



Shorelines

Lakeshore Yacht Club

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From the Commodore

Hard to believe this is the last issue for 2008 and we are talking about haulout, but it is that time of season. The weather wasn't particularly ideal this year but I know many of you got away on vacation and we had our usual number of visitors and cruises in enjoying our club and facilities.

We had a successful racing season with many thanks to our Fleet Captain, Jen Zimmerman. Despite a few racers who left the club and a couple more who did not race this season, we had a strong fleet out every Wednesday Night. All races were dutifully overseen by our trusty Race Committee so thanks to John Wiltshire and Jim Lewis. We also had a number of race/cruises to neighbouring clubs over the season, with the dinner/bbqs being coordinated by Graham and Lydia on Jam. Although some of these distance races had to be rescheduled due to weather, we still managed to get them all in including the Overnight Race.

The Victoria Class (RC) fleet continued to grow this year. They were out on Tuesday nights before the 'big' boats went into the water, and will probably continue for another few weeks. This Fleet made The Star as well as a TV special on remote-controlled boats. Thanks to Judy Preston for organizing the RCs again, to everyone for pitching in while Judy was away, and to Andrew and Barb Heim for helping set marks, rescue boats, and timing.

Our Social Program was busy as usual. Friday Night barbecues started in May and went right through to the special Oktoberfest social on 3 October. Along with supporting other special events like launch, stepping and Sailpast, we had a full calendar. Many thanks to Bev Wiltshire and her committee of helpers who made sure we had an enjoyable and eventful social program this year.

We had three major charity events – the first was our annual Charity Euchre event, then the Gala of Hope in June and our Annual Charity Day in August. Our Euchre Event and Gala of Hope were both great successes as reported in earlier issues. Our Annual

Charity Day, dedicated to the community, supported St. Joseph's House this year. It was also a huge success and several of our water-gun wielding dinghy racers made the Etobicoke Guardian. Well done to the Vanzon Family, Karen Goodyear and Kay Mountford (and all their volunteers) for these very successful charity events.

Our Rear Commodore and Harbourmaster have been on the go all year. More dock extensions were built and installed and general repairs undertaken throughout the year. As can be expected in a club that is full with a waiting list, dock assignments are and will continue being a challenge. New and incoming boats seem to be getting larger which puts a strain on available outside slips. So far we have managed but dock assignment is one task where we cannot please everyone all the time (but we do try). We are planning an independent inspection of our dock chains and anchors, something we do every 2-3 years. There is still a bit of work left to do on the service dock prior to haulout. Thanks to Gerry Roloson and Bruce Patten for their efforts this year – two more big weekends though with unstepping and haulout.

While on the topic of boats, a reminder that an application for a new boat must be submitted prior to it being brought into the club. Any new boat is subject to Board approval and this cannot be guaranteed until appropriate consideration is given to boat size (as per our rules), slip availability, ability to haul, and space for storage. We also have limited space in the water and on land to accommodate 'old' boats that have not yet been sold. Ideally, the old boat should be gone from the club before the new (approved) boat arrives.

Our Environment Director had a couple of issues to deal with in the Spring. We realize that despite best efforts, the occasional environmental problem will arise. If you are considering doing work on your boat, you need to plan in advance and ensure the ground (and other boats) is well protected. It is the member's responsibility to collect and properly dispose of any scrapings and other debris. You will have noticed the outside display board has been removed and framing installed. We plan to move recycling to this larger facility, and expand the oil and antifreeze recycling in its current location. Our Environment Director also

oversees the Garden Committee and there can be no argument that our gardens just get better every year. One other duty is oversight of our OD Program. We ran the dual winter/summer program again and it went well. Many thanks to Jim Badame in his role as Director, Sharon Neilson and all our gardeners, and Lynn McFerran for setting up and juggling the OD schedule.

Our Communications Director has been a little busy this year with a new baby but still managed to publish Shorelines and send out numerous emails to pass along urgent information. We are able to get about 80% of our communications out via email now. Thanks to Alicia Kay Markson for being the Board's conduit to the membership. Our website continues to evolve with new features being added each year. Our new security cameras are working fairly well although limited in night surveillance. We may also need to consider dedicated computers for security and cameras. Thanks to Dean Brown for his work on our website and with security. And, thank you to Lynn Weber and the entire Phone Committee for their able assistance in getting the word out (yes, we still need the phone).

