman - Rhumble
Third - Bob Lee - Storm

7up - Wednesday Summer Evening Series (first awarded in 1941)

First - Francis Tibbetts - Chapter five
Second- Dan Pride - Highlander
Third - Al Chaddick - Raven

Halifax Daily Star - Wednesday Fall Evening Series (first awarded in 1943)

First - Dan Pride - Highlander
Second- Ed Bloodworth - One-O-One
Third - Norman Schneiderman - Rhumble

Ernest Bell Tray - Women's Thur-Eve-Series

First - Vangie Sadler - Xanadu
Second- Becky Schneiderman - Rhumble
Third - Nancy Morrison - Heatwave

Walter Piers Trophy - Harbour Islands Classic Sept 20

Winner Dan Pride - Highlander

Presented by
Jane Piers,



Frank Mason Trophy - Participation

Tony Cook - Genevieve
Dan Pride - Highlander

Chrysler Marine Trophy - Longest cruise

Bob and Judy Jones - Lemon Hart



Fisherama

Dave Hackett - Bout' Time.

Whitzman Trophy - Most deserving member, first awarded in 1972

Andy Rice

Most Secure Docking Award (special this year only)

Jim (JB) Byrne

Mishaps and Mayhem Award

Bill Haliburton

Royal Bank Performance Cup - season performance, started in 1999/12 race series - 4 drops

First - Bob Lee - Storm

Second- Dan Pride - Highlander

Third - Norman Schneiderman - Rhumble

G.B. isnor - Club Championship, this trophy has been around since 1953.

3 race series - no drops, Race 2, thanks to Juan, postponed to the following weekend.

First - Bill Haliburton - Hummin

Second- Dan Pride - Highlander

Third - Bob Lee - Storm

News Year Eve 2003

I would like to thank the organizing committee and especially the professional dinning room staff for a wonderful New Years Eve outing at your club. The moment I noticed the decorations in the windows as we walked up the hill I felt it was going to be a delightful evening. The friendly atmosphere coupled with the warm ambiance of the dinning room was only surpassed by the politeness and head-turning appeal of a well turned out staff. The time and effort put into the preparation and presentation of the meal was superb. The taste of this fine meal will carry me through the winter I am sure. As I mingled through the full house of members and guests and danced to a fine selection of music I heard many favorable remarks. Again it was pleasure and I look forward to the sight of your "Burgee" on the water this coming season.

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ENTERTAINMENT REPORT

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 Sat. Jan. 24- Matinee, 4:30-7:30 (\$5.00 cover Charge)
 Band: "Luv Handles"- cover tunes, variety of styles,
 Happy Hour- 4:30-6:30
 Dining Room opens at 5PM - CHICKEN & RIBS SPECIAL

Fri., Feb. 6 - By popular demand, Louis Leroux and his guitar
 For dining and listening 6-9 Pm

Sat. Feb. 14- Valentines' Dance 9-1 pm
 Band: " Echoes" 7 piece Horn Band
 Music style- for our age group
 Buffet Meal, Two seatings, 6 & 7:30
 Reservations recommended call 477-7650

Sat. Feb. 28- Beach Party
 Music: Bruce Wheaton

Sat. March 13- St. Patrick's Matinee
 Band: TBA

A.Y.C. BLAZERS

THERE WAS A SEA OF BLUE, A.Y.C. BLAZERS AT THE NEW YEAR'S LEEVE. IN THE 19TH CENTURY, SAILORS ON WARSHIPS IN THE ROYAL NAVY DID NOT WEAR UNIFORMS. A CAPTAIN, WHO WANTED TO CREATE AN IMPRESSION, MIGHT BUY OUTFITS FOR HIS ROWING TEAM WHO TOOK HIM AROUND THE FLEET AND TO THE JETTY. AS HE WAS PAYING HIMSELF AND AS THERE WERE NO UNIFORMS, THE CAPTAIN CHOSE WHATEVER STYLE AND COLOR HE WANTED. HMS CALEDONIA'S CREW WORE A TARTAN. "THE MOST MEMORABLE OUTFITS OF ALL WERE THE SNAPPY BLUE JACKETS WORN BY THE BOAT'S CREW OF HMS BLAZER. THAT IS HOW THE GARMENT GOT ITS NAME."

