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FALL 2006

# KICK UP YOUR HEELS!

AT

# TWC'S AGM/ DINNER DANCE!



TWC's Ian Matthews kicks up his heels at the  
Canadians in Kingston, August, 2006

## Saturday, Nov. 04, 2006

**Annual General Business Meeting (at TWC) - 5:30 p.m.**

including election of 2007 Board of Directors

(Nominations to Mike Tindall, by Oct. 28)

**Cash Bar at Ashbridge's Bay Yacht Club (ABYC\*) - 6:30 p.m.**

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Another summer has come and gone, and it is now time to reflect on what we want for the future of the TWC. We have recently signed a twenty year lease with the City of Toronto, but we will not be able to negotiate for more land until the Lake Ontario Park plan is finalized a few years from now. The city has also put a limit on the number of storage containers that we can have on the property. Our final container will be delivered on October 5th and we already have a list of sailors interested in space for next season.

As we are unable to expand our physical boundaries, it is necessary for us to fine tune our present programs and decide how to best utilize our existing property. We have landscaping plans underway in an attempt to expand our rigging area and move our parking slightly north. The paneling of the clubhouse needs to be finished.

Also, without the ability to expand our space for the next few years, we should temporarily deemphasize the growth in membership. We can spend a few years concentrating on increasing the quality of service to our members.

We are in a time of transition. The future of the Toronto's waterfront is an important part of our city's planning and we hope that we can be a part of that plan and maintain the special niche that we fill in the sailing community.

Hope to see many of you at our annual AGM on Saturday, November 4th. The meeting will take place at the clubhouse from 5 to 6 pm, and the dinner dance will follow at Ashbridge's Bay Yacht Club.

Jon Matthews



Trailer 10 arrives at TWC,  
Oct. 5



Trailer boss Jerry Caplan  
checks placement of #10!

## FINAL STORAGE CONTAINER ARRIVED OCT. 5 HERE WE GROW AGAIN !

(Jerry Caplan reporting)

October 5 saw the arrival of the last storage container allowed under TWC current lease agreement. After a very successful season, membership remains at about 500, similar to last year. However with the growth in the Learn to Windsurf program, more beginners are purchasing equipment, and additional storage space is required.

With increased traffic, comes the need for additional rigging area. TWC Board of Directors (BoD) plans to increase our rigging area by 300 sq m by re-positioning the driveway and parking area slightly. The BoD hopes as well to be able to add electricity to all trailers, thereby allowing for desperately needed lighting. Stay tuned WC may not be full grown yet!



## BE CAREFUL WHO YOU PICK UP AT CHERRY BEACH! (Bandit reporting)

Bennett's breath came in rapid pants as he stared in horror at the vehicle he had only seconds ago been driving. He had driven nearly a mile before he realized someone was in the car with him and now, after a tire-screaming halt and a panic escape from the driver's seat, the door hung wide open and everything was strangely silent...waiting... Cautiously Bennett approached the vehicle, flung open the back door and jumped back as if expecting the intruder to suddenly leap out to attack...



Gingerly Bennett approached again and opened another door and yet another until in the semi-darkness of evening at Cherry and Unwin, the tiny Honda, roof piled high with windsurfing gear, looked like something a mid-east car bomber might have left ...

Seconds turned to minutes... and finally ... the raccoon climbed out, haughtily turned its back and headed off to Regatta Road. Be careful who you pick up at Cherry Beach

(true story...names changed to protect the innocent)

## BRIG TO THE RESCUE...WHENEVER POSSIBLE...

From time to time, TWC's motorboats (Brig...incorrectly identified as Crib last issue, and the older soon to be sold inflatable) perform missions of mercy and rescue struggling members, kites and others from the waters around TWC. New members often wonder why this doesn't happen more quickly and why it doesn't happen every time someone has difficulty.

Safety officer Ian Caldwell reports that TWC boat rescue challenges include the presence or absence of licensed, experienced operator/rescuers, the risk to the rescue boat and/or rescuer(s) and bad weather.

Although every effort will be made to rescue members who are genuinely in trouble please don't rely on the TWC boats to rescue you. Take pro-active measures to ensure your own safety...

