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Calendar

Sailpast—Saturday, June 9—11 am–11 pm—Come and join the best party of the year. See information posted around the club and Spar and Prop.

C-Dock Brunch—June 10—Join us for brunch "the morning after".

PCYC Reciprocal Cruise—June 16–17—See posted details.

Dufferin Bell Buoy Race—June 23—Let's hope for a perfect wind.

Race 1, Series II—Wednesday, June 27—First gun at 6:30 pm.

Incoming Cruise from TSCC—June 29–July 2—Welcome our visitors.

Canada Day & 'D' Dock Brunch—Sunday, July 1—A whole day of fun at the club.

Summer Blast Regatta—July 7—Multiple races, be consistent. All welcome.

Summer Blast Sailor's BBQ—July 7—Racing in the afternoon, BBQ in the evening.

Incoming Cruise from MBYC—July 20–22—Welcome our visitors.

Race des Voyageurs—July 28–29—See posted details.

Reciprocal Cruise with EYC—July 28–29—See posted details.

Race 1, Series III—Wednesday, August 1—First gun at 6:30 pm.

A-Dock Brunch—August 5—Join us for brunch "the morning after".

Circle of Life Race—August 11—It's different, it's fun. Don't miss it.

Reciprocal Cruise with MCC—August 18–19—See posted details.

Bluffer's Challenge—September 1—He who finds the mark does well.

Corn Roast—September 1—A great way to end the summer. See posted details.

D-Dock Brunch—September 2—Join us for brunch "the morning after".

Make Up Races—September 5–26—If we've missed any regular races.

Canada Day Festivities at TH&SC

Sunday, July 1st

Start off with 'D' Dock Brunch Continue with a sail, club events and then top it all off with fireworks at Ashbridge's Bay

Summer Blast Regatta

Saturday, July 7

Multiple races

and

Sailor's BBQ after

Come and enjoy the whole day

Get your boat off the dock

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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

Richard Peirce

HAT an honor! To stand out on Shadow and have the fleet sail past and salute—it was an amazing experience. I believe this was my 17th Sailpast and it was quite a sight seeing it from the other side. Thank you to all who participated. All the smiling faces, comments and laughs really brings home what a great club we have. A couple of observations:

1. We've been cheaping out all these years! I thought a can of beer, coke, juice box was appropriate. I had no idea that people offered up some fine wine too...even tequila (but I'll get to that part later).

2. Going out on Shadow—I had decided in the days leading up to Sailpast that I would not take Hacienda II out. Now that I've seen how close people actually get (hitting the boat is close right?) I made the right decision!

Seeing Don Bland brandishing a bottle of tequila, heading for Shadow was quite a site. Dennis being a safe captain not wanting to get too close wheeled in within reach—or so I thought. Don yells "I'm not close enough...I'll give you this back at shore" then out of nowhere he launches the bottle. It was like slow motion...bounces off one rim, then the other and finally finds it's way to the depths of Lake Ontario. Don looked like he'd lost a life long friend. I look at it like a wonderful offering to Neptune. Sorry Don...should have had longer arms!



I'd like to say a huge thank-you to all of the volunteers who helped put Sailpast 2018 together. Our newly minted Rear Commodore—Mr. Greenham, Lynda, Peter, Marilyn, Eva, and the list goes on and on. So many people put in way more time than work hours. It would be great to see more get involved!

Also a special thanks to Del for the lovely contribution.

VICE COMMODORE

Claude Soulodre

I FRIENDS! Sooooo... how many Claudes and Claudettes did you spot at Sailpast? Some of you may have noticed that Rebecca and I had a bunch of family visiting from western Canada and Barrie for Sailpast. We feel so lucky to be a part of TH&SC and thought it appropriate to start this Spar and Prop article by saying thank you to all the members who made our families feel so welcome at the club. Thanks also to John, Lynda and the social committee members for making this such a wonderful Sailpast.

It has been great to see so many members helping out on Launch Day, with the kitchen renovation project and with the preparations for Sailpast. I've been especially impressed with so many of our new members who have jumped into life at TH&SC with both feet and are already making such valuable contributions to the Club! Thank you to everyone for your efforts. TH&SC is a true cooperative and we need everyone to chip in and help in whichever way they can. There's no shortage of chores and projects to be done that help keep TH&SC operating and in good condition, so get your work hours in early!

Speaking of new members, the Membership Committee conducted a

OOPS!

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Feels like the perfect kick off to a fantastic summer on the lake.

BTW, that bounty from Sailpast (all but the tequila) is stuffed in our fridge aboard *Hacienda II* so if you see us at the club, drop by D13 for a cold one!

cheers, Richard.



