

JULY 2023

# THE DOCKLINE

Official Newsletter of the Green Bay Yachting Club

## AHOY EVERYONE! WELCOME TO JULY.

Hopefully everyone is getting some boat time in by now. I know we've been to Longtail a few times and up and down the river a lot. If you see us out there, stop by. We can usually find a way to squish you in 😊

I want to give a shout out to our cleaning crew. As you may or may not know, your friendly bartenders are also our cleaners. Keep this in mind as you are messing up the place and help to try to keep things clean.

A reminder that if you are planning on bringing a group of people in for dinner, please contact Todd and let him know ahead of time. He can better prepare for you that way.

If you have access to the gas dock be sure to close the door when you're done. Also put away all of the hoses, etc.

Coming up on July 15th is the Light up the Fox event. We are partnering with South Bay and Ignite Market to put on this event. For more information check out the Facebook page or contact Morgan Emmel at [morganboating@gmail.com](mailto:morganboating@gmail.com). Also, on the 15th is a summer social. More information will be available on the Facebook page as well.

Finally, a big shout out to John Demeny for extensive cleaning on the south side parking area. Also, for spraying weeds all around the club.

Everybody have a safe and fun 4th of July!

Dawn Demeny | COMMODORE



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## STAY HYDRATED!

I hope everyone is enjoying your summer, stay hydrated. The bar has all your favorite cocktails. We can still use help on Fridays taking orders and delivering food... As you know, hiring and keeping bartenders is not always an easy thing to do. If you do have issues with one, talk to me about it and don't confront them. We want the club to be our happy place. All for now, see you at the club.



Gary Kuschel | HOUSE



## THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO CAME AND SUPPORTED THE GBYC AT THE SUMMER BASH!

Thank you to everyone who came and supported the GBYC at the Summer Bash. Thank you to Liz Vega and Jason Link for putting it all together. Thank you to the bands for providing the music. Thank you to the Bacon Burger Company for providing the food truck. A thank you to all those who helped cleaning, setting up, selling tickets, bartending, and helping out in any way. This month welcome back Jamus Unplugged Friday July 7th, 6-9. Come support our local music. Take your boat for a ride all lit up on July 15th and Light up the fox. Hope you all have a safe and enjoyable 4th of July.



Kris Johnson | ENTERTAINMENT

"Shells sink,  
dreams float,  
life's good on  
our boat."

JIMMY BUFFET







## HAPPY JULY!

Just a few things to talk about. If your looking for work hours the airators can be checked and cleaned. We are finding plastic shopping bags wrapped in the airators so please dispose of garbage properly. We have full harbor with a few floaters witch is a good thing. When leaving on vacation please sighn out of your dock with a return date. There are a few boats still on shore just a reminder after being put in the water you have 24 hours to remove jack stands and cribbing. Another reminder to respect yor neighbors parking spots, have your guest park away from harbor. Enough said Fleet Captain out.



Dan Emmel | FLEET CAPTAIN

## I HOPE EVERYONE IS ENJOYING THE SLOW START TO OUR BOATING SEASON!

Hello! I hope everyone is enjoying the slow start to our boating season! The patio plans are progressing nicely. I will have an order form and price sheet for engraved bricks for the patio soon .

The dumpster by the clubhouse that says Can Again on it... is for aluminum cans only. Please take your plastic bags back with you .



A huge thank you to all that are water flowers, keeping the wood pile in check, and spraying the weeds . And most of all Showing pride in our beautiful Club.

Jason Dornor | GROUNDS

## HELLO EVERYBODY!

Hello everybody, this is your building guy Jim. I got a new window ordered for the front. Don't know when it'll be in. We had a power outage at the club and locked up two air conditioners which I got fixed and they're working good now. Hope everybody had a good time at the bash, thanks for all your support and good and safe boating.



Jimmy Thompson | BUILDING

OUR CONDOLENCES  
TO TODD HANSFORD  
ON THE PASSING OF  
HIS DAD DAVID  
HANSFORD. SINCERE  
SYMPATHY TO THE  
ENTIRE FAMILY  
DURING THIS SAD  
TIME.



## GRASSY ISLAND RANGE LIGHTS

Your Grassy Island Range Lights enjoyed the privilege of participating in the Door County Lighthouse Festival June 9 thru 11. An interesting mix of people, some whom are light house venturers and others who visited a lighthouse for the first time. Some were from Green Bay who did not know these lighthouses were even here.

All of this was a very powerful experience for this writer. Over the previous 22 years as a lighthouse keeper, involved in replacing rotten wood with new, replacing the old siding with new cedar shake siding and applying the new white paint, it has been inspiring. Then, in 2005 sharing the dedication with local political figures as well as the two individuals who were the primaries in the restoration, David Nelson and Merlin Baenen.

Over time the break wall upon which they stand was being washed away by the flow of the river on the west side, and something needed to be done or we could lose the lights. A lot of time and effort was put forth by the lighthouse keepers to raise enough money to rebuild the break wall. Preliminary plans were drawn up and estimates gotten on the cost. A fund drive was undertaken with reasonable results. Not enough to do the job right but enough to save the lights.

Within the next year David Nelson passed away. A couple of Grassy Island Range Lights board members were asked to meet with the Community Foundation for the Greater Fox Valley Region. Subsequent to that meeting an announcement was made in May of 2018 that the David L and Rita E Nelson Fund within the Foundation, would provide the Grassy Island Range Lights with the necessary funds to rebuild the break wall. Awesome!

On September 17, 2022, your Grassy Island Range Lights celebrated the 150 year anniversary of the lighthouses and the dedication of the David L and Rita E Nelson Memorial Park. The lighthouses stand at the West end of our harbor in testimony to the significant part that they served in the growth of Green Bay as a commercial port and how lighthouses over the world aid in navigation on our waterways and save lives.

As members of the Green Bay Yachting Club, you are a part of their long term presence here. Stop on out and share the ambiance they bring to your club and the entrance to Green Bay. And perhaps consider being a lighthouse keeper and come on out on Tuesday night and lend a hand to their longevity.



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