

Georgian Yacht Club Fall 2018 Newsletter



Commodore's Report.

October 4, 2018

What an amazing summer, it flew by so quickly with all the terrific weather for boating. I hope everyone was able to make the most of this boating season.

The pilot project for floating docks was started in the spring. The docks have been used all summer and seem to be working really well. If the new docks winter well, we will continue to replace more docks next year.

I would like to congratulate the membership director Tom England for hosting and organizing a very successful new members' orientation evening on June 6, 2018. I would also like to congratulate the Social Club for the Corn roast and Karaoke on September 8, 2018.

There are still some Sailpast photos in the Clubhouse, please pick up your pictures.

I would like to thank Clark James for organizing a very successful Rendezvous in Little Current on July 31, 2018. Roy Eaton and Margaret Eaton were able to attend the potluck dinner. I was interviewed by Roy Eaton as part of the Cruiser's Net Broadcast. Clark James has volunteered to run another Rendezvous next year in Little Current. It is a terrific time if you can work your holidays around the event; please try to attend. It is lots of fun.

On a sad note we have lost past Commodore Jack Doherty, member Nick Cioran and past members Bill Gallinger and John Armstrong. Our condolences to their families. They will be missed around the club.

The lights on the porch of the club house have been replaced. I would like to thank Jeff Schnarr for taking the lead on completing this project and donating his time and materials to the club. Also, a new Union Gas meter has been installed to give easier access for billing.

We are looking at paving areas of the Yacht Club, to reduce the dust from the gravel and to prevent the wash-out from heavy rainfalls. The mast storage project is still underway.

I would like to send out a special thanks to Harry Hartrick, who really stepped up to the plate to ensure there was no environmental damage as a result of the boats taking on a bit too much water this summer. It was a lot of hard work and thanks to all the members who came out to help our three members. The board is currently reviewing our procedures and policies to ensure that our club is protected from future occurrences of this kind.

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We are encouraging all members who will be away from their boats to ensure that someone else has a key and is able to check that your bilge pump is working.

The new pump-out that Harry Hartrick installed this spring is working very well.

A special thanks to Kurtis Low who is always hard working to keep the boats fuelled up and the property looking great.

I would like to thank all the directors for all their hard work and dedication. There is a lot of behind the scenes work go keep the Club running smoothly. The Clubhouse and grounds are looking great.

Paul Weintendorf the director of Social has a number of social events coming up. Please try to attend and support the Social Committee.

We have a great time on the board and if you are interested in getting involved, please reach out to Paul King who would be more than happy to hear from you.

It was brought to my attention how many of the members aren't flying the Georgian Yacht Club burgees on their boats. I would really like to encourage everyone to fly their burgees. It's a great way to show you are proud to be part of the club, and a great identifier when you are on holidays, that other fellow boaters are nearby.

I really appreciate all the help and ideas from the directors and members to keep this club the best club on Georgian Bay.

Yours Sincerely
Ann Hachey
Commodore – Georgian Yacht Club



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Vice Commodore's Report:

Just like that, fall has arrived and haul out is just a couple of weeks away. There was a lot of action around the club this summer with members getting out of the basin and using their boats, proof in our fuel sales almost doubling that of last year.

Thanks to the social committee and other members for organizing some great events at the club over the season and another great Commodore's dinner that was well attended. Keep a watch out for some winter events and try to attend.

Reports on the floating dock pilot project are excellent so far and we will monitor them over the winter to see how they hold up with the ice. If all checks out, we hope to replace a few more troublesome docks in the spring.

Hope everyone's haul out goes smooth and safe and enjoy the "off" boating season.

Regards,

TRAVIS LOW
Vice Commodore



Trevor practicing his body surfing skills so he and Kurtis can keep up to Wet Spot.



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Treasurer's Report:

Dear Members and Associate Members,

Surely, all of you found many warm summer days to enjoy your vessels and fellowship around the club. As we look ahead, the upcoming membership spans from November 1, 2018 to Oct 31, 2019. (referred to as the 2019 Membership Year)

Any changes to the services (Storage, Launch and Haulout) for your vessels for the 2019 Membership year should be submitted to the Board ASAP and all resignations for membership & dockage must be made in writing before October 31, 2018.

