

# The Masthead



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## THE COMMODORE'S HOIST

This year's Frostbite Series has been sailing at its best - a wonderful beginning to the season! It's great to have the Club once again in operation - wind in our sails and people on the point.

Our overall membership should be slightly higher than last year. Most renewals are now quickly being completed and the number of new members who have joined the Club is very encouraging.

One of the interesting features of this year's sailing scene at the Club is the number of Lasers which have appeared. To date we know of twenty-one, but each week we learn of another member bitten by the Laser-bug. More dry sail area is under construction and perhaps we will initiate a class race on the weekends if we see a Laser fleet on the Start Line.

I must inform you that we are jeopardizing one of the long-established amenities of the Club, the convenient provision of beer for our members. Some of us who expect to pay later do not indicate their debt and tend to forget. So Beer-drinkers, please pay at the time or leave an I.O.U! We can't afford to subsidize the non-payers, so unless the situation improves we will have to withdraw the service.

We look forward to our first get-together with new members and old at the Director's Bash on June 7, after the MacIntyre Shield race. Let's have at least 20 boats on the Start-Line!

Jim Strutt.

DIRECTORS COMMENTSJUNIOR PROGRAM - 1975

The Junior Program Committee has completed plans for a very full schedule of Junior activities this summer. Details are given in the APPLICATION FORM ENCLOSED. It is especially important this year to remember that all of our Junior training classes, both Sailing and Swimming at all levels, are filled on a FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED basis.

The G.R.Y.C. has responded positively to a request from the Club de Voile Grande-Rivière to accept a limited number of applications to participate in our Junior Swimming training program, and we would like to know as early as possible how many "courtesy places" we will have available.

PLEASE RETURN YOUR APPLICATIONS (and cheques) PROMPTLY, to the address given at the top of the form (c/o John & Aloise Seally, at 1741 Dunkirk Crescent, Ottawa, K1H 5T3).

LIFE JACKETS used by those participating in the Sailing Courses must be approved by the Chief Sailing Instructor.

Aloise Seally

JUNIOR SQUADRON - GENERAL MEETING

In order to initiate an early start to the activities and program of the Junior Squadron in 1975, and to elect a new slate of Squadron officers, a General Meeting of all Junior members has been called for

SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 1975, at 11:30 a.m. at the CLUBHOUSE.

This is an important session, with the first order of business being the election of a new Junior Squadron Commodore. Last year's Commodore is not eligible to serve again this year. Once new officers are elected, the Junior Squadron will be "in business" to make 1975 the most successful year yet! Plan to attend - we need a big turnout on the 14th - and start now to think of nominations for Junior Squadron officers.

INTERMEDIATE PARTIES AT THE CLUBHOUSE

The Clubhouse is available from time to time for members to hold private social get-togethers. The adult gatherings are normally scheduled at the beginning of the season and members are notified of dates through "The Masthead". The teenage activities are more impromptu and require prior approval by a member of the Board of Directors, generally the Vice-Commodore or the chairman of the Social Committee.

So that all members may derive pleasure and benefit from the use of the Clubhouse, a few simple guidelines are appropriate to cover the informal Intermediate parties. The general view of the Board of Directors is that our Intermediate members should be treated as responsible young adults and they are expected to regulate their own conduct. The following rules shall apply when the Clubhouse is used for Intermediate social activities (a copy will be posted on the Club notice board):

1. Prior approval is required from a Club Director.
2. A "chaperone" must be on the island for the duration of the party: this person must be a member, at least 18 years old, who has agreed to exercise a general supervisory role for the occasion.
3. Attendance is limited to members and their guests. NOT MORE THAN TWO guests may be invited by any Intermediate member (see Note below).
4. The law must be observed at all times. Specifically, no intoxicants are to be brought to or used on the island by minors (i. e., no liquor, beer, pot, etc.).
5. The Clubhouse must be properly cleaned up and secured (windows shut, lights out, doors locked) not later than midnight (or earlier if directed).
6. Infractions may be dealt with by the Club Manager or referred to the Board of Directors for action.

(NOTE re: GUESTS, from the Club's booklet "You & G. R. Y. C.":

1. A member may only invite the same guest three times during the season. This does not apply to House Guests.
2. Friends of Club Juniors are in fact guests of the parents of these Juniors. The parents concerned, whether both or either is present or not, are responsible for the safety and behaviour of their children's friends.)

