

Bow Wave – November 2019

Your monthly dose of AYC news



Mark Your Calendars

- **November 2, 2019 7:30 am** - Dock Work Party
- **November 2, 2019 8:00 pm** - Woodstock Party
- **November 20, 2019 7:30 pm** - Fall AGM
- **December 1, 2019 12:00 pm** - Kids Christmas Party
- **December 1, 2019 2:00 pm** - Wine and Cheese



Ken Daisley

Commodore

1. Results of Survey of open winter storage availability elsewhere for members who do not have AYC Storage.

Not a great deal of response to the request to say the least. It is however a common problem due to the closure of storage facilities out on the Cherry Street Spit. One that is seems we are one of the few clubs who are working to assist affected members.

The efforts undertaken did however provide an offer of accommodation for next winter at a reasonable price for club members who do not have winter storage at AYC. The price is quite comparable to storage costs at AYC. There is a bit of logistical red tape we will need to hurdle though and I would like to get together with all those wanting to participate shortly after launch next spring. For those interested, be sure your cradle is accessible next spring because we will need to move it.

2. You may have noticed that NYC have completed renovations on their sea wall and have raised it up some six inches and slope it up hill to the parking lot. AYC have as well contacted the contractor to provide us (AYC) a quote which your Rear Commodore is

coordinating with our insurance provider.

3. Our upcoming lease agreement with the City of Toronto.

Bill Morris has taken on the role as our Chief Lease Negotiator. As you may know, we had shared a mutual concern for our lease expiry situation with NYC. As such we formed a cooperative team with representatives of NYC to start the long and complicated process of lease renewal with favorable terms which contain (in a nut shell), a rolling 5-year extension added automatically. We have formulated a go forward approach and will meet with the team next week to formalize and move forward with the plan. More details at the AGM.

4. High Water Discussions continue through The Council of Commodores who are lobbying Government who still maintain a safe distance from the issue. Sail Canada, Boating Canada, Canoe and Kayak Canada and all the affiliated recreational club users are working together to present a common front to Government at every opportunity. We will see how things progress. All projections for precipitation levels this winter show more snow and rain and no improvement for spring and summer 2020. Keep your wellington boots handy.

Ken Daisley

Commodore

Dan Peel

Vice Commodore

Thank you to all who participated in the Fall Yard Clean-Up and Haul Out days at the AYC.

Everything went quickly, smoothly and safely.

Just a few reminders as we move into the winter season.

- Please identify your car in the lot during the next six months so other members can find you to move your car if need be.
- Ensure your ladders are locked to your cradle when you are not there.
- Un-plug your boats when you are not at the club.
- Please notify the Vice Commodore if you plan on leaving your car in the lot overnight.
- Do not leave your car in front of or near the dumpster when leaving a car overnight.
- All waste oil and bilge water should be disposed of in the barrels behind the work shed.
- Yard water will be shut off for the winter as soon as the first sign of frost comes this fall. If you plan on washing your boat please do it sooner than later.
- All dinghy's and kayak's need to fit within the footprint of your boat. If they are left anywhere else in the yard you may get billed.
- Please be mindful of your neighbours when cleaning and covering your boats.

Thanks everyone for a great 2019 season, I look forward to seeing you all at the AGM and the Xmas party.

Dan





Greg Shears

Rear Commodore

Volunteers Required for our fall dock work party at 8:30 A:M Saturday Nov 2/19

Please contact;
rear-commodore@ayc.ca

Breakfast will be prepared by Natalie
7:30 A:M

Thanks
Greg Shears

Colin Smith
Secretary

Hi everyone,

Early next week you will be receiving an email with details of our upcoming Annual General Meeting on November 20, 2019 at 7:30 pm. Mark your calendars and I hope to see you there.

Nominations for your new Board are well underway and it is great to see the early enthusiasm. Elections for all positions will take place at the AGM.

After 4 years on the Board I will not be running again for Secretary. I have really enjoyed my time working with the other Board members and getting to know all of you. Thank you very much for this opportunity.

