



Shorelines

Lakeshore Yacht Club

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From the Commodore

We are at mid-season and we have had three high wind events, one of them clocked at 45 knots in our lagoon. Then we suffered a rain event which narrowly exceeded the accumulation of hurricane Hazel and caused flooding in many of our member's households. That being said we have also experienced some fine boating weather which I hope will be continued.

Our cruising program is working well thanks to the efforts of our cruising committee who put together an interesting and full program. I thank all participants for their interest and support. I also thank the members we left behind who made the reciprocal clubs welcome, to the extent that we have received several glowing testimonials as to our infrastructure and hospitality.

Humber dock is now almost complete with only a few remaining anchors to be sited and then we will be able to fully populate the docks thereby allowing us to accommodate seventeen boats. That is thirteen more than formally with an attendant revenue increase.

This last weekend the ten Toronto yacht clubs which include LSYC, involved in the dispute with MPAC reached an agreement as to the wording of an Offer to Settle. The Offer covers two assessment cycles from 2009-2012 and 2013-2016. The ten clubs are tendering the Offer with what we consider to be a reasonable expectation that an agreement can be reached. In the event that common ground cannot be found a discovery hearing is scheduled for September to be followed by an Assessment Review Board hearing.

I wish you all a happy and safe continuation of the boating season.

Donald Reid
Will Power

Vice Commodore

We have received a number of questions regarding room rentals and security fobs recently; following please find an overview of each.

Room Rentals and Reservations

The club welcomes and encourages members to use our club facilities for personal uses such as celebrations, business meetings, seminars, family gatherings, memorials and any other purpose where the size, location or setting of the club house would enhance an event. There are some common sense guide lines to follow:

- Club facilities cannot be rented at certain peak times of the year. For example, no weekend rentals are allowed during June, July and August.
- The kitchen must be shared as much as possible with other members and certain common areas such the washrooms are always available to all members.
- The Board approves all club rental bookings and according to regulation, bookings must be applied for 90 days prior to the desired date.
- To book a room, first consult the calendar pages in the binder labeled "Clubhouse" at the O.D. Station. If your desired date is available, reserve your date by writing your name in the box for that day. Next fill out a Request for Room Booking form, and submit this form to the Vice Commodore along with cheques for the rental fee and security deposit. Deposit your completed form and cheques in the Vice Commodore slot behind the O.D. desk. Your application will be reviewed at the next Board meeting.

Please note that room rentals are normally only available to club members. The Request for Room Booking form is available for download from the Members tab on LSYC.COM (scroll down to Forms) or at the O.D. desk. This form also includes a summary of the booking rules.

Security Fobs

These are the grey plastic key chain “keys” used to open the doors and gates at the club. For the technically minded folks, the technology is RFID and each fob is uniquely numbered and registered to the member and, yes, all activity is logged.

A form, Security Fob Request Form, has been posted at WWW.LSYC.COM to be completed when a member wishes to request a replacement or additional security fob. There is a \$30.00 fee for each replacement or additional fob.

Please note that the possession of a security fob is a serious responsibility in that it gives the holder access to all club premises. We expect that anyone we see on club property is either a member or a guest or family member and this comfort level is mostly ensured by our security access system.

If you lose your fob, please notify the club (Vice Commodore or other director) immediately so that we may disable that fob from the security system. Generally speaking, only club members and their associates should possess a security fob. For example, club rules stipulate that guests and family members are expected to be on club premises only when accompanied by a member so there is no case here for additional fobs.

Also note that the fobs given to reciprocal boat visitors have limited functionality, for one, they will not open the front parking lot gate.

For more detail on Room Rentals and club security, please reference Lakeshore Yacht Club Rules and Regulations (posted in the Members tab of WWW.LSYC.COM).

Thank you.

Graham Mackey
[Nostramo](#)

Membership Director

It does seem a very long time ago I was writing my notes for the April shorelines. There has been a lot of activity for the membership committee at the club this season. I would like to thank to all the committee members, for all their hours of interviewing applicants and doing reference checks this season. The board has decided to close application for membership until the new year as we have an extensive waitlist for wet membership.

Aside from doing the interviews for interested applicants, we hosted the second annual New Members’ brunch on June 2nd to a record number of new members and many of our current members. Many thanks to the cooks in the kitchen: Brad, Peter, Jenn, Mary, Dee and all the helpers, the board members who came to meet our newest members and all the others who helped make this a success.

Sailpast welcomed all our new members officially to the club. If you are a new wet member and did not attend sail past please contact membership for your club burgee, I still have a few burgees for the new wet members.

There are still some debenture certificates and membership cards in the club office to be claimed.

IMPORTANT: Changes to Insurance Policy Documentation

The membership committee has developed a different protocol for ensuring that there is current and accurate documentation of our members’ boat insurance. Instead of sending your insurance in with your annual fees in March every year, your proof of insurance will be required on the date of your renewal. This will ensure that that club has a up to date documentation of all boat insurance policies for the club insurance policy. This would mean if your insurance comes due (for example) July 17th each year you would provide the club with a current proof of insurance in July every year.

A member of the membership committee will be sending out an email or contacting you personally to remind you that your insurance is coming up for renewal and please provide the club with documentation. Emails have been sent to anyone who has insurance due since March 2013 and many have been very accommodating and provided the most current documentation. All members will be contacted as their insurance comes due throughout the year with a reminder about providing the club with their current documents; this can be done by email, or dropping a copy into the membership box at the club. This will also assist in the work load of membership and the treasurer in the spring when fees are due. There will not be the mad scramble to ensure all members have presented current insurance prior to launch.

