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ARMDALE YACHT CLUB'S NEWSLETTER



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It was a great year for AYC..... races, special events, cruises, raft-ups, parties, dances, BBQs.. what better way to sum it up..... I wish everyone a Happy New Year in 2006.. Gregg



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THE BURGEE EDITOR: Well this is it.. This is the last BURGEE for 2005 and this is the last BURGEE for me. After two years I have decided to move on to other projects and hope that some new blood will come up with new ideas to better the BURGEE to ensure that all members are represented. I know that someone out there will step forward and join the 2006 COM Team. I have enjoyed the past two years doing the BURGEE as well as the AYC WEBSITE. It has been a pleasure to serve the members of the AYC. I want to thank all those who have contributed over the past two and encourage you to do so again with the new Editor. My sincere congratulations to the new Committee of Management. In closing I want to thank the 2005 Committee of Management for their support throughout the year. I have enjoyed working with you all and wish you all success in the future. Special thanks to Russellhouse in Sackville for their support. Wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Best regards, See you at the AYC.....

Gregg Flynn (902) 477-0940

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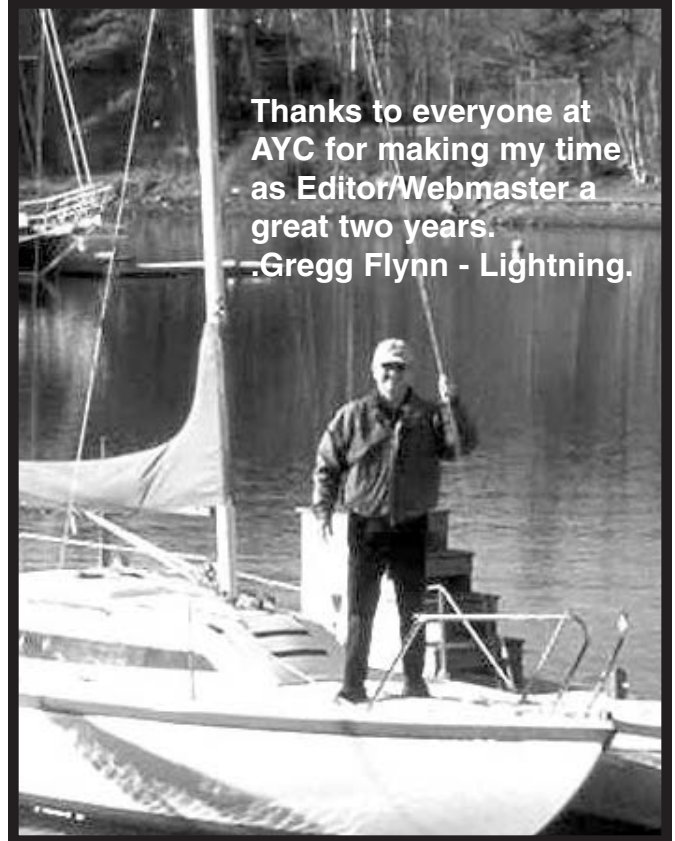
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Thanks to everyone at AYC for making my time as Editor/Webmaster a great two years.
 .Gregg Flynn - Lightning.



Photo: Left:
 Laural Cooper rebuilding the cairn at A.Y.C. where the 200 year old cornerstone of the old wooden prison had been wearing away since the 1950s when it was installed in the cairn, unveiled by then Premier Robert Stanfield. The info is in the history binder in the Commodore's Room. The bronze plaque, that had fallen on the ground, is going back on. Laurel is building the cairn to last a hundred years this time. We put a time capsule inside as there was nothing there from the 1950's crew. The 200 year old corner stone hopefully will go inside the clubhouse as a few more years out in the rain and it will be totally unreadable. Some of the words cannot be made out now. It is fairly thin and could fit right into a wall in the club. Thanks Laural....

Wi - F i , o r W i r e l e s s Fidelity, is now available to visitors as well as members of the AYC. Wi-Fi enabled computers send and receive data indoors and out, anywhere within the range of a base station that is now located at AYC. This is the first yacht club in Nova Scotia offering this service. Our thanks to SolutionInc Limited and Vista Care Communications for making this leap into the future happen at AYC. Visit www.armdaleyachtclub.ns.ca for the links.....



