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Spring Cleaners!

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Boat Show  
*Photo Hamy Kooyman*

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# VYC - 2009—2010 Executive

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**Executive members** and  
many occasional writers and  
photographers.



# Commodore's Report

Tim Amy



## April and May

have been busy months at VYC. The annual Spring Clean Up was well attended. Led by Rear Commodore

Lawrence Johnson, Directors Mike Thomas and Dan Irvine, over 40 members pulled debris from the moorage, tightened bolts on the concrete docks, felled dangerous dead trees.

Dan Irvine again organised a very successful Boat Show with a record number of displays and a steady flow of visitors. Dan and his volunteer team make it all look easy and fun. Good to see the ageless pirates Rollie and Linda Walker, Bob and Sharon Skinner and the rest of that motley crew back on board slinging burgers and beer. They just look scary, the guys that is. Something rather attractive about girls in bandanas-- and loose blouses, cinched at the waist. Their buns were just excellent this year. I don't usually touch them but this year couldn't resist and got my hands on two of them. Best burgers ever.

The Club display was also well manned by Pam St Pierre and associates, the public lining up to purchase VYC logo clothing supplied by members Bruce Barnard and Jay Johnson of Advertising Works. Why sport Cabo St Do Do T shirts when you can show affiliation with Vernon Yacht Club? You can drink the water here. Mostly.

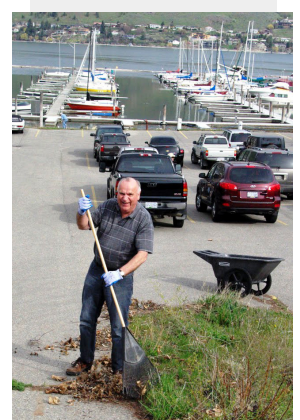
Marine dealers attending closed a few deals at this event and Club Membership Director Jerry Spelchen was busy recruiting new members.

This year, with my coaching, Jerry has overcome his natural shyness and is reeling in enthusiastic new members at a great rate. Since December, Jerry has signed up 25 Regular members and 3 Associates. The wait list for moorage is growing again as residents of the Vernon area respond to the Club's publicity and community relations efforts.

In the capable hands of Director Dean Myrfield, the Club's entrance sign has been refinished and wiring and lighting for this sign will soon be upgraded. Dean has also organised a members team to provide year round maintenance of the flags and dock banners.

House and grounds Director Mike Thomas has his hands full canvassing members for ideas to update and renew the lounge. Be sure to pass on your ideas to Mike. It all takes time.

Saturday morning May 8 we had great weather and a full house for the Commodore's Social, with brunch catered by the Blue Heron. Even the basement focsul was full of rowdy trainee sailors/midshipmen commanded by retired Commodore Carol Craske. Shantyman and retired submariner Tom Lewis brought echoes of the days of sail to us landlocked golfing sailors. Great way to start a spring weekend. Google search him on line to hear what you missed. Members Casey and Hanny Kooyman lead the Salmon Arm Community Band in a variety of favourites. Fleet Capt



Spring Clean Up!  
Many hands!

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Bob Montguire orchestrated a smoothly run sail past with OK Landing Volunteer fireboat creating the water spray backdrop. A wind shift resulted in the water cannon spraying the reviewing vessel, dousing the powder and causing a delay in firing Jim Wilkins gunpowder cannon. The ensuing several misfires and delay caused the line of fast approaching Sail Past vessels to take evasive action to avoid running over the vessel ahead, mayhem smoothly avoided thanks to expert seamanship of the VYC skippers helming the 28 vessels. Another story for the grandchildren.

Concrete proposals for the much needed next phase of dock renewal and expansion are being worked up and will be presented to members this summer. Given its poor condition and that some of it is already concrete, B dock is identified as the priority and best bang for the \$\$\$. Extending it level with D dock and using part of it to extend C dock with temporary wood from B dock will provide an additional 32 slips.

The additional income will service the cost. If later this year members vote to proceed, this next phase can be completed early in 2011.

