



Crew members from the "Pickle", a war prize from WWII that became a Canadian training vessel and raced in regattas in Nova Scotia for many years. This was the crew for spring/summer of 1963. photo by Tom Martin

The Burgee

ARM DALE YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER 2007-03



The Dry Cruise gang at 50's and 60's night: l-r: **Mike Mahoney, Donna Mahoney, Dave Hickey, Terry Hill, Janice Cook, Dee Hill, Diane Manuel, Gwynn Benoy, Chris Benoy, Pamela Lerch, Gisele Dupuis, Liz Whyte, Reg Grant, Trevor Flint, Grant Kennedy** and the lovely **Penny (Marilyn) MacAulay** in repose in front.



Below are "**Marilyn**" and Fleet Captain Cruise, **Sebastien Latulippe**. photos by Munden Manuel

MEETINGS

- Strategic Planning Member Consultation Focus Group**
April 11 @ 7:00pm
- Senior, Life, Intermediate & Assoc. Members Town Hall**
May 8 @ 7:00-8:30pm

EVENTS

- Saturday Matinee**
Music by - "Dale Letcher"
April 7 @ 2:00-5:00pm
- AYC Club Crawl**
April 21st @ 11:00 am
- Commodore's Tea and Morgan Art Show**
April 22 @ 1:00-3:00pm
- Annual Yard Sale**
May 12 @ 10:00am-1:00pm

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the commodore

MESSAGE FROM THE COMMODORE

KAREN SMITH

This is an anniversary year for Armdale Yacht Club as is 2008, on a couple of scores. In digging to find old documents for our ongoing planning, we came across a record of the first reading of Bill No. 63, that was step-one in the incorporation of Armdale Yacht Club as an entity. The Bill's first reading at the Provincial Legislature was March 17th, 1937 (i.e. the 70th anniversary of that occasion was this past St. Patrick's Day!). The bill was passed a month later (on the third reading). The Act of Incorporated was Chapter 105 and it had to be enacted within two years of Bill 63 passing. Armdale was incorporated in 1937 and the membership fee was set at a whopping twenty five (25) cents.

Also senior member, Ken Bell, tells me that next year is the 200th anniversary of the Club House (the original center portion, excluding the dining room and bar areas). His understanding was that the building was built in Pictou and transported to Melville Island. When some members were renovating the boardroom some years ago, they were able to see the post-and-beam construction and also able to see the numbering on the beams which would tend to confirm that the house was built some where other than Melville Island. We will try to find out more!

Oh yeah! Daylight savings came a few weeks early this year, that was shortly followed by the first official day of spring and the warm weather is right

on its heels. Let the tarps fly!

Thanks to John Finney, Barrie MacLeod and Rosalyn MacLeod for folding the March Burgee and getting it in the mail for you all. And I just now found the piece of paper with the January/February issue folders on it:

Dan Pride, Laurel Cooper, JB, John Finney, John Fawcett, Rob Gordon, Mark MacNeil and Jean Snow. Super job all! Our mission is to have them ready for the last Thursday or Friday of the month so if you want to be emailed a couple of days before they're ready so you can come by and help, please let me know (or Christine at the office). As well, if you'd be willing to be on a general folding list, ie when billings and other big mailings need to be prepared, please let Christine or me know and I will take your contact info. Again, if there is one coming up, we'd just give you a couple

days notice and if you can show up and help for an hour or so, it would be very helpful and allow our club manager to make other use of her time.

Thanks also



Liz Whyte, Pamela Lerch and Reg Grant having the morning caesar at Old Orchard Inn Dry Cruise. John Finney and Rosalyn MacLeod at St. Paddy's Day. photos by Liz Whyte and Karen Smith

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The Burgee

The Burgee is published 10 to 12 times annually, has a print run of 400 copies and is received by over 65 members electronically. It is distributed to all AYC members and to our advertisers.

Submissions

Articles, photos and illustrations submitted will be considered for publication subject to space and topic. Articles may be edited for length and readability. Deadline for submissions is the 15th of each month.

Advertising

Monthly ad rates are as follows:
1/8 page: \$ 35.00 1/2 page: \$ 95.00
1/4 page: \$ 55.00 1 page: \$ 175.00

To place an ad, please contact Club Manager, **Christine Bray** for ad size and format details **office@armdaleyachtclub.ns.ca** phone the office: **477-4617** or visit our website for details **armdaleyachtclub.ns.ca**

the commodore



KAREN SMITH

to Senior member, D'Arcy Poultney who donated a "tide clock" to the club. It is in the upper landing trophy case and if you want to make quick reference as to what the tide is doing (if you draw more water than I do!) – high, low or in between – this will be a terrific tool. Thanks D'Arcy. As well, thanks to Miles and Paula Gallagher and their crew for the great decorations for the Beach Party. It did not go unnoticed. Flip flops, big flower umbrellas, hula skirts, coconuts – Aloha! The band, *Metro*, was second to none (and will be back for day-two of the AYC Opening Regatta weekend).

