



GYC Spring 2023 Newsletter



Georgian Yacht Club – Owen Sound

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Mark Your Calendars Important Dates for 2023*

May 6	Launch
May 13	Fuel Dock Opens
May 13	Project WorkDay
June 17	SailPast
June 3	Equipment Day
July 26	GYC Rendezvous @ Little Current

*See Calendar on Page 14 for more dates

Commodore Spring 2023 Report

It is so heartwarming to be able to experience the spring after the long winter days. Who else but boaters would enjoy shoulder-aching, hand-numbing work as they sand, shine and paint boats! Yep, THAT'S US !!

It's also been a long winter for the Board. The past few years, after all our lives got turned a little upside down, our workload seemed to suddenly increase. Your Board has been making good use of the quieter winter days, reviewing reams of documents, and all the while, craving Launch Day.

We joined a new boating association late last year, the Ontario Sailing Association (OSA), comprised of 200 + clubs. Fifty percent of those clubs are made up of 50/50 sail and power boaters.

We have come to learn of new provincial regulations and new industry standards that have been legislated over the past 10-15 years. We correctly assumed that we would be seeing some new items on our agenda but have been impressed with how much we have uncovered in the process of reviewing these new documents from the OSA.

Hopefully, this helps us all to understand how and why some new policies are surfacing and being adopted by GYC. The end-result of adopting these policies is keeping members safe while protecting the integrity of the Corporation. The world has been moving forward and now we are trying to catch up. It's been a new process for the Board, and we appreciate that it is new for all members also.

We are all striving to resume the full extent of the activities of the club which we love and know so well. Please consider the club when making your plans this spring to include the schedule of the fun, as well as the working events, at GYC. We all count on one another to keep making this the great club that it is. Please remember to respond to the messages sent out by the Chairs of the working committees. We need your support and your sweat!!

Saturday May 13th is a new spring Project Workday and isn't only for the property committee. Work starts at 9:00 am and some of the projects will continue well past the delicious lunch planned by the Social Committee. This is a great chance to work shoulder to shoulder and have some fun with your fellow members as we dust off the effects of the winter on the property and spruce things up.

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Commodore Report, Cont'd.

Equipment Day on Saturday June 3rd is a new event intended to provide an opportunity, particularly aimed at but not limited to new members. We want newer members to be able to experience first-hand, the operation of some of the equipment as well as emergency systems on the property.

Sailpast, on Saturday June 17th is the fun day to officially kick off the boating season with the annual salute to the sea, steeped in hundreds of years of naval tradition. This event is open to ALL members whether full or associate, to join in on the festivities which start at 1:00pm and fill the day and end in an evening meal together. (Please note, this event always falls on Saturday of Father's Day weekend)

Open Hatches Day will be held during Sailpast. See more details on page 13.

GYC Rendezvous July 26, 2023: a group of Salties, will be rekindling an annual tradition of the GYC Rendezvous, enjoying an afternoon drink and a meal together on the shores of the North Channel/Manitoulin. So, if you find yourself north at that time, join in. Love to see you!

And after the warm glow of summer, remember the **Corn Roast on Saturday Sep 9th.**

Then the next weekend, try your skills during the famous **GYC Fishing Derby on Friday Sep 15th and Saturday Sep 16th.** Whether you love to fish or not, the dinner that follows on Saturday is open to ALL members.

The season ends with a celebration **on Saturday Sep 23 with the Commodore at Home dinner.** This is sponsored and is the only event limited to Members and Associates and their young children. Back by popular demand, is last year's, "Cater Pro" serving up a delicious Roast Beef dinner and local music by the renowned Brian and Doug! As with ALL our events at GYC, RSVP's, are required and helps the volunteer organizers to prepare.

It's going to be a fabulous season and I am bravely predicting a hot glorious summer on the water!!

Safe Launch and a good season to all,

-Becky Middlebrook, Commodore

2023 AGM Meeting Photos



*Kurtis Mink
-Sid Turner Award*



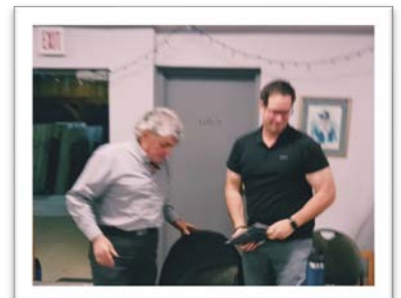
*Brad Brainard's posthumous
Sid Turner award, accepted by
Kathy Sykes*



*Chris Haslam
receiving a club burgee.*



*Menno Harmsen
- Sid Turner Award*



*A thank you, to Dan
Jones, for his work as
past Mooring Director*

**2023 Launch Date
May 6, 2023**

GYC Launch 2023

Well, it's almost time to get out the hose and wax and get your boats ready for the splash on May 6.

