

"MUDDY WATERS"

COVID ISSUE JUNE 2021

OPENING DAY HOPE JUNE 2021



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KYC HAPPENINGS



Commodore **Dave Courage** got a new KYC jacket and 'Liquid Courage' Dave and Tammy's boat got a new LARGE swim platform. Happy boating Dave and Tammy .



Dave Tippet's boat bottom was cleaned and a new "go fast" bottom paint was brushed on.



Boats got sold and boats got bought, members left and new members arrived. Typical spring happenings.



Neil Enns buffed and polished his boat. Looks good Neil.

Corona was not a cold beer we could enjoy starting in early 2020. We were in Florida enjoying the winter heat then March arrived and it seemed like all hell broke loose and most of the snowbirds headed north. Almost every car on I-75 had an Ontario plate and was headed north.

Commodore Dave Courage commented in *"From the Bridge"* "that the 2020 boating season had been a challenge to navigate, with the season not business as usual". Functions had to be cancelled due to social distancing and gathering numbers. Dave mentioned "we had been blessed with some great boating weather and many members have taken full advantage escaping the daily rat race and leave worries at the dock and just enjoy life."

The one function that we were able to have was the **Second Annual Dinghy Poker Run** which was enjoyed by all participants and will be run again this year as shown in this addition of Muddy Waters. **The generosity of the members was again appreciated with all participants able to again take home a prize.** With the number of new dinghies at the club, this year should be even more fun as well as rewarding to the winning hand—good luck to all!

KYC is known as a Social Club not a Social Distancing Club and hopefully we will be able to return to normal in the not too distant future. We have a number of new members whom we hope are able to find everything they need or just ask a member they will help.

The Spring of 2021 has also seen a new activity at KYC—THEFT! Arriving on two consecutive Thursdays the thief took some strange items including hatch locks, cupboard doors, binoculars while leaving computers, expensive tools and electronics. The police have finger prints along with film of the perpetrator hopefully they can end this activity in short order with an arrest.

Donna and I have both of our covid shots now and I know many of the members have or will shortly have their shots which will allow us all to move closer to whatever the **New Normal** is going to be.

At this time it looks like Hot Weather and a renewed outlook for a favourable boating season. Although the planned trips to the US side of the lake will require a change in border crossing rules.

Have a great and safe summer and please send me some new stories and pictures for the next issue of **Muddy Waters.**

In this issue we introduce members **Dave and Marissa Tippet**

*THANKS FOR READING
BRIAN*





FROM THE BRIDGE

COMMODORE DAVE COURAGE



Greetings fellow KYC Members.

Last year, and this year to date, have certainly been a challenge for us all. No one could have anticipated the many and varied ways the virus has impacted all our lives. We continue to monitor the situation and will return to pre-covid club activities as soon as permissible. I am sure we are all due for a good party!

During this unprecedented time, your Executive Team has continued to conduct business to the extent it can, without the ability to have general membership meetings. Bill Graves, along with the Advisory Committee have invested many hours in revising the club's by-laws, rules and regulations to present for approval, soon as we are permitted to gather everyone together. Many thoughtful and required revisions have been made that I think you will find value in. In preparation for the meeting, and when made available, I encourage everyone to read through the revisions and be ready with questions, comments, and suggestions. We all have an equal stake in the club and a say in how it conducts business. Your input is invaluable in making the best possible decisions for the betterment of the club.

Great people sharing in the camaraderie of boating is what makes KYC a great club and the envy of many visitors. It is my hope that we can soon resume the many great social activities that are enjoyed by all and serve to bring us closer together as a club.

Dave Courage

Commodore - KYC



REAR COMMODORE—DALE PITCHER

Greetings from your Rear Commodore. Firstly I would like to thank all those people who have given their time to help out around the Club and property. Things are looking great for this season, just a couple of small projects to hopefully finish BEFORE the bridge is back in operation so we ALL can enjoy our boats this summer.



The deck is going to need a few more volunteers to finish the hand rails and staining and the gas shed will need a few people to assemble it down by the gas area. This would be a PRIME opportunity to get some of those much needed work hours taken care of.