Thanks to all of you for being so responsive to our Club Manager and the request to pay your bills on time, per the bylaws. It's very important and I cannot tell you how much everyone doing their part takes the pressure off the Committee and our Manager. *Muchos Gracias!* If you haven't already, you will be receiving an invoice for the increases in your dues for 2007 (as were approved at the Budget Meeting) as well as the \$85 yard assessment that was approved at the 2006 Budget Meeting (\$85 for each of two years). Again, your prompt payment is appreciated!

At the Budget Meeting in February, all membership dues were increased by 5%. The schedule of approved new yard fees are outlined on page six. The Fees and Dues Committee, headed up by Vice-Commodore Betty Ann Haliburton, are still working away to assess what it costs to operate various components of the club, and we will have the remaining recommendations for changes to the fees structure this year – these will be presented to the membership for your approval. Any suggestions can be forwarded to the committee via the business office.

The Committee of Management hosted a town-hall meeting for Social Members on March 21st and while there was not a huge turnout, those who did show up represented a wide strata of the social membership and brought to their opinions, a great depth of experience and insight (we take the small but enthusiastic turn-out as a sign that social members

are generally happy!). The discussion was wide ranging and many good ideas were brought forward that will be considered as a longer range plan is developed for the club to carry it into the future. We thank those of you who did attend and shared your thoughts, for your participation.

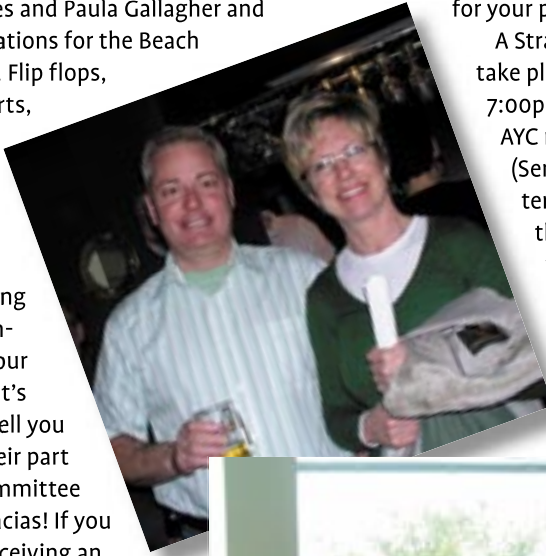
A Strategic Planning Session will take place on Wednesday April 11th at 7:00pm in the upper wardroom. All AYC members are welcome to attend (Senior, Associate, Life, Social, Intermediate, Outport) and we hope that you will participate in this very important work session where we will be brain storming, in small work groups, the priorities of AYC for the next two years, five years, ten years,

etc. This will not be a head table with an audience format like business meetings but rather small groups of you in an organized fashion, talking with a group leader and letting ideas bubble to the surface. We're excited about this initiative and hope that it will leave the club in good

stead for some years. The Plan, when developed and presented toward the end of 2007, will be reviewed regularly and modified by the membership as circumstances of the club and its demographic change, but it will be a solid direction that future Committees can build upon. If you plan on attending this focus group / work session, please contact Christine in the office (477-4617) and let her know as we'd like to have a good cross section of the membership participating and will want to make some targeted phone calls to get

groups, who may be unrepresented, there. I can't stress enough how important your participation is so please plan to come and share your thoughts. Many thanks!

Karen Smith, AYC Commodore



Blair King and Betty Ann Haliburton. Janice Giffin, Shiela English and Penny MacAulay. Nancy Morrison and Greg Baker. Celebrating St. Patrick's Day at Armdale with green beer and grand music!
photos by Karen Smith

January/February

- Membership Dues
- CYA Membership
- Assessments (if any)

May 1st

- Marina/Mooring Fee
- Locker Rental Fee
- Spar Storage Fee
- Winter Power
- Capital Fund

July 1st

- Catering (if you have not already spent \$200 at the bar/dining room)

October 1st

- Winter Storage Fee
- Summer Power

Any other services will be billed on a pay-per-use basis

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The Morgan Art Show

in conjunction with

Commodore's Tea!

Get painting! ... or drawing, or sculpting or photographing – whatever your medium. The Annual Morgan Show, **Art Show and Sale**, will take place on the afternoon of Sunday, April 22nd. Members who create art, in any medium, are invited to display their work in the Upper Wardroom for the enjoyment of other members and guests.

The Morgan Show is named in honour of co-founder of the event, **Lynn Morgan**, a great artist, a lovely woman and a great friend to many of us at AYC, who passed away in 2002.