1. Check weather and water quality reports before you sail.
2. Sail with a buddy or buddies.
3. Watch what other experienced sailors are doing and head ashore if they do.
4. Dress to be in the water for a while.
5. Call the Toronto Police marine rescue unit 416-808-5800 if you see sailors in trouble.

**BUSY SEASON FOR LTW (Tom Mae reporting)**

This was a great season for the Learn to Windsurf program...from the new CYA level 1 windsurfing lessons guaranteed to get you sailing on your first day, to Tips from the Pros (thanks to Dan Thomson, instructional editor for Windsurfing Magazine, Murray Mccaig, Olympic Windsurfing Racer, Duke Duyck, TWC's own Instructor Emeritus, Ian Mathews, TWC's racer, youth coach and freestyle expert, and our very own "Olympic hopeful" David Hayes, youth racer.)

This year TWC offered private and semiprivate lessons for those who couldn't fit into the existing LTW schedule or just needed to brush up. Tom Mae donated the money received from lessons back into the LTW program for missing and needed equipment along with a few smaller lightweight rigs as well as a windsurfing board. TWC now has sails that range from 2.2 to 5.0 metre size that are lighter and easier to handle than some of the older ones.

TWC had its first Royal visitors to the LTW program when Crown Prince Haakon Magnus of Norway and stepson Marius visited the club in late summer. Both keen windsurfers, 9 year old Marius was well onto his way to using a harness after just a few lessons.

The on line sign up implemented midseason helped manage student bookings and hopefully some online payment options will be available for 2007.

Midsummer Madness Learn To Windsurf was a great success for students who learned to windsurf over the midsummer long weekend. Midsummer Madness will be repeated next season.

John Darling, Paul Carr and TWC's volunteer instructors, taught and mentored a fall kids' clinic covering racing basics, starts and did a few fun races. A spring clinic for kids is planned for 2007.

Thanks to Ian and Simon our hired summer instructors for their enthusiastic summer lessons and willingness to help members whenever they had a question. We wish them all the best with their school studies this fall. TWC's volunteer instructors were there when needed, offering help throughout the season. Without volunteer instructors the LTW program could not operate nearly as well as it

**Duke supervises simulator drill****Windsurfing rocks!****Kids invade!****Tom and "Royal" students!****KIDS CAMP PLANNED FOR 2007...THANKS BIRGITT!**

Kids Camp 2006 was a roaring success, partly due to the efforts of volunteer Birgitt Patterson who put in a great deal of effort. In thanking the 2006 Kids Camp crew, we missed her. Apologies Birgitt...hope you can join us for the 2007 Camp which will be two single weeks session in 2007. If you have ideas for next years Kids Camp, e-mail instructor Andree Gauthier .

# ERNESTO'S EASTERLIES -

photos by Peter Jerabek



**TOP THREE WEDNESDAY RACERS**

(GOLD, RED, BLUE, WHITE FLEETS)



<b>PAUL CARR</b>
<b>NICK COX</b>
<b>MIKE KELTZ</b>
<b>JON MATTHEWS</b>
<b>JOHN DARLING</b>
<b>STEVE HILL</b>
<b>TOM MAE</b>
<b>DUKE DUYCK</b>
<b>CHRIS HOPE</b>
<b>GANDER TAWASTSJERNA</b>
<b>COLIN CAMPBELL</b>
<b>MAX ROBINSON</b>



Wednesday Night Hat Heads; Max Robinson, Chris Hope, Duke Duyck, Tom Mae, Jon Matthews, John Darling, Paul Carr, Nick Cox Mike Keltz

**WEDNESDAY RACE WRAP**

Thanks to race organizers Paul Carr, Milo Krstic and Chris Hope for a great season of Wednesday night racing. The weatherman served up a variety of race conditions over the season with approximately 40 races completed. A number of new racers joined the fleet and on occasion the Wednesday group numbered over 20, with barbecues attracting even more!

