

# Bow Wave - June 2019

Your monthly dose of AYC news



## Mark Your Calendars

- **June 8, 2019** - Celebration of life for Vonny Brioux
- **June 22, 2019** - Sailpast



**Ken Daisley**  
Commodore

A few things to report this month which would be of interest to everyone. Firstly, I hosted (along with your board of directors) a dinner meeting at AYC where we invited our neighbours as a "Get to Know One Another" meeting. We invited the Commodore and Flag Officers from NYC, Representatives of the Board of Directors from our neighbours to the east Condo Association, The Commander of the Navy and as well the Vice President of Operations for The Toronto Harbour Commission.

Although neither the Naval Base nor the Harbour Commission attended, they did send regrets and promised to come visit at a later date.

We did however have a very good meeting with those in attendance and it was great to get to know one another. I spent a great deal of time with NYC's Commodore and we absolutely share many common issues that we would gain some mutual grip on going forward. One serious issue we share is Lease Expiry. As such we have begun some discussions aimed at acquiring extension to our lease's now rather than waiting to a time closer to its expiry. There's lots to be considered in this issue and I will report out separately once we have developed a strategy.

Of course we discussed high water issues and security and racing and as we develop or eliminate issues going forward I will report out.

One thing that we decided that I thought was an excellent step forward was the removal of the fence at the sea wall and replacement with what we are calling a Friendship Gate. Would make things much safer and friendlier for us to go over to enjoy the NYC Restaurant to which they have extended an invitation to all AYC members.

As well at the meeting, our neighbours to the east Condo Association representatives were very interested in memberships both with us and as well with NYC and

communications information was exchanged giving us as well as NYC access to their media sites and as well we had provided our info re membership protocols. We also discussed our Weed Warrior Program as they were very interested in helping out in this going forward which I thought was a great idea.

Anyway all in all a great meeting with a great exchange of ideas.

Now onward and upward on other things. Mast Up!!!! We need to have everybody's mast up and ready prior to Sail Past. Full Stop. No discussion. Dan and Greg provided an area for members to prepare their masts in the north west corner of the parking lot with saw horses and even piped in music. However, I see many masts still on the rack and as well masts moved to the prep area and left there for weeks with no apparent plan to install. Come on folks 24 to 48 hours max. Let's make the area available.

Due to the high water, ramps have been installed to allow access to the docks and as well the mast crane. I hear that the highwater issue should peak within the next week or so. Until the water does recede to below the sea wall the club will remain closed to visitors.

Well that's enough for now. See you all around the club.

Ken Daisley  
Commodore



**Dan Peel**  
Vice Commodore

#### AYC House Maintenance / Officer Of The Day Guide

- Please sign up for 2 days during the course of the season
- The list of chores provided is a list of things that may or may not need to be performed on your day.
- Please assess each area of the club and decide which chores on the list should be of top priority
- Always empty all of the garbage's and recycle bins, they are in the kitchen, bathrooms and BBQ Area.
- For example: the lawn will not always have to be cut
- You are also officer of the day, please help any visiting boats find an available slip looking at the white board in the lounge area to see which of our members slips may be available. Make sure you check the visitors yacht club card to see where they are from.
- Please answer the phone
- Please keep an eye on the gate, sometimes vehicles or trailers are dropping of cradles or boats for other members
- Please direct our members to park their cars along the south east section of the fence if they are leaving for a few days. It is always good to know how to reach members in case their cars are blocking egress and might need to be moved.



**Greg Shears**  
Rear Commodore

Nothing to report.



**Colin Smith**  
Secretary

Hi everyone,

A reminder that the plans for the redevelopment of the Club's washrooms can be found on the Members' page of the AYC website, along with the draft minutes of our Spring General Meeting which was held on April 17<sup>th</sup>. All minutes and Club correspondence are up to date. The Board will hold its next monthly meeting on June 10<sup>th</sup>.

I hope that you are enjoying the beginning of our season and a reminder to be sure to have your boat sea-worthy by Sail Past on June 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Finally, here is a link to a useful source for those interested in tracking water levels on the Great lakes: [Great Lakes Information](#)

Colin



**Keith Whalen**  
Treasurer

Hi all...I am away and the foxes are in charge of the hen house. Will update financials upon my return.



**Phil Dunk**  
House Director

June is here and we are now into full club mode. Well, almost give or take a few inches of water on our lower deck.

Earlier this month I posted on the club bulletin board a schedule of the renovation for the club washrooms. Members will note that we will be doing most of the “heavy” work in January of next year. This is to make sure that there is very little disruption of members enjoyment of the club use.