The art show will take place in conjunction with the **Commodore's Tea**. All members are invited to come for a cup of tea, a finger sandwich and a cookie or two. Dust off your spring hat and join us for a **lovely afternoon** of chatting with fellow members and guests in the Commodore's Room. A delightful afternoon for all to attend!

Apple Pie Bake-Off

Entrants are to bake two apple pies (one for taste-testing and one for the auction). Bring the fully baked pies to the **Lower Wardroom** between **11:30am & 12 noon** on **April 22**. One will be cut for judging which will be taking place between 12:30 and 1:30pm that afternoon. Pies will be judged by club members by buying a \$2 ballot, taste-test the contestants pies, and then casting your ballot for the best pies in three categories: Appearance, Pastry and Overall Best Pie. The second uncut pie will be auctioned off with the proceeds going to the Entertainment budget. Call **477-7650** or email **catering@armdaleyachtclub.ns.ca** for more information.

April 22

1:00-3:00pm

Annual Yard Sale

Yard Sale!

One man's junk is another man's treasure! The yard sale will take place from **10:00 am** until 1:00 pm. Set up for sellers is after 9:00 am and tables are just **\$10.00**. It's a great opportunity to get rid of some of the old stuff off your boat or out of your basement. **Saturday morning, May 12th**. Contact Miles Gallagher if you have any questions.

milesgallagher@eastlink.ca

May 12

Strategic Planning - Focus Group

Planning for AYC's the Future

Wednesday evening, April 11th @ 7:00pm.

Senior, Associate, Life, Social, Intermediate and Outport members are invited to participate in this evening for members to provide input into developing a Strategic Plan for Armdale's long-term future. Please

RSVP to Christine Bray @ 477-4617

April 11th

7:00 pm

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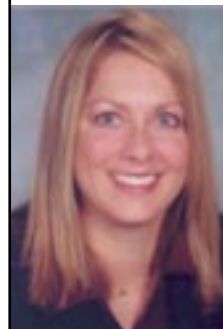
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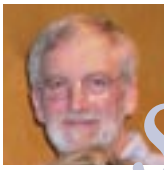
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sail training

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF SAIL TRAINING

GREG HAVERSTOCK

The Learn To Sail Season is approaching and Course dates and fees have been set. At the March Committee of Management meeting, it was agreed that children and grandchildren of members should receive a 10% discount on their course fees. To follow are Armdale Yacht Club's learn to sail program for 2007:

Youth Sailing Program

Armdale Yacht Club offers a Youth Sailing Program for youth ten years of age and older – CYA Basic Sailing Skills (White) and CYA Intermediate Sailing Skills (Bronze) which are run by CYA approved sailing instructors and assistants.

White & Bronze Courses

Series 1: July 3–July 27

Series 2: July 30–August 24

Fees: AYC members children or grandchildren

White Sail \$517.50 + hst

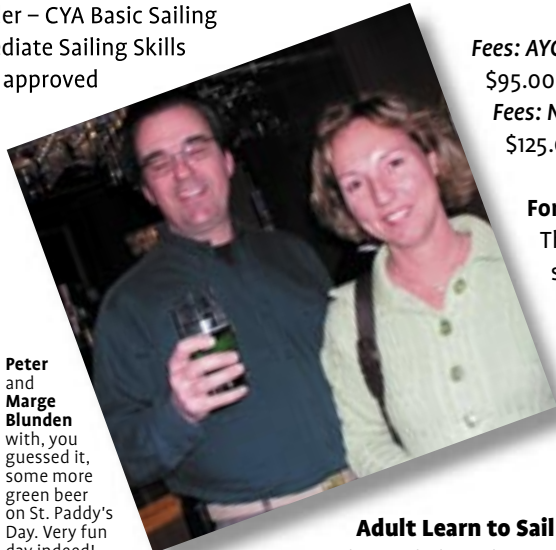
Bronze Sail \$567.00 + hst

Fees: Non-members

White Sail \$575.00 + hst

Bronze Sail \$630.00 + hst

Peter and Marge Blunden with, you guessed it, some more green beer on St. Paddy's Day. Very fun day indeed!
photo by Karen Smith



Women's Learn to Sail/Boat

Sailing – On the Water

Monday and Tuesday, June 18 & 19

Thursday and Friday, June 21 & 22

6:00–9:30pm each evening

Saturday, June 23

12:00–5:00pm

Fees: AYC members

\$95.00 + hst

Fees: Non-members

\$125.00 + hst

For the Graduates

Thursday nights throughout the summer, the Women's Keelboat Racing Series runs from May 24 into September from 6:00–9:30pm. No cost to members.

Adult Learn to Sail

Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:00 to 9:00pm.