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Incidentally, members are reminded that the law does not allow minors to be present when liquor is being served at the Club, so this means that on the occasions of an adult party when a liquor licence has been obtained, the Clubhouse will be closed to Junior members.

Vice-Commodore

John Seally

#### MEMBERS' NAME & ADDRESS LISTING

A new listing of 1975 memberships has been prepared and a copy is posted on the notice board at the Club. Please check the listing, or the label used to mail this copy of "The Masthead" to you, for any errors or omissions (spelling of names, missing postal code, etc.). Any required changes should be notified to the Secretary (Pat Evans) so that risks of delay in mailing can be minimized - at least from the Club's end!

#### NEW MEMBERS:

Welcome to new members

A.J. and Maureen McIntyre  
 Denis and Joan Huddon  
 Eric and Lizzy Fraikin  
 Pat and Dona McLaren  
 Glen and Catherine Hammond  
 -Dr. David Gegge  
 Laura and Graham Parkinson  
 Dorian and Bill Rankin  
 Virginia Hill  
 Mark Dolgin and his wife (sorry, haven't your  
 name yet?)  
 Anthony Burger  
 Robert McKinnell  
 Muriel Hall and family

and intermediate members Wanda Wilde  
 Robin Johns  
 Shawn Bidner

We look forward to seeing you at the Club!

DIRECTORS COMMENTS (Cont.)Rear Commodore's Notes

G.R.Y.C. Regatta: For the information of new members, I would like to mention that a dinner will be served Saturday, 28 June, after the races. Come and help entertain our guests and share a good dinner. A nominal fee will be made for the meal (approx. \$4.00). Tickets will be available the morning of the Regatta. Children under 12 will be charged less.

Commodore's Punch Bowl: The Sail-past on July 1st, will be followed by the traditional Punch-Bowl. By then the season will be in full swing, so it should be a lively event.

Eileen Stranks

Fleet Captain's Sailing Notes

Moorings: If you want your old mooring at the Boom, you should take possession by the 8th of June. Of the 33 moorings, 18 were still free on May 20th. After the 8th they are available to all-comers.

GRYC Pennants : These are available at \$5.00 from the Club Manager. Fly one in foreign ports! Since there will be Pennant Races this summer, you may win one too.

Laser Cudo: Congratulations to Geoff Erskine who has been selected by the C.Y.A. to compete in the C.Y.A. Sail Canada 19 and under Youth Championships to be held at Gimli, Manitoba, July 1-6, 1975. Good Luck Geoff - happy sailing!

Sailing Events: MacIntyre Shield - June 7.  
3 Races for all boats; under handicap system.  
Briefing will be at Club House - 10:30 AM.  
Recover at the Director's Bash afterward.

GRYC Invitational - June 28, 29. Preliminary Information.  
Registration will be Friday evening, 7 PM - 9 PM.  
Briefing will be at Club House - Saturday, 10:30 AM.  
Sunday, 11 AM.

3 Races on Saturday; 2 on Sunday.  
Watch Club Notice-board for further details.

Sail Past - July 1.  
Everybody turn out and show the Commodore who you are!  
Sail-Past at 1:30 PM.  
Race at 2:30 PM.  
Afterwards, the Commodore's Punch Bowl.

Colin Ramplee-Smith.

OUT OF CLUB NEWS

Aquatic Users Association of the National Capital Area (AQUANACA):  
(formerly: Federation of Boating clubs of the Nat'l Capital Area.)

During the past year it was agreed that the original "Federation" needed to widen its membership to include all those organizations, voluntary and commercial, who used the waterways of the National Capital Area. A brief was presented to the members by a Committee drawn up from representatives of various clubs which was adopted in principle. Invitations were then sent out to the various clubs in the area inviting them to join and explaining the function of the Association.

One of the concerns of the Association is the rapid growth of boating etc. and the resultant problems: safety, conflict of race courses, and conflict of different boating interests - power, sailing, and rowing. To quote from a recent brief - "An extrapolation of the growth rate in the last six years suggests - provided the space and means of accommodation can be found - that the sailboat population in NACA sailing clubs alone, will be more than 2000 by the year 1980." Another problem arising from this growth will be the congestion ashore and therefore approaches are being made to obtain more shoreline space.

