



# THE BURGEE

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"Gersemi" - Paul Bezanson, AYC  
1st place winner of the Harbour Island Classic  
Photo taken by Barrie MacLeod

### DINING ROOM HOURS

Wednesday to Friday  
Lunch  
11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday & Thursday  
Dinner  
5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Friday  
Dinner  
6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday  
Brunch  
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

### WINTER HOURS

are in effect from  
OCTOBER 16th to APRIL 30th

Monday & Tuesday  
CLUBHOUSE CLOSED

OFFICE HOURS  
Monday to Friday  
9:00 a.m. To 12:00 p.m.  
1:00 p.m. To 4:00 p.m.

Note: The Kitchen will close one-half hour  
prior to the dining room closing

### BAR HOURS

Wednesday & Thursday  
11:30 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Friday  
11:30 a.m. - 11:30 p.m.

Saturday  
11:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Sunday  
11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

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## THE BURGEE

The **Burgee** is published on the web site 10 to 12 times annually. AYC members and advertisers are notified through the **AYC eNews** when the current issue is available.

### 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 at midnight.

**To promote an event at AYC, please contact Club Manager,  
Christine Bray, office@armdaleyachtclub.ns.ca**

### Advertising

Monthly ad rates are as follows:

1/8 page: \$ 35.00 1/4 page: \$ 55.00 1/2 page: \$ 95.00 1 page: \$ 175.00

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## ALL NEW, ALL DIGITAL, BURGEE!

At the last budget meeting, the membership voted to make the transition from the present paper Burgee to a fully electronic version. (A limited number of copies will be available only for those members without computers.) This will save the club a considerable amount of money in postage, printing, paper and other supplies. In addition, it's a small contribution towards conservation.

We want to make sure that you continue to receive your copy. Please ensure that the office has your current email address.

**Watch the AYC eNews for a link to the current month's Burgee.** To be included in the mailing list for the AYC eNews, send your request to **aycnewsletter@armdaleyachtclub.ns.ca**. You can also go directly to the Burgee on our website, **www.armdaleyachtclub.ns.ca**

## AYC eNews

The **AYC eNews** is sent out weekly to all members who have submitted their email addresses.

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 Sunday at suppertime. Send your submissions to:

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1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

## MESSAGE from the BURGEE EDITOR, SADIE HARDIMAN

Those of you who know me well know I love being on the water whether in a power boat or a sailboat. After taking the women's sailing lessons in 2007, I decided I wanted the best of both worlds - a power boat and a sailboat. I quickly determined; however, that I'm a cruiser and not a racer.

If I had any doubts about this, it was confirmed during the Harbour Island Classic. I had planned to merely sit back and enjoy the ride but after "encouraging" the Commodore to enter the race, found myself riding along with him and his better half as crew. Of course, he, being a man of direction, manned the tiller and Anna and I manned the lines. The wind cooperated for a while going up the Arm; however, it took us about three hours just to get out to the red buoy! After getting nowhere fast, it didn't take the crew long to decide we'd had enough of racing and it was time to start the engine and get back to the Club before all the food was gone! At the rate we'd been going, we'd have been lucky to get back before dark!

As Anna and I are still learning how to sail, the Commodore demonstrated to us how quickly one can go aground in shallow water if you get distracted - even for a second. This was a valuable lesson for us both. He also demonstrated how to clean your keel. When we docked, we saw a comparison of a clean keel and a dirty keel. Lessons learned!

We had a very enjoyable day on the water. To all the racers, watching your boats under full sail and spinnaker is a beautiful sight. As for me, I'll stick to cruising along listening to Jimmy Buffet!

Sadie Hardiman, Burgee Editor

## MESSAGE from the CLUB MANAGER, CHRISTINE BRAY

The last day of summer has passed so we are now preparing for the fall here at AYC. Starting **October 16th**, the caterers will be switching to winter hours. These hours will soon be posted on the website and on the clubhouse door; there is no food or beverage service on Mondays and Tuesdays during the winter season. A reminder also that the clubhouse is closed on Mondays and Tuesdays, but the business office will continue to be open its regular hours Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

During the first week in October, we will be sending out the final invoice of the year for winter storage, summer power, summer trailer storage and the second installment of the catering requirement. If you do not receive your invoice, please contact the office. If you are on the payment plan, please be reminded that catering amounts have not been included in the payment plan and must be paid separately.

