

The Blue Duster

Royal Kennebecasis Yacht Club



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Initial Voyage of the "B" Dock Privateers

A flotilla consisting of "Black Jack" skippered by Duncan Grant, "Iolaire II" by Leo Maloney, "Quo Vadis" by Jeff Jennings and "Steadfast" by Peter Jolly, entered the Bay of Fundy during forenoon slack on Friday, August 14th and proceeded to Dipper harbour. On Saturday the crews participated and enjoyed the



festivities of the 9th Annual Fundy Fisherman's Day. The next day the boats sailed to Head Harbour, Campobello Island, with many whale sightings on route. At a dinner strategy meeting at the Fundy Fish Restaurant, Wilson's Beach, it was decided to head eastward independently the next day. On the return trip to St. Andrews, Beaver Harbour, and Dipper Harbour communities were plundered. The last boat returned to the RKYC's moorings on Thursday, August 20th. A



similar adventure is planned for next summer and other members (not necessarily from just "B" Dock) are invited to join.

Buffets

Buffets start at 6:00 pm and are \$18.00 Please call the day before to reserve.

Sep	10 th	Lasagna & Chicken Parmesan
Sep	17 th	Mixed BBQ
Sep	24 th	Carved Ham
Oct	1 st	Chicken Hunter

New Late Launch Policy

At the August Executive meeting a new "Late Launch Policy" was approved. The RKYC has had a significant increase in the number of boats stored on the property over the past number of years and it has become increasingly difficult to accommodate the wishes of individual boat owning members with their specific launch requests. The option to late launch was originally provided to permit those members who are unable to have their boat ready do to mechanical or maintenance issues.

In addition, while the yard crew is launching boats after the main launch other tasks are not being completed and those members that were ready to launch wait for masting, power, water, and perhaps even a berth as time is utilized late launching boats.

In 2010, boats not ready at the time of the main launch will be launched at least three weeks later and as a group not individually - much the same as the main launch occurs. This will allow the yard crew to complete marina installation and service those boats that were ready while at the same time obtain efficiency at the time of the second launch. Further, any boat that is late launching and must be moved at the time of the primary launch because it is obstructing other boats needing to be launched will be charged \$100 plus tax. When a boat must be relocated, there is a direct cost incurred as the rented crane sits idle with no boat to launch. Whether a boat needs to be moved or not is at the sole discretion of the marine services committee.

Having all boats launch at the same time in May is the best case scenerio and it is hoped that this policy will encourage members to do so while at the same time gain some order for late launchers.

General Meeting of the Membership

The next general meeting of the membership will be held on Tuesday, October 13th, 7:30 pm at the clubhouse. At this meeting the election of the Executive will occur and all members are encouraged to attend.

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RKYC Archivist Retiring

For over 15 years Doug Gould has preserved and protected the various memorabilia that make up the RKYC archival collection. From binders filled with newspaper clippings of race results in the 20's and 30's to 110 year old fixture cards, all has been carefully maintained for a future generation of RKYC sailors.

Reluctantly we accept Mr. Gould's decision to put away his magnifying glass and protective gloves, and hand over responsibility. We sincerely thank Doug for his many years of service.

To this end we encourage any members with a passion for the RKYC and its history to join an archive committee. Those interested please email the Commodore at Douglas.orford@cibc.ca

Doug Orford
Commodore

Spar Shed Party

On Friday, September 11th another celebrated Spar Shed Party will occur. The price is right (none) and there is a free corn boil beginning at 6:00 pm. Music will be provided by DJ Relic featuring hits from the past and present and for sure by Jimmy Buffet. Make your plans to attend!!



Painting of yard equipment has been a late summer project. The boat trailers have received a fresh coat of paint and in the photo above Bob and Sergey prepare to lift the rail car. Over the next while it will be sanded, primed and painted too.

Cruise Memories



Top Left: Ken Ward, Sally Cummings and Roz. Top Right: Kids at play. Left: Pierre Comeau brightening up a day (Thanks to Sally Cummings for photos)

Early Haulout

Yes the time is closing in when some will be starting to consider having their boats hauled and once again early haulout is an option for those wanting to get an early start. If you wish your boat hauled sometime over the next few weeks please send an email to the office.

Wi Fii

Some members may not realize that an upgrade in wi-fi coverage was made and now the marina is covered with internet service. It is a secured network and the password is 5067382760. Thanks to Ross Phinney and Pierre Comeau for the contribution they have made this year to upgrading services to members including the weather station and web cam.

Upcoming Events

September 11 th	Corn Boil & Spar Shed Party
September 12 th	Digby Race
September 19 th	Harbour Race
September 20 th	Rothesay Race
September 26 th , 27 th	September Series
October 9 th , 10 th , 11 th	Mast Removal Dates
October 16 th , 17 th	Haulout
October 24 rd	Finish Line Party
November 28 th	Wine Tasting
December 13 th	Children's Christmas Party



By September 15, 2009

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