The Vice Commodore and Property Director have tackled a number of projects this year. There is the ongoing challenge of keeping the yard and buildings clean. Our summer staff did a great job this season helping with the Clubhouse, grounds and docks. We will continue with part time staff during the winter months. The Rubber Room and A-Frame have been cleaned out and organized (again). We have replaced some equipment in the Clubhouse (e.g., washer/dryer, one water heater, one microwave), and repainted most of the main floor. We purchased a scaffold to help with the painting, and it is now being used to check and replace perimeter lighting. A new mast rack has been built. The counters in the women's washroom/shower have been replaced (thanks to Carrie Chassels for her help). We were experiencing some leaking problems through the ceiling in the office and OD station area, so the roof was inspected and the recommendation made to replace it. This was done a few weeks ago with special attention to the underlay, drip edge, and ice protection. We also added 6 new vents. Thank you to Stewart Rauch for coordinating the inspections and quotations. Another big project was our security system. I am sure I don't need to tell any of you that we had significant problems with the system for the better part of the season. It was not functioning well and the service we were receiving was extremely poor so the decision was made to replace it. These are some of the land-based projects that were undertaken this year. Thank you for the hard work of Peter Tomlin as Vice, and Sean Furniss as Property Director.

Despite the club being full, our Membership Director was still busy considering. Juggling a four-year waiting list and the continuing interest in our club is not easy. We maintain a booth at the Toronto Boat Show. Even though we are full, this is one event where a club is conspicuous by its absence. We had another

successful Open House during the winter, and the committee that interviews prospective members is very effective. There is a great deal of liaison between Membership and the Harbourmaster to coordinate incoming members and new boats, and with the Vice on security. Carrie continues to refine our membership application process, coordinate keys, collect insurance forms, and manage member changes. Many thanks for all her efforts.

Keeping our club finances in order, both operational and strategic, is no easy task. The Board receives monthly status reports at our meetings and the Club remains in good financial shape. We are on track in terms of our annual budget and have been able to move forward with some, but not all, capital projects. As noted at last year's General Meeting and the Annual Meeting in February, the Treasurer is working with a committee to properly structure our strategic reserves so anticipated expenditures can be shown against the appropriate year in our Long Range Plan. This will be presented at the 2009 Annual Meeting. As in past years, we will be presenting the year-to-date financial report at the General Meeting in November. Thank you to Stewart Rauch for again maintaining our finances according to best practices, and to John Hayward for his assistance in records and accounting.

A few upcoming events to put on your calendars – Unstepping will be on Fri/Sat 17/18 Oct; Haulout will be on Fri/Sat 24/25 Oct; both events commencing at 7:30 AM and lunch will be served all four days. Details are reported separately in this issue. The General Meeting will be at the Club on Tues 11 Nov (notice in this issue). Over the past several years, many members have asked that the Commodore's Gala be held at the Club. We are going to give it a try this year on Sat 15 Nov 08 (more info to follow).

My thanks are not complete without expressing appreciation to the entire membership for another successful year. Your support of our club and its Board has been great. Thanks to all of you for another wonderful year at LSYC.

OUR THOUGHTS ARE WITH YOU

Best wishes to Bobby Fraser who is recuperating from broken ribs. Also to Roman Karaim who suffered a broken leg while working on his boat. Get well soon.

Condolences to Judy Preston whose mother lost her battle with cancer in late September. Judy spent several weeks at her mother's side in Dallas. Our thoughts are with you.

LSYC HOSTS COUNCIL OF COMMODORES

On 8 September, our Club hosted the quarterly Council of Commodores Meeting. There were about 35 Commodores in attendance, along with Ontario Sailing representation and a guest speaker from the Ontario

Marine Operators Association. The OMOA runs Discover Boating as well as the Clean Marine Program. The latter is rated highest in marine environmental work in the world. Of interest in the presentation was the fact that there is a big shortage in skilled marine trades (which drives costs up). A new state-of-the-art Centre has recently opened at Georgian College in Midland. The report also noted fewer slips available in Ontario in 2008 than in the past 3 years.

For those who travel through the Western Gap, you will have noticed the northern wall of the channel adjacent to National Yacht Club is still damaged. This was supposed to have been repaired in July but work has yet to start. It would appear that the argument between the City, the Province and the federal government continues as to who is responsible!

The last major point of discussion was on a proposed Wind Farm in Lake Ontario. It would entail ~ 60 windmills off shore from Scarborough to Pickering. The proposal is being put forward by Toronto Hydro (and submitted to the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources). As a preliminary step, they will conduct testing of wind resources by placing a monitoring station (anemometer platform) in the water south of Scarborough. The platform will be a stand-alone structure with no moving parts. The structural steel platform will be placed in about 15 m of water extending from the lake bottom to about 4 m above lake water level (width of 5 m). The anemometer instrument, with auxiliary power and navigation beacons, will be placed atop the platform. The Council of Commodores has agreed that it will not fundamentally oppose the monitoring station as long as it is properly lit and marked on the charts. No position will be stated on the proposed Wind Farm until the tests are complete and more details are available. Anyone interested in this project can go to the Toronto Hydro site at <http://www.torontohydroenergy.com/offshorewind>.

