



Shorelines

Lakeshore Yacht Club

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From the Commodore

If at first you don't succeed – I am back for yet another term as Commodore and as in past years, it is always an honour to serve with such an exceptional membership.

We are now under 100 days until launch and with this January thaw and the Boat Show, it is enough to get everyone thinking about the upcoming season. The Club remains full with a three year waiting list which is a great position to be in. We are struggling a bit with the 10-footitis that many members are succumbing to, so I would like to remind members that you need to discuss new boat plans with the Rear Commodore and Harbourmaster. There will come a time (very soon) when we simply cannot accommodate, at least immediately, an upsizing of boat and it is very important that Gerry and Bruce are aware of your plans so the appropriate discussions and dock assignment planning can take place.

Our lease is finally signed! After all the years of negotiation through the Council of Commodores, only six clubs have received and signed leases. We didn't get everything we asked for, but the final document is a significant improvement over the first one we received. No more lease worries for another 18 years.

I attended the Council of Commodores meeting in December. There was some discussion on flare training days, particularly how not to do them! The OSA and Marine Units both strongly endorse The Store for flare demonstrations and we are lucky enough to have Lori Mason as a member. Our Fleet Captain is working with Lori to conduct one or two Fleet seminars during the winter, and hopefully a safety day with flare demonstration once the boats are in the water. The Council is also setting up a meeting with the TPA to discuss the keep out buoys that are encroaching more and more into the Western Gap and inner harbour. The Lake Ontario Park plans, as part of the Waterfront Toronto initiative, are again talking about jetties and 'floating' islands inside the harbour, along with a condominium and marina project at Queen's Quay Pier 17. There was considerable discussion on water levels. Bronte Harbour Yacht Club and Ashbridges Bay

had significant problems this past season. Ashbridges had to dredge in four places just so they could haul out.

Their share of the cost was \$50K and they had to leave the sludge in their yard until it is cleared for disposal (which won't be until the Spring). On the topic of dredging – no, the City has not yet gotten back to us on our request for consideration of the rock deposits building up in the mouth of our harbour.

The Board met in December and will be focusing on the budget and long-range plan presentation for the Annual Meeting on Tuesday 12 February. Although it won't be ready for the AGM, we are in the process of determining an appropriate model for structuring our contingency funds. As you will see in the meeting notice, along with the Long Range Plan and Budget, we will be discussing:

- work hours with a proposal to increase the annual quota for Social Members,
- a proposal to levy storage fees for dinghies,
- a proposal to increase clubhouse rental fees and security deposit, and
- a discussion on the OD program and maximum number of shifts a member can initially sign up for.

If you are unable to attend, please ensure that you complete and submit the Proxies included with this issue.

My thanks to those members who responded to the call for volunteers for the Phone Committee. I believe the Committee is close to being fully staffed so if anyone is still interested, please contact Lynn Weber. Some of our other Committees need volunteers: Grounds – contact Sean Furniss, Property Director; Fleet/Racing – contact Jen Zimmerman, Fleet Captain; and the Social Committee – contact Jeff Bugbee, Social Director. Our Committees are critical to the success of our Club operations, so please step up and volunteer.

Two of our members achieved some fleet racing fame in November. Don Walker and Sharon Neilson were one-half of a four person crew in the CARIB1500 Rally from Hampton, Virginia to Tortola, BVI's. Don and Sharon helped crew a Jeuneau 42 to first place in their Division. Congratulations!

Our Social Program got underway with New Year's Eve at the Club. Attendance was unremarkable, but the 25 or so members who came out to celebrate thoroughly enjoyed the evening. We had a great selection of music that Jeff put together on his computer; Paul Ormandy kept the martinis flowing throughout the evening; Jen Zimmerman cooked up delicious short ribs and chicken; Jeff and Bev served up appetizers and hors d'oeuvres; and the champagne corks popped at midnight. A good time was had by all and my thanks to everyone involved. We were back at the Club for the New Year's Day Levee featuring the every popular Moose Milk. Over the afternoon, we had about 60 members drop in to 'sample' the tasty beverage and selection of hors d'oeuvres, and catch up in conversation with fellow members. My thanks to Bev and Jeff for their help in organizing the day. (That's Bev and Jeff's daughter Abby hiding behind the balloons).



