

MAY 2026

# THE DOCKLINE

Official Newsletter of the Green Bay Yachting Club

## COMMODORE

A big thanks to everyone that helped out on dock days the harbor grounds and building look great. The harbor is open.

Make sure you sign up for lift and are payed up in full or no lift for you.

If you are interested in joining a lift crew please contact Jim Wasenberg.

We are still looking for an entertainment chairman to join the board or if you have any idea's for a party or club function and want to chair the event let us know.

The board is working behind the scenes on matters that will help the GBYC move forward and doing a great job. Thank you board of directors.

I am sure that I forgot something but I have to start buffing and waxing which I hate doing.

Commodore Dan out

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# SECRETARY

Hello GBYC Community,

We're just days away from our exciting launch, and I wanted to reach out with a few updates as we gear up for the season ahead.

It's been a long winter, and thanks to everyone's dedication, many activities have been completed or are well underway.

For your convenience, the minutes of our meetings and community hours are posted regularly on the bulletin board located on the east side of the building. Please take a moment to check them out for the latest updates.

I'm also delighted to announce that the 2026 Handbooks are now ready and waiting for you at the club! Each handbook has been labeled with your name and organized alphabetically, so picking yours up should be quick and easy.

If you have any questions or need extra support, don't hesitate to reach out to me at any time. I'm here to help.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the club!

Richard Matonich





# TREASURER

Hiya, Fellow GBYCers!

It's already MAY and the docks in the club harbor are ready for boats!! Seasonal Dock Renters, before you put your boat in this year, here are a couple "treasury reminders":

1) Make sure that your seasonal dock rental fees are PAID IN FULL! The due date is always "the earlier of May 1<sup>st</sup> or before your boat is lifted in." So, all of you should already be paid up by the time you read this! If you are not, get your payment submitted ASAP as late fees will be enforced as per the club rules. If you need me to re-email you your dock rental fee invoice, please email or call/text me: [ssh.gbyctreas@gmail.com](mailto:ssh.gbyctreas@gmail.com) or 920 570-2873.

2) May 1<sup>st</sup> is also the due date for Trailer Storage applications/fees to have been submitted to the club. If your boat trailer will be spending quality alone-time in the club lot while your boat has all the fun in the water in the GBYC harbor, you must complete this form (<https://tinyurl.com/5xcvadu5>) and submit your payment for a trailer sticker. We give NEW trailer stickers each year; so don't think that last year's sticker will do the trick this year!

If you want me to invoice you via email so that you can pay your trailer storage fee online via credit card (with the credit card surcharge as per club rules), please email me ([ssh.gbyctreas@gmail.com](mailto:ssh.gbyctreas@gmail.com)) your completed trailer storage application or leave it in the club office basket with a note on it, requesting that I email your invoice. You can also call/text me at 920 570-2873. If you've paid for your trailer storage and don't yet have a new sticker for the year, text me and we'll figure out a way for someone to get it to you so you can install it on your trailer before the Fleet Captain does the rounds to make sure everyone's paid up.

Let's have the most fun and safe boating season this year. I look forward to seeing you all out on the water!

If you ever have any questions on your account with the club... or any club-related business question, please let me know.

Sheri





# HOUSE

Spring has officially arrived at GBYC, and with it comes the energy of a new season on the water. The docks are coming to life, boats are returning, and the club is starting to feel like home again after a long winter.

Over the past few weeks, we've been focused on getting the House ready for the season—cleaning, organizing, and making sure everything is set up for a smooth and enjoyable summer. A big thank you to everyone who helped with Dock Days. Your time and effort truly make a difference, and it shows.

## Food & Beverage Updates

We're kicking off the season with a simplified and consistent menu to keep things running efficiently while still offering quality options. As we move through May, we'll continue to evaluate and adjust based on member feedback and demand.

Easy grab-and-go meal: Sub sandwiches will be available Friday through Sunday, / \$8 Sub Sandwich - \$12 Combo to include potato chips (Not Veggie Straws), Cookie, Can or Fountain Soda  
Bartender service continues on Saturdays beginning at 2 PM

We're also keeping a close eye on pricing and inventory as costs continue to fluctuate. The goal is to maintain quality while being responsible and sustainable for the club.

## Staffing

We are continuing to build our team for the season. Training is underway, and we appreciate everyone's patience as new staff get up to speed. A strong team sets the tone for a great summer, and we're working toward just that.

## Looking Ahead

May is a transition month, and we're laying groundwork for a busy summer season. More menu additions, events, and updates will be rolled out as we get closer to peak months.

As always, I welcome feedback—constructive input helps us improve and better serve the membership.

Thank you for your continued support. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the club!

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## FLEET CAPTIN

Hibernation is over !!!

The season to which we all look forward has finally arrived. Boats are starting to fill our harbor, we are again looking like a yachting club.

Spring DOCK Day:

The Spring DOCK day was a resounding success with the docks being installed, the clubhouse and grounds looking spiffy for the season. A big thank you to the many, many members that came out on a cool blustery day. Thank you Dan and Ann Emmel for making the Sloppy-Joe's again this year.

Travel-Lift:

In late April we had Marine Travel-Lift (MTI) come down and inspect our Travel-Lift. The inspection turned up a few items that we will have to address this year, replacing two of the four hoist cable drum brakes being the most urgent. MTI will have replaced the two hoist cable drum brakes by the time of this Dock Lines release. Overall, our club was complemented on the maintenance members have given our lift.

Docks:

With the docks now installed, the electricity has been turned on and the yearly leaks in the water lines are repaired. The water to the