



Shorelines

Lakeshore Yacht Club

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From the Commodore

It seems like only yesterday when we published a special edition of Shorelines to remind everyone of Sailpast – time is flying by!

I must thank everyone who attended Sailpast on 21 June. It was a wonderful day for me and I greatly appreciate all those who supported this important event, and particularly those who worked hard to make the day happen. We had a great group of members helping out our Social Director in putting on a continental type breakfast buffet (with punch), and then preparing tables full of potluck lunch dishes. A special thanks to Mel Duke for blessing our Fleet and his part in pulling off the surprise visit of my father to the festivities. I would also like to thank Frank Cairns for once again running the Silent Auction. The generous donations by members helped raise a modest amount of funds that will be channelled into our Social Program. A great day was had by all, and again my thanks.

The following week, we had yet another exceptionally successful Greek Night. The Staffords, Jones and Simes continue to outdo themselves with this event. It was very well attended – the food was outstanding – the entertainment (Maureen Brown Band) was great. On behalf of the 130 or so who had a wonderful time, our thanks to the organizers and their committee.

The Gala of Hope, hosted by Karen Goodyear and emceed by Kay Mountford on 14 Jun was a great success. Karen has prepared a special report in this edition to provide you with the details. There were about 100 people in attendance representing the community, Children of Hope, HELPS International and the Club. I was very pleased to see so many members out supporting this very worthwhile event. Congratulations to Karen and family for raising over \$15,000!

Speaking of the Goodyears, Warren and Karen will be leaving in mid-August for a year of adventure on their boat. We wish them a safe and enjoyable journey.

Another reminder that our Annual LSYC Charity Day is coming up on Sunday 10 August. It gets underway at 2 PM with the ever popular Dinghy Race – be prepared to

get very, very wet! Decorate your dinghy and your crew because there are prizes for best dinghy and best costume. The Dinghy Race is followed at 3:00 by children's games, a potluck dinner at 5:00, Silent Action after dinner and the Giant Poker Hand around 6:30 PM. We are looking forward to your support of this event – bring a change of clothes for after the dinghy race, a potluck dish, donations for the Silent Auction and then be prepared to have fun!

The weekend of 9-10 August will be a busy weekend for the Club. Fleet has a distance race scheduled on the Saturday (Island Race), and then the also popular Ladies' Skippers Race on Sunday morning. For this particular race, our good looking men have to show us their feminine side and dress up in order to be allowed on a boat to crew. The Skippers meeting for both races is at 9:30. It is all great fun and we are hoping to boost participation in both the Ladies' Skippers Race and the Annual Charity Day by providing entertainment and good times for the whole day.

On Monday 8 September, our Club will be hosting the Council of Commodores meeting. This will be the second time we have had this honour. The meeting commences around 6 PM with approximately 45 Commodores attending. We host cocktails from 6-6:30 PM, followed by dinner until 7 PM and then the meeting from 7-9 PM. The Great Room will be set up for the meeting so I would appreciate members using the south-east door to enter the clubhouse and avoid, if at all possible, the Great Room from 6-9 PM.

I received a notice from RCYC about their 3rd Annual Broad Reach Fundraising Dinner. It is in support of the Toronto Broad Reach Foundation for Youth Leaders. It is the only program for disadvantaged youth in Toronto that combines skill-building, job training and sailing. [Our Club actually hosted two of the Broad Reach 40-foot sailing boats the night of 18 Jul]. The RCYC dinner is on Wed 10 Sep. It includes live music, performances by talented artists and testimonials from Broad Reach youth. The notice did not mention price of tickets, but anyone interested can contact RCYC Reception at 416-967-7245.

Most of you have probably noticed the difficulties we have been having with our security system over the past two months. The Board is looking into options, up to and including total replacement of the existing system, primarily due to its unreliability and lack of satisfactory service. We are consulting with other clubs to find out what problems (or successes) they are encountering. The other part of the system is the smoke/fire alarm which has caused us no end of misery since early June. As you will see in the Vice Commodore's report, we have purchased some scaffolding for various projects and one of the first will be to take clean the smoke alarms mounted on the ceiling of the Great Room. We hope that this will solve the smoke alarm problem. I can assure you that several members of the Board have spent countless hours trying to resolve the security system issues, and we do apologize for any inconvenience.

I just got back from a week in Quebec City (so I unfortunately missed Hawaiian Night). I met Hawley when it arrived (as part of a 12-boat flotilla) at the Quebec City Yacht Club on Monday 21 July after a 19 day journey from LSYC. Mike Yarwood made the trip with his regular Wednesday Night racing crew of Judy Preston and Lou Scaglione. We all spent the week on Hawley and did our part to help celebrate the 400th anniversary of Quebec City. The Club itself was founded in 1861 so it has a lot of history. They have a very interesting way of hauling boats out which has to be timed with the tides that go up and down almost 14 feet! It was also very interesting watching boats sail on the St. Lawrence outside the club. With the strong winds blowing to the west and the strong current to the east, boats were either heeled over but not moving or moving sideways at considerable speed. I can't imagine our race nights in those conditions! We look forward to Mike's return later in August and hopefully he, Judy and Lou will put together a slide presentation of their trip.