Please note that you will be billed for the type of winter storage you requested this year on your update form or it may be based on usage in previous years. ***This is not a guarantee of your storage request at this time;*** your placement will be confirmed by the Yard Foreman at a later date.

If you have not already contacted the office or the Yard Foreman to confirm your winter storage request, please do so as soon as possible. Work will begin next week on the assignment of dry and wet winter storage based on seniority.

The office is now taking bookings for haul outs. The final haul out date for this year is **November 28, 2008**. Please note we will not be taking requests for same-day haul outs, you must book your haul at least one day in advance. By now most members are aware that we require the following in advance of your haul: proof of insurance (with a current expiry date) and a signed waiver. If you completed a waiver in the spring for the launch season, you do not need to complete a second form. Also your account must be paid and fully up to date before we can haul your boat.

The last day for tender service will be **October 13th**. After this date, you may make a request for an available berth until the end of the season. It is important that all requests be made through the Yard Foreman as some berths may have already been assigned to members in wet storage. After **October 13th**, we no longer have dedicated gas dock staff, so gas and tender service will be available only during regular yard hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If you plan to store your mast this year, please speak with the Yard Foreman, he will provide you with a tag to properly label your mast and direct you as to where you can store your mast for the season.

If you require access to the mast storage evenings or on weekends, you can sign out a key from the Yard Foreman during regular yard hours. Keys must be returned to the drop box in the workshop door after use.

The snow will soon be flying, so we ask members to tidy up as much as possible. Please haul out and store your tender for the season and clear all fingers as the staff needs clear access for easier snow removal. Also remove your power cords from your boat and receptacle and store securely.

Christine Bray, Club Manager

## ADMINISTRATION of the MINIMUM USAGE FEE for CATERING at AYC

At the Budget Meeting in February, the membership passed a motion calling for the early billing of half of the Minimum Usage Fee (MUF) or \$100 with the 2<sup>nd</sup> installment to be billed later in the year.

Invoices for the 1st installment of the MUF have been generated based on member spending to February 29<sup>th</sup>; this amount has been subtracted from \$100 to determine the amount owing. In an effort to reduce administration in the office, any spending that occurs following the issuance of the invoice (after Feb 29<sup>th</sup> and before your invoice is paid) will not be deducted from your invoice. However, these amounts will be taken into account in the calculation of the invoice for the 2<sup>nd</sup> catering installment in October.

Once your October invoice has been calculated and sent, there will be no adjustment to the original invoice. Therefore, we strongly encourage all members to spend their catering amounts before Sept 30. This will simplify the administration of the catering assessment and greatly assist in reduction of the workload in the office.

Once your invoice has been paid, a "virtual gift card" will be set up for the amount of the invoice under your member name and number in the squirrel system. When you come to the club, let your server know you have a gift card and that you would like to use it for your purchase.

### Keep in mind...

It is the responsibility of each member to provide their member number to the server when ordering, and to request a receipt when the bill is paid; this will help to ensure accurate tracking of your spending.

Gift cards must be used by December 31, 2008. If you can not use your gift card, you can request that your amount be transferred to another member by submitting your request in writing to the office.

Catering invoices are treated the same as all other club invoices, interest will be charged on all accounts past due 30 days and failure to pay will result in suspension from the club.

Mike Casey, Vice Commodore

### 2008 Billing Schedule

#### January/February

- membership dues
- CYA membership dues (SR members only)
- lockers

#### March 15

- 1<sup>st</sup> half of catering assessment (unspent portion of 1<sup>st</sup> \$100)
- assessment 1: debt reduction assessment \$ 200 (one time)
- assessment 2: capital project \$100 (yearly, to be billed in 2009 in Jan/Feb billing)

#### 1st week in May

- marina/mooring
- spar storage
- winter power (for wet winter storage 2007/2008)

#### 1st week in October

- winter storage
- summer power (summer 2008)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> half of catering assessment (unspent portion of 2<sup>nd</sup> \$100)

**Note:** All additional services will be billed on a per use basis, within two weeks of the service being purchased

## Storage of Vessels

At the June meeting in 2008, the Committee of Management, passed a motion that vessels that remain in storage after one full year will be charged the regular storage rates, plus an additional 25%. For each additional year in storage, the previous year's rate will be charged plus an additional 25%. Please note: All requests for continued land storage must be approved by the COM as outlined in the yard rules.