New Member Orientation earlier this month. New members had the opportunity to meet the Board, take a tour of the grounds, learn how the mast crane and pump-out work, and have questions answered about a variety of other topics. We plan to provide an orientation from now on for any new members who join the club so that they feel welcomed and prepared for life at TH&SC. And existing members are welcome to attend too! If you feel like you would benefit from a refresher on the basics of how stuff works at TH&SC, please contact Rebecca at goldenrebecca@primus.ca and she will notify you of the next orientation session.

I have asked Mike Wheatstone to head up a project to install security cameras in the yard. This project should be happening in the next couple of weeks and will involve some minor trenching in the parking lot. I know Mike will make every effort to minimize the impact of this work on regular activities at the club. Thanks to Mike and his crew for their commitment in taking on this project.

Lastly, we will be conducting interviews for new Sailing members in the near future. If you have friends or family who are interested in membership at TH&SC, please refer them to the application form on the website.

I'll close by wishing everyone a safe and enjoyable season on the water.



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RACING CAPTAIN

Martin Osborne

ello Everyone! We are well underway with our first series of racing for 2018 and it is great to see so many boats and crew out enjoying the Wednesday night fun on the water as well the great food and comradery after. I am happy to report that the Flying Sails Division is back and flying with five boats with the competition heating up nicely. We have the big boats fighting it out for line honours and the smaller ones sneaking in behind for podium finishes. The White Sails divisions are adding their own heated competition as well it seems all

that was required were some new sails here and there and a couple of minor tweaks in the ratings to close up the finish times! We also have some new boats out racing this year and they are changing the seascape on the finish line as well as they learn the ins and outs of the individual boat characteristics.

But having taken a browse up and down the docks, I have noticed that there are a lot of pretty awesome boats that are languishing on Wednesday nights—it's not too late to get your boats off the dock and join in the fun. I truly believe that racing is the single best way to improve your boat handling skills and of course the get together after is always worth coming out for!

Okay so that's some of the fun stuff. Now the logistics and life of the Race Captain, we are very fortunate as racers to have had Steve Brown step up and take on the overall responsibility of being our principal race committee officer, with expert assistance from Helen Rigler and Phil Lange. But it is a huge job for only three people week in and week out. I am somewhat shocked with the number of people we trained earlier this year in the Race Officer training, that they aren't being inundated with requests to join them, it was certainly my hope and expectation that we would see more volunteers out on the boat to assist them on a weekly basis. Also again from a logistics

perspective I am still looking for one or two volunteers to be the Official Score Keepers, this is something that will only entail an hour maximum on Wednesday night immediately following the finish. With modern communication the results can be sent from the committee boat immediately after the last racer crosses the finish line and the results can be tabulated from there, please contact me at racecaptain@thsc.com if you are able and willing to help out. Also if you haven't filled out your race waiver for 2018, you need to do it ASAP, there are still plenty of blank forms on the race board!

Back to the fun stuff again! Weekend Racing! Our first race of the season, the Icebreaker, turned into a bit of an endurance race for both the



sailors and the committee even with the course being shortened by half. Thanks to Steve for recognizing that we were in trouble and moving quickly to save the day and the race! The next race is the Dufferin Bell Buoy Race on June 23rd let's hope for better winds to make it a great day. I would encourage the cruisers to untie their dock lines and come and join us on the weekends for these races as they are an excellent time to refresh your sail trimming skills and have a bit of great fun on a Saturday afternoon.

In closing I would be remiss not to mention that there are other opportunities that abound outside the club for racing. One of those is LOSHRS the Lake Ontario Shorthanded Racing Series, we currently have two boats representing TH&SC in Let it Be and Blue Eagle. On June 3rd both made it to the podium with 1st and 3rd place finishes respectively in their divisions. I would highly recommend and encourage anyone, cruisers included to come out and give it a whirl out on the lake, it is

a pretty amazing series with almost 100 boats registered. The racing is at the individual skipper's level and trust me the parties at the destination are always awesome. You can see myself, John Greenham or Randy Boyd for more info. Here's hoping to see you on the line! Martin

FLEET CAPTAIN CRUISIÑG

Lee Rixon **Peggy Wheatstone**

E have a full and varied cruise schedule this year. By the time you read this the Port Credit Cruise, hosted by our newest sailing member Miranda Wheatstone on Wind Passage, will be a wonderful memory.

