

## AYC – THE BOW WAVE, JANUARY, 2018

### AYC Summer Invoices, Bastian Pfannkuche

I have good and bad news: The bad news: the summer invoices are ready. The good news: the summer invoices are ready. Your paper copies are now available for you at the Club. In case you are super, super excited about this, and cannot wait to make it down to the Club to pick up your invoice, please drop me a note at [b.pfannkuche@gmail.com](mailto:b.pfannkuche@gmail.com) and I will attempt to send you an electronic copy of your invoice. Thanks and Happy New Year!

### New AYC Gate Security System,

Our new gate system is now up and running. Here are a few things you need to know:

- Touch the fob to the red light on the top of the keypad; the light will turn to green and the gate will open
- The new system keeps a record of who is entering the Club through the front gate as each member has either a personal FOB or a unique PIN code to open the gate when coming in
- To exit, pedestrians can use the new push button by the gate opener; vehicles drive up to the gate and are detected by the underground metal detector that will open the gate
- Stay tuned over the coming months for phone applications that will allow you to open the gate using your smart phone - there will be a class or two in the spring on how to use it
- A motion-activated camera has been installed and is pointed at the gate
- The new camera records who comes and goes - recent footage from this camera can be viewed on the AYC website on the "Members" page; historical footage is stored and will only be accessed if there is an incident that has taken place and further information is required
- This system helps to deter theft and unauthorized use of the Club (including parking by non-members)
- Should an incident occur, there will be a record of who was on the premises at the time – the system narrows down the list of people to talk to that may have seen something related to an incident
- It is expected that members will share their FOB/PIN with family members and crew. Should a member suspect that their personal PIN has been shared with someone they did not authorize - the PIN is considered to be compromised
- A compromised PIN or lost FOB can be turned off and a new one issued in an instant; members should report the loss of a lost FOB or compromise of a PIN to a Board member as soon as possible
- There will be a \$25.00 charge for a replacement of a lost fob
- Please do not share your PIN or FOB with anyone who is not connected with the activities of the Club
- We expect that there will be some "kinks" to work through over the winter months – please be patient and email Ken Chumik with your thoughts and questions at [membership@ayc.ca](mailto:membership@ayc.ca)

### **Membership, Ken Chumik, Membership Director**

I have begun to review and interview for new members. There are several postings on the bulletin board wall at the Club. Please look at them and advise me if you have any comments. We hope to let in 4 or 5 new members this year depending on what docks become available. The Yardmaster is now reviewing the dock assignments for 2018 and will let me know if any docks are vacant and what size boats they will accommodate. At this time, I believe that we have only swings available and that the docks are full. Happy New Year everyone.

### **Member Resignations**

- Richard Banner
- Julia Phelan

### **Associate Member News**

Please note that the AYC Bylaws have changed. All AYC Associate Members must now complete 4 hours of work annually.

### **Social Director Alison Honey Woods**

I really enjoyed organizing this year's wine and cheese event and I would like to extend a big thank you to Petty, Linda, Nataly, Keith S. and Stephen for their help with the event. We raised \$790 for Covenant House along with a few gifts. I am looking forward to organizing some great AYC events in 2018!

### **Bottles**

Thanks to you, in December AYC contributed \$600 to Covenant House from returned bottles in addition to the funds collected as part of the December Wine and Cheese event. Thank you very much Joe Koole for managing our bottle return. Volunteers for 2018 are needed for this important task!

### **Cruise Schedule 2018, Don Williams, AYC Cruise Captain**

We have several cruises planned for the upcoming season. They are not carved in stone just yet so if you would like an alternate destination then please email me soon as dates need to be confirmed well in advance – sometimes two years in advance! 2018 cruises are planned for:

- Port Dalhousie/Niagara-on-the-Lake (NOTL)
- The Oakville Club
- Wilson, New York
- NOTL/Youngstown
- Bluffer's Park

If you are cruising to the USA then you will need to get a permit if your boat is 30' or more – don't delay: DTOPS [https://dtops.cbp.dhs.gov/main/login\\_internet.jsp#%20](https://dtops.cbp.dhs.gov/main/login_internet.jsp#%20) and follow the instructions to order one – it takes about three weeks and costs US \$27.50. I sincerely hope that we won't have the high water levels that we had last year which caused us to cancel two of the five cruises planned. We did have three very successful cruises in 2017 and we are planning for more in 2018. Our 2018 cruises will be scheduled so as not to conflict with any AYC Social events and will be spaced out throughout the 2018 sailing/boating season. It is always more fun with more members and more boats! Email me with your comments and ideas at [cruisecaptain@AYC.ca](mailto:cruisecaptain@AYC.ca).

**New Email Address?**

Have a new email address or new contact information? Know someone who is not receiving AYC communications? Please notify us and help us stay up to date. Thank you and Happy New Year!

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