The implementation of these fees will begin at the end of June, 2009.

Please refer to the Armdale Yacht Club Rules Respecting Grounds, Moorings, Marinas and other Facilities, under the subtitle General, subsection 16.

Christine Bray  
Manager, Armdale Yacht Club

### Haulout Fees - Members

Haul & launch \$0.30/sq ft  
(Minimum charge \$75)

Haul & stay in yard \$0.50/sq ft  
(minimum charge \$100)

The above includes a pressure wash.

### Haulout Fees Non-Members

Haul and Launch \$1.00/sq ft

Haul & stay in place in yard \$1.25/sq ft

The above includes a pressure wash.

## MESSAGE from the COMMODORE, JIM McBURNEY

A special meeting was held on the 18th of September to do two things. The first was to change the scope of the electrical upgrade project from building boxes to meet our requirements to purchasing cost effective equipment that is all ready to install. We had one on hand and everyone who saw the new "lighthouse" was favourably impressed. We will be purchasing and installing as many of these items as we can fit into the approved budget.

The second item was to get approval for the replacement of the marine railway. The standards of lifting a 50 foot boat with a beam of 15 feet and a draft of 9 feet with a weight up to 35 tonnes were adopted. The apparatus will also feature some sort of lifting device for smaller boats so that they can be lifted on and off trailers without putting those vehicles in the water where immersing the wheels and the electronics cause damage. The money to fund the engineering design was found in savings made within this year's budget. The membership approved the use of that money to progress the project. Once the design is complete and the cost estimated, the membership asked for another special meeting to address the issue of how it will be funded.

Timing was also an issue because we need to have this equipment ready for the spring launch. Since the meeting, I have been informed that the engineer involved in the project has already begun work, and that is a very positive sign.

In the past month or so, we have had a number of events at the Club. Anna and I try to get out to as many as we can and something has changed. At many events, it has been standing room only, the dance floor has been full and the camaraderie world class. The 200th Anniversary brought out a number of our more senior members for a night of dining; the Poker Run had 46 boats tearing around the harbour and the Harbour Island Classic had a string of boats competing that formed a line as far as you could see. One good thing happened and that was that the Connors family won two of the three poker run prizes and donated their winnings to the Junior Sail Program.

One bad thing happened, I let some women talk me into putting my old Centaur into the Harbour Island Classic and we had a reverse sail past. Every boat in the race passed us. Any stories published by the Burgee Editor stating that we ran aground at Eastern Passage are patently false. I just normally keep one keel cleaner than the other!

Finally, I must confess that I am delighted to see the systematic replacement of our critical infrastructure. Our "enlightened" membership has decided that we will be able to handle some large vessels and be able to take better care of our members that have smaller trailerable ones. To my mind we have embarked on projects that will have benefits for all members.

Jim McBurney, Commodore

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## Call for Nominations 2009 Committee of Management

The Nominating Committee for the 2009 Committee of Management, comprised of the three most recent Past-Commodores (Karen Smith, Dennis Harding and Tom Harper) as well as two members-at-large (Dave Hickey and Carl Goodwin) who volunteered at the 2007 AGM and were confirmed by the membership present at the meeting, are in the process of compiling a proposed slate of member volunteers to sit on our 2009 board. These members will be put forward 10 days prior to the Annual General Meeting on November 6th and voted on at the meeting. Per bylaw XII(2), other candidates may be put forward by two senior members at least three days prior to the meeting.

If you would like to offer to serve on the Committee of Management or can suggest an appropriate member we could approach to assess their interest in sitting on the 2009 COM, we'd be happy to receive your suggestions. Please contact one of the members of the Nominating Committee or the business office and your suggestion will be forwarded to the committee.

