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ALUMNI NEWSLETTER - SUMMER 2021.

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You need to check out the Clubhouse up on the Island. A lot of hard work, by our members to clean up the exterior of the building and give it a fresh coat of paint. The dark blue hue gives the building a rich cottage look which blends in nicely with the lush green foliage that we are blessed with on Henley Island. Go onto our Facebook Page to view some terrific photos of the clubhouse transformation.

The clean up crew got things going with a vigorous power wash of the building. Thanks to the team of: Steve Armstrong, Brian Page, Joe Martin, Dan Atkinson, Don Baker, Mike Purcer, Wayne Dick, Ross Yeo, Bill Stevens, Dave Campbell, & Ken Campbell.

The painting was completed in one day, with over 10 gallons of paint applied. The professional paint staff was comprised of:



Bob Ruttan	Nancy Storrs	Greg Jack
Dan O'Hearn	Mike Purcer	Wayne Dick
Ross Yeo	Kevin Boyes	Joe Martin
Don Baker	Brian Campbell	Dave Campbell
Ron Swede Burak	Ken Campbell	Barb Little

A special shout out to Alice-Ann for her expert advice on colour selection. All completed without any mishaps, other than Joe Martin may have had more paint on himself, than he applied to the building. 😊 A job well done and very encouraging seeing our membership so engaged in volunteering their time and skills to complete this project.

Revenue as we know has been tight over the past 2 years during our shutdown. This called for some creative thinking in order to maintain our facility and assist us in remaining viable into the future. Ken Campbell organized and ran 2 very successful and fun Auction Pools on the US Open Golf Championship & the British Open Championship. The combined entry fees for the Pools came to \$750.00 which went toward the cost of paint & supplies for the building project. Looking forward to 2022 when Ken will run a pool in the spring for "The Masters."

The Rowing Clubs are beginning to see some activity again down at the boathouse. Some training and practice is beginning in sweep boats which is very encouraging. There is nothing more majestic than an 8 oared shell gliding down the Henley.

Our successful Open Patio Bar is back in business again this summer. We are open to everyone Thursday thru Sunday afternoon.

Thursday Wood Fired Pizza

Friday Monty's Famous Beef on a Bun

Saturday BBQ Special by HIH

Sunday Sipping cocktails by the Henley

Teaming up with HIH and Rec Rowing the Alumni is providing LIVE MUSIC every Saturday and sometimes on Friday also. This Friday July 23rd we are proud to present "OVER EASY" a very talented local duo who have attracted a huge and loyal following. If you enjoy live music by amazing musicians then grab a spot on the patio Friday evening. You will not be disappointed.


The Port Dalhousie community and many other locals are frequently patronizing and supporting our patio. If you have not made it down yet, maybe this weekend may be as good a time as ever. The success of our Patio bar is what is keeping the Alumni afloat until we can get back down to business later this fall. Another unique project that has started up is 'Breakfast on the Island' provided by HHH & Rec. Rowing. A Gourmet breakfast and coffee is served up every Saturday and Sunday 8:00 – 11:00 down at the HHH booth at the Boathouse. A sunny, peaceful way to begin your day. So check it out. No more boiled hotdogs for these guys.

Currently we are contemplating having a general meeting on Friday August 6th which would normally coincide with The Henley Regatta. We will hold it on the patio with special pricing for our members. Mark this date on your calendar as we will use it as our Official Opening and Homecoming

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We are contemplating easing back into facility rentals in the fall, beginning in October. Nothing definitive yet. We believe our Patio Operation provides strong revenue and strong support from the community, so we believe not interrupting the scheduled patio is a priority currently. Some good news through Jane Lockhart our partners at OLG Delta Bingo are getting ready to resume operations. Hopefully soon we are able to get back to Bingo which has been such a generous supporter of our organization. Once the schedule is out Jane will get the teams back in place.

Come on down to the Island. See the amazing job our members have done in transforming the building. Enjoy a cool drink, have some dinner and enjoy some great live music. Follow us on Facebook  or our updated web site for all the current news about the Alumni.

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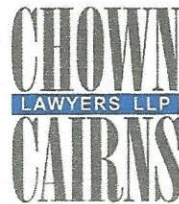
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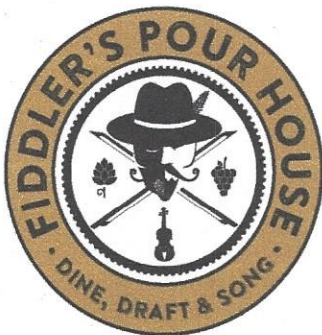


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