I would like to thank Dee, Frank and Garnet Vanzon, as well as Patricia Edwards, for preparing and serving the food and tending bar for the Council Meeting. We had many compliments about the clubhouse, our gardens, and the wonderful meal.

Dawn Gardham
Andante II

Vice Commodore

Computers and writing notes for the Shorelines are not my tools of trade. I am at my best working around the club hanging from the scaffolding replacing lights and building mast racks, so bear with me with this report. There has been a lot of activity around the club this fall.

Pre-Haulout Reminder - Lessons From the Past

Please remember to remove all valuables from your boat electronics, tools, and flammable liquids, other items that

get over looked are fire extinguishers, flares, and flare pistols. By taking the few moments to remove these kind of items you will save yourself hours of clean up in the eventuality vandals accessing your boat over the winter season, when the boats are in the yard. Past experience dictates this is an on going problem even with security measures in place.

New Mast Rack

The new mast rack is ready to accept masts, two of the old racks have been extended to accommodate the longer masts plus give support to the protruding roller reefing gear. Please speak with the yard crew if you require this extended rack to ensure you are allocated a shelf.

Service Dock

Improvements to the ramps and service dock bracing are well underway and should be completed by Thanksgiving weekend. It is hoped this refurbishment will permit the dock and ramps to accommodate water level changes better. With record low and high water levels the past two years the service dock had become unstable and a safety concern for the crews working on the dock at haulout and launch. These modifications should make for a safe and stable platform.

Job Postings

New job postings are on the board. If you are short on work hours you should be able to find something on the board to help you bridge the gap. There are many little jobs around the club that require doing and members to step in to do them. What skills do you have you would like to share at the club?

New Entry Keys

Most members have now picked up their new entry key fobs. If you are still not aware, we changed over the entry scanner readers to a more robust system, in late September and your old key will not be recognized by these new readers. Your new key is already programmed and can be picked up at the club office. The new system appears to be operating very well with only a few glitches that will be resolved over the next couple of weeks. If you experience difficulties please contact me.

Yard Lighting

Yard lighting fixtures are beginning to showing their age, as you will have noticed by the scaffold erected by the poles; an effort is being made to correct the situation. More lighting is planned for around the yard perimeter to illuminate the darker areas while the boats are in the yard this winter.

Main Traffic Gate

The traffic gate drive mechanism has served us well, but it has now reached the end of its life expectancy. Parts are becoming difficult to find, with this in mind a replacement gate will be ordered to ensure a trouble free winter and security and function for several years to come.

Many Thanks for Jobs Well Done

A big thank to all those members who made the effort and put in the time beautifying the club this past season, tackling the posted maintenance jobs. Next time you visit the club take a look at the stairs leading up to the Wheelhouse, remember what they looked like before? How about the washrooms they look much brighter and more cheerful. There are lots of little jobs all around the club being performed by members that most never think about. Who changes the clubhouse air filters? Who checks the pumpout oil pump lubricator and tops it up? Who shops for the bathroom supplies? Who replaces the light bulbs? Who picks up the trash members leave beside the recycle and waste bins? Give this some thought! A well earned thank for all your efforts and labours to make LSYC "a thin slice of heaven" for the rest of us.

Peter Tomlin
Tomcat

Rear Commodore

Although this summer season seemed like a wet one, we did manage to get the boat off the dock and do some cruising. We had a couple of short trips to TH&SC and Port Hope Yacht Club and an extended cruise to the Sodus Bay Yacht Club. As always we were welcomed everywhere we went and everyone had great things to say about LSYC. We do have a great club!

To keep this club looking great we need everyone to pitch in and lend a hand. Peter Tomlin has been posting jobs on the bulletin board; if you need work hours please take on one of these small jobs. As a gentle reminder, work hours can be submitted up until November 30th. If you have not completed your required work hours you will be invoiced for the difference and the hourly rate is \$50.00. I hope to see everyone out at Haulout.

We are still experiencing twofootitis in the club. I recognize the symptoms as I have "suffered" from this terrible infliction myself a couple of times. We have extended a number of docks over the years so I think we can handle the boats. We just need a heads-up in a timely manner to allow the HarbourMaster some time to juggle boats. You also require board approval to bring in a new boat.

Mast Un-Stepping and Haulout are just around the corner. Sign-up sheets will be posted shortly. Please sign-up; this makes life easier for everyone trying to coordinate trailers, boats and cranes. This year, Haulout sign-up will have sheets for the small crane and large crane. If your boat is 30 feet and under the small crane can easily handle you. Please sign up on the appropriate sheet.

You will find Mast Un-stepping and Haulout guidelines and a winterizing checklist in this issue of Shorelines. Please review these checklists as this information will hopefully help the process run smoothly. One item that should be highlighted is **TURNBUCKLES**; please ensure that they are turning freely. Maybe a little WD40 will help. As well, please ensure that your cradle is properly identified with your name or the boat's name.