Earlier in the season we predicted a great season but hedged our bets as to whether RS:X, Formula or traditional raceboards would prove a dominant choice. Our top eight racers raced most of their season on traditional raceboards and the top two used traditional 7.5 m sails. The 9.5 RS:X sail proved a popular choice, boosting several racers in the standings, especially when used on longboards. Thinking of trying racing, but a little unsure how to get started? In May, 2007, come on down and join the white fleet...it's for newcomers.

**MAUI RACE REPORT 2006 SEASON** (Norah Jackson reporting)

This was a record year for slalom race events held in Maui. The season began in early June with the Maui Race Series, progressed to the US Nationals which overlapped the six Navman Speed events. Conditions were good for the Maui Race Series, and all races were held on schedule. Ted and I finished "in the t-shirts" and brought home some wood! Ted was a consistent 2<sup>nd</sup> place finisher in all his divisions (age and Expert), I did my best finishes in the Advanced Fleet, (the ability group with mixed men and women) with a 2nd place finish in the state final.

The US Nationals brought sailors from the US mainland, Australia and New Zealand as well as any pros who managed to make it back to Maui after the grueling European tour. The first 2 days were slalom events, Wednesday was long distance, and the last 2 days were course racing. There were some brave souls out on real course gear, but mainly sailors used slalom gear. Conditions were generally light, so it worked for all.

The Navman Speed events were held at Naish Beach, slightly downwind from Kanaha and Kite Beach. The fastest runs were done at the smoother "Boneyards" a very shallow reef, known for eating fins at low tide. Again winds were light, and kites Shawn and Jesse Richman wowed everyone with their speeds. Shawn won the entire event with a top speed of 38.1 knots. (Speeds are averaged over a 10 second period). I finished 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the women's division. After 3 races, Ted was 4<sup>th</sup> overall, as usual, very fast even against sailors using weight jackets and asymmetrical fins.

The really big winner of the season won herself (that's me!) a custom Mark Nelson Slalom Race Board! Mark is the designer/shaper for all the Mistral production boards, and is one of the hot custom shapers in the world. My new fast board should be ready for our next Maui visit...never soon enough!

Aloha,  
Norah

Longtime members and friends of TWC, Ted Hunter and Norah Jackson live a life most of us can only dream about...six or so months every year in Maui! They compete in the state race series and keep us up to date every year!



Ted in the middle of FAST company!



Ted following Micah Buzianis and Phil McGain around a gybe mark.



Norah wins the Nelson!



### THE 30 KNOT BARRIER FALLS TO SPEED SAILORS! (from a letter submitted by former Canadian Windsurfing Champion Jan Wroblewski)

Aug 29,

Hi Bill,

..., to come to the topic I had some good sailing on the East Lake a couple of weeks ago but no internet access.

On Tuesday, Aug. 15th the wind picked up nicely in the afternoon to about 20-25 kts SW and I got to sail my iSonic 105 with 6.7 Severne Code Red. I had to sail about 3km upwind to the other side of the lake in order to find side-offshore wind and flatter water. I was reaching 29 kts quite frequently but could not to get past my (season best) 29.2 kts for more than an hour. Eventually, I got 29.7 kts which made me think that I should be able to add another 0.3 kt in order to brake the 30 kt barrier!

After coming back to my campsite and changing the fin from 34 to 30 cm I ventured out again. Finally, after another hour of going upwind to the other side and tweaking the gear I got a good gust in a flat section of the lake and got to go pretty fast. When I looked at my GPS I was quite pleased with the outcome... 30.9 kts!

I got myself a new challenge, adding another 0.1 of a knot but it was not to be, at least not that day.

I finished a good day on B&J gear and 5.7 sail.

### FAST IS FUN at TWC!

Well, it ain't the Gorge or Maui or the speed sailing ditch in S. France, but at times Cherry Beach does "go off" with its own variation of shortboard winds, bringing joy to the hearts, and ear- to- ear grins to the faces of our windsurfing speed demons.

This year, Chris Hope helped organize some of this energy and stepped up the speed sailing activity at TWC. Over twenty sailors logged speeds on the TWC website's Speed Sailing Record page, the thirty knot barrier fell, TWC windsurfers began sprouting growths on wrists and arms known as GPS (Global Positioning System) units and TWC finally bought one GPS unit available for member speed runs from TWC directors.