The invoices for the 2019 membership year will begin to be sent, in alphabetic order, in OCTOBER and will be completed by November 1, 2018. **Payments are due November 30, 2018** and interest of 10% will be charged on all overdue accounts.

Please be aware that the post office no longer automatically date stamps envelopes therefore all payments must be received by November 30 or they will be subject to a 10% interest fee.

NO exceptions unless prior notification is made directly to myself and no reminders will be sent. Invoices are sent by email and I will request that you confirm receipt of your invoice.

If you do not use email or if you have previously requested to receive your invoice by postal mail then I am happy to continue with those mailings. Unpaid accounts by the Feb 4th, 2019 Board Meeting will be subject to cancellation of membership and mooring.

The 2018 Financial Reports are available by request, in the weeks prior to the Annual General Meeting in

April 2019.

A reminder for certificates of insurance to be forwarded annually to the following email: boatinsurance@georgianyachtclub.com All vessels on the club property throughout the calendar year are required to carry the 2 million liability minimum.

Of note, in 2018, Georgian Yacht Club made donations to the July 1st Owen Sound Celebrations, the North Channel Cruisers Net and the Royal Canadian Legion Poppy Fund.

Thank-you to the Treasurer Committee for your work throughout the year.

Thank you to the members for trusting me to administer the GYC finances. It requires a lot of effort but I enjoy truly working with our members and getting to know all of you. I am always interested in your questions so please feel free to contact me.

I wish you all a safe Haul-out and a moderate winter.

Kind Regards,

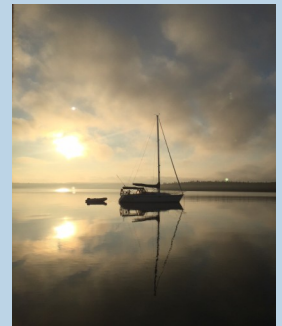
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Mooring Report:

We had a full house for the season including 1 transient and were able to accommodate a member for a second slip. Currently we will only have 2 empty slips for next year but a lot can happen between now and then.

If you are wanting to request a different slip, remember you must submit a dated letter or email requesting what you want and reason for the request before March 1st. Rules regarding mooring are on page 20 in the Club By-laws booklet.

A reminder for those wanting to move up in size; there is very limited availability for any larger slips.

Hope you all had a great summer and we will all be looking forward to spring launch to come.

Mark Vincent
Mooring Director



Planning Report:

Another boating season draws to a close and I hope everyone had a great time.

The water levels are expected to drop another 3 inches in October and more over the winter season.

The planning committee is looking into lights to illuminate our water entrance sign.

We are also looking into adding a washroom and shower facility for the South Basin Area to be located near the south gate.

I hope everyone has an enjoyable offseason and look forward to a great 2019 boating season.

Your Planning
Director

Ken Hearty



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Fuel Dock and Safety Report

Fuel Dock and Pump Out Station

All is well. Equipment working fine. We'll be preparing for winter shutdown in October.

- fill both diesel and gas tanks
 - add fuel stabilizer to gas tank
 - covers for both dispenser and hose reels at the ready
 - drain and add plumbing antifreeze to pump out
- Will complete shutdown when advised of date

Safety

We had two more near misses with boats in our basin in September. Both boats were hauled out and placed behind the clubhouse.

Created a letter to members (sent to all directors for review) regarding their responsibilities regarding maintenance and attendance to their boats.

Request discussion of same and how we enforce rules to keep our harbour safe and protected.

Researched the market for a suitable gas powered semi trash-water pump and sent recommendation to Board members.

Motion to approve budget of \$700.00 to purchase

2 inch semi trash-water pump on cart complete with suction and discharge hose .

Recommend this pump to be kept in garage along with spill kit and small electric sump pump.

Assuming we have agreed to put card lock on garage making it available 24/7

Signage on garage and at fuel dock stating where this equipment is located is suggested
Will continue to have oil and fuel absorbent sheets at fuel dock.