Abby



Jen Zimmerman & Sandra Pham



Judy Preston, Sean Furniss, Vicki Sutherland & Paul Ormandy



Dave Ormandy & Tri Pham



Roger Kee, Peter Tomlin & Hannelore Kee

A couple of upcoming dates to remember: the Social Committee is planning to organize an informal Super Bowl party on 3 Feb; Peter Tomlin is hosting a Club Winter Walk along the water front followed by hot chilli at the Club on 16 Feb; there will be a formal Valentine's Day dinner hosted by the Social Committee; and our Potluck Dinners continue on 27 Jan (Mexican), 24 Feb (Caribbean), 30 Mar (Indian), and 31 Apr (cook's choice).

I look forward to seeing all of you at the Annual Meeting on 12 February, and encourage our members to support the Club events, including work parties, that our Board and their Committees organize for your benefit. I am very much encouraged by the dedication and enthusiasm that our Board members continue to display and know that we are looking forward to another successful year at LSYC.

On behalf of the Board, I wish all of you a safe and healthy 2008.

Dawn Gardham
Andante II

Vice Commodore

Happy New Year to you all. It was nice to see so many members at the club on January 1st for the New Year's Day levee despite the snow storm. That just shows you sailors are a hearty lot! Many thanks should go to Dawn, Jeff and the social committee for their hard work to start the year off right. It is good to see that our clubhouse is being well used all year round.

As I am new to the club executive for 2008 it will take time for me to get my sea legs as the vice commodore and determine my responsibilities.

In the past I have been doing the "little jobs" and fixing things as there was need around the club. I have now inherited the clubhouse work projects from the 2007 executive and we will be looking for work crews to tackle and execute these projects once the priorities have been determined for the upcoming season. There will be lots

of available work hours for members, painting and making general improvements around the clubhouse.

Looking forward to a busy season and getting most of the real work out of the way before the real sailing season. See you around the yard and clubhouse.

Peter Tomlin
Tomcat

Rear Commodore

I trust everyone had an enjoyable winter holiday. If anyone found a new boat gift-wrapped under the Christmas tree, now would be a good time to give the board a heads-up. As per our Rules and Regulations 5.1, "All vessels must be approved by the Board prior to mooring at the Club." The availability of outside docks is quickly diminishing and we may not have room for your new boat.

Over the winter we have been working on dock extensions. We have nine extensions planned for both the inside and outside slips. In addition to the extensions, we will be installing stabilizers on the inside slips of A spline. This will complete the stabilizer installation program. Dock crews will be needed in the spring to install both the extensions and stabilizers. Boat owners who have moved up in boat size are encouraged to come out and give us a hand; you are benefiting directly from these initiatives.

Each year we take steps to improve not only our docks but also all the facilities and activities at the club. The clubhouse and surrounding gardens look better each and every year. Many members work tirelessly behind the scenes to bring you great social events. The fleet captain and the race committee put in a lot of hours planning Wednesday night races as well as organizing cruises to reciprocal clubs. During the 2007 season we averaged close to 40 work hours per member even though the minimum is only 30 hours! Thanks to everyone for putting in that extra effort that has made LSYC a real jewel on the lake.

The dock committee and the launch/haulout committee will be meeting sometime after the boat show. If you wish to participate, please e-mail me.

As many of you are aware, Roman and Olha Karaim are making their way down the Intracoastal Waterway. They have been keeping a blog at www.moyamreeya.blogspot.com/.

The boat show is just around the corner and that should warm things up. Before we know it the boats will be back in the water. Hope everyone has a safe winter.

Gerald Roloson
Aimoniisi

Membership Director

We're looking forward to a successful Boat Show. Many thanks to all who have volunteered to represent LSYC!

Our membership Open House will be held on February 23rd from 1:00 until 4:00. Any members interested in being tour guides for the Open House are asked to contact me as soon as possible. We have 22 members waiting for slips for 2008 so any prospective members attending the Open House are likely to be on our waiting list until 2010.

Several members have changed boats during the last year and over the winter. Please remember to complete the Change of Boat Request form and submit it to me prior to bringing your new boat into the club. If you changed boats recently and didn't submit the form, please do so as soon as possible so I can update the club records prior to invoices being mailed out for 2008 fees.

Looking forward to launch!

