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Peter Martyn found a robin family had moved in this Spring to raise a family on his boat's propeller. Fortunately the youngsters fledged in time for the bottom of the boat to be prepared for launch.





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Calendar

SAILPAST—Saturday, June 9th—The biggest party of the year. Get your tickets at Launch. Blessing of the fleet at 12 noon.

Cruise to Hanlan's/Island Marina—June 16-17—Not too far but to that Toronto gem, Toronto Island. Centreville will be open.

Race 1 Series 2—Wednesday, June 20th—The second group of five races which will constitute Series 2. Every Wednesday evening until late September. If you didn't do well in the first series, now's your chance to do better. First gun at 6:30.

Cruise to Highland Yacht Club—June 23-24—East to Bluffer's Park this time. One of our favourite cruise destinations.

Rum Runners Race—Saturday, June 23rd—Race to HYC and then either stay or return to TH&SC. See Rear Commodore's report for details.

Dufferin Bell Buoy Race—Saturday, June 30rd—Off to Humber Bay and back. Skipper's meeting at 11.

Cruise to Frenchman's Bay Yacht Club—July 7-8—A longer stretch east to wonderful FBV.

Circle of Life Race—Saturday, July 14th—Around the buoys with a twist—outside the circle...twice. Skipper's meeting at 11.

Race 1 Series 3—Wednesday, July 25th—The third group of five races which will constitute Series 3. Every Wednesday evening until late September. If you didn't do well in the first and second series, now's your chance to do better. First gun at 6:30.

Summer Blast Regatta—August 11-12—An Open Regatta. Our first Open Regatta. Members, come and help. Racers, come and enjoy. See complete details by our Race Captain on page 5.

Cruise/Race to Etobicoke Yacht Club—August 18—"Race de Voyageurs" is the race component. A great destination west of Toronto. Skipper's meeting at 11.

Cruise to Delhousie Yacht Club—September 8-9—Across the lake this time. Lots of company for those going the first time.

TH&SC SUMMER BLAST REGATTA

Saturday and Sunday, August 11th and 12th

Entry fee is but \$65 if registration is completed prior to August 1, 2012, and \$75 thereafter,

The Regatta Entry Fee includes: Welcome Reception & Registration

Friday, August 10th - 18:30h to 21:00h BBQ and 12 Beverage tickets.

Saturday, August 11th - 8:00h to 10:00h Continental Breakfast.

The Sailors BBQ Blast dinner with Live Music is on Saturday August 11th

at 18:30h with one dinner ticket is included in the entry fee.

(Extra tickets may be purchased at the time of registration for \$15.00 each.)

The lavish awards ceremony on Sunday is also sponsored by Muskoka Brewery with burgers available and hats for all!

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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

John Edwards

LAUNCH DAY has come and gone. The activity at the mast crane has dropped off as most boats are fully rigged. The racing season is off to a good start. Our cruising program is well under way. Sailpast is now behind us.

Simply put, summer is here. It's time to get out on the water. All things that come also must go. That includes this sailing season.

So look forward now and plan your time on the water. Wishing everyone a long warm and of course breezy summer. 🚤

SAILPAST GALLERY

The pictures on the next two pages are selected from a group of fifty which are available to download at URL <https://dl.dropbox.com/u/1131508/Sailpast%202012-50%20pics.zip> and will be available until June 30 at this address.



VICE COMMODORE

Robert McComb

I'M WRITING THIS the Sunday morning after Sailpast after my second Advil. Last night my creative juices were flowing but today I am a vast wasteland of random thoughts and my head hurts. Here is an anonymous quote,

"Life should NOT be a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in an attractive and well preserved body, but rather to skid in sideways, chocolate in one hand, martini in the other, body thoroughly used up, totally worn out and screaming "WOO- HOO what a ride!".

My thoughts exactly.

As most of you are aware I was acting as Commodore for Sailpast. I assumed the duties of Commodore for John Edwards due to his sad family business and I wish him and his family sympathy for their loss at this time.

For me, Sailpast itself was a wonderful experience. The fleet was blessed and we then headed out on to the water. I have to say that collecting booty from a beautiful fleet of floating swans filled with happy smiling friends while standing on the back of *Shadow* in perfect sailing conditions is as good as life gets. My wife, Wendy, thought it was a much more interesting and exciting vantage point than going on our own boat. Watching the fleet screaming by in some cases by inches is very exhilarating.

