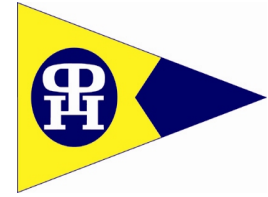


# Port Hope Yacht Club



## The Rudder



*November 2008*

### *From the Helm*



**The snow is falling as I write this last column as Commodore. It's only 6 months until launch. It's going to be a long winter. I'm lost on Wed. nights and Sundays already. My poor wife can't take it.**

**But seriously, the participation at all of our events this year was the best I've ever seen. Our large fleet brought home the Centennial Cup for the first time in 23 years!**

**Brockport Yacht Club was pleasantly overwhelmed with our 14 boat fleet for the Brockport Weekend. Out of the 30 boats moored at our club, 26 participated in racing this year at on time or another! Work parties have also been well attended to the delight of our property master. It really is great to see so much involvement from so many people so often.**

**Our Fall General Meeting was very productive. Our new furnace has been installed. The new shelter project has been approved and George Powell will be overseeing the project. Instead of our annual appointments, we actually had an election for our new Executive. Congratulations, to Brad Kelly, our Commodore for 2009. As of the General meeting we did not have a social committee chairperson. However I'm very pleased to announce that Kate Wilson has graciously offered to fill this position. Her only condition was that she be allowed to run it as an actual committee. We agreed.**

**In closing, I would just like to comment on what a rewarding experience being Commodore has been for me. I've seen first hand that what you put into this club, you more than get out. Does it get any better than this? Well, we can try.**

**May your winter be a safe and quick one.**

**Dirk Boon  
Commodore**



## *Harbour*

**Haul out went well this year and the weather cooperated. Thanks to all that helped to make this year a great success.**



## *Membership*

I would like to welcome our newest members Hans and Marlene Maas to the club. We hope to see a lot of them around the club in the coming year.

## *Social Committee*



Commodore Dirk Boon and his wife Bonnie shared an amazing evening with the Port Hope Yacht Club members and friends at the annual Commodore's Ball, which was held at the Sheena Hall. Once again Jan and Glyn did a great job of not only planning the event, but ensuring that everyone enjoyed themselves thoroughly through out the evening. The meal that was catered to the event was excellent as usual. Congratulations to all the winners at the awards ceremony. There were the usual winners at the awards ceremony, but I'm glad to say there were some new faces taking home hardware this year. Well done.



## *Coming Event*

We would like to remind you that the Annual Port Hope Yacht Club Wine and Cheese Party is coming up fast. It will be held on December 14<sup>th</sup> at the Club at 2:00 PM. It is a fun event and one more chance to get together in 2008.

# **Congratulations to the 2009 PHYC Executive**

**Commodore – Brad Kelly**  
**Vice Commodore – Rob Prewer**  
**Secretary – Lynn Prewer**  
**Sailing Master – Danny Lee**  
**Harbour Master – Fred Reid**  
**Property Chair – Tony Peters**  
**Treasurer – Glynnis Tomkinson**  
**Social Chair – Kate Wilson and Committee**  
**Past Commodore – Dirk Boon**

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## ***Cruising Tales***



**As most of you know Glyn Marr received the Long distance trophy this year at the Commodore's Ball for his trip from Long Island to Port Hope, but what you probably don't know is about an event that happened during that trip. The event was documented in an article in the Fairfield Citizen – News newspaper, dated June 11, 2008. The article read as below.**

**A Canadian boater ended up stranded in Fairfield early Monday morning when a sailboat he bought off of EBay got stuck on Penfield Reef. “ I was either 15 minutes early or 15 minutes too late,” said Glyn Marr, whose MacGregor 26-footer ran aground sometime between 7 and 7:15 a.m. “It wasn't deep enough for me to go over”. Marr was given the keys to the boat in Long Island a few days earlier. He Plans to motor the sailboat up to Canada.**

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**The Port Hope Yacht Club will be participating in the Santa Claus Parade again this year on Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. and we are looking for volunteers for the event. Anyone interested should contact Jan Wilson.**

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**Sadly, we have lost one of our members recently. George Ward, an avid sailor and a newer member to PHYC, past away last week. Our hearts go out to his family and friends.**