

# "MUDDY WATERS"



JULY—AUGUST—SEPTEMBER ISSUE



2021 KANAGIO YACHT CLUB POKER RUN



**EVERYONE ENJOYED THE THREE MAJOR EVENTS OF 2021. STARTING IN JULY WITH PORT-A-HAWK FOLLOWED BY THE DINGHY POKER RUN AND ENDING ON THE LONG WEEKEND WITH A MASSIVE FOOD EVENT FOLLOWED BY MUSIC.**



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Good luck shone upon KYC during July, August and into September. Although typical club functions were not possible under Covid Restrictions the calm seas and extremely hot weather provided a good time for members all around. However, September saw the first glimpse of hope with a modified "**Box Dinner**" and live music.

As we moved out of the lockdowns and closer to normal activities again KYC is becoming a more active boating club. Gatherings started off in July with the "**ANNUAL PORT-A-HAWK GATHERING**" organized by **Rick Banman** and attended by an even larger number of KYC members boats this year.

This was followed in August with the "**THIRD ANNUAL DINGHY POKER RUN**" organized by **Brian Knowles** and **Ralph Oliver** with a new record of 25 dinghies and 47 participants. A \$200 donation was made to the **Port Stanley Food Bank** (\$100 from the Poker Run was matched by \$100 from KYC).

Mid August saw the first **General Meeting** since 2020, with an open air gathering at the pavilion. General club business was presented to the members along with approval of seven (7) probationary members to full membership.

The September long weekend saw the first Club Function in a long time. **Jim Kozak** along with **Sally Matous** organized a fabulous "**Box Dinner**" followed by entertainment by the band "*Fish*". Approximately 140 meals were consumed and a great time was had by all.

Considering Covid I think the months of July, August and September turned out great.

**Brian**



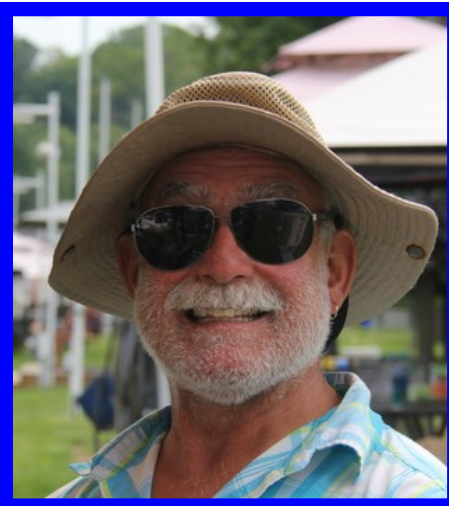
# FROM THE BRIDGE



## REAR COMMODORE—DALE PITCHER

Greetings from AFT.

Well, it looks like another season is winding down and we as a club have accomplished a fair bit this year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those people who so graciously volunteered to the different projects around the club. We installed a new shed to help organize the gas pump area, trimmed various trees and bushes along fences to tidy them up. We are in the process of installing LED light fixtures in the club kitchen and washrooms to improve lighting and reduce costs. We replaced some of the electrical enclosures around the yard as they were looking rather weather beaten and dilapidated. The deck got a face lift this summer, replacing more of the worn-out deck boards and hand rails along with really nice-looking coat of stain to gussy it up. The Pavilion got new fascia and troughs along with new aluminum to improve drainage and looks. I would mention all the names of course, however I am sure I would be forgetting people. So, on that note it is unfortunately time to start getting ready for the awful, disgusting six letter word that we tend to despise so much. Hoping to see everyone (if possible) at the Commodores Ball.



***Dale Pitcher***

Rear Commodore



## FLEET CAPTAIN —RICK BANMAN

Hello Members,

We have had a good summer, although not without a few challenges. Covid has not made things easier. It's that time of year again to stop playing and put away our toys for the winter. Here are a few reminders for all of us, especially your new members, of our winter clean up and storage procedures.