A few things to remember:

- Make sure you are there. If you can't be at launch, make sure you have arranged with another member to launch your boat and that they are familiar with its operation in case it has to be moved.
- You should have tools handy to take your cradle apart and make sure any loose parts are secured to the cradle. If the boat is new to you, make sure your name is on the parts.
- No bottom painting on the day of launch.
- Plan on being around for the day if you can. Crane times vary and sometimes things go faster than expected. It's also nice to have extra helping hands.
- Prearranged Crews will be assigned to handle the boats as they are launched. Make sure you have some markings for sling locations. The club provides sling markers which will be located on the bookshelf inside clubhouse, ahead of time.
- During the lifting of your boat, your place is beside the signal man to assist him in guiding the crew on the lift.
- Have a minimum of a 30ft bow and 30 ft stern lines attached to the boat well ahead of launch.
- Be prepared!

More directions will be posted in the club house and emailed out prior to launch.

After your boat has been launched, clean up the area where your boat was stored for the winter, paint cans brushes cleaners, boards etc.

Remember cradles must be folding to fit in the rack and must have the arms well secured. No ladders can be attached to your cradle during storage. Trailers must not be stored on the property. Any blocking must be labeled so members will know not to throw personal items out during cleanup.



Feel free to email me if you have any questions.
Hope you all have a safe launch and a great summer enjoying your boats!

-Mark Vincent, Launch markgrease@yahoo.ca

Special note on using the mast crane:

New this year – there will be signage on the mast crane:
Due to insurance regulations, you must be a member, of at least 18 years of age and you must be well-versed in the safe operation of the crane to use this equipment.



Hydro and Water Report

Hello fellow Georgian yacht club members.

Boating season is almost here, Thank Goodness. We have several projects on the go in Hydro and water for this coming season.

- I am glad to announce the new power cable has been installed and connected to the clubhouse.
- We are hoping to get the water turned on to the basin shortly. Weather permitting.
- The South basin washroom has been contracted out to repair the ESA findings. Once done we should hopefully get this washroom up and running soon.
- Once the boats are launched in May, we will have the South basin tower light shifted to lower the light shine, to please the Condo building tenants.

There are a couple of other small projects that will need to be completed once the season gets started. I will reach out to my committee members once they are ready to be started.

Till then, I hope everyone has a great start to the 2023 boating season, and look forward to seeing you around the club.

-Joe Fryer, Hydro and Water



Mooring Report

Hello GYC Members,

My name is John Griffith, and while I'm not new to the GYC I am new to the Board of Directors. This month, I'm taking over Mooring from Dan Jones. I'm grateful to Dan for the long hard hours he's put into the chair and I'm happy to report that Dan and the Mooring Committee were able to offer moorings to six new members this spring.

I'd also like to remind all members that are currently on the Dock Request List (A-List) to verify that the information is correct, and that you still require your name on the list. Any member looking to have their name added to the A-List will be required to write a formal letter explaining the reason for a change of mooring. Sign, date and leave the form in the Mooring slot in the bottom of the clubhouse.

I'd also like to remind the membership that if you plan to replace your current boat and it will no longer fit on your assigned mooring, the onus is on the you, the member, to work with other club members to come up with a solution and present it to the mooring chair for approval. This could be as simple as suggesting a trade with another member. The mooring director has no requirement to find you a new dock and is only responsible for assigning vacant slips. Remember this is a club and we are all responsible for making it work.

If you manage to see Dan around the Club, please take a moment to thank him for all his service on the Board. Please make sure to be extra gushy about it!

*-John Griffith,
Mooring*



Social Committee

Hopefully this will be a year we put concerns about COVID behind us! The Social Committee is planning to resume a full slate of events including the Spring Icebreaker, Launch Lunch, New Member event, Sail Past, Corn Roast, Commodore at Home, Haul Out Lunch and the Xmas Potluck. The Social Committee is looking forward to seeing you at an event.