If anyone is planning on doing any major work on your boat this winter or in the spring, please see me. We will be storing boats that require work along the East fence. If your boat is leaving the yard, give me a heads up and we will park it in an accessible location.

Many thanks to our Fleet Captain Jennifer Zimmerman and HarbourMaster Bruce Patten. They have done an outstanding job this year. Thanks also to everyone that has made this a "great club". Have a safe Haulout and we will see you in the spring.

Gerald Roloson
Aimoniisi

Membership Director

It's been great to see the ways our new members have been welcomed by the club and to see many of our new members enjoying boating, social events, and opportunities to contribute work hours!

We still have a two- to three-year waiting list for slips. As you chat with friends who are interested in joining LSYC, please remember that **the membership application process is closed until February when we host our Open House**. As you can imagine, it's very difficult to respond to membership inquiries and to determine our club needs in terms of membership numbers, especially when members wait until the last possible moment to discuss their intentions to keep their boat on the hard, leave the club, or change boats. It would be a great help if members could let us know of their intentions as soon as they have made firm decisions about boating for next season.

The Toronto International Boat Show (Jan.10-18, 2009) will be here before we know it! Signing up to work the Boat Show will be the same as last year. I will bring an empty schedule to the AGM and I'll ask people who are interested in working at our show booth to sign up for a specific shift.

Carrie Chassels
Just Magic

Environment Director

Officer of the Day Program

Lynn McFerran, our OD Coordinator, reports that the OD Schedule went well, although few people were willing and/or able to volunteer their Sunday nights for this duty. And while almost all Members were present for their scheduled duties, we did have a few no-shows. Should last minute events make it impossible for you to attend as expected, it is your responsibility to find a replacement. Perhaps the easiest way, besides contacting a close friend who is a Member, would be to contact people who are scheduled to be OD in the next few days and see if you can arrange a switch. Names on the schedule in the OD Binder, and numbers are on the membership list at the OD desk (usually there's a copy in the OD Binder). Lynn has indicated that all the dates are full for the rest of the season.

Watch for the sign-up sheets in the Clubhouse for the Winter OD Program, which is scheduled to begin shortly after haulout, and will continue until launch in the spring. They should be posted in the Clubhouse between now and haulout. Duties are being scheduled from 1800 to 2100 (3hours) on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday of each week. For safety reasons, when doing the walk-about in the dark on ice and snow, Members should sign up with a buddy.

Thanks Lynn for your continuing efforts on our behalf.

Environment

As the current boating season winds down, many of us are contemplating the tasks that lie ahead regarding boat maintenance. Following are some reminders that help to ensure a satisfying job and a safe environment that can be enjoyed by all of our members.

If you are planning on undertaking major restorative work on your boat, such as spray painting or soda blasting, **you must request permission from the Board.** Any such request must be made **in writing and be approved by the Executive.** The request must include a schedule of work and precautions that will be taken to ensure safety and environmental compliance. Those boats that have approval are usually placed along the east fence for easy access.

For this and other restorative work, you need to ensure that all debris is properly contained, collected, and disposed of immediately upon dismantling the structure. For hull work, this means that one or more **ground sheets should be available and ready to be placed under the cradle at haulout**, to collect and contain falling debris, in conjunction with a curtain that is to be suspended around the entire hull to prevent debris from being blown onto Club property or another member's boat. For topsides work, a tent should be constructed as containment.

Minimal problems will be encountered if you plan ahead – well ahead. Have your materials ready as soon as possible, preferably before haulout, so that ground cover is in place before the cradle touches the blocks, and you can take advantage of fair weather in November. “March winds and April showers” have created problems for Members in previous years. Even if you are not sure whether your hull needs work, if you anticipate that there is more than a slim chance that it will, put the tarps under the cradle anyway. If you don't end up doing the work, it is not that much effort to fold the tarps up again.

Toxic materials resulting from such work should be collected carefully and forwarded to a municipal hazardous waste facility. Non-toxic materials and old tarpaulins, etc., may be placed in our regular waste bin (NOT the shrink-wrap bin).

All lubricants should be disposed of in an environmentally safe manner. Oil may be poured into one of the appropriately labeled drums in the recycle hut. Other hazardous lubricants should be disposed of at a municipal hazardous waste site.

When winterizing engines and water lines, the use of non-toxic antifreeze (propylene glycol) is recommended. Toxic antifreeze must not be pumped into the harbour or onto the grounds. Whichever antifreeze you choose to use, you must have a helper assist by collecting the excess liquid from the exhaust in a container, and pour this into the appropriately labeled drums in the recycle hut. Should there be a spill, immediately clean up and report, as soon as practical, any spill to the OD, Staff, or an Executive Member; and record the spill in the OD Log.