The security cams are going well, hopefully those will be done shortly. So, remember that this is a "*WORKING MAN'S*" club and EVERYONE needs to do their part by participating in different projects and maintenance of the property.

Also just a gentle reminder to replace tools and equipment back where they BELONG not just anywhere you might like them to go, and be respectful of other peoples belongings and PLEASE keep your dock area tidy so as to allow the lawn maintenance people easier access for doing their job.

Have a Great Summer.

Dale Pitcher

Rear Commodore



FLEET CAPTAIN —RICK BANMAN

It's been quite year with lots of challenges. We started the year with a lot of work that needed to be accomplished before the start of boating season. A crew volunteered to re-cap the remainder of the docks. Another crew managed to figure out how to efficiently install the cleats, which make it easier and safer to lift the docks.



Installing the docks went well, although it's not an easy job. We need more of the younger guys willing to put their muscles into gear.

We should all be giving these members a huge thanks! They have put in many times more than the minimum hours required. Without the hard work of these men and women, we wouldn't be enjoying the boating season. Thanks again to everyone who stepped up to the plate.

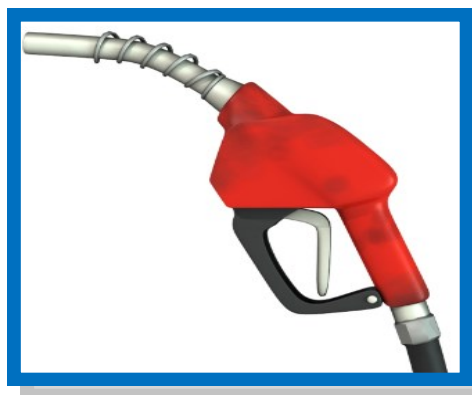
The late June storm was certainly unexpected and potentially dangerous. Thanks to the crew who pumped out everyone's dinghy, and to those who helped clear out the log jamb. I guess we learned that dinghies don't sink as easily as other small tenders! Even with another year of dealing with COVID, we are still anticipating a good year. Hoping for great weather for PortaHawk, and a weekend trip to Erieau later this summer.

Rick Banman

KYC Fleet Captain



226-973-2832



TONY COLVIN— COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Gas is available for Members only, from a Member of the gas committee on Saturdays from 9-12 and Wednesdays for 6-9. **It is not available on long weekends**

The sign-up sheet is currently on the wall outside the washrooms.

It is imperative that you sign up as far in advance as possible on the sheet for a time so that a gas committee member can be available. **If no one has signed up there will be no one available to pump gas. Also the Committee Chair has to know how much gas is going to be required to meet members needs.**

KYC members are responsible for pumping their own fuel under the direction of a gas committee member.

Fuel is payable by cheque, credit card or debit card.

GAS COMMITTEE MEMBERS



**Ken Borkwood
519-719-9402**



**Al Thibert
519-317-1472**



**Mike Blake
519-775-0079**



**Brian Knowles
519-471-4503**



**DON'T BE SAD BE SURE TO SIGN UP FOR GAS
OR CONTACT ONE OF THE ABOVE COMMITTEE
MEMBERS.**

THANKS *TONY*



LIFT COMMITTEE

The members of the "*Lift Committee*" are again owed a Big Thank-you from the KYC membership for their continuing dedication and safe operation of the club travel lift.

Several of the committee members below are long term lift operators moving our beloved boats in and out of the water over the boating season.

Thanks to all and will see you again in full operation in the fall.



RALPH OLIVER



DAVE COURAGE



GERRY GOODHUE



MARK MILLER



DAVE TAGGART



DAVE TIPPETT



FLAG RAISING



Members of the KYC Executive prepare for the "Call to Colours" at 10 AM.

June 5th provided a clear blue sky and warm weather a beautiful day to welcome another boating season at KYC.

Although somewhat limited in activities due to the continuing restrictions imposed by the Government's concerns about Covid the 88th year of club history was again open.



Commodore Dave Courage, welcomes everyone to the annual flag rising and the official start to the boating season at KYC.