Our next Cruise is July 28 to the Etobicoke Yacht Club hosted by our own Rear Commodore John Greenham. This is the Race des Voyageur so racers sign up now! The signup sheets for all future cruises are posted in the clubhouse. Space is limited for all cruises so sign up early to avoid disappointment.



HARBOUR MASTER **Paul Evans**

THE weather has finally gotten warm and the fleet has been blessed.

Not a lot of wind for Sailpast but enough to have a good turn out.

The facing on the sea wall is almost done and looking good if I do say so myself. Many Thanks to the very hard working folks who helped out.

There are still a lot of boards on the docks to replace so if any one wants to help with that, please let me know.

The water level has pretty much peaked now, so the chains on the docks also need to be tightened as the summer goes on.

Fair winds to all.



REAR COMMODORE

John Greenham

HAT a fabulous start to our season!!
A huge THANK YOU to everyone who gave their time to get us to where we are today. Volunteers again made it such a success on and off the water.

It's on days such as this that we realize our common passion for sailing and the good friendships we make and remember the paths that our predecessors forged...for which we now reap the benefits. The goal of the Toronto Hydroplane & Sailing Club has always been to bring the pleasure of sailing and the wonderful friendship this club offers to as many people as possible.

The coming year will be no different with our club planning exciting things for both our sailing and social activities. We don't always get it right, however what we try to do is always with the best interest of our club at heart. We are all volunteers and our job is to make sure you have an inclusive family friendly club—your job is to go sailing and have fun!

I personally look forward to working closely with our executive committee, our other committees and of course our tireless volunteers to achieve these goals.

I wish our skippers and crew a happy and successful sailing season and thank all our members for their contribution to our wonderful club.

Sailpast has come and gone for another year, and I've learned a lot. So here's to next year being bigger and better. WOW what a band!

If you're interested in cruising, racing or helping with any upcoming social events please track me down. I'm sure we can make your wishes a reality.

Short and sweet this issue, see you all at the CLUB!



REAR COMMODORE JIMMY BUFFET NIGHT

SOCIAL CHAIR

Lynda de Jonge van der Halen

O all of you who contributed to the success of the Rear Commodore Jimmy Buffet night, a very big thank you!!!



Many compliments to our chef Doris and to all of you who chopped, stirred, dipped, cooked, bbqd, fried, served food or drinks, cleaned up, washed up, sang, played guitar, set up sound system, sold tickets, decorated and created a warm party environment. The food was delicious and popular and the pina coladas were a hit!

A great start to the boating and party season at TH&SC! Thanks for a great turnout! And guess what, Sailpast is in less than 2 weeks... Hope to see you enjoying yourselves at Sailpast!











FIRST CRUISE OF THE YEAR







Weather favoured Bluffer's boats but not TH&SC boats. We cruised to our clubhouse.

SOCIAL CHAIR

TH&SC was blessed

Lynda de Jonge van der Halen

with calm seas,
minimal breeze,
sunshine and a comfortable
temperature, in sharp
contrast to the extreme winds the day
before and the cold temperatures and
rain that ABYC endured during their



The Launch kitchen team extends their appreciation to Tony and George and all the members of the kitchen reno team who worked so hard to



make the renovated kitchen usable in time for the day of Launch. It was great to be able to use the ovens to warm the breakfast sandwiches on Saturday morning and to use the kitchen to serve the lunch. We look forward to full use of the renovated kitchen by members and visiting boaters. Please keep the kitchen looking new! Do your part and clean up after using. Remember that the dishwasher needs to be cleaned as well as used. Directions for the cleaning cycle are provided in the kitchen.

Thanks to Rachael at Boston Pizza and for coming to our rescue and delivering chicken mushroom penne for 100 and bowtie vegetarian pizza for 20 plus garlic toast to ensure that there would be a hot lunch available

LAUNCH DAY 2018

on Saturday! Our own helpers prepared a tasty fresh fruit salad with a touch of cinnamon and honey as well as fresh a super food salad. Other kitchen helpers on Saturday washed out the new cabinets and began to return kitchen dishes, utensils and pots and pans to the kitchen. There are still some finishing touches pending to the kitchen reno so not all items were properly stored away on Launch day. Special thanks to new members Sue and Rachael who joined the team and worked very hard cleaning as well as on food service.

Another special thank you to Lene, Annie and Sylvia who worked on preparing the breakfast sandwiches on the Friday and helping set up the main room for Launch use. Lene and Annie also worked with Lynda on other days



moving out all the 'stuff' from the kitchen and storing it in the clubhouse for the duration of the reno, with numberous attempts to 'weed out' duplicate, worn out, damaged, items. Thanks to Elena, our club cleaner, for



cleaning the inside and outside of the ovens before they were returned to the new kitchen.