It bears repeating; VYC is a club, a cooperative, not a corporate venture. Some from the corporate world shiver at the mention of co-op, imagining the grey horrors of socialism. Perhaps VYC embodies the best of both worlds; the drive and creativity of ethical and disciplined entrepreneurialism directed towards achieving the common good.

Only 125 shopping days till Xmas, so get out on the water, though not all at once please.

Tim



Spring Kitchen Scrub!

## Rear Commodore's Report Lawrence Johnson



### A big thank-you

to everyone that attended the Commodore's social. It was a great day of entertainment and fun. Also a big thanks to all that attended and

worked so hard at the spring clean up. It was a

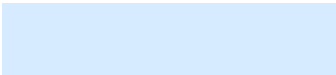
great turn-out and much was accomplished. It has been a busy spring and much has been done. We are still working on the schedule and selections for the upgrades to the club lounge area and hope to have some Reno's done this summer. Looking forward to a fun summer of boating, see you at the club!

Lawrence Johnson

# Fleet Captain's Report

Bob Montguire

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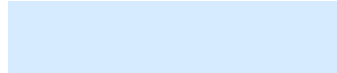


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# Vice Commodore's Report

Steve Bertram

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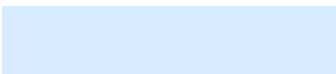


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# Staff Captain's Report

Rick Reichelt

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**Hello to all**  
of our members. Looks like boating weather is finally here. I would like to let you all know we have hired a new manager for our Clubhouse. Her name is Karen Kramer. She will be getting

her feet wet between now and the end of May, and will be full on as of June 1st. She most recently worked at the Blue Heron, and I am sure

many of you know her already. She has also worked at Squires Four Pub and The Longhorn.

I would encourage all of you to come in and meet her when you get the opportunity. With all her experience in the business and her great attitude I know she will be an asset to our club. Please welcome her.

*Thanks  
Rick*



Spring furniture polish.



# Vernon Yacht Club Minutes Summary

## May 10, 2010

By Teri McLennan, secretary

- Commodore Social was a success!!
- New flooring for upstairs was approved.
- The barbeque pit will be getting some shielding from the wind and sun.
- We are going to plant trees along the upper edge of the West lot and along the fence line towards the Lake. Drip irrigation will also be installed for the trees.
- A new Bar keeper has been hired and will commence training this month with the objective of taking over fully in June.
- We have 9 new members that have joined and 3 more prospects!!
- Come check out the new patio furniture.

Teri

*Full executive meeting minutes are available in the office.*



Tom Lewis crooning the crowd with a "Sea Shanty"



Past Commodore Recognition



Cees Kooyman conducting the Salmon Arm Community Band

*...Commodore's Social .....Commodore's Social..... Commodore's Social*

# Director of Membership

## Jerry Spelchan



### Hi everyone

I'm glad to report that after a slow start to the New Year, new member inquiries are now very brisk, especially on a sunny day. Since my last report in January we have approved 8 more new and 1 associate members in

the month of April. A warm welcome to:

Debbie & Dave Roualt - Vernon  
Bonnie Jacobsen - Vernon  
Kevin O'shea & Pita Dhaliwal - Vernon  
Patricia & Terry Rudersdorfer - Vernon  
Lorena & Andrew Klingel - Vernon  
Mike & Brooke Vasconcelos - Vernon  
Harry Adam -Vernon  
Tim & Laura Krusel -Vernon

At May 10ths executive meeting another 8 new members were approved. Another welcome to:

Jo & Mike Heenan- Vernon  
Bill & Freda White-Kamloops  
Mic & Lynda Jones- Falkland  
Tammie Dahl- Vernon  
John Tait & Judy Rayment - Vernon  
Cari & Fred Dyck - Vernon  
Bill & Cathy Baker -Armstong  
Pat & Joy Lett- Vernon  
Marlese Hutter & Kevin Campbell - Armstrong  
1 Associate member:  
Chris & Penny Bayne - Vernon

This brings our total new membership to 25 plus 4 associate members to date.

Please take time to greet these new members and show them some club hospitality!