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FLEET CAPTAIN CRUISE REPORT - AGM November, 2005

As the 2005 boating season draws to a close, I reflect on the events of the past year in cruising. With many fond memories, I am glad to report the following as a synopsis of the year. The cruise season 2005 started with the Dry Cruise weekend at Oak Island in February with a great turn out and acclaimed by all to be great fun.

The Spring Seminar series held in May on Wednesday evenings featured Marine Electronics, Dan Matte; Safety Talk, Canadian Coast Guard, Halifax Traffic & Pilotage Authority; and the always entertaining and very welcome James Doug Rosborough with his tales and stories on boat building. Our planned events for late spring were curtailed due to the weather (mostly rainy and more rain) but we managed to have a BBQ in the Sail Training Centre.

McGrath Cove Raft-up trip was another first for AYC Cruise featuring a rescue at sea, dinning and dancing, a wedding and fire works. These were at no cost to AYC or its members thanks to the bride & groom. The Mahone Bay Cruise was well attended and new members enjoyed this event. It was cut short due to weather but still successful and well organized. The Cruise Committee helped out with preparations and many other aspects of the Commodore's Picnic. The Poker Run turned out 31 boats with 140 for dinner. The Fishing Rodeo only had 6 boats registered but 76 people attend the dinner. The 3rd annual Thanksgiving Dinner Raft-up was not embraced by good weather to say the least, it rained, rained and rained but this did not dampen our spirits as some 60 people enjoyed a wonderful traditional turkey dinner with all the trimmings and desserts. The cost to AYC members was only \$26 for paper plates, etc from the Cruise budget. I'd like to recognize Darrell and Mildred Hebb as they started this event. The last planned event for our season was the Harvest Moon Dinner & Cruise which has proved to be popular and most enjoyable by all those who joined in the fun. There were several impromptu raft-ups at Wreck Cove and at the Dingle along with many afternoon cruises and dockside moments shared by AYC members. The Cruise Committee also installed 2 new moorings at the Dingle and have 2 x 1000 blocks and heavy chains with bridals. These will be marked AYC and are for the use of AYC members. Thanks to Neil Connors and his boat Dive Com III. All these events are made even more attractive by our sponsors. This year I wish to recognize the following sponsors with a letter to be sent in the mail over the next 2-3 weeks. In recognition of their contribution to our events, I wish to express our thanks and appreciation for their generosity. Auto Choice Parts & Paints, The Binnacle, Coachworks (Terry & Dee Hill), MMOS, Judy Bell, Connors Diving (Neil Connors), Divers World (Gloria Connors), Fairley & Stevens (Charlie Giffin), Phil Currie, Mike Grantham, Oland's Brewery and anyone else I have not mentioned. As this is my last year on the C.O.M., I would like to thank my committee. These good people have donated not only their time but a lot of energy and hard work to make all the cruise events as successful as possible. To all you good people goes my thanks and appreciation. Ellen Haynes, Kevin Clowater, Peter Blunden, Phil Currie, Mike Grantham, Munden Manuel This year as I mentioned is my last year on the C.O.M. It has been my privilege and honor to serve you, however, I do think that some advice is necessary. This year was very hard on the heart as many issues showed up and this makes volunteers often wonder why do I do this? I hope the future C.O.M. has the complete support of the membership and if any of you think that it is easy or fun to work your butt off, sacrifice your personal time, money and family for people who respond in this way, I believe you are mistaken. So please, be courteous, honest and up front. We are here to enjoy our boats, the great friends we have and our club.

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YARD CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all the members, their families and friends. To the newly elected Committee I wish you well in all your endeavours. The work that is still outstanding from the previous meetings will be forwarded to the new Committee for their actions.

I thank the members of the Yard Committee for their untiring help during the past year. To the staff of AYC I wish you well in the up coming seasons and throughout the year. Thank you for your support.

This is my last report as your Yard Chairman. For each of you that have supported the Club and me I give my humble thanks. Look forward to seeing you on the water and in the club.