As always the Committee welcomes the involvement of new members. If you or your spouse are interested just let us know! Contact Paul Weitendorf.

-Paul Weitendorf, Social Committee



Sailpast 2022

Wednesday Night Racing



Attention Sailors

It won't be long until the sailing season is underway. Hopefully you are planning to get involved in sailboat racing. It's plenty of fun and a great way to improve your sailing while getting to know fellow club members!

If you aren't sure about racing your own boat there are other boats that need crew. Contact Paul Weitendorf or Dan Jones if you are looking for a boat to crew on or if you want to start racing your own boat.

Last year, the fleet adopted pursuit racing. What is pursuit racing? Rather than all starting at the same time, individual boats started at times established by their handicap ratings so that, all things being equal, all the boats should finish together. It made for some exciting races, especially at the finish line.

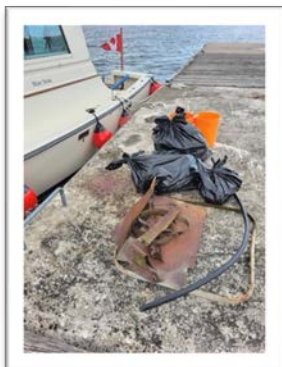
In addition to or regular Wednesday night races, the club hopes to re-establish some PHRF handicap races. Watch for an organizing meeting for sailors in May.

-Paul Weitendorf, Social Committee



White Cloud - Garbage Bag Derby 2023

If you take a walk up into the bush on the Club's island property it won't take you long to stumble on countless little piles of trash just under the surface. Mostly old rusty cans of food and plastic plates left by campers and boaters from long ago before we all knew better.



My goal this year is to find and remove as many of these little caches as possible. So if you visit the island this summer I invite you to please take a moment to poke around before you leave and see if you can gather some trash. Better yet, send me a picture of you on the dock at White Cloud holding the giant bag of trash you dug out of the bush and you'll be entered to win a prize.

-John Griffith, White Cloud Ad-hoc

Membership Update

There are currently 144 Full Members and 35 Associate members. There are 9 Full Members without slips. There are 5 on the A-List (3 of which are Full Members) and 6 on the B-List.

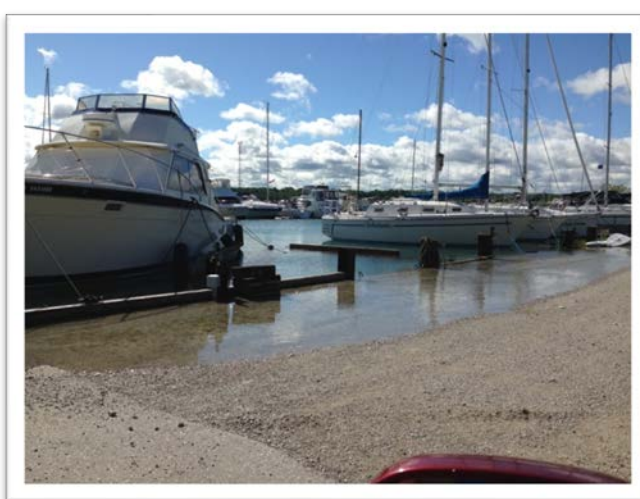
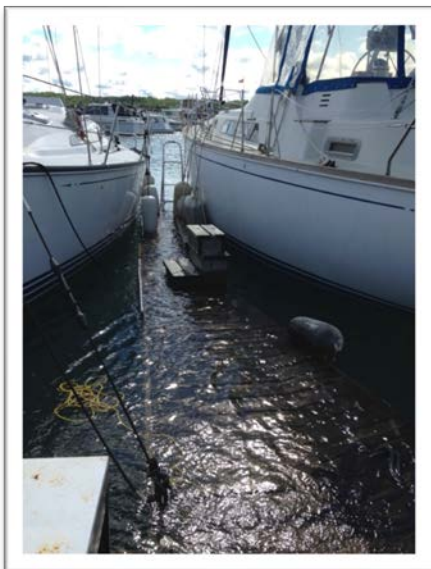
2022 Meet & Greet was held on June 9th. New Members from 2019 on were invited. We had a great turnout with approximately 40 New Members and spouses along with many sponsors and Board Members.