Far from an effort to compete with serious speedsters on a global basis, TWC's speed sailing simply encourages friendly competition amongst members and friends in an effort to go FASTER and have FUN!

Below is a summary of the top ten speedsters to date. Watch out you speed demons, speed limit in parts of the Outer

TWC and FRIENDS TOP TEN SPEED SAILORS as of OCT 10,2006	
Speeds in knots...friends in gray	
34.3***	Ted Hunter Naish Beach, Maui, HI/July 9 - wind 20 -25 knots * Nelson 8.6 Race- average over 10 seconds
32.1	Igor Renkas Cherry Beach/Sept 2 - NE 20+knots Starboard iSonic 115/Severne SSR GPS -Jeff MacIntosh
31.0	Jeff MacIntosh Cherry Beach/Sept 2 - NE 20+knots Rogue Wave8'5"/North Daytona 6.6 GPS - Ian Matthews
30.9	Jan Wroblewski East Lake/Aug 15 - SW wind 20-25 knots Starboard iSonic 105/Severne Code Red 6.7 GPS-Photo and
29.7**	Bill Mackenzie Cherry Beach/Sept 2 - NE 20+knots GPS - Bob Shuttleworth
28.0**	Keith Whiston Cherry Beach/Sept 2 - NE 20+knots Bic Vivace 270/GPS - Bob Shuttleworth
27.9	Nick Cox Keswick/Aug 20 - N wind 15-18 knots Starboard S Type 104/NP Spirit 6.7 GPS-Director Bill Quantock
27.1	Bob Shuttleworth Cherry Beach/Sept 1 - E 15-20 knots JP Super X 106 - North Prisma 5.5 GPS - Bill Quantock
27.0**	Ian Matthews Cherry Beach/Sept 2 - NE 20+knots Starboard S Type 104/Severne Code Red GPS-Member
26.6	Norah Jackson Naish Beach, Maui, HI/Aug 5/ wind 15-20 knots* Nelson Race 8.3/Gasstra Vapor 5.0 - average over



### EASTERLIES FOR 24TH MAMMOTH!

TWC's 24<sup>th</sup> Around the Toronto Islands Windsurfing Race (aka Mammoth Marathon) was a great success! Easterly winds graced this year's event allowing good sailors with the right equipment to plane for at least part of the race and making the Western Gap a tacking exercise for some. Sixty people registered and 30 sailed around the island - one racer was rescued. Registration was slightly lower than last year. Boardsports and Silent Sport were both very generous in their contributions and iwindsurf's prizes arrived late and will be given out at the AGM Dinner Dance. Great job done by MikeTindall and Bob Shuttleworth, event organizers!

## 2006 MAMMOTH MARATHON RESULTS

Marathon Around-the-Island (17km)

Beach Start at 11:02 a.m. wind ENE 7-14 Knots

1st- David Hayes, 2nd- Ian Matthews, 3rd-Igor Renkas and Jan Wroblewski (tandem), 4<sup>th</sup> Nick Cox, 5<sup>th</sup> Keith Wiston, 6<sup>th</sup> Murray McCaig, 7<sup>th</sup> Andree Gauthier, 8<sup>th</sup> John Darling, 9<sup>th</sup> Tom Mae, 10<sup>th</sup> Jerry Caplan, 11<sup>th</sup> Paul Fish, 12<sup>th</sup> Jon Matthews, 13<sup>th</sup> Steve Hill, 14<sup>th</sup> Gander Tawaststjerna, 15<sup>th</sup> Rick Collins, 16<sup>th</sup> Alan Backlund, 17<sup>th</sup> Bob Shuttleworth, 18<sup>th</sup> Paul Hamilton, 19<sup>th</sup> Ivan Dimic, 20<sup>th</sup> Chris Hope, 21<sup>st</sup> Don Graves, 22<sup>nd</sup> Mike Keltz, 23<sup>rd</sup> Dan Les, 24<sup>th</sup> Bryan Walsh, 25<sup>th</sup> Tibor Nagey, 26<sup>th</sup> Mike Chupricove, 27<sup>th</sup> Max Robinson, 28<sup>th</sup> Marek Balzynski, 29<sup>th</sup> Paul Gingrich, 30<sup>th</sup> DNF Louise Hayes, 31<sup>st</sup> DNF Haider Anvarali