After coming ashore the winds dropped, the sun came out and it warmed up for perfect Sailpast party



conditions. I proceeded to oil up the membership with copious amounts of gin punch made by Peter de Jonge van der Halen. We very quickly ran out of the non-virgin punch and had to adjust the morals of the large bowls of virgin punch with a couple of bottles of gin. These were emptied within an hour proving our membership's love of healthy fruit and vegetables.

Dinner was wonderful thanks to the caterers and our hard working Social Committee.

After dinner Rear Commodore Greg Smith took over the festivities with his usual smoothness and the party began. What happened next for me was a personal triumph. My whole life I've had a tremendous fear of public speaking. I had literally been shaking in my boots for weeks because I knew I had to hand out the joke awards for sailpast and run our theme "the bad tie contest".

When the time came for me to start I jumped in both feet and found it wasn't nearly as scary as I thought it would be. I thank you for being a kind and friendly audience. I will never come up to Greg's level but I now know I can speak to an audience and I feel very proud of myself at this moment.

We've had seven new crew members added in May—Bartek Bielny, Kevin Hawkswell, Peter Jasniewski, Sam Masri, William Moody, Terry Pasioka and Tom Walkom as our club continues to be a desirable place to join. Please welcome them when you see them.

That's all I've got for now. Enjoy the season. 🚤



HARBOURMASTER

Bob Prosper

IT REALLY DOESN'T MATTER how many times I organize launch, it always scares the hell out of me in the beginning hours. But then, things begin to settle once everyone figures out that the lady wearing the pink helmet really has everything well under control. For me, Mel Ramsay is like a few glasses of good dark rum. She just simply takes the edge off and makes me feel warm all over. And when I think about the competency level of the crane coordinators, the skill of the towboat boys, and the energy level of the runners, the determined cradle guys, not to mention the gals in the kitchen putting a wisely chosen meal plan together; I often wonder if I need to be there at all. It just seems like after the crane fires up I could just go home for the day, come back at dinnertime and everything would be done. What I'm really trying to say is thank you everyone for making this past May 5, a great day as well as a seamless one to launch boats.

With each day more masts rise and I am reminded again that boats are so much prettier in the water than out. Looking out from the Smallwood Upper Deck Lounge, you get a wonderful view of all the boats in the water. Mostly whites with the odd dash of blue, green, red, and yellow, makes for a beautiful and inspiring scene. With the weather warming up a bit more each week, more and more people can be seen lounging or working on their boats.

Terry Lowe has serviced many of the electrical posts over the winter by replacing some components and performing a good cleaning on others. As the club gets busier and more boats are plugged in, we will be able to evaluate even further the tasks ahead. Our pump out system continues to show it's age and we will be making a purchase of a new one. It seems that most of the electrical components can no longer be replaced. Our new pump out will look similar on the outside but

quite different with it's internal workings. As for the mast crane, it is certified but requires a bit more work.

I know some of you have been a bit worried about the water levels this year. I must admit I suspected the water level to be much lower given the fact we had little snow over the winter. I watched the water level rise significantly between late April and early May during a few solid rainy days. With the dredging in July 2011 being a good one, I'm hopeful that getting through the channel will not be problematic. Throughout the summer I will continue to monitor the depths especially along the wall by the mast crane. Lets keep our fingers crossed!

The rain held off for the most part during our Sailpast and it appears that our social team has outdone themselves yet again. What a party! It sure is nice to see all the members and their children up on the dance floor.

Well, that is it for now. Cheers everyone.

Your Harbourmonster,
Bob Prosper



The night before launch

FLEET CAPTAIN CRUISING

James Perrault

THE FIRST CRUISE of the season to BPYC was small but nevertheless we had a blast. With a couple of boats and a couple of "land cruisers" we had a cozy group, amazing weather, a delicious meal and great company. What more could you ask for?

As I write this, the next cruise to Toronto Island Marina is less than a week away and we're booked solid with 15 boats. The Marina is also completely full for their season opener so this one could turn into quite a party. I'm sure to have a story to write in the next issue of Spar and Prop.

