



FANSHAWE YACHT CLUB

DOCKSIDE SCUTTLEBUTT

In Memory of Fanshawe Yacht Club Member Otto Biskaborn

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Each new member of FYC will have recognized this familiar face! Otto joined the yacht club in 1970 and sailed a Dolphin, Link, Happy Sailor and the Sirius. The Sirius was sold in May 2005 (to us-we love to continue sailing it on Fanshawe!). Otto continued as a most active club member sailing with others when he could and volunteering at the club on a large scale. Otto was the head of the three generations of Biskaborns on the lake thanks to Otto... his son Jens and his wife Sharon with their family (Brad, Kevin and Amy). They are out at the lake as often as their Granddad was ...fishing, sailing, racing and sharing their time with good friends at FYC. Brad acted as Sailing School Manager last summer and has become an exceptional Laser racer taking the club's name with him on his racing circuit. Jens was a past

Commodore and has been active in work parties and the racing programs, Sharon has helped in many capacities including Open Houses, Racing (e.g. registrations) and the FYC Banquet organization. Kevin is the FYC Website Manager and helped on Race Committees. Amy is an amazing source for club photography and when young, babysat many of the younger members as parents sailed. So you see, Otto's contribution was one that extended through the club's years extensively.

As Membership Chair for many years, he had his finger on the pulse of the club. The flow of members into the club is continuous year round after the spring surge of renewals. He was instrumental in bringing our newest members into the club and being sure they were informed and welcomed (75 dragon boat rowers with their 3 active boats and 1 boat yet to find crew for). As he managed renewals and new memberships, he kept the club aware of the numbers in the many categories of membership, he ensured Alice and I were well updated to be sure our mailings go to the new members. His grandson, Kevin, acted as his right hand man by entering all registration data on the computer as well as aiding the editing of membership forms for Otto.

Otto has always been involved in the physical work needed to keep the club functioning (repairs, new projects, work parties) and was keenly aware of safety issues in the club. Numerous reminders, thanks to Otto that were most important to our boating safety. I believe he has attended almost all general meetings with an active interest in the club issues.

This March was to mark a special event for Otto and on the club's behalf we wanted to honour him and feature him for his 80th Birthday. This was not to be as during the preparation for the Newsletter we received word of his passing away. A sad note for many members at FYC and we wish his family our sincere condolences. May his memory live on.

"Land was created to provide a place for boats to visit."
-Brooks Atkinson

Next Issue: Contributions Deadline is April 2nd 2007

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Editor's Notes

A sad time for us at FYC with a loss of a member this past week. For myself, all was at a stand still before I was able to continue with this Edition of the Scuttlebutt. Suzanne and I had planned on featuring Otto since last summer, all with good intentions to wait to congratulate him for his 80th Birthday in March with this edition.

Well Otto, you took us all by surprise, all the incredible ways that you helped so many of us to become better Sailors and FYC members. We had wanted to let you know how much we appreciated you. Instead we needed to say farewell, and are left to continue on with the our life here and the memories we have of you.

In this issue of the Scuttlebutt you will notice we still featured our

member Otto Biskaborn. We also have asked Jens, his son, to share his memories as he shared them with those of us who were in attendance at the funeral. Thank You Jens, we know this has been a difficult time for you and your family.

Continuing through the pages we also have tried to explain some changes in the new Communication System. To the many of you who generously have taken on the new mailing system via email/internet 'Thank You', this will save me many hours of collating and stuffing envelopes along with the major cost saving for the club budget. Please be in touch with either Suzanne or myself if you have any concerns or glitches we are still trying to work through. With your feed back we

will try to deal with the issues. Sometimes it takes a bit of time to work them out, but we certainly will try our best. Both the Wonderland & Rowbust Dragonboat Teams use this system successfully with their individual clubs.

We hope to follow suit, and with a great webmaster as Kevin Biskaborn, we are bound to make things work smoother through the website address for emails. When you have a chance, express your 'thanks' to Kevin for his time involved in volunteering to create such a fabulous website, and maintaining constant improvements for the benefit of the FYC members and Internet users.