*Jerry*



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# Bouquets of Roses

**In** recognition for dedication of time and effort to this new season of boating with "Spring Cleanup", "VYC Boat Show", "Commodore's Social", racing sailboats and powering up motor boats, a "belting Sea Shanty" of "thanks" floats out over the Okanagan Lake to you, the members and visitors, who made it all happen.

Of special note for this month... *Bob Scott, of Brandt Tractor, in accompaniment of associate member, Chuck O'Grady, and the willing hands of Craig Gaylard, for providing the use of the wood chipper to dispose of tree branches from trees chopped down during Spring clean-up, held on Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup>; they were a few of the many who toiled the day with rakes, clippers, hand gloves, hose washers, and wrenches to "brighten and care for our surroundings"; of particular mention, to those who addressed the appetites with a great lunch, a great big hug!*

*Dan Irvine, VYC Director, for organizing and directing the VYC Boat Show held during the weekend of April 24<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>; it was a fantastic event!*

*To the many who planned, coordinated, and finalized the details to create "The Commodore's Social" on Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, "muchas gracias": You gave many hours of your time and abundance of energy to a vision for everyone to enjoy!*

*Particular mention goes to...*

*MJWatson and Candace Johnson ~ phoning committee*

*Ken Smith and Dean Myrfield ~ outdoors coordination*

*Betty Labelle, Gillian Thomas, and Holly ~ "Nautical Theme Decorations"*



*Rachael Moroz-Gaylard ~ Office Manager networking the "coming together"*

*Rick Reichelt, Staff Captain ~ catering*

*Mike Thomas, Director ~ attention to detailing*

*Cees Kooyman ~ conductor of Salmon Arm Community Band*

*June 2010  
Kerry.*



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# Messing About in Boats

by  
Dave Atkins

**I**t seems inevitable that when you have more than one boat out on the Lake there will be boating accidents, and even if there was only one boat out there, there could be a boating emergency. In fact on summer days there are very many boats out on the Lake and so one should be prepared for an accident or an emergency. Accidents generally are considered to be collisions with other boats, the shore or some other solid object. How can that happen, you ask? One would expect boat drivers to be cautious and pay attention, but obviously that doesn't happen all the time. If people can crash their cars on the roads where the limits are clearly defined, how much easier is it for boats to crash when there is no white line or traffic signs, or run out of space and hit the solid limits to the water patch. The real answer is for the boat driver to pay 100%

attention to the task at hand, driving the boat. Being in command of a boat has some legal implications as well as social obligations. The Law will hold the driver of the boat liable for any injury or damage caused by the boat. Therefore the driver needs to pay attention to where the boat is headed and to all the other boats in the area and know where they are headed. Last month I outlined the basic rules of the Road and that is just the beginning! One has to learn to estimate speed in real terms and how that will affect the situation as it develops, this takes practice. The skier you are towing is the responsibility of the spotter, the driver should not be looking back to see what's happening astern. The boat driver must be looking ahead and to the sides and constantly scanning the water ahead. How else are you going to be able to make good judgments and protect your safety.

Emergencies, by definition are unexpected and often occur quite suddenly. This makes them difficult to deal with. The two greatest detriments to dealing with emergencies are

Panic and Fear. These are both natural reactions but they immobilize the brain and often the body as well. One cannot deal with an emergency if you are in a state of panic or fear. One has to develop a state of mind called "conscious calm" that is the brain must take control of the body and not the other way around. Then you can think your way through the problem. The solution is knowledge and self control. You have to be prepared for the unexpected and that can only be done by careful study of the possibilities before hand and familiarity with the boat and all its equipment. It is no good wondering how the fire extinguisher works after the engine room explosion. Where did you stow those plugs to stop the water coming in through the broken sea cock?

Running a boat of any type carries responsibilities. Preparation starts long before you leave the dock and it should be an on-going process. You should not ever reach the point where you take it for granted.

