



# DYC Breeze

The Dalhousie Yacht Club

April 1, 2006

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## Commodore's Column D'Arcy Cashmore

Ahhh – its that time of the year again with winter behind us, spring is in the air and yes we are all thinking about our boats and looking forward to another season on the water. More

and more activity can be seen in the yards as we begin the process of preparing our boats for launch. There is much to do in preparation for dock launch on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of April and I would like to remind the membership that many hands make light the work. There is also a lot of preparatory work prior to dock launch and I'm sure Jeff Butt could use some assistance so please volunteer your time.

As mentioned in my last months Breeze article, the Dock Revitalization Committee is getting close to presenting the membership with their proposal for the replacement of the West side wooden dock fixed structure. In this regard the Board has approved "that a dock assessment of \$200 be levied on each dock holder for 2006, all such funds to create the 2006 Dock Fund Reserve".

In total we are nearing \$70,000 for this initiative (includes the \$20,000 budget for Capital Projects – Dock Revitalization - in the 2005/2006 Budget) and we are currently looking at some fundraising ventures over the 2006/2007 seasons to grow the fund. We hope to include \$30,000 in next years budget for Capital Projects and we will likely require another \$200 levy from dock holders next year that should bring the total pot to roughly \$130,000. This should allow us sufficient funds to move the project forward. Once this project is under way we will begin to look at the task of replacing the fixed wooden docks on the East side. It should be noted that the Board is also looking at ways for the other categories of membership (other than dock holders) to participate in raising additional capital for the club. There is a need for a reserve fund to deal with the building assets of the club that will require more funding than that included in the general maintenance and repair budget – we need to plan for the future.

The Board has been made aware of the concerns of a few members that the LTS program is perhaps a bit over zealous

### Vision Statement-

*The Dalhousie Yacht Club is a friendly, safe and affordable boating community dedicated to learning, respect for all, and enjoyment in all aspects of the sport of boating.*

with respect to their Trillium grant application. It should be noted that this application is the third such application (the previous two unsuccessful) and has had the support of the two previous Boards as well as this Board. The decision on the Trillium grant will not be made until July and if approved we will have at least six months, possibly one year to get our ducks in a row thus affording Doug ample time to fundraise.

Doug Hurd has done a fantastic job with the LTS program and in particular has in most cases managed through fundraising activities as well as the adult racing program (Cornucopia) been able to secure sufficient funding to cover his costs. Doug is committed to an aggressive fundraising program for this venture (to minimize any club subsidy) and we would ask that you continue to support these fundraising activities. Lets all get behind this effort. By the way we are still looking for volunteers for the Learn to Sail program. The activities needing your support are:

### **Equipment Maintenance Fund Raising**

**Sailing School Adult Supervision** (daily through the summer programs)  
**Program Development & Monitoring**

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*Vice- Commodore's Comments*  
*By Murray Roland*



The Vernal equinox (the Sun is crossing the equator) has come & gone, all the Ground Hogs (shadows

or not) are thinking about things the Ground Hogs do in the Spring, and so are all the boaters at DYC. The DYC attendance in February (550 people in 2006 vs. 448 people in 2005) indicates that we are starting to move out of hibernation.

Anne Rosler is back in the saddle, and things are back to normal dockside. She is certainly back in the swing of things, and signed up two new members in March – one Boating & one Associate.

The “New Members” night is coming up April 8, 2006 – please come out to an evening of fun & fellowship, to welcome the new 2005 /2006 members, hear their introduction and blend them into the fold of DYC.

The yard has been cleaned up – and an amazing amount of junk was moved out of both yards, as well as the back room of the club – thanks to Ian Benger & crew. “Docks In” is not far away (April 22, 2006) and water is turned on round April 7, 2006 - time to scrape, clean off the winter grime, and get the 2<sup>nd</sup> most important item in your life ready for Summer fun.

NOTE – remember – this is your club, please feel free to approach any member of the Food & Beverage waits staff regarding menu suggestions that you may have. Board members are also available, at any time, to discuss any club related issues or concerns.

**The Breeze is going electronic** - more details in the article from the Director of Membership & Communications. We did a trial run with the Board of Directors in March—it worked very well.