The following Cruise will be the race cruise to Highland Yacht Club. Keep your eyes open for race info from Greg and plan on staying for the night for dinner and some good times at HYC

June–September Cruising Schedule:

June 23-24—*Highland Yacht Club* cruise (Rum Runner Race)

July 7-8—*Frenchman's Bay Yacht Club* cruise

August 11-12—*LOCCA* (Lake Ontario Club Cruising Association) Rendezvous hosted jointly by EYC and MCC. More info to follow in the next Spar and Prop

August 18—*EYC/Race de Voyageurs* cruise

September 8-9—*Pirate Cruise* (not for the faint of heart) to Dalhousie Yacht Club

Are you an active cruiser with our club and are interested in meeting other cruisers around Lake Ontario? If so, the LOCCA Rendezvous is on August 11-12. Tickets for this cruise are \$40.00 for adults before July 31 (\$50.00 after). Kids 6-12 are \$20.00 and kids under 6 are free. Ticket price includes all entertainment, seminar/speakers, dinner, desert, dancing and a welcome cocktail.

To register please visit www.locca.org

Berthing will be assigned at either EYC or MCC. ▲



RACING CAPTAIN

John Morris

SUMMER BLASTS off on August 11/12 2012

All Hydroplaners are encouraged to participate and get their friends from other clubs out to the inaugural Toronto Hydroplane & Sailing Club Summer Blast Regatta. The event is open to all current members of the J24 and Thunderbird classes plus WHITE SAIL BOATS with valid PHRF certificates.

As well, all TH&SC members are invited to take part in the on-shore festivities listed below.

Register online at the link on www.thsc.ca. If you have a question, ask Greg Smith or Glen Eddie. Or me.

It will be a blast indeed! A panorama of on shore festivities will surround two full days of racing with seven races scheduled for each of the one-design classes. White sail boats will have a course separate from the flying sails fleets and the number of races may be reduced. The Ken Deas Trophy is on the line in the White Sails Fleet and there will be prizes all over the place.

TH&SC aims to create the regatta experience of the summer at a reasonable cost with a long list of included highlights!

The entry fee is but \$65 if registration is completed prior to August 1, 2012, and \$75 thereafter, still the bargain of the summer.

Racing each day begins at 1100 hrs

The Regatta Entry Fee includes:

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BBQ and 12 Beverage tickets.

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Continental Breakfast.

The Sailors BBQ Blast dinner with Live Music is on Saturday August 11th at 18:30h with one dinner ticket included in the entry fee. (Extra tickets may be purchased at the time of registration for \$15.00 each.)

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The entry fee also includes boat and trailer parking, launching, hauling and mooring for skipper and crew for two days of racing. White sail distance

racing courses will feature cruising-oriented competitive racing.

Sponsors of the event include: Muskoka Brewery, Skippers Plan Marine Insurance, Cool Beer, UK-Halsey Sailmakers and others soon to be announced.

Invite your friends, get your boat on the line and/or join in at the parties. Beer Commodore Greg Smith personally guarantees great racing and a boatload of hospitality. "You'll have a blast!" ▲



THE BACK STORY

by John Morris

THE STARTING LINE was a parcel of energy. Earl McCoy was chainsawing a patch for his *Saare*, a 1930s converted coal schooner, Lou Lalonde was holding back his newly built Brown 37 tri and I was there in my CS22. Timing the line and jockeying for the weather end, Don MacDonald revved the throttle on *Colourflame* while *Miss Supertest* stayed low, confident of her start speed thanks to her 2,000 hp Rolls engine.

It was Summer Blast 1961, the first ever TH&SC Regatta. The hybrid Mega Club that incorporated the Toronto Hydroplane Club by added the booming sailing community in a melange of poured concrete backfill and cheap rye was about to fire the gun for its first major regatta bringing boats of any and all descriptions to the starting line.

"Help, help I can't see" Lou screamed as he approached the weather mark blinded by the 40-foot rooster tail from *Miss Supertest*. My 22 had a handicap edge—I knew that *Colourflame* owed me 450 minutes per mile and wasn't worried as she approached on the port layline at 185 knots.

In the end, I did win. Ian Whan brought sandwiches and we all had a wonderful time. After the race, everyone went back for beer at the clubhouse, which at the time was an 8x8 converted tarpaper tool shed, but very warm and welcoming thanks to the bouquet of daisies in an old 5-Star bottle perched in the outhouse. The first Summer Blast was a huge success. Those were, indeed, the days! ▲

SOCIAL CHAIR

Lynda de Jonge van der Halen

Launch Day Kitchen Crew

We had a wonderful group of people working together to ensure that everyone was well fed and had fresh tea and coffee and water throughout the day. In the morning the kitchen was crowded with people making fresh brownies and rice krispie squares as well as preparing kaisers with peameal and bagels with cheddar cheese. Then it was on to preparing caesar salad and garlic toast for lunch and fresh fruit salad (with whipped cream for this and on strawberry cupcakes) for the afternoon snack, along with crackers and cheese.