Dave

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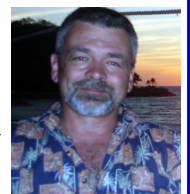
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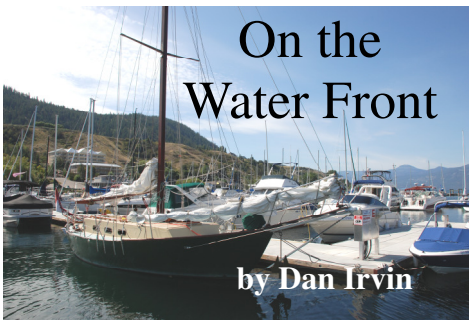
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## Boat Show 2010

**T**ake a look at this list: Vernon Yacht Clubbers having fun; raising VYC's public profile; supporting not for profit water based recreation organizations; getting some great VYC press coverage; seeing and meeting some of our many new members; signing up people for sailing lessons; putting members of the public through the PCOC exam; watching potential new members mill about the VYC tent; smiling guests out for their first sailboat ride courtesy of VYC sailors ...I could go on listing all the benefits coming out of the VYC boat show... but Hanny only gives me one page.

21 years should bring some maturity to an event and it really showed this time around. Like a well oiled machine the membership kicked into gear this year and our collective experience showed. Past Commodore Rob Ladan's transportation and traffic sector counted 1478 people through the gate. Beach walkers and visitors coming down the back road make the unofficial count higher than that and the show seemed well populated through the weekend. Thanks Rob. MJ and Staff Captain Rick Reichelt coordinated a very successful food and beverage business and if the numbers are any indication there were a lot of satisfied customers. Thanks MJ for this and for all you do and way to go Rick, your experience shows. Pam St Pierre made the VYC tent the real nerve center of the operation. Raffle

tickets and prizes, VYC apparel, VYC membership info, sailing lessons, Power and Sail Squadron, and even free popcorn all made their home under the tent for the weekend and lots of our snazzy new VYC apparel was sold by Pam and her crew. Thanks Pam. Of course none of the people thanked above could singlehandedly manage their tasks. I could thank dozens more members for their vital contributions ...but Hanny only gives me one page.

Our local business sponsors again this year came out in force and heartfelt thanks are in order for: Kal Tire and Sunshine Honda for the vital shuttle vans; Okanagan Spring for their always generous support in the beverage department; Vantage One Credit Union for the lovely big tent they provide and set up for us; Grillers Meats and Cob's Bread for keeping the pirates well supplied with meat and buns; OKLVFD for their site prep; City of Vernon for traffic control signs; and Farrer rentals for the deal on the forklift. These local businesses and VYC members involvement have done it again. Thank you everyone.



Hilford Burton of Hilmark Boats explains his hand built cedar sailboat to Boat Show guests.

## Your Slip Is Showing

Actually "show me your slip" would be more to the point for this segment. As more boats go into the water for the season I am hearing about some

slips that need some maintenance attention. While these concerns are primarily related to the older B and C docks this brings me a good opportunity to address the matter of slip maintenance in general.

VYC is a volunteer run entity so it follows that most maintenance and repair items are addressed by members volunteering. If you have ever attended an executive meeting or an annual general meeting you know that one of the most important tools in the clubs toolbox is the pencil sharpener. It takes a sharp pencil to keep our costs down so members volunteering to maintain the club in general, and their own slips in particular, is a vital part of the operation.

I am exploring the idea of a Dock Captain for each dock that can coordinate activities specific to that dock and will be seeking feedback from members and my fellow directors in that regard. In the meantime though there are some pressing maintenance items that you can help with.

If your slip is on B or C docks you will be receiving shortly an email AND a phone call advising that you should be inspecting your slip for any shortcomings. A preliminary walk of the remaining wooden sections of our marina revealed some simple general carpentry items that need attention. Of course you don't have to wait for the email to do this and I won't be waiting to hear from you to start planning a work party to fix what needs fixing. Materials will be on hand, tools will be available, and help with bigger jobs will be provided by our more experienced volunteer members.

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That's capital "V" volunteer members folks. If you don't Volunteer then another Volunteer will need to Volunteer to carry out your slip maintenance.

