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THE BURGEE

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ARMDALE YACHT CLUB'S NEWSLETTER



COMMODORE'S REPORT

Well spring has arrived and the race is on to get the boat into the water. I have already acquired my anti-fouling paint, polish and have the fever. All I need now is the weather. I am, however, concerned this year about our Past Commodore, Tommy Harper. It looks like he may be second to launch again this year. Anti-fouling paint is available at the AYC office and all profits are directed to the sail-training program thanks to the efforts of Mr. Ken Bell.

There is no better feeling than that first trip down the Arm at the beginning of a new season. It's as if all your stresses and cares are instantly forgotten. Someone explained to me once that when he stands behind the helm of his vessel and leaves the dock, whether for an hour or a month, it is the only time he forgets about everything and truly relaxes.

I believe the burgee is an excellent venue to keep members informed of Club work progress, activities and events. I encourage all COM and the general membership to use it as an informative tool. A lot has happened in AYC since the first of the year including the departure of our club manager and selection of the new manager. The Vice Commodore and myself spent extra time in the office ensuring we knew everything about the club operations in case we did not have a turnover period between managers. Fortunately, we were given the luxury of a two-week transition period between them. Our new Club Manager, Mrs. Linda McEwen, is settling in well and I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of AYC Membership to welcome her onboard.

The selection process for the new caterers took several members of the COM and senior members countless hours to perform. This involved development of the required criteria, catering contact, scoring matrix, the review processes and contract negotiations. The new caterer will be Rocco Scarola and he will have already started operations at AYC by the time this issue is released.

We reopened the club during the transition period between caterers. This meant the Past Commodore and myself had to assume the responsibilities of Bar Manager. The Vice Commodore had to hire bartenders and put them on the club payroll. The bar had to be stocked, kept stocked and bar muster sheets and pricing sheets had to be developed. We reopened our galley to provide service during the transition period. This also meant that the galley had to be stocked and kept stocked. A cook and waitresses had to be hired and placed on the Club's payroll. Processes had to be developed in the office in order to deal with the extra employees, bar debt/credits and galley debt's/credits. Between the Vice Commodore, Fleet Captain Cruise, Club Manager and myself, we were able to keep the bar and galley stocked.

We continue to deal with insurance companies and lawyers concerning the explosion last summer. There has been no further development to report to date.

Vice Commodore Raine departed for warmer climates for the month of March. A replacement that would be around the club to assist with all the above activities was required. As David Hickey, Fleet Captain Cruise was already assisting us with these activities, I appointed David Acting Vice Commodore in Norman's absence.

I would like to congratulate Fleet captain Cruise (David Hickey) and his committee for an outstanding weekend at Oak Island Inn (Dry Cruise). Bravo Zulu to the Cruise committee. I would also like to thank all Members of the Committee of Management, Sub-Committees and several members at large for their support over the past few months.

Please remember that the Committee of Management, Sub-Committees are volunteers and always have the best interest of the club at heart. Members may not agree at all times with decisions made by the COM but rest assured, we always act in the best interest of the majority. If something is unclear to you just ask and we will explain. There are no secrets kept from the membership.

If anyone has a concern, suggestion or observation please feel free to put pen to paper (or email dennisharding@eastlink.ca) and drop it off in my mail slot in the Club Office. The COM will discuss and respond to all written correspondences. AYC has a lot of exciting activities and projects planned for 2005, so get out, get involved, volunteer, meet your fellow members, new and old, support your committee of management and sub committees where you can. See you around the Club. **Dennis Harding.**



Committee of Management 2005

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477-4207

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477-4153

THE BURGEE EDITOR: Spring is finally here. The sun is out, the temperature is rising and the AYC is bursting with activity. I love this time of year. Members who have been hibernating for the winter start to show up, boat covers start coming off and we all try to remember about all the rules and regulations about safe boating, and having a grand time on the water. As all AYC members know, there is lots of activity in May. The ICEBREAKER, and of course AYC's opening race May long weekend. Welcome to all our New Members and to our new caterers.

Welcome to Dan Pride our new Fleet Captain Sail. Want to get involved in Racing? Get in touch with Dan.

e-mail> dan.pride@hiae.ca

**Best regards, See you at the AYC.....
Gregg Flynn (902) 430-3148 Lightning - Hboat
Marina H36**

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The thrill of racing should be shared with as many people as possible. Need crew? See the notice board at the AYC. Offer new members the opportunity to experience club racing. Get out.....have fun.....be safe.....come back...

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Boat</u>
Sebastien Latulippe	Senior	Dreambig
Kevin Scott	Senior	Name to be announced.
Mario Beaudet	Senior	Goin Krazy
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AYC RACING 2005

The best season of the year is fast approaching and preparations for the rollout of the 2005 race schedule are well underway. The Spring Sailing meeting was held on March 26th and began with identifying our objectives for the season -

- 1.. To provide AYC with race opportunities for all levels of sailors;
- 2.. To provide learning opportunities through seminars to our new and experienced sailors, affording a greater level of comfort on the water.
- 3.. To increase the numbers of sailors on the race course - a great place to improve your skills on the water.
- 4.. To have FUN! Sailing for most of us is one of our favourite leisure activities - let's keep it FUN!

The 2005 race calendar is posted on the website, as well as the Notice of Race for the Icebreaker on May 14th and the Opening Regatta on May 21, 22 and 23rd. In addition to an ample race schedule, we are providing a number of seminars to sharpen your skills on the race course.

Mark YOUR calendars!

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| April 26 - 7 pm | Sail Trim, with another only slightly less salty, Bill Haliburton |
| May 17 - 7 pm | Boating Safety (includes small vessel regulations, required safety equipment, hypothermia... |
| TBA | Introduction to the Race Course |

There will be a \$10 fee for these programs and pre-registration would be appreciated (email bahaliburton@eastlink.ca or leave your name with the office 477-4617).