Both meat and vegetarian lasagnas were offered as well as some gluten free crackers. If you have special dietary needs, we can sometimes make some accommodation if we know well ahead of time. Suggestions are welcome.

A special thank you to the ladies who first swept, washed and tidied in the back storage room and to Leslie and Jacquie who painted the wall and floor. Have you heard the story about the feathers and loose pink insulation in this room? And the smell? Ask around....!

Kitchen Team: Lorraine, Deb, Laurie, Kathie, Lisa, Krys, Rita, Curleen,

Jacquie K plus Leslie the painter!

Meet and Greek

The Rear (Beer) Commodore's Meet and Greek on Saturday May 12 was well received. Thirsty and hungry members were well satisfied with the free beer, wine and soft drinks and the Greek style meal.

A delicious meal of pork and chicken souvlaki, Greek potatoes, Greek salad and grilled pita bread, finished off with baklava and a platter of mixed squares, along with ouzo mints and Turkish delights, was

provided.

Our kitchen crew included Marilyn, Curleen, Annie and Laurie, with Eva making the dressing for the salad and the marinade for the roasted potatoes even though she was unable to attend the event. The Greek style potatoes are always popular and the first thing to run out!

Laurie did the home prep for the chicken souvlaki. The kitchen crew worked very well, from the first potato peeled to the last wine glass washed and put away! Peter was bartender again with Rear Commodore Greg as official host for this event. Bill Hyndman (Billy) cooked the meat with Tom helping and Vince pitching in later to cook garden burgers for a special vegetarian order.

Thanks as well to those whose who helped out in other ways such as Bruce and Helen.

Good weather meant members were able to enjoy drinks and even dinner on the patio. Hard to believe that on March 16, at the Social 'Social', members were also able to stand outside comfortably in shirt sleeves!

SAILPAST

THSC Sailpast 2012 was blessed with great weather despite very negative forecasts but it was the people who made the day a true success! We have a wonderful club at TH&SC. Members and guests enjoyed the the blessing of the fleet and the 'on the water' Sailpast, Commodore's punch, with VC Robert McComb



standing in for our Commodore, snacks and appetizers, the delicious and varied selections on the dinner buffet, the kids' area, the bar selections, door prizes, speeches, with RC Greg Smith as MC and host of Sailpast, and of course the ever popular band, "Arden and the Tourists".

The Social Committee is comprised of a core group with many others signing up for specific tasks and other club members just pitching in and helping out for a half hour or hour

here and there. You saw many of these people at Sailpast, working and enjoying themselves as well but might not know of the work that was done behind the scenes to set up equipment (yes, the TV and DVD on the third floor now work, with new cables and batteries and some family appropriate DVDs available), to repair the seats of the beige folding chairs, to wash the floor in the back hall, and set up/take down tents (rentals and club tents) and to make our clubhouse and grounds look neat and attractive. Thanks Rosemary for the wonderful gardens.

There is always a danger when listing names that someone's name will be inadvertently omitted. Please forgive me if that occurs, such as the listing on Saturday night. But here goes...

Lorraine and Marcel Bedard
Ron Mazereeuw
Anibal Pinguelo
Bill Comerford
Tom Monson and son Ian
Doug and Lynda Wright
Curleen Fredericks
Helen Rigler
Annie Evans
Leslie Forrester
Sylvie Lavoie and Bill King
Joan and Keith Willson
Dee Smith
Mike Smith
Kathie Davidson



Joanne Sawyer(Schneider)
Peg and Mike Wheatstone
Paul and Marie Evans
Paavo Lindstrom
Lee Rixon and Deb Bradley
Steve Brown
Joanne Aldolphe

Thanks as well to our 'kid wranglers' and teen servers: Sarah, Jasmine, Will, Brian and Samantha.

And of course, we had Laurie Prosper looking after the arrangements for the caterers and tent rentals as well as guiding us through the myriad details of the planning and actual

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REAR COMMODORE

Greg Smith

OUR 2012 SAILING SEASON is officially underway and June is going to be a busy month at the TH&SC. We have in-coming cruises, out-going cruises, hosting the Alberg Regatta, and of course, our premier event, Sailpast. Our club is buzzing with sailing and social activities, and I'm delighted to see our members supporting our club events.