One last point – our Social Director, Jeff Bugbee, has stepped down from the Board due to work obligations that have taken him out of the province for a few months. Bev Wiltshire who has been very much involved in the Social Program the past two years, will be filling in for him but in a limited capacity. The Board would greatly appreciate member support of Bev in maintaining our Social Program for the balance of the season.

On behalf of the Board, we hope you are all enjoying the season. We look forward to seeing many of you at upcoming events.

Dawn Gardham
Andante II

Vice Commodore

Clubhouse maintenance is coming along and the list is getting shorter, thanks to quite a few of the membership who have pitched in hours. There are still lots of small chores that need to be done in and around the building. Plans are now place for fall work projects. CHECK THE JOB BOARD outside the washrooms for outstanding job postings.

New Mast Rack

A new extra long mast rack will be constructed in the early fall enabling us to accommodate all the larger masts plus increasing our storage capacity. The existing mast racks will be reconfigured, reducing the mast store area foot print, and increasing the area for boat storage. I am looking for a volunteer from our membership to assume the responsibility of organizing, constructing and executing the proposed changes. The materials are on order and will be staged in the yard shortly.

Pump Out & Launch Dock

Most members are aware that the pump out/ launch dock has been in an unstable condition mainly due to the extreme low water conditions of the past two seasons. Alex Ko tackled the engineering logistics of this and has recommended a stronger and more robust support bracing system be installed. The dock will be staged with new bracing and anchor plates 10 feet from the shoreline. This correction to the stand off distance ensures sufficient water depth under dock in low water conditions. I will be assuming responsibility for constructing the new supports, and completion of this work in time for haul out.

Launch Dock Ramp

With modifications made to the launch dock the existing access ramp will also require modifications. This ramp has not proved to be flexible at handling the variance in water levels in its present configuration. The proposal is to turn the ramp ninety degrees so that it will run parallel with the dock. In this position it will accommodate the lake water fluctuations making a safer ramp for the dock crews at launch and haul out. Gerry, our Rear Commodore will oversee this part of the project.

Storage Support Frame

Our stalwart retired members of the cradle storage crew have voiced their concerns regarding their personal safety while stacking and un-stacking our cradles. Traditionally the three biggest boat cradle frames are used as a support wall to stack the remaining frames against. Quite often the first few frames stacked move and collapse and lock into one another placing the crew in an unsafe situation trying to extricate and separate the frames. With safety of our membership in mind six

permanent resting posts will be installed in the yard late this fall. The plan is to use the window of opportunity between when the cradles are laid out after mast stepping and before the boats are laid up in the yard, weather permitting to bore six holes roughly where the cradles are now stored, then cement in perpendicular steel posts, allow the cement to cure over the winter period in readiness for spring usage. Again all materials will be staged ahead of time at the club. It is hoped a member will step forward to take this project under their wing and see it through to completion.

Old Notice Board Area

You may have noticed the caution tape around our old notice board plinth. The tape is only to make members aware of the post anchor brackets installed into the concrete, which are a tripping hazard. This area is in the process of being transformed into the new recycle bin storage area. The present area has proved too small for our needs. It is not going to go to waste the anti-freeze glycol store tank will be transferred into this area by Jim Badame making it a more convenient, and a less messy experience for the whole membership to deposit waste product. The new recycling area will be fenced in a manner that blends with the clubhouse. The existing roof will be removed and replaced with something more appropriate. I doubt that the roofing portion of this project will be completed this year, again if a volunteer steps forward this could change. The notice board was relocated into the clubhouse quite some time ago making this location redundant.

Scaffold

Scaffolding has been purchased to enable access to the yard exterior arena lighting stanchions. In the next few weeks we will be working on refurbishing all this lighting. The club great room painting can now be completed as we have the scaffolding to safely access the hard to reach areas.

There is a lot of activity going on at the club aside from sailing and racing. These safety projects will only be completed with the work of the membership. Safety should be everyone's concern. Grab a hammer and come and help build the mast rack or a paint brush and paint a doorway. Remember we are a self help club.

Regards and enjoy the wonderful amenities of our club and the sailing for the rest of the season

Peter Tomlin
Tomcat

Rear Commodore

According to my calendar, summer has been with us for over a month but I think someone has forgotten to tell Mother Nature. We have had a couple of races and a

cruise cancelled because MN has not come through for us. It has been quite a rainy July and I consider myself lucky for not going out on the Lake Ontario 300 this year. Hats off to Dave Courtney, Brayden Woods, Mike Truffer, Mario Perez-Perez and their crew for getting out there and facing the rain and no wind or too much wind.