Most members have done an exemplary job of cleaning up after themselves in the past, but a few continue to need reminding that empty paint cans, trays, dried brushes and rollers may be put in the regular garbage disposal bin. Cans containing liquid paint or solvents should be removed from Club premises and taken to a municipal hazardous waste facility. Solvents should never be disposed of in regular garbage or down drains.

Member George Romani has been removing batteries that have been left at the recycle hut, but all Members are reminded that it is Club policy that members should remove their own old batteries from Club premises immediately upon replacement.

Some members seem to be frustrated with the design of the liquid recycling section of the recycle hut, since full containers are regularly being left beside the drums. The large-diameter funnels are always in place on the drums, but do need to be moved from one drum to the other when the first has been filled. However, they are shallow, and the liquids must be poured reasonably slowly to eliminate overflow. A smaller, but deeper funnel, which some people seem to prefer, is also on site, but the narrower neck does drain slower. But the

largest problem would appear to be the lids for the yellow containment vessels, which do not slide out of the way sufficiently, and often do not stay tilted back when pouring. Construction of the new municipal recycling hut should alleviate this problem as two of the drums and their containment vessel are to be moved to the south side where the blue, wheeled bins have been, so there should be enough room to slide the tops back properly. In the meantime, please empty your own containers carefully into the drums.

Propane tanks should be stored outside the boat or in separate outside vented lockers. Remove expired propane tanks from Club property and dispose of properly.

When using our pump-out facility, ensure that your boat is securely tied up and that the pump connection is firmly in place. If unsure of its operation, contact a Staff person or another member. The water hose located next to the pump is for rinsing only.

In a separate section, Garden Committee Chair Sharon Neilson is providing a report on the activities of her committee this year, but I wish to include here my sincere thanks to her and her dedicated group of gardeners for the outstanding job they have done in developing and maintaining the ever-increasing masses of colour that continue to greet us as we move around the premises. I recently spoke with some visitors who commented on how much they enjoyed our gardens, stating that it was a major reason why they choose to visit us every year. They also expressed deep gratitude when it was pointed out to them that they could help themselves to the wide array of herbs when preparing their meals.

Jim Badame
Esprit

Communications Director

LSYC notes with sadness and regret the passing of one of our members...



Steven Gerth passed away at the end of August. Steven's eldest son Andrew tells me his father was very fond of the Club and its' members. He particularly enjoyed attending our Friday night barbecues and taking part in the sing-a-long. In fact, one of the last things

Steven did before he passed away was attend the BBQ on August 29th. His family would like anyone with pictures or stories of Steven to please share them. They would also like to hear from anyone who spent time with Steven on August 29th. I will be happy to forward any photos or anecdotes to Steven's relatives, or put you in touch with them.

On a happier note, Sharon Neilson is organizing LSYC's first Arts & Crafts Exhibition...

What: An afternoon of art, music, wine & cheese
Tentative Date: Sunday March 29th
Location: LSYC Great Room
Time: 1:00-4:00pm

Anyone interested in exhibiting their paintings, photos or crafts can contact Sharon Neilson at 905-272-0435 or neilsonsa@hotmail.com.

A reminder that now is the time to nominate yourself or another member for a position on the 2008/2009 Executive. Please contact Les McDonald at 416-450-2790 or lesmcdon@rogers.com.

If you are receiving Shorelines exclusively through the post, you may be missing out on urgent and timely notices which are sent to members via e-mail. If you have an e-mail address and are not currently on our e-mail list, please send it to me asap so I can keep you informed.

Alicia Markson
Champagne

Garden Committee

We have had a spectacular year of flowers and gardening at LSYC. Many thanks go to the following members.

ON BOXED GARDENS

Marta and Gerald Mullis
Helen Jones
Tom T Artaglia
Chris Penn
Bell Rogers
Anna Witter
Doris Mahoney
Judy Bierma
John Hayward
Niki Walker
Josh Wincharyk

ON LAND GARDENS

Jim Wilkinson
Bob and Liz Fraser
Karl Janzer
Carrie Chassels
Barbara Adamzenko
Bobbi Wagner
Gary Bauer
Vera Taylor
Diane Clark
Joe and Mary Calico
Jim Lewis
Karen Goodyear
Patricia Edwards
Josh and Jennifer Deneizen
Sharon Neilson

If I have missed someone who helped pick weeds and plant, please accept my apologies. We will catch you next year.

We held the first annual Gardener's garden party in September and it was a great success. Hope to see you all there next year.

This year's Golden Spade award went to Karl Janzer for his two-year project of a fountain and aboveground gardens (we don't want to dig up the tree).

The Box Garden Butterfly this year went to Gerald and Marta Mullis for their great attempt at beautifying barrels. Gerald painted a wonderful sailboat on his barrel and they kept plants growing in the hardest spot in the yard. I think Gerald has set a standard that others may find a challenge to beat. The gauntlet has been thrown!

Think green! See you in the spring with the tulips!

