



THE BULLETIN

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Around the Club...

Social Committee...

Wednesday July 27th, after Wednesday Night Series Race # 11, the Pier 2 Party turned out to be another success thanks to the organizing of Commodore Terry Cano, Past Commodore Eric Hansen, Rear Commodore Vic Miller and Vice Commodore Hugh Briggs. The ``Screech on the Beach`` was a down-east flavoured event with some good Canadian East Coast music, great snacks and, for the brave, provided an opportunity to get ``screeched in`` to Lake Superior. Weather cooperated and the so did the boaters and sailors. Two more pier parties, one at the Mission property, August 20th, the second on Pier #3 at Prince Arthur's Landing Marina on August 31st, are coming up quickly. Hope to see everyone come out and enjoy some camaraderie with fellow TBYC members.



2016 TBYC and Boating Related EVENTS

2016 Date	Event	Venue	Time	Additional Information
Aug. 13 th -14 th	FAMILY On-the-Water RENDEZVOUS!	Porphyry Light	See CLLS Facebook:	https://www.facebook.com/canadianlighthouseoflakesuperior/
August 20 th	Mission Island Pier Party	TBYC Mission Property	5:30 pm	n/a
August 31 st	Pier #3 Party	PAL Marina, Pier #3	Post-Race	n/a
September 17 th	Mission Yard Clean-up	TBYC Mission Property	TBA	n/a
October 15 th	Close of Navigation Breakfast	TBYC Mission Property	TBA	TBA
November 12 th	Close of Navigation Dinner & Dance	TBA	TBA	TBA
TBA	Dryland Regatta	TBA	TBA	TBA
December 10 th	Snowbird Potluck Dinner	TBA	TBA	TBA

Storage...

The area at the Mission yard that stores the waste drums has been cleaned up and a proper pad has been built for them. Magnetic signs have been made for the 45 gallon drums to identify their contents. There are now specific disposal containers for “used oil”; “used antifreeze”; “contaminated fuel”; “oily water”, “plastic jugs”; and “oil filters”. Please make use of this disposal site during haul-out, storage and launch or if you service your boat at the Mission site during the season. Just as importantly, please use the proper disposal container. Volunteer labour for this Mission yard upgrade was provided by Gus Schmidt, Tim Symington, Leo Kashuba and Richard Matheson.



Racing...



2016 Lake Superior PHRF Sailing Championships: Host Club: TBYC: In support of: P.R.O.Kids, Thunder Bay

It was another fantastic edition of the Lake Superior PHRF Sailing Championships! TBYC hosted the 8th edition of this semi-annual event which attracts yachts from all over Lake Superior to compete in a friendly, open, sailing competition to ultimately crown the fastest yacht and crew on Lake Superior.



With 13 yachts registered and over 100 competitors participating, the event went off without a hitch with lots of on-the-water and off-the-water fun. Friday night saw all of the yachts join the regularly scheduled Friday night pursuit race, which really filled up the harbor with some great sailing action! Saturday's racing included 3 separate short courses followed by a fantastic dinner hosted by Sandy Sellers at *On Deck*. Sunday's race was a mid-distance race that took the fleet out to Burke Shoal then to Schwitzer Shoal finishing back at the marina. On Sunday, the Awards Dinner and trophy presentation were hosted by Temple Reef Sailing Club at the end of Pier One.

Everyone had a wonderful time and we are happy to say there were no altercations to report (on or off the water) LOL! Racing in the “Bay of Thunder” was very good and provided to be both interesting and enjoyable. Our club membership can be very proud to have hosted such a fantastic regatta!

This year, a portion of the proceeds will be going towards *Pro Kids, Thunder Bay* – an organization dedicated to making recreation opportunities accessible for children and youth who are sometimes unable to participate due to lack of funds.

TBYC contributions raised from the event will funnel through *Pro Kids* and will ultimately introduce local youth to the sport of sailing through sailing lessons with *Sail Thunder Bay*.

Event Results:

	<p><u>Lake Superior PHRF Championship Winners:</u></p> <p>Division A: <i>Papa Gaucho</i> Division B: <i>Flying Circus</i> Division C: <i>Felucca</i></p> <p>Overall 2016 Lake Superior PHRF Champion (lowest points overall): <i>Flying Circus</i>, skippered by TBYC's James Gracey</p>	
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A special thank you is in order for the **TBYC Organizing Committee** comprised of John Hinsperger, Kerry Berlinquette, James Gracey, Marty Baryluk, Bob Vander Ploeg, Eric Hansen, Terry Cano, Peter Hansen, Chris Winn, Donna Marsh, Richard Matheson & Andre St. Jacques. Without their hard work this event would not have happened. Also, the Organizing Committee and Regatta participants are in debt to these **Event Sponsors:**

- ✓ **Gold Level:** FORM Architecture; McDougal Energy Esso, Mark Vukovich
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- ✓ **Bronze Level:** Geoffrey Hall (Royal LePage); Best Buy Roofing; FormTech; Impact Promotions; Stright Mackay (Submitted by Andre St. Jacques, PHRF Championship Organizing Committee Chair)

A TBYC member reports on his experience at Bayfield Race Week, 2016...