Keeping in the spirit of FUN! we would like to encourage all sailors to try out the race course and as such we are providing more opportunities for you. On Wednesday nights (beginning May 25th) we will offer two starts, White Sail and Spinnaker (provided we have 5 boats in each). In addition, on Thursday evenings, in conjunction with the Women's Race (beginning June 16th), there will be a second start for Novice racers. We will even provide you with a 'coach' on Thursday evenings to help you around the race course if you like! Please email bahaliburton@eastlink.ca if you are interested in having one of our 'proficient' Wednesday night racers join you on Thursday evening(s). Remember, it's **FUN!**

Interested in crewing - or do you need crew? Beginning at the first Wednesday night race on May 25th, there will be a sign up sheet/white board at the registration table where you can put down your requests/needs. Make yourself known and we will do our best to get you on a boat - or get a crew to you!

Even racers can cruise! The first 'Race to Cruise' date is August 20th, the Commodore's Cup weekend, where the racers will join the cruisers at Wreck Cove for Happy Hour and whatever else transpires! Stay tuned for more Race to Cruise dates throughout the summer.

And lastly, **THERE'S WORK TO BE DONE!** Our Race Hut is in rough shape and will need some repairs before our race committee gets to work. Dan Pride will be looking for volunteers to help in making it sound for the sailing season. You can contact Dan at dan.pride@hiala.ca to offer your assistance.

Betty Ann Haliburton - Rear Commodore

Dan Pride - Fleet Captain Sail



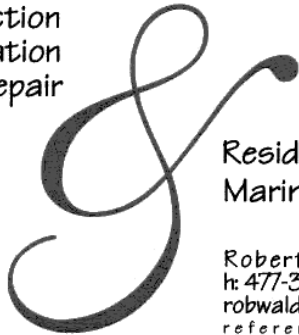
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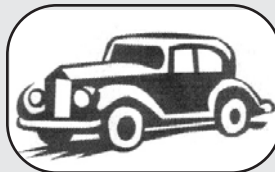
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YARD CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

“Happy Mother’s Day”

Thank you to our Moms for allowing us the beautiful gift “The Present”.

We are getting the marinas back in the water. As I stated before you will be informed of your allocated berth/mooring prior to being floated. As a reminder all members are encouraged to read and follow the By-laws as per launching procedure.

When you unwrap your boat we are asking you to fold down your discarded cover and place it beside the dumpsters.

REMINDER - All your cleaning materials/liquids are to be used safely and in conformance with environmental laws. The disposal of hazardous materials are clearly posted. We ask that you follow these procedures. The practice of cleaning paint brushes on the Jail House wall is considered a serious violation to structure and rules. Do not become a violator.

“The journey to the water begins with the boat owner.”

Think safety and enjoy boating. See you "around the yard", in the club or on the water.

Yours Aye, Lloyd Blagdon

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These ablative coatings are available through the Club office @ \$130.00 + HST = \$149.50 CDN per gal. Please see **Ken Bell or Linda McEwen** A.Y.C. office or call 477-4617 to order.

A quantity of the ablative coating will be stocked at the club.

Many members of the Club have been using these coatings for 25yrs. or longer and the only complaint we are aware of is that we can't make it available in green.



AYC OPENING REGATTA

Armdale Yacht Club hosts its Opening Regatta on May 21, 22, 23, 2005.

1. Authority

This race is governed by the 2005-2008 Racing Rules of Sailing of the International Sailing Federation, the prescriptions of the Canadian Yachting Association, and rules of the class(s) concerned, except as any of these that are changed by the AYC sailing instructions. For advertising purposes, this is a Category A event.

2. Entries

The AYC Opening Regatta is open to all NSYA members.

3. Liability/Insurance

The Armdale Yacht Club and all sponsors of AYC races and regattas will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after an AYC race or regatta. Competitors participate in the AYC races entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Each participating boat shall carry personal liability/protection & indemnity coverage of not less than one million dollars. To be eligible to race each skipper/owner must sign a declaration of insurance coverage.

4. Classes

Four handicap classes anticipated: Premiere, A, B, and C (non-spinnaker). Class starts require 5 boats participating. Handicaps shall be in accordance with the most recent NSYA yacht list; boats not listed may enter by completing and delivering to the Race Committee an NSYA Yacht Data Sheet at least 24 hours prior to the race. Registration will take place on Friday evening (5:00 - 6:30pm) and Saturday morning (10:30am - 12:30pm). **The registration fee for the Regatta is \$30.**

5. Schedule

Friday, May 20

5:00 - 6:30 Registration
6:00 - 7:30 Lobster dinner
Entertainment: The Echos

Saturday, May 21

10:00 -2:00 Buffet brunch
10:30-12:30 Registration or sign-in
12:00 noon Skippers meeting
1:00 First gun
5:30 -7:00 Prize presentations, Dinner
Entertainment: Pam Barr

Sunday, May 22

10:00 - 2:00 Buffet brunch
11:30 - 12:30 Registration or sign-in
12:00 noon Skippers meeting
1:00 First gun
5:30 -7:00 Prize Presentation, Dinner
Entertainment: Sound Choice Entertainment

Monday, May 23

10:00 - 2:00 Buffet brunch
11:30 - 12:30 Registration or sign-in
12:00 noon Skippers meeting
1:00 First gun

Following race - Prize presentations

6. Courses

Courses will be sailed in Halifax Harbour, with starts and finishes at AYC, conditions permitting. Courses for all classes will be announced at the Skippers Meeting. Sailing Instructions will be posted and made available at the Skippers Meeting.

7. Prizes

Prizes will be awarded each day after the race, as well as overall results on the final day in all classes raced.