Sharon Neilson
[Wyvern](#)

Notice of Petition

In August 2008, the Board received the following petition from members. The focus of this petition is our Reserves and Capital Assets. The main issue brought forward is the potential risk to the Club in generating revenue in excess of operating and capital expenses. Ten points are put forth to support what is considered an untenable situation that must be addressed as the highest priority. Finally, the petition requests a complete financial report and process to have this issue addressed.

The Board acknowledges receipt of this petition and assures the membership that it is being taken seriously. Due to the gravity of the issues raised, the Board has chosen to address the petition at the General Meeting on 11 November. The Board will present the Club's position on the salient points raised and allow the entire membership an opportunity to discuss and have input to resolution. **In the interest of time and a focused discussion, any member wishing to speak to a specific issue raised in the petition, may identify themselves to the Commodore, along with the point they will speak to, prior to the day of the General Meeting. A speakers' list will be created and each member will be allotted 5 minutes. A general discussion period will follow.**

With respect to the requests, our Bylaws require the Board to present the Club's financial records for the year to date at the General Meeting in November. This is a standing agenda item for the General Meeting, as is nomination of our independent auditor. The report will cover the fiscal year with projected figures to year end. The process to address the issue of Reserves was reported at the Annual General Meeting in February. Our Treasurer is working with a committee to structure our Strategic Reserve Funds so expenditures can be

properly allocated to future years and the amount put aside annually for Reserves adjusted accordingly.

The Board further wishes to assure the membership that the manner in which Club finances have been managed and invested, including contingencies and reserves, has not put the Club in danger nor has it unfairly assessed members through annual fees and dues. That is not to say we do not respect the opinions raised in the petition or the fact that they have been brought forward. However, the Board recognizes that the issue and points raised, by their very nature, will raise doubt and anxiety among members. Consequently, the Board finds some level of reassurance, pending formal discussion at the General Meeting, to be warranted.

Again, the Board thanks the members for bringing this issue to our attention and we look forward to reasonable and responsible discussion at the General Meeting.

Dawn Gardham, Commodore
On Behalf of the Board

NOTICE OF MEETING

NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING

TUESDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2008

AGENDA

7:00 PM	REGISTRATION	
7:30	CALL TO ORDER & ANNOUNCEMENTS	Commodore
7:35	SUMMARY OF YEAR - Highlights of Director Reports	Commodore
7:50	TREASURER'S REPORT	Treasurer
8:05	APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR	Treasurer
8:10	DISCUSSION OF PETITION - Board position on salient points - Speaker list (5 minutes per) - General discussion (15 minutes)	Commodore
9:00	RETIRE 2008 BOARD	Commodore
9:05	ELECTION PROCESS	Past Commodore
9:10	BREAK & SIGN UP FOR COMMITTEES - coffee may be moved to the end of the meeting	
9:20	ELECTION OF 2009 BOARD	Past Commodore
9:30 ~	ADJOURNMENT	

NOTE:

The petition to be discussed is included in the October 2008 issue of Shorelines. In the interest of time and focused discussion, any member wishing to speak to an issue relevant to the petition is to identify him/herself to the Commodore, along with the specific point to be addressed, prior to the day of the General Meeting. The Board will present its position with respect to the salient points raised in the petition, then each identified speaker will be permitted 5 minutes to speak to their particular point. A general discussion period will follow.



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

designate my proxy to vote for and on my behalf at the General Meeting of Lakeshore Yacht Club, to be held on Tuesday 11 November 2008, to:

(Print name of Proxy designate) _____.

Dated this _____ day of _____ 2008.

Signature of Member _____

By-Law relating to Proxy designation:

A Member entitled to vote at a General Meeting may vote by proxy the proxy, which **may only be given to a Senior Member or Associate Member in good standing**, is given in writing signed by such Member and in such form as the Board may from time to time approve or require. No Senior or Associate Member may hold or vote more than four (4) proxies either singly or in combination with a related Senior or Associate Member and should any Senior or Associate Member attempt to vote more than four (4) proxies, he or she shall not be entitled to vote any proxies held by him or her at the relevant meeting. Proxies shall be deposited with a Director prior to the General Meeting and the Senior or Associate Member holding proxies shall receive approved ballot forms for each of the proxies not in excess of the permitted four (4).

EACH DEBENTURE MUST SUBMIT 2 PROXIES (1 FOR EACH ELIGIBLE VOTE).