Respectfully submitted

Harry Hartrick
Fuel Dock & Safety Director



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Property and Grounds Report:

Hopefully everyone had a good boating season. The property and grounds committee had a good summer and completed a few tasks:

Paint and a new railing installed at the club house as well as some fresh paint at the gas dock. Two floating docks were installed on a trial basis, with positive feedback so far. We are now waiting to see how they fair though the winter months.

A few docks were raised, the water levels are holding and are forecasted to drop over the next few months. If your dock level needs adjusting, please let me know.

There are some docks that have deck boards that have seen better days. We would like to put a list of docks together that may require re-decking, and of course volunteers to assist with the project.

Haul out is approaching fast, and with that, the colder weather. I would like to ask everyone to pick up any loose items they see lying around so that once the snow arrives, those items do not interfere with snow removal or cause damage to snow removal equipment.

Have a safe and enjoyable winter.

Chris Haslam
Property and Grounds



This big guy can really fly...



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Utilities Report:

It has been generally an uneventful summer for utilities. We continue to have an ongoing flashing problem with one of the lights in the south. This has resulted in the range light not working, as we have the breaker off until it can be fixed. Benedicts did fix the light earlier in the season but the problem has returned. I've spoken to Benedicts again, so just waiting for them to be able to schedule an appointment.

Thanks to Jeff Schnarr for donating his time and material to get the outdoor lights under the deck fixed; he is also planning on changing the breakers so the range light and the area light are not on the same breaker.

Union Gas has not been able to get on the property to read the meter which results in someone calling in the readings on a regular basis. This has been changed to a remote reading meter.

A new sign is being planned for the waterway entrance which will be lighted; planning is still in the process as to type of lighting to be used.

There have been a few complaints about the area lighting shining in some condo's at the Harbourfront condominiums. I have asked Benedicts to adjust light angles when they are here.

Water will be shut off no later than November 3.

Sincerely,

Ross Burrows



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Social Report:

Social Committee Update

The Social Committee kept busy organizing the Launch Lunch, Sailpast, a Corn Roast as well as helping with the Commodore at Home. Attendance was strong at all the events. Special thanks to past Social Committee Chair Carl Inglis for all his work on behalf of the club. Thanks also to those who joined the committee this year building on a great team of dedicated veteran committee members.

Don't miss **Dragonfly Part 2** – On November 7 a potluck will be held to continue the story of the Restoration of Dragonfly. Guest speakers Cam Graham and Hubert van Alphen will share the story of the restoration of this remarkable boat that took part in the evacuation of Dunkirk. Watch your email for more information.

For everyone attending Haulout, there will be a lunch available in the clubhouse.

Sailboat Racers enjoy a great summer

Combine an evening on the Bay, some friendly competition with a sunset and you get Wednesday sailboat races! It's been a great summer of racing with good weather and lots of competitors for most of the Wednesday evenings from early June to the end of September.

Six Sunday afternoon PHRF (performance handicap racing fleet) races also were run for the more competition minded.



Sincerely,
Your Social Director

Paul Weitendorf



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HAUL OUT - FALL 2018

The plans for winter boat storage 2018-2019 are as follows:

CRADLE MOVING will be held Saturday October 13, 2018 at **0900 hrs.** (one week prior to Haul Out). *We are always looking for 4 x 4's and rigging to assist in moving cradles. **Please clearly identify your cradle with your last name.** If you have a cradle stored at The Club, be there.

HAUL OUT CRANE SCHEDULE:

Big Crane (#1):

Friday October 19, 2018 at **1200 hrs.**

- *Starts at the West end of the South Basin and lifts all boats south of the basin.
- *Proceeds to the end of the Old Gas Dock and works westward.

Saturday October 20, 2018 at **0800 hrs.**

- *Proceeds to the Gas Dock and lifts toward the north-east corner of North Basin.
- *Proceeds to the Mast Crane and works northward.
- *Will proceed to lift trailerable boats just North of the Club House.

Small Crane (#2):

Saturday October 20, 2018 at **0800 hrs.**

- *Starts at the South side of The Club House and works counter-clockwise around the West Basin.