We look forward to your input.

best regards,

Karen Smith

Chair, Nominating Committee for the proposed 2009 Committee of Management slate of officers

## WWI and WWII Veterans Plaque

The Committee of Management will be having a plaque produced to display at AYC that will honour veterans of WWI and WWII, who were or are members of Armdale Yacht Club. The plaque will be donated by Past-Commodore Pascal Batiot. To date we have received two names: Sidney W. Hatcher and CDR. R.B. Mitchell.

If you are aware of any other current or past members of AYC who are veterans of either WW I or II, please forward their name, as it should appear on the plaque, by December 31, 2008. We would like to have a comprehensive list of names by the end of this year so the plaque may be produced in early 2009.

**Names can be submitted via email:**

[karensmith66@eastlink.ca](mailto:karensmith66@eastlink.ca)

**or by mail to**

Armdale Yacht Club  
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Attn: KarenSmith, re. WWI & II Veterans Plaque

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# HAPPY HALLOWEEN



HALLOWEEN DANCE  
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31st  
DJ: LEN LEBLANC

ADMISSION: \$5.00 at the door  
9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

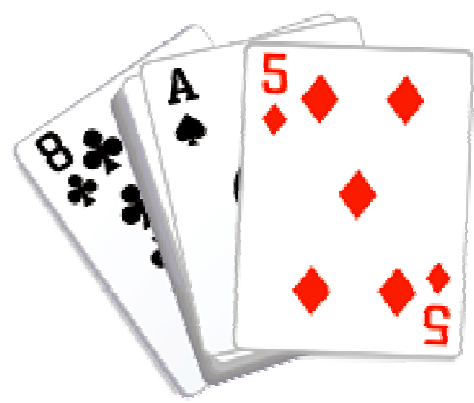
Come in costume or come as you are  
Bring some friends along for some fun and  
dancing with DJ Len LeBlanc



## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

November 6, 2008  
7:00 p.m.  
Upper Wardroom

All Senior, Intermediate and Life members, in good standing, are invited to attend and participate.  
General business as well as the election of officers for 2009 is on the agenda.



## ARMDALE YACHT CLUB CRIBBAGE

STARTS  
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17th  
8:00 p.m.  
Upper Wardroom

\$5.00  
Lots of prizes and fun!  
Everyone welcome  
Please contact Leslie Samson for more info 479-1354

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The Waterfront Challenge is a competition created by Interlux to encourage people who care about their local waterfront, including lakes, rivers, streams and oceans - to improve their local environment.

We are not looking for any donations, simply to get the word out about this great contest. It is open now through November 1, 2008 and any group of people of 3 or more (children are also encouraged to apply) would be eligible. Interlux is looking to award \$5,000 each to 7 groups, and \$25,000 to the first place group. It is free to join and the application is on our website: [www.wfchallenge.com](http://www.wfchallenge.com).

Please feel free to contact Pamela Sardinha by email: [pamelasardinha@gmail.com](mailto:pamelasardinha@gmail.com) or call 401-533-4730 (east coast time) with any questions.

We hope to hear from you.

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## MESSAGE FROM THE FLEET CAPTAIN CRUISE, LLOYD BLAGDON

When we ask for good weather, we don't always get what we ask for; when we plan events, we don't always get the response we ask for. The weather cooperated, the boaters acted and participated making the Poker Run a fun-filled, competitive and successful event.

To The Coachworks, Connors Diving, Divers World, Fairley and Stevens, Larlow, The Binnacle, and DRH Canvas, we thank you for helping to sponsor the Poker Run.



To the crews of Sally Brown, Unous, Lady Lee, SamJakelan and Morning Glory, for being "Bumper Pads" while handing out cards, we thank you.

To the catering staff for providing us with excellent service, we thank you.

To Christine and Carrie for their administrative support, we thank you.

To all crew members and captains of all boats, we thank you for your participation. With all of you we had a safe, fun-filled enjoyable day.

To all members of the Cruise Committee, for your planning, cooking, cleaning and diligence in all details, from my heart I thank you.