This year's Sailpast was a great success with ticket sales approaching two hundred. Somehow we managed to avoid a threatening weather system. The rain held off as Dr. G. Malcolm Sinclair of Metropolitan United Church performed one of the most delightful, interesting "Blessing of the Fleet" ceremonies in recent memory.



Almost on cue, the sun came out, the wind filled in and produced a beautiful day on and off the water. To my delight, the TH&SC fleet, led by our Past Commodore, Dave Johnston, executed the Sailpast salute in proper order and without incident.

I would like to congratulate Social Chair Lynda de Jonge van der Halen for producing this year's fabulous Sailpast. The food was wonderful and our favorite band, "Arden and the Tourists" kept the dance floor hopping all night long. It was nice to see members from all age groups having a great time on the dance floor—it's always a sure telltale of a party's success.

As Lynda acknowledged in her thank you speech; "this is a team effort." As we all know, every team has a leader, and Lynda kept everyone informed and organized on every little detail.

A special thank you to our "Past Social Director," Laurie Prosper for sharing her knowledge and experience with the rest of the committee—it made everyone's job easier, including mine. Thanks to Lynda's sidekick Peter de Jonge van der Halen for all his support. Thank you Mike and Eva Baker, who work tirelessly late into the evening so the rest of us can enjoy the party. Also, a special thank you to Doug and Linda Wright for handling the bar and assisting with the ticket sales. Thanks also to Sylvie Lavoie, Bill King, Joanne Adolphe, Bill Comerford, Tom Monson, Bob Prosper for all their efforts and assistance in setting up tents, getting permits and a host of other tasks. To those members who I have missed on the long thank you list I sincerely apologise; I'm confident that Lynda will acknowledge your name in her S&P report.

Our sailing season is now in full swing. I'd like to take this opportunity to encourage you to go racing, host a cruise, and continue supporting our club events. All the events are listed in the Spar & Prop, the club website, and of course, we give you a gentle nudge the week before an event with an email; so no more "I didn't know about the event" excuses.

June 23–24 we Cruise/Race into Hyland Yacht club. We've combined a "Rum Runners" fun race with a cruise into HYC. Racers can stay for dinner and sail back to the TH&SC, or stay over for the night and sail back the next morning. Sign up now and let James, our Cruising Captain, know if you are planning to stay the night.

August 11–12th is our inaugural TH&SC Summer Blast Regatta & Sailors BBQ. This is a combined TH&SC social event and open regatta. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to support this event. Invite your family and friends to the Sailor's BBQ and enjoy a live band and great food. Mark your calendar and plan to attend this event.

In closing, I'm delighted to see new faces on Wednesday Race nights. Many are crewing for the first time, and I'm ecstatic to see them returning week after week. I encourage all Skippers to invite your friends and associates and introduce them to sailboat racing—it's a wonderful way to eliminate the stresses of the day.

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Same Spot / Different Day

Social...

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event set up, event and follow up. Bob Prosper, who is much more than our Harbourmaster. Eva and Mike Baker, who fortunately for us, postponed their weekend at the cottage to look after the ticket orders and collection of payment. My husband Peter who did the wine, beer and liquor orders and set up and coped with the computer and growing pile of 'to do' lists on our dining room table! And thanks to RC Greg Smith for his support and encouragement.

We tried something new this year



for seating arrangements. Those who ordered a group of tickets at Launch or early in May were contacted first and asked whether they preferred to sit inside or outside. Once these contacts had been made, most others were contacted, in approximate order of purchase/ordering of tickets, with preference for inside or outside seating and accommodation for seating with friends whenever possible. Most people seemed to be satisfied with this approach. Feedback is welcome.

It is the custom to accept all dinner requests but it is a challenge to fit in late requests, both food wise and seating. Please try to reserve for your group in May then let us know of any last minute additions/cancellations closer to the Sailpast date.

Looking ahead...

CANADA DAY—Enjoy cake and ice cream at the clubhouse around 6 p.m. after a day on the water or before the fireworks next door in the park.

Greg, Laurie and Mel will be spearheading the arrangements for the regatta (August 10, 11, 12) and they will be looking for help in many forms. Another big party is planned for that weekend.

