



# Shorelines

## Lakeshore Yacht Club

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### From the Commodore

Greetings to all, and although it is the middle of January, I wish you a Happy New Year. In past years around this time I have made reference to sitting by the fireplace and day dreaming about that bigger boat. But not this year! With the weather being so nice, we have been outside making considerable progress with our dock separation project.

The new dock sections for the expansion have been launched and the old dock ramp has been taken out. On Jan. 7th we had a work party disassemble the old ramp and put the new ramp in place. A big thanks to Peter Tomlin who spent a lot of time engineering and assembling the new ramp; it looks great.

In November another work party installed 5 new 48' dock extensions and this winter we will install 10 more dock extensions on the inside. This will extend 10 slips to 36' on the inside.

I am very relieved to report that the drilling rig is finally on site and as I write this they are finishing up installing the new anchors. We should be able to separate the docks shortly rather than wait for the spring thaw.

We do have another dock project on the horizon which will be presented at the AGM. Along with this project we will be reviewing the new budget, the auditors' report and the annual work hour quota. We have some very important decisions to make and I think everyone should have a voice. If you are not planning on attending the AGM I encourage you to send in your proxy.

Let's hope the winter season is good to us and I will see you at the AGM.

Gerald Roloson  
*Aimoniisi*

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### Vice Commodore

I wish all members a Very Happy New Year and a safe enjoyable 2012.

It was a great pleasure to be present at our Levee, which is my favourite club social event as the attendees always represent a cross section of our membership, thus highlighting our common purpose and stimulating our sense of camaraderie. Thank you Dawn for your continuing commitment to a very worthwhile event.

The most important and exciting happening at our club is the on-going dock separation which is now proceeding at a rate of knots. I must add my appreciation of the members who have, over the last several months provided their skills and time. They are known colloquially as "the usual suspects" and seem to effortlessly sail through the thirty hour time barrier without even the hint of a jibe. A must see is the Tomlin Bridge installed on January 7th this year and built by, I suspect, a distant relative of Isambard Kingdom Brunel, mind you, we are still waiting for the railway line from the UK to North America. I offer my congratulations to those intimately involved in the project. I will leave further comment to our Commodore who I am sure has supplied a detailed update.

As you are aware room bookings fall into my bailiwick and it is therefore appropriate to acquaint you all with the rules that have evolved, by way of member input. During the months of May, September, and October the club allows ONE weekend booking. During the months of June, July and August, no weekend bookings will be allowed. At no time are long weekend bookings allowed from May until the end of October. During the off-season months, the only restriction on bookings is that they cannot interfere with club activities (i.e., no private bookings when a club function is scheduled UNLESS the private booking activity can be contained in the Wheelhouse (e.g., a poker game, meeting or similar small event.)

The Board has agreed to adopt a revised timeline with respect to the initial submission and Board management of liveaboard applications. The timeline, which will include a provision allowing the Board to consider late applications, will be incorporated in a revised application form that will be posted on our website during the next few weeks.

Don Reid  
*Will Power*

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## Rear Commodore

I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas, and a bright start to the New Year. I have spent a considerable amount of time comparing our club to our neighbors, and we unquestionably shine as a bold example of what a cooperative club can achieve.

The most important factor in our success is in our ability to work together in creative ways that have allowed us to adapt and overcome past obstacles. LSYC has never sat still, and we shouldn't. Your work hours have built the club. Be proud of what we have accomplished together. As new members join, we need to strive to keep this spirit alive. There can be a fine line between a self-help club, and one where you help-yourself. Complacency must be avoided, and we need to encourage new ideas and directions. LSYC must remain a competitive, relevant, and effective cooperative.

LSYC participated in the 2011 Lakeshore Santa Clause Parade, after a multi-year absence. Allowing us to showcase our club to the community that we support and exist within. Club Spirit was our float (full of happy waving Jr's). A special thanks to all involved, especially Dave Courtney for supplying the tow vehicle. The Jr's next event will be the LSYC Easter Egg Hunt. Contact me if your children are interested in participating, or you are willing to volunteer some of your time to help organize events. Jr's information will soon be on the LSYC website.

