

WINDJAMMER 2001

CEDRIC MILLER COMMODORE

Elections are over. A new board is formed and new faces have new responsibilities. Welcome to all of you and to those coming back for a new term.

My efforts this year will be directed towards getting new people involved on committees, helping on projects and bringing forward new ideas.

As mentioned at the AGM, your membership renewal form will have a space for you to complete requesting details of areas you would like to help with or feel you have a talent to offer. You do not however have to wait for this form to arrive. Just speak to me or to any Executive member and get involved.

Let me finally wish all members, family, and friends a merry Christmas, a happy New Year, and a safe holiday season. We look forward to a great 2002 sailing year.

Event Update

Pub Night at the Crow's
EVERY THURSDAY NIGHT 8:00 PM

OYS Christmas Party
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13

Crow's Nest

OYS New Year's Party
MONDAY, DECEMBER 31

Crow's Nest

**Annual OYS New Year's Dinghy Race
and New Year's Day BBQ**
TUESDAY, JANUARY 1

Oakville Harbour and the Crow's

OYS Meeting on 'Racing 2002'
TUESDAY, JANUARY 22

OYS Ski Day

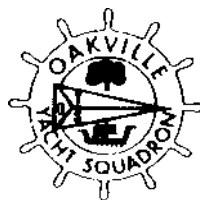
SATURDAY, JANUARY 26

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Commodore's Ball

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

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**BILL MERRY
REAR COMMODORE
& SAILING SCHOOL
DIRECTOR**

SAILING SCHOOL REPORT

The sailing school is preparing for the season ahead and we hope (weather permitting) to start the year by providing Mosquito dinghy's and our new coach boat for a New Years Day regatta.

Each new season brings with it changes and challenges. Due to increases in the CYA wage guidelines for instructors and rising equipment costs it has been necessary to raise the registration fees by 5%. This increase will insure that the school remains self-supporting and we can continue to provide top quality instructors and equipment for both the youth and adult training programs. The Club has a valuable asset in the school and we provide a very important community service.

Steve Scott and the volunteer Tempest captains have done a super job maintaining and caring for the club keelboat fleet. With the help of our new commodore Cedric Miller

we will soon have current surveys on each vessel. The results of the surveys will assist in establishing our priorities for repair and maintenance.

The sailing school committee is always looking for volunteers to assist with various duties and currently we are seeking a bookkeeper. If you or someone you know is interested in helping with this activity and would like to join a great team please call me at (905) 845-2067.

Wishing you all a safe and happy festive season!

**MALCOLM
MACFARLANE
RACING DIRECTOR**

Now that the flags and trophies have been handed out (and congratulations to all the winners!) it is time to begin planning and organizing the upcoming season. For 2002, I would like to start off with a meeting on January 22 to discuss what

From the Executive



changes you would like to see in our racing program and to assign committee responsibilities for the new season. We need volunteers to help with preparing the marks, maintaining Oyster, managing the committee boat staffing, scoring, registering and preparing for the Lake Ontario 300 which OYS will be hosting this year. Also after many years of representing our interests to GHYRA, Grant Goodfellow has decided to pass this responsibility to someone else. Thank you Grant for the work you have done on our behalf. If you are interested in any of these or in volunteering for anything else, please contact me. Your help is needed to make our race program work.

One of the challenges from last year was the constant problem of having enough people on the committee boat. We need to have at least two peo-


ple on the boat at all times which more often than not resulted in my watching the races anchored near X. For 2002 I would like to propose that in addition to our paid committee, each boat will be required to provide a crew member capable of assisting on the committee boat for the series that they are racing in. This would allow every boat to continue racing and keep our committee boat fully staffed. I am also considering some form of penalty strong enough to discourage crews from not meeting their scheduled obligation. The details of this will be finalized on our January 22 meeting.


We are also planning to start the New Year with the Millennium Regatta on January 1, weather and ice permitting. As Marianne and I will be off skiing that week Bill Merry and Al Parkhill have taken on the responsibility of organizing this. As I write this the temperature is +8 (Dec 3) so there may be a better chance of sailing than skiing. There is a lot of work in getting the regatta ready and I know Bill and Al would appreciate anyone who wishes to help.


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**OYS 2001 Gordon Elliott Award
For Sportsmanship**



At the 2001 OYS Awards Night, Debi and Amanda Elliott presented the first Gordon Elliott Award for Sportsmanship to Ted Haugen, skipper of 'Runaway'.

Gordon Elliott Memorial Award

At the Awards Night Debi Elliott and daughter Amanda Elliott introduced a new OYS Squadron award to be given out yearly. The award reflects the dedication to sailing sportsmanship that Gordon shared with Squadron members and all crew members on board Tigress. When people raced with Gordon, whether family or friends, they all always knew they had contributed to the outcome and were made to feel good about the results, the event, and the day.