- Schedule a lift out with a lift operator and then put in on the board near the bathroom.
- No boats may be lifted without a valid insurance slip.
- Remove ALL items, including raised decks from the seawall and patio area.
- Remove all poles and hardware from the side of your dock.
- All items need to be neatly stored either under or behind your boat, and off the grass if possible. If you do not have a boat on the property for the winter, store them along the south fence.
- Every member should have a metal numbered tag chain. This should be attached to your trailer, stands, or pile of stuff. If you don't have one, please see the Fleet Captain.
- The last dock partner out of the water, should remove and store the steps with one your boats.
- If you have any stuff at the club, that is not boating related, please take it home.
- Please discard anything that you are not using, such as old chairs, gazebos, poles etc. We want to keep the property clean and tidy.

We are in need of a lot of volunteers to help clean up club property and put docks away. Please be proactive in contacting the Rear Commodore or Fleet Captain to volunteer your time. I know most of us already have more than enough hours in, but there is still a lot left to do, and we need your help.

***Rick***

**Fleet Captain**



# PORT-A-HAWK





**BOATS, DINGHIES, RAFTS AND PADDLE BOARDS MADE FOR A BEAUTIFUL DAY ON THE WATER.**



The **Port-A-Hawk** gathering on July 10th was blessed with calm waters, blue skies and warm sunshine.

It was also the first opening and closing of the *King George* bridge which had undergone extensive renovation over the past 1.5 years. Unfortunately those boats returning to KYC from Port-A-Hawk found that the bridge would not open and had to tie up on the inner harbour wall to await some computer adjustment. In the end the bridge went up and the boats returned to their docks - all ending well and a great day was had by all.



With **Jannett and Craig Mansell** leaving the club and moving on to new adventures, KYC is pleased to announce the appointment of **Richard Juker** as club Treasurer.

A member since 2015 Richard looks forward to balancing the books and continuing the financial stability of KYC.



I am sure that the vast majority of members have wondered what the **"REX RAND MEMBER APPRECIATION AWARD"** is and why a member of KYC is given the award. It was given to an individual who has contributed to the club in a meaningful way. **You the members can nominate a member to the Executive who you feel is deserving of this honour.**

I say as a member for over 12 years that I had heard of the award but did not really know

how it was given out. I went to several really long term members to find out just who Rex was and why the award was named after him. **Tyler Robertson** and **Barry Kyle** said that Rex was the first Re-store in London and that through his kindness supplied windows in the club house and other items needed to increase the clubs facilities. Although somewhat Laid Back he had a habit of raising the hair of some members by always wanting to pay off debt including the mortgage. He would send some of his staff down from London to wash and clean his boat and then rarely take it out, just enjoying the boat in its dock and the friendly people at the club. Everyone loved and respected REX and he loved the club and its members. There is a story about Rex Rand and **Ella Kyle** and a **"Rubber Duck"** but we will leave that for another day.





KYC has a new storage shed adjacent the gas service area.

Thanks go out to new members **Mark and Lisa Gardner** dock #30 for assembling the shed. Mark's son also provided his labour in the construction.

The shed will be used for storing the gas/diesel containers safely for the tractors and the lift. Thanks to the both of you for a great job.



Member **Dave Horn** bends some aluminum to form fascia to repair the pavilion along with aging eavetrough which will also to be installed.



Always some excitement around **Rick Metcalf's** dock. In this case **Metzi, Mike Weaver and Jim Kozak** fish for a bar-b-que. Don't ask!

# THREE GENERATIONS OF KYC BOATERS



**KYC** continues to change with the age of members becoming younger and their children are being introduced to the world of boating.

"Bumpa" **Rick (Metzi) Metcalf** taking the grandchildren for a dinghy ride, while daughter **Kristi** feeds cake to Sutton.

They all enjoy boating and as they grow older hopefully they will find the pastime something that they will find a life time passion.

# KYC DINGHY POKER RUN 2021

The weather person said rain with possibility of thunder and lightning. Boy was the weather person wrong. Saturday August 7th looked like they might be right but as the start of the **KYC Poker Run** approached we had a light shower and then great weather for the one o'clock start. This was the largest assembly of dinghies KYC had seen in three years. This year saw 25 dinghies entered with a total of 47 participants. With the members gathering at the Launch Well, the KYC Cannon sounded the beginning of the card tour.