### Outer Harbour Short Course

1<sup>st</sup> Masao Abe, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bill Quantock, 3<sup>rd</sup> Duke Ducyk, 4<sup>th</sup> Jackie Jackiowicz, 5<sup>th</sup> Allen Tassie, 6<sup>th</sup> George Eastman, 7<sup>th</sup> Ayse Yuksel, 8<sup>th</sup> Julie Postil, 9<sup>th</sup> Wayne Hesse, 10<sup>th</sup> Raul Gorledo, 11<sup>th</sup> Mike Komljenovic, 12<sup>th</sup> Andrew Cagney, 13<sup>th</sup> Antonella Mega, 14<sup>th</sup> John Walsh, 15<sup>th</sup> Ian Caldwell, 16<sup>th</sup> Ryder Gililardi



## 2006 OSA WINDSURFING SERIES

Ontario Sailing has been running a season series of windsurfing races for many years. This year, under the direction of Race Boss Jon Matthews the schedule included two events at TWC and one at Geneva Park, Orillia. From all who competed in the OSA races this year, 'Thanks Jon!' Keep an eye on the OSA pages of TWC's website for 2007 events!

### OSA 2006 Windsurfing Series

Racing at

**TWC Boardfest (9),**

**CMWA Geneva Park (8)**

**and TWC Mammoth (5)**

### SERIES SUMMARY

PI	Sail #	Skipper	Total
1	89	David Hayes	50
2	44	Jan Wroblewski 51	
3	1001	Rick Collins	80
4	32	Nick Cox	89
5	257	Stephanie Todd 99	
6	45	Jon Matthews	106
7	130	John Darling	123
8	351	Tom Mae	129
9	443	Bob Shuttleworth	151
10	1117	Andree Gauthier	154

## START 2007 SEASON OFF WITH A WINDSURFING TRIP...HATTERAS MAYBE?

April 14 -28, 2007, TWC will hold its sixth annual expedition to Cape Hatteras, North Carolina. This is an outstanding opportunity for all levels of sailor to quickly improve their short board skills in one of the most user-friendly environments in windsurfing.

April is a great month for wind in Hatteras and for April 14-21, 2007, we have reserved two soundfront (launch from the property into Pamlico Sound) houses. For April 21-28, 2007, we have reserved two soundfront houses and one house one row back from the water. All houses are on Island Creek in the village of Avon. Pamlico Sound is a shallow body of water between the "Outer Banks" islands and the North Carolina mainland and except for the odd hole, is knee to shoulder deep everywhere within a couple of miles of shore. This makes learning to waterstart, jibe, etc. much easier than at Cherry Beach, as it's simple to get your gear organized after a fall when you can stand on the bottom virtually anywhere. Additional bonuses are: the shallow salt water which warms up quickly and makes your board a lot more "floaty" than in Lake Ontario and, the steady, fairly reliable April *WIND!* Like anywhere else in the world, you can get skunked here, but shared accommodation brings the cost (typically \$250 or less CDN) down to a level where the pain is minimized (not like the \$1500+ hit a Caribbean skunk will inflict). Above all, this is an opportunity to learn and consolidate windsurfing skills in a congenial atmosphere with like-minded fun-seekers and to have a great deal of



If revenues exceed expenses, we will refund the excess revenue to cost recovery level as we have done for the last five years. 2006's final accommodation cost worked out to about \$240.00 CDN ea. for each week.

Interested? Contact coordinator, Bill Quantock at 905-475-8761 for info., e-mail or visit [www.torontowindsurfingclub.ca](http://www.torontowindsurfingclub.ca) click club trips and click Hatteras!

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(receipt of order will be confirmed by telephone)

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I am ordering \_\_\_\_\_ member dinners (\$10 ea) and \_\_\_\_\_ guest dinners (\$20 ea)

I have included a cheque for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Member name: - \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