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UNSTEPPING AND HAULOUT INFORMATION 2008

MEMBERS INVOLVED ON UNSTEPPING CREWS

- Sign up sheets, sign in and minimum commitment as for launch
- work crew must have their masts ready for stepping BEFORE signing in
- work crew will be permitted 30 minutes to step mast and return to crew
- work commences on **Fri 17 Oct at 7:30 AM and on Sat 18 Oct at 7:30 AM**
- you must also sign out at the end of your shift and pick up your work chit
- you will be assigned to one of the following work parties

ACTIVITY	CREW LEADER	ALTERNATES	General Tasks
YARD – Pre Unstepping	Henry Sprenger	Hank DeWeerd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - move tables from patio to yard - gather all saw horses
CRANE (1)	Dave Courtney Peter Tomlin Crew Leader is ONLY signal person	Ken Rammage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - dock boat and position - crew at bow, stern, midships both sides to remove stays on direction from crew leader - support furling from boat to dolly - 1 to 2 crew controlling base of mast - place mast on dolly
YARD - Masts	Dawn Gardham	Dave Limoges John Wiltshire	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - transport mast on dolly to yard - place mast on supports/stands - keep lights and furling clear - care with windex, antenna - support furling gear
YARD – General	As above	As above	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - as masts are prepared for storage, move to racks - crew leaders will determine location - clean up yard of any garbage
DOCKS – Unstepping Day	Graham Twomey	John Plant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - assist boats off dock and back - if required, go with skipper
YARD – Post Unstepping	Henry Sprenger	Hank DeWeerd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - move tables back to patio - lay out cradles

ORDER OF UNSTEPPING

- Both days commence at 7:30 AM
- There will be a sign up sheet at the OD Station.
- Ensure that all stays and lines not needed for unstepping are disconnected and secured prior to leaving the dock (e.g., with bungee) to mast (if you are unsure, particularly with a deck stepped mast, please ask)
- Do not leave the dock until given the OK by the Dock Crew and you will be told what boat you follow
- If you need a tow, check in with the Haulout Coordinator at the crane
- Return to the yard to prepare your mast for storage as soon as possible
- If you have your own saw horses or stands, please bring them to the Club for use (clearly label them with your boat name so you can collect them and take them home afterwards)

MEMBERS INVOLVED ON HAULOUT CREWS

- you need to **sign in** at the A-Frame prior to starting your shift
- when you sign up, you are committing to a **minimum of 4 hours**
- work crew must have their **boats ready for haulout BEFORE signing in**
- work crew will be permitted **30 minutes to launch** boat and return to crew
- work commences on **Fri 24 Oct at 7:30 AM** and on **Sat 25 Oct at 7:30 AM**
- you must also **sign out** at the end of your shift and pick up your **work chit**
- crew leaders will hopefully be wearing orange vests
- you will be assigned to one of the following work parties (general description only)

ACTIVITY	CREW LEADER	ALTERNATES	General Tasks
CRANE (2)	Dave Courtney Peter Tomlin Crew Leader ONLY is signal person	Ken Rammage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - straps are placed in water - guide boat through straps - locate sling marks - secure and tie off straps - bow and stern line control - strap control lines - stay out from under boat as lifted - one crew on each cradle pad - keep fingers clear of pads - crew leader generally watches bow - one crew at stern just before boat in cradle to stabilize and centre - remove straps, keeping attachments away from boat
YARD – Trailers	John Kupers – Sail Crew Leader ONLY is signal person	Corinne Cairns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - crew leader directs truck into position - place blocks under cradle corners and under centre line - shim as necessary to level - remove trailer bars - most power boats have stands but still require some blocking
YARD – General	Dave Limoges	John Buckingham	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - collect garbage and debris to bin - hook up and coordinate power washers - keep carts supplied with blocks and shims
DOCKS – Haulout Day	Graham Twomey Zsolt Villanyi	John Plant Mel Duke	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - assist boats off dock - go with skipper if assistance required
DOCKS – Post Launch	Gerald Roloson	Bruce Patten	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - remove dock ladders to yard and power wash if possible - ensure ladders are stored and locked

BOAT OWNER RESPONSIBILITIES

- Boats will not be unstepped or hauled without the skipper or his/her designate on site
- If you need a tow, please inform the Haulout Coordinator as soon as possible
- Power washers are available in the yard after the boat is hauled – please remember that others will be waiting to use the power washers and please make sure you remove any dirt you spray on a neighbouring boat that has already been cleaned
- It is your responsibility to have the sling marks visible on your boat and to confirm with the crew leader that the slings have been placed in the correct spot
- If your boat has any particular problems/oddities in hauling, please ensure the crew leader is informed
- It is your responsibility to let the crew leader know if the boat is sitting properly in the cradle before the straps are removed
- It is your responsibility to let the crew leader know if the cradle is sitting the way you want in the yard before the trailer is removed
- If you intend to do major work on your boat between haulout and launch, you must notify the Board at least 2 weeks prior to haulout so arrangements can be made for location in the yard

SAFETY ISSUES

- No parking in the yard; No children or pets in the yard
- Only authorized crew and the skipper are permitted in the vicinity of the trailers and cranes
- Please be vigilant; there is heavy equipment moving through the yard at all times
- ABSOLUTELY NO ALCOHOL may be consumed by crew members until signed out