When you read this Burgee and don't see where you have been thanked by the Cruise Committee read it again and see that you as a member of AYC have played a major part in making the Poker Run one of the best attended events for the summer. Thank you all.

We had a few glitches with the food; however, everyone was satisfied with the end result. The band provided entertainment and dancing for the whole evening.

Our Fish-A-Rama is still being looked at so stay alert and we will get the information out to you as soon as possible.

Continue to use safety, fun and common sense for the rest of the boating season. See you in the Club, on the dock or on the water.

Yours, Aye

Lloyd Blagdon, Fleet Captain Cruise



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news&info  
calendar

**\*\* FRIENDLY  
REMINDER \*\***

**ALL DOGS  
MUST  
BE KEPT  
ON A LEASH**

While some of us gladly share our ice cream cones with our furry friends, others have been bitten or had bad experiences which understandably makes them fear dogs running loose. Although your dog wouldn't hurt a flea, to someone with a real fear of dogs, your pal may be just as fearsome as Mama Bear with her cubs!

Stepping in doggy do  
really doesn't bring  
good luck,  
just dirty shoes &  
groans of disgust!  
Yech!

**PLEASE  
REMEMBER  
TO SCOOP YOUR  
DOG'S POOP!**

## CLICK!

### 1st Annual AYC Photo Contest

That's right, this summer we're having a Photo Contest. So dust off those cameras and memory sticks and start clicking away!

#### Here's how it Works:

The Contest has five categories, none of which will be judged on technical competence. Rather, we're looking for those shots that convey the spirit of the Armdale Yacht Club at its best. Each month, the winners of each category will be posted in the clubhouse. At the end of the season, we'll post all of the monthly winners, and let you vote to decide the 5 finalists! The Grand Prize winner will receive a \$100 dollar voucher for AYC branded merchandise. Runner up pics will be available for viewing on the AYC Website.

So get out that camera and start sending us those pics!! Please make sure you label each photo with your name, and the category you're entering.

Categories, Rules/Regs, Technical specs are available on the AYC website.

## MESSAGE FROM THE FLEET CAPTAIN SAIL, PAUL BEZANSON

Dan Pride guided Highlander to victory at the Commodore's Cup held on August 23rd and 24th. The event was run on one of the best weather weekends of the summer with lots of wind and sun.

Bill Haliburton won the Soling cup (the Provincial Soling Championship) in his Soling, "Hummin". This event was held at Lahave River Yacht Club near the end of August and also from all accounts was blessed with good sailing weather.

Bill and his crew then sailed "Hummin" to victory in B class at the Labour Day Weekend Regatta held in Bedford. The conditions that weekend were volatile with light winds one day, a thunderstorm the next and the last day was very windy.

The Harbour Island Classic was completed September 20<sup>th</sup>. The weather was pleasant with warm temperatures and light wind. Thirty-two boats competed in the race which I believe was the largest single race in Nova Scotia this year.

20 boats managed to complete the challenging course in the required time. A good time seemed to be had by all. I would like to thank our sponsors UK Sails (Erik Koppernaes) and Evangeline Securities Limited (Elizabeth Whyte).

Paul Bezanson, Fleet Captain Sail.

## AYC RACING RESULTS

### Commodores Cup August 23rd & 24th

|           |             |                     |
|-----------|-------------|---------------------|
| 1st place | Highlander  | Dan Pride           |
| 2nd place | Bonnie Jean | Brad Blackford      |
| 3rd place | Rhumble     | Norman Schneiderman |

### Harbour Island Classic September 20th

|           |         |                      |
|-----------|---------|----------------------|
| 1st place | Gersemi | Paul Bezanson, AYC   |
| 2nd place | Calypso | Greg Haverstock, AYC |
| 3rd place | Valour  | Rod Stright, DYC     |

### Wednesday Nights Non-Spinnaker Racing Results

July 30th

|     |           |
|-----|-----------|
| 1st | Gersemi   |
| 2nd | Genevieve |
| 3rd | Bandit    |

August 27th

|     |            |
|-----|------------|
| 1st | Genevieve  |
| 2nd | Bandit     |
| 3rd | Lazy Bones |

September 10th

|     |           |
|-----|-----------|
| 1st | Gersemi   |
| 2nd | Bandit    |
| 3rd | Genevieve |