Peter and I and the team will be back with the corn roast on the Saturday of Labour Day weekend, a fun and casual family event.

Enjoy a summer of safe boating and waterside relaxation at TH&SC

OFFICER OF THE DAY MANAGER

Rob Murray

OOD SCHEDULE NOW ONLINE

Forgotten when you signed up for OOD?

Need to know who you might be able to swap OOD timeslots with?

The OOD Schedule (read only) is now posted in the Members Section of the Club's website.



PROPERTY MGR.

Randy Boyd

A SIGN THAT SUMMER has arrived is the boats all in the water with most of the masts up. The club has come back to life after the winter hibernation and is buzzing with activity.

Lynda and her team worked tirelessly for another great sailpast event. Thanks to Lynda, Peter and all that helped out. We had wonderful weather after all for the sailpast and plenty of wind for the fleet for those who took advantage of it.

Summer is short—get out on your boats and enjoy all that the club has to offer. Another sign, speaking of signs, is the new sign at the gate of the club. It was installed just before our sailpast and many have said that it looks great and presents a nice image for the club.

Many projects are on the go with updating the internet signal being one of them. Thanks to Terry Lowe for installing some new power to add an access point in the main room of the club. New equipment will be installed soon to improve the signal.

I would also like to thank John Phillips for the many hours spent fine tuning the sound system and adding a wireless mic system for the club PA. There are lots of jobs to do so if you need to get some work hours talk to me or Neal, we need your help. This club runs on participation and the help and support of all is needed. ⚓



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What Are The Millards Doing Now?

In 1998 Judy and Aubrey Millard set out in Veleda to sail until they got tired of it. So far, they are still sailing. Currently in the Gulf of Mexico, here are some reports from Aubrey (the chronicler) that he places before his latest formal logs sent by email. After hundreds of logs, they are still coming. Here are some of his latest observations in reverse chronological order.

Right now the Millards are travelling by road and trailer home to the Yukon and Alaska.

Aubrey says "We have cleaned out our chart folio of most of our east coast and European charts, as we expect to be cruising in the Pacific and on the west coast for the next few years, and so have put them in a box in the club for the cruisers who might, some day in the not too distant future, sail to some of these waters. "Some other

good news, I have my website up and running; thanks to my son, Aubrey Jr. Take a look at it at www.veledaiv.ca. I have not got all my logs uploaded to it or my many pictures with the logs or the many albums; but I hope to get around to putting all my logs from 1998 onwards. People can navigate by Log #, Country, or year covered under the menu option "Logs". Under the menu option "Blogs" I will include a wide variety of miscellaneous articles, anecdotes, jokes, commentaries, summaries and general messages and updates. Under the menu "galleries" will be all my photo albums, some expanding on specific logs, and others just on a wide variety of interesting or beautiful photography of flowers, plants, fish, birds, animals, ships, boats, and scenery. I may even be able to put in some of my videos. Under the menu "Veleda" I will put info about the Ontario 32 and modifications upgrades and maintenance we have done on *Veleda*. The menu item "Contact Us" will reach me or you can just use my E-mail address." 

FREE CHARTS, BOOKS, AND PILOTS FROM THE MILLARDS' CHART FOLIOS

Aubrey and Judy will be sailing the Pacific and west coast starting May of 2013 for the next few years, and they have donated many of their Atlantic charts, pilot books and other books, maps and charts to the club.

These are contained in a box by the library shelves on the second deck, and are available on a first come, first serve basis. All are several years old. These include:

- Pilot Books and other publications
 - Trent- Severn Waterway Small Craft Guide
 - The Superior Way
 - Cruising Guide to Lake Erie
 - Ten-Tom Waterway & Lower Tombigbee Cruising Guide
 - The Other Way South (on the Ten-Tom)
 - The Atlantic Crossing Guide
 - The Scottish Islands Guide
 - The Yachtsman Pilot to the Western Islands (Scotland) Guide
 - The Yachtsman Pilot to Skye and the Western Islands
 - Royal Cruising Club Atlantic Spain & Portugal Pilot
 - Maps of the Inland Waterways of France and of the Canal du Midi
 - Navicarte (Chart booklet) for the Rhone River
 - Info packs for the Netherlands and Portugal
 - Road maps of Scotland, France and Europe

- Lonely Planet Guide books for Italy, Turkey, Russia and the Ukraine
- The Cockpit book of Knots
- Keep It Simple Sailor Cookbook