**Organizers Brian Knowles and Ralph Oliver making last minute preparation for the Dinghy Poker Run.**



Members came prepared to drench the competition. Meeting in the "Well" awaiting instructions on the course selection, tensions ran high. When Metzi fired the Cannon the excitement of the Poker Run began. The dinghies with their participants began their move to Check Point Number 1 in the inner harbor.

**THANKS TO PAT AND DENNIS MIGHTON and SALLY MATOUS FOR TAKING PICTURES ALONG WITH SEVERAL OTHER MEMBERS.**



**LAST MINUTE INSTRUCTIONS—  
basically NO WAKE in the creek,  
stay safe and have fun.**



**Early start to the water cannon firing**



**CANNON READY FOR THE START**

**The O.P.P showed up to keep order on the water— everything went smooth with no tickets issued for speeding.**



**FANS WENT WILD AT THE START!!!!**



# COMING UP THE CREEK



**FIRING ON THE PHOTOGRAPHER ON THE BRIDGE**

# CHECK POINT 1





**KEN "I will get them back for that!"**





COWBOYS, SAILORS AND ?

# CARD 2



# CARD 3 LITTLE BEACH



TAKE A CARD AND HAVE A SHOT FROM NEIL, ILONA AND SALLY AT STATION 3

# CARD 4 AT THE BRIDGE



**RICK HANDING OUT CARDS AND GIVING AND TAKING WATER CANNON FIRE**





# FINAL CARD 5



**"I'M COMING I WAS TOLD IT WASN'T A RACE".**



**Time to see who won!!!!!!**



# WINNERS ANNOUNCED



LAST! NOT  
BAD \$86



DAD WE  
CAME IN 2ND  
I WON \$258



I WON FIRST  
PLACE \$516  
DON'T TELL  
LISA.







Members and guests gather under the shade of trees while member **Mary Borkwood** collected her **Ryan Wines** gift of a bottle for everyone who participated. Group photo below.



The **THIRD ANNUAL POKER RUN** took place on a beautiful sunny day with everyone getting drenched from member water cannons. The lake was calm and participants enjoyed a drink given from the back of **Neil Enns** boat at check-point 3. This year was the start of the event making a charitable donation to the **Port Stanley Food Bank**.

Next year will see a Trophy established by "**Firehouse Subs**" compliments of member **Bill Carr** along with the introduction of Tee Shirts—look forward to this addition.

**Ralph** and **Lynn Oliver** are shown with **Catherine Dilworth**, Cupboard Co-Convenor of the Food Bank as they present her with a \$200 donation from the **KYC POKER RUN**.

# GENERAL MEETING

AUGUST 15TH



Sunday the 15th was a beautiful morning for the first General Meeting of KYC in 2021. The Executive consisting of **Treasurer Richard Juker, Commodore Dave Courage, Secretary Lynn Sutherland, Vice Commodore Jim Kozak, Fleet Captain Rick Banman and Rear Commodore Dale Pitcher** were all in attendance. Commodore Courage opened the meeting a little past 10 o'clock.



An excellent turn out of members took place gathering in lawn chairs in the shade of the trees on a beautiful sunny Sunday morning. Only one member from each boat was asked to attend.

# NEW KYC MEMBERS



**Commodore Dave Courage** welcomed seven (7) new members into the club all having successfully completed their one year probation. The members were presented with their club burgee. From left to right in the photo the new members are:

Rob & Nancy Smith  
 Andy Kyriakos & Cynthia Ross (absent)  
 David Horn & Cathy Harris  
 Brian Butler & Diane MacDonald  
 Todd Sparenberg  
 Scott McKillop & Carol Bradley  
 Adam & Jessica Barton



**WELCOME TO ALL THE NEW MEMBERS AND SMOOTH BOATING TO ALL!**

# FINALLY DINNER & MUSIC



Ahoy!  
 SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH  
 Dinner - 5:30 pm  
 Entertainment - 7:00 pm  
**1/2 Rack FAMOUS RIBS: Bad to the Bone!**  
 Grilled & basted with our Award winning BBQ Sauce

**1/4 ROTISSERIE CHICKEN:**  
 Roasted Herb Chicken on the Bone

Slow Smoked BBQ Pulled Pork

Offered with....

