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The End-to-End Trophy

It was made by Dave Horsham, he carved it out of Teak.

A lovely piece of art. It shows not only Dave's skills but also his love for the sport of sailing.

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COMMODORE'S REPORT JIM CALDWELL



September was a beautiful month for boating and a busy time for yacht club business.

Member turnout was good and gave everyone in attendance a full understanding what the Executive has been dealing with over the last year. **Another Special Information Meeting will be held November 2 at 7 pm.**

Thank you to our members who donated their time and resources to make our annual Western Night a great success. The meal was delicious and the DJ and "calf" roping made the evening enjoyable for all.

If you would like to receive special notices by email please ensure that Rachael has your current email address on file.

Jim

Daryl Ellis completed his 10th OGO CHASER SWIM for cancer research. Thank you to everyone who contributed to this worthy cause.

September 8 was a **Special Information Meeting** to give members a chance to understand upcoming issues that will be presented at the Annual General Meeting in November.

VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT TIM AMY



Time for all good men and women to step forward. The Club needs fresh blood—yours, to serve on the Execu-

tive for the coming year. The Executive meets once each month and follows the tried and tested rules of parliamentary procedure, members in turn speaking to issues.

The Commodore or chairperson is responsible for relations with other clubs, ensuring that executive members have clear assignments and that debate is respectful and open.

The Past Commodore serves in an advisory role to the Executive, to maintain continuity and chairs the nominating committee for Executive members.

The Vice Commodore is responsible for administrative issues such as insurance, staffing, members conduct, and community relations.

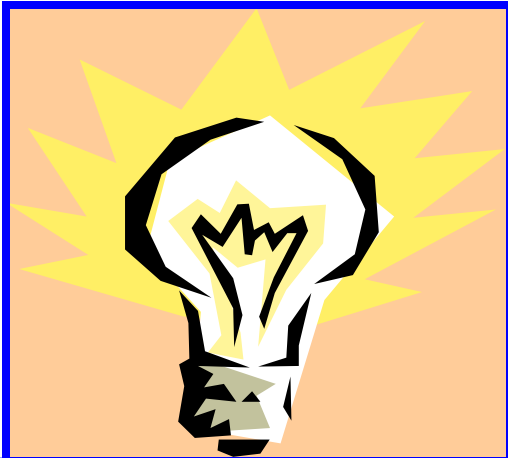
The Rear Commodore oversees maintenance of all Club assets, calls in contractors and volunteer members as needed. He/she is assisted in this by a director responsible for maintenance of the land assets and another director responsible for dock maintenance.

The Fleet Captain with a Moorage Committee assigns moorage, maintains the wait list and deals with all moorage issues.

The Staff Captain organizes social events, calling upon volunteers as needed (a lot)

The Treasurer monitors the Clubs income and expenses, works with the Executive to develop and adhere to an annual budget and chairs an advisory finance committee.

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Be Part of the Future!

The Vernon Yacht Club is looking for enthusiastic members to join the executive for 2009-2010.

If you or someone you recommend wants to get involved in administering your Club, please contact Rob Ladan, Past Commodore and Chair of the 2009 Nomination Committee.

Rob Ladan (250) 549-7464 or robladan@shaw.ca

The Secretary keeps minutes of meetings.

There are **six directors**, three serving one year terms, three serving two year terms, this intended to create continuity. Directors responsibilities may include; by-law review, moorage buoy maintenance, publicity, membership applications and new members services, dock and club house maintenance issues, Club sales of clothing and boating supplies.

The Office manager is not a member of the Executive but is responsible for daily management of staff, keeping records, and a loooooong list of responsibilities, reporting directly to the Vice Commodore.

Please contact Past Commodore Rob Ladan to sign nomination papers, but be quick or you will miss the boat.

Tim Amy



REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT STEWART BYE

A reminder to **have your boat pumped before Oct. 17th** as the sewer pump will be removed and the water to the docks shut off for the winter.

See you at the club,

Stewart.



