

# Bow Wave – February 2020

Your monthly dose of AYC news



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## **Ken Daisley**

### **Commodore**

Hello AYC Members and I trust this mild and easy winter is being enjoyed by all. Well, The Yacht Club is usually a very quiet and lonely place this time of year with a rare visit from members checking on their boats and wishing for launch and the summer sailing season to come. Well not so this year as our House Director and his crew of volunteers and contractors work feverishly to complete our bathroom renovations. My visit last Sunday was a pleasant surprise with a great deal of the work being well underway if not completed. Phil assured me that the project was on schedule and on budget. The Board of Directors will be given a tour and status report this coming Wednesday as part of our monthly Board Meeting. Looking forward to the update.

Otherwise the docks all show to be in good shape and faring well through the usual winter and I didn't notice any amount of boat covers that needed repair so all good at AYC with all the usual winter preparation being successful.

This month I would like to report on the happenings of yesterday (Thursday January 30 2020). A day to be marked into AYC history when we laid to rest a good friend and long long-time member of AYC Mister Gerhard Kuter. We all know him as do many fellow boaters from around the lake as the Patriarch of our club. Gerry was eighty-eight years old. The funeral service was well attended by Friends, Family, Mason Brothers and a fine contingency of

Alexandra Yacht Club Members and Past Members. The service was led by a great speaker who provided an excellent eulogy describing many milestones in Gerry's life explaining relationships with family, friends and his beloved Yacht Club. It was an excellent service opened and closed by a Scottish Piper. Thank you, Ian Kuter and family, for orchestrating such an appropriate send off.

Once the weather improves and we get our boats launched and the club house updates completed, AYC will be hosting a Celebration of Life in honour of Gerhard where we can share memories and tell some tall tales. Date and time to be determined and communicated soon.

In closing I know that many of us will be and are currently traveling to warmer climates at this time of year and I wish everyone safe travels and see you around the club.

Ken Daisley  
Commodore

**Dan Peel**

Vice Commodore

Nothing to report





**Greg Shears**

**Rear Commodore**

Nothing to report

**Jay Wallace**

Secretary

Nothing to report





**Keith Whalen**

Treasurer

Nothing to report

## Phil Dunk

### House Director

January has been a busy time around the club.... well, at least in the area of the washroom renovation. When you read this, the floors will have been replaced, most of the dry wall is up and the bases for the new vanities are in place, by next week they will be installed. Just taping, tiling and painting will put the club almost back in order. But for the next week or two don't expect to use the wash rooms as the toilets will be the last to go in. When the dust settles, I hope all the members will like the end results.

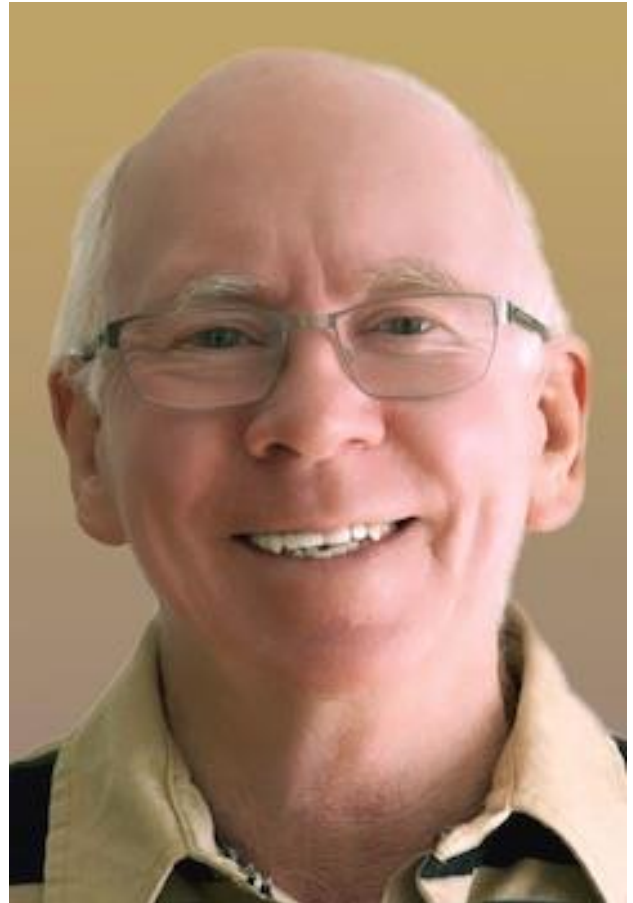
One last thing. I would like to thank members who have stepped forward and responded to the request for painters. I am sure that the end product will reflect the hard work that they will bring to the job.

Best regards

Phil Dunk

House Director

and slave driver ;-)







**Alison Honey Woods**

**Social Director**

Nothing to report

**Bjarne Pedersen**

**Membership Director**

Nothing to report





**Lee Silver**

**Communications Director**

Nothing to report

**Gareth Clemo**

**Fleet Captain**

Nothing to report



## In Other News

### Upcoming Seminar

Dealing with High Water and Changing Water Conditions

This day is being arranged to help our Clubs, School, Camps and Affiliates learn more about dealing with changing water levels and forecasting what is to come in the years ahead.

Date: Saturday February 15, 2020

Location: National Yacht Club,  
1 Stadium Road, Toronto

Time: 9:00am - 1:30pm

Cost: \$20.00 + HST (to cover food costs only)

**\*\* PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED!**

Session Schedule  
(subject to change)

9:00am - 10:00am \*\* Shore plan - Engineering of systems and docks

10:00am -10:45am

\*\* Pierre Beland - Canadian Commissioner/Chair of the International Joint Commission

10:45am -11:45am

\*\* Jordan Kropf - Kropf Industries - Floating docks and walkways

11:45am

\*\* Lunch and Social

12:15pm - 1:00pm

\*\* Ron Bianchi - Meteorologist

1:00pm - 1:30pm

\*\* Next Steps - Water Levels' Discussion

More information can be found at: <https://ontariosailing.ca/news/dealing-with-high-water-seminar/>.

Please check back often as details may change.

TO REGISTER, please visit <https://ontariosailing.ca/high-water/>

All participants must register separately and pre-registration is required!

For more information on the day, please contact Glenn Lethbridge, Executive Director, Ontario Sailing at [execdir@ontariosailing.ca](mailto:execdir@ontariosailing.ca).