



HARBOUR CITY YACHT CLUB



HARBOUR LIGHTS

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ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER

A couple of dozen members, spouses, partners and friends attended the Annual General Meeting in The Green Room at PAL including **David Barkworth, Carolyn Callaghan, Greg Charron and Robin, John Darby, Peter and Claudette de Konig, Ken Ducharme, Blaine Evans, Todd Fraser, Saleem Kassum, Liz Lytle, Nigel and Diane Napier-Andrews, Matt and DL Phillips, and Patricia Sadleir.** The quorum included 16 proxy votes.

The Membership Director reported that membership was up from last year with 76 members total - 51 regular, 15 new, four associate and six life members.

The new slate of flag officers and directors were elected, and your new Board consists of:

- Commodore - **Nigel Napier-Andrews**
- Rear Commodore and Cruise Director - **Greg Charron**
- Treasurer - **Doug Shrigley**
- Membership Director - **Diane Watts**
- Social Director - **Carolyn Callaghan**
- Communication Director - **David Barkworth**
- Director at Large - **Jim Ivison**
- Director at Large - **Liz Lytle**
- Director at Large - **Todd Fraser**
- Director at Large - **Saleem Kassum**
- Bosun - **Blaine Evans**
- Immediate Past Commodore - **John Darby**

The affairs of the evening were dispensed with swiftly with no contentious issues raised and the crowd moved to the delicious dinner prepared by **John Darby.**



Commodore Nigel Napier-Andrews (R) with Immediate Past Commodore John Darby and Rear Commodore Greg Charron (L).

photo by David Barkworth

CRUISING NOTES

by Greg Charron, Molly B

The Port Dalhousie cruise was attended by four of our club vessels: *Creation* with owners **Capt. Matt Phillips** and **DL** aboard along with the two pups **Angus** and **Ozzie**, *Everdawn* with **Rob Chamberland** and crew, *Dab Hands* with **David Barkworth** and his crew **Anita Elksne**, and of course the *Mollie B* sailing with **Robin, Matthew** and your cruise director **Greg Charron**. While *Everdawn* chose the nightlife side (west) of the harbour, *Creation* and *Mollie B* were moored along the club side (east) of the harbour and *Dab Hands* stayed at the marina.

Creation crossed on the Friday afternoon with somewhat mild winds having an most enjoyable sail. *Mollie B* started out later in the day, around 1700 and enjoying a riotous romp across the lake in NE winds that topped 20 knots leading to an adventurous entry to the mouth of the Port Dalhousie harbour in eight to 10 foot swells. I am sure it was quite a sight from shore as we drew quite a receiving crowd. *Everdawn* ventured across the next morning in light winds that built to lighter winds. The true sailors aboard *Everdawn* refused to engage the iron sail and spent an enjoyable day on the lake arriving late afternoon. Kudos to these determined sailors! Good job!

The crew's of *Creation* and *Mollie B*, along with our PCYC friends **Martina** and **Guido** from aboard *Great Expectations*, a Nova 40, had a fine dinner outside on the club patio and ended up visiting each others' boats afterwards quite possibly converting the east side of the harbour to then "nightlife" side, at least for one Saturday night.

The final cruise of the season to PCYC was cancelled due to a foul weather forecast and lack of participants, enabling *Mollie B* to enjoy a rare weekend at the Toronto Island Marina and the clubhouse were we ran in to more members at the Upper Deck in one evening than we did on all the cruises combined! Speaking of which I hope more of you join our cruises next season as they are always great fun and quite often a bit of an adventure. Already on the schedule is the Oakville club in July where we have secured the Midnight Madness weekend, a festival that is always provides a great time.

Congratulations to the cruising members who earned their dark blue cruising flags this season, they are **David Barkworth, Rob Chamberland, Chris Diamond, Ken Ducharme, Jim Ivison, Nigel Napier-Andrews, Matt Phillips, Allan Troster**, and yours truly.

We had a great cruising season, I hope I can entice more of you off the dock next season with some interesting weekends in our western Lake Ontario ports. Stay tuned and good winds!

KEEP THIS DATE

Friday, January 1, 2011 at noon
Commodore's New Year's Day Levée at the
HCYC Clubhouse



photo by Nigel Napier-Andrews

A winter charter moors in idyllic Chateaubellair Bay, St. Vincent

FEBRUARY SOCIAL

Please keep an eye out for details of our planned HCYC/TIM winter social in early February.

WINTER COURSES

Member **Clive Smith**, who is Chief Instructor at the Harbourfront Sailing and Powerboat Centre will be holding several courses such as Coastal navigation and Cruising theory over the non-sailing season. He also leads several Caribbean sailing courses and fun sails on boats chartered next year out of the Virgin Islands in February. Details from **Emma Wright** at (416) 203-3000.

In addition the National Yacht Club is running a Coastal navigation, piloting, GPS and electronic charting course in January and February and a Celestial navigation course in February and March. Please call **Samantha Glass** at (416) 260-8686 for dates and details.



Charter Captain Clive Smith at the helm off Guadeloupe