

The St. Catharines Rowing Alumni Association



JANUARY 2023 NEWSLETTER

The year in review

Well the pandemic is hopefully behind us now, allowing the Alumni to have a busy 2022. Many thanks to all those who volunteered their time to make the year a success.

2022 was a year where we lost members and supporters of rowing, our club and the community.

Pat Hughes, Harry "Judge" Edmondstone, Jim Minards and Shirley Dick. They will be missed.

Special thanks to Jane Lockhart for keeping our bingo on the straight and narrow. We need to thank Delta Bingo, OLG and the City of St. Catharines for their continued support with our Bingo and look forward to working with them in 2023.

Thanks to Barb Little for her on-going devotion to our membership list and also our rentals. A job well done! 2023 Dues will be gratefully accepted by e-transfer or at the upcoming meeting. A quick count shows our hall was used approximately 120 days for functions, whether it was club meetings, special events, rec rowing, patio nights, rentals etc. This didn't include the Rowing Club summer rowing school, erg training last winter or the occasional afternoon beer o'clock.

To Wayne and Swede thanks for your continued work on the grounds, keeping the patio clean and repaired and Swede making sure Jasper's chip supply was all good.

The spring and summer clean up crew were second to none. Our thanks to all who participated and spring hopefully, is just around the corner. Sending healing thoughts to Nancy Storrs as she goes through some recent health issues.

Jasper, thanks for all your continued work for the club whether it be building a stage, golf tournament, booking the Jenkins' brothers, etc. or ordering substantial amounts of bar stock.

To Chris and all the bar staff, Michele and Shauna, thanks for a job well done. Also thanks to Dave, Danny O, Brian, Steve, Joey, Dwight, Ross, Ted, Tommy, Jane, Barb, Rob and Holly, and hopefully I haven't forgotten anyone that jumped into the mix to help out; whether it was at the bar, bbq, selling tickets or souvenirs.

Jim and Sandra, thanks for bringing souvenirs back into the fore front as a viable fundraiser.

The Alumni Executive worked especially hard this past year to help revive the club, bringing new ideas forward and jumping in where needed, a job well done.

Special thanks to our treasurer Brian Campbell who has kept us afloat for the last 2 years financially, not an easy task, must be the Scottish heritage.

Thoughts for next year as we prepare for a busy, rowing, regatta, and patio season, and prepare for the 2024 World Rowing Championship. (Aug 17 – 25) We have started meetings with CHRC and the 2024 Worlds committee as to the role the Alumni will play in it all. We are open to all ideas for the “**betterment of rowing**”. Any input from members is more than welcome.

Some members have mentioned it’s time to invest in some comfortable patio tables and chairs; I agree. The picnic tables are a little hard on the butt in our later years. Let’s see what the treasurer has to say.

Another point is the condition of the old oak trees , (not meaning tie a yellow ribbon round the old oak tree) but let’s have an assessment done and proper tree maintenance done this spring.

Let’s not forget our January Steak Night, see details below.

Hope to see you on January 13th.

ALUMNI STEAK NIGHT
FRIDAY, January 13th Bar open at 6:00 pm
Barbecue ready for 6:30 pm



Steaks are \$25 a person, payable at end of bar, upon arrival or e-transfer to scraa01@gmail.com. Members and Guests Welcome!

Please Order by Wednesday, Jan 11th, noon

Reply to this email or call Barb Little, 905 468-7928 to place your order!

Don Baker, President

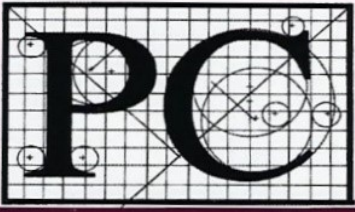
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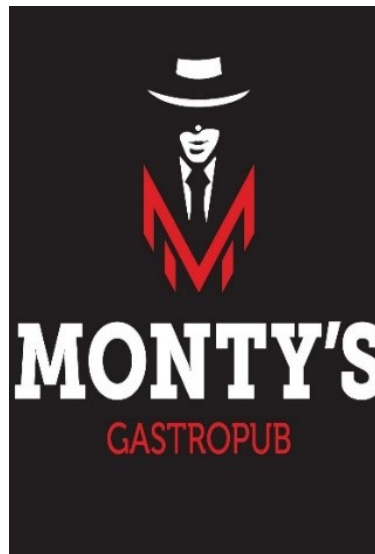
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