*Learn To Sail (LTS)*  
*By Doug Hurd*



Most excellent news to report regarding the Trillium request. A “win win” outcome. You may have been aware

there was petition passed around regarding the Trillium, requesting the application be pulled until the DYC’s fiscal year of 2006-07. Effectively this has been done, due to the glacial pace of the Trillium review process. Notification of success (or failure) would not occur until the end of June. Money at this time would be too late to purchase the equipment required. I have spoken with Trillium Managers, and they have no problem holding the funds for 6 months.

The money could then be requested for late winter or early spring, so that the equipment could be in place for the spring of 2007. This would also meet the petitions request that Trillium grant be postponed until DYC’s fiscal year of 2006-7. **Win Win!**

The following have applied for membership in the

**Dalhousie Yacht Club**

Scott & Ulla Hawkes  
 Boating Membership

Claude & Gayle Mathe  
 Associate Boating

Members who would like to comment on this application should submit written comments to Membership Chair prior to the next board meeting

**Dalhousie Yacht Club**

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## ***Rear Commodore Column*** **Al Baird**



The boating clean up season has arrived. The yard activity with power washers, wax and polishers, and bottom paint is the sure signal that launch day is just a couple of weeks away.

Did you notice ... the yards are looking clean

and safe thanks to the great volunteer crew effort on March 11<sup>th</sup> ... have you seen the anchor in its new location?

Jeff Butt is heading our dock launch day on Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

We can use your help. Come for an 0800 hrs start and bring your PFD. You can contact Jeff at 905-682-2352, if you have any questions.

Len McIntosh has returned to fill a vacancy on the board. He is our Fleet Captain for the 2006 boating year. Thank you to Len for picking up the duties once again.



### **Mission Statement**

We are committed to providing safe and affordable boating programs and activities to all our members by successfully managing Club resources, boating facilities and volunteer work contributions by Club members.

# **D Y C B O A R D O F D I R E C T O R S 2 0 0 5 - 5 0 6**

## **THE FLAG**

### **Commodore**

D'Arcy Cashmore *Dar Seas'* 905-934-8294

### **Vice Commodore**

Murray Roland *Pure Spirit* 905-682-6575

### **Rear Commodore**

Al Baird *Pennies Five* 905-934-6144

### **Past Commodore**

Eric Allen *Windsong* 905-937-4746

### **Treasurer**

Doreen Walker *Tequila* 905-935-4279

### **Secretary**

John Dickhout *Oriole* 905-935-2374

## **Directors**

### **Membership/Communications**

April Wass *Between the Sheets* 905 351-8593

### **Entertainment**

Denis Lemelin *Blown Away* 905 704-0835

### **Food & Beverage**

Andrew Krall *Bender* 905 734-6608

### **Fleet Captain/Safety Officer**

Len McIntosh *TBA* 905 684-1877

### **House Chair**

Phil Fitzsimons *Out of the Blue* 905 937-1849

### **Yard Chair**

Ian Benger *Stewardship* 905 937-2516

### **Dock Chair**

Jeff Butt *Chances R* 905 682-2352

### **Sailing school**

Doug Hurd *Kes'A'Tuuli* 905 682-3458

## **Appointees**

### **Club Manager**

Anne Rosler *Emergencies* 905-357-0595

### **Cruising Chair**

Debbie Cashmore *Dar Sea's* 905-934-8294

### **Club Chaplin**

Paul Taylor 905-468-8604

### **Race Chair**

Tom Taylor *A1* 905-643-5881 Ext 204

### **Club Numbers**

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## From The Board Room

### Following are the decisions or motions passed at the March 16, 2006 Board meeting:

1. **Trillium Grant** – The Board has delayed any financial obligations, associated with the LTS Grant application, to fiscal year 2006/2007.
2. **Gas Shack – South wall** – a maximum of \$400 was approved to replace the vinyl on the South wall of the Gas Shack (damaged by the heat from the barbeque) with exterior wood paneling.
3. **Docks In** – the crane rental has been arranged for the April 22, 2006 Docks In project.
4. **Financial**
  - a. **Restaurant sales** for February was **\$13,086.39** (\$12,544.97 for 2005)
  - b. **Income YTD**

Budget	\$165,872.22
Actual	\$184,471.65
  - c. **Expenses YTD**

Budget	\$147,322.50
Actual	\$130,786.37
  - d. **Net Income**

Budget	\$ 18,549.72
Actual	\$ <b>38,150.14</b>
  - e. **Payables** – all presented payables were completed for February.
5. **Yard Clean up** - completed Saturday March 11, 2006 – cost for 40 yd bin - \$400.