From the
Crows Nest

— Alice



FYC 2006—Events Corner

Please note corrections for general meetings

First Monday of each month Executive Meetings

- Feb 22** FYC General Meeting,
HMCS Prevost Meeting Room, 19 Becher St , 7PM
- Mar 1** **Membership Applications due**
late fees apply if not stamped Mar 1, 2007 or delivered by that date by hand
- Mar 14** Winter Wednesday Night Out,
King's Buffet 1389 Dundas E 6PM
- Mar 22** FYC General Meeting,
HMCS Prevost Meeting Room, 19 Becher St , 7PM
- Apr 11** Winter Wednesday Night Out,
King's Buffet 1389 Dundas E 6PM
- Apr 14 & 21** Spring Work Parties
- Apr 19** FYC General Meeting,
HMCS Prevost Meeting Room, 19 Becher St , 7PM
- Apr 20** Fanshawe Park opens
- May 20** Commodore's Reception and Social
- May 26/27** Open House
- June 2/3** Commodore's Cup Regatta
- Aug 25/26** Club Championship Regatta
- Sep 29/30** Pumpkin Regatta
- Oct 13 & 20** Fall work Parties
- May 9-Oct 10** Wed afternoon/evening racing
Followed by coffee and social
- TBA** FYC and Sailing School Regatta

Sailing School

TBA 2007 course dates

Other Events of Interest

- Jan-Feb weekends only** cross-country ski and snowshoeing. Fanshawe CA from 9-5
Rentals: ski/boots/poles \$9.75/adult, \$6.50/child
snowshoes \$3.25 adult and child
- Feb 23-25** Boat, Fishing and Leisure Show
Western Fairgrounds

May 21 London Optimist Fireworks
At Fanshawe CA

Jun 2/3 Fanshawe Lake Off Road
Triathlon/Duathlon

Jul 7 Fanshawe Family Fishing Day

Aug 18 London Dragon Boat Festival
Fanshawe CA

Oct 13 Turkey Vulture Bait Trail Run
Fanshawe CA

Dragonboat Teams

Wonderland club

- Feb 24** BBQ Fund raiser for Wonderland
Dragonboat Club
Food Basics at Wonderland and Commissioners
- Mar 31** BBQ Fund raiser for Wonderland
Dragonboat Club
Food Basics at Wonderland and Commissioners
- Apr 28** BBQ Fund raiser for Wonderland
Dragonboat Club
Food Basics at Wonderland and Commissioners
- TBA** Race and event dates when decided
Please check the FYC website link to the two clubs as well

Rowbust Club

Below we have listed the Festivals that Rowbust plans to attend for our 2007 Paddling Season.

- June 2** Pickering
- June 23-24** Ottawa
- July 7** Hamilton
- July 13-15** Windsor
- July 27-29** Welland – IDBF World CorCom
- Aug 11** Woodstock
- Aug 18** London
- Sept 15** Stratford



Memories of Otto Biskaborn

By Jens Biskaborn

I want to share some thoughts about my Dad. He was born in Luneburg Germany in 1927. We immigrated to London in 1956, when I was 5. He started work with a company called London Petrolia Barrel, as a millwright. This company was bought by Firestone Steel, which then, was bought by Accuride.

As a child, I remember him working most of the time. He did not have many hobbies, or interests. He would sit out when my mother, sister, & I would play cards, or a board game. I remember some camping vacations to Pinery and Algonquin Parks, but I don't remember much quality time with my Dad, when I was younger, or in my teens. I took up golf and stopped going on the camping vacations when I was fourteen.

When I was twenty, he and I bought a canoe, so we could do something together. But, due to his work, the only time we could canoe, was late at night. I remember canoeing on Fanshawe Lake at midnight on a number of occasions. Finally one Sunday, we were able to canoe in the afternoon. While we were paddling, sailboats came along. My Dad told me to have a look. Those people were passing us with apparent ease. But, I didn't understand sailboats, and took no interest.

A few weeks went by, Dad told me that he was having a sailboat built in Komoka. He had made contact with Fanshawe Yacht Club, and had gone out sailing a couple of times. He asked me if I would like to try a sail on a demo boat in the Komoka pits. To humor him, I said ok. Well, the only time available was late one Friday night. There we were a little 12 foot boat, 2 grown men with virtually no experience, going sailing in the moonlight. It just so happened to be a windy night. That night is just a blur in my memory, we did everything but tip the boat. We were totally out of control, with water coming over the sides. But it was so exciting, I was hooked.