Course 1: July 3–July 26

Course 2: July 31–August 23

Fees: AYC members

\$250.00 + hst

Fees: Non-members

\$280.00 + hst

These programs follow the Canadian Yachting Association curriculum and are run on larger keel boats as well as smaller dinghies (depending on the interests of students). Our focus is "on the water", as well as theory and on-land activities (knots, rigging, safety, etc.). Students are certified by the Canadian Yachting Associations standards at the completion of the program. Register early to avoid disappointment.

For further information and to register for any of these programs, please contact Christine Bray, Club Manager of Armdale Yacht Club by email at office@armdaleyachtclub.ns.ca or by phone at (902) 477-4617.

Greg Haverstock,
Director of Sail Training



BAR

Monday and Tuesday
closed

Wednesday and Thursday
11:30am – 10:00pm

Friday
11:30am – 11:30pm

Saturday
11:00am – 8:00pm

Sunday
11:00am – 6:00pm
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DINING ROOM

Monday and Tuesday
closed

Wednesday through Friday
Lunch
11:30am – 2:30pm

Wednesday and Thursday
Dinner
5:30pm – 8:00pm

Friday
Dinner
6:00pm – 9:00pm

Saturday and Sunday
Brunch
10:00am – 3:00pm

After Hours Menu

When the bar is open but the kitchen is not, a limited food menu will be available. Ask the bar staff for details.

The posted bar hours are minimum hours only and if members are enjoying the services past regular hours, they will not be asked to leave.

Winter hours in effect
October 16th – April 30th
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OFFICE

Monday – Friday
9:00 AM – 12 noon
1:00 – 4:00 PM
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The Committee of Management is hosting a **Town Hall Meeting for Senior, Life, Associate and Intermediate** members of Armdale Yacht Club. Come for an update and ask questions of your Committee.

May 8th 7:00 – 8:30pm

The CPS will put on a **VHF Radio Course** at AYC this spring. By taking this course it gives you the required license to operate a VHF radio • **Information** Norman Raine: 477-4106 • **Registration** AYC Office: 477-4617 • **Time** Part 1: Saturday, April 28 @ 9:00 am – 1:00 pm and Part 2: Sunday, May 6 @ 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm • **Place** AYC Board Room • **Cost** \$60.00 • **Instructor** Dan White •

This courses is open to all AYC members

April 28th & May 6th

new yachting charges

MOORINGS AND MARINAS

Mooring Charges

Members must provide their own mooring. The club will lay, haul and provide tender service to and from the mooring as set out in the *Rules respecting Grounds, Moorings, Marinas and Other Facilities*. The Mooring charge is \$350.00. Club owned moorings are for rent by visitors only.

Marina Berths

The minimum fee per season for a marina berth is \$450 for boats 21' and under. Fees increase as listed at left for boats 22' and over. One haul and launch is included in the Marina Fee. The Marina Fee applies to the summer season from May 15 to October 31 and to wet storage between November 1 and May 14. Please refer to *Rules respecting Grounds, Moorings, Marinas and Other Facilities* for more information on Marina terms and conditions.

Marina Rental for Members

\$25.00 per day up to the maximum you would be charged if you had a permanent marina. Marina rentals are available during most of the season, however, in the event there are no marinas available, members are required to have a mooring readily available for use.

Guest Mooring and Marina Rental

Visiting yachts from outside of Halifax will be charged at a rate of \$25.00 per day for a mooring rental and \$1.50 per foot per day for marina rental (electricity included) and payment in advance is required.

OTHER YARD FEES

Haulout Fees Members

Haul and stay on slip
\$5.00 per foot
Haul into yard and re-launch
\$8.00 per foot

Haulout Fees Non Members

Haul and stay on slip
\$12.00 per foot
Haul into yard and re-launch
\$17.00 per foot

Dry Sailed Boats

Dry sailed boats will be charged \$50.00 for the summer season. These include flying junior, lasers, etc.

Spar Shed Rental

Spars stored in the spar shed and sailing centre will be charged at the rate of \$50.00 for the winter season. The maximum length mast to be stored in the spar shed is 40'. Mast over 40' may be stored in the Sailing Centre. The name tag and membership number must be attached to the spar and spreaders removed.

Lockers

A limited number of lockers are available to members. The fee is \$300.00 per year. Please apply to the office to be placed on a waiting list.

Miscellaneous Yard Charges

Any request by a member, for the use of services above and beyond the normal charges already listed, shall pay at an hourly rate as listed below:

- Work Boat with Operator: \$60.00/hr
- Skidder with Operator: \$60.00/hr
- Farm tractor with Operator: \$40.00/hr
- Labour: \$40.00/hr

The minimum labor rate will be based on minimum of 1/2 hour.

Electricity Charge for Marinas

Summer – Minimum \$60 plus excess power usage based on 6 power readings from May through October.

Winter – Minimum \$60 plus excess power usage will be based on 6 power readings during the winter months of November through April.