Southern Corn Bread

Creamy Coleslaw

Traditional Greek Salad with Feta Cheese & Kalamata Olives

Kentucky Smoked Hearty Vegetable Baked Beans Scalloped Potatoes with Onion & Fresh Garlic

Vice Commodore **JIM KOZAK** and **SALLY MATOUS** organized the first KYC Function in almost two years. Sally's catering business created the "Box Dinner" shown on the menu to the left serving approximately 140 members and friends.

No one left hungry and everyone raved about the meal.

The band "Fish" set-up on the deck and played from 7 til mid-night .

Thanks go out to Jim and Sally for a terrific day of good food, entertainment and comradeship.







**Old friends and new along with family and guests enjoying a beautiful day of happy times on the KYC grounds.**

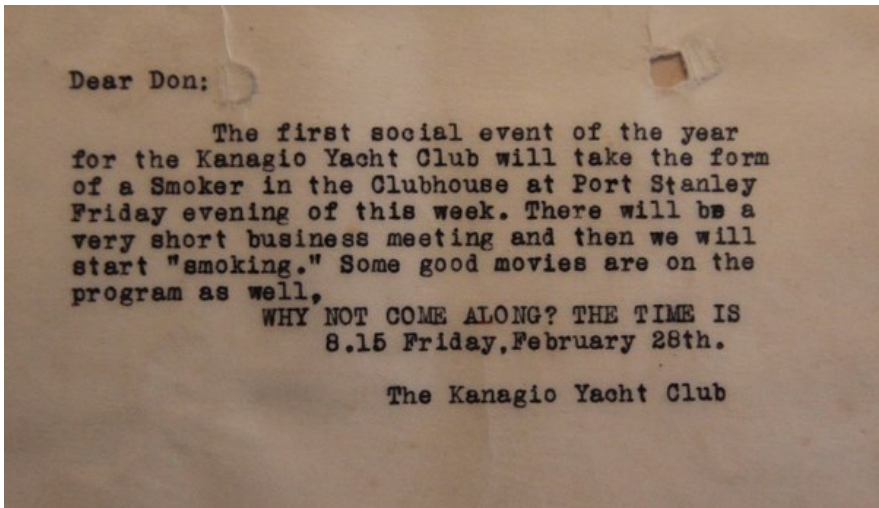








# KYC HISTORY

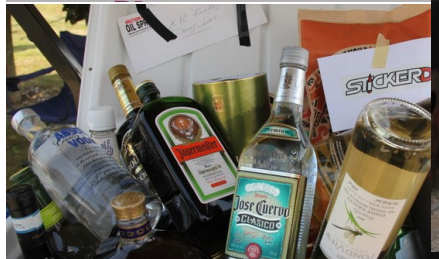


Can you imagine this going out today? Must have been a major cloud of "Smoke" in the clubhouse back in earlier days.



# LAST FISH FRY 2016

TIME FLIES—FISH, BOOZE, BANDS, MIXER WARS LOT OF FUN AND WORK BY EVERYONE INVOLVED IN THE DAY AND NIGHT ACTIVITIES.



# PHOTOS & STORIES



I know that I have tried on several occasions before to get members to participate in the preparation of *Muddy Waters* and for the most part without success. If you have one of the above items (camera or cell phone) you can take pictures of any club activities or functions and send them to me for inclusion in the next issues of *Muddy Waters*. Along with the pictures, if you could send some information about the activity it would be greatly appreciated. Did you take a trip on your boat, did you have an enjoyable day on the water, did you discover something unusual about your boat, did you have to fix something on your boat. Did you visit another marina or Yacht Club and what was your experience—share with pictures. Send the information to [knowlesbd@hotmail.com](mailto:knowlesbd@hotmail.com)

**Thanks and I look forward to your input in the next issue.**

**Brian**