Yours, Aye
Lloyd Blagdon Yard Chairman

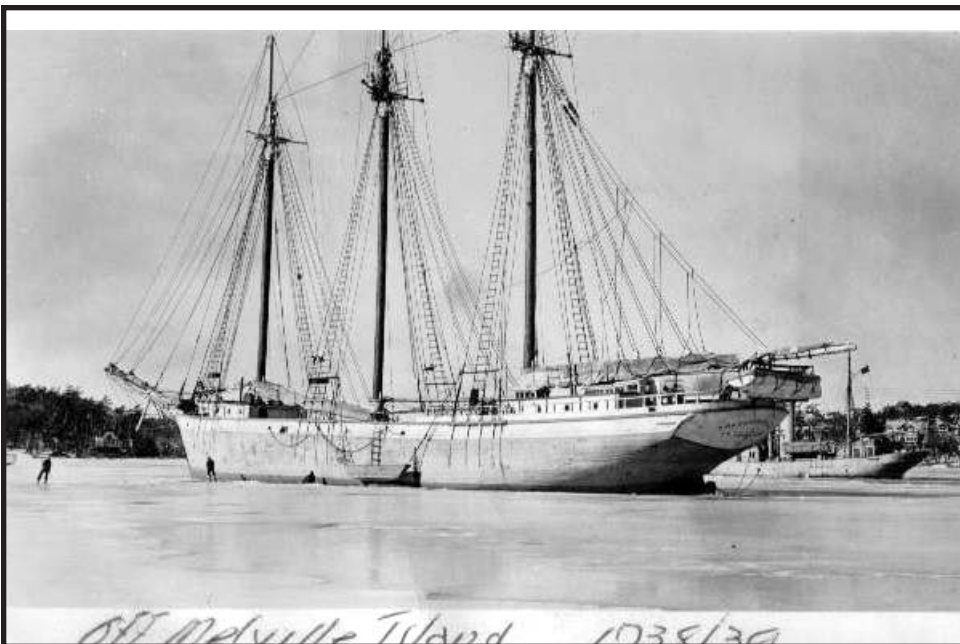


Photo Left:

"Taken off Melville Island by Don A. Haliburton around 1938-39." Don was a long time A.Y.C. member and one of the founding members of the Nova Scotia Schooner Association. The Tern Schooner is iced in. See the person skating on the left. The steamer behind has water coming out of the outlets and there appears to be open water behind it.

A government ice breaker???



AYC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

THU	NOV	24	DARTS @ 7 PM
FRI		25	CRIBBAGE @ 8PM
SAT		26	PRIVATE PARTY
THU	DEC	1	DARTS @ 7 PM
FRI		2	CRIBBAGE @ 8PM
THU		8	DARTS @ 7 PM
FRI		9	CRIBBAGE @ 8PM
SUN		11	CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY @ 2:00 PM TO 5:00 PM
THU		15	DARTS @ 7 PM
FRI		16	CRIBBAGE @ 8PM
THU		22	DARTS @ 7 PM
FRI		23	CRIBBAGE @ 8PM (TO BE CONFIRMED)
THU		29	DARTS @ 7 PM
FRI		30	CRIBBAGE @ 8PM (TO BE CONFIRMED)
SAT		31	NEW YEAR'S EVE (THE DAVID GOYETCHE BAND) TICKETS ON SALE DEC 1, 2005. COST TOBE CONFIRMED. MENU TO BE CONFIRMED.
SUN	JAN	1	NEW YEAR'S DAY LEVEE

Greetings from General Manager

Upon my arrival on a snowy day in February of this year, little did I realize how exciting and rewarding this position would be. The biggest challenge/opportunities for myself was working with a committee for the first time in the environment of the private membership club.

I have had the pleasure of meeting numerous members over these past months with very diverse backgrounds and developed great friendships along the way. In talking with members I heard many stories of the club's uniqueness, traditions and tragedies and enjoy this immensely.

I recently attended my first Annual General Meeting which I have been informed will go into the history of Armdale Yacht Club as having the largest attendance and longest duration of meeting time. At this meeting the election of the new Committee of Management for 2006 also took place and the first female Commodore of Armdale Yacht Club was elected. I feel proud to be a part of this history in the making.

I have enjoyed working with the Committee of Management of 2005 and look forward to working with the new Committee of Management of 2006. There will be challenges in the New Year and I have every confidence these will be overcome for the continued enjoyment at Armdale Yacht Club for many years to come.

I sincerely wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

See you at the club,
Linda McEwen,
AYC General Manager