

Bow Wave - April Issue 2023. High Tides and Green Grass!

Your April Showers Gift of AYC News Issue # 467



Update Your Current 2023 Calendars

- **March 25 - Hug your Boat comp club social event**
 - April 15 - Dock Party Crew
 - April 19 - Spring Annual General Meeting
 - April 29- Launch *aka Splash*
 - May 6- Spring Clean Up [mandatory]
 - May 18 - The AYC Race Season begins!
 - June 24 - AYC Sail Past/Commodore's Reception
 - August 12- Hot Summer Night Party
 - August 31- The AYC Race Season ends!
 - September 9- Almost Round the Island Race & Dinner
 - October 13/14 - Haul Out *aka On the Hard*
 - October 21- Fall cleanup [mandatory]
 - November 15 - Fall Annual General Meeting

- **December 10 - Christmas Party Members Wine and Cheese**

Special notice: A Reply to our Commodore from "special concerns about basin debris"

that were expressed to NYC...this reply is from the NYC Vice Commodore Rob Pepin.

" I wanted to let AYC know I have had my Marine Team looking at collecting the debris in the south-east corner of your basin. They have assured me we will be collecting the flotsam before you splash any boats in the water. The last few days have not been good for them to get our utility boat over, but they are on it. I am sure some of your members will be concerned, so I wanted to let you know." Alison.

Director's Report's



Alison Honey Woods Commodore

First I would like to thank all of the members who offered to volunteer their time in the wake of our Vice Commodore, Gareth's sudden passing. Our thoughts continue to be with his family. Keith Storey accepted the board of director's invitation to serve for the remainder of AYC's 2023 season and was formally voted in on March 7th. Thank you, Keith.

On January 21st AYC's Winter Party raised just over \$500 for the Broad Reach Foundation through donations from fellow members and friendly companies, including an annual subscription to sailing magazine Latitude 38. Our efforts were featured in their electronic issue here: <https://www.latitude38.com/lectronic/supporting-sailing-across-all-latitudes/>

AYC Member Bill Morris is setting off to cross the Pacific! To follow his adventures check out his site: <https://turtlebones.ca/>

The AYC's lease renewal is awaiting the City's assessment of how rent should be set. Thank you to the Lease Renewal Committee's continuing efforts on our behalf.

The By-law Revision Committee continue to work toward bringing AYC's bylaws into compliance with the Ontario Not for Profit Corporations Act (<https://www.ontario.ca/laws/statute/10n15>). Any members interested in joining the committee please contact me.

Though it's hard to believe with all this snow, spring is around the corner. Plans for the Spring Meeting on Wednesday, April 19th and Launch on Saturday, April 29th are underway.

I look forward to seeing everyone at Hug Your Boat on March 25th!

Very Best to all, Alison Honey Woods, Commodore



Keith Story Vice Commodore.

My thanks to the Board of Directors for their vote of confidence as I step regretfully into the role of Vice-Commodore. Gareth was a good friend of mine. We will all miss him. Moving on, as we must, I do not have a lot to report at this time. The one project that is top of mind for the membership, is the main gate repair/replacement and it is a work in progress. Quotes are being collected and I am confident that we will be able to select a contractor this week. The exact dates for installation/completion are not yet known but I

will inform the membership of any work on the gate that will impact access to the yard. On a positive note, spring is officially starting on March 20th this year and I encourage members to come out for the Hug Your Boat event on the following Saturday. I'll be in the BBQ pit cooking so come by and say hello. It has been a long winter and it is always great to see everyone again.

Regards to all,
Keith



Matt

Filletti

Rear

Commodore

Just want to start with condolences for Gareth's family and friends. Not sure if you are aware, but one of the things he was doing was managing the wifi on the docks via ethernet over power (EOP) devices. I'm looking for someone to step forward and help get wifi on the docks via EOP or some other means. Let me know if this is something you can take on, work hours will be given. In my last report I mentioned I'm looking for someone to help assemble these pipe fittings for our new dock water...I got no response - heavy sigh. I'm looking for someone who has access to a good bench vise, some pipe wrenches and teflon tape to assemble these parts before April 22, work hours will be given. Anyway, the parts are now here, soooo, Bueller, Bueller, anyone?



Richard Armstrong Social Director

Hi All, Our 2023 social season has been enjoying some wonderful events.

This past weekend we had a successful St.Parick's day event. Gabi and Bruce hosted and did an amazing job. It was great to see so many members attend.

We will skip April as the second Saturday falls on the Easter long weekend. Plus both Peter and I will be away.

Hug your boat invitations have been sent out. Keith and Linda are leading this event. Many thanks to them for their leadership and work.

In May (Saturday May 6th) we are doing something quite different. We are going to celebrate the coronation of King Charles. Nikki and Graham are taking the lead on this. Details to follow.

Planning has begun for Sailpast in June.

Please check the club calendar for dates and we will always be sending out invitations with details in advance.

We welcome all volunteers who wish to host or organize a club event. We are open to new ideas and new approaches.