This was a major turning point for both of us.

At FYC, I raced with Dad for 1 year, before buying my own boat, you see, my dad was a more laid back type of sailor, and I wanted the faster action. Though my Dad was not a keen racer, he was always there to watch me race.

When Sharon & I had our own children, Dad became "Grandpa with the Boat". With Dad & I both having boats, my children have been involved in sailing all their lives. As they started sailing their own boats, "Grandpa with the boat" was there to watch, offer advice and encouragement to them. He would let them know he was watching by hollering out "Hey You" or "Watch it you".

When there wasn't enough wind to go out, he would come and watch us fishing for carp, and listen to the chatter about who was going to catch the biggest.

In 2002, Dad became the club membership chairman, a position that he assumed with gusto. He would take all new members under his wing, and guide them through the steps to getting on the water, even showing them how to rig their boats. Last year, he gave up his boat, as it had become too much for him, but he remained the membership man. He gave me all his supply of boating hardware, which was a gold mine to me. With 2 boys now heavily involved with racing, and 4 boats in my laneway, my hardware was constantly being depleted. So later, a new member joins that needs some help, and Dad comes over and reclaims his stuff to help out. I told my boys that if I get that stuff back, I am going to hide it.

Last Monday night, I met 2 young Western University students who joined FYC late last season. My Dad had given them the red carpet treatment. They told me that Dad would phone them and say "the winds are great today, you should be out here sailing". They only knew my Dad 1 month.

I constantly race my 2 boys in their boats. Often Dad would drive down the ramp in his red Suzuki and watch. Afterwards, he would come and listen to the talk about who had the right of way or who should have done what.

Now when I race, besides paying attention for shouts of "Starboard", I'll be listening close for "Hey You".



Sailing became a compulsion: there lay the boat, swinging in the mooring, there blew the wind; I had no choice but to go



Developing a New FYC Communication System

By Suzanne Goldt

Traditionally, the yacht club has had several means of getting information out to the members and the public. Alice Jukema, Kevin Biskaborn (Club Webmaster) and I have been working to make better use of the excellent FYC website to provide speedier and more readily accessible news and information. Ravi Gupta will be our Rear Commodore for 2007 so he has passed on the FYC email message service to the Scuttlebutt team to manage as well.

Essentially, we now have several ways to pass information to you.

Scuttlebutt, the club newsletter. — send submissions to the communications email address or call Suzanne or Alice.

FYC Website, club website — www.FYC.on.ca club webmaster is Kevin Biskaborn. **Canada Post**, regular mailing. **Email Messaging** from the club (send submissions to Communications email address or call Suzanne or Alice).

Phone Committee to be organized soon by Suzanne & Alice.

The marketing committee (which looks after brochures, TV and radio spots, newspaper articles, signage, etc.) acts separately.

The sailing school manages its own documents paying their own mailing costs. They and the marketing group would be welcomed to use the Scuttlebutt printing/ mailing system because it adds no cost if computer communication is used and any cost for printing items could be reimbursed through invoicing as is arranged now.

Until recently, by **default**, the newsletters and club information has primarily been sent by Canada Post. We will ensure that Canada Post mailing is still available to members who have no current email

address (about 10% of the club) or those who request this method. We hope to change this default mailing to email and our FYC website as main sources of information.

Alice Jukema has all the equipment needed to publish and mail club documents by Canada Post. She did this for 2006 and will continue to do so in 2007 as needed. She uses her own laser printer and the club compensates for the cost of ink, stamps, paper, envelopes, etc.

The postal service does have some limitations:

1 — The time required to collate, fold and prepare documents to post is considerable.

2 — There is a need to keep rigid deadlines because of the time needed for the post to reach your homes. These deadlines mean we sometimes cannot plan for letters for the executive to be included because of the timing.

3 — The cost of using the postal system has risen twice in the past year. The increases are in postage, paper and envelop costs. Our budget for mailing in 2007 is \$1500 and our mailing list currently has 164 addresses. It costs approximately \$10.00 per member to receive just the 6 issues of the Scuttlebutt each year. All other mailings add additional cost (memberships, meeting notices and so on).