Charts and Chart Booklets include:

- Recreational Chart book for the New York State Canal System
- Chart of the Hudson River
- Richardsons' Chartbook & Cruising Guide Lake Superior Edition
- Overall Great Lakes chart
- Several North Channel charts
- Upper Mississippi River Navigation Charts
- Atlantic ICW - Dismal Swamp to Norfolk Virginia
- Florida, East and West coast ICW charts
- Skipper Bob's Anchorages Along the ICW
- Florida Gulf Coast ICW - Apalachicola to Panama City (4 sets of charts)
- Everglades Back Country
- Erie Barge Canal and Hudson River
- Misc. Bahamas charts
- Ten-Tom Waterway Chart Booklet
- Tennessee River Navigation Chart Booklet
- Thames estuary

Plus many more charts from the North Channel, Florida, Bahamas and various charts of the Mediterranean and the Black Sea. Help yourselves!

It is hoped that cruisers from TH&SC will sail to some of these places in their nautical lifetimes.

Aubrey

FLOTSAM & JETSAM Shadow

NEW GATE SIGN

Have you noticed our new gate sign? Organized by Randy Boyd, it's a work of art. It's even in 3D. It's also made to last. Thanks Randy.



PICTURE MISSING FROM WALL

One of Peter Martyn's prize-winning photograph prints has gone missing from the Photo Contest gallery wall. If it's just been borrowed, please bring it back. If it's been stolen, it looks like you have and admirer, Peter.



HANDSOME JACK HAS MOVED ON

An email from Mona and Jim Anderson announced that their Echells has been sold. They write, in part: "Well ... *Jack* is on his way to Halifax tonight. He's going to join the Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron and sail with other Etchells. Yes, he has a new skipper, and we are boatless in Baddeck. We were certainly sad and even reluctant to see him being towed down the driveway, but at the same time somewhat relieved and grateful. We are particularly pleased that *Jack* will be where he belongs—in one design."

Handsome Jack in Nova Scotia



<div>  <div>June 2012</div>  </div>						
Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
THE BOATS ARE READY—ENJOY SUMMER					1	2
3	4	5	Race 4 Series 1 6	7	8	SAIL PAST 9
10	11	12	Race 5 Series 1 13	14	15	Cruise to Hanlan's Point 16
Cruise to Hanlan's Point/ Father's Day 17	18	19	Race 1 Series 2 20	Sum- mer Begins 21	22	To HYC and from HYC/ RUM Runners Race 23
To HYC and from HYC 24	25	26	Race 2 Series 2 27	28	Alberg Cruise here	Alberg Cruise here 30
Alberg Cruise here	Alberg Cruise here	RACING AND CRUISING—GO!!				

<div>  <div>July 2012</div>  </div>						
Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
Canada Day 1	2	3	Race 3 Series 2 4	5	6	Cruise to French- man's Bay YC 7
8	9	10	Race 4 Series 2 11	12	13	LSYC here/ Cir- cle of Life Race 14
LSYC here 15	16	17	Race 5 Series 2 18	19	20	Lake Ontario 300 Race 21
22	23	24	Race 1 Series 3 25	26	27	28
29	30	31				
HAVE YOU RACED OR CRUISED YET? DO IT!						

<div>  <div>August 2012</div>  </div>						
Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
			Race 2 Series 3 1	2	3	4
5	Civic Holiday 6	7	Race 3 Series 3 8	9	TH&SC Open Regatta 10	TH&SC Open Regatta 11
TH&SC Open Regatta 12	13	14	Race 4 Series 3 15	16	17	EYC Cruise/ Race de Voy 18
19	20	21	Race 5 Series 3 22	23	24	25
26	27	28	Makeup Race 1 (6:15) 29	30	31	
TH&SC OPEN REGATTA—10TH TO 12TH						

<div>  <div>September 2012</div>  </div>						
Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
START LONG WEEKEND WITH RACE & CORN						Corn Roast Bluffer's Race 1
2	Labour Day 3	4	Makeup Race 2 (6:15) 5	6	7	Dal- housie Cruise 8
Dal- housie Cruise 9	10	11	Makeup Race 3 (6:15) 12	13	14	Frost- bite Race 15
16	17	18	Makeup Race 4 (6:15) 19	20	21	Fall begins 22
23	TH&SC Elections 24	25	26	27	28	Turkey Race
30	GET OUT AND ENJOY—IT'S A LONG WINTER					