### Wednesday Nights Spinnaker Racing Results

July 30th

|     |         |
|-----|---------|
| 1st | Rhumble |
| 2nd | Kestral |
| 3rd | Shaman  |

August 6th

|     |            |
|-----|------------|
| 1st | Rhumble    |
| 2nd | Highlander |
| 3rd | Bandit     |

August 27th

|     |            |
|-----|------------|
| 1st | Rhumble    |
| 2nd | Calypso    |
| 3rd | Highlander |

September 10th

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| 1st | Highlander |
| 2nd | Rhumble    |
| 3rd | Osprey     |

### Thursday Nights Womens' Racing Results

July 31st

|     |          |
|-----|----------|
| 1st | Rhumble  |
| 2nd | Heatwave |
| 3rd | Tardis   |

August 28th

|     |          |
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| 1st | Bandit   |
| 2nd | Rhumble  |
| 3rd | Heatwave |

September 4th

|     |            |
|-----|------------|
| 1st | Heatwave   |
| 2nd | Rogue Wave |
| 3rd | Bandit     |

September 11th

|     |          |
|-----|----------|
| 1st | Rhumble  |
| 2nd | Bandit   |
| 3rd | Heatwave |



## COMMODORE'S BALL & AWARDS NIGHT

NOVEMBER 22, 2008

Watch eNews and Bulletin  
for further details



## **Tax Information Guide: 2007**

**Date: June 24, 2008**

### **Subject: Provincial Tax on Purchase of Boats and Vessels From Persons Other Than GST/HST Registrants - Section 31B of the Revenue Act**

This guide outlines the application of Nova Scotia Sales Tax (NSST) on the private purchase of boats and vessels. For purposes of this Guide, the term boats and vessels means any type of water craft, including those propelled by oars, paddles, sails, engines or other means, and also those with no means of self-propulsion.

Under the Nova Scotia Revenue Act, tax applies to the private purchase of boats and vessels. For the purposes of this tax, a private purchase is where the purchase is not a taxable supply made by a GST/HST registrant.

For more information, copy the following link into your browser:

<http://www.gov.ns.ca/snsmr/taxcomm/guides/display.asp?numID=2007>

## **Protecting the Water: How to Handle Organic Waste**

Most of us know there are many important reasons to become more environmentally friendly. What some of us don't know about is the damage we do to our own interests by polluting. When we treat the environment poorly, particularly by dumping organic waste, we endanger our own welfare in terms of our health, the economy, and the enjoyment of the water. When we pollute the water through poor boating habits, the pollutants travel through the food chain, reaching us in the fish we eat. Organic wastes, namely sewage, can devastate a marine environment by poisoning shellfish and damaging fish populations, straining our already vulnerable stocks. This contamination results in the closure of thousands of hectares of shellfish beds every year! Sewage creates unpleasant odours on the water, and detracts from the natural beauty of the marine environment by degrading the coast. Boat renters, diving tours, angling tours, and coastal tourism attractions all suffer significant economic losses due to the unfortunate consequences of pollution. It also leads to a decrease in shoreline property value and steals away from your boating pleasure. Finally, one possibly expensive repercussion of pollution is the damage debris and waste can do to boats and marine gear.

Fortunately, by adopting greener practices while out on the water, we can work to avoid all these problems. This summer, with support from the Halifax Port Authority, Clean Nova Scotia's program *Ship to Shore*, will be working with the Armdale Yacht Club to encourage greener boating practices and to help members with waste management. Some important things you can do include making sure your boat has a proper, well-maintained, waste containment system. If your vessel is fitted with a toilet, and weighs over 15 tons, you are required to install a holding tank. Familiarize yourself with pump-out stations available for unloading waste and remember that you can not discharge waste in inland waters. If you are in a designated discharge area, keep in mind that the fecal coliform count of the sewage must be equal to or less than 14/100 millilitres. Having an understanding of boating regulations is key to protecting the environment. More information is available from Transport Canada's Office of Boating Safety at [www.tc.gc.ca/en/menu.htm](http://www.tc.gc.ca/en/menu.htm)

Taking care of our ocean is everyone's responsibility, whether we use it for work or play. By making some small changes and following Transport Canada's regulations, we can all enjoy the water this summer.

