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Commodore's Report to SPM 2022

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While our battle with Covid-19 is not over, at least some things will return to near normal at NCYC this season. We no longer must wrestle with conflicting accounts and understandings of what restrictions might apply to us. There are some still, but they are relatively minor. Members are encouraged to "mask" and keep to a minimum of 6 feet of social distancing to reduce the risk of infecting others or of becoming infected. Full vaccinations are also encouraged but are not policed or mandated. Remember that being fully vaccinated or having Covid-19 and surviving it do not mean that you cannot become infected again. They simply reduce the risk of severe symptoms, hospitalization, or death. There is no 100% security against becoming infected.

We continue to wrestle however with other demons. The launch rail required work at the water's edge to replace rail ties that had deteriorated to the point that the rail was no longer safe. That is the damage we could see. Who knows what lurks beneath the surface further from shore? Members who have diving skills are encouraged to survey the rail and report to the Fleet Captain with any problems or concerns they encounter.

There is work to be done too on the Service Dock and the Finger Docks and some of that may happen during the Work Party scheduled for May 14th.

We happily continue to welcome new members and have applications pending for even more. Since the last SPM we have welcomed: Ian Dunthorne/Karoline Nielsen; John Sbrolla/Barbara Sbrolla; Dax J. Wilkinson/Alexandra Wigington. An application is pending for John Burrows/Sharon Bernas from Dundas, Ontario who purchased Ray Hortness boat "Cadana" just this spring.

At the AGM last fall, the membership gave the MC a mandate to create a data store of organizational knowledge so that it does not get "lost". Since then, we have:

1. Set up a NCYC Google Drive where we have filled 1.19GB of the 15GB free storage available to us.
2. We have found and digitized the Social Events Binder for convenors of events.
3. Begun storing MC meeting agendas and minutes on the Google drive dating back to 2010.
4. Shared access to the Google Drive to all MC members.
5. Begun sharing access to some of the root folders to the general membership.

This will become a great resource for members in the years to come and is well worth the time it takes to maintain. Members who have worked on the MC or other NCYC committees over the years and who have Minutes, Briefing Notes, Memos, diagrams, or other documents worth preserving and encouraged to bring these to the attention of the Secretary so that we can continue to add to this knowledge store.

As you will hear from other MC Members, there is work planned and even more work to be done, but mostly we look forward to renewing acquaintances with people we have not been able to socialize with these past two Covid years and by that means creating a NCYC Renewal as well.