We are in mid process of separating our two main docks, allowing members the room to purchase a larger boat in the future. If you are considering buying a larger boat please be sure to inform the Harbour Master "John Wiltshire". It is very important that every member follows proper protocols for dock assignments. All new boats need to be approved.

Our facilities have grown over the years, and we must continue to reinvest into its maintenance. Our security needs have increased, so we have invested in additional Winter OD's. There is a publicized belief that we still need more work hours from members. Some members go well beyond the minimum, and some are still invoiced. Since our facility and programs have grown there is simply more to do than there was before. Contributing work hours to the club is the cornerstone in the cooperative spirit of LSYC. I will report on this to membership in detail at the February meeting.

This year I am also leading a committee that will retool our Website to develop it alongside emerging 'smart'

technologies. I hope to have more information on this for the February meeting as well.

By investing in this kind of forward thinking, we stay relevant and attractive to new members. By broadening our scope we will continue to shine as leader in cooperative yacht clubs on the lake. I hope to see everyone at the AGM. If you cannot attend, please be sure that someone has your proxy (and opinions). Cheers.

Brayden Woods  
*Paladin*

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## Membership Director

I want to thank all the members who volunteered to work the LSYC booth at the Boat Show and especially Jim Malcolm and Lynette Pinto who looked after the set up and take down of the booth in my absence.

I also want to thank all those members who signed up for the membership committee. Your enthusiasm is greatly appreciated, as well as your desire to welcome and help integrate new members.

This year we will be having an Open House for new potential members on Sunday March 4th from 1 to 3 pm. We will be doing a meet and greet, there will be a presentation, and an opportunity for questions and answers. We will do tours of the Clubhouse and Facilities. Those attending will have an opportunity to fill out an application form and arrange an interview time during March and April. If you know someone who is interested in joining the club, encourage them to attend. Have them RSVP to mail@lsyc.com.

If you know of people who are interested in joining LSYC but are unable to attend the Open House, the application form is now online and can be downloaded and mailed in. Interviews will begin in March.

We are also planning a special event for new members on the Sunday of Sailpast week-end. More on that as we get closer to the date.

I am delighted to be your new Membership Director and want to thank you all for the wonderful support I have been getting.

Pam Sims  
*Blue Light*

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## Property Director

Another year has gone by and the building and yard facilities are another year older. We are pleased to report that the security wiring to the gate has been replaced and should not be a problem in the future. Many thanks go to Gerry Roloson, Don Reid and Ron Eaton for their hard work installing the new cable.

The sink in the kitchen has been replaced with one large enough to accommodate the metal tray washing which has been a problem for volunteers who put out the eats at our functions. Thanks to Graham Twomey for the installation.

The intermittent rinse cycle problem with dishwasher has been corrected by an outside contractor. Ron Eaton is to be thanked for finding a larger drain receptacle in the rubber room misc. supply pile. Once again the kitchen pipes burst due to freezing and has caused a mess in the kitchen. This is an ongoing problem that will have to be given priority this year.

Our cleaning girl has gone back to school and has not been replaced. Please help by keeping things tidy. I would like to thank the Dart league for their diligence in this regard. The security patrol of the volunteer duty officers is keeping the vandals away and incidents about the property are minimal or non-existent. Everyday there is evidence that the "self help" philosophy works especially with projects other than launch and haul out.

This is the wish list for 2012. The kitchen cupboard doors should be replaced or refinished. The kitchen floor tiled and the rubber floor area extended.

Bill Marlborough  
*Blew By You*

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## Harbourmaster

A new ramp has been built and the drill barge has finally arrived, so it looks like people on B-Dock may have to update their GPSs to reflect the move westward come launch! This expansion will necessitate some dock reassignments, affecting mostly boats which can then be accommodated on the inside, as there are a few larger vessels coming into the club this year. On that note, if you came into two-foot-it-is at this year's boat show, please forward a Boat Change request to the Board on or by March 15, which is also the Club's invoice due date. After this date, dock assignments may be finalized. You can find a printable form in the Members area of the website and blank forms are also available in the Harbourmaster's mail slot behind the OD desk at the Club.