Carrie Chassels
Just Magic

Communications Director

We have only one new face on the board this year, welcome Peter Tomlin who takes on the position of Vice Commodore. The rest are all returning members. Here is a list of the 2008 LSYC Executive:

Commodore	Dawn Gardham
Vice Commodore	Peter Tomlin
Rear Commodore	Gerald Roloson
Secretary	Christine De Nottbeck
Treasurer	Stewart Rauch
Communications	Alicia Markson
Membership	Carrie Chassels
Harbourmaster	Bruce Patten
Property Director	Sean Furniss
Fleet Captain	Jen Zimmerman
Environment	Jim Badame
Social Director	Jeff Bugbee
Past Commodore	Les McDonald
Webmaster	Dean Brown

Kay Mountford has informed me that the charity recipient for our 2008 LSYC Charity day is St Joseph House. The organization was suggested by Bohdan Spas. It is a home that supports people with any type of addiction or life challenge (ie. homelessness, unemployment, isolation etc.). They have been around for 6 years and are located in downtown Toronto.

Darts League

The Darts League is in full swing. Thanks once again to the Witters and Webers for organizing and running the league. When we broke for the Holiday Season, Team CQ was in first with 11 wins, following closely by Sinking Feeling and Tom's Cats both with 9 wins. The Jammers are in hot pursuit with 8 wins, and the Grim Reapers and Collateral Damage are in the hunt with 7 wins each. Picking up the rear but by no means out of the race, are Team Swan Song with 5 wins and the Bottom Feeders with 4. Fun is had by all every Wednesday night.

If you recall, John Witter organized a reciprocal tournament with Bronte Harbour Yacht Club last winter. We are pleased to announce that LSYC will be defending its inaugural title starting with BHYC coming to us on Sunday 17 Feb. BHYC are apparently ready to avenge last year's loss and have actually changed their Darts League from 501 to Cricket (which is what we play). The challenge is on!

Alicia Kay-Markson
Champagne

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Harbourmaster

I would like to extend an invitation to anyone interested in helping out with dock maintenance, for work hours. Some skill with tools is helpful, otherwise we will teach you. Please contact me at 416-635-2800 or through email patten2800@rogers.com. Gerry and I always welcome extra help, especially for big jobs such as installing the new stabilizer bars along the inside of A dock, when the weather/ice breaks. Frequently only about half of the dock members can attend any given work party so we need a lengthy list. Gerry has mentioned having meetings for the dock and haul-in/out groups early in 2008.

Regarding accomplishments for 2007, an important job was to prep and paint the four electrical boxes and thanks to Bob Easson, they were also ventilated. This somehow stretched out over most of the summer! According to Bob, the "rather hot" transformers should cool down somewhat and last longer, we hope! These boxes will continue to co-function as life saving stations. The life saving equipment has been reinstalled and life rings are currently hanging on the northern two boxes; life saving hooks are located at the two southern boxes. This equipment will again be up-dated in the early spring. I would also like to thank Alec Ko for his ongoing efforts and work at the pump-out dock. Many additional

and significant jobs were accomplished by members of the dock committee and this dedication is greatly appreciated. Because of all of the expert work, nobody fell through the dock boards this past summer! On that note, please keep in mind that LSYC Rules & Regulations state that dock access is restricted over the winter months for safety reasons.

During the past summer, numerous boats over 30 feet were purchased and docked on the outside of A and B splines. Presently we only have approximately half a dozen 30' fin keel boats on the outside. These, or some of them could be moved to the inside docks to provide moorings for the over 30 footers, full keel boats just under 30', or power boats around 30'. It seems that the current trend is to replace our inexpensive, fun, "hobby" boats (on which LSYC mainly originated) with larger, pricey, cottage type boats. My how times have changed! Many of these boats seldom leave the harbour.

I would like to remind some members to clearly label your cradle or various cradle parts and to adjust the rear keel position (the yellow paint mark) if necessary. This has been a time saver for the crews and has also been a guide for the crane operators. For those with non-folding cradles, seriously plan to make them folding as we have limited land space and neat cradle stacking improves the yard appearance. This process can be accomplished with a simple call to a portable welder- fabricator, to have this job done for you or if you are somewhat handy, you can prepare the pieces yourself. A cutting disc grinder is needed; see me to borrow one and for any guidance needed and a club member will weld them together for you. No excuses!

The need to have a boat conformity/capacity plate, which I mentioned in previous Shorelines, has been discontinued; refer to www.tc.gc.ca/Boatingsafety.gc.ca for more information.

Bruce Patten
Irish Jig II

Property Director

Hello LSYC! I have a countdown set up on my cell phone. Currently it shows 108 days, 13 hours and 12 minutes until 7:00 AM Saturday, April 26. Why do I have a feeling that it's not going to be as long until then as it looks. In that 108 days we have much to do. In this week's board meeting, I spoke about the budget and the monies needed for some important items. This will all be discussed in much greater detail at the general meeting coming up. As this is my second year I have a better idea of what I and the club have to look forward to, of course - Great things! This weekend I'm hoping to purchase a new Washer and Dryer set. These should be installed within the next two weeks. I have input from a number of people and will be shopping diligently Saturday morning searching for great

machines at a great price. While I'm doing this I will also be reviewing new stoves for the kitchen as one of the ovens has now given up 100%.