I look forward to our new sailing season and hope to spend some time with all of you over the summer.

Cheers with God's speed, Richard



Borys Gogus Treasurer

Hello AYC, It has come to my attention that there have been some reservations regarding our summer mooring agreement. The agreement is a new requirement from our insurance company. It is not something the board initiated, however, we are obligated to move forward with these agreements. If we don't have signed agreements from every senior member our insurance coverage can be invalidated and any claim that the club may make can be denied. If there is an incident, it'll be the membership that will pay out of pocket, not our insurance company.

We are exploring other insurance options, but in the interim, I urge each member to return a signed mooring agreement to the secretary.

Borys



Paul

Chandler

House

Director

House has been busy, fortunately we have a strong volunteer base at AYC that has provided solid back-up to projects initiated last year that are either now complete or in process.

As of March 15th In no particular order: -

- Heat pump is installed and operating to specs
- Gas log fire has been serviced, new chimney installed and working reliably
- Front entry gate system is at a point where we have compared several estimates to replace the complete gate and pedestrian entranceway that will comply with modern fire-code, and Keith Storey and myself are making a final decision over the next few days with an installation date earmarked for late April or May
- Carpet replacement for the second-floor clubhouse is in Phil Dunks capable hands, and is in the estimate and measuring phase
- Light replacements have been done on the ground floor
- The Chair Lift project is being looked at earnestly and I'm hopeful to have more information to present to the membership as soon as it becomes available
- Gas-fired Slant Fin boiler heating system has been serviced requiring a new pump and is now functioning as it should

All in all the club house is in good shape with regards to utility infrastructure, and some painting is being done in the men's bathroom. Please call or message me directly with any questions or concerns and I'll be more than happy to address them

Thank

you

Paul



Sean Smith Membership Director

Membership Report:

Two new applicants. One associate and one senior membership. Associate member applicant is Marcus Sirman with a Halmon 20, "Tink" ..

The senior member is a friend of Eugene Gadassik, and is reported as half owner of Gadassik's boat.

Working on one or two smaller boats. Profiles have been posted at the club.

Thank is all! Sean



Regan

Magor

Secretary

Please make sure to send me your Summer Morning Agreements, and keep an eye out for the package for our upcoming Spring meeting.



Jay

Wallace Communications

Director

Once again the **AYC** WhatsApp group link is below, it appears to be a popular real time "chatty" platform for the usual suspects!

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/L7Ety99PRPgCtN4uG7ujg8>

Also if you change your email address and you don't let us know then that is your oversight!

See you all at Hug Your Boat, Happy Spring to All, Jay



Stephen Brown Fleet Captain

Last year the racing fleet from AYC was small through much of the season. There may have been a number of reasons including the after effects of covid with people just out of the habit, the small size of the fleet not being interesting or any number of other things. One particular reason that has been raised is that there is a preference for racing with the National because of the larger fleet, established race committee and good flexibility of the courses. The National will charge us if we resume racing with them and the cost is significant. There are also some advantages to our going back to our previous practice of having a member be the race committee on a rotation basis. This does allow us to start at a better time and adjust for stragglers. It also does limit our ability to choose the start location to either Dufferin Mark or the tall mast buoys since the water is too deep at the other marks for boats without a windlass. We would like know what the members of the club who are considering racing think about this. Please note a survey is being prepared and will be sent out to members. It is requested that this not be an anonymous survey so please include your name in your response. Also please feel free to email the fleet captain directly with any questions you may have.



Don Williams Club Cruise Captain

AYC Cruising 2023:

Two dates so far – Etobicoke YC July 28 – 30 and Tuscarora YC (Wilson, NY)
August 25 – 28.

Live bands at both! We're also planning a cruise to Port Credit and one to
NOTL/Youngstown

sometime this coming season. We will also do a 'Sail In' to Queen City for an
overnight

(or two if you wish.)

So, there will be three near and two a little further. Dates for all hopefully in the next
Bow Wave.

Let me know earlier than later if you'd like to participate as we will only get a four to six boat allotment. Cruise On!!!



The Members Bulletin Board All the News Fit to Print

Member Citations; So many members have filed yard reports through this wild windy winter, while checking boat wraps and cranky club gate issues. Thank you to all of you for your due diligence, you know who you are, it's a long list. There's a bottle of SAILOR JERRY with your names on it... somewhere in someones locker! I am in Locker #10 or 12 can't recall right now ...

Suggestion/Comment Box; I just want to salute the solid dedication and valued expertise of Dan, Greg, Dave, Phill and you in your club support it speaks loud for the meaning of membership.
" [not signed unfortunately]

"Thanks to Peter and Richard for their efforts to get us "rolling again!" [not signed but it had hearts attached!]

Overheard on the dock; Damn, I can't wait for launch...

Random Travel Tales; Please share your bareboat charter or local knowledge stories!

Share yours at communications@ayc.ca



Members Photo Gallery



Thanks to our eye in the sky Don Williams



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