TBYC was well represented down on the south shore of Lake Superior at Bayfield Race Week 2016. Bayfield Race Week is the centrepiece of the Apostle Islands Station season: a week-long festival of sailing surrounding the 4th of July. Boats and crew from all points of the compass including the Twin Cities, Duluth, Florida and Thunder Bay participated this year. With 45 boats registered in 7 different divisions there was something for everyone.

Race Week for me started on Friday with a motorcycle delivery down from Thunder Bay to Bayfield. Good roads and little construction did not slow me down. Once in Bayfield, I meet up with the crew from *Straight Jacket* owned by Commodore Terry Cano. On Saturday we, along with 32 other boats, started the Around-the-Islands Race, a 64 nautical mile race. It was a slow start on a very warm day. Twenty one hours later we finished and placed a respectable 6th overall.

On Sunday morning after the Around-the-Islands Race, the delivery crew of *Bobsled* owned by TBYC's Bob Vander Ploeg, arrived at the City Dock. Preparations were made for the week ahead and good byes were extended to the crew of *Straight Jacket* as they were headed home. The usual accommodations At Ships Quarters would be Bobsled's home for the next 5 days. Monday's race was a pursuit race for all boats. TBYC's *Pennycress* skippered by David Clarke was the overall winner. Tuesday and Thursday's wind allowed us to get two races in while Wednesday saw no racing due to lack of wind. Wednesday was a day for swimming off the boat in the middle of Chequamegon Bay - Very refreshing! Friday's wind allowed for a final race with everyone off the water in plenty of time for the closing ceremonies.

The results of the weekend for the TBYC boats were as follows:

- Buoy B Racing: *Pennycress* tied for first with *Zig Zag* with 10 points; *Bobsled* placed fourth.
- Mid Distance A: *Northern Harrier*, skippered by Chris Wells, was first.

Congratulations to all who raced and hope to see you next year.

Hugh Briggs - *Bobsled* crew member.

Around the Lake...

More on Destinations and Things to do on or by the Water during the summer of 2016...

FAMILY On-the-Water RENDEZVOUS!

Come to Porphyry Island Lighthouse, located on Black Bay just 15km west of Silver Islet on August 13th -14th, 2016. Activities will include: Hiking, Swimming, Games, BBQ and Bonfire. Admission is FREE!

All Lake Superior boaters are welcome. You will be greeted by members of the Canadian Lighthouses of Lake Superior organization and have the opportunity for:

- a guided tour of the historic property
- climbing the light tower
- visiting the new Gordon Graham Gallery and see his work
- visiting the new Mini Museum and see new artifacts
- sitting and enjoying the view from the Red Chairs or CLLS's Chair

The Lighthouse keeper's dwelling is still available for rental on Saturday night. If you would like to rent it please go to <http://clls.ca> and click on "accommodations". (It can hold six people, with three bedrooms, a cooking stove, running water, indoor plumbing, AC power, just like another home!)

Anchor beside Walker Channel at Edward Island and dinghy in to Porphyry Cove and to the TBYC newly finished docks. Depth at the new western dock is 6.5 feet. The *Rendezvous* is brought to you by Thunder Bay Yacht Club and hosted by Canadian Lighthouses of Lake Superior Inc. For further information contact CLLS at canadian.lighthouses@gmail.com



Tall ships on Lake Superior...The tall ships are returning to Lake Superior this summer.

Unfortunately none of them will be making a passage to Thunder Bay this time around. The next best thing for local tall ship aficionados, however, is they will be in Duluth, MN August 18th to 21st. Apparently, there will be a *Parade of Sail*, dockside tours, day sails and on-board tours available. For more information and a schedule of events visit <http://tallshipsduluth.com/>

For more on the ships that will participate in the festival visit <http://tallshipsduluth.com/ships/>



Boating Safety...Boating safety is something that is all too often taken lightly by many boaters. This point has been driven home to your editor through a series of safety seminars put on by the World Cruising Club for the *ARC Caribbean 1500*, a 1500 mile ocean passage from Hampton, VA to the BVIs. It was further brought home when he came upon a serious boating accident on Lac Seul. It involved 2 boats in companion with each other with the trailing boat running over top of the lead boat. Fortunately, there were no fatalities but what stood out most was that cooler heads in the aftermath of the accident did not prevail and contact with agencies on shore for assistance in a wilderness but not-so-isolated locale was a frustrating exercise in futility. With boating safety in mind as we progress into the last month of summer, there is an interesting short piece on boating safety in Canadian Yachting's *Onboard Newsletter* of July 28, 2016. It's a short video from the Canadian Safe Boating Council that looks at reasons why many boaters do not wear life jacket and discusses why the reasons don't stand up to scrutiny. To view the video please see http://www.canadianyachting.ca/news-and-events/current/3439-the-lifejacket-challenge?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_content=4794605&utm_campaign=2016-07-28 Enjoy safe boating for the remainder of the summer!

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