Fall Clean Up

Saturday October 17th



Summer is officially over and it is now time to think about the fall clean-up. Please mark **Saturday October 17th** on your calendar

and make a point of coming out to help the club getting ready for the winter season. A large turnout makes the job so much faster and easier.

FLEET CAPTAIN'S REPORT BOB MONTGUIRE



The life of a Fleet Captain....
Towing "mystery boat".

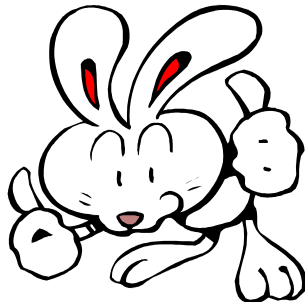


STAFF CAPTAIN'S REPORT NICOLA WINDSOR



As of the time of this report the Pig Roast has not yet happened, but I can guarantee it will become a success.

Now the weather is getting cooler bring your friends and family down for a nice steak dinner or one of Carrie's special menu nights.



Sincerely
Nicola Windsor



FANTASTIC WEEKEND!

Vernon Yacht Club was in the medals



Above: Shadowfax

Below: Ayesha



Vernon Yacht Club was in the medals at the Okanagan Women's Regatta 2009 in Westbank. **Ayesha** (crew - Carol, Edie, Darlene, Cathy and Jen) placed second in her fleet and **Phoenix** (Crew - Debbie, Maureen, Ceryne, and Dale) placed third in the Santana fleet. The weekend started out on Friday August 21st with two boats travelling from Vernon to Westbank and three travelling from Kelowna Yacht Club (where we had stayed moored after the Commodore Cup regatta). For **Mystique** (crew - Colette, Jenny, Barb, Shelley and Susan) and **Stolen Time** (crew - Jane, Del, Sue, Mary and Miriam), the winds were light for the first few hours of the journey from VYC but they quickly built and it took **Mystique** 9 1/4 hrs to drive to Westbank, a trip that is usually 5 1/4 hrs. Phil on **Stolen Time** sailed part of the way in order to give his motor a boost. **Ayesha** and **Phoenix** left KYC at 3:30 pm Friday, **Phoenix** with her fancy motor was able to get to WYC easily but it took **Ayesha** 3 hours to travel the 7 miles, most of the time going only 2 kms. The wind must have been in excess of 20 knots with high winds and seas. **Stormy**, our support boat, was stopped at Okanagan Lake Resort for 20 minutes fighting the elements. **Shadowfax** (crew - Sandi, Lynne, Sharon, Patti and Jude) fared better as Sandi did not leave KYC until 5:30 pm and the winds had died enough for her to reach WYC in a relatively reasonable period of time. Once we reached WYC the fun began. If you have not been into



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WYC, it is an adventure. They are short of moorage spots and the anticipated exodus to the Kelowna invasion did not happen so we were rafted together - 10 of us together. Made it very interesting when you wanted to use the facilities ashore. The actual maneuvering into the rafting position was tricky. You had to keep your power up until you actually reached the breakwater (avoiding the boats launching and the rocks) then quickly cut your power, throw your motor into reverse, hope someone catches your mooring line and have them pulled the bow 180 degrees then tie off. Made a visit to the washroom in the middle of night difficult as you had to climb over three or four boats before you could jump onto a dock but that didn't matter as the club's key didn't work until 8 AM!!!

First day of racing, the winds were 4 - 5 kms and only lasted till 1 pm. We drifted for another two hours before the committee boats conceded that the wind was not returning and allowed us to return to the Yacht Club. We passed the time swimming, having water fights and eating. Mystique and Ayesha started a chant for ice cream but no one delivered. Shadowfax brought out from below their secret weapon - pink flamingos - and hung them up all over the boat (Did you pay \$50 a head for those extra crew?). Second day, the forecast was for 20 km winds from the south. We started with about 8 km wind and



