



Summerland Yacht Club Newsletter

**News Flash !!!
Andy MacGregor wins
End-to-End Race
See p.6**

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Lift Out Delayed

Lift out has been delayed until at least late November. This was the decision of the SYC Board at their meeting on September 14 after receiving information from the consultant and the Ministry of the Environment.

There is some good news in all of this. It is probable that the dredging of the basin can be done in the late fall, provided permits are approved in time.

The dredging would require that no boats be left in the parking area of the Club where we usually provide winter storage.



This means that any boats which can be trailered should be taken out before the dredging begins, but cannot be stored at the SYC. The plan is to lift out the non-trailerable boats once the dredging is completed.

The Board feels that this is the best decision given the circumstances. A letter has gone out from Commodore Doug Campbell informing all members of the decision. The dredge plan and permit application have been completed and forwarded to the Ministry of the Environment. It is hoped that they will be reviewed and a permit issued in a timely manner.

The letter from Commodore Doug Campbell is reproduced below.

September 15, 2010

TO ALL MEMBERS

DREDGING

Our detailed, proposed project execution and ecological basin study completed over the Summer of 2010 by Golder and Associates supporting our dredging application for final approval was completed and forwarded to the Ministry at the end of August 2010. Numerous follow up discussions have been undertaken by our Director Gil Ingles and our Engineering Consultant, pertaining to the status of our permit approval over the last couple of weeks with the following results:

- -The permit process is well underway within the Ministry departments and at this time and with their best estimate, it will take an additional four to six weeks of review before the final decision on our application has been made.*
- -“Unofficially” we have indications that the permit will be issued and are extremely optimistic we could begin dredging operations in late November or early December 2010 completing the work within two to three weeks depending on weather conditions..*

LIFT OUT

LIFT OUT WILL BE “DELAYED” TO “LATE NOVEMBER TO EARLY DECEMBER 2010”

(over)

(Letter from Commodore Doug Campbell continued)

Based on our latest information, in order to facilitate the anticipated late receipt of our permit and to allow for the movement and storage of dredging equipment within our yard, lift out will be delayed.

Regretfully, to this end, the Board of Directors has unfortunately been required to approve the following measures:

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES will boat/trailers, boats or trailers be allowed to park in or be stored in our inner parking area.

BASIN STORAGE

During the dredging operation, moored boats will not be required to be removed to support the dredging operation. The Contractor will hand move any craft during the process returning them to their original moorage on completion.

The Board of Directors regrets the delay in providing this information to the membership at such a late date but the process has taken considerably more time than originally understood. But on the long term gain we will have a much needed basin improvement completing an exercise that began in 2003-2004 but never moved forward.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me direct.

On behalf of the board of Directors.

Sincerely

*D.G. (Doug) Campbell
Commodore*

**Advance Notice of
Annual General Meeting**

The Annual General Meeting of the Summerland Yacht Club is scheduled for Tuesday, November 16 at 7 pm at the SYC Clubhouse.

The agenda will include election of officers and consideration of the budget for the new budget year. Other agenda items may be added and will be included in the formal notice of meeting to be sent out at least 14 days prior to the meeting.

Kelowna Yacht Club Invasion



The SYC was represented at the Kelowna Yacht Club Invasion by a large contingent of our "toughest" members on the August 20-22 week end - the theme was bikers (see photos below). Events included an afternoon dock party complete with appies, drinks and a Golden Oldies DJ as well as kayak races. All this followed by a dinner (BBQ) and dance as well as plenty of hijinks (see kidnap photo below).



Five tough bikers from the SYC at the Kelowna Yacht Club invasion: Tom Hering, Doug Campbell, Bev Johnson, Janice (The Babe) Cornett-Ching, Jack Cornett-Ching



Cecile Guilbault smoking the competition in the kayak race.

(Kelowna Yacht Club Invasion, continued)



Ian Kavanagh, Doug Campbell and Tom Hering kidnapping Kelowna Yacht Club Commodore Bob Smith.

Sailing

A huge thank you to the Sailboat racers for coming out to race and afterward partake in our Thursday Night Club Night, enjoying food, refreshments and fellow sailors.