In the first week of June we will be doing some repair work on the South balcony. This will not impact any use of the club house. This should be a one or two day repair.

A reminder that there are still spaces on the club maintenance schedule that need to be filled. This is critical to the cleanliness and enjoyment of the club. If you haven't signed up yet please do so.

Best regards,

Phil Dunk



**Alison Honey Woods**  
Social Director

Sail Past, followed by The Commodore's Reception will be held on Saturday, June 22nd.

Tickets to The Commodore's Reception are now available to purchase by contacting AYC Social Director Alison Honey Woods at [social@ayc.ca](mailto:social@ayc.ca) or by phone [647-961-7565](tel:647-961-7565). Tickets are \$60 each, children 12 and under free.

There are 200 tickets available for members and their guests to attend. Seating for dinner will be assigned (member groups wishing to sit together please indicated seating preferences on ticket purchase). Once 200 tickets are sold there will be no more tickets available, so to avoid disappointment buy your tickets early. Ticket sales close June 16th. If you are reading this and know a member who does not have access to email, or who does not regularly read email, please share this information with them.

Commodore's Reception Schedule:

5pm canapés and cocktails

6:30pm dinner - 3 delicious food stations

8:00pm dessert bar

8:30pm AYC's own Alan Glennie and his 9 piece band The Chicago Project hit the floor

We will be raising money for a good cause with another 50/50 draw - this year with runner up prizes.

Kids party with games, pizza, popsicles and supervision till 9pm for our younger guests. A limited quantity of beer, wine, and cocktails will be on offer, but members are encouraged to bring their favourite beverages.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

The clubhouse, facilities and grounds will be reserved for the exclusive use of Commodore's Reception ticket holders from 4:00pm June 22nd.

**SOCIAL NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!**

You need work hours, Sail Past needs volunteers:

event logistics - seating charts and site planning, assistance with 50-50 draw prize collection

pre-event preparation - purchasing of alcohol and general supplies

pre-event set up - tent setup on Friday the 21st, tables/chair set up on the 22nd

event assistance - bar, trash/bottle patrol, moving tables for the dance floor at 8:30, 50-50 raffle ticket sales

post-event assistance - clean up, taking tents down, putting tables and chairs away on Sunday June 23rd



**Ken Chumik**  
Membership Director

Your work hours to date will be posted on the member's website early next week. If you find issues with your hours contact the board member that is responsible for those hours. I cannot change any hours without my fellow board members approval and will only forward your email query to them anyway.

We have one new associate member since launch. **Gordon Young** joins our club sponsored by Keith Storey. He brings carpentry and welding skills sets and is interested in pursuing boating as crew on Chris Aslin's boat this season with thoughts of getting a vessel of his own sometime in the future.

Membership is full and we are not looking for any new senior members at this time. Anyone who applies is now being put onto a waiting list.

I have revised the "Application for Senior and Associate Membership" that is found on our website. Please have a look at it and send me anything that you think may be useful to add or remove. The applicant, later this year, will be able to fill out the application online and will be able to add attachments as well.



**Lee Silver**  
Communications Director

The signup sheet for house maintenance has been proven to be a success. The centralized database and web forms have been tweaked for each board member and is now in full swing. Bruce Buttimore is now working on some adjustments for the look and feel. Next up, we will soon implement the ability for each member to reset their own passwords on the web. I will also be digitizing the membership application forms.

See you all at Sailpast.

Lee



**Gareth Clemo**  
Fleet Captain

Nothing to report

**In Other News**



# SAIL PAST

FOLLOWED BY

*The Commodore's Reception*

SATURDAY JUNE 22ND

come for the salute, stay for the party

5:00PM Welcome drinks and Hors d'oeuvre

6:30PM Dinner and Dessert

8:30PM Band - The Chicago Project

PLUS:

50/50 charity draw and prizes

kids pizza party with supervision till 9pm

TICKETS \$60

children 12 and under free

CONTACT ALISON

social@ayc.ca or 647-961-7565

## **AYC SAFETY - An important subject which is always being considered. (Rev 05/15)**

### **First Aid**

AYC is fortunate in having some highly trained/experienced First Aid providers in our membership. While I do not know the qualifications of all our members, we have three members who are highly trained and experienced First Responders as acting members of the Canadian Ski Patrol: Graham McCartney – Café Ole; Henry Kwan – Associate member; and myself – Robi Roncarelli – Barca Nostra. I am also a First Aid Instructor, both for Ski Patrol and commercially. While we are present at the club (on the club property), we will “sign -in / sign-out” with the OD, and thereby be available if required.

