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**ICOYC eNEWS for June 2017**



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**A Note from the Editor**

*by Bob Miller*

We haven't had an edition of eNEWS for some time now, but there are some interesting topics to announce today. This electronic newsletter is a way for **you** to spread the great news about the events which your club is doing. This publication is **your** tool to share information with other members of ICOYC clubs. So, please send me the articles, notices, and other items which **you** would like to share around the ICOYC world.

My news item to share --



Royal Vancouver Yacht Club is celebrating Canada's 150th anniversary this year. They have invited members of Seattle Yacht Club to participate in their July 1st Canada Day celebration at RVan's Scott Point Outstation on Salt Spring Island in British Columbia. Seattle YC also has an outstation in nearby Ganges and my boat, *Loon Song*, soon will be departing for the Canadian Gulf Islands as part of the SYC contingent.

Happy Anniversary to our Canadian Friends.

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**The President's Message**

*by Andy Anderson*



The world has two hemispheres and from where I sit we are just past the shortest day of daylight. With temperatures dropping in our temperate climate, the winter racing is always good to be amongst. In fact at RNZYS the winter sailing fleet of over 120 yachts is our most significant bi-weekly weekend racing of the year. The fact that we race every day of the week during summer in multiple classes does not produce such consistent numbers in fleets. I trust all Northern Hemisphere clubs are enjoying a warm and competitive summers racing and cruising.

This week our attention has been on the edge of our 5:00 am watching seats as Emirates Team New Zealand progressed through the Louis Vuitton Cup of challengers and on into the Americas Cup. The result for New Zealand is fantastic and I believe for the Cup itself. The opportunity for advancing sailing

now lays in the yet to be agreed format and openness of fair competition. Whatever the format, I consider the advances in R&D the Cup provides is the opportunity for innovation and our sports progression at all levels. Our club's attention will shortly turn from one of celebration to one of preparing for the defence again; all in all great for local interest in sailing. Next week the city welcomes our team home - should be fun.

The interest of the youth that I have observed in this Cup's high speed and spectacular antics has them enthused to learn and go sailing. We will no doubt see a surge in yacht club interest and increased attendance from this spectacle. The challenge for all clubs is to engage these youth in a meaningful way that ensures they sail for life and not just one summer.

Looking at what the ICOYC can do, we need to engage with each participating club more. I would like to see more cross conversations and sharing of outcomes. I am sure there are conversations but unless I prompt individuals I receive little feedback. This is disappointing when we are all have such a strong common interest.

The regional conferences are advancing in preparation, dates set, agendas being finalised and so it is up to each club to attend, contribute and take back some real nuggets of information that improves your own club. If we can take out at least a single good news story each along with securing and developing friendships then these conferences add value. A copy of the Save-the-Date message for the European Conference by Representative Edith Frilet appears below. These short weekend meetings also make a nice get-away for you and your partner.

Remember San Francisco, April 2018 World Forum, we want to see everyone there. Note that registration is now open, so get in quick, secure your hotels and register. It is on the website under [Forums/Upcoming World Forum](#).

Happy sailing in both hemispheres.  
Andy



### **World Forum 2018 Pre-Announcement**

*by John McNeill*

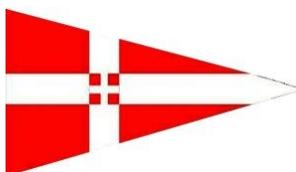
The organizers of the next World Forum (previously called the Commodores' Forum) have been working hard since Royal Danish Yacht Club's famously successful September 2016 Forum.

### ***Warning gun! Don't be late to the line.***

*We are within days of opening registration for the April 2018 World Forum in San Francisco. Prompt registration will provide you with the best of the hotel rooms, plenty of time to search the best airmfares, and a discount to boot. Keep an eye out for the announcement, so you don't miss the start.*

*Preliminary information is on the ICOYC website under [Forums/Upcoming World Forum](#).*

You will receive an email message when all of the registration facilities are ready, probably by mid-July.



### **Yacht Club Italiano Announces the Opening of their Summer Clubhouse in Portofino**

Correspondent Ludovica Reggio sends this important and very useful announcement.

*We at Yacht Club Italiano are delighted to inform all ICOYC fellow members that our summer clubhouse in Portofino has opened this week. It took a greater-than-normal effort this*

year due to significant damage caused by winter storms, but we can now proudly say "Mission Accomplished!" Our adjoining hillside terrace will be available to visitors who want to enjoy the stunning view of the village. The bar/restaurant area will be open from 6 pm for "aperitivo" (pre-dinner drinks). Dinner booking is strictly required; on weekends a light lunch will be served.

Giampaolo and Ludovica (ICOYC Reps for YCI) can be contacted either directly (see [Member Library/ICOYC Directory](#) (members only) or via YCI Secretariat. We will be happy to meet with you and ensure a smooth visit to this lovely gem of the Italian and to our club. If you would like to visit Genova as well, with its renowned "Centro Storico" (Old City), we remind you that our centrally-located HQ clubhouse is only a 45-minute ride by car or ferry from Portofino and would provide more round-the-clock facilities.

You can view photos of the Portofino clubhouse at <http://www.yachtclubitaliano.it/en/club/portofino-office>.



**Save the Date Announcement for the European Regional Meeting,  
15-17 October 2017**

*by Edith Frilet*

SOCIÉTÉ NAUTIQUE DE MARSEILLE

The [Société Nautique de Marseille](#) and its Commodore Pierre Sathal is happy to welcome you for a pleasant and fruitful week-end in Provence. October is a beautiful time in the South of France, not too hot and still with long days. Please feel free to contact me or the SNM for more details, concerning commodities. The city is near Marignane Airport and is easy to reach by TGV. The full program will be posted soon. Read the full announcement on [Regional Conferences/Europe](#) and make sure to reserve your hotel room NOW!

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**Currents - The Breaking News Section on the Website**

How often do you take a look at the [Currents](#) section of the website? it is part of the private and public home pages and is designed to present late-breaking news of yachting and yacht club activities. You are the people who populate this section. It is easy, just ask your club's PR department to add [webeditor@icoyc.org](mailto:webeditor@icoyc.org) to their email distribution lists. The editors will pick those items which are of interest to a large number of ICOYC members. Currently we receive frequent PR reports from Royal Hong Kong YC and Royal Southern YC, as well as great contributions from Norddeutscher Regata Verein. We can use more. Many of the reports are simple weblinks to sites maintained by other yachting organizations, while some of the articles are PDF downloads. Send them in, we will publish them.

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