4 — There is a limitation of 5 pages for the 51 cent stamp. The addition of a 6th page almost doubles the postage cost. This restricts us from including other documents with the Scuttlebutt at times.

5 — All mailings are generally in black and white as colour printings are more costly

Benefits of email include:

1 — Changes may be readily made up to the time it is sent

2 — The mailing arrives immediately on the day it is sent

3 — Inclusions of meeting minutes, budget information, event notices, letters from the executive and so on

can be added at any time with no page restrictions or sent using the communications email address to each member.

4 — The reduced workload (needed to prepare the documents for mailing) will make it much easier to find people who would be interested in being on the Communication Committee.

5 — Documents are received in **COLOUR**.

6 — Documents may be saved by members either in a computer file, on a disc or printed at home. Alice currently keeps all newsletters and other documents mailed on discs so they can be accessed quickly when needed.

What to watch for:

1. — **Scuttlebutt** — News Letter — You will receive an email that notifies you that the current issue is available. In the email will be a **link** to click on. This **link** will take you to a password protected page that Kevin has developed on the website.

You will not only be able to see the issue just out but can select a year and look at back issues. So far, only 2006 and 2007 will be archived but we will begin to scan other years as well. This password protected page may also be used in the future for meeting minutes, budget information, and so on as the executive chooses everything you need at your fingertips!



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By sending the newsletter this way, rather than as an attachment, people who have older systems or have trouble downloading the file will no longer need to. When you click on the newsletter you wish to read, it will open with adobe acrobat. You only need to download it if you choose to. If you have trouble opening it, ask any of us for help.

Submissions to the newsletter can be made through communications email address or through Alice and Suzanne.

2.—[website](http://www.fyc.on.ca) - www.fyc.on.ca

The website is already a source of information for the club with an events calendar, race results, photo gallery and many other tidbits. Kevin has developed special pages for regattas and events such as the FYC Banquet. Sailing School info is also available and FYC membership forms can be downloaded. Look for links to the websites of our Dragonboat members under the tab members and links. They will add a link to our website on theirs. Under [members](#) tab and [links](#).

3.—[Email Messaging](#)

This is the emailing service that Ravi had been managing until he moved onto the executive. When an email message is sent, to make it easier to know the purpose of the email, the subject bar will state the subject clearly.

Whenever emails are sent to members by us, there will be no displayed email addresses for the recipients. This is for security reasons.

4.—[Phone Messaging](#) please contact Suzanne or Alice if you prefer to receive messages by phone. We also would like to have a couple volunteers to help relay messages once we have contacted them. Each volunteer will be issued a list of club members to contact who prefer to receive phone messages verses email messaging.

Finally

We look forward to hearing from members about any part of this new arrangement and any problems that they may have. I know some members are not using computers

often and that is fine. But for those who do...we want to ensure that you can receive all mailings quickly and through proper channels all messaging (Email, Mail, Phone & Website) will be approved by the club executive.

The Dragonboat members already are fully on-line with all of their communications so linking into their system will be easy to do once ours is underway.

Call me

'A bit of Old and Lots of New'
promoting ways to deliver
Fanshawe Yacht Club
News and Information to You
Scuttlebutt / Communications Team

FYC at the Home Show

- by Peter Wilkins

In the previous issue of Scuttlebutt, I believe I noted plans to participate on behalf of FYC at the London Home Builders' Association Lifestyle Home Show with a booth in the new Adventure Expo section of the show. We were there at the end of January with the likes of the London Ski Club, 6 Rivers Adventure Tours, Nova Craft Canoes, Cadillac Hummer and several other exhibitors appealing to Londoners to spend their free time with us. We must thank the folks at LHBA for help with the booth arrangements and a big thank you goes to Jim Campbell at The Carpet Department for his help arranging the carpet that we needed in the booth. If any FYC member is in the market for

new carpet or flooring, please call Jim at 680-5094 and let him give you a price on what you need. Tell him Peter sent you!

Bobby Hampton drafted a new brochure to extol the benefits of "Sailing in the City" and learning to sail with us. Helping out staffing the booth over the weekend we had Bobby, Roy Elworthy, Mark Anderson and great help from our 'supersaler', Jens Biskaborn who was pretty tenacious in his sails pitch. We even had Sharon and Kevin helping out for a while as well. A major thank you to all of the helpers!! The booth was decorated with the small FYC banner, a few sails for colour and a couple of model 'yachts' that might have given a wrong

impression but certainly looked nautical. Videos were playing on the TV and Bobby had her slide show running on her laptop.

