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## Newsletter

It has been a busy spring around the club with a lot going on, so it seemed appropriate to send out an abbreviated Newsletter to keep you all informed.

By now most of you know that Dan will be leaving us at the end of June. It has been four long years of separation for Dan and Glenda as she followed her call to the Lutheran Ministry. She was ordained last week, and has now been settled at a church in Timmins. Of course, she and Dan want to be together as she embarks on this new journey, and he will be loading up his belongings and moving to Timmins on July 2.

We have had nine years of wonderful service from Dan, and he is not easy to replace. His skills exceeded our actual requirements for a Dockmaster. For example, we were able to make good use of his talent for welding, and his mechanical abilities that kept our ancient machinery running despite all its foibles. He has routinely put in hours more than required for the club, because he cares about NCYC. Many of us have hired him to do work for us.

Of course, we couldn't let Dan go without a great send-off. Because we want Glenda to be there too, we have had to schedule it for this Friday, June 11, beginning with hors d'oeuvres and the drink of your choice at 6:00 p.m. We recognize that it will not be easy for those still working to make it for the potluck, but it was the only time available for Glenda, who will have to drive back to Timmins on Saturday to be ready for the Sunday service. Please come if you possibly can, even if late.

Thanks to our selection committee of Al Kenney, Len Kitchener, Art Coggan and Bob Smith, we have hired a new Dockmaster. Calvin Rodgers is the son of a former Dockmaster, and has happy memories of growing up at NCYC. He will begin working with Dan on June 21 and with his wife Valerie and three teenagers, will move into the house on our property soon after Dan moves out. Please introduce yourselves and make Cal feel welcome

## Summer 2010

### Safety Day

The next Club event will be Safety Day on June 19. Fleet Captain Tom DeLong has arranged for volunteers to train or update members on the proper use of the winch, and to learn how to operate the fire pump. Even if you have been here for other demonstrations, a refresher would be worthwhile. There will be continuous demonstrations so that you can go from one to the other.

We will also have someone from the Volunteer Coast Guard to do safety inspections of your boat, if you wish. You don't need to be concerned that you will be failed if your flares are out of date, etc. It is a good idea, though to make sure that your safety equipment is up to the legal standard, and he can tell you what, if anything, you need to do.

### **Deft Definitions from B through D**

Berth - a little addition to the crew.

Boom - sometimes the result of a surprise jibe.

Bottom Paint - what you get when the cockpit seats are freshly painted.

Chart - a type of map which tells you exactly where you are aground.

Clew - an indication from the skipper as to what he might do next.

Companionway - a double berth.

Dead Reckoning - a course leading directly to a reef.

Deadheads - Your Sunday morning crew

Deviation - any departure from the Captain's orders.

Dinghy - the sound of the ship's bell.

Displacement - when you dock your boat and can't find it later.

## Summer Events at NCYC

### Mark your calendars

**June 11 – Dan’s Farewell Party**

**June 19 - Safety Day**

**June 19 - Commodore’s Cruise**

**August 21/22 – 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Weekend**

**September 4 – 6 Labour Day Cruise and Corn Roast**

### Convenors Needed

We have convenors for all but two events. The Labour Day Corn Roast is always an enjoyable end to the sailing season, but if nobody steps up and volunteers, it will have to be cancelled. There is always lots of help available to husk corn, and set up, but we need a team leader to order the corn and arrange for the transportation of the pots, etc.

Help is also needed for the Batten Down Barbecue, to be held this year on October 16. If you can help out at either of these club functions, please let Anne Phillips know. She can be reached at 522-0487 or at [tapp@tyenet.com](mailto:tapp@tyenet.com)

### New Members –

A warm welcome to **Gilda and John Marquette**, who brought their Nonsuch 26, “Peniel”, to the dock last week. They will be great members. They turned up for the first work party while their application form was still on the board! **Ken and Sharon Barnes** have sold See Stern to **Richard Fortin**, who has applied for membership. His application will be posted soon. He and son Simon spent the weekend at the club and are looking forward to becoming full members.

White hoses on the dock are for potable water only. Potable water is treated to make it safe to drink, while the water from the green

hoses is good lake water. Please use only the green hoses to wash your boats.

Rules and Regs sometimes seem like pesky things, but they are there to make life more pleasant for all. During the spring season, some dogs have run loose while we prepare our boats. While we love our dogs, it’s no fun to step into a mess left by someone else’s pet. Please clean up after your dogs and keep them leashed while off your boat except on the east bank.

### 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Weekend

Cheryl Girard and her committee are well on track for the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Those of you who have been at the club will have noticed what a great job Louise Buckingham and Cheryl have done with the gardens. Who would have guessed that a beautiful rockery and sitting area could be created beside the barbecue? Two fantastic planters created by our Mennonite neighbours grace the back deck, with hanging baskets at the front door. Our flower beds have never looked better. Thanks, Cheryl and Louise.

Convenors have volunteered for all but a couple of events. Watch your emails for more information about each of the planned events.

We are grateful to generous members who have donated prizes or items to raffle off. You’ll hear more on that later.

To date 62 tickets have been sold, and 82 T-shirts have been ordered. We are delighted to report that our founding members have been invited and so far we have had positive responses from the Carlross’ and the Kellers. Paul has agreed to speak to us about the club’s beginnings. It should be a great weekend!

For that weekend only, RVs will be permitted to park on the east bank, although they will not have access to power or water. The Management Committee in its discretion decreed that this could be allowed for every major anniversary.

To order tickets or t-shirts, please contact Cheryl at [rcgirard@sympatico.ca](mailto:rcgirard@sympatico.ca) or 705-474-0544

And that’s all for now. Happy boating to all!  
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