



UPCOMING EVENTS

Book now for our two long-distance three-day cruises.

The first long-distance voyage, and our next club cruise, is back to the Dalhousie Yacht Club in Pt. Dalhousie leaving on Friday, July 4 and returning on Sunday, July 6. We have met with flag officers of DYC at various functions over the past months and they tell us that they have installed new docks on the town side of the river and their restaurant is under new management and back in operation. To register contact our Rear Commodore and Cruise Director **Claude Alexander** at our new email address harbourcityyc@gmail.com or track him down on his boat *Ça Va*.

Christmas in July takes place on Saturday, July 19 and is a joint event with TIM. Decorate your boats, win prizes and enjoy a mid-summer turkey feast

We will be making our first across-the-lake club journey to the U.S. when we visit the Island Yacht Club in Wilson, NY leaving on Friday, July 25 and returning on Sunday, July 27. This cruise coincides with the noisy Wakestock events on Toronto Island, so it is a good chance to get away from the crowds.

Our popular Jazz Cruise to The Oakville Club is on Saturday, August 9 and Sunday, August 10.

The Early Bird Cruise to Port Credit Yacht Club on the May 31 weekend was cancelled due to inclement weather and lack of interest. We may re-schedule this in the Fall to coincide with the Virgin Music Festival on September 6 and 7, for those who want to escape another noisy weekend.



Kara sails past with Tracey at the helm and crew Derek and Carolyn

SAILPAST

For the first time in many years we held a joint sailpast with the Toronto Island Sailing Club. TISC Commodore **Janice Weaver** and Fleet Captain **Linda Dresser** joined Commodore **Nigel Napier-Andrews** on *Peccavi* to take the salute from her fleet of six Albacores. Vice-Commodore **John Darby** was on deck for the HCYC fleet as our intrepid skippers sailed past in a brisk breeze, including Treasurer **Doug Shigley**, **Sam Dang** and guests on *Magic Flute*, **Tracey LeGrand** and crew **Derek Saint** and Membership Director **Carolyn Callaghan** on *Kira*, Past Commodore **Liz Lytle** with **Bill** on *Kittiwake*, and life member **Ralph Johnson**, with **Catherine Wyss** crewing on *My Boat*.

Afterwards *Peccavi*, fully dressed in more than 30 years of club flags, docked at the HCYC clubhouse (see the new picture on the Reciprocal Visitors page on our website). There they kicked off the annual Commodore's Reception, where bountiful food had been laid on by Social Director **Nancy Kendrew** and her amazing team of volunteers. Wine was supplied by the Commodore and enjoyed by a full house of members and guests.

Two presentations were made at the event. The winner of the Wind Gypsy Trophy, for the best turned out boat and crew, was **Ric Donaldson**, *Raison Debt*, with **Jann Coppen** and guest **Anne** as crew. The Matthew Chudlow Trophy for exceptional dedication to the club was awarded to **Liz Lytle** for 2007.



Commodore Nigel and Vice-Commodore John take the salute.

BLESSING OF THE BOATS

The Commodores of four Toronto Island clubs, HCYC, QCYC, RCYC and Toronto Island Canoe Club were present on Sunday, June 25 for the 57th Annual Blessing of the Boats service at The Church of St. Andrew-by-the-Lake. Commodores **Nigel Napier-Andrews, Jim Thorndycraft and Rodney Smith**, accompanied the **Reverend Michael Marshall** in blessing the moored boats present and read lessons during the service. A traditional strawberry social followed on the ground of the historic island church. **Nigel** and the other Commodores later took holy water and pine boughs back to their clubs to bless boats who couldn't attend.

MEMBERSHIP

New membership cards, and any burgees or badges you may have ordered, are left in the clubhouse for you to pick up, to cut down mailing costs for those who dock at the island. Others will be mailed.

Almost all membership dues have been paid before the penalty deadline of July 1 and we thank you for that. For those who have still not paid, please add \$20 to the \$180 fee for a total of \$200, after that date. Please also remember to fill in the renewal form as this helps us keep our records straight.

Our membership directory will be published shortly and will be emailed to members only as a PDF file for easy printing at home. A limited number of copies will be available in the club house.

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As mentioned above we now have a new email address for all club communications and email continues to be our preferred method of communication with members. However, for those who have trouble printing attachments or downloading from the web, we will continue to provide a few copies of printed materials at the clubhouse. If you wish to receive written communications please contact Club Secretary **Saleem Kassum** at HCYC, P.O. Box 5936, Station A, Toronto ON M5W 1P3.



Raison Debt wins Wind Gypsy Trophy for Ric and crew Jann and Anne.

SPIRIT OF CANADA

Commodore **Nigel Napier-Andrews** single-handed down to Port Credit Yacht Club to represent HCYC at the **Derek Hatfield** fundraiser on Friday, June 20, while his partner **Linda Abrahams** drove down with **Derek Saint**. The event was a huge success and raised \$40,000 for the intrepid sailor poised to compete in the Vendée Globe in his Open 60 *Spirit of Canada*. Race start is set for November 9, 2008. HCYC is one of the original clubs to have its name on the side of the boat and several members have signed up to be part of the Around Together crew. **Hatfield** started his racing career at HCYC in *Gizmo*. If you haven't done so and wish to support his effort, still much in need of funds, check out his website: www.spiritofcanada.net.

Saint, a former Director of the club and a keen **Hatfield** supporter, is one of the privileged few who have actually sailed on the *Spirit of Canada*. Standing at the masthead as the sails filled, he found the sense of acceleration exhilarating and a once in a lifetime experience.



Commodore Nigel, Linda Abraham and Derek Saint at the Hatfield fundraiser.

GET OFF THE DOCK

Only two adventurous sailors left the dock in the face of poor weather forecasts on Saturday, June 28. However, once again the weatherman was wrong and the two boats had a good sail. The turnout for **Vice-Commodore John Darby's** home made burgers was exceptional, to the extent the food ran out and supplies had to be acquired from the marina. **Tracey** and **Andy** helped out with the extensive preparations. **John** and **Nigel's** donated new tent was ably erected by **Ric** and **Ross** and provided shelter from the rain that never came. Also to be celebrated was the installation of two finger docks, allowing four visiting boats to moor and better access than provided by the old Mediterranean moorings. A picture has been posted on our website. Finally, an oversized burgee now proudly flies on our new flag staff.