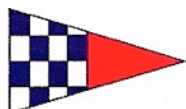


Soundings



NORTH BAY YACHT CLUB P.O. BOX 1171, NORTH BAY, ON P1B 8K4

Launch Postponed

Well, we now have time to work on our boats with launch postponed until June 12. Hopefully we'll get more rain (and not more snow) before then to bring lake levels up.

If you want to trailer launch your boat, be sure to contact the Harbour Master **before** you launch. You will be assigned a temporary slip until the official launch. No boats will be allowed on the floating docks until they are floating.

Pity Party on the Point

Date: Friday, May 14

Time: around 6:00 pm

Where: On the Point, if the weather cooperates. If it doesn't, in the Clubhouse

Bring: Meat to BBQ, utensils & plates, **BYOB**

Thanks to Lynda for organizing this. She'll be bringing the salads and ice cream cake for dessert. Yum! If the weather is too miserable to be on the point, she'll open up the clubhouse bar so we can convene up there instead!

Important Dates

Pity Party on the Point	Fri. May 14
General Meeting	Wed. May 19
Opening Day Festivities	Sat. June 5
Launch Day	Sat. June 12
Race Meeting	TBA

Executive Meeting Highlights

- Due to the continued low water level, launch will be postponed until June 12.
- Met with Callander building officials regarding fencing west side of property. Site plan must be submitted. Fence must be 6 ft. wood fence, with 6 ft. vegetative buffer on NBYC side.
- Had 17 members participate in mast crane training.
- Clean Up Day was a great success. With 16 people, got lots done. Will continue to do Clean Up on a separate day, not launch day.
- Revenue down slightly this year.
- Exploring other options for phone without additional costs. Want to include internet for security system.



Are these NBYC members waiting for the water to rise?

Boat Insurance

Important reminder to members! If your boat insurance has expired or is about to expire, please send a copy of your insurance renewal to the Harbour Master. The NBYC requires an updated copy of insurance for every boat. It must contain:

- ◆ Description of boat (that is insured)
- ◆ Policy Number,
- ◆ Start date and Expiry date of insurance.
- ◆ Amount of liability insurance.

Opening Day Activities

Even though the launch will be late, we will still hold Opening Day Activities on Saturday, June 5. In keeping with the formal nature of these events, men are to wear suits and ties and women dress appropriately (because Lynda says women always know what to wear).

It starts with the Flag Raising on the Point in the early afternoon, followed by the Sailpast and culminates with the Opening Party.

Flag Raising

Traditionally the Canadian Ensign, Club Burgee and Power Squadron flags are raised on the flagstaff, at the Point. During this ceremony, members are to stand at attention and if wearing a hat, salute.

Sailpast

NBYC Sailpast celebrates the opening of the sailing season and is a parade of boats past the Commodore. It incorporates many of the traditional practices, as well as adding local procedures that better fit the club environment.

The only two flags allowed during Sailpast are the Canadian Ensign and the Club Burgee. Dressing of the boats (attaching signal flags, burgees, streamers etc.) does not take place until after the boats have returned to their slips after Sailpast.

Opening Party

After the Sailpast, return to your slip and "Dress" your boat. Following this, it is traditional for members to congregate in various cockpits, for drinks and hors d'oeuvres, before attending the Opening dinner in the Clubhouse.

History of the Sailpast

For a full history of the Sailpast, visit our website nbyc.ca and check out the Club's 2010 booklet.

Facebook Page

Have you checked out the new NBYC Facebook page? Jeff Campsall has done a great job! You can visit the page and join as a friend, add your pictures, comments, discussion, or anything else you want!

Visit it at:

www.facebook.com/pages/Callander-ON/North-Bay-Yacht-Club-NBYC/105260329510993

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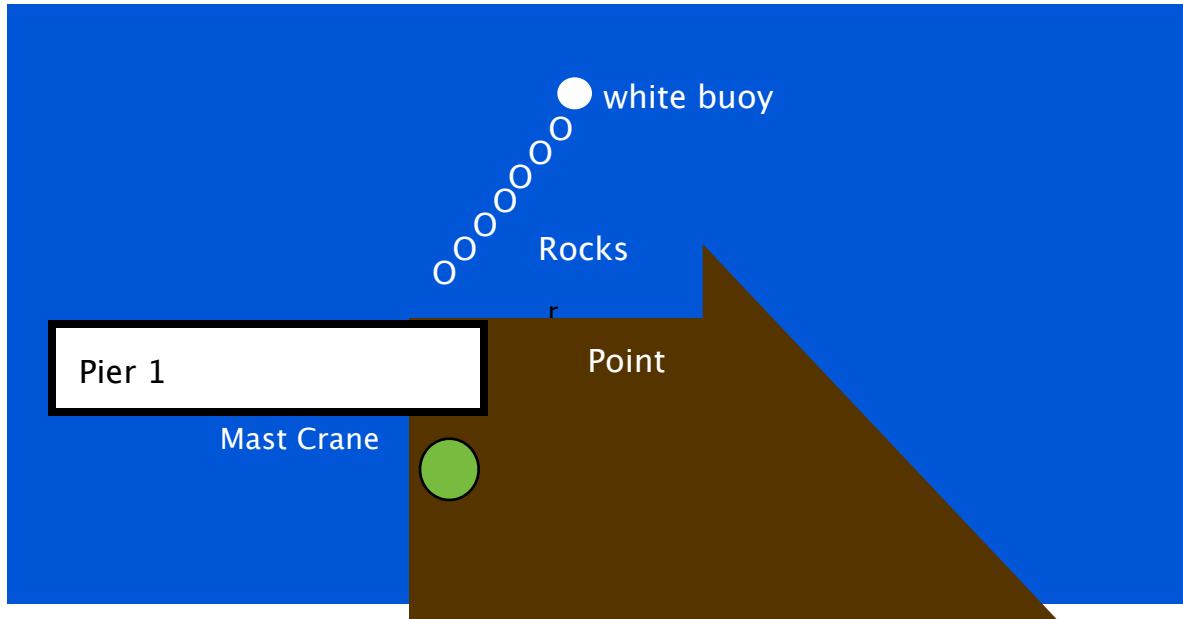


This could be the French River in 2010.

IMPORTANT WARNING: Anchor for Floating Dock, Pier 1

Important Notice For all Members: The new section of Pier # 1 has an anchor that goes from the dock to the buoy just off the point. The chain for the anchor is **very** close to the surface, and boats cannot travel over it.

Therefore, when you are tied to the outside of Pier # 1 near the mast crane, you **MUST** back up and go around SOUTH of the buoy.



If you missed it, here is a picture from the January meeting of the Water Management Group in charge of Lake Nipissing water levels. If you can't have water, you might as well have a laugh!