You're a great bunch of people that have a lot of fun while competing to beat each other to the finish. Our Race Committee also had lots of fun. Thanks you for all the 'donations of refreshments'!



If you have never been on the RC boat with Gail and Don at the same time, you are truly missing out on some humorous entertainment. Did you know Gail recites poetry? Did you know About Time has a leak? So for the many volunteer hours that Gail, Deb, Elizabeth and Don have enjoyed, thank you and look forward to doing it again next season. [Ed. And also thanks to Shelly Reimer of the Race Committee]

Halloween Party

The annual Halloween party will be held at the Clubhouse on **October 30**. Details will be on your email as soon as they are finalized.

In the meantime get your costumes ready!!

This could be you....



It ain't what you think!!!



Handsome foursome



Many thanks to Shelley Reimer, Bev Johnson and Edi Inglis for many of the photos in this issue.

Clubhouse Rentals

The Clubhouse is now available for rentals mainly during the off-season. For meetings, receptions, banquets, dances, courses, conferences. Special rates for members. Competitive rates.

For more information contact Shelley Reimer at the SYC Office 250 494 8312, or call Shelley at 250 494-0019, email shelbabe@telus.net

Changes Contemplated by Board

The Directors have been wrestling with two issues as they try to make the Club more efficient. Please give the Directors your feedback.

1. Kitchen and Bar - The kitchen and bar have had a successful season in many ways - especially the Sunday Ribs-n-Steak night. But it is still not patronized enough to break even.

Serious thought is being given to increasing the value of the Kitchen/Bar coupons from the current value of \$100 and bringing them more in line with other Yacht Clubs and Golf Clubs. The advantage of this is that it raises more money but does not increase the cost to members as long as they patronize the Kitchen and Bar to the value of their coupons

2. Volunteer hours - The Board is also considering increasing the value of volunteer hours from the current \$8 per hour but keeping the number of volunteer hours required at 10 hours per member. This would encourage members to be more proactive in making sure they contribute their volunteer hours.

Whaddya think? Let the Board know your reaction and suggestions for other ways of dealing with these concerns.



Director Activities



Commodore, Doug Campbell

Doug has been working with Gil and Ian on the security of Club facilities, because of the impact of the walkway through the Club property. He is working with other Directors on the idea of a chain link fence with security gates as needed along the east side of the walkway, and around the Clubhouse patio. This would also mean moving the driveway gate to the walkway from its present location. The Board is getting quotes and will make a decision in the very near future.

He also continues to work on a long term lease with the city. Progress is slow because of the many agencies involved in the process.



Vice Commodore Gerard Obbema

Gerard is focusing on the upcoming Annual General Meeting. He encourages members to give serious thought to running for the Board. He points out that this a rewarding way to give back to the Club, and also "the pay is completely tax-free". If you are interested or know of a Club member who would be interested in running for the Board at the AGM in November, talk to other Board members and submit your/their name



Ralph Williamson, Fleet Captain

The sailing season is just about over. The last big race was the End-to-End race on Sept 18-19. The final tally is in on the Giants Head Regatta. We raised just over \$6000 for Agur Lake Camp!!



Staff Captain, Gil Inglis

Gil continues to head up the dredging project - many meetings, phone calls and forms to fill out. As we get closer to project date, more and more details need attention.

The Golder Report (Project Plan) has been submitted to the Ministry of the Environment and it

looks promising for approval. Indications are that we might be able to go ahead with it in late November. No boats can be stored in the parking lot during that time.



House Director, Shelley Reimer

The season is almost finished for the kitchen. We are very happy our members and guests spent lots of time in the club and on the patio.

It appears the ribs were more popular than the steaks. Just never know! We had many successful club events and regattas and look forward to next season. During the off-season, we are renting our clubhouse hall to members and non-members. Our kitchen and bar staff are putting together catering menus. There are full day rentals and hourly rentals that could facilitate weddings, birthdays, anniversaries, conferences, courses, meetings, etc. For rental information, please call Shelley at 250 494-0019 or email shelbabe@telus.net

We still have Halloween, Grey Cup, Lift Out and Christmas events to look forward to so hope to see you out. Have a safe and great off season.