This award is presented to a member of OYS who has demonstrated sportsmanship and:

- 1) Is a person who gives service to the sport of sailboat racing.
- 2) Is a true competitor and has a living passion for sailing.
- 3) Has a good, positive attitude and a peer love of racing, setting an example to all in generosity of spirit.



**ANOTHER
SEAVIEW
AFTERNOON**

ATTENTION LADIES

Come and join us (Ladies only - sorry guys)
For Champagne and Appetizers
at the Crow's Nest

Thursday, December 27, 2001
3:00 PM

Participants must **either** purchase a bottle of Australian "Seaview Brut" Sparkling Wine at the bar **or** bring an appetizer of their choice.

For information please call:

Anne Crook (905) 842-7949

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Lastly, I would like to thank everyone who helped make last year a success and our wishes to all for a happy and safe holiday season.

JANET MACDONALD
CRUISING DIRECTOR

**NOTES FROM THE
CRUISING COMMITTEE:**

This year's committee is tentatively comprised of Janet & Steve MacDonald, Raine Greenwood & Henry Schewfelt, Jackie & Don Lowe, Janet & Lee Pinelli, Betty & Grant Goodfellow, and Linda & Rick Williams. If anyone else would like to join the Committee or has any ideas they would like to share, please give me a call at 905 844-8930. We will

have our first committee meeting in January to start planning our 2002 cruising program.

You may recall that Linda Williams offered to put together a collection of our favourite recipes from our pot luck cruises over the years. She is still awaiting input from us! Please send Linda your hors d'oeuvre, salad, main course and dessert recipes so that we can issue our own OYS cookbook. Now that the sailing season is over, please sit down with your recipe books and a glass of wine one evening and type out those recipes! Linda would welcome input in Word documents addressed to her at crancom@aol.com.

LINDA STEVENS
SOCIAL DIRECTOR

As Co-Chairpersons, Nancy-June Jackson and I would like to extend a warm welcome to all members looking to get involved in the wonderful social aspect of OYS. We have often heard people say "I didn't know where I could help or who to speak to". It is our sincere hope that with your assistance, we can form a strong, working committee, large enough to give each person flexibility in choosing which event(s) they channel their energies toward.

NEW MEMBERS:

Participation through volunteering is a great

way of meeting others, and new ideas are always valuable. Please give working with us serious consideration. We guarantee you'll have a very rewarding year. Events on this year's calendar are: the Commodore's Ball in March, Sail Past held in June, our Regatta in August, the Heritage Pot Luck dinner and Awards Night in November. Maybe you'll have an idea for something new and creative. Don't wait to be asked. Our first committee meeting will be held after Christmas. Information on date/time will appear in January's Windjammer and by e-mail. In the meantime, contact either Nancy-June or

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myself. We're looking forward to a wonderful season renewing old friendships and making new friends.

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER:

Our annual Christmas Party is being held on Thursday, December 13th at 8:00 p.m. in the Crows Nest. Each person is asked to bring a prepared, "ready-to-serve" hors d'oeuvre and, if you wish, a small ornament to add to the tree. We will also be having a New Year's Eve party, for which there will be a nominal charge to cover expenses. Again, we ask that everyone attending this party bring a prepared hors d'oeuvre. If you know you'll be attending our bash, please call/e-mail Nancy-June at 905-844-5156 (pcnjjj@sympatico.ca) or myself at 905-844-6705 (lstevens@empcanada.com). Watch for more information on this event by email and on our posters in the Crows Nest.

MIKE DALE
PAST SOCIAL DIRECTOR

Awards night was a great blast!! We had 189 for dinner and managed with a

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bit of shuffling to get crews seated together!! Vicky Scott did a great job catering and Sandy's choice of DJ was excellent!! With the 10 or 20 that came after dinner we must have reached 200 at some point??

This was sort of my swan song as Social director - after arranging coffee and donuts for the annual general meeting that's it for me!! As I said before, Kate and I hope to spend more time in Scotland and Europe next year so I don't feel I can commit to doing this next year. Thank you all for your help on the committee and your support of the various events. Please carry on and support Linda Stevens and Nancy-June Jackson your new co directors.

Serving on the board is a great way for a new member like me to get to meet people and I really appreciated this opportunity. Next year I hope to help out a bit on the race committee. Committee work is a great way to get to know people as well and I encourage all new members to search out a director of whatever interests them and offer your services!!



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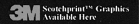


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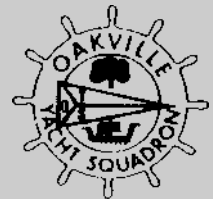
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