Other people on the inside team on Launch day kept the bar area and coffee replenished throughout the day, sold tickets for lunch, for Sailpast June 9 and for the Rear Commodore Jimmy Buffet night May 26, took down the old shower curtains and hanging new curtains in the four showers, and assisted Jacquie selling regalia.

TH&SC thanks all who worked inside and outside, on Launch day, and prior to Launch day, to make things work smoothly and safely. Our boats are happy to be back in the water! Our boaters are more relaxed and already beginning to enjoy Ontario's short but wonderful boating season.









LAUNCH DAY 2018























SAILPAST 2018

SOCIAL CHAIR

Lynda de Jonge van der Halen

NOTHER wonderful Sailpast at TH&SC!!! The weather was fine, much, much better than forecast a few days prior to the event. Perhaps

not enough wind for sailors but calm seas for those boats saluting the Commodore.

The Blessing of the Fleet saw the return of Malcolm Sinclair, who is a good story teller. He regaled the crowd with details of his last Sailpast visit at TH&SC and how he was whisked away on *Mac 1* in order to meet his commitment to sing at the BMO field at the opening of a televised event. The bagpiper was another hit.

After the Skippers' meeting a representative from each dock was given a platter or two of fresh made sandwiches to share with their dock, a surprise addition to the day arranged by our Rear Commodore John Greenham.

Four o'clock on the lawn saw the initial gathering of members and guests who were offered the Commodore's Punch by Richard Peirce with his son serving the non alcoholic punch.

There were Italian trivia games on the tables for adults and families and the making of bubble snakes in the kids' area plus other fun things to do. For many, it was a time to relax and enjoy the people and the setting.

Lindsay led the decorating team to set the scene for the Italian wedding theme. Inside and outside, there big and small touches to create a lovely setting for Sailpast. Many members dressed the part as wedding guests or sea crew but the most unique approach was that taken by the Timlin group, wearing Primo Italian wedding soup labels.

Doris and her team prepared and served Boeuf Bourguignon tarts, Caprese skewers and Chicken Spiedini with Cilantro Parsley Gremolata when the cash bar opened.

This year, we tried something new, a plated dinner delivered to your table, along with bread and antipasto on the table, with a preselected choice of salmon, NY sirloin or a vegetarian pasta. This ensured that each diner received a full meal with time to visit at their tables and enjoy the salad and antipasto.

A variety of Italian desserts were provided—hmm that cannoli was filling and delicious! Another surprise was the "wedding gift" from Del Schinkopf of prosecco and red wine for each table, for guests to salute the extensive, and dedicated contribution of the full seawall team (leads Tom, Bob and Paul) and the full kitchen reno team (leads Tony, George and Bill).

After dinner, KCEE and KB entertained the crowd with a few songs before the band began to play. Always a treat to hear our talented members share their talents. The band, 'Circumstanialists', was very popular, keeping people on their feet until after midnight. Thanks to our kid wranglers, Ashleigh and Meredith Jones who entertained the children on the lawn and supervised the younger guests while the adults had their dinner.

TH&SC was pleased to have three students in Tourism and Hospitality at George Brown College as our trained bar tenders, a volunteer work experience.



Sailpast planning began in
January and depended on many
people. Thank you very much
everyone! John, Doris, Susan, Lindsay
and Meredith, Peter, Deb and Lee,
Sylvie, Marie, Phil Lange, Mike and
Eva, George, Sheila, Marilyn, Richard
Evans, Elsie, Andrea, Stephen Paul,
John Morris, Joanne, Josee, and to
others who pitched in throughout the
weekend. Special thanks to Geoff and
to Laurie who contributed in a big way
on Saturday/Sunday.

More Sailpast pictures on Page 10

PAST COMMODORE Greg Smith

Past Commodore's view from the committee boat at Sailpast.











Greg Smith N43° 39.610 W79° 18.812 Same Spot / Different Day



PROPERTY MGR.

ELL summer is finally here and the sailing season is well under way for some of us. I managed to take *Levitas* out for the first time this season at

Sailpast to salute the new Commodore. Due to the lack of wind most of us motored past *Shadow* rather than sail past her, it's so much easier motoring for the beer toss.

Again, Lynda and her social crew did a marvelous job with the decorations, the planning and the day. Congrats also to the new Rear Commodore on his first Sailpast. It is always great to see so many members together and enjoying themselves.