Over the weekend we gave out 300 of Bobby's brochures, talking to over 350 people and families about our club, our sport and how they could learn to sail. Several people were interested to hear about the 'lease' plan where they did not have to buy a boat - just sail ours. Several show exhibitors came looking for us to inquire about the club. And several ex-members stopped to share memories. We invited everyone to come out to our Open House and see what we have to offer.

By Sunday evening we were pretty tired but it was a lot of fun - the second best thing to sailing is talking about it.

Highlights of the Annual General Meeting – Jan 25

By Suzanne Goldt

The co-chairs of the Rowbust Dragonboat Team, Penny and Linda, attended the AGM and received an official welcome to FYC. They provided the members attending with information about their rowing team who all are survivors of breast cancer. The team has competed in meets as far away as Vancouver and is competitive on an international level. We are delighted to have them join the club.

As well, Jamie Pentland attended as a representative of the Wonderland Rowing Club. The two rowing clubs are good friends as well as competitors. The Commodore again welcomed the Wonderland Rowing Club to FYC.

A proposal to have the club's newsletter sent by email through a link to a password protected member's page on the FYC website was well received.

The FYC financial budget report for 2006 and proposal for 2007 as discussed in the Nov general meeting on the budget were presented by Perry Meunier. The sailing school financial budget report for 2006 and proposal for 2007 as also discussed in the Nov meeting were presented by Peter Wilkins. These financial papers were made available to members in attendance. If you wish to obtain a copy of the reports, please contact a member of the Executive. The statements will provide you with a good picture of how the club's finances are managed as well as where our monies are directed.

Our 2006 Commodore, John Bryant reviewed the 2006 year at FYC:

1—Sailing school: 54 youths and 55 adults registered for white sail levels 1-3. 16 adults and 4 youths were in the bronze level, 9 youths were in the silver level. 18 adults from the school had the opportunity to lease the school boats for the past sailing season.

2—Open House: the open house was very successful with over 450 visitors. From this event, 11 adults and 6 youths signed up for the sailing

school. The Dickinson's were primary organizers for this day with their volunteers for welcoming, information and boat rides.

3—Regattas: the 2006 season saw the Commodore's Cup Regatta, the Canadian Wayfarers, the Club Championships and the Pumpkin Regatta. Rick Goldt organized the committees and paperwork for each regatta. The Biskaborn's were are most 'winning' family this year.

4—Grounds care: Two thirds of the mooring replacements was completed last summer new racing markers were purchased a crane was put in place for use with the access dinghies a new deck for the barge will be completed in this coming spring — high water and wind damages were greater this year requiring more man-power from volunteers for cleanup and repairs.

John Bryant mentioned that this year's executive had a difficult term with the need for a change in executive. Thanks to all involved, issues were settled and the club business attended to.

Peter Wilkins reviewed the 2006 year for the sailing school:

- The OSA instructors' course was successful at FYC and the will return in 2007

- A high school math class asked to make an arrangement with the sailing school and will do so in 2007

- The arrangement of a bus for the sailing school worked well for both the school and the company and will be repeated for 2007

- The crash boats and trailer were a challenge at the start of the year. The trailer will need some adjustments in the spring.

- The race team program was off to a good start in its first season and will continue in 2007

- The adult program was offered in June only in 2006. An additional class was added in Sept. With an increase in demand, more courses will be offered in 2007 from white levels to bronze level.

- The boats and gear were safely stowed in the boat house for the winter thanks to the help of students, instructors and interested club members.

- A sailing seminar was attended by some sailing school staff to increase networking with other clubs and view their programs.

- In adult programs: 37 were registered in June and 8 in Sept. Of these, 43 received certificates in white sail levels and 2 in bronze.

- In Youth programs: of 60 students in white levels, 52 received certificates of 10 enrolled in the bronze level, 8 received certificates of 9 in the racing silver program, 5 received silver and 3 bronze level 5

The 2007 Year

Paul Chesman officially received the gavel and Commodore's tie 2007.