WHO DOES WHAT:

Crane Captain co-ordinates cradle placement, boat traffic before lift, & participates in decision making.

- *Will be identified by a bright **orange safety vest.**

Boat Owner must be present and participate as work crew when their boat is being lifted. **Must designate** an agent in writing to the committee if he/she cannot be present.

- *Assigns well beforehand competent persons to handle the bow & stern lines.
- *Identifies themselves to the Signal Man just prior to his/her boat being lifted.
- *Gives instruction to work crew on sling & block placement, and gives instruction to the Signal Man when his/her boat is ready to lift.
- *Present for cradle moving one week before Haul Out.

- *Responsible for their Guests (ex. Safety, where to park and what they do).

Work Crew is composed of six boat owners after their own lift at Haul Out.

- *Act in a safe manner and always be aware of crane activity.

Signal Man communicates with boat owner and is the **only person** to give direction to the Crane Operator. (Exception. **Anyone** can signal the crane to stop when safety is an issue.)

Crane Operator makes the final decision about the manner in which the boat will be lifted.

DO'S & DON'TS:

No one under the age of 18 years should be in the work area of the crane and the boat being lifted. **Do have your sling stickers** in place & prepare your boat for lift by attaching bumpers plus bow & stern lines that are **at least 30 ft. long.** Position your boat at the dock in the same direction it will sit at dry dock to avoid turns while in the slings. (**NO TURNS** merely for convenience). Please help out when extra hands are needed such as moving heavy cradles. Stay clear of the crane & counter weight when the crane is working. Observers should stay well away from the crane & cradle moving activity. **Don't** stand under a boat while it is suspended in the slings. Park your vehicle where it will be out of the way of the crane. **Don't be late,** the cranes progress cannot always be predicted. Plan on being present as much of the day as possible. **There have been moves of winter storage to try and have boats stored close to their summer slip. Please be sure to check the board at the club house.**

All cradles must have owner's name, and name of vessel.

All cradles must have wooden runners on cradle moving day.

Please note a mast storage rack is being finalized and details to follow.

Any questions or concerns, please contact me @ 519-372-0722 or my cell 519-372-5960 or email mike@greybrucelaw.ca

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Membership Report:

We currently have 145 Full members and 46 Associate members.

"A" List

Nick Bird
Joe Watson
Jennifer Prentice
Stan McLean
Kris VanDolder
Dave Parsons

"B" List

Joe Ostrander
Josh Ferguson
Marija Scriven
Dann Demars
Doug Dawson
Drew Mathies
Steve Meades
Brad Finlay
Chris Locking
Ryan Carson
Joyce Buckley
Nick Sewell
Jason Lehtovaara

We regret to note that Past Commodore Jack Doherty (Commodore 1992-1993) passed away September 30th. Two of Jack and Donna's sons, Randy and Guy are Members of the club. We also regret to note the passing of Member Nick Cioran over the summer. We also lost past Members Bill Gallinger and John and Grace Armstrong.

Past Commodore Laurie McConnell (1988-1989) has sold his boat to fellow Member Guy Doherty and is going to continue as an Associate member. Joe Watson is also going to reclassify to become an Associate member as they have decided that Modaki is not coming back to our cold winters. Joan Whale after some 59 years as a Member is going to continue as an Associate member also after selling Danae to fellow Member Randy Wright.

In terms of new Full Members, we are pleased to welcome (spouse/partner in brackets) Ron Downie (Deborah), Brian MacIntosh (Rita), Louise Johnsen (Khris), Ralph Suke (Marilyn) and Scott Caple (Suza). We also welcome as Associate members Chris Locking (Melanie), Ryan Carson (Angie), Joyce Buckley, Nick Sewell and Jason Lehtovaara (Sarah) to the "B" list. We also welcome Mike Muir (Vicki) as an Associate member.

The club held the second annual meet and greet for new and relatively new members on June 6th. Approximately 80 guests attended including some 37 new members and partners.