As someone who spent 9 years "anchored out", I know the value of being able to pull into a secure berth as well as anyone. Many of you, I am sure, have had experience with the always entertaining Paddlewheel Park Suppertime Boat Ramp Rodeo Hour and also know the value of pulling in, tying up and unloading your coolers etc into a dock cart. The common denominator in an easy end to any boating day is a secure and well maintained slip. It allows you to sleep nights knowing your boat is safe and makes the start to your next boating day "trailer free". It's worth the work it takes to keep it in good shape.

Don't let a lack of experience or tools hold you back. Just show up. This is an opportunity to see what your boat is actually tied to, how the cleats are attached, and generally become more familiar with the dock part of your boating investment. All specific slip repair or maintenance advisories can be emailed to me, [dan@danirvine.ca](mailto:dan@danirvine.ca)

I am pencilling in **Saturday the 29<sup>th</sup> of May** to address B and C dock repairs. This gives everyone who is on these docks time to assess their fingers for any repairs that are needed. Watch your inbox and voicemail for details.

As always I look forward to hearing from you with any concerns or comments you have regarding the "On The Waterfront" components of VYC infrastructure.



## Boat Show



Pirates taking a break from the hamburger stand at the April 25-26 Boat Show.



Theresa and Gary enjoying their "sailing the Okanagan" annual Boat Show event.



Dan Irvine broadcasting VYC Boat Show across the air

## Greetings:

My sister and I own one of the remaining cabins on Okanagan Landing Road, at 8719. The cabin was built in the late 20's or early 30's by the Sigalet Brothers from Lumby and was later owned by Mr. Gatzke. Our family bought it in 1972. At one time, there used to be a marina or boat docking here, as pilings were out some 100 feet from shore, and a long dock - all since washed away, with the pilings cut back in the early 80s.

We're wondering if your historians and/or older members may have a recollection of the dock and ultimately, we'd love to get a picture of how it looked when it was in a good state!

Thank you for forwarding on this request to any locals.

Kind regards,

John Richardson  
Ann Hunt

[jrichar1@gmail.com](mailto:jrichar1@gmail.com)  
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## Club Security Watch Continues

**D**uring April the VYC Security Team completed 35 shifts and 105 hours. This included around the clock watches during the Boat Show. A big thank you to Dave Birks and Dan Irvine for filling in some gaps in the shift schedule during the boat show. In general, another quiet month and uneventful month.

**However**, we did have an incident as a member reported a stolen winch arm from the front of the powerboat trailer. It has been determined that the theft occurred sometime April 13-14, oddly enough we had several security shifts completed during this period. The member's boat was located in the North by Northeast corner of the parking lot so was somewhat hidden from open view. For such an event the perpetrator must have scoped out the boats on dry-land moorage to find what was needed and planned the theft accordingly.

With this incident in mind all Security Team members are being ever more vigilant and hope all Club members are doing so as well. As the weather warms and we head into longer daylight hours we must all continue to be "Vigilant aye Vigilant"

Ron



*Sail Past May 8th, 2010*

**Dear VYC Members,**

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Boaters and boating safety enthusiasts throughout North America will simultaneously inflate their life jackets to set a World Record and launch **SAFE BOATING AWARENESS WEEK** which runs from May 22nd to 28th this year

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## WIND 'N SAIL

**A** parent Wind or True Wind? Are we on a Starboard Tack or Port? What's a halyard? Have you heard those muttering around the clubhouse? Then you have probably heard one of our students in our Adult Introduction to Sailing class. We have had an enthusiastic group of 15 learning the basics of sailing. We even had the opportunity to join in on the Commodore's Social. One boat went through the Sail Past TWICE so that they could take more pictures. Thank you to all the skippers who have helped make this a successful year.



## VALLEY GIRLS

**T**he Valley Girls have been off to a slow start. But things should start happening now! Valley Girls sail on Tuesdays and there are a total of six women skippered boats plus two decoy boats. Presently they are fully manned (pardon the pun) but we are always looking for casual crew so if you are interested contact Carol at 250 542 5644. Our schedule is on the website - May is shakedown month, June and July are the series and then in August we will go to the OKANAGAN WOMEN'S KEEL-BOAT REGATTA in Penticton. For the more adventurous, there is the CYA Women's Nationals in Quebec in September (on J24's).