Two Membership Committee meetings were held this year. One meeting was to organize the Annual Meet and Greet. Two Members were present and volunteered to help organize the event. The second meeting took place on November 27th. This was a joint meeting with the Communication Committee. One committee member attended.

The next Membership Committee meeting will be held in May to plan the 2023 Meet & Greet. I look forward to seeing you there.

-Katherine Barton, Membership

Remember When???



Docks under water. June 11, 2020

Photos: Mark Vincent

GYC Electrical Work

We would like to thank Jeff Schnarr and Jacob McLay for all of their hard work and effort in doing electrical work for us at the club over the years. It is volunteer efforts like this that keep the wheels turning at GYC. We're certain they have saved considerable cost for us.

Although for decades, the GYC has managed to build and maintain the numerous club systems, new standards are constantly being developed by the regulatory bodies such as the Electrical Safety Authority. The Board became aware at the March Board meeting that we did not have a Certificate of Inspection for the electrical work done in the South Washroom and learned that one was legally required and would provide a paper trail for insurance in cases of fire or 3rd party liability, situations for which the Board is accountable.

Building projects have not been a regular event at the club and new electrical installations adding load to a panel are rare so we have been unaccustomed to applying for permits and inspections. These steps in the building process always remain the responsibility of the board.

We also came to understand that we need to begin a job by applying for a permit which only should be arranged by a Licensed Electrical Contractor (LEC) for commercial settings. This arrangement provides vital liability coverage during and long after the job is completed.

We recently had two LEC's come to do site visits to provide work estimates. This work is to address concerns in a report by the Electrical Safety Inspector (ESA) and finalize the electrical component of the new South Washroom. Both of these contractors commented on how professionally the work of Jeff and Jacob had been done.

On behalf of the club, the Board of Directors of the GYC would like to acknowledge our oversight in planning a permit for this work and thank both Jeff and Jacob for their significant contribution in executing the electric installation.

We have learned through this that we cannot continue to request volunteers to do this particular type of work at the club as we have often done in the past and we are developing new insights to meet these and similar requirements.

The Board has awarded the contract to Riddell's Electric to carry us through the final step of the electric work at the site and we are looking forward to seeing the building available for use as soon as possible but not until sometime later in May.

We live, we learn, and we move on.

*Commodore Becky Middlebrook
-On Behalf of the Board of
Directors*



A big, thanks goes out to the Planning and Hydro & Water committees for a job well done on the underground cable installation. This completes a nonurgent defect notice from the ESA from February 2020.

Covid slowed us down but we're ramping up again!

Thanks to Cory Coish and his team from Gas Plus Electric.

Have YOU volunteered yet?

Volunteering is an important part of your membership responsibilities.

Volunteers are needed in all areas of the club, including the production of this newsletter. Please share your skills and your time.

Contact any of the directors to find out how you can help.

Bylaws Committee Update

Happy Spring, fellow members!

The ad hoc Bylaws Committee has been busy over the winter, working to bring our GYC Corporate Bylaws into compliance with the new Ontario Not-for-profit Corporations Act. We have met 7 times in the last 3 ½ months and the time has been well spent. We were very fortunate that the GYC joined the Ontario Sailing Association late last year and we have been able to avail ourselves of multiple reliable resources through the OSA and the Community Legal Education Ontario organization.

Both organizations have created bylaw templates which are specifically made to comply with the Act and are professionally written and vetted. These resources have laid out where we are specifically bound by law and where we have some discretionary options. By using these as our framework, we have avoided re-inventing the wheel. We have revised these templates to reflect our local organization so there will be very little that actually changes in terms of how the Board governs and operates the organization. There are a few requirements of us within the Act which will be new to us but, in reality, it is unlikely that members will notice any differences aside from the appearance of the documents.

The new bylaws will look very different from the current ones. A corporation's bylaws are intended to define how the organization governs itself, as opposed to how it runs itself. In keeping with the Act and standards of corporate governance, the operational parts of our current bylaws will be removed (i.e. how we do things on a day-to-day basis to run the club). The appendices currently attached to the bylaws will also be removed as these are also strictly operational. These items will not be discarded, however, but will need to be incorporated into a number of policies and procedures in order to define, clarify and document "how we do things at the GYC".