A reminder that the dock work parties always have something that could use another pair of hands, so don't be shy.

John Wiltshire  
*Vagabond*

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## Environment Director

This is supposed to be the quiet period with everything in the club grounds blanketed in a soft white sound deadening blanket, the ice is solid on the harbour (except under our hardy floating residents boats) and we are all considering a skate party. Well we certainly aren't experiencing any of that this winter as the docks expansion gets seriously underway with the necessary super hardy skilled labour teams getting to work. Go teams go!

While we are on the topic of winter activities members might like to know that our clubs annual joint hike on December 3 on the Waterfront Trail with the Bruce Trail Conservancy broke previous years participation records at 85 people. They all made it to the club for an all you can eat chili and desert lunch. This was prepared by Peter Tomlin, Ros Eadie, Dee Vanzon and several yacht club helpers who also did the clean-up. Next year we are hoping to break the record again; lets see some more yacht club members shake a leg! It's only 8 km.

Some things do remain the same as in less exceptional times. Our small team of super-gardeners are busy planning for the coming growing season and searching for more volunteers. All of you who want to exercise or find your green thumb are welcome to join the team, all materials provided, and have your very own planters or garden section. Everyone enjoys the results so much so please be sure to let Sharon Neilson, our gardening team coordinator, or me know of your interest.

As most of you will appreciate there is a lot more evening activity starting soon near our club as the new ice skating surface is very popular. The large numbers of new people in the area on weekday evenings means we have an increased risk of vandalism to our boats and facilities. It is good to see members are taking this risk seriously and doing their part as winter Officers of the Day in making sure the club looks occupied if not busy. There still are a few evenings left unbooked before launch and all members are requested to sign up for at least one of them. Also when you see them please give Aura and Joe Degouvea a pat on the back for all the time consuming organizing and record keeping work they do for both winter and summer ODs.

Last year the club avoided a \$1000 penalty for dumping the dumpster that we provide for discarded PVC shrink-

wrap. Shrink-wrap film is a valuable recyclable material but if the dumpster has garbage, used windows, zips and cords included with the "good stuff" the club gets charged with a penalty and the whole lot finishes in industrial landfill. I had to remove a some material of the wrong kind and it wasn't a pleasant task. Please be environmentally friendly again this year and keep the recycling dumpster near the main gate clean and clear of non-recyclable stuff.

See you all at launch.

Tony Edmonds  
*Tautomer*

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## Social Director

It is with regret that the Board has accepted the resignation of Cor Stapper as Social Director for personal reasons. Cor will be missed and we wish him all the best and look forward to see him around the club.

The Board wishes to extend an invitation to anyone who would be interested in taking on the role of LSYC Social Director. Rest assured that the social committee and the board will support whoever throws their hat into the ring.

All interested parties are encouraged to contact the Board through [mail@lsyc.com](mailto:mail@lsyc.com) for further conversations and answer any question that you may have. Thank you for considering.

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## Fleet Captain

### CALLING ALL CRUISERS!!

I am still actively seeking a member to fill the new position of Cruise Coordinator at LSYC.

#### Job Description:

Manage Cruise Committee\*. (yes you will have help)

Plan cruising season calendar (and coordinate with reciprocal clubs.)

Organize cruise weekend food / events / etc..

Cruise your butt off this year and have fun doing it!

\* We are also seeking individuals who are willing to participate/help in some way to join the Cruise Committee. The idea here is to separate Racing from cruising to allow for a wider group of people to get involved with Cruises and a better cruising season. There are already reciprocal requests coming in so if you are interested in this position or joining the Cruise Committee, please contact me.