Daily - \$6.00

Ramp Usage

There will be a fee of \$50 per launch to non-members who wish to use the launch ramp and shall be arranged through the Club Manager/ Yard Foreman.

Trailer Storage

The fee for summer storage of trailers shall be \$150 for the season (May 15 through October 31). This fee applies to boats not stored at AYC. Storage will be in the upper yard. Trailers must be identified with member tag and membership number, or are subject to removal at the club's discretion.

MARINA SLIPWAY REGULATIONS

1. The use of the marine slipway for a period of time beyond the normal requirements of hauling a boat into or launching from the yard is forbidden.

2. Boats hauled on the marine slipway other than for "emergency" purposes, must use a cradle or have prior permission in advance from the yard chair or his/her appointee.

3. The boat owner will be responsible for arranging haul/launch dates and times through the office. The boat owner must be present to deliver his boat to and from the slip for haul and launch. A charge will be levied based on the current hourly labour rates to owners who are not available at the scheduled time.

4. For hauling of boats over 40 feet in length or 20 tons, approval must be received from the Committee of Management before hauling. Those which have received approval are listed in the office.

5. Scheduling of the haulage or wet stored boats in the spring will be done by the yard foreman/Club Manager.

6. Hauling, launchings and other yard services will only be provided to members who are in good standing financially with the club.

BOAT STORAGE

Summer Storage (dry):

May 15 to October 31, yearly

Winter Storage (dry):

Nov 1 to May 14 of the following year

Dry storage will be based on the overall square footage of the boat at the rate of \$2.00 per sq.ft. Square footage is based on length times width and will include overhang from bowsprit, masts stored on cabin top, swimming platform, cradle, etc. Boats housed in sheds will be charged by the outside perimeter of the shed. The fee includes one haul and one launch and spray wash.

14% harmonized sales tax (HST) will be added to all listed prices.

Boat Length	Marina Fee @ \$23/foot
21' & under	\$450
22	\$506
23	\$529
24	\$552
25	\$575
26	\$598
27	\$621
28	\$644
29	\$667
30	\$690
31	\$713
32	\$736
33	\$759
34	\$782
35	\$805
36	\$828
37	\$851
38	\$874
39	\$897
40	\$920
41	\$943
42	\$966
43	\$989
44	\$1,012
45	\$1,035
46	\$1,058
47	\$1,081
48	\$1,104
49	\$1,127
50	\$1,150
51	\$1,173
52	\$1,196
53	\$1,219
54	\$1,242
55	\$1,265

entertainment

MESSAGE FROM THE ENTERTAINMENT CHAIR

MILES GALLAGHER



Well I think its safe to assume the beach party was a hit. Although the crowd was light, The people who were there seemed to be quite happy with the band Metro. I thought they were awesome. Look out for these guys again during the Opening Regatta. Thanks so much to the decorating crew who went the distance with the props, The place looked great.

The last few Friday Night Jams were light as well and we really want to pick up the pace. A recent Friday we had a surprise visit by Matt Anderson who along with Dave Corkum provided some pretty awesome singing and playing for the troops.



Ken Bell and Greg Bell enjoying as beverage at the St. Paddy's Day celebration. photo by Karen Smith

Coming up on Saturday afternoon, April 7th is the Dale Letcher Matinee. Dale is the lead singer and guitarist from the band, *Big Fish* and will be accompanied by Jeff Broussard from 2:00-5:00pm. This should be a fantastic show. Saturday, April 21st we will be renting the bus and going on a Club Crawl to the 5 area yacht clubs starting and ending at AYC. And pull out your old goodies for the Annual Yard Sale on Saturday May 12th.

Please keep in touch with me if you have anything on your mind about the entertainment at AYC. We aim to please everybody. My contact info is milesgallagher@eastlink.ca. Cheers!

Miles Gallagher,
Entertainment Chair

Saturday matinee

Saturday afternoon, April 7th • **Dale Letcher Matinee** • Dale is the lead singer and guitarist from the band, *Big Fish* and will be accompanied by **Jeff Broussard** from **2:00-5:00pm** • Come for the afternoon • This will be a fantastic show!!

April 7 @ 2pm

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The AYC dart league meets each Thursday night at 7:00pm in the lower bar during the boating off-season (fall to spring). All AYC members are welcome to join the league. \$5.00 per person. Stay tuned for results as the year progresses!

SELECTED STATS

Women's Stats

Janice Cook

most starts at 52
most finishes at 31
most points at 3381

Tanya Cochkonoff
had a Bulls Eye start!

