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Commodore's Comments

To: NCYC Members
From: Leighton T. Roslyn, Commodore
Date: 2022-04-25
Re: Water, Launch Rail, Spring Planning Meeting etc.

Below is a report on the current state of things at the Club:

1. A group of dedicated members were at the Club over the last few days to get some things ready for Club Opening and the Boating Season. Thank you to Carol [Piper], Tom and Jocelyn, Glenda & John, Dan, Paul, Gilles, Ray, Aubrey, Dwight, Ian, Dax, and Mike. If I've missed someone, I do apologize. Everyone's efforts are much appreciated.
2. **Launch Rail:**
 - a. The Launch Rail experienced a hard winter and spring. Several railway ties near the water's edge have been severely compromised and the rail is unstable over 15 or 20 feet or so. The ties need to be removed and replaced. There are some of the steel gauge strips which keep the distance between the rails uniform and these have been compromised as well.
 - b. Work has already begun [thanks Josh, Ian, and Dax] and Gilles is working on a team to address this in a timely fashion.
 - c. **Until this work is completed, launching is not possible. Ties will be missing and the distance between rails is NOT stable. Members should NOT attempt to launch until further notice.**
3. **Water System:**
 - a. **The water system is now operational but the water has not yet been tested for potability.**
 - b. **Members can use the water for cleaning etc., but it is not recommended to use it for drinking water until the test results are received.**
 - c. Dwight and his team of volunteers worked over several days last week to get this done. Aubrey, Gilles and I "shocked" the system over the weekend. Water samples have been taken and I dropped those off this morning to Testmark Labs in Garson for analysis. We should know in a few days whether the water is now potable.
 - d. We will advise further once Dwight gets the test results.
4. **Electrical System:**

- a. We had an unwelcome visitor at the Club this afternoon. A squirrel crossed the line at the transformer by the electrical shed and shorted the transformer. Dan was on the spot and used the emergency number in the Clubhouse to phone Hydro. They sent a crew out within an hour or two and were readily able to extricate the squirrel and return electrical service to the Club.



Above is the smoking switch.

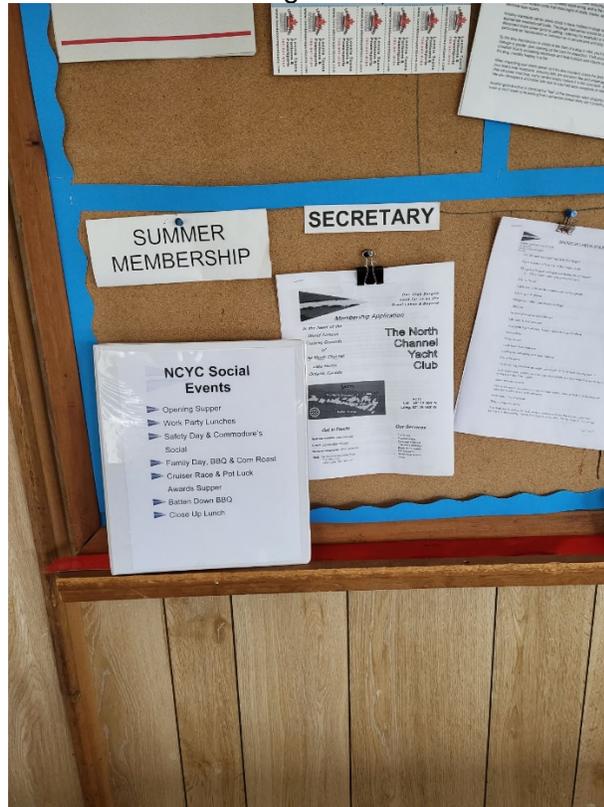
Below is the euthanized culprit.



- b. Michael Leahy braved the Electrical Shed to find a breaker which needed to be reset and restored power to all buildings. Thanks Michael!

5. **Convenors:**

- a. A Social Events binder was located and some digital copies of portions of the contents were also retrieved. A fresh binder was organized and is now in the Clubhouse on the ledge beneath the Bulletin Board.



- b. A digital copy of the binder is on the NCYC Google Drive and can be accessed through this link:
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1t1pgu5AeAipO6MFJJVMlxn_IQPpBZgRX/view?usp=sharing
- c. We need Convenors for Club events. Please review the Calendar [which John Amanatides kindly updated on the website] and let the Secretary, Vicky Wilton, know if you can assist with an event.
- d. The binder could use updating. If you have ideas, please let me know.
6. **Club Opening: The Club is NOT officially open yet. Members can, however, attend to getting their vessel ready for launch.**
7. **Mooring Inspections:**
- a. Gilles has now completed the update of the Mooring Chart and the list of moorings that require inspection. These are posted in the Clubhouse. They are also available here:

- i. Mooring Inspection List:
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1xdKhU2UM5kxQ-guzSHZib_qGZ9RE3Kw8/view?usp=sharing
 - ii. Mooring Chart:
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1xRfiwxBck969jGxrx7A5Om6t7CPwLVC/vi-ew?usp=sharing>
- b. There are many moorings that need to be inspected this year. There are a large number that need to be inspected BEFORE launching. See Rules: Section 1.11.12
 - c. The barge and club dinghy are in the water and available for members to use. Please be mindful that others may be wanting to use the equipment.
8. **Work Parties:**
- a. The weather did not create pleasant circumstances for a Work Party this weekend, so there are still tasks that need to be performed. The Club Opening Task List is available on the Bulletin Board in the Clubhouse. A copy is also available on the NCYC Google Drive:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1xhd_feOF94VcY5s5uU7Yv5bYHAC5zVwS/view?usp=sharing
 - b. The Work Party Logbook has been in the Telephone Booth at the foot of the main dock pier for the last two years because the Clubhouse has been closed.
 - c. The Log is now in its' usual place at the entrance to the Clubhouse. Please remember to record your hours and a description of the work performed.
 - d. **The next Work Party is scheduled for Saturday, May 14, 2022.**
9. **Spring Planning Meeting:**
- a. The SPM will be held at the Clubhouse on Sunday, May 15, 2022
 - b. The formal Notice of Meeting and the proposed Agenda will be circulated shortly.
 - c. The Management Committee has decided on the following schedule for this weekend:
 - i. **Work Party:**
 - (1) Saturday, May 14, 2022, at 9:00am or thereabouts.
 - (2) Lunch: Brown Bag
 - (3) Supper: Potluck BBQ etc. [Debra Maher has kindly agreed to convene]
 - (4) Evening: informal social: BYOB and snacks.
 - ii. **SPM:**
 - (1) Brunch: 11:00am [subject to change] Debra Maher has kindly agreed to convene.

- (2) Meeting: 1:00pm
- (3) Post-meeting: informal social but there will be no dinner.
- (4) To vote at the SPM, fees must be paid in full prior to the meeting.
[By-laws Schedule A section 1.9.2]

10. Mystery Boat:

- a. This boat appeared on the East Bank last fall:



- b. Does anyone know who owns this? If so, please let someone on the MC know.