The club is slowly starting to look better every day with the continued help of many dedicated members who have stepped up. The parking lot has never looked better. Thanks to the hard work of Steve Paul, Jack Coney and Bob Prosper who helped clean up all the junk that was laying up against the back fence and scattered throughout the yard. Thanks to Tony Labatt for moving the remaining boat trailers to the trailer storage area where they belong, thus freeing up much needed parking space.

There is a lot more work to be done around the club this summer. There is still much that needs to be done. Further projects and improvements are planned. I will be sending out periodic email blasts with requests for these needed projects. You can also check the Ways & Means binder in the clubhouse for posted projects and general club maintenance work required. Please don't wait for the end of the season to put in your hours.

Thanking you for making a great club greater,

Tony Resendes Property Manager TH&SC property-manager.ca





REAR COMMODORE BRUNCH





Trash Talk

Unfortunately, we are going to need to get somewhat more serious about how TH&SC handles its garbage. That, in turn, will require that each member and guest be significantly conscientious about throwing things in bins for disposal.

Here's why

- Our Recycling is being contaminated with non-recyclable items. Not only does GFL charge
 us for additional sorting (and thereby raise YOUR fees), at a certain point they send the
 whole bin to landfill and charge at the much higher Landfill Rate.
- 2. The Landfills are becoming picky about what they will and will not accept.
- The entire cost structure is rising and unless we only send to Garbage what absolutely can't be recycled, our fees will mount and that increase will accelerate as the world's garbage continues to pile up.
- 4. There are some pretty sound ecological reasons to reduce trash that you have all heard 100 times but frequently choose to ignore.

SO here's the deal.

- We are adopting a rigorous Streaming Protocol. New bins will be placed and everyone should use them.
- 2. Every bin will be CLEARLY MARKED as to what goes in and ONLY that trash should go in. i.e., don't put garbage in recycling and vice versa.
- Refundable bottles have NO PLACE in either bin. There will be special bins marked for beer cans and bottles and for those only. They will either be returned to assist club projects or donated to needy people who will, in turn, return them for refund,
- 4. NOTE! IT IS TRULY INSANE for the club to pay to dispose of bottles and cans that could create revenue for someone or something but a member is too lazy to separate them.
- 5. Hazardous stuff including used oil, antifreeze, left over paints, solvents, dead batteries etc. is to be dropped off at the rear yard by the used oil and antifreeze reservoirs for disposal.
- 6. The above guideline must be universally adopted or we will eventually face huge cost and worse

Thank you or else John Morris

Assistant Garbage Commissioner for Property Manager, TH&SC

Tony Resendes property-manager@thsc.ca

SAILPAST 2018 ANNEX













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BEACH HOUSE REPORT

by Geoff Craigen

Stripped down for hurricane season in Carriacou.

It also finds *Beach House* for sale. Yes, we've decided, after 13 years of Caribbean life, to sell her and enjoy our winters in the Caribbean on land. None of our joints are getting any younger and besides walking to the local bar is simpler than organizing the dinghy and getting ashore and returning in the dark.

We've had a lot of fun with this boat, met a lot of people, made a lot of friends and have a lot of memories.

If you have the opportunity to take your boat south, go for it. You will not regret it. You may if you don't.



Beach House ready for hurricane season

C-Dock Brunch













breakfast

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	June 2018						
Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	
SAILPAST ON JUNE 9th—A MUST!					1	2	
3	4	5	Series I RACE 3	7	8	9 SAILPAST	
Dock 'C' Brunch	11	12	Series I RACE 4	14	15	PCYC Cruise	
Father's 17	18	19	Series I RACE 5	Summer 21 Begins	22	Dufferin 23 Bell Buoy Race	
24	25	26	Series II 27 RACE 1	28	29	30	
RACING CONTINUES—DISTANCE RACE ON THE 23rd							

		J	uly 201	8				
Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.		
Dock 'D' Brunch— Canada Day	2	3	Series II RACE 2	5	6	Summer 7 Blast AND Sailor's BBQ		
8	9	10	Series II RACE 3	12	13	14		
15	16	17	Series II RACE 4	19	20	21		
22	23	24	Series II RACE 5	26	27	Race des Voyageurs		
29	30	31	SUMMER BLAST RACES					
	AND THEN A BBQ—COME FOR A GREAT DAY							

August 2018						
Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
			Series III RACE 1	2	3	4
5 Brunch	Civic Holiday	7	Series III RACE 2	9	10	Circle of Life Race
12	13	14	Series III RACE 3	16	17	Cruise to MCC
19	20	21 Eid	Series III RACE 4	23	24	25
26	27	28	Series III RACE 5	30	31	
RACING CONTINUES—CIRCLE OF LIFE RACE ON 11th						