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Men's Stats

Paul Connors

and **Lloyd Blagdon**
mens leader tied with
most starts at 54

Jim McBurney

most finishes at 37

Team Stats

Team 1

Janice Cook, Vic Stevens, Wayne Blackler

Most games won as of
March 15th at 61 games

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club manager

MESSAGE FROM THE CLUB MANAGER

CHRISTINE BRAY

Spring is here and its time to start thinking about the launch season! In order to book a launch, you must be a *member in good standing* with an *up to date account*. You must also have the following completed forms and documentation on file:

- completed member update form
- current insurance information on file
- completed launch waiver

A launch waiver must be completed and signed and provided to the office prior to the launch. Waiver forms will be mailed out prior to the first week in April. Completed forms can be dropped off at the office or faxed to 477-0148.

Early launch begins April 16th; book a launch date and time by contacting the office **after** April 1st. All boats requesting an early launch will be assigned a temporary marina from the date of launch until May 14.

Winter storage ends on May 14th, therefore your boat must be moved from your winter storage marina on this date. All boats should be moved to their permanent marina, assigned by the yard foreman, no later than this date. If you have not moved your boat by May 14th and the yard staff is required to move it, you will be charged an additional fee.

A few reminders to make the launch successful for us all... If you are not present at the time of your launch, your boat must be unlocked. If the staff needs to move your boat and it is not unlocked, we can not be held responsible for any damage to your vessel.

Ropes and fenders should be placed in your boat in full view and be easily accessible to the yard staff. Extra fees will be charged if these items are not available and club lines or fenders need to be used.

Marinas

Marinas are rented to members, they remain the property of AYC; we reserve the right to make changes to the assignment of the marinas as required.

Please be advised that the marina change list takes priority over new marina requests. If you have a marina request, please contact the office directly.

Masts

Access to the masts will be during regular business hours only, access must be requested through the office or yard staff, a key will **not** be available at the bar for weekend access. If you cannot retrieve your mast during business hours, please contact the office to arrange for access at another time.

We ask that you take the time to review the AYC *Rules Respecting Grounds, Moorings, Marinas and other Facilities*. We'd like to take a minute to point out a couple of relevant regulations in the "gear up" to the spring season:

• Any member who contemplates new construction of a yacht, a major rebuild or completion of a hull **must have written approval** from the COM before proceeding so that the guidelines can be established as to house-keeping, electricity, security and the specific time frame required. No yacht or material is to be delivered to AYC prior to this approval. Non-members may carry out no such projects. (Rule # 5)

• There is to be no sandblasting or spray painting allowed on the Club premises, unless in a confined area and **subject to the Yard Chairman's approval**. Any damage to club or other member's property will be the responsibility of the owner upon whose vessel work is being done. (Rule# 8)

Selling your boat?

If you are selling or have sold your boat, please notify the office in writing. Once the boat has been sold, you must provide contact information for the new owner(s). This form is available at the Business office. Marina's are not transferable from the current owner to the new owner. New owners must go through the normal application process and if successful, can be placed on the marina waiting list.



Crib games are held in the Upper Wardroom Friday nights from fall to spring starting at 8:00pm. Any member interested in joining should come by and introduce yourself to one of the players. It's a nice social evening, with lots of great prizes and fun – new players are very welcome!

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SEBASTIEN LATULIPPE

The AYC Annual Dry Cruise was held this year at the Old Orchard Inn March 9-10 and was a smashing success!! The weekend started with a Meet 'n

Greet on Friday night in the hospitality suite. There were wonderful hot dishes and deserts prepared by our cruisers and everyone thoroughly enjoyed looking at previous cruise pictures, especially the "après cruise/sail photos" which are always the best. A fifty-fifty draw was made and many nice prizes handed out.

Special mention needs to go to Diver's World, the Binnacle and Phil Currie for his donation of basketball tickets and Beer Mugs!

Saturday brought the scavenger hunt at 12 noon and what a challenge it was. Janice and Grant had the entire crowd running around the Hotel grounds! Needless to say, a lot of new ideas from this hunt will be integrated in the much wider scale scavenger hunt at the McGrath's Cove Weekend in August. The winners at the end of it all were Dave Hickey and Diane Manuel who will be the first to have their names inscribed for posterity on our New Trophy: the Armdale Yacht Club Cruises Scavenger Hunts. In second, Sebastien Latulippe/Gisele Dupuis. The third place was really tight and went to Trevor, Penny and Mike Mahoney. Sorry guys, only the winners get the trophy!

Later that day, cruisers dressed in their 50's/60's outfits for supper. An outstanding meal was provided by hotel staff. The shock of other customers when they saw our crowd coming in our 50's/60's outfits was worth the weekend... for everything else there is Master Card.

The next event was the karaoke evening and wow!, what a bunch. We had Marilyn Monroe, John Travolta, Patsy Cline, George Thorogood and don't forget Mick

Jagger! The winner of the best costume went to Chris as he wore his actual clothes from the 60's, which still fit! Honorable mention needs to go to Marilyn Monroe

as well (Penny) as she was definitely a show stopper! As you will see by the photos, there were many other excellent costumes!