BARRY MCLEOD

DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE

The Crews Nooze Bulletin



Hello, everyone,, Happy 2004, another season of cruising is fast approaching and we are looking forward to our first cruise of the year. The annual "Dry" cruise to the Oak Island Marina is again, very popular. Details have been posted at the club and are also on our AYC website. To date, 18 out of 25 rooms have been booked. Details for the 2004 cruise season are very plotted and will be published in future BURGEEs and well as the website. See you on the water.

Dave Hickey - Fleet Captain Cruise



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" Little Thrumcap Islet "

We recently witnessed the havoc caused by hurricane "Jaun". In the late 1960's Nature was a bit more subtle and without any storms or tidal surges ' Little Thrumcap disappeared." Little Thrumcap" was a small Islet situated about three tenths of a mile southwest of 'Big Thrumcap'"Big thrumcap' lies southwest of the red clay cliff on the seaward side of " Macnabs" On your chart you will see this somewhere about 44 35 20 N and 63 30 15 W . The "Thrumcap Islands" were attached to "Macnabs" by a shingle beach."Big thrumcap" has a height of about thirty feet. "Little Thrumcap" had a height of about thirty-three feet. If you look at your chart you will see a shoal called "Little Thrumcap Hook" This was the location of "Little Thrumcap" When R.N.S.Y.S. gave up its location near "Point Pleasant Park" to allow the construction of the Container Pier, Eastern Passage was dredged to accommodate the gravel barges that brought the fill for the pier from Silver Sands. We assume that the changes in the currents, caused by the dredging, caused the erosion and destruction of this longtime harbour landmark. **Ken Bell AYC.**

LOOKING ASTERN

Mr. Gilkie lived in Melville Cove and was Ron's grandfather. The monkey belonged to Ernie Cameron. If you think there are some characters at the club now, you have no idea of the stuff that went on in 1950.

Speaking of characters, "Gibby", Mr. Roy Gibb skippered Dr. Arthur Marshall's Roue 20 and took nurses and six year olds like me sailing. Mrs Gibb convened the teas after the races with real, sterling silver trays, coffee pots and cute little sandwiches. "Gibby" is shown here in 1950 with me (Barrie MacLeod), my mom Irene MacLeod and a rabbit that one of the members brought to the club for me. Other members gave me Lionel Trains and drove me to Sunday school as, of course, the club was open on Sunday and my parents were the stewards and we lived upstairs. Then we moved across the street and joined as members. I spent from 4 years old to 16 years old at the club and the members were, without exception, good, kind and generous to me. Stephen Penny's father, Frank, taught myself, Roy Levin and dozens of others to swim and sail. The water was clean enough in 1950 that we swam every day off the wharves at AYC and it was a tradition to toss the winner of races into the drink. In the windows of the basement are beautiful models of warships. The bar was down there in the small area where the lower bar is now. The present baer and lower area where darts are played was another build on in the 1950s. Members brought in their own bottles of booze and put them on what was called corkage. You drank your own stuff. If you didn't drink someone stuck your name on a bottle and there was extra for all.

This house on Deadman's Island was torn down around 1992. There was another house on the island closer to the mainland. When Mr. Boness would dig out a bit of the hill behind his house, it was not uncommon to come across a skeleton and, as I remember it, the N.S.Museum would come and take it. In the winter an arm might stick out of the bank until spring when the rest could be dug out. his photo was given to me in the 1950s by member Steve Sabados' daughter Valerie.

Barrie MacLeod and Roy Levin had lunch at A.Y.C. on Sunday. January 19, 2004 as usual. This photo was taken in 1950 when we were out sailing on JETO (Jessie & Tom), a Tancook schooner owned by Imperial Oil Captain Tom Mountain. In the photo we are on Smitty's harbor craft looking at two of the Bill Lynch Show ponies being ferried to McNabs' Island. When we were a little older we would sail ourselves to McNabs and try to jump on the ponies for a ride. Lynch's owned land on McNabs and the ponies ran free on the island in the 1950s. The boy standing on the steps is me, Barrie MacLeod, in 1950. The steps went into what is now the dining room but was then the sun porch. There was no deck in front of it then. There were Aidrondack chairs, in bright colors, on the lawn by the flag pole and on the roof of what is now the dining room. The present main entrance is a "new" build on. **Barrie MacLeod AYC.**



Thank you Barrie, Gregg