**Dock levy** – a \$200 assessment will be made to each dock holder for 2006. All funds will be put in the 2006 Dock Fund Reserve.

### (Commodores Report— continued from Page 1)

It's also that time of the year when we receive new applications for membership. I would ask that if you see new faces around the club please take the opportunity to introduce yourself and make them feel welcome. I remember when Debbie and I were new to the club and how delighted we were at being accepted so quickly by so many – we felt at home – and thus we have made the club a major factor in our lives.

Please be advised that the Board has declared the position of Fleet Captain vacant. We do not fault Howie Paton in this regard recognizing his work has kept him from the responsibility. I am please to announce that Len McIntosh has agreed to return to the Board for the balance of this year in this position – thank you Len.

Just a reminder that the Flag meets on the Wednesday one week prior to the Board meeting (the third Thursday of the month) so if you have any suggestions, criticisms, concerns, issues etc. please present them in written format to Murray, Al or myself and they will get the necessary attention. Sometimes it takes a bit of time so be patient.

A second reminder – please help your club and resist using the chit system for your bar and dining room expenditures.

**“Smile be Happy”**

### Jeff Butt— Dock Chair



We are preparing for the start of the 2006 boating season. One of the first things is putting in the docks. Saturday

April 22, 2006 is the date the docks go in.

The crane has been booked for the lift – all we need is you. We need volunteers to help with the process. We will commence at 0800 hrs and should be complete by 1500 hrs. Everyone should meet at the Club @ 0800

A number of boating members have asked about changing their assigned dock. We now have all the dock applications, and are in the process of assigning docks. If you have requested a dock change, or would like to change your dock, please advise Anne or me by April 20, 2006. A list of available docks will be posted in the club on March 31, 2006. My e-mail address is [jbutt@thordonbearings.com](mailto:jbutt@thordonbearings.com). The request for a dock change will be reviewed, and assignments made based on available docks and point accumulation.

Each DYC Full member accumulates points as follows: **Membership** – one point for each year of dues paid Full membership.

**Dock Fee** – one point for each year of paid dockage, or previous dock holders that moved to the dry hoist - one point for each year of dry hoist. Only the applicant on the Dock form will get the dock point.

I am looking forward to a great boating season.



## *Dining Room and Bar Clubhouse Hours for April and May*

### ***Club Open***

***Wednesday through Saturday for Lunch and Dinner***

### ***Lunch***

Wednesday – Saturday  
11:30 AM

### ***Dinner***

Wednesday - Saturday  
5:00 PM to 9:00 PM

### ***Bar***

Open at 11:30 AM

### ***Dining Room***

Open at 11:30 AM



### **Ian Bengert-Yard Chair**

To say that the recent spring clean up in the yards was a success is an understatement. I would like to thank all those who participated in the great yard clean up of

2006. I was pleasantly surprised when at least 25-30 members showed up and the 40 yard bin was filled to the top in less than four hours. I had planned on the clean up taking at least two full weekends. Unfortunately, the success of this event has forced the postponement of members' waste day planned for late March. I think that a second clean-up day may be required after launch, but we will have to wait and see how much garbage is left, once all the cradles are put away.

If a second bin is required, I am sure we will have room for some members' waste, there can't be that much more garbage in the yards can there? I hope that after launch there is, at least, no more waste than there is now (not so subtle hint). In an effort to maintain the new look of the yards, I would ask that

all members clean up the area in which their boat was stored and take any wooden frames home, or other related items brought down for the winter. If some items cannot be removed, cradles excepted, please contact Anne or myself to arrange for storage of these items in one of the yards.

Speaking of putting cradles away. I hope everyone is getting as excited about a fresh new season as I am. I would like to remind everyone that May 5<sup>th</sup> is the magic day. Launch day that is. I would also like to repeat my request for fresh volunteers to learn the art of crane direction. We need at least four new faces so some of the people whom have performed this valuable service for so many years can pass the torch.

I hope to have a list posted on the club notice board at least two weeks before launch with some approximate time for various areas within the yards so members with time conflicts can more easily plan their attendance. As always, if you can attend for the entire day please do; many hands make light work. Unfortunately, this will be the last time I have a chance to communicate with all the boat owners before launch but to sum up the operation it is basically the last out of the water is the first in. Let's all keep our fingers crossed for a nice day. I could defiantly do without a repeat of the Saturday last fall.

