

Great Lakes Alberg Association December News Flash  
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Ahoy fellow Alberg sailors!

I hope this finds you all well and ready for the Holiday season. While you are all getting ready for family and feasting, or whatever your traditions are at this time of year, I just wanted to pass on a few reminders for ongoing and upcoming events on behalf of the Commodore and the Executive.

50th Anniversary and the Albergs East Cruise

You should have received a brief email from the Commodore recently telling you about the Albergs East cruise and asking you to let the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary committee know ASAP if you will be attending. If you have lost the details, please visit the website and check out the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations page. <http://alberg.ca/50th%20Home%20page.shtml>

Commemorative calendar and other stuff

If you haven't already, you will soon receive a package in the mail with a number of items inside which we would like you to take a look at as soon as possible because some of them are time sensitive:

1. GLAA 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary commemorative Calendar – for you, compliments of the GLAA, and expertly assembled by Phoebe Campbell! Thanks Phoebe! If you want to order an extra one visit the web site at the membership page. [http://www.alberg.ca/about\\_membership.shtml](http://www.alberg.ca/about_membership.shtml)
2. GLAA member information questionnaire – please complete the questionnaire and return to the Executive using the self-addressed envelope provided in the package. In case you did not get the mail out, the questionnaire can be downloaded from the website – it is at the bottom of the membership page at this link. [http://www.alberg.ca/about\\_membership.shtml](http://www.alberg.ca/about_membership.shtml) Please complete it and sent it to Gord Martin via email ([gordmartin@look.ca](mailto:gordmartin@look.ca)) or to the address at the bottom of the form.
3. GLAA AGM notice of meeting (attached) / proxy voting form. The AGM is always a nice evening and the elections are critical to keeping the association running well. If you can make it, please let Cathie know ASAP, and no later than 11 Jan. If you cannot make it to the meeting, you can allow someone to represent you by completing and returning the proxy form. Meeting details are on the website events page. [http://alberg.ca/about\\_events.shtml](http://alberg.ca/about_events.shtml)
4. Regalia order form. If you would like to order any of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (or other) regalia please complete the order form and send to Larry Richardson, at your earliest convenience. Samples will be available at the AGM for all to see. Directions for ordering will be on the home page of the website. <http://www.alberg.ca>.
5. 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala dinner invitation, including master events registration form and dinner menu. If you think you will make it to any of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary events, please complete the registration form and send it back in the self addressed envelope provided. The registration form is also available on the web site on the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary page. You will notice that a special group rate for accommodation (April 4th and 5th) at both the Radisson Admiral Hotel - Toronto Harbourfront, and the Palace Pier Condo Suites has been arranged for your convenience. Please refer to the Events Registration form for

reservation details. <http://alberg.ca/50th%20Home%20page.shtml> We need this information as soon as possible for planning purposes, so please don't delay!

Chesapeake Bay Alberg Alberg 30 Association.

The Commodore was approached by the Chesapeake group regarding their 50th anniversary plans. They are putting together an anniversary booklet similar to ours and they are looking for content. If any of our members have anecdotes or stories about Alberg 30s that could be shared in both our Alberg groups' Anniversary Booklets, please send them to Cathie, and if you have interesting material about other Alberg designs, send them to Larry Richardson. Please don't hesitate as we need this material NOW.

GLAA website.

Our new Website Administrator has been very busy working on the site, so be sure to go and look around! A new format for our website Events Calendar will be set up before the end of the year, so keep an eye out for that. The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary page is loaded with info and all the forms that you need. GAM on Yachting has recently joined our GLAA Partners Programme, and has a great offer to both existing and new GLAA members. Please visit the Membership page to review the exciting details.

New Age of Sail Exhibit - The Great Lakes Marine Museum in Kingston

The Commodore was approached by a long-time family friend who is involved with a very exciting project that is taking place next year, and which coincides wonderfully with our group's anniversary plans. Honourary Curators and legendary sailors George Cuthbertson and Bruce Kirby would like the history of the Alberg 30 included in this exhibit. They have asked for whatever we can find, such as a model of the A30, plans/drawings, a bio of Carl Alberg, a history of Whitby Boat Works, etc. Cathie has some leads on many of these things; however, there is plenty to do. If anyone would like to help put this wonderful project together, please give Cathie a call at [613-438-1678](tel:613-438-1678).

Blahs Potluck Dinner; Sat, 22 Feb 2014.

Once again, the Malcolmsons have opened their home to us for the 'Blahs' potluck dinner. The date will be Saturday February 22nd, 2014. For this event, Ann would like to make it a Mediterranean 'theme'. As in past years, the first Executive meeting will be held earlier that same day, probably over lunch at the Cherry Street restaurant or the National Yacht Club. Details to be confirmed at the AGM.

Secretary's notes.

By Gord Martin

For several years I have been thinking that we need some type of advertising to post on club bulletin boards, hand to prospective members, or leave on non-member boats to invite them to join this wonderful group. We now have a colour 4X6" post card for this purpose and we hope that every member will become a cruising ambassador for the Great Lakes Alberg Association. We will have them at the AGM in January; please take as many as you can use effectively. They will also be sent out with the rosters in the spring, and mailed to as many clubs and marinas as we can find. Let's keep this great association growing. If you would like some post cards earlier, please phone, text or email me and I will send them out.

GORD MARTIN- 4" x 6" Postcard



## Alberg 30 50 Anniversary Canada Day Rendezvous

This year the Canada Day Rendezvous will be at the grand old Royal Canadian Yacht club on the beautiful Toronto Islands. The RCYC is a beautiful club with first class facilities, well situated on the islands. The islands themselves are a treasure for the the Greater Toronto Area. Visiting the Toronto Islands although just a short trip across the harbour from the hustle and bustle of the city, will seem like another world.

The arrangement with RCYC is for an arrival on Sunday June 29 and departure on Wednesday July 2. This promises to be the best rendezvous in recent history. Registration forms will be available at the Annual General meeting in January and will be mailed and or emailed shortly thereafter. Detail information regarding planned events and general information about the rendezvous will be distributed later this month. Registration for this event is required by RCYC to be assigned a slip. The harbour master will be unable to assign a slip for any boat that just shows up without registration. Therefore, please register for this important in early January, put it on your calendar so you will not have, as often seems to happen, another event preventing you from enjoying this important Alberg 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Rendezvous. There is no cost for registration and if in the off chance something comes up making it impossible to participate, the registration can be easily cancelled.

2014 will be a milestone year for the Alberg 30 and all the fine Alberg designed boats.

A great deal of time and effort by Commodore Cathie, the Executive and the 50th anniversary committee has been devoted to the arrangement and planning of this event. Please reward this effort by showing up with your boat on June 30. We are trying to make arrangements for fair winds from all points of the compass.



**HAPPY HOLIDAYS from the Commodore and all the Executive!**