The cruisers danced and sang the night away to the "Denny Miles Show" and numerous singing sensations were debuted. The winner of the Karaoke contest hands down was Fleet Captain Sail, Liz Whyte, or as she was referred to "Patsy Cline"! Boy, can she

belt it out of her. Of course, Terry's renditions of Mick Jagger were also outstanding and all were having such a good time that the show was extended from midnight to 1:00am! The Denny Myles show will be returning for a second engagement during the McGrath's Cove Weekend this summer at the beginning of the

Mahone Bay Cruise, August 10/11, so mark that event in your calendars today!!

On Sunday, all cruisers met at Joe's Emporium for a wonderful brunch and from there proceeded back to home port! Thanks to everyone for helping out with set up, prize gathering and event planning.

Your help made the weekend such a success and we look forward to another great time at the Old Orchard Inn next year!!

Sebastien Latulippe,
Fleet Captain Cruise



A grand time at the Old Orchard Inn Dry Cruise. I believe I see Marilyn Monroe and Patsy Cline and some pretty styling pants that I hear are of an original vintage! (top to bottom): **Penny (Marilyn) MacAulay, Gwynn Benoy, Dee Hill, Gisele Dupuis and Donna Mahoney.** Karaoke winner, **Liz Whyte.** Scavenger hunt winners **Dave Hickey** and **Diane Manuel.** Best Costume winner **Chris Benoy** with his wife **Gwynn Benoy.**
photos by Munden Manuel



Post season EVENTS

BOATING COURSES

CPS Boating Course

with **Dave Hickey**
Wednesday nights
7:00pm - 9:00 pm
in the boardroom
from November 8th
until mid-April 2007

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CPS Piloting Course

with **Dennis Harding**
Tuesday nights
7:00pm - 9:00 pm
in the wardroom
from November 28th
until April 10th, 2007

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VHF Radio Operator's Course

with instructor
Dan White
AYC boardroom

Part One:

Saturday Morning
April 28th
9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Part Two:

Sunday Afternoon
May 6th
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

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fleet captain sail

FROM THE FLEET CAPTAIN SAIL

ELIZABETH WHYTE



2007 sailing SEASON

RACING

The AYC Ice Breaker

Saturday, May 12

1:00pm

Shake the tarp off you boat and get it in the water to participate in Armdale's first race of the season!

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It's almost time for the "boat yard hang out" to start! I love hanging out in the boat yard with my space suit on, sanding, painting, and talking! Then before you know it the tarps will be off and we'll be sailing up the arm!

The annual sailing meeting was held on the 17th of March and we had lots of ideas. The calendar was handed out and some changes to Wednesday Night racing will be compiled and reported on soon.

The first race in the area will be the AYC Icebreaker on May 12th so get to the boat yard and get that bottom paint on! Hopefully we will have great weather for the opening regattas this spring and have lots of boats from AYC participating. The AYC opener is the first in the area May 19-21.

Again this year we will be having Saturday, Wednesday night and Thursday Women's races, and the AYC Women's Sailing Course. We are also going to try and get some single-handed races in this year which fell by the wayside last year.

The big news is that AYC will be hosting two major area events this year: the Nova Scotia Women's Keelboat Championship and July 21 & 22 and Metro Area Race Week Aug 3-6. We will be looking for lots of help from the membership to host these events, and if you are interested in serving on an organizing committee please contact Dan Pride or myself.

This is also a Marblehead year, so there will be many boats and members heading down to Boston for a fast ride back. The race starts from Marblehead on July 8th however many are planning to take in the July 4th events in area before the race. I will be a participant along with a few other AYC members crewing on Randy

Stevens boat *Ceilidh*.

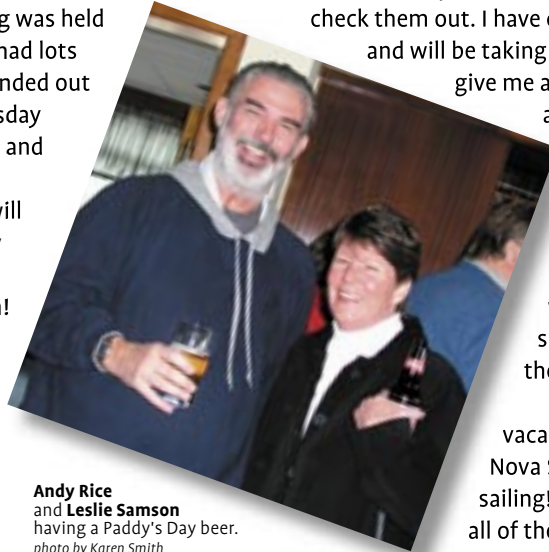
A reminder of the following upcoming courses, the Marine First Aid March 31 at RNSYS and Survival at Sea April 14 in Dartmouth. A percentage of ocean racing crews are required to have these courses, so be sure to check them out. I have completed the Survival at Sea and will be taking the first aid shortly which will

give me a five year certification, which is a requirement for the skipper and

a percentage of the crew for this years Marblehead.