**Ship to Shore Program, sponsored by Clean Nova Scotia**

## **The Waterfront Challenge sponsored by Interlux Yacht Paint Company**

The Waterfront Challenge is a competition created by Interlux to encourage people who care about their local waterfront, including lakes, rivers, streams and oceans - to improve their local environment.

We are not looking for any donations, simply to get the word out about this great contest. It is open now through November 1, 2008 and any group of people of 3 or more (children are also encouraged to apply) would be eligible. Interlux is looking to award \$5,000 each to 7 groups, and \$25,000 to the first place group. It is free to join and the application is on our website: [www.wfchallenge.com](http://www.wfchallenge.com).

Please feel free to contact Pamela Sardinha by email: [pamelasardinha@gmail.com](mailto:pamelasardinha@gmail.com) or call 401-533-4730 (east coast time) with any questions.

We hope to hear from you.



## THANKSGIVING DINNER RAFT-UP

SATURDAY,  
OCTOBER 11,  
2008

The annual THANKSGIVING DINNER RAFT-UP will be held on Saturday, October 11th. All boats must be at the raft up in the Northwest Arm no later than 3 p.m. with dinner being served at 6 p.m. Sign up sheets are now posted in the Club by the bar.

Each group of 4 to 6 boats will be assigned a host boat and each group will be responsible for preparation of the Thanksgiving dinner. The host boat captain will contact each captain in their group to assign the dinner menu items.

For more info please call Mike/Pauline Grantham at 852-4725, or e-mail [granthams@eastlink.ca](mailto:granthams@eastlink.ca)

### \*\*IMPORTANT NOTICE\*\*

#### CANADIAN POWER + SAIL BOATING COURSE

A number of notices have been sent out through eNews to let members know that CPS is offering a boating course exclusively for AYC members. To date we have not received enough registrations to run the course, so we are delaying the start date by one week. **The new start date is Wednesday, October 22nd.** If you were thinking of registering for the course and it has slipped your mind; please contact the office as soon as possible to sign up!

#### CANADIAN POWER + SAIL BOATING COURSE

Armdale Yacht Club is offering the Canadian Power and Sail Boating Course. The course will be conducted by one of our own, Dave Hickey, CPS Member.

Course starts: Wednesday, October 15, 2008

Course ends: Wednesday, February 18, 2009  
(3 wk break over the holidays –TBD)

**Time:** 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

**Location:** AYC Boardroom

The course will be offered at a cost of \$200 which will include your first year's CPS membership upon successful completion of the exam. Any profit from this course will be given to the Junior Sailing Program at AYC.

#### Registration:

- at the AYC office during regular business hours or
- request a registration form by fax or email by calling the AYC office at 477-4617
- completed forms can be placed in the office door drop box, anytime the club is open, send by email to [office@armdaleyachtclub.ns.ca](mailto:office@armdaleyachtclub.ns.ca) or fax to 477-0148

#### Methods of payment:

- enclose a cheque for \$200 (made out to Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons)
- submit your form by email/fax and call in with a credit card number

This is a good course for new boaters as well as those boaters who have been on the water for some time to hone their skills. If you have not already gotten your PCOC operators license you can write the exam at the same time to obtain it. Upon completion of this CPS Boating Course you are then able to continue in the CPS courses for further navigations skills and boating knowledge. Also upon successful completion your insurance company may offer a discount in your insurance rate.

Class maximum is 10, so register soon!

For further information contact:

Mike Casey at 454-9873

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## Call for Nominations

### The Pamela Lerch WOW! Memorial Cup

Please consider nominating a deserving woman for the following award which will be presented at the AYC Commodore's Ball and Awards Night, November 22, 2008.

A PDF of the nomination form is attached. Completed nomination forms can be mailed to the address on the form or can be dropped at the AYC Office. Please label your envelope "The Pamela Lerch WOW! Memorial Cup nomination".