I will also be calling on a few people who have volunteered to help mud and sand areas around the inside of the Clubhouse over the next 3 weeks. In mid February to mid March I am hoping to have a painting party. This will coincide with "Jeff the Social Guy" and of course BYOB (our two greatest friends). Through this time I ask for your patience and understanding while we maintain our club. The painting will not end here. As it starts to warm up we have areas outside that need to be finished (woodworking and painting).

Back in late November we hired a new staff member. Shea has been diligently, behind the scenes, helping to keep the Clubhouse clean for us to use. She is planning to stay with us for the summer. It is also with regret I inform you that our long term employee Scott is leaving our employment. His career outside the club is keeping him busy. Good luck in your endeavours Scott! And thank you for everything. Hopefully I'll bump into a few people at the Boat Show. Good Shopping to all.

Sean Furniss
Sierra Tango

Fleet Captain

Still over 100 days until launch but I'm sure a lot of you are picking out your new toys for the boat already and getting ready for the boat show. In fact, I have seen some down at their boats working on them since haulout.

SPlicing WORKSHOP: Ever wanted to save a few bucks on those spliced lines but thought you needed a fancy machine to do it? Lori Mason of The Store will be holding a splicing workshop on Thursday, March 6, 2008 starting at 7 pm at LSYC. It will last approximately 1.5 - 2 hours; you will receive a splicing kit and will complete a splice...cost per person is \$15.00, The maximum number of soon-to-be-splicers will be 50 people and anyone can watch at no charge, Lori prefers soon-to-be-splicers not drink during the seminar as it makes for too many breaks and the seminar will go too long. More information will be posted to reserve your seat in February.

As most of you know I have had a radical career change in the past 6 months. I quit my desk job, enrolled in chef school and am working as a butcher. The only downside to my new life is that I am currently working weekends and evenings. I plan on racing on Wednesday nights and most of the distance races and cruises; however I will need many more volunteers this year to help out, as I will have a job next summer – unlike my short retirement last summer. Sandra from Chi Chi Maru has volunteered to organize our away weekends including a trip to some sunny destination in the U.S. for a long

weekend getaway. Again, I will need volunteers to set race marks and get Club Spirit ready for launch.

I have also purchased a new fleet computer as the IBM Think pad lost its hinges and the monitor fell off. Dean Brown has graciously put together a new laptop and I hope the fleet receives it by the end of January – thanks Dean! I also hope that with the new laptop I can email results directly from it and print the forms properly without having to spend 2 hours after each Wednesday night race trying to get the computer to work properly. The new laptop will also give the race committee the ability to do up the race results on Club Spirit on the way from the race course to the dock. This way no one will have to wait for me to put away Ashe, find my beers, walk halfway down the dock and realize I forgot my keys, go back to the boat and get them, walk back to the clubhouse, organize volunteers for the BBQ and finally sit down to do results. I also hope that I can print them off right away and have them posted. There will also be Redress and Protest forms in an easy access point in the club for protests and any other problems that may occur. Please watch out for the changes to the 2008 Sailing Instructions. Please read the next Raceaholics Anonymous for more information (due out in March).

CLUB SPIRIT will soon be leaving the yard for a much needed engine tune-up. I may need a volunteer with a trailer hitch on their truck/car/SUV to take it to wherever we decide to take it. I will keep everyone updated – can you believe that LSYC has owned Club Spirit for 5 years?! Time flies.

Jennifer Zimmerman
Ashé

Environment Director

I'd like to add my own wishes for a Happy, Safe and Environmentally Conscientious New Year to you all. Congratulations and many thanks to Sharon and the Gardening Committee for their outstanding efforts on our behalf to make LSYC an enjoyable and inviting place to be.

Many thanks also go to Lynn McFerran for again doing an outstanding job to organize the Winter OD Program. Duty times in January and February have been filled in quickly, with only a few remaining, but many openings are still available in March and April. Members are reminded that they must participate in the OD programs, unless excused upon making a submission to the Executive.

Did you know that the recycle bins continue to be collected during the winter months? So make sure recyclable materials are deposited in them after functions in the clubhouse.