Secretary, Art More

This is the last issue of the Newsletter for the time being. Perhaps one more before the end of the calendar year.



Harbourmaster, Ian Kavanagh

In light of the dredging issues I am working on a plan to try and keep a good section of D dock open (walkway to about 172) and the same on C dock east and west. I

am working with the other Directors to establish fair priorities for these slips, during dredging.

If you have a trailer and no truck, we can make arrangements to have your boat towed off site. If you can borrow a proper trailer for your boat and have room to store it, I will gladly give you some advice or help you remove your boat from the trailer at you storage location. Any equipment purchased to for this project will be added to our deicing project next year.

Another issue I have noticed is that the last few slips on the west side of A dock have been needing quite a bit of work. Not sure if it is being caused by waves from the north or boat wake from boats going to the gas bar. If you see boats making a wake in the basin remind them that this is a no wake zone.

I am also having some heavier connecting bracketing made to try out. Hopefully this will fix the wobbly fingers.



Moorage Director Joe Bisceglia

There has been little change in the moorage numbers. Currently there are 24 on the move list. On the wait list there are 8 residents and 7 non-residents. There are also a couple of new member applications being processed.

Note: The remaining Directors have been very busy, in some cases too busy to submit a report. Our thanks to them for all of the work they do to keep our Club running effectively. :)

First Mates Club

The Ladies Night Pre Christmas Fundraiser, Thursday, October 21, 4-8 pm, promises to be fun and exciting. Club members and the public are invited to start their Christmas shopping early as they support the Summerland Food Bank. Ten home-based vendors will be displaying their wares. Admission is by donation to the Food Bank. Beverages and dessert available

Other upcoming events include the Halloween Party Saturday October 30, \$25 per couple or \$15 single. All women are asked to bring an appetizer. And everyone is invited to the Grey Cup Game at SYC, Sunday November 25. Chili and buns will be available for purchase. Sunday December 12, 2-5 pm, Santa will visit the SYC. Lots of activities for kids and grandkids. More information later

Next meeting is Wednesday October 13, 7 pm at the SYC. All women in the Club are most welcome to attend.

Ogopogo Power & Sail Squadron



The Ogopogo Power Squadron under the leadership of Commander Edna Little continues to be an active part of the SYC. See their newsletter on the SYC bulletin board

The Annual General Meeting of the Squadron was held at the Club in May. Nine people were enrolled in their Boating course, including a number of SYC members. Plans are to offer a series of additional courses at the Club over the few months, including Seamanship, Basic Boating, Instructor Training, Boat Pro and Marine Radio. For more information on the courses contact the Training Officer Ray Mumby email rmmumby@shaw.ca

Great to have you aboard!

On Labour Day weekend, Gerard Obbema and his crew on *Truly Fair* won the Penticton Grand Prix.

Coming events

Th Oct 21

Ladies Night Pre-Christmas
Fundraiser, 4-8 pm

Sa Oct 30

SYC Halloween Party.
Music by Shindigger

Su Nov 28

SYC Grey Cup Party

Su December 12

Santa visits the SYC, 2-5 pm

News Flash!

Andy MacGregor Winds End-to-End Race

An SYC boat, *St Vitas Dance*, skippered by Andy MacGregor won both legs and the overall award for the End-to-End race this past week end.

The race began at the SYC on Saturday. The first leg was from SYC to Kelowna and the second leg from Kelowna to Vernon. Andy and his crew, Matt, Jim, Denise and Gerard are to be congratulated for another great showing in a very successful season.

Far Out, skippered by Larry Hunka, was second in the first leg and fourth in the second leg. *Black Magic*, skippered by Edgar Beckley was sixth. Eighteen boats were entered in the race, Three from SYC. The race was kicked off by a dinner at the Club on Friday night, followed by breakfast next morning.

In the Ladies Okanagan Lake Regatta, August 21-22, first place went to *St Vitas Dance* crewed by Bev, Tony, Rose, and Julie.

In Penticton Yacht Club Grand Prix on the Labour Day weekend, four boats were entered. Larry Hunka's *Far Out* was fourth and Andy MacGregor's *St Vitas Dance* was sixth.