In his discussion of the upcoming sailing season, Paul reviewed a number of tasks to be undertaken:

- estimates for roofing and siding of the chalet as outlined in the 2007 budget

- the need to re-grade or resurface the driveway

- A new riding tractor was purchased by the club for lawn cutting

- the re-landscaping projects initiated by Bob Kennedy are to continue. It was suggested that the sailing school develop their area by the gate

-increased awareness of mooring security for members

New Slate of Officers for 2007

Commodore - Paul Chesman

Vice Commodore - Mark Anderson

Rear Commodore - Ravi Gupta

Fleet Captain - Rick Goldt

Sailing School Director - Peter Wilkins

Secretary - OPEN

Treasurer - Perry Meunier

Past Commodore - John Bryant

Safety Officer - Ross Green

Harbour Master - Rob Perquin

Boat Master - Szymon Kornobis

Dock Marshall - Mike Morris

Parking Area Marshall - Craig Kingston

Membership

FYC Grounds - Joe Hochtentbach

Registration - Nina Myers

Webmaster - Kevin Biskaborn

News Letter (Scuttlebutt)

& Communication

Team - Alice Jukema & Suzanne Goldt



FYC Membership Applications

All members should have received their application forms in the mail by now. Please note that a late fee for renewal will be in place if the postmark is not dated **March 1, 2007** or delivered in person by that date.

For those heading south, Nina Myers the new Membership Registration person, suggests that you complete your application with a post-dated cheque for the membership fee (made out to Fanshawe Yacht Club, dated March 1, 2007). Fees for boat and car passes may be paid later and are available through the club (check first with Nina) or may be purchased directly through the UTRCA office. Payment for the moorings, rack or boat/ trailer parking spots may also be paid later. The important factor is that the membership fee be on time.

Membership cards for children in a family will be issued on request. Generally, they are not needed except by older children in a family who

may use them away from the club for racing etc.

Volunteers- Spring Work Parties

Our club relies very much on volunteer help and the first need for help will be arriving quickly in April when work parties are struck to open the club for the season. There is all manner of help needed from lifting to raking to moorings to shoreline cleanup, gardening and so on so you will find something you can enjoy doing. With many hands, the work is finished quickly (especially the heavier chores) and the season is set to begin.

Please also consider helping at any of the other club activities...., join a committee to run a regatta....there is a wealth of information to make the tasks easy and it is very enjoyable to see a well run series of races. The Open House needs people to greet guests, offer rides and provide information. The Commodore's welcome generally is a wine and cheese social and a corn

and hotdog roast accompanies the club championships. Both use people to prepare food and other tasks..an enjoyable way to spend a day at the club. A committee to organize the year end social is needed (this would be the 50th banquet if you have ideas for this upcoming special event!) And even in the day to day function of the club, repairs are need on grounds and buildings. A community effort always makes the work disappear and helps the newer members meet the rest of the membership.

Check the application form and choose your area of choice to help. Also, please note that some of the work can count toward the **Secondary School Community Hours** needed.

With regard to the School Community Hours, the Thames River Cleanup will be on Apr 21, 2007 and arrangements can be made to have hours signed for. Check the website www.thamesrivercleanup.ca



Rowbust encourages Breast Cancer Survivors to become physically active and empowered through the sport of dragon boating. We practice, demonstrate and race in events and festivals throughout Canada. We raise community awareness about Breast Cancer, highlighting the active lives of Survivors and encouraging other Breast Cancer Survivors to develop an active lifestyle.

Participating in the experience of dragon boat racing creates a new state of wellness in the Breast Cancer Survivors that demands the best both physically and mentally and provides for the opportunity to achieve the highest quality of life.

Rowbust Breast Cancer Survivor Dragon Boat Racing Team Inc. is London and Area's only Breast Cancer Survivor Dragon Boat Racing Team.

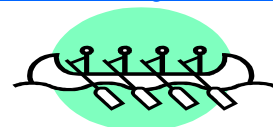


We considered ourselves very fortunate to become a Corporate Member of the London Yacht Club for our 2007 Racing Season. We look forward to seeing everyone on the water.