Also in July, the Tall Ships NS 2007 will be from July 13-23. I'm sure a schedule of events will be available soon and it should prove to be a busy time in the harbour!

So finish up your southern vacations and get back to good old Nova Scotia for an exciting summer of sailing! Looking forward to seeing you all of the water.



Andy Rice and Leslie Samson having a Paddy's Day beer. photo by Karen Smith

Cheers, Liz Whyte, Fleet Captain Sail



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Flash-up Cruise

Start the season early and get out on the water for a lovely cruise. If you don't have a boat to and want to participate, contact our Fleet Captain Cruise, **Sebastien Latulippe** @ 229-1000 and we'll do our best to match you with a crew. The more the merrier! Details will be posted at the club and sent out on the eNews!

April 28th afternoon

A bus is reserved for the **Annual AYC Club Crawl**. Meet at Armdale at

11:00 am and head to the other four area yacht clubs for a beverage, returning to AYC at about 5:00pm for **some snacks** and a wee bit of a social with your friends!

Cost to ride the bus \$12.00

April 21st | Sign-up @ AYC

New prices!

NEW Bar Prices
Starting: April 1

Happy Hour

4:00-7:00pm daily
house wine, draught, beer, spirits, well shots
(does not include **premium** beer or shots)

Domestic Beer: \$3.75
Draught 12 oz: \$3.00
Draught 10 oz: \$2.50
Wine: \$5.00 (7 oz house only)

Regular Prices (non-happy hour)

Domestic Beer: \$4.05
Draft 12 oz: \$3.50
Draft 10 oz: \$2.90
Wine (house only)
5 oz \$4.50
7 oz \$5.75

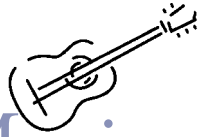
All prices tax included.

NEW Dining Room Menus
Starting: May 1

Look for new "Blue Plate" menu options for Lunch and Wednesday and Thursday Race Nights! Also, a revamped Breakfast and Brunch weekend menu offering. In response to your feedback, we'll keep the things you like and offer some new items. keep your eyes peeled!



new menu



Music at AYC

Saturday Afternoon Matinee

April 7, 2007
2:00pm - 5:00pm

"Dale Letcher with Jeff Broussard"

Dave is the lead singer/guitarist from Big Fish accompanied by Jeff Broussard.

This will be an awesome show. Come out for a fun afternoon in April.

Friday Night Jams

Many Friday nights after supper at AYC, there is a jam session in the Commodore's Room by the fireplace. Members bring their guitars, banjos and voices and make some pretty fine music.

Come join us!

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calendar of events

APRIL/MAY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
25	26 Closed: Winter Hours Club closed Mondays & Tuesdays	27 CPS Piloting Course 7:00pm	28 CPS Boating Course 7:00pm	29 Dart League 7:00pm	30 Music by John Theodore 4:00-7:00pm Crib League 8:00pm	31
APRIL	2 Closed: Winter Hours Club closed Mondays & Tuesdays	3 CPS Piloting Course 7:00pm	4 CPS Boating Course 7:00pm	5 Dart League 7:00pm	6 Good Friday (club closed)	7 Matinee "Dale Letcher" 2:00-5:00pm
8 Easter Sunday	9 Easter Monday Closed: Winter Hours Club closed Mondays & Tuesdays	10 COM Meeting 7:00pm CPS Piloting Course - Exam 7:00pm	11 Strategic Planning Consultation Session/Focus Grp 7:00pm	12 Dart League 7:00pm	13 Crib League 8:00pm	14
15	16 Closed: Winter Hours Club closed Mondays & Tuesdays	17	18	19 Dart League 7:00pm	20 Crib League 8:00pm	21 AYC Club Crawl 12 noon-5:00pm
22 Commodore's Tea and Morgan Art Show 1:00-3:00pm	23 Closed: Winter Hours Club closed Mondays & Tuesdays	24	25	26 Dart League 7:00pm	27 Crib League 8:00pm	28 Flash-up Cruise VHF Radio Course Part 1 of 2 9:00am-1:00pm
29	30 Closed: Winter Hours Club closed Monday	MAY Summer Hours Begin!	2	3 Dart League 7:00pm	4 Crib League 8:00pm NSYA Wine Tasting 7:00pm @ MMA	5
6 VHF Radio Course Part 2 of 2 1:00-5:00pm	7	8 Senior, Life & Associate Town Hall 7:00-8:30pm	9	10	11	12 Yard Sale 10:00am-1:00pm Ice Breaker 1pm Matinee: Open Mike 2:00-5pm