November 1 Deadline

For members thinking about a change of status (resigning, reclassifying to be an Associate member or remaining as a Full Member but releasing their slip) November 1st is a date you should keep in mind. From your financial perspective, it is best to give written notice of a wish to change prior to this date, which is the end of our fiscal year. This also allows the club to admit new members in a timely manner. After November 1st, club by-laws stipulate that members be invoiced as in the past and that there be no refunds if a member wishes to change their status after the start of our fiscal year.

We hope that all of you remain active within the club. This reminder of club policy recognizes that some may be at, or close to, a cross roads. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom England

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Notice to All GYC Membership

Due to some recent events and discussion held at our September Board of Directors meeting, we would like to inform all members of the following:

For the protection of all members, their boats, our club and the environment, we are requesting that:

All Members having boats in GYC basin must have a minimum \$2 million Liability Insurance with annual proof of update.

All boats need to be in a seaworthy and sound mechanical condition, including but not limited to: sound hulls, proper running engines, fuel systems, bilge pumps, engine compartment ventilation, batteries, fire suppression, etc.

All boats need to be properly attended to in order for these conditions to be met. If for any reason, you are unable to attend to your boat, it is your responsibility to enlist the help of a fellow member to attend to your boat in your absence. A haulout should be considered if your absence is for an extended period of time. Please contact the haulout director if you are considering this option.

We know that the majority of members are very conscientious about the condition of their boats and maintain them in tip top shape. Please accept this as a friendly reminder.

Many Members are available to help you with the above if you are unsure.

We are asking everyone to do their best in ensuring a safe harbour for all of our prized possessions.

Thank You for your Understanding and Cooperation,

Your Board of Directors

Georgian Yacht Club Memorabilia 2018



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LITTLE CURRENT RENDEZVOUS AND NORTH CHANNEL HAPPY HOURS



Georgian Yacht Club Fishing Derby 2018

September 14 and 15, 2018 Georgian Yacht Club
Annual Fishing Derby Results

32 Participants

Bob Barry	9.01 lbs
Nancy Ferrari	13.00 lbs
Mike Gould	8.93 lbs
JC Campbell	12.43 lbs
JC Campbell	13.42 lbs
Mike Gould	7.26 lbs
Mike Gould	9.10 lbs
JC Campbell	9.46 lbs
Karin Burrows	7.45 lbs
Myles Baker	6.94 lbs
Myles Baker	9.78 lbs
Josh Baker	6.46 lbs
Thomas Moore	7.01 lbs
Steve Bowerman	11.93 lbs
Steve Bowerman	4.68 lbs
Ben Haslam	7.32 lbs
Josh Haslam	9.94 lbs
Angela Moore	9.20 lbs
Thomas Moore	9.40 lbs
Thomas Moore	7.15 lbs
Joan Forsythe	7.79 lbs

Most pounds per pole – Mike Gould and John
Campbell 23.59 lbs.

Winner is JC Campbell 13.42 lb salmon

Total lbs caught 187.72 lbs, 21 fish

Most unusual catch – Ross Burrows – 1 pink bal-
loon!!



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DATES TO REMEMBER



- **OCT. 13 CRADLE MOVING**
- **OCT. 19 & 20 HAUL OUT & LUNCH**
- **OCT. 20 FUEL PUMPS, PUMP OUT & MAST CRANE DECOMMISSIONED**
- **OCT. 20 BOATS WITH HOLDING TANKS MUST BE OUT OF THE WATER**
- **OCT. 31 FINANCIAL YEAR END (ALL EXPENSES SUBMITTED)**
- **NOV. 1 WATER OFF**
- **NOV. 5 BOARD MEETING AT 1900 HRS.**
- **NOV. 7 DRAGONFLY RESTORATION (Part 2) PRESENTATION**
- **NOV. 18 ALL BOATS OUT OF THE WATER AND LIFT DOCK SKIRTS**
- **NOV. 30 2019 FEES DUE**
- **DEC. 3 BOARD MEETING AT 1900 HRS.**

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- **JAN 7 BOARD MEETING AT 1900 HRS.**
- **FEB 4 BOARD MEETING AT 1900 HRS.**

Georgian Yacht Club Members' Section



This section is dedicated to you...the members!