And finally, Sharon Neilson forwarded the following to me recently, and it provides good food for thought. Thanks, Sharon.

SHRINK WRAP VS. GET YOUR OWN COVER BUILT
or
SAVING MONEY AND BEING ENVIRONMENTALLY
CORRECT

Fact: \$400 to \$500 to shrink wrap a 30' boat.
Build a frame for it: \$100-\$200.

Disposal: The club has to hire a bin from a reputable
recycler= \$500 plus

If any other stuff i.e. plastic Canadian tire tarps, wood,
junk are in the bin,
the whole load is contaminated.

Cost of a custom made winter cover: \$1200-\$1500.
Life span: 15-20 years.

Figure out the math.!

Jim Badame
Esprit

Gardening Committee Chair

We hope you all enjoyed the gardens this past season. The gardeners worked very hard tilling and planting and will be out there again in the spring.

Last season Carl installed a fountain water feature in the south garden which worked well and provided a lot of interest. Joe Calico and family took over the north gardens by the door and produced a beautiful display of canna lilies.

The Green Thumb award for the year was given to Joe Calico and family for their hard work and beautiful garden display. We hope to see more of Joe's efforts this coming season. The Garden Butterfly for the best box garden went to Tom Tartaglia for his xerotropic box and sculptural stonework.

Another ongoing project is the replacement of the garden boxes. We are replacing the old wornout planter boxes with new ones made by recycling the 45 gallon drums that are no longer suitable for the docks.

After having evaluated the cost of building new wooden boxes, and looking at several sources of ready-made ones, we realized we already had what we needed: strong, durable, flexible, light and free. By early next season we should have all the broken wooden boxes replaced. Grouped in threes, they will be put in the parking lot as the wooden ones were. Only these will be a lot kinder to car fenders.

A big thanks to all those members who have contributed plants from their own gardens over the years. We have been so successful that we have many plants that can be split. If you are interested in donating plants or in having some of ours from the club, talk to me.

You can also speak to me if you are interested in joining the gardening committee. Work hours and flexible timing plus tools are provided. The first gardening committee meeting will be held in April, so we can decide on needs for the season.

Keep your eyes open for the first crocuses!

Sharon Neilson
Wyvern

Officer of the Day Program Director

The winter program has been in place since November and members have been supportive in doing their O/D shifts. I would like to thank all those members who have signed up to do 1-2 evening shifts.

There are still O/D shifts open for the winter program, for members looking to start accumulating work hours for 2008 season. There is an O/D calendar on the members' link on the LSYC web site, and there is a sign-up calendar at the O/D desk in the clubhouse.

A few reminders about the Winter O/D program:

- There are 2 shifts /member for the winter program
- The November O/D hours were credited to 2007
- Members are responsible for finding a substitute to complete their shift
- Try to do your O/D shift in partners for safety sake (four hours will be credited to each member)

The summer O/D program will run from two weeks before Launch through until Haul Out. When the Executive has determined the O/D schedule for 2008 then I will post the sign-up sheets in the clubhouse.

Members with any questions or who are wanting to sign up for shifts please email lynnm@rogers.com or call Lynn McFerran at (905) 791-9156.

Lynn McFerran
Tomcat

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday 12 February 2008
Clubhouse

7:00 PM Registration

7:30 Call to Order and Opening Remarks

7:35 Announcements

- Upcoming events
- Update from our Webmaster

7:45 Work Hours

- Summary of Work Hours
- Proposal to increase penalty to \$50 per unworked hour
- Proposal to increase Social Member annual quota to 20 hours

8:00 Clubhouse Rental Fees

- Proposal to increase rental fee to \$50 for a party of 25 or less guests, and to \$100 for a party of greater than 25 guests
- Proposal to increase security deposit to \$300

8:15 OD Program

- General discussion on the maximum number of shifts a member can initially sign up for

8:25 Dry Sail Fee

- Proposal to levee a \$300 annual storage fee for dry sail dinghies as defined

in Rule 5.3

8:35 2007 Auditor's Report

- Presentation and acceptance by the membership

8:45 Long Range Plan

- Presentation and acceptance by the membership

8:50 2008 Budget

- Presentation and acceptance by the membership

9:00 Adjournment



I, _____, of _____,
(Print your name here) (Print home city)

designate my proxy to vote for and on my behalf at the Annual General Meeting of Lakeshore Yacht Club, to be held on Tuesday 12 February 2008, to:

(Print name of Proxy designate)

Dated this _____ day of _____ 2008.

Signature of Member _____

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