It was a beautiful day and members gathered around while the Executive raised the Canadian, Ontario and American flags along with the KYC burgee.

KYC CANNON AT THE READY



AUGUST 7TH



2021 KYC DINGHY POKER RUN

- NO MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS PER DINGHY.
- SIGN-UP AT KYC **SEE BRIAN KNOWLES OR RALPH OLIVER DOCKS 27 AND 28**
- COST \$20 PER HAND
- **ASSEMBLE AND GET INSTRUCTIONS KYC "LAUNCH WELL" AT 1:00 PM SHARP.**
- **THERE WILL BE FIVE CHECK POINTS.**
- **THIS IS NOT A RACE — PLEASE NO WAKE IN THE CREEK OR HARBOUR.**
- **FIRST PLACE — HIGHEST POKER HAND 60% of purse**
- **SECOND PLACE — SECOND HIGHEST 30% of purse**
- **LOWEST HAND — JUST WHAT IT SAYS 10% of purse**
- **THIS YEAR WE ARE GOING TO MAKE A FINANCIAL DONATION TO THE PORT STANLEY FOOD BANK.**

IF YOU CAN DONATE A PRIZE IT WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.



KYC DINGHY POKER RUN 2020

PRIZE MONEY

THE PRIZE MONEY COLLECTED WILL HAVE \$100 DEDUCTED FOR THE CONTRIBUTION TO THE **"PORT STANLEY FOOD BANK"** ON BEHALF OF KANAGIO YACHT CLUB (KYC) WITH THE REMAINING AMOUNT DIVIDED 60% TO FIRST PLACE, 30% TO SECOND PLACE AND 10% TO THE LOW HAND.

AS IN THE PAST IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW CAN DONATE A PRIZE FOR A RANDOM DRAWING — IT WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED. THIS IS NOT A CLUB SPONSORED EVENT.

RULES & REGULATIONS

Basically NO Rules or Regulations! Please note if you should carry a WATER CAN-NON or WATER PISTOL AND USE IT, EXPECT TO HAVE THE FAVOUR RETURNED.

THERE IS A SPEED LIMIT IN THE CREEK AND THE HARBOUR, LET'S ALL BE GOOD NEIGHBOURS. AS MENTIONED THIS IS NOT A RACE, YOU CAN BE THE HARE OR THE TURTLE - WE WILL WAIT FOR ALL DINGHIES TO RETURN SAFELY. THIS IS JUST A FUN EVENT ON THE WATER SO BE SAFE OUT THERE - WE NEED YOU BACK NEXT YEAR.

SAFETY EQUIPMENT

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR DINGHY IS A BOAT AND REQUIRES SAFETY EQUIPMENT ON BOARD AS REQUIRED BY THE LAW.



KYC MEMBERS

It is important to introduce new members to the club, it is equally important to recognize those members that have contributed to the club, helping it grow into the successful club that it has become.

In this issue we recognize DAVE & MARISA TIPPETT.

Owning a boat for David was a dream. He had his eye on several boats over the years, but the opportunity never presented itself until 2017. We got married in 2016 and about one year later David approached me and together we decided to buy a boat for the family. I was excited and nervous as I had no boating experience, unless a canoe counts, and had a horrible experience on the Pelee Island ferry. David assured me all would be well and that I would eventually get my sea legs. Eventually?!



David and I started the hunt for our boat. We searched everywhere. David even flew to Florida, but, the stars were not aligning. We were both frustrated and honestly, I gave up. I love shopping and this shopping experience was disappointing. Fortunately, David never gave up and saw a listing in Port Dover for a 2007 Sea Ray 320 Sundancer which became our '*Newfski*'. The meaning behind the name is David is from Newfoundland and I'm half Polish.

When we decided to get a boat, one of our must haves was that the boat had to be in a marina close by. We live 10 minutes from Port Stanley so we started looking at our options. It wasn't a hard decision to make the Kanagio Yacht Club our first choice. We immediately sensed the family atmosphere and the support from like-minded fellow boaters and have been members since June 2018.