## ***Easter Brunch***

**Sunday April 16, 2006**

**At The**

**Dalhousie Yacht Club**

**Two Seatings**

**11:00 AM and 1:30 PM**

**\$17.95 per person**

**(under 10 yrs. 1/2  
price)**



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# Cornucopia Regatta

## Labour day Weekend



**September 1, 2, 3  
Cornucopia  
will be our best ever,  
great racing. Satur-  
day and Sunday,  
great bands playing  
Friday Saturday &  
Sunday**

### *Racing — by Tom Taylor*



Are you ready to rumble? Spring is sprung; its time to go racing. Your racing committee has a new racing year planned for you. Some key dates to put on your calendar:

Wed, April 26 Skippers' Meeting and Registration; Clubhouse @ 7:30 PM

Wed May 3 & Sat May 7 Learn to Race Seminar

Wed, May 10 First Race 6:00 PM start

Sat, June 17 Father's Day regatta sponsored by Verge Insurance

We have some new wrinkles and some new events. Please come to the Skippers' meeting to learn about our plans for the new seasons. We have two goals for this season; increase participation and make racing fun. Registration fee, including PHRF certificate, will be \$120.

We are looking for a Chief Race Officer. This is a commitment to run the races every Wednesday night. Experience would be nice but reliability is the key requirement. We can easily teach you the ropes. Please call me if you are interested.

Are you new to sailing or an experienced cruiser who would like to start racing? Think racing is only yelling and screaming? Come to our learn-to-race seminar and find out what the yelling is all about. We will have one evening with the chalk board and one on-the-water session. We will discuss procedures, rules and strategy. Pre-registration is required for this free seminar; call Anne in the office, me at 905-892-1320 or e-mail [thomas.taylor@vatech-hydro.ca](mailto:thomas.taylor@vatech-hydro.ca).

Page 7 March 1, 2006 **Dalhousie Yacht Club**

	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06
<b><u>CLUB FEES</u></b>			
<b><u>Initiation Fees</u></b>			
-Full Boating Non-Refundable	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
-Associate Non Refundable	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 335.00
-Full Boating & Associate Deposit -Refundable			\$ 225.00
-Social Individual Non-Refundable			\$ 125.00
-Social Individual Refundable			\$ 56.00
-Social Corporate Non-Refundable			\$ 250.00
-Social Corporate Refundable			N/A
Min. Monthly Restaurant charges - All Individual Classes			\$ 40.00
-Social Corporate Monthly Minimum			\$ 160.00
<b><u>Annual Dues (Sept. to Aug.)</u></b>			
-Boating			
Single Payment	\$ 575.00	\$ 575.00	\$ 604.00
Quarterly Payment Option	\$ 150.00	\$ 155.00	\$ 173.50
<i>Total Quarterly Option</i>	\$ 600.00	\$ 620.00	\$ 694.00
-Associate			
Single Payment	\$ 290.00	\$ 290.00	\$ 405.00
Quarterly Payment Option	\$ 75.00	\$ 77.50	\$ 116.25
	\$ 300.00	\$ 310.00	\$ 465.00
-Life Boating - 50% Full Boating			
Single Payment	\$ 287.50	\$ 287.50	\$ 302.00
Quarterly Payment Option	\$ 75.00	\$ 77.50	\$ 86.75
	\$ 300.00	\$ 310.00	\$ 347.00
- Social - Single payment	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00
<b><u>BOATING FEES</u></b>			
Dock - Length + Beam x	\$ 24.00	\$ 25.20	\$ 26.50
-Minimum	\$ 690.00	\$ 725.00	\$ 760.00
Dry Hoist (Season)	\$ 325.00	\$ 405.00	\$ 425.00
Dry Hoist Per Use	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 25.00
Haul Out/Launch/Storage			
-Length x Beam x	\$ 2.15	\$ 2.20	\$ 2.31
-Minimum	\$ 390.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 425.00
Haul Out/Launch Only	\$ 275.00	\$ 290.00	\$ 302.00
Visiting Boats - charge per foot	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00
Trailer Storage	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 70.00

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## The Director's Cocktail Party & New Members Night