that quickly died down to about 5 and changed direction by 180 degrees but did last until our final race. Now don't think the racing wasn't competitive. Fleet A had a Merit 25 skippered by Gillian Hayward (winner of the Nationals in 2007). As crew she had Selena (nee Blewett - her brother and father are well known racers so she was weaned on racing), Erica Checkley (a high level racing instructor, probably had a spinnaker ring as a teething toy) and Tannis (it was her boat- a very competitive racer). The Santanas had Gillian Thomson on Contagious to beat. Tough competition! Phoenix broke her spinnaker pole on the first day (see article by Debbie)(page 8-9) and so had to run two races without the benefit of her spinnaker. Luckily it was fixed for the second day and she pulled off a first and second to bring Phoenix into the medals. But even though Vernon Yacht Club may not have cleaned up in the medals , we certainly got our lion's share of the door prizes. Full results of all the races are on the Kelowna Yacht Club website. At the end of the award ceremony, Fred from Penticton Yacht Club offered to host next year's event so plan to attend.

Many thanks to Westbank Yacht Club for all their hospitality and hard work. And a big thank you to the Committee Boat - sorry you had to keep moving the marks. Everyone had a great time and we will see you in Penticton!
Carol

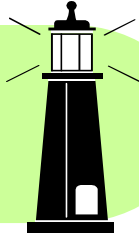


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Bouquets of Roses

Henry Swan has been awesome in the training of "boat captains" and his ongoing taking of shifts on Heaven Can Wait so that people in the North Okanagan can enjoy "our Okanagan beauty."

A special thanks to **Ken Smith and Rick** (works at the bar) for their labour in removing the lake weeds in the marina... a never ending job that makes mooring so much easier and enjoyable for the boaters!



Above: Phoenix (at OK Regatta in Westbank)
Below: Mystique



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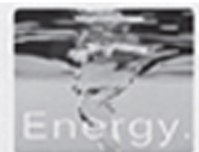
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OK Women's Regatta 2009 and "Tim" the Tool Men to the Rescue

Phoenix crew: Debbie Gittins, Mo Soichuk, Ceryne Staples, Dale Dunlop

"Tim" the Tool Men: Dave Pollock, Keith Sangster, Wally Herrmann, Jim Dillabough, Lyle Enns

It was during the second race on Saturday, Phoenix had just rounded the upwind mark a close second behind Contagious and the girls had just put up the spinnaker flawlessly when we heard a pop and the spinnaker pole was hanging in the air. Maureen looked at it and the plunger was stuck outside the jaw at an odd angle. A little panic ensued but we managed to get the pole down below, put the jib up and retrieve the spinnaker into its bag. Not quite that simple, the pole managed to tangle up with a few lines, but we were back under control. The boats under spinnaker passed us by and we ended up 5th out of the 6 Santanas. What to do.

We tried hammering the plunger with our winch handle but it wasn't budging. Ah hah, we thought, there are men here. Where is Stormy? We tracked them down on the race course and sailed over to them and handed them our spinnaker pole and told them it was broken. If it wasn't so sad, I would have laughed (actually we did) at the way the five guys took a look at the pole and we could see the thought process – oh boy a project! And the next thought was "TOOLS" and as Tim the Tool Man would do "heh heh heh". Stormy took off to the Westbank Yacht Club and disappeared. The next race was a long twice around the furthest marks up and down and we valiantly started and managed second around the upwind mark but couldn't hold the boats off under spinnaker. That race was an hour and half. Where was Stormy? We looked and there they were chugging out to us and the proud men on that boat handed us our pole good as new! Of course, there were probably rules we were breaking. Unfortunately or fortunately, the wind shut off and the racing was

finished for Saturday so we will never know if anyone would have protested us. We think not! John Sharples on the race committee mark boat had offered to fix it for us, but we already had our Vernon men on the job! Keith and Dave apparently got in the car and went up in to Westbank and had to go to not one but three tool stores before they found what they were looking for – a rivet gun. Keith always had wanted one... They brought that back to the yacht club and the guys went to work. They used the steel stairs as leverage and pounded the poor little plunger, somehow removed the rivets and re-riveted the jaw. Actually we have no idea what they did, but I'm sure they had fun doing it. Wally had brought his tools out from his motor home, so the guys fixed Dave's motor as well that day. Thank you so much to Dave, Keith, Wally, Jim and Lyle. We had a great Sunday with our new pole. Maureen said there was a rattling up and down the pole, but hey just a little reminder to keep the pole level!