This is your opportunity to submit your photos, information or ideas that you feel would be memorable, informative or beneficial for the club membership as a whole.

If you have any submissions or suggestions that are within the timeframe of any future Newsletters and you would like to see them posted in this section; please email them to:

newsletter@georgianyachtclub.com

at least 2 weeks before the semi-annual release of the Newsletter in April and October.



Doug Ryan invites all GYC members to follow his travel adventures during his sailing delivery of this catamaran from Martinique to Tahiti via the Panama Canal.

Just send him a friend request on Facebook. You can also monitor the vessel's position at any time via the link below.

<https://share.garmin.com/>

A few words from your Webmaster

We would like to remind everyone of the features of our club's website, www.georgianyachtclub.com.

The website is secured because the members' area has sensitive information such as names, addresses, phone numbers, etc. News posts are hidden from the public. We did recently relax access to the calendar: that is what most members logged in to view.

This means that you have to log in to see anything but the few public pages. But we see many of you failing to log in. The most common mistake we see is entering the wrong user name. It is simply FirstLast, with no spaces, case in-sensitive. You can also log on using your email address. You can reset a forgotten password by clicking on "Lost your password?" below the log in form. Just follow the instructions, which involve receiving an email with a link to the site where you choose a new password.

Once you are logged in you can search the Full and Associate Member Lists, the Fleet List or the Docks. So if you know a boat name but not who sails her or where they are docked, you can look that up – or almost any other combination. There is no need to email Membership or the Treasurer to ask for a member's phone number.

While you are there you can check your own profile and correct your mailing address, phone numbers or even update your spouse if you have a new one! Everything except boat details. There's also a field for a member bio. This will appear on the detail view. You can also upload a small picture of yourself or choose from many we have in the media library. The member profile data is shared with Membership Admin on a database common to both.

Each director has a web page that they can customize and maintain.

Every member is also a web site "author." This means that you too can post a news item. It can be a useful tip, a few pictures of a cruise or the history of your boat if it's a classic. When you are logged in a tool bar appears across the top of every page. Click on + **New** and choose **Post**. Be sure to give the post a category to aid searching.

We have been tracking successful logins since about Jan 2017 and sadly 50% of our membership has never logged on. If you need help please contact me (webmaster@georgianyachtclub.com), or take a look at the detailed procedure that is hanging on the club house notice board.

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September 24, 2018. Aryeh Kozuch, a family member of our GYC has qualified to be a member of the Queens University Varsity Sailing Club. Queens has won every collegiate Team Racing National Title since the championships' inception in 2011. That's six titles in a row! Queens races as part of the Inter-Collegiate Sailing Association (ICSA) in the highly competitive Middle Atlantic district (MAISA) against major sailing schools such as Georgetown, Hobart/William Smith, Princeton, St. Mary's and the US Naval Academy.



Queens also sails as part of CICSA, Canada's new inter-university sailing association.

The **Dinghy Racing Team** is the current Canadian Collegiate titleholder in Team Racing and Keelboat Racing.

The **Keelboat Team** is recently new and growing fast. Queens has been **world and national champions** too.

Some notable achievements of the 2017 season include: Team Racing National Champions (6th year in a row), Keelboat National Champions (2nd year in a row), Qualified for Student Yachting World Cup (2nd year in a row), Won and qualified three spots at Laser North for MAISA Laser Championships, Qualified for War Memorial (first time in 6 years), and International Champions at the Student Yachting World Cup (1st place).



This weekend, September 23, Queens' sailors competed at McGill for a 2-day regatta winning the event. So Aryeh's rookie Queens regatta was a winning one. <http://luff.ca/2018/Cork-Mac-McGill.html>

Aryeh would like to thank his family, members of the GYC and specifically Michael Forcier and Bill Gamble and everyone who has given him a hand, a tip, advice and encouragement over the last few years. He is proud to represent the GYC as his home club.

Georgian Yacht Club Nostalgia



Please help keep our Club's memories alive by sending your boating and GYC event photos to your Club Historian.



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