There are three main First Aid Kits which are regularly checked/maintained: one at the OD Desk, one in the Kitchen, and one in the Electrical Room. Our biggest problem is keeping them stocked with band-aids. Our band aid stock/usage history would indicate that we have a regular, almost daily, occurrence of cuts etc among members. Please do not use these supplies to stock your own first aid kits. There are First Aid Manuals in the OD Desk as well.

### **AED**

Automatic External Defibrillator. We have one, and it is regularly checked/maintained. Our AED is hanging on the wall just inside the door from the front lobby to the lower lounge – near the first bulletin board. As AEDs and CPR go hand-in-hand, I will again be offering a brief (1 hour) AED / CPR familiarization course one Saturday morning early in June (in the upper lounge). More to come.

### **Fire Extinguishers.**

We now have 10 units both inside the clubhouse and in the yard and BBQ station. These are inspected regularly and certified annually for insurance purposes and by Toronto Fire Dept. Mandate. Make sure you know where they are located. If you should use one please let me know immediately. We also have several spares available. We have just commissioned one of these spares, had it inspected, and it is now located under the OD Station/desk, so it is easily accessible from the docks if needed.

**Docks – Life Jackets.**

Most yacht/boating clubs require children under 10 years of age to wear a life jacket/flotation device when traversing, or on, the docks or sea-wall. In many jurisdictions these regulations are mandated by law. AYC will soon have a box near the entrance to the docks with a supply of LOANER Life Jackets for visitors and children.

**Parking.**

When masting is about completed our parking lot will be back to “normal”. We do not have a large area available – therefore how you park is Important. There are two white strips. Please park so your front or rear bumper is adjacent to the white plank (not over it – or 3 feet away)– and at an angle as otherwise there will not be sufficient lane space. Also, the area adjacent and along the clubhouse East Wall is a designated FIRE LANE Do not park past the west end of the white strip. We never know when a Toronto Fire Inspector will drop by – NYC was recently fined \$1000 plus for cars parked on their driveway/Fire Lane. Also, please identify your Car. There are dashboard notes available on the bulletin board in the lounge opposite the OD desk. This goes for any of your guests also!!

Thank you for your patience reading all this.

Robi Roncarelli – Club Safety Officer

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**AYC CLUB REGALIA – HABERDASHERY**

Club Regalia – Shirts, Jackets, hats etc. are nice to have and a way of showing our pride in AYC, a very Special Yacht club. However, we are not a large club, and with some capital costs expenditures recently approved, we want to be financially efficient where possible – and this particularly applies to how we organize our regalia offerings. Unfortunately, what we add to shirts, hats etc. in the way of club identification is an expensive cost add-on requiring specific order quantities. This is compounded by the fact we have been working with three different club logos. 1 -

the full ships wheel and pennant logo and club founding date; 2 - the club pennant, with club date; 3 - AYC spelt in Signal flags.

These embroidered logos are done on a machine in batches of 12 (same logo), but the items being embroidered can be different (sizes etc.). To accommodate all of our three logos adds much complexity and requires purchasing larger stocks of each item – which results in a considerable investment in inventory that is not rapidly reduced. However, technology improves, and it is now possible to thermal print logos onto the materials on a one-off basis – embroidered logos look best on Polo Shirts and Caps, photo logo work much better on T-shirts as the thinner material bunches up when embroidered. Shirt color choices will be Red, White or Blue.

So – why have I subjected you to all this tech info? Because a decision has to be made as I am recommending that we only use the Club Burgee logo on all Polo and T-Shirts so these can affordably be ordered in a range of sizes and colors for club regalia stock, allowing “instant” purchase. Embroidered Shirts can be specially ordered with boat or other name added, on a one-off (or more) basis, with the added info Photo-printed.

Hats – specifically baseball style caps, are less of a problem as they are easily adjustable for sizing. We will have some regular, perhaps long bill caps available, again Red, White or Blue colors, with the Club Burgee logo embroidered. Bucket style hats may be available on order with Printed logo.

I have chosen to deal with “Nautical White” who supply most of the yacht/boating clubs across Canada, Just about all of which have much larger memberships than AYC. Using their order experience our catalogue will also offer a selection of popular Jackets and other more expensive items, available on a one-off order with Printed Club Logo.