We have two children, Christian (27) our oldest, who has a place of his own and Ethan (15) who lives with us. Both of them enjoy the boat. Recently, we got a Russian Blue kitten named Nala who is also enjoying the boat life.

Once covid restrictions are lifted, we hope to get some boat trips in. In the meantime, we will be enjoying the lake and having fun on our new dinghy!

David is a member of the Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons (London). He is also a travel lift operator for Kanagio.



JUNE 27 RAIN

The farmers wanted rain, the trees and grass wanted rain everyone wanted rain all over the country and boy did it ever rain — too much and too quick for sure. Approximately 4 to 5 inches in 12 hours created flooding of the Kettle Creek with a significant number of tree stumps and brush roaring along the creek heading first for the yacht club and marinas eventually reaching the lake. Dinghies and small boats filled with water and some sank however, KYC for the most part was spared any real damage - thank goodness. Members bailed dinghies and the accumulation of branches at dock No 1 was eventually moved.

RALPH BAILING



**JERRY AND THE GANG TRYING TO
MOVE BUILD UP OF BRANCHES**



**MARK, DAVE & LINDA
BAILING**



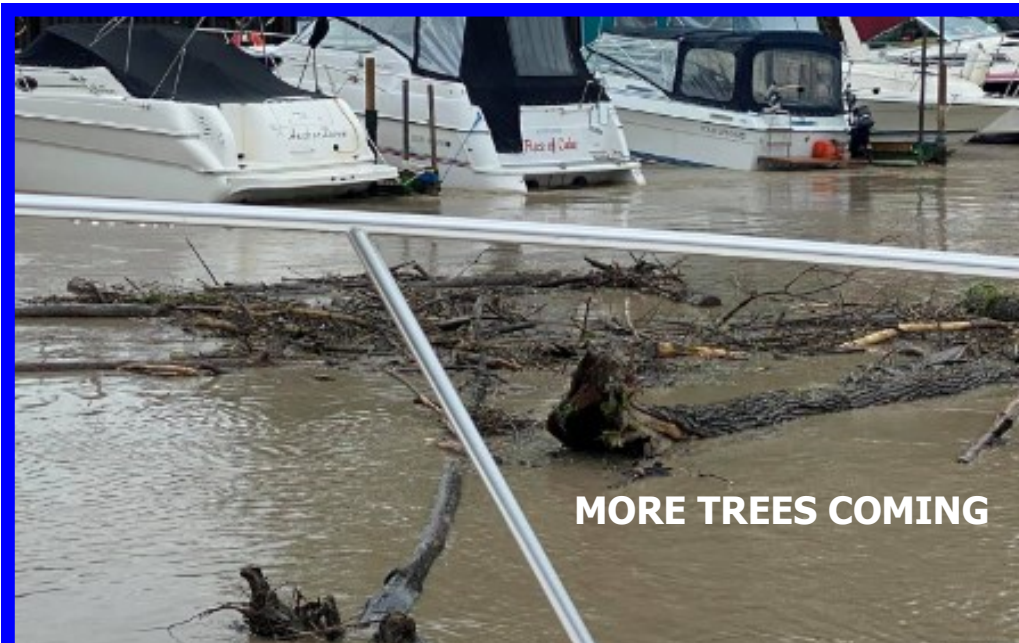
DEBRIS FLOATING DOWN THE CREEK



**LINDA, JERRY, DAVE AND MARK DRAIN-
ING THE DINGHIES**



MORE TREES COMING



FIVE YEARS AGO

TIME FLIES



REMEMBER

2017



REMINDER

With the King George Bridge opening again, just a reminder that the boat travelling south under the bridge has the right of way.

King George VI Lift Bridge



Communications

Radio - Channel 06 (156.3MHz)

Telephone - 519-782-3451

Cell - 519-617-0494

Etiquette

When passing under the bridge the priority is to craft that are proceeding out to the lake.

Hours of Operation

Every ½ hour:

May 1 to September 30 – 6:00am to 10:00pm

October 1 to April 30 – 6:00am to 6:00pm