The GYC was incorporated in 1952, under the Ontario Corporations Act which was already 50 years old at the time. There are some items within the current bylaws which were undoubtedly considered important and current at the time but simply do not reflect the realities faced by the corporation today, so we have recommended that some of these items not be included in the new documents.



Learn more: <http://ontariosailing.ca>

We plan to have a draft of the new bylaws for the Board's review this Spring. The bylaws must be approved by the members before they are adopted so we will work with the Board to provide further information/education regarding the new documents in advance of a meeting to ratify them. We must have the new bylaws in place by October 2024 but the process is not fast, so we do not recommend leaving things any later than possible.

We are currently awaiting a template for the Articles of Incorporation/Amendment which must be submitted to the provincial government, and which will replace our current "Letters Patent".

While no one would ever consider bylaws to be an exciting project on which to work, the GYC and its members enjoy many advantages of incorporation and the price that we pay is the requirement to comply with relevant legislation and corporate standards. This makes this type of work very important to our organization. We thank you all for entrusting us with this responsibility.

Unfortunately, two of our committee members, Stan McLean and Jamie Harrison, have had to step back from participation and we regret losing their input.

I wish to thank the members of the committee, listed below, for their work on this project. They have taken this on with diligence and thoughtfulness and have clearly always kept the best interests of the GYC Corporation foremost.

Respectfully,
- Paul Middlebrook (Chair)

Committee Members:

Paul Beattie

Brad Findlay

John Griffith

Director Paul Weitendorf

Commodore Becky Middlebrook

Vice Commodore/Secretary Mike Forcier

Vicky Findlay (recording secretary)

The Tradition of Sailpast

Join us on June 17, 2023 - GYC Sailpast

The Sailpast tradition began at the first Yacht Club that was formed at Cowes in England nearly 200 years ago. The membership at Cowes was primarily aristocratic and many were familiar with naval practice and tradition. Cowes Yacht Club subsequently changed its name to the Royal Yacht Squadron and certain social graces were added to the traditional naval practices.

The actual “review of the fleet” is steeped in more than 600 years of Royal Navy tradition and history and was introduced in Yacht clubs as a continuation of the naval habit of having Admirals (and/or Royalty) review the fleet on special occasions.



Protocol demanded that a flagship be anchored with the Admiral and staff on the quarterdeck to receive and return the salute. Vessels sailed past, dipping their colours in salute, and with their captain also saluting with the ship's company standing at attention. The Vice Admiral would lead the fleet passing in review and the final vessel in the line would carry the Rear Admiral.

Our Yacht Club tradition is almost identical, except that the salute is received by the Commodore instead of the Admiral and the salute is delivered by the passing boat, if under sail, by luffing its jib, or, if under power, by dipping its ensign. All of the crew on the saluting boat stands at attention facing the Commodore, who is the only one to salute by hand. If there is insufficient wind, sailboats should have their engines on.

Protocol dictates that until the Sailpast is completed, only the flagship may be dressed (strung with bunting and flags). However, after the Sailpast, participating yachts are encouraged to dress on returning to their dock.

By precedent, Sailpast is a formal event that officially opens the boating season. The Navy and many yacht clubs also follow the Sailpast with a “Blessing of the Fleet”, a long-standing European tradition, first practiced in Portugal, of seeking divine providence to those who labored or ventured on the sea to assure good harvest, safe passage and safe return. At IYC the Sailpast is accompanied by dressing the clubhouse and flagpole and a formal raising of the national flag, accompanied by a cannon salute. The ceremony is followed by a reception on the lawn.

Like most boating activities, Sailpast is somewhat weather dependent. We all hope for a bright sunny day, calm seas and just enough wind to propel the boats around the course in an orderly fashion. But Mother Nature does not always cooperate. In that case a sailor's ingenuity comes into play. Tradition dictates that all club members participate in the Sailpast, on their own or on another member's yacht. Good manners require that a member unable to participate will send his/her regrets to the Commodore.



Georgian College Scholarship

As many members are aware, the Georgian Yacht Club started a scholarship with Georgian College 4 years ago. Every year we have donated \$1,000 dollars to the College to give to a deserving student.

This is the criteria set out for the Georgian Yacht Club Scholarship:

"Presented to a deserving first year student in the second semester of a Marine Studies program (including Marine Technology - Navigation, Marine Engineering Technology, and Marine Engineering Management) and studying at the Owen Sound campus.