Saturday April 8, 2006

John Butler  
at the piano  
6:00 Cocktails  
7:00 Dinner

Complimentary Hot Hors D'oeuvres  
Chicken Parmigiana with Pasta,  
Salad, Dessert & coffee or tea  
\$25.00 per person (taxes &  
gratuity included)

**All new members are encour-**  
**aged to attend**  
**Please call for reservations**  
**905-934-3531**

### NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS

**PLEASE!!!** Fill out the following in-  
formation and return to DYC office

Name

\_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address

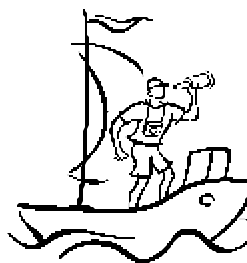
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Main Contact Number

\_\_\_\_\_

Updated Boat Name  
(if applicable.)

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Last week, I stated  
that this woman  
was the ugliest woman I had  
ever seen. I have since been vis-  
ited by her sister, and now wish  
to withdraw that statement.

— Mark Twain

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## DYC Classified

### Boating Equipment

Mustang Survival Jacket, Ocean class. Size Men's large.

Call Mrs. Jacobs @ 682-2247

### Catalina 27

Excellent cruiser/racer, dodger, bimini, all lines lead aft, auto helm and much more

Call 905-732-8319

### 1986 Wellcraft Nova III—28 foot powerboat

Totally restored—new 350 cc 330 hp twin engines—150 hours

Upgrades too numerous to mention

Price—\$39,900

Contact Bill @ 416-346-7344

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26' Chrysler, cradle. Lots of toys \$5,000. Call Phil @ 905-382-2084

### 1976 Chris Craft 35' Catalina Aft/Cabin

Twin engines/Chris Craft 350 Q 616 hours, rebuilt yr. 2000 Generator: Onan 6.5 KW, 13.6 hours—rebuild yr 2000. Complete interior refitted professionally, only \$79,900. Items too numerous to list. Complete survey, spring of 2005. Call Ray 603-387-5791.

### Wanted

#### Atomic 4 Engine

New Model—for parts. Call Dan Sundy 905-892-3840

Jdsundy@vaxxine.com

#### Trailer

To convert to a multi-hull dinghy trailer. Call Doug Hurd 905-682-3458

**Call Anne Rosler**  
**to Place ad here**  
**905-934-8325**

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# April 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						<b>1</b>
<b>2</b> Club Closed	<b>3</b> Club Closed	<b>4</b> Club Closed	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Pub Night	<b>8</b> Welcome Party for New Members
<b>9</b> Club Closed	<b>10</b> Club Closed	<b>11</b> Club Closed	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Good Friday Club Closed	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b> Easter Brunch	<b>17</b> Club Closed	<b>18</b> Club Closed	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Board Meeting	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Docks In
<b>23</b> Club Closed	<b>24</b> Club Closed	<b>25</b> Club Closed	<b>26</b> Skippers Meeting	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>30</b> Club Closed						

# May 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> Club Closed	<b>2</b> Club Closed	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Boats In	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> Club Closed	<b>8</b> Club Closed	<b>9</b> Club Closed	<b>10</b> First Race—6:00 PM	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Pub Night	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> Club Closed	<b>15</b> Club Closed	<b>16</b> Club Closed	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> Club Closed	<b>22</b> Club Closed	<b>23</b> Club Closed	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Open House— Membership Dive
<b>28</b> Club Closed	<b>29</b> Club Closed	<b>30</b> Club Closed	<b>31</b>			

## COMING EVENTS

Mark these dates on your calendar

April 8th, 2006—Director's Night (New Member's Welcome.)

April 16, 2006—Easter Brunch (2 sittings)

April 22nd, 2006—Docks In.

April 26, 2006, Racing—Skippers Meeting - 7:30 PM

Wed. May 3 & Sat. May 7, 2006, Learn to Sail Seminar

May 5th, 2006—Boats In.

May 10, 2006, Racing—First Race—6:00 PM Start

May 12th, 2006—Pub Night 50-50 Draw

May 27th, 2006—Open House Membership Drive

June 3rd, 2006— Dock Party 50-50 Draw

June 10th, 2006 - Sail Past

June 17th, 2006—Verge Regatta

Jun 25th, 2006—Easter Seal Regatta

June 30-July 1, 2006 Canada Day Celebration—Silent Auction.

September 1—4 Cornucopia Regatta