ORDER OF HAULOUT

- Fri 24 Oct commencing at 7:30 we will start to haul boats.
- Skippers or designates must be available at least 1 hour prior to haulout time
- Boats that cannot be trailered (the very large boats), are the last to be hauled
- Upon arrival, check in with the Haulout Coordinator at the crane
- Go to your boat and try your engine – if you need a tow, inform the Coordinator immediately

CRADLES & STANDS

- Your cradle will be laid out in the yard but you must assemble it and tighten all bolts

- Recommend that you do not put your pads on the cradle until you are ready to haul
- Please make sure that the adjusting bolts on the pads easily move
- Cradles must be marked with boat name, bow and stern
- If your cradle is deemed to be unsafe or questionable, you will be informed at haulout and it will then be your responsibility to replace that cradle before the following haulout
- If your cradle does not collapse, you will have to replace it prior to the following haulout
- If you can supply your own blocks (at least for the 4 corners) that would be very helpful
- If you have a trailer, please mark it with boat name and ensure that it is in good working order (any trailer that is not deemed safe, will not be moved)
- If you have stands, these should be assembled well in advance of your boat being hauled and placed in the vicinity of our current Barrier Free parking and Notice Board
- If you will be doing major work on your boat over the winter, ensure that appropriate drop cloths are placed under your cradle before the blocks are placed under it

WINTERIZING

- when winterizing your engine, use environmentally-friendly antifreeze if possible
- you must collect toxic antifreeze and dispose of it in the marked containers on the north side of the garbage hut
- spent oil must similarly be collected and disposed of
- batteries may be left in a designated area by the garbage hut for the one week period immediately following haulout (after that, no batteries may be left on the premises)

Winter Lay-up Checklist

Before Haulout

Fill fuel tanks and add stabilizer or fungicide. Or leave as empty as possible and add a water absorber.

Before the last pumpout, add Shock Treat or similar product to descale head and hoses.

Winterize head and holding tank according to owner's manual.

Winterize fresh water system: a) add non-toxic antifreeze. Turn on one tap at a time until antifreeze-coloured water flows out, then turn off. Repeat with each tap; b) or drain fresh water system: Open all taps and let tank dry, then disconnect water lines at fresh-water pump.

Disconnect all water lines at the lowest points or blow water out of the system using compressed air.

Winterize air conditioner, refrigerator, ice machine, deck washdown and any other water using equipment.

Drain shower sump and hot-water heater.

Strip the interior remove any perishables, personal items, all paper products. Remove any bottles or jars that can freeze.

Remove cushions and mattress or tip on side if left aboard.

Remove electronics and store in a warm, dry place.

Remove antennas and couplers, then spray exposed cable ends with a protective lubricant and wrap with electrical tape.

Scrub the interior and dry thoroughly. Spray a mildewcide in drawers, cabinets, galley, sink, head and shower areas.

Remove cockpit and flybridge covers, clean with a mild detergent and store in a dry place.

Check condition of cradle or stands.

After Haulout

Power wash bottom. Wash hull and deck. Be sure cockpit scuppers drain freely.

Remove growth off shafts, struts, outdrives and trim tabs.

Thoroughly inspect hull for damage or blisters and inspect all external fittings.

Winterize engine and cooling system.

Winterize generator cooling system.

Remove all fresh and seawater pump impellers so they don't take a set.

Clean refrigerator or ice box using warm water and baking soda.

Clean bilges, then pump dry.

Wash lines, place in pillowcase in a washing machine with cold water and a little detergent or soak large lines in a tub.

Top up batteries, fully charge and disconnect if leaving on the boat.

Check electrical connections for corrosion and spray with a moisture-displacing lubricant.

Empty cockpit lockers Clean and spray with mildewcide.

Supply fresh air leave hatches and ports open a crack, disconnect all hoses and open seacocks, slightly open oven and refrigerator doors (or ice box lid), leave open all cabin and locker doors and lift up floorboards to air the bilge.

Place packets of silica gel inside lockers and cabinets.

Apply a coat or two of varnish or oil brightwork.
Remove anything you want to work on at home.
Make a checklist of things to do before spring.

Optional

Cover boat leaving ends open for ventilation.

Ensure cover has proper drainage for water and that there are no low areas where water can collect. Water that collects can put a strain on the cover, stanchions attachment points and railings.

Wax hull and deck. Buff now as some waxes harden if left on and are difficult to remove.

Apply a coat of metal polish to stanchions and all deck hardware.

Check fire extinguishers.

Inspect and lubricate seacocks, steering systems and all other moving parts.

Hand wash sails in warm water using a mild detergent, let dry thoroughly and store in a cool, dry place.

Cover mast end and engine vents to prevent unwanted nesting pests.

If weather permits, apply a coat of bottom paint to get a step on spring commissioning.