Debbie

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Messing About in Boats

by
Dave Atkins

I have been invited to contribute some articles about Boating for the Tiller Topics, so first I should introduce myself to those club members who are not familiar with my name or background. Mostly known as Dave, one of the many in the club, so add Atkins and that separates me out from the others. Like most kids I was messing about with boats at an early age but it got serious when I learned to sail on the English rivers and the Dutch canals at the age of 15. So I can claim 60 years of experience “messing about in boats” I have raced dinghy and keel boats and for a few years I instructed sailing for the CYA Basic & Intermediate Cruising. I have been a member of Canadian Power and Sail Squadron for many years and have taught boating courses for them. I have built several boats for myself and have owned several keel boats.

Along the way I earned a Diploma in Yacht Design from Westlawn Institute of Marine Technology and worked as a Marine Surveyor for a number of years after I retired from teaching Industrial Education. Please don't think that I tell you this to impress you, but rather to give myself some credibility to talk with you about boats and things boating.

Why do so many boats in the marina very rarely leave the dock? Many reasons don't have easy solutions, work, family, chores etc. I suspect that one of the reasons people use is that they don't want to go out by themselves. It is quite a responsibility to take a biggish boat out of the dock, manoeuvre through the marina and then go boating without a companion. I am a sailor and I sail by myself most of the time so I have devised ways of dealing with “single handing”. Primarily it takes planning and having the boat set up so that you can do all the many tasks involved without having to be in two places at the same time. It won't

work if you have to go up to the bow to raise a sail while the steering is at the stern. Its hard to dock a boat if it takes too much time to get from the helm and over the side to tie the mooring lines. Planning and preparation can overcome most of these problems.

When you are alone on the boat you have only one set of eyes for look-out. It is most important when you are out on the water to be very aware of what is going on around you, its not like driving a car, boats can come from any direction and at widely different speeds. I don't have any way of providing more eyes, but there are ways of understanding what is happening in a quick and easy way.

In future columns I will deal with these topics in much more detail and if you have questions direct them to me through Tiller Topics and I will try to deal with them.

Dave Atkins.



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publicity have deterred would-be intruders. However, the team is not letting their guard down! We continue to provide dedicated surveillance for the protection of Club and members property. As well, thank you to all members who have taken that extra special interest in security during their time at the Club. ‘Vigilance aye Vigilance’

Cheers
Ron



Attention

Member Information Meeting

November 2, 2009

**7:00 pm at the
Clubhouse**

This meeting is to review and receive information on changes to the constitution and bylaws of the Vernon Yacht Club as well as other items to be presented at the