### To All Members

Your 2010 Membership Cards are available for pick up at the office Tuesdays and Thursdays 8:30-2:00.

*Thanks,  
Rachael*

## Boating Helps Reduce Stress

We can't stress the statistics enough - numerous studies have shown that a little bit of boating fun each day can go a long way towards reducing stress. In fact, a recent Discover Boating survey found that 68% of Canadians feel that boating relieves their stress.

## STRANGE HAPPENINGS

**A**m I the only one thinking something strange is going on? A grey whale in the Inner Harbour, 150 dolphins feeding in Lions Bay, a beaver dam in Alberta that can be seen from space, a crocodile in a pond in Ontario?!!! There has to be something in the water!! Even the Vernon Yacht Club seems to be affected with a contagious disease - twofootitis. First, Dave Simpson shows up with a new boat (C & C 32), then Steve Cranton buys a new boat (Cheoy Lee 44), now Rob Ladan has a new boat (C & C 27) - I feel this disease is highly contagious and wonder why the WHO hasn't required all men to have inoculations?!

*Carol*

### Boating Safety

How prepared are you?

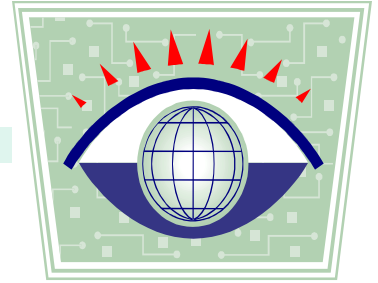
Here are five ways you can reduce risk when you are boating:

1. Wear your lifejackets or PFDs (approved personal flotation device)
2. Alcohol and boating do not mix. Don't boat and drink.
3. Pay attention to the weather conditions, pay attention to what is happening around you and always operate at a safe speed.
4. Make sure you have all the recommended safety equipment on board of your boat.
5. Take a course! Training will give you the knowledge to make smart choices when boating.

(source—Safe Boating Canada)

Book Corner  
**EXPANDING  
HORIZONS**

By Kerry Richardson



Nothing beats a steady wind and running current in a clockwise race around James Island off Sidney, B.C. Yes, the spinnaker was flying!

**Review:**

What is notable about this book, read during the wee hours of a new day by a devoted competitive skipper, is “the clarity” with which the strategies and tactics for racing are presented.

Organized into twelve chapters, there are photographs and diagrams to illuminate the author’s wisdom and forty years’ experience in “becoming a champion”. Hours can be spent rereading the sections and studying the diagrams on: “Strategy At The Start”, “Windward and Downward Tactics”, “Trim For Speed”.

Will this resource make a difference to your style of racing? Indeed.

“A must-read for those who aspire to win sailboat races at any level.” - Tom Wideen, America’s Cup Winner.

Purchase: [www.amazon.ca](http://www.amazon.ca) \$19.50 (new)

**Resources:** Sport & Pleasure

**Title:**

***Championship Sailing:  
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For more information, and to pre-register for courses, please call Simo Korpisto at **250-542-5525**. Register on-line [www.cpsboat.ca](http://www.cpsboat.ca) or [www.cpsvernon.ca](http://www.cpsvernon.ca)

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# Ogopogo curse is BACK!



On April 21, it was Ayesha's turn to suffer the wrath of Ogoopogo. The winds, according to the weather office, were a respectable 9 km, the weather was warm and it was Ayesha's shakedown cruise. The skipper, Don Craske, was allowed to helm and the main sheet was controlled by the Admiral, Carol Craske. Our able crew consisted of Ed Manual and Maureen Soichuk. We sailed to the windward mark and started the run to D mark. As we rounded D mark into the wind and winched in the genoa sheet, we heard a

loud bang and then the foresail slowly sunk to the deck. We all looked up to find half our mast bent over and dangling. Luckily no one was hurt and it appears the only damage was to the mast and rigging. Poor Ayesha - she will be out for the season, we think. Next year we will make that sacrifice to Ogoopogo before we go out on the race course.