[fleetcaptain@lsyc.com](mailto:fleetcaptain@lsyc.com)

416-989-8701

Thanks

Sheldon Street  
*Willin*

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## Communication Director

Hi All, I hope you all had a great holiday season and spent some time last week buying more junk..er..nautical equipment at the boat show. Denise and I ended up with a new GPS but were having some trouble logging in the waypoints for the local LCBO and Beer Stores.

The Dart league is in full swing and everyone is welcome to drop by even for a night to throw some arrows and meet some people. All skill levels are invited and Denise and Paul can easily fit you on a team, so don't be shy.

Valentines day is coming up and if you're tired of your usual routine of boring cards, flowers, chocolate or eating rubber chicken at a table next to the washrooms at an overpriced restaurant, how bout bringing your special someone to the LSYC's Annual General Meeting on February 14<sup>th</sup>! (Denise, I promise I had nothing to do with the timing, honest!) That's right, the AGM is on Valentine's Day, how romantic. Nothing says I love you more than a good session with seventy, seething sailors about sceptic sewage systems. All kidding aside, please come out and have your voices heard or at least fill out your proxy and have someone represent you.

The Arts and Crafts show will be held on Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup>. If you have anything you would like to display in the show, please contact Sharon Neilson. 905-272-0435 [neilsonsa@hotmail.com](mailto:neilsonsa@hotmail.com)

Don't forget to make sure you send any changes to your information to [Mail@lsyc.com](mailto:Mail@lsyc.com) so we can keep the records up to date and Dave Carroll, our new Treasurer can bill you for next year. Also, if you have any questions, suggestions or comments about the Club and possible changes to, well, anything please send an email to the above address, the Board wants to hear what you have to say. Like no kidding.

Tony Rumball  
*October Wind*

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***A now some reminiscing from John Witter, one of our founding members:***

***LOOKING ASTERN***

*As the number of founding members still active in the club becomes fewer, I thought I would write a short series of vignettes about the early days in LSYC and call it "Looking Astern". Hopefully this will give some of the newer members an idea as to where we came from and how we became the successful club that we are today. These reminiscences are completely personal and I apologize for any minor errors due to my failing memory. Anyway here we go.*

**In the Beginning:**

Although we think of our club as being founded in 1991, in fact the initial spadework was done at least a decade earlier.

The decades of the 1970's and 1980's were heady times in the Ontario Boating Community. A prosperous economy had resulted in a demand for boats and mooring spaces. Ontario was home to several world-class boat manufacturing and design facilities, C&C, CS Yachts, Grampian and Abbot and others were all producing excellent products and available clubs and marinas rapidly became full. Waiting lists of 5 to 7 years were commonplace and would-be-boaters would make certain they had a slip long before they bought a boat.

With the closure of the Lakeshore Psychiatric Hospital in 1979 the shoreline soon came under the auspices of the Metro Toronto Region Conservation Authority. It was decided to develop the area south of the hospital into a park, nature preserve and boating basin. Overtures were made in the press inviting interested groups to make presentations relative to the development of the basin. Our founder Keith Woolford contacted several like-minded individuals and collectively they formulated a plan for the club that ultimately became LSYC. The overall plan initially called for two clubs to be in the basin, which were called Club A, and Club B along with Humber College Sailing School. However Club B never happened and Humber College, after building some small docks, decided to not move from their existing location and LSYC ultimately became the sole tenant in the Sam Smith Boating Basin.

In the next edition of Shorelines we will talk about securing members and building docks.

John Witter

## **NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Tuesday 14 February 2012**

**Lakeshore Yacht Club**

**7:00 PM Registration**

**7:30 Call to Order and Opening Remarks, motion to approve minutes of  
November 08 2011 General Meeting**

**7:35 2012 Upcoming Events**

**7:40 Dock Expansion Update**

**7:45 Auditors Report**

**8:00 2012 Budget Proposal**

- Presentation and acceptance by the membership

**8:15 Break**

**8:30 Capital Projects**

**8:45 Work Hours & Work Hour Quota**

**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 February 14, 2012, to:

(Print name of Proxy designate) \_\_\_\_\_.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2012.

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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