If you have any questions about this change in protocol please contact membership: membership@lsyc.com

Wishing you all a safe and happy boating season.

Lynn McFerran
membership@lsyc.com
[Tomcat](#)

Treasurer

A couple of things:

Just a reminder that the cheques relating to the second installment of the fees will be deposited on August 1., please ensure your bank has adequate funds to cover them. We had three rubber cheques in March, aiming for zero in August.

It looks like we are sliding a bit on the Ice revenue versus expense ratio. I don't have the hard numbers but it looks like less than two out of every three bags of ice are being paid for (\$300 loss), whereas last year around this time it was around 5 out of every 6 were paid for. If this keeps up, I'll be getting nailed at the next AGM when I have to explain the Budget to Actual Ice variance. So help me out and toss in a toonie when you grab a bag, it's the cheapest ice on the lake after all.

Tony Rumball
October Wind

Harbourmaster

Have to say the weather the last couple of weeks has been super hot!!! I have been in the lake for a number swims to cool off. Enjoy it will it lasts!!!

Well it's nice to see the Humber docks all in the water, they look like they fit in perfectly. It has been a lot of hard work and hours but they are in. All that needs to be completed are the anchors and we will start to see new members enjoying them. If anyone wishes to move over there or needs a move on the Humber docks now is the time to ask.

We have had some issues with wind damage on the connecting dock and B dock but I believe we have resolved most of this with the chain adjustments. We will need to extend the landing for the bridge and make some minor adjustments and we should be good.

I would like to thank the members for taking time out to help out with the various dock work parties. It has been a busy year and we have got a lot done. But will still need to get a couple more things done. I hope to see you at the upcoming work parties!

Derek Fowler
More Fowler Weather

Property Director

It ain't over till it's over. Despite the rocky start I think summer is here to stay. That should mean lots of boating and pleasure time with family and friends.

Many of you have sent emails offering your support for property duties. I intend to arrange two work parties in September to get a few things done around the centre. These days will be filled with many requirements so here is your chance to post some extra work hours.

The work parties will start on the following two weekends after Labour Day. I will post more notices on the board. Some have offered support already, so keep it coming.

This heat may have slowed me down, but that doesn't mean we still have a chores to do before the season ends. I am looking for a good few carpenters to build a fence, participate in our kitchen committee, stain and patch areas of the club house. There is also some inside painting and patching do.

So rustle up your tool boxes and get ready for some fun in September. Lunch will be provided.

Thanks in advance,

Ben Sutton
Lady in Red

Social Director

It has been a busy time so far for the Social Committee.

A wonderful Salmon dinner thanks to Patricia.

Sailpast was smooth sailing. Thanks to Ros and Bobby. There was enough food for everyone. Ian entertained the crowd for hours. Thank you, Ian. The band had us dancing to the wee hours. Thank you, Sheldon for your generous donation of the band.

We had a Pig Roast thanks to Anita. And Tammy did an amazing job for her first time with Pork Chop dinner.

Due to my immobility, Christmas in July was cancelled. Instead, Alice put on a Mexican dinner with a delightful DJ who taught us some Salsa dancing. Everyone had a great time. Thanks Alice.

Bruce and Bruce, Teri and Chris are cooking a Greek dinner on August the 9th. Way to go guys.

Peter did a Spaghetti night and is also doing a beef dinner on July 26th. Greatly appreciated, Peter.

August the 24th Lynette is cooking up a storm for a

scrumptious Indian dinner. Can't wait, Lynette.

For September, we are going to have a European Dinner by various and enthusiastic volunteers.

We are also in the planning stages for a wine tour. Watch for details about this one.

There was a request from one of the ticket volunteers to try to bring the right change for the BBQ's. It is hard to change a \$50.

Finally, I would like to thank all the volunteers who helped me out for the last two months, especially Ros and all the volunteers on the Social Committee. All of this could not have happened without your help.

And for the new members, if you would like to get involved with the Social Program please send us an email (deevanzon@hotmail.com). This is also a good way to get your hours for the year.

Dee Vanzon
Subtle Waves

Communications Director

The club receives several letters of appreciation from visitors who enjoy our hospitality, facilities and gardens. These notes are posted on the Fleet bulletin board. We recently received a thank you letter for an anonymous member who lent a hand to a fellow sailor and I thought I'd post it here for all to see:

"I want to pass on a special thank you to a member of LSYC and his crew for towing us in our sail boat, when our motor failed us, last Saturday afternoon.

We were powerless in the western gap by the Toronto Island Airport and your member and his crew took us all the way back to our dock at the Alexandra Yacht Club. I do not know his name or the name of the boat, but he did say he was from LSYC so I am writing to your club so that you can pass on this message of thanks. Your member and his crew immediately came to our rescue when they found we were in trouble and afterwards made little of the help by saying it was an adventure. However, for us, stuck in a busy channel with no power,

it meant a lot to have someone come to our rescue so promptly. Your member went over and above the call of duty especially since his sail boat had just a small outboard motor.

Thank you to a club that has such thoughtful members that took the time and care to take us all the way back to our home base. We really appreciated it that we were rescued from this difficult situation. I hope you are able to pass this message on to our rescuers - whoever you are!

*Regards
Bernard Lewis and Thomas Bick
Les Girls 2
Alexandra Yacht Club"*

In further Communications business, I think that it might be helpful to members if I provide another list of the Board email addresses:

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