Paddles Up,
Penny Dobbs & Linda Kuska
Co-chairs Rowbust Breast Cancer Survivor Dragon Boat Racing Team

We accept new paddling members throughout the month of February ... for more information check us out at:

Web-site:
www.rowbustdragonboat.com





News from Australia

forward By Larry Bauwens to Suzanne Goldt

Speed Sailing Records

The l'Hydroptère shown in the photos has set new speed records in sailing by attaining 33 to 47.5 knots in 6 sec in the conditions of 25 knot winds, mild sea conditions recorded over 500 meters. Rick and I have cheered as we reached 8 knots in the Sirius...Hmmm For video footage try www.hydroptere.com

Letter to the Editor

Thank you again for sending the newsletter...., I love the new format ! Email gives the advantage too that everything can be included in colour! Great to see and hear about everyone again

Unfortunately the closest I got to water here in Germany was Königsee, where I suspect there is not much sailing but lots of beautiful scenery ... it is surrounded by mountains., so I could imagine would have the Fanshawe famous shifty winds times 10

Great to hear that the Laser Fleet continues to expand, I think this is a wonderful class to introduce new sailors to our sport and racing at not too much money.

I Included a couple photo's taken from Königsee in southern Germany., (about 3 hours from where I am living now) taken about the same time as Fanshawe would have held the Pumpkin Regatta this fall , was one of the last warm days here in Bavaria.

I wish you and everyone at FYC a wonderful holiday and best wishes also for the new year

Best regards,

Anne McEwen,
Germany

Thanks, for the encouraging words Anne!
Keep in touch with us here in London, we love to hear how you are doing. And hope you continue enjoying the Scuttlebutt on-line!
— The Scuttlebutt Team



UTRCA 2007 FEES — These are being published for those who may use the boat storage, camping, cycling or other fees and for those organizing events at the club. GST & PST included where applicable

| <u>Admission Fees</u> | Daily | Season (April 20 - October 14) |
|------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| Motor Vehicles | \$5.00/adult, \$2.50/child (12 and under), to a maximum of \$10.00/vehicle | \$70.00 (Vehicle Pass Sticker) |
| Pedestrians | \$5.00/adult, \$2.50/child (12 and under) | \$45.00/adult, \$10.00/child |
| Cyclists | \$5.00/adult, \$2.50/child (12 and under) | \$45.00 |
| Motor Boats & Sailboats | \$7.50 + vehicle admission | \$70.00 + Vehicle Pass Sticker |
| Small Crafts | \$5.00 + vehicle admission | \$40.00 + vehicle admission |

Buses (includes vans with 10+ people) \$60.00

Camping Fees - Daily/Weekly (April 20 - October 14)

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| Reservation Fees | \$9.00 |
| Cancellation Fee | \$6.00 |
| Daily with Electricity | \$29.00 (15 amp) \$32.00 (30 amp) |
| Daily without electricity | \$25.00 |
| Weekly with electricity (7 nights) | \$189.00 (15 amp) \$210.00 (30 amp) |
| Weekly without electricity (7 nights) | \$161.00 |
| Monthly with electricity | \$525.00 (15 amp) \$550.00 (30 amp) |
| Monthly without electricity | \$425.00 |
| Additional Vehicle Pass | \$5.00/day |

Camping Fees - Seasonal (April 20 - October 14)

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| 30 amp, regular site | \$1675.00 |
| 30 amp, waterfront (Pittock only) | \$1820.00 |
| 15 amp | \$1600.00 |
| Non-electric regular site | \$1205.00 |
| Non-electric waterfront (Fanshawe only) | \$1260.00 |

Sewage Disposal

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| Weekly service | \$150.00 |
| Bi-weekly service | \$100.00 |
| Single service | \$15.00 |
| Emergency Request | \$30.00 |
| <u>Group Camping</u> - Discount applies to organized groups | |
| 1-9 units per night | No discount |
| 10-19 units per night | 5% discount |
| 20 + per night | 10% discount |

Off Season Trailer Storage

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| Fanshawe, Pittock, Wildwood | \$140.00 |
| Shed/deck storage | \$30.00 |
| Trailer Relocation Fee (when available) | |

One free vehicle
 Pass Sticker included with
 all seasonal sites.
 Additional seasonal camping vehicle
 passes \$60.00 each

Welcome to the 2007 **London-Middlesex Children's Water Festival!** Held at the Fanshawe Conservation Area <http://www.childrenswaterfestival.ca/> For more information or to get involved, contact the Water Festival Coordinator at (519) 451-2800. We need Volunteers every day. The festival will run from Monday, May 28th until Friday, June 1, 2007. Why is water an important part of our planet? How do our communities, both urban and rural, affect water systems? The goal of the London-Middlesex Children's Water Festival is to provide a hands-on learning environment in which students in grades 3-5 from the City of London, Middlesex County and surrounding areas discover the importance of water in their lives and communities. There will be approximately 40 hands-on activity stations linked to the Ontario Curriculum. These activity stations are grouped around five themes: water conservation, water attitude, water technology, water protection and water science.