Good luck with the winterizing and see you on the 20th.





Keith Whalen

Treasurer

I am just in the process of closing the books for the end of our fiscal year. Your ever-inquisitive Audit Committee is in the final stages of their work. I and you should look forward to their report and recommendations.

On the horizon we have expenditures for Rent (Nov. 1) approx. \$22k and the crane costs for Haul-out, approx. \$15K and we will begin to incur expenses for the approved Washroom Renovation.

You will begin to receive your 2020 Summer Invoices in the later part of November, due Jan. 31, 2020. I will be adding the PayPal cost back to members who paid using the instrument last year. We have cancelled the PayPal feature, which means there will be no "Pay Now" button on the invoice. If there is, it will not work so don't send me an email. Sorry once again for the inconvenience. If you do wish to pay by CC to get points, then please send me an email and I can arrange to use our SQUARE account. This service provider allows for 3% convenience charge to be added to the invoice amount that you would pay. Hope that makes sense. If not, please use e-transfer to Treasurer@ayc.ca or pay by cheque.

Once again I want to thank your Board, members who incur costs to make our club run (Gerry K., Chris G., George G., Dave T., Bill M., Keith S. Linda A.

etc.), I also want to acknowledge the work of Robi R. and Gary H. for their support on Regalia and the Ice Fund. I know there were others who contributed to making our club work, if I missed you, my apologies. Please continue to do the fine work you do to make our little club the "second best on the lake?".

See you at the AGM!

Phil Dunk
House Director

Good day to all. It's been a great year with the new system of Site Maintenance. The season has finally come to an end but that does not mean that the work is done. If you are at the club and notice that the garbage needs taking out please do so. If you see an issue please contact the House Director or one of the directors if you cannot fix it yourself.

At the AGM I will be presenting an update to the washroom renovation. We will be starting the renovation in the first week of January and should have it finished within four weeks.

Lastly if you are planning on using the club for an event please contact the House Director through the club web site.

Best regards

Phil Dunk





Alison Honey Woods

Social Director

NOVEMBER 2nd:

I hope to see you at the 1969 Woodstock Throwback party tomorrow night.

The AYC House band will start at 8pm.

Prizes for the best dress hippie.

\$5 cover at the door, BYOB.

DECEMBER 1st:

Kids Christmas party 12pm

Wine & Cheese 2pm

All are welcome to bring children and grandchildren for ornament making and cookie decorating – kids at heart also more than welcome! A Christmas film will be played for kids starting at 2pm so the adults can enjoy some wine and cheese with fellow members.

Again, this year we will be collecting money for charity, so please bring cash or your check book. This year we will be giving to the charity Sistering. Sistering is a multi-service agency for at-risk, socially isolated women in Toronto who are homeless or precariously housed. They do incredible work right here in Toronto and need all the support they can get so I hope everyone who comes to wine and cheese gives generously.

FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION AT THE AGM:

This year we tried eliminating the Social Fee in favour of making the reception after Sail Past ticketed to cover the event cost - and potentially make the job of organizing the event easier for future social directors. The ticket price went a long way towards making the event more fiscally responsible, but the job of collecting and confirming RSVPs made organizing catering numbers and seating a miserable, time consuming job. There was much opposition to the ticket price, and attendance was way down from 2018. Sail Past is the only event that is extremely difficult to organize because attendance is uncertain and the budget is high. The previous social fee was put in place to encourage attendance - it entitled senior members to 2 tickets and it was great for attendance, but the \$30 social fee did not come remotely close to covering the cost of the event. This past year we tried charging a fair price for tickets and came close to covering the cost of the event, but lost out on attendance - and lower attendance means fixed costs like the band, staffing and rentals are more expensive per person.