The deserving student will be chosen based on academic standing (semester one GPA)."

Below is the thank you letter received from our 2021 award recipient.

To the Board of Directors of the Georgian Yacht Club:

I am writing to express my happiness and sincere gratitude upon learning that I have been selected to receive the Georgian Yacht Club award for first year students in their second semester of Marine Studies. I have almost completed my second semester in Marine Engineering Technology and although the program is certainly challenging, I am enjoying it very much.

The award comes at a financially stressful time as I make my way through the first year of training for my chosen career, and it is both encouraging and inspiring to receive help from you as I prepare for my exams. Please accept my thanks and be assured that your generosity will make a great difference to me as I strive to succeed and look forward to an exciting and rewarding career.

Thank you again, and please accept my best wishes.
Sincerely,
Misha Purdie

As members we should be proud of our club's financial ability to give back to the community and support students attended Georgian College and studying in a marine program. Georgian College greatly appreciates our very generous donation. It means so much to their students!

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to myself.

-Peter Struthers, Treasurer

*Winner of the 2023 GYC
Georgain College Scholarship:
Cody Becker, 1st year student
in Navigation course of the
Marine Studies Program*



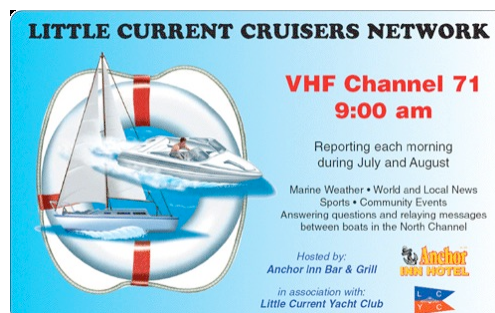
GYC Rendezvous 2023

After a couple of years without social gatherings, we are reviving the GYC Cruiser's Rendezvous this summer.

Join us at Little Current Marina on Wednesday, July 26th. Meet up at the Covered Pavilion at the west end of the marina near 'A' Dock at 4PM for a Happy Hour and Social Gathering. There will be a limited number of slips available on 'A' Dock so plan to arrive early!



2017 Rendezvous in Little Current at Roy Eaton's house.



New Event: Open Hatches 2023

[Sail Past Event, 2023]

You might have sometimes wondered what some of the boats at GYC, large and small, look like down below, and maybe been surprised by the layout when you got to visit in one and talk with the skipper or crew about why things were done the way they were. Well, we're going to have a day at the club where everyone can get a chance to see a number of boats and talk with their crew, and where you can show off your boat too. Open Hatches Day at GYC will be on the day of the Sail Past, for the couple hours between the sail and the dinner. More info will be posted as plans develop.



We are asking everyone who would like to participate to email communications@georgianyachtclub.com with the subject line **"Open Hatches"**. Just let us know that you are interested and tell us the name of your boat and dock location. More details will follow. On Open Hatches day, balloons will be tied to boats or docks identifying which boats are participating.

*[Joseph Hardin –
Communications Director]*



Treasurers Report

To all members:

Both the 2022 financial report and the 2023 budget have been posted on the website. Please take some time to review both these documents as this reflects the working of the club both in the past and moving forward.

The board continues to put resources toward improving and maintaining the club and services to members. There has been a great deal of work done around the club, and we are always reviewing improvements and maintenance requirements to respond to member's needs.

With the spring launch just around the corner I would like to remind members if you are planning any future changes to your launch, haul or storage from your 2023 invoice, this should be communicated to Brian MacIntosh at invoicing@georgianyachtclub.com. Brian spends a great deal of time keeping our data base up to date. The more that members can help with this process the easier it is for everyone.

For members who attended the AGM, Trevor Stokes provided a great review of the club's website and all it has to offer. I would also encourage members to become familiar with your online account on the GYC website. There members can view any outstanding and paid invoices.

Another reminder about fuel purchases. The same as last year, payment for fuel purchases can be made by cheque payable to the GYC or e-transfer to treasurer@georgianyachtclub.com.

If you are also purchasing a \$5-dollar key card or \$25-dollar burgee, please do not combine multiple purchases into one cheque or e-transfer as each is accounted separately (e.g., purchasing a key card and fuel). You can also pay cash for the key cards and burgees.

If you have any questions or concerns around invoicing or payment, please feel free to contact me. My email is treasurer@georgianyachtclub.com and phone number is 519-881-6638.

