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# The Blue Duster

Royal Kennebecasis Yacht Club



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## 2010 Marina Information

Last month the 2010 Marine Services Request Form was sent out to those members that have email addresses. For those that do not, the form has been included in this month's mailing and we ask that the completed form be returned by the end of March. The good news is that the fact that this form is now being circulated means that it won't be long until the yard will again be active with members preparing for launch.

Over the past number of years members have been commenting that launch seemed to be getting earlier each year which was technically correct as the calendar advanced the launch weekend by one day each year. In 2010 it goes back a few days. The launch in 2009 was on May 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>; in 2010 Launch will be on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. This will provide members a few more days to be ready and when looking at the lack of ice in the river and the snow pack conditions, it would seem reasonable to conclude that launch will go on time... but then you never know.

Please remember that if you are not ready to launch on May 14<sup>th</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup>, your next launch opportunity will be three weeks later. This second launch will be much the same as the first with a number of boats being launched and the need for boat owners to assist in the launch.

We encourage all boat owning members to be ready for the launch in May.

The RKYC requires that each member keeping a boat here maintain a minimum of \$1,000,000 in liability insurance coverage. This protects both you and others in the event of a mishap. We are asking that you provide information on your liability coverage this year, as we did last year on the Marine Services Request Form. We do not need a certificate of proof, just your confirmation that you have the proper coverage and who your insurer/agent is.

Included with the request forms, is a list of items that we ask members using the marina facilities to abide by. Please take the time to read this enclosure as if every one followed this list, the marina operation would be much smoother.

The Marine Services Committee is currently in the process of searching for a new small crane as our existing one is showing its age. This purchase had been approved at the February Annual Meeting and it is hoped that the new to us crane will be in service for the launch in May.

Yard activity is set to start on Monday, March 15 when Bob Barnes and our new Marina Manager, Thane Jones begin work marking the near end to winter.



By September 15, 2009

all Canadian operators of a motorized vessel will have to show proof of operator competency



**Buffets**

Buffets start at 6:00 pm and are \$19.00, except as noted. Please call the day before to reserve.

- March 11<sup>th</sup> Shepard's Pie and Baked Broccoli Casserole
- March 18<sup>th</sup> Prime Rib Buffet\*
- March 25<sup>th</sup> Atlantic Salmon en Croute
- April 1<sup>st</sup> East Indian Night\*
- April 8<sup>th</sup> Jamaican Jerked Chicken
- April 15<sup>th</sup> Carved Stuff Roast Porkloin.

\*\$24.00, all-inclusive

**Spring Dinner & Dance**

At the annual meeting, it was suggested that the RKYC again host a Spring Dinner and Dance and the Entertainment Committee agreed to undertake the task. The last one was held in 2007. The date is scheduled for Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup> so please reserve that evening now and details will be available shortly. Support of this venture is important if it is to again become a recurring event.

**Membership Billings**

March is the month that membership billings are circulated. If you pay by March 26<sup>th</sup> by cheque, cash or debit, you will receive a 2.5 percent discount off your bill.

Please let us know as soon as possible what your intentions are regarding membership for the upcoming year.

**Upstairs Games Room**

The Games Room has been operating Wednesday and Friday evenings for a couple of months. The following individuals were directly involved in the start up and operation of the Games Room and we wish to pass on our thanks for their efforts.

- Bob Barnes
- Hugh Chamberlain
- Tom Chesworth
- Bob Colpitts
- Grant Godfrey
- Chris Herrington
- Frank Johnston
- Kim Killam-Brown
- Len Pevlin
- Ed Saunders
- Gina Wilkins

**RKYC Cruise**

Although it's only March, it's not too early to book out time for the annual RKYC Cruise taking place between July 24<sup>th</sup> and July 31<sup>st</sup>.



Not quite summer but web cam photo looks pretty good for March 8<sup>th</sup>.

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