Sail Past is the one event that every member of the club who is able should attend. It is the day for all of us to come together as a community, get boats out on the water and salute our commodore, but I feel the ticket price for the reception this year kept a good portion of our membership away. Next year I am proposing that we try what I hope will be an agreeable solution to funding the party and encouraging attendance. The board is proposing a

\$60 Sail Past fee for all club members - senior and associate. This fee would include 1 non-transferable ticket to the Commodore's reception after Sail Past. The sail past fee would ensure that there is a guaranteed pool of money for future social directors to work with when organizing this event, and it would mean that guest tickets could be sold at lower prices – around \$40 or \$45 each.

I hope that the membership will support this measure so we can have a great, well attended Sail Past party in the summer of 2020 and going forward an easier event to organize for future social directors.

Ken Chumik

Membership Director

Nothing to report





Lee Silver

Communications Director

Thanks everyone for a great sailing season. I can't believe it has already been one year since I joined the board. It has been a great experience serving you and getting to know people at the club through this role. We have made great progress in updating our communication systems this year, but I feel like I have more to give and will be running for communications director again this year. I look forward to see you at the AGM.



Gareth Clemo

Fleet Captain

Our racing season has come to end with the completion of the AHMEN series. We had a number of boats compete in this series with very respectful results. Here is a link to the results, http://ahmen.ca/Results/2019/ahmen2019_Overall.html, if you would like to have a look. On behalf of the club I would like to thank the people who made up our race committee when we hosted one the AHMEN races.

They are as follows.

Doug McDonell

Pat McDonell

Linda McDonell

Alan McDonell

Thomas McDonell

Karen Aitken

Graham McCartney

Without their dedicated efforts, racing wouldn't happen.



WOODSTOCK 2019

MUSIC STARTS 8PM

FEATURING THE AYC HOUSE BAND

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2



BYOB
& snacks

\$5 COVER



Joe Koole

Here are the race results for the AHMEN series 2019. Good participation by AYC boats.

http://ahmen.ca/Results/2019/ahmen2019_Overall.html

Robi Roncarelli

SHOW THE COLOURS

Boats are on the hard. Dock Party this coming weekend. Boating season 2019 is closing, and many of us are already looking forward to 2020. Yes, winter is coming.

Whether you are staying in Canada to enjoy (or complain about) the snow and cold, or escaping to warmer climates for the season, what better way to remember 2019 on the water and AYC, and look forward to boating in 2020, than to sport our club's colours wherever you may be. How?? By wearing some of our excellent AYC Haberdashery/Regalia.

We have a selection of shirts, hats etc. all proudly displaying our AYC crests. They are excellent clothing at reasonable costs, and they show you pride in AYC and love for being on the water.

How do you get some? Contact me – Robi Roncarelli, Phone or Text 416 822-3495, or email to robipixel@bell.net.

Easier still - I will have a display of available items for sale during the Dock Party, and at the coming AGM.

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Don Williams

This time of the year the AYC Cruise Committee and myself (mostly myself actually) are/am busy planning next year's cruises. The water levels will likely be high again and so we won't start cruising until later in the season much like this year but that's okay as the water is still cool until the end of June and therefore so is the air above it where our boats joyfully play.

So, for this coming season we will plan two far away cruises – Wilson/Youngstown and NOTL/Dalhousie much like we do every year but also plan some closer and shorter distance cruises such as the Boulevard Club, RCYC, Queen City, Ashbridges, and maybe even the mosquito infested anchorage swamp over at the island, etc. (I'm still waiting to hear back from most of these yacht clubs – and likely will be for a long time to come.) These shorter cruises will get you away but not too far away so the weather and distance won't be such an issue so if you forget something – a mixing bowl or your cigarettes or your phone or your pet for example – then you can just go back and get them and then return to our cruise destination in no time. So, now there will be no excuses 'not' to come on an AYC cruise next season.

Please let me know your 'rathers' and the timing so that we can plan another fun, interesting, adventurous, safe and memorable cruising season. I/we will again work with other yacht clubs to accommodate them so that they can accommodate us so thanks for your anticipated cooperation on this front as well.

Send my your thoughts – but not all of them as I don't want to empty out your head too much.

Don Williams
AYC Cruise Captain