To date the Association has obtained more buoying on Lac Deschenes in federal waters, and has defined the policing roles on both the Ottawa and Gatineau rivers - a difficult job as there are many overlapping authorities involved due to the nature of the federal, provincial and municipal boundaries. It has also established a dialogue with the N.C.C. - one of the Prime "landlords" of water properties.

Doreen Ramplee-Smith  
Club Representative to AQUANACA

PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES

Because we have a number of new members, and because safety is a major key to participation in the sport of sailing, we are printing the following information on this matter, provided us by Gilles Guttadauria.

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Sailing is an active sport. We move about rapidly, double up as the boom comes across, hike over the side, lean over the foredeck to adjust the jib ... let's face it ... we're asking for it. That's why everyone should have a life-jacket or a "Personal Flotation Device" which will provide freedom of movement in the boat and maximum safety in the water.

What to Look for in a PFD

- (a) It should have enough buoyancy to float you with your neck and your head above water, and not have a tendency to turn you face down in the water. Only a slight swimming effort should be required.
- (b) It should be comfortable, easy to put on and take off, give you freedom of movement in and out of the water.
- (c) It should be highly visible - able to resist changes in temperature - difficult to damage.

Select a PFD to fit you and to be worn only by you; in this way, you will be able to establish your confidence and sense of safety in this Personal Flotation Device.

Last, but not least,  
WEAR IT - DON'T SLOW IT

TROPHIES: Once again a reminder that Trophies should be returned to the Club as soon as possible.

G.R.Y.C. Junior Program

Mailing Address: c/o Seally, 1741 Dunkirk Cres., Ottawa K1H 5T3

APPLICATION FOR 1975 JUNIOR PROGRAM

The Club's organized Junior Program consists of Sailing and Swimming instruction, presented in two four-week courses -- one in July and the other in August. Each program is directed by qualified instructors and runs from Monday through Friday between 10:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. The fees for each activity are established separately, as shown below. The cost of taking the required proficiency test(s) to meet CYA, Red Cross or RLS standards, and the purchase of books or other materials, will be charged extra at cost and collected separately.

SAILING TRAINING: Junior Sailing consists of training at all levels up to Gold Sail, in accordance with current proficiency standards of the CYA. Fees for the 1975 Junior Sailing courses have been set at \$25.00 per four-week session for the White, Bronze or Silver Sail standards. This fee is reduced when more than one child in the family is enrolled in the Sailing program. For the second child the fee is reduced to \$20.00 and for the third and subsequent member(s) to \$15.00. Candidates for Gold Sail must sign up for the full eight-week session (July and August), and the inclusive fee will be \$50.00. NOTE: All those taking sailing training must provide their own Club-approved life jacket.

SWIMMING INSTRUCTION: River conditions permitting, Junior Swimming offers instruction from Pre-Beginner through to Senior (Red Cross) and the Bronze Medallion/Bronze Cross (RLS). Fees for the 1975 Junior Swimming courses have been set at \$20.00 per four-week session for Pre-Beginner up to Senior, and at \$25.00 for the Bronze levels. As with the Sailing program, there is a fee reduction when more than one child in the family enrolls in the Swimming program, excluding the Bronze level courses. For the second child (up to Senior) the fee is reduced to \$16.00, and to \$12.00 for the third, fourth, etc. member.

PLEASE REGISTER THE FOLLOWING CHILD/CHILDREN FOR THE COURSE(S) CHECKED OFF BELOW (Detach and return this portion with your cheque to the above address)

SAILING TRAINING	FIRST SESSION	SECOND SESSION	FEE CALCULATION
	June 30 - July 25	August 4 - 29	
White Sail	_____	_____	<u>SAILING:</u> _____ Gold @ \$50 _____ Others: _____ @ \$25 _____ _____ @ \$20 _____ _____ @ \$15 _____
Bronze	_____	_____	
Silver	_____	_____	
Gold Sail (both sessions)	_____	_____	
SWIMMING INSTRUCTION	(Names)	(Names)	<u>SWIMMING:</u> _____ Bronze @ \$25 _____ Others: _____ @ \$20 _____ _____ @ \$16 _____ _____ @ \$12 _____ TOTAL FEES....\$ _____ (Enclosed)
Pre-Beginner	_____	_____	
Beginner	_____	_____	
Junior	_____	_____	
Intermediate	_____	_____	
Senior	_____	_____	
Bronze Medal	_____	_____	
Bronze Cross	_____	_____	

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 (Signed - Parent or Guardian)