



# CLIPPER

Queen City Yacht Club

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Photo by Eric M. Carroll

The Commodore and Vice Commodore review the fleet. A fine start to the season at the QCYC!



## Communications

Glen Newbury

Seems to me that there's been a great start to the season!

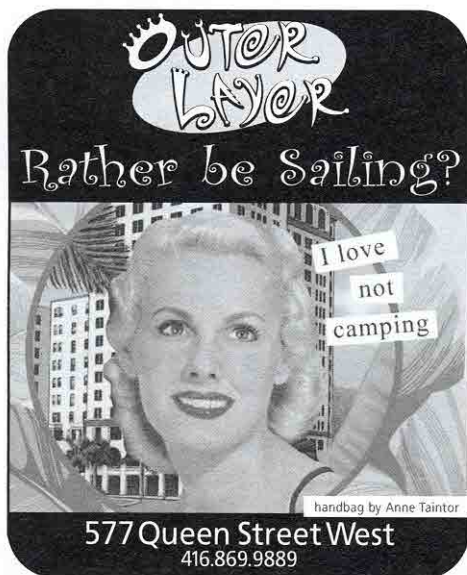
There have been tonnes of photo contributions, thanks! When you send them please, if you have more than three or four, zip them into a single file and send them via [www.yousendit.com](http://www.yousendit.com). This is much easier than sorting out dozens of emails.



Now the Clipper is looking for writers. Every sailor spends a lot of time thinking about why they purchased their boat, what they like about it and learning about the history of it. Like a fine wine, every boat has its nuances and so the Clipper is starting a monthly feature on what attracted you to your boat. What better boat to start with than Fine Wine!

So if you want to write an article about your boat please send a photo and 1000-1500 words to [communications@qcy.ca](mailto:communications@qcy.ca). Find me before I find you!

Happy sailing!



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## Commodore

Tony Pitts

### Core Values at QCYC

The 2007 sailing/boating season has begun. I thank all those members who participated in the sailpast, reception, dinner and dance - what a wonderful day!



This event was for everyone as we officially opened our 118th season. A special thanks to Graham Dougall and Susan Veenhuizen. Graham, of course, organized the sailing events and dinner, and Susan, the excellent band.

As we start the season, I remind all members of our heritage and history. Hopefully, we have maintained the values and traditions that were envisioned by Tommy World, our first Commodore, and the founding members. In 1920, the QCYC Board decided to move the clubhouse location from the foot of York Street to Sunfish Island (now known as Algonquin Island). I am sure that this decision was not only based on the necessity to rebuild the clubhouse, but also, to move to a more aesthetic and desirable location. I think this is one of the main reasons why we all joined QCYC - a chance to be away from the bustle and noise of a busy city.

QCYC is a small yacht club. We currently have 137 Senior Members and 120 members in other categories. We are a small community within the larger community on Toronto Islands. In addition to the ambiance, we enjoy the camaraderie, the sailing programs and the social activity.

My main point is that the key ingredients to our success and enjoyment are the core values that we share - openness, trust, respect, integrity, friendship. Without these, we have no clear identity or cohesiveness as a community. We are a self-help club that is governed by a Board of Volunteers. All members work hard to keep QCYC what it is today. I encourage open dialogue in which we respectfully listen to each other using civil discourse. Once in a while we stray from these values, so I think it is important to remind ourselves of this.

So, let us enjoy the season!

## Fleet

Gary Hoeg

The AQll continues to present us with some unique challenges. The latest involved the failure of injector number six which caused the vessel to be out of service for a short period. Of course, this injector is the least accessible and most difficult one to replace out of all the injectors. Thanks go to Don Ferguson for going to Industry Diesel in Oakville first thing the following morning to get the necessary replacement. We have asked Toromont Industries to investigate why the injectors are failing so quickly given the fact that they were already serviced by them as recently as last summer.



The Robbins is now completely operational. As with any new engine, there was a break-in period which involved varying the throttle and not pushing the vessel too hard. The 30 hour service that was recently completed involved changing the oil and filters and making sure everything was tight on the engine. Some adjustments were made, but she is ready to go for the season. Those members who are qualified to operate the Robbins during work parties need to remember to check the fluid levels prior to operation to make sure nothing is low. It's probably not a bad idea to check in with the office prior to use to get a heads up on any problems you might not be aware of. A goal this year is not to replace the alternator. This usually results from improper shut down and costs the Club about five hundred dollars to replace. More importantly, improper shut down can also damage the engine. The current from the alternator can actual-

ly magnetize the engine over time, which was one of the problems with the old engine. This attracts metal filings, which can harm the internal workings of any diesel. There is a one-year warranty on the rebuild and if we can take measures that prevent damage, we will have many more years of trouble free service.

I'd also like to thank those members who helped to prepare the "Fleet" during our work party weekend. Ken Goodings and Paul Horne did an excellent job with mounting and wiring a new GPS on the Robbins. John Heath, Jeremy Ruskin, Neil McKechnie, Allie Baxter, Eric Rugelis, Valerie Wint, and Gail Smith all did equally fine work painting the boat. Thanks also to Bob Mountjoy for providing the finishing touches on the Robbins to have it ready for Sail Past. The cradle for the boat was also worked on to provide crib supports by the capable hands of John Moorehouse and John Carroll. The Rapids Queen also saw clean up action from Whitney Webster, John Heath, Manfred Sparr, and Kim Parker. Last but not least, thanks go to Freddy Mayerhofer for varnishing the wood trim on the AQll and to David Hall for removing and cleaning the ship's bell.

Although sometimes it doesn't seem like it, I do believe we are making progress with respect to Fleet operations. Thanks once again to those who helped to prepare the Club boats for the sailing season.

### Does a hand held flare Drop red-hot larva on your toes?



Never thought about it?

Maybe you should  
light a flare on...

Safety Day  
Saturday 16 June  
10:00 - 13:00

Bring your outdated flares.  
(Wear shoes)