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|  <p>Polar Fleece Vest 100 % Polyester polar fleece, full zipped front with stand up collar Size: S—XXL (navy or red)</p> | <p>FYC—Store</p> | <p>Men's Golf Shirt solid pique body with textured stripe Size: S—XXL (white with navy/red trim)</p>  |
|  <p>Short Sleeve T-Shirt 100% cotton preshrunk jersey with double stitched sleeve and waist hems Size: Adult S—XXL Youth Size: S—L</p> |  <p>Fanshawe Yacht Club <i>Fashionable wear on the dock, in</i></p> | <p>¼ Zip Sweatshirt 50/50 cotton/poly with zipper pull and self collar Size: S—XXL (white, navy athletic grey)</p>  |
| <p>Cotton Cap tri-coloured cap, structured low-profile, pre-curved peak, fabric strap with buckle. One Size (navy/red/white)</p> | | |
| <p>'Please keep in mind, when purchasing orders Lori needs to process 12 items to fill an order not including hats.'</p> | | |

Notes for Sailing Members

FYC — Executive Secretary Volunteer position needing to be filled for more information contact Commodore Paul Chesman

FYC — Membership Chair With the death of Otto Biskaborn as our past Membership Chair, this position now is divided with two new volunteer members who have taken on this position.

Joe Hochstenbach — who will continue with part of this position by introducing new members to our FYC facilities. You may contact him by phone or email

Nina Myers — will take over all the registration information. To contact her by phone

— **Change of Address:** If you expect a change in address, phone number or email address, would you please contact Nina, so that she can ensure that the club can keep in touch with you? Thanks.

— **Keys:** To the adult graduates of last year's sailing school and boat leasing members who received keys to the yacht club and sailing school building for use of the sailing school boats--if you will not be leasing again in the 2007 season or are not considering membership in 2007, would you please return your keys and your money for them will be refunded? Thanks.

Used Carpet Needed — Contact Mike Morris

It's time to start thinking about summer. The general membership that uses the main dock to sail on Fanshawe Lake has benefited from carpet covering the tires along the front of the dock The idea came from Otto and I have been instrumental in seeing that some if not all the tires were covered. This was done to keep black from the old tires rubbing off on the members white boats. It was/is a great idea. The carpet only survives one season. Our supply of carpet is almost gone so we are looking for donations. If any members are doing renovations where carpet is being replaced we could sure use the stuff that is removed. Long strips about 36 inches wide work best. All donations gladly accepted.

Job Opportunity - FYC—Club Steward

The FYC Executive has a part-time paid position available with the following duties. 8 hours per week during specified Spring weeks, 20 hours per week for the Summer months, and 6 hours per week for specified fall months. Valid drivers license and daily use of own vehicle

Daily Duties:

- cleaning of the Main Chalet & wash-rooms & transport garbage to the UTRCA dump

A complete job description and compensation details are available from:
Commodore - Paul Chesman

Periodic Duties:

- Cleaning of grounds
- Arranging and supervising of grass cutting with the UTRCA
- Moving of Trailer Sailor Boats for grass cutting (minimum 5 times per summer).
- Procuring sufficient supply of fuel, reporting deficiency to Board Liaison.
- Replenish supplies as required.
- Cleaning up after Regatta's and Social events on weekends
- Trimming bushes & trees, watering flowers
- Purchasing and replenishing supplies and general small repairs as required.

Classified For Sale by Original Owners:

– “Navasana”, 2004 Catalina 250 WB (Water Ballast) with Centerboard plus extra's - CDN \$31,500
Serious Inquiries Only Please. Email: wallymackinnon@hotmail.com