So – what do you think? Are you in agreement to standardizing on the Club Pennant logo for all our regalia? **Which one do you prefer – Pennant or Wheel – or Both available?** Does this stocking/ordering plan make sense? I want to make it easy, and as affordable as possible for our members to proudly sport our AYC

Regalia. All comments appreciated -[robipixel@bell.net](mailto:robipixel@bell.net)

(blame Keith Whalen – he volunteered me)

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### **CPR and AEDs Save Lives – Learn How**

CPR - Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation, and AEDs – Automatic External Defibrillation, save lives! And they are easy to use, by anyone. Do you know how? You can, for free at AYC. For anyone interested, I will be running a CPR and AED introductory course at AYC, on Saturday morning at 10:00 AM, June 6 or June 13 - or both, depending on response. It will only take an hour for hands-on CPR training and AED use with a training unit. Anyone interested, please send me an email and let me know, and your date preference. [robipixel@bell.net](mailto:robipixel@bell.net)

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### **Alexandra Yacht Club Cruise Schedule 2019**

**Tentative Schedule as some clubs are not accepting boats until the high water level ebbs at their floating docks – please email me to indicate your interest and also so that I can forward our boat numbers and information to the infected clubs – thanks!**

### **Don Williams AYC Club Cruise Captain – [cruisecaptain@ayc.ca](mailto:cruisecaptain@ayc.ca)**

Cruise 1 – DYC/NOTL (Reciprocal) June 30/July 1 (Friday/Saturday Nights)

Cruise 2 – Oakville Club – Shake Down Cruise – Two Nights – July 6/7 (Two Nights)

Cruise 3 – Wilson, New York - August 5/6/7 (Friday/Saturday Nights)

Cruise 4 – Oakville Yacht Squadron (Reciprocal) – Aug. 24/25 (Friday/Saturday Nights)

Cruise 5 – NOTL – Early September (TBA)

### **Cruise Description/Itineraries**

**Cruise 1** – This is a reciprocal cruise to the Dalhousie Yacht Club and near the entrance to the Welland Canal. Lots to do and see there but bring your dinghy as the club is ‘split’ in half by the river! We may sail to NOTL on Saturday and stay there which is another great place to utilize your dinghy.

**Cruise 2** – This is a weekend cruise to The Oakville Club. The Oakville Club has a nice heated pool with bar and canoes/kayaks (free to us) to explore the Credit River. (\$20 charge but still a great deal.)

**Cruise 3** – We sail to the United States so bring your passports and decal (if over 30’ – Google DTOPS to get one.) Bring your dinghy for sure as it’s the best way to scoot around this fantastic destination with live bands both nights and Sunday afternoon if you want to stay late and do a night cruise back – easy to aim for the lights of TO!

**Cruise 4** – This is a weekend reciprocal cruise to The Oakville Yacht Squadron. If you missed the first cruise to Oakville then this is your last chance – a great sail and a POSH place. (POSH – Port Outbound, Starboard Homeward.)

**Cruise 5** – Youngstown and NOTL – Early September – This is a great cruise as it has variety, history (Fort Niagara) and a free shuttle on the American Side!

Please let me know if you plan to join in on any of the above-mentioned cruises. The Sign-Up Sheets will be posted on the bulletin board soon.

Thank you and please also send in any concerns/suggestions/ideas for a great AYC cruise experience. Also, these cruises present an ideal opportunity for ‘unloading’ any old laptops, computers, printers, cell phones, etc. – just dump them overboard when in the middle of the lake! Again, email me if you are interested in coming on one or more of the cruises – Thank you

Don Williams AYC Club Cruise Captain [cruiscaptain@ayc.ca](mailto:cruiscaptain@ayc.ca).

## New Members



### Steve Robertson

Hello I'm a long-time sailor I'm into racing and looking forward to the racing and social season at Alexandra

Steve



### Gordon Young

So my interest in the club started a number of years back when I mentioned to my friend Keith Storey that I always wanted to learn how to sail. From there I have been sailing

with Keith and Linda, and have also started to race on Thursday nights with Chris.

A little about me, I am 58 years old and am employed as a Film TV Technician for IATSE 873 doing feature films and TV. I work mostly as a certified Carpenter and Welder, and I am currently certified in First aid, Telehandler/Forklift Ariel boom and scissor lifts as well as Level one safety.

Other than that I love being on the water and love the atmosphere down at the club. I look forward to being a member with the dream of one day having a boat to call my own.



## Bjarne Pedersen

Yacht. Northern Light. - Comfortina 32.

Wife / Family. Jennifer Williams.

Son. Thor-Anders. 7 yrs.

Daughter. Freja. 4.5 yrs.

We enjoy the outdoors, Sailing, camping, skiing, hiking, fishing etc.