Deadline for nominations: October 31, 2008

WOW! Women On Water is pleased to present The Pamela Lerch WOW! Memorial Cup Award, which was set up in memory of Pamela who passed away from breast cancer in 2007. The Pamela Lerch WOW! Memorial Cup will be awarded each year to a female recipient who demonstrates outstanding achievement in sailing education, leadership, mentorship and health promotion. The cup will be presented at the Commodore's Ball at the Armdale Yacht Club in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

The Pamela Lerch WOW! Memorial Cup is a WOW! Women On Water initiative intended to help increase women's health through active participation in sailing, education, mentorship and health promotion.

#### Who is eligible for nomination?

Women who have demonstrated outstanding leadership and mentorship, and who have actively contributed to advancing sailing education and health promotion of other female members of the Nova Scotia sailing community.

#### What is the deadline for nominations?

Nominations will be accepted between August 1st and October 31st of each year. Nominations can be made by completing and submitting the nomination form available at [www.womenonwater.ca](http://www.womenonwater.ca) (click the "programs" tab and scroll to the bottom for a pdf version of the form). Completed nomination forms can also be dropped at the AYC Office (please label envelope "The Pamela Lerch WOW! Memorial Cup nomination")

For further information, please refer to the Women On Water website at [www.womenonwater.ca](http://www.womenonwater.ca)



### Pamela Lerch's WOW! Cup Nomination Form

| Nominee's Information |  |
|-----------------------|--|
| Name                  |  |
| Address               |  |
| Postal Code           |  |
| Telephone             |  |
| Email                 |  |

| Nominator's Information |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| Name                    |  |
| Address                 |  |
| Postal Code             |  |
| Telephone               |  |
| Email                   |  |

Pamela Lerch's WOW! Cup is presented to Nova Scotia-based women who have demonstrated outstanding leadership and mentorship, and who have contributed greatly to the education and health promotion of other members of the Nova Scotia sailing community. Please explain how your nominee has demonstrated these qualities and why she should be considered for this award.

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| Date | Signature of Nominator |
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Mail Nomination form to:  
WOW! Women On Water  
Pamela Lerch's WOW! Cup  
15 Braeburn Road  
Halifax, Nova Scotia  
B3N 1C1

For more information on the application process please contact WOW! WOMEN ON WATER's Chair Jacqueline Gahagan at [jacquelinegahagan@womenonwater.ca](mailto:jacquelinegahagan@womenonwater.ca)

# October 2008

| Sunday | Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday                                     | Saturday  |
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|        |  |  | 1<br>Race<br><br>Wednesday<br>Night<br>Fall #6<br><br>6:30 pm | 2   | 3  | 4<br>AYC Club<br>Championship<br>Race #3<br>1:00 pm<br><br>Also Performance<br>Cup #8   |
| 5      | 6  | 7  | 8   | 9   | 10   | 11<br>Thanksgiving<br>Dinner Raft-up  |
| 12     | 13<br>Thanksgiving Day<br><br>Summer tender<br>service and gas<br>service ends.<br>After this date<br>services will only<br>be provided during<br>regular yard hours,<br>8:30 am to 12 noon,<br>1:00 pm to 4:30 pm | 14<br>Winter<br>Hours Start<br>CLUB<br>CLOSED<br><br>COM<br>Meeting<br>7:00 p.m. | 15  | 16<br>Club<br>Winter<br>Hours<br>start<br>TODAY | 17<br>Cribbage<br>Starts<br>8:00 pm        | 18  |
| 19     | 20<br>CLUB CLOSED  | 21<br>CLUB<br>CLOSED   | 22<br>CPS Boating<br>Course<br>7 p.m.                         | 23  | 24<br>Cribbage<br>8:00 pm                  | 25<br>Die Hard Race<br>1:00 pm<br><br>Also Performance<br>Cup #9<br><br>Entertainment<br>5 pm to 9 pm<br>Timmy Garrigan,<br>George Antoniac &<br>Ashford Crawford |
| 26     | 27<br>CLUB CLOSED  | 28<br>CLUB<br>CLOSED   | 29<br>CPS Boating<br>Course<br>7 p.m.                         | 30  | 31<br>Halloween<br>Dance<br><br>9 pm - 1am |   |