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Jim Caldwell,
Commodore



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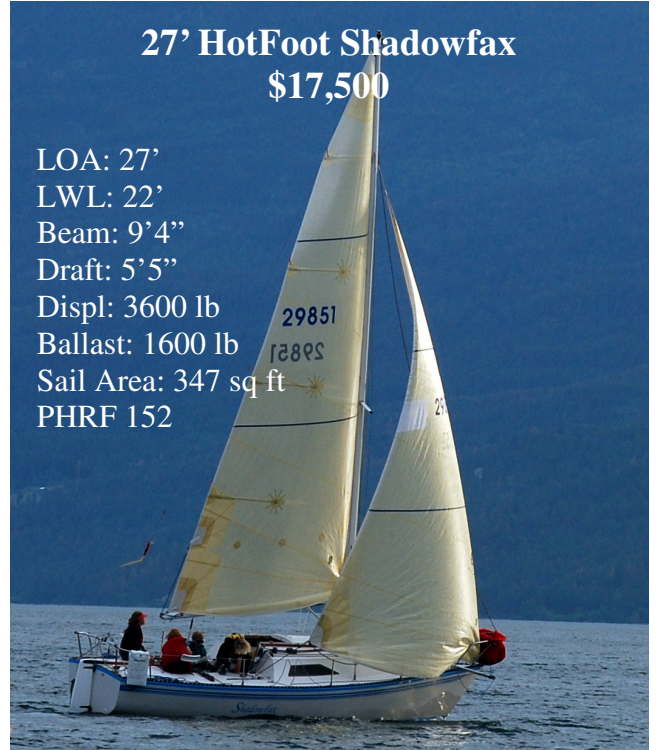
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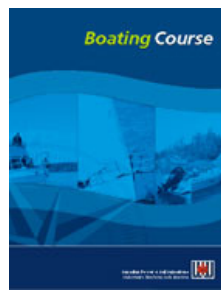
- Joint Conference, WCID & District 16 of USPS, Penticton, BC - Oct. 23 - 25
- Fall Boating Course begins - Sep. 15
- VHF Radio Course, October 14 & 17
- PCOC Course - Oct. 31

See Us on the Web!

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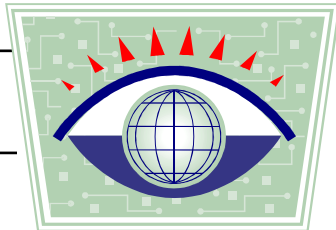
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Review: The author of this incredible account of the first America’s Cup Women’s Team writes from first-hand experience, having been recruited to the team for her competitive drive and physical strength. It is a fascinating read that brings to light the similarities and differences between men and women in competition. The women proved to be just as strong physically and mentally as men due to their more disciplined approach to training and team cohesion; however, during intense competition, it became evident that both men and women have different priorities, perceptions, and methods of communication. Bill Koch, winning skipper of America’s Cup, 1992, eloquently states: “Men and women need each other. Their strengths and weaknesses complement each other. Men should be more respectful of each other’s feelings, and women need to make decisions without fear of hurting their friends’ feelings.

Men need to work better as teams, and women need to exert leadership...However, if you recognize and respect those differences, an organization of men and women working harmoniously together can easily beat one that is made up of exclusively men or women.” (Huntington 1996: xviii)

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Little Miss Magic makes History

An account of the first ever Okanagan Lake End to End Sailboat Race.

Leaving from VYC Thursday afternoon skipper Rob, brother Eric as well as myself headed for Kelowna. Soon the spinnaker was flying as we had a great down wind sail all the way to Kelowna Yacht Club. The next morning after motoring under the new bridge the wind came up and we had another great sail to Rattle Snake Island, down through the slot and on to Summerland; well almost - just north of Summerland the boat came to a shuddering halt, as we ran aground on a sandbank. With help from the wind and a heavy crew, we managed to escape and soon we were safely tied up at Summerland Yacht club. The next morning, Saturday, fourteen boats headed out to the start line, seven boats from Kelowna, three each from Summerland and Penticton, and just one from Vernon, Little Miss Magic, the slowest rated boat in the fleet. The race started in very light winds, but about an hour after the start the wind filled in from the North as the fast race boats disappeared into the distance. The rest of the fleet tried for a lift from either shore. It was soon apparent that we had picked the wrong side of the lake, as we were left behind with just two heavy cruisers behind us. As we passed Squally Point and headed towards Rattle Snake Island, we made the decision to sail up the channel between the island and the shore to try to catch up. With the wind coming down the channel it meant tacking through. After zig zagging back and forth a number of times we saw to our dismay

Not wanting to cut this inspiring story short, however, due to lack of space it will be continued in November's Tiller Topics. (see page 1 for a picture of the trophy of the End-to-End Race)



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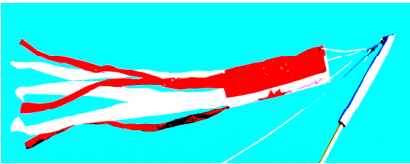
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