Last year we set a record for "two-footitis" and I think we are coming close to it this year. As the Canadian dollar continues to remain strong and the US economy stays weak, there will be bargains out there. Please remember we have a limited amount of space on the outside docks. If you are thinking of upgrading, keep in mind that you need board approval and it would be nice to give Bruce a "heads up".

The docks are holding up well and only needed minor board replacement this spring. If you see anything that requires our attention please advise the HarbourMaster or myself and we will get right to it. We extended a number of inside docks and one outside dock this spring. The 20' extension has been launched thanks to Clayton Spalding and Tom Jordon, they supplied the crane. We really are a self-help DIY club. Both Clayton and Tom have done a great job bringing their boats back to Bristol fashion.

As most of you know, I have been busy with my personal work project, the Hunter 42. It is coming along well and I will go out on a limb and say it is "almost done". I did get out to the cruise to the Toronto Hydroplane and Sailing Club and had a great time, (Many thanks to Graham and Lydia for cooking up a great meal and Jennifer for the great cheesecake). We are planning more cruising this summer and I hope to see you on the water.

Have a very safe and enjoyable summer.

Gerald Roloson
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Membership Director

As the season has progressed we have been able to assign slips to several new members on the waiting list. At this time, we have twelve Social Members on our waiting list which means that the wait is probably one to two years at this point. The application process for Wet membership is closed until our Open House in February, 2009. We have received numerous inquiries throughout the summer and the reputation of LSYC as a friendly and financially stable club continues to spread among boaters. Many potential members have commented on the warm welcome they received when they happened to bump into an LSYC member on the city path, or inquired about membership "through the fence". It's wonderful to hear of members stopping to chat with prospective members and to hear time and time again about how members speak enthusiastically about the club.

Most membership cards have been distributed. For those of you who didn't see me during launch or stepping and haven't received your cards, they can be picked up from the Membership mailbox at the OD desk.

So far, only a few key batteries have given up the ghost this season. Please be reminded that keys will run their course and if your key ceases to work, you can contact me for a free replacement.

The membership contact list is being distributed via email. Printing all of the information fields in a legible font and on a few pages is quite difficult now that we are also including email addresses for members and associates. For those who don't have access to email, or would like a printed copy, I will leave a few copies of the list (minus email addresses) in the office. If you'd like a copy, please ask a Board or staff member to give you a copy.

Carrie Chassels
Just Magic

Harbourmaster

A big "thank you" to the few dock committee members for all their time and effort spent on dock maintenance and for installing the dock extensions. This work can be difficult and sometimes dangerous. Since we are a self-help club, more members should share with various club "core tasks". Some dock work still needs to be done. Contact me if you would like to help (make repairs to the work boat, install pump-out dock stand-offs, dock numbers need to be repainted on the water side, etc.). Those who have unidentified trailers/cradles in the yard, please label them with your boat name.

OTHER NEWS:

- Visitors should not be told our gate combination as it could become public knowledge, which has happened recently (damage, liability, theft issues); please meet them.
- The four dock electrical box safety stations are complete with life rings, float line and fire extinguishers. Alex Ko and I have tried to get the hose hangers/hoses functioning.
- With the season under way, boat movement should be minimal since members want to relax in their own slips. It would be preferable to have new boats stay in their assigned slips. Members must apply to the Board re slip availability if you are dreaming!

Remember (new boaters especially): check your safety equipment (fines have been heavy, police often wait outside yacht clubs), leave a record of your journey at the OD station, check the weather report just before leaving the dock. Have a safe and relaxing summer!

Bruce Patten
Irish Jig II

Fleet Captain

A friendly reminder to all boaters at LSYC... please sign your boat out at the OD desk if you will be away over night. There are many times we have incoming cruisers and need to find slips for them.

Jennifer Zimmerman
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Gala of Hope 2008

Final Report

On behalf of **Children of Hope** and **HELPS International**, we would like to thank [Lakeshore Yacht Club](#) for hosting the Gala of Hope (June 14th) along with providing the tent and accessories to make this a very successful event. The total amount raised after expenses was **\$15,530.84**. The seating was sold out; guests were treated to an awesome homemade meal with plenty of desserts and the items in the Silent Auction created intense bidding.

Thank you to the members within the club who helped along with friends from outside the club. To see the teams working together for a common purpose is a memory we will not forget. The support from the members during the event was outstanding.

Children of Hope is now able to continue to support the Handicap School in Carrefour (slum of Port Au Prince) as well as many children in isolated mountain areas with medical attention, food, clothing and school funds. We have send down funds to purchase 10 goats for 10 families. For any year, monthly support will continue for 5 children awaiting sponsors. **HELPS International** will be able to continue to develop and train young adults with basic leadership/management skills i.e. Small Farm Management, Operating a Bakery, Early Childhood Care, Small Engine Technician or Solar Power Technician.

You have been a key participant in making a tangible difference in the lives of many children/young adults who need to know that we care.

With Sincere thanks,

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