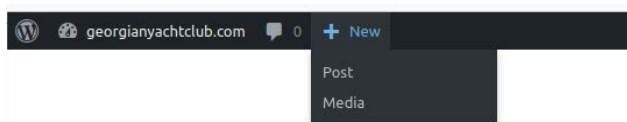
Share Your Trip Reports



Share your story - How to post a Trip report

There is a new menu entry on the GYC website: "Trip Reports". You can put up your short or long note about a trip you've been on, or one you're planning.

1. Sign in to the GYC Website
2. Look for the + sign on the top menu bar
3. Click on that + and choose Post.



You'll then find yourself in the editor. Paste (or type) your report in and paste (or choose) photos you'd like to add.

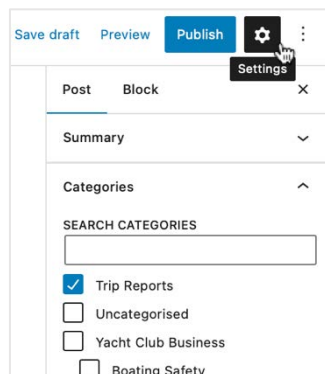
After adding text and/or photos go over to the Categories choice in the menu on the right and click the Trip Report box.

That's it. Preview your entry if you like (click on the Preview button at the top) or just Publish it by clicking on the Publish button at the top.

If there is any material you'd like only club members to see, use the Read More tag. Trevor has a short note on how to do that below.

OR, just send us your notes or story and we'll put them up, no problem. Then others can benefit from your experiences.

communications@georgianyachtclub.com



Web Post Security

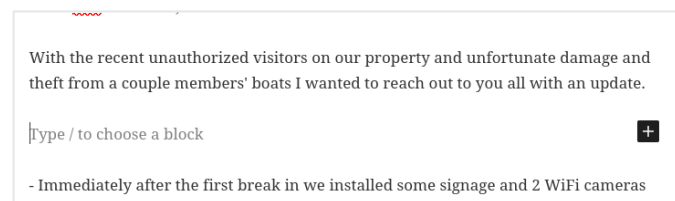
A note From Trevor Stokes, GYC Webmaster

Hi All, We had a long discussion in 2017 about the security of news posts on the summary page of our site. Some changes I am making now reminded me of the problem. It is still there.

Back then I suggested that posts (at least with sensitive content) use the "read more" tag to hide sensitive content.

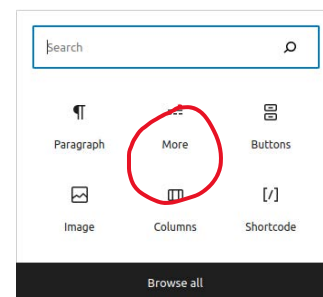
If you are creating a new post, or if you think an existing post needs the tag, do this in the editor. Or even if your post is very long!

- 1) Place the cursor where you want the teaser or intro to end.
- 2) Press Enter (you may have to press twice if mid-paragraph). This appears.

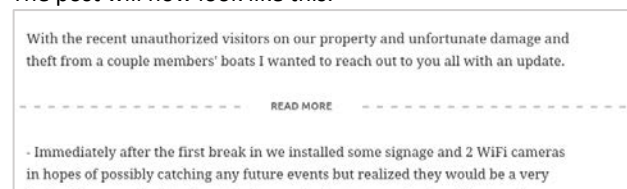


3) Click on the + sign.

4) Look for the "More" element in the design category and click on it. You may have to click "Browse all" if it isn't one of your recent block elements.



The post will now look like this.



5) Update

On post summary pages only the intro (above the "Read More" line) will appear. Logged in members have to click on Continue reading -> to view the whole post.

Boaters: Recognize Symptoms of a Concussion

Almost every boater has had their ‘bell rung’ by the boom or other boating equipment. This hazard puts boaters at risk of concussions. Every boater should know what the symptoms of a concussion look like.

A person with a concussion might have any of the signs or symptoms listed below. They might show up right away or hours, or even days later. Just one sign or symptom is enough to suspect a concussion. Most people with a concussion **do not** lose consciousness.