*Carol*



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# 2010 Calendar of Events for Okanagan Lake Yacht Clubs

DATE	YC	EVENT	DATE	YC	EVENT
<b>JUNE</b>			<b>AUG</b>		
4,5 & 6	VYC	United Way Regatta	6,7 & 8	SYC	All Club Invasion (ball tournament)
5 & 6	KYC	Commodore's Ball & Sail Past	14	WYC	Rib'N Blues
12	SYC	Dock Party All clubs	14	KYC	Commodore's Cup Regatta
19	KYC	Boat for Hope - All clubs	20,21 & 22	KYC	All Club Invasion
25	WYC	Lobster Fest	28	PYC	Commodore's Ball
26	KYC	Randy's Retirement party	<b>SEPT</b>		
<b>JULY</b>			3,4 & 5	PYTC	Grand Prix Regatta
3 & 4	SYC	Commodore's Ball & Sail Past	4	VYC	Pig Roast
9,10 & 11	SYC	Regatta	11	KYC	CNIB Fishing Derby
16,17 & 18	WYC	All Club Invasion - Poker run	17,18 & 19	<b>All Club Regatta - End to End -</b>	
23,24 & 25	VYC	All Club Invasion	Call KYC for more info		
31	PYC	Members BBQ (all clubs invited)	<b>To volunteer</b> call Tracy @ 250 861-7033 or tracy.delorme@shaw.ca		
<b>Year Round</b>	VYC	Friday Night Steak Dinners	18	WYC	Golf Tournament
			<b>OCT</b>		
			30	SYC	Halloween Party

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# June 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Valley Girls 6:30PM 2 races	2 <i>Lounge Hours</i> <b>16:00-20:00</b> Hamburger Night  Evening Races	3 <i>Lounge Hours</i> <b>16:00-20:00</b>	 4 <i>Lounge Hours</i> <b>16:00-22:00</b> Friday Night Dinner <b>VYC United Way Regatta</b>	5 <i>Lounge Hours</i> <b>13:00-17:00</b>  <b>VYC United Way Regatta</b>
6 <i>Lounge Hours</i> <b>14:00-18:00</b>  <b>VYC United Way Regatta</b>	7	8 Valley Girls 6:30PM 2 races	9 <i>Lounge Hours</i> <b>16:00-20:00</b> Hamburger Night  Evening Races	10 <i>Lounge Hours</i> <b>16:00-20:00</b>	11 <i>Lounge Hours</i> <b>16:00-22:00</b> Friday Night Dinner	12 <i>Lounge Hours</i> <b>13:00-17:00</b>  <b>Private Func- tion 5:30PM</b>
13 <i>Lounge Hours</i> <b>14:00-18:00</b>	14  <i>VYC Executive meeting</i> <b>7:00 PM</b>	15 Valley Girls 6:30PM 2 races	16 <i>Lounge Hours</i> <b>16:00-20:00</b> Hamburger Night  Evening Races	17 <i>Lounge Hours</i> <b>16:00-20:00</b>	18 <i>Lounge Hours</i> <b>16:00-22:00</b> Friday Night Special Dinner	19 <i>Lounge Hours</i> <b>13:00-17:00</b>  <b>Private Func- tion 5:30PM</b>
20 <i>Lounge Hours</i> <b>14:00-18:00</b>	21	22 Valley Girls 6:30PM 2 races	23 <i>Lounge Hours</i> <b>16:00-20:00</b> Hamburger Night  Evening Races	24 <i>Lounge Hours</i> <b>16:00-20:00</b>	25 <i>Lounge Hours</i> <b>16:00-22:00</b> Friday Night Dinner	26 <i>Lounge Hours</i> <b>13:00-17:00</b>  <b>Private Func- tion 5:30PM</b>
27 <i>Lounge Hours</i> <b>14:00-18:00</b>	28	29 Valley Girls 6:30PM 2 races	30 <i>Lounge Hours</i> <b>16:00-20:00</b> Hamburger Night  Evening Races	 <b>July 23,24 &amp; 25 All Club Invasion</b>		