



THE NAVIGATOR



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Dates to Remember

June 28, 2003
Pre-Canada Day
Dance
Time: 9:00 – 1:00
Lunch will be served
Best part is the cost,
It's FREE

JULY 1st
Regina Beach Parade
&
2nd Annual Boat
Parade

Upper Deck Hours
of Operation for
June
6 – 9 Fridays
3 – 9 Saturdays
1 – 6 Sundays

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Commodore's Report

Well, the first month of the boating season is in the books and there has been some progress and some problems at RBYC.

Reg Vellieux and Sabrina have got a lot of painting, general clean up and repairs done around the club, and things are looking good!
As well, all docks including the gas docks have been put in and as of today (June 8) the boat-wash lift was towed out by, Sporty Barber and his big boat. It was quite a pull! He also pulled out a broken piling that was an underwater hazard, not far from the gas dock and got it close enough to shore that we will be able to salvage it.
THANKS SPORTY!

The docks to go around the boat-wash lift were lent to the Walleye Classic on the weekend of June 6-8 as RBYC's contribution to this community event. Now that the docks are back, Reg and crew will be getting them out in place so the boat-wash facilities should be ready to go very soon. We were prepared to rent all empty (unoccupied) slips to the walleye, fishermen for a daily fee of \$20 per day for electrified and \$15 for non-electrified slips. We probably made about \$250 from that plus quite a few boats came for gas. Every little bit of revenue helps.

Another big job got done this week, with the dock in front of the clubhouse being taken off the old "river weight system" and fastened to the new pilings.
Boy, those river weights are heavy (especially when 3 get all tangled together and have to be brought up at the same time. Just ask Sabrina and the Commodore)!!!!

Doug Reid and Bill Rieger along with Reg worked 2 evenings recently and have all the large "salvage" power poles down to the beach area at the club. The next step is to fasten them to the new pilings on the NW corner to create what we believe will be the best breakwater we have ever had, at that location. Thanks Doug and Bill!

The new beacon lights that were recommended by Canada Coastguard have arrived and two are up and functioning and the other 2 will be put up ASAP, on the pilings on the NW corner, as soon as some burrs on the steel piles can be ground off. The furthest west pile will have a green beacon signifying the entrance way and all other beacons will be white signifying land or in this case our breakwater. New entranceway buoys are also on their way to better mark and properly control traffic at the entranceway to the marina.

For all members' interest, we have had several meetings with the new Canada Coastguard representative located in Prince Albert. Our objective is to get the marina

licensed by Canada Coastguard as a legal entity (we figure it's about time since the Club has operated since 1913). This licence would put the marina on all maps as a licensed **obstruction in a waterway** and would reduce our liability substantially in the event of someone running into the breakwater (heaven forbid!) Plus it will smarten up, the club and marina and give it a more professional appearance, and we hope contributes to safe boating and member's knowledge about boating.

In the grounds project area substantial, exploratory work (much by Cliff Lessard) on the best way to repair or replace the leaking and rotting upper deck floor and the railing has taken place and more will be done over the summer. It looks like this project will likely take about 2 weeks or more and we just didn't feel comfortable in having the upper deck out of commission at this time of the year. So, Reg patched (rather, nicely I thought) the weak spots in the floor and the upper deck is fully functional for the summer.

Operating hours for the upper lounge for May and June are -
6-9 pm Friday, 3-9 pm on Saturday and 1-6 on Sunday.

If you are there a little early, just ask Reg or the staff and they will open the lounge and serve you, if they aren't too busy doing other important work.

Another project, which had to be postponed for now, was the consideration for a new method (bridge) to access the NW corner docks and allow seadoos access to their mooring area. The changing water levels throughout the year and the different levels of the floating docks make this project quite tricky. For now, we are working at a better winch and lift system for the existing ramp. Please bear with us!

The club has received two grants, through separate, programs of the Canadian government, one to help support a summer student to work at the club and another to support the Canada Day fireworks, which after some debate, will be held on the night of Canada Day, July the First.

At the urging of the Commodore and Financial committee, Reg has tried to do with minimal help during the month of May and early June, to try and reduce our wage bill. The Board has set a tough objective of trying to have some profit (hopefully \$10,000) in our operating budget at the end of the year. This can then be used to fund some repairs that we planned on doing out of the Capital Reserve Fund or will be put back into the reserve fund to bolster it. One way that we can contribute to this objective is to try and keep our wage bill as reasonable as possible without sacrificing service to our members.

The next big social event will be the dance on June 28. Please mark it on your calendar and try to attend. It should be fun.

One item that I would ask each member to seriously consider is to ensure his or her boat is properly and securely tied up to his slip and has appropriate fenders or other protection available in case of a big wind. Last week we had a real stem-winder of a north wind that apparently reached well over 90 kms per hour in gusts.

Fortunately it happened during the day and Reg and I were able to go around the marina retying some boats and adding extra ropes and fenders to the worst situations. I think everything came through okay but had this wind, hit at night, I think some damage to boats may have occurred. Each member is responsible for securing his own boat in such a way that it can withstand these types of conditions. The club insurance will not cover damage to member's boats that is caused by banging or rubbing against docks.

Your Board and staff will continue trying to improve the club for your enjoyment in the coming months. One area, that Dawn Vellieux and the social committee are contemplating is to try and make the upper lounge more fun and entertaining, in a user friendly or spontaneous way, rather than, just having planned events.

I hope the weather smartens up soon and everyone enjoys their summer on the water.

Safe Boating

Ross MacLennan.

Communications / Membership

I wish to take this time to welcome all the new members to the RBYC. This is the 90th Year the club has been operating at Regina Beach. You have joined a club that has experienced hard and good times however, with the help of members like yourself, the club survived the tough times. Right now, it's the good times so lets enjoy a great summer.

For the information of the new members as well as old members, the club sends out emails to help keep the members informed. If you have an email address and are not on our mailing list, send the club an email and you will be added to our list. This is a very cost saving method of communications and it also saves a lot of work (the part I like). Send your email to info@rbyc.ca

We also have a web site at www.rbyc.ca take a look and let us know how we could improve the site.

The club can only contact you if we have a current update membership list. Please contact the club if you change any of your personal or business contacts. It is also very important that the staff can contact you in an emergency, such as YOUR BOAT IS SINKING, and your old phone number will not work.

How to contact the Club:

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Social Report

Once again your club will be putting a float in the July 1st. Parade. Mark Hustak and Calvin Liebel have been volunteered by the commodore to organize this event. Any member with any expertise in float building or in fact any living bodies who can help decorate a float need only to leave their name and phone number with the staff at the Office. Since we are a Yacht Club I think we should also celebrate Canada Day on our boats. Last year a number of boats joined in a small parade of boats in front of Regina Beach. The boats and crew competed for prizes in Best Dress Boat and Best Dressed Crew. This is just for fun and something to do following the land parade and before the fireworks. All members are invited to join the parade even if they only fly a Canadian Flag. To take part in this event, dress up the boat and crew, meet on the Upper Deck, an hour after the parade. Additional information will be posted around the club.

With July 1st falling on a weekday the social committee is going to try holding the July 1st Dance on the weekend prior to first.

The dance will be held on Saturday the 28th of June. We have hired a DJ and the music will begin at 9:00 pm and go till 1:00 AM. A midnight lunch is also included with your admission. The Cost will not even dint your pocketbook,

IT'S FREE

GROUNDS REPORT

I think the Commodore has covered just about all the work the grounds committee has undertaken. If you have any concerns about the grounds around the club, talk to Reg at the office and he can pass them on to the board.

One very big job you can't miss seeing is the Queen Elizabeth's Golden Jubilee flower box. Reg built the Flower box and it looks very professional and dresses up the club. But a flower box with no flowers would look kind of bleak, however thanks to a green thumb member we will have some flowers this summer. Bonnie Kraft has volunteered to look after the showcase this summer. It is still early but you can see already it will be very lovely as all the flowers and shrubs fill out. Thank You Bonnie for the wonderful gift.

Mooring Report

Doug Reid our Moorage Chair, submitted the following Waiting List

RBYC Inc. June 2003 Waiting List

Type of Slip	Name	Date of Deposit
Xlarge 25ft >	Ron Grant	May 22 / 2002
	Barry Robinson	December 09 / 2002
	Ken Hamilton	February 11 / 2003

Large 20ft > - < 25ft	Don Fulton	May 17 / 2002
	Glen Knight	April 11/2003
	Ken Hill	April 13/2003

Medium 17ft> - <20ft	Doug Degelman	July 27 / 2002
	Rod Dillon	August 02 / 2002
	Roger Luron	September 15 / 2002
	Dan Goldstone	December 22 / 2002
	Chad Fink	February 27 / 2003
	Brent Gibson	March 13 / 2003
	Steve Olasz	May 24/2003
	Nick Kangles	May 30 / 2003

Small <17ft	Beatty Pickering	June 21 / 2002
	Phil Robertson	June 07 / 2003

Summary of Waiting List

Xlarge 25ft >	(Boat Length, Greater than 25 feet overall)	3
Large 20ft > - < 25ft	(Boat Length, Greater than 20 feet and less than 25 feet)	3
Medium 17ft> - <20ft	(Boat Length, Greater Than 17 feet and Less than 20 feet)	8
Small <17ft	(Boat Length, Less than 17 feet overall)	<u>2</u>
	Total	16

Total Number of Slips	
Xlarge	8
Large	49
Medium	40
Small	<u>33</u>
Total # of Slips	130