Common signs and symptoms

Physical

- Headache
- Pressure in the head
- Dizziness
- Nausea or vomiting
- Blurred vision
- Sensitivity to light or sound
- Ringing in the ears
- Balance problems
- Tired or low energy
- Drowsiness
- “Don’t feel right”

Sleep-related

- Sleeping more or less than usual
- Having a hard time falling asleep

Cognitive (Thinking)

- Not thinking clearly
- Slower thinking
- Feeling confused
- Problems concentrating
- Problems remembering

Emotional

- Irritability (easily upset or angered)
- Depression
- Sadness
- Nervous or anxious



Red Flags

“Red flags” may mean the person has a more serious injury. Treat red flags as an emergency and call 911.

Red flags include:

- Neck pain or tenderness
- Double vision
- Weakness or tingling in arms or legs
- Severe or increasing headache
- Seizure or convulsion
- Loss of consciousness (knocked out)
- Vomiting more than once
- Increasingly restless, agitated or aggressive
- Getting more and more confused

What to do if you suspect a concussion

Follow these three steps if you — or someone you know — experiences a blow to the head, face, neck or body and you suspect a concussion. Call 911 if you are concerned the injury is life-threatening, such as the person is unconscious or they had a seizure.

1. Recognize signs and symptoms of a concussion and remove yourself or the athlete from the sport/physical activity, even if you feel OK or they insist they are OK.
2. Get yourself or the athlete checked out by a physician or nurse practitioner.
3. Support gradual return to school and sport.

These resources are not intended to provide medical advice relating to health care. For advice on health care for concussion symptoms, please consult with a physician or nurse practitioner.

For more information on Concussion Awareness Resources go to:

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/rowans-law-concussion-awareness-resources>

GYC CALENDAR

Membership Year: Nov 1 2022 to Oct 31 2023:

Nov 1. 2022	First day of Membership Year 2023
Nov 7,	Board Meeting at 1900 hrs
Nov 16	Ladders /dock skirts up, boats unplugged, all boats out of water.
Nov 26	TBA Christmas Potluck
Nov 30	ANNUAL fees are DUE
Dec 5	2022 Board Meeting at 1900 hrs
Jan 9,	Board Meeting at 1900 hrs.
Jan 9	Late Dues Final Notice
Feb 6	Board Meeting at 1900 h
Feb 6	Membership Cancellation if dues not paid
Feb 25	GYC Pub and Games Night – Social Event
Mar 6	Board Meeting at 1900 h.
Mar 7	Financial Report Available after March Board mtg
Apr 3	Board Meeting at 1900 h
Apr 4	Director Reports-Spring newsletter are due
Apr 12	AGM at 19:00h [2nd Wed of April]
Apr 7	(Easter-Good Friday)
Apr	Launch meeting 9:00am
Apr 22	Spring Icebreaker Potluck at the Clubhouse
May 1	Board Meeting at 1900 h
May 6	Launch- Saturday 0800 (1st Saturday of May)
May 7	Cradle moving- Sunday 9:00
May 13	Property Workday 9:00am and Lunch ---- FUEL DOCK OPENS
June 3	Equipment Day
Jun 5	Board Meeting at 1900h
Jun 6	Summer Mode begins for the Board.
Jun TBA	Meet & Greet
Jun 17	Sail Past -*Saturday* Skippers' Meet 1300h (Father's Day weekend) Divine Service 1330h, Salute 1400h, Dinner 1730h
June 17	Open Hatches event at Sailpast
Jun 18	Sail Past Race- *Sunday*
Jul 26	Georgian Yacht Club Rendezvous
Sep 5	Board Meeting at 1900 h
Sep 9	Corn Roast
Sep15 & 16	GYC Fishing Derby
Sep 23	Commodore at Home Dinner
Oct TBA	Haul out MEETING 0900 am.
Oct 2	Board Meeting-1900h Schedule C Approval, Membership Invoices to Follow
Oct 14	Cradle Moving 9:00am (Weekend before haul out)
Oct 20 & 21	Haul Out 20st – 1030am. 21st – 0800am (2 weekends after Thanksgiving)
Oct 21	Fuel Pumps, Pump Out & Mast Crane decommissioned.
Oct 21	Boats with holding tanks must be out of the water.
Oct 28	Fall Workday and lunch. 9:00am
Oct 31	Financial Year End (All Expenses Submitted)
Oct 31	Membership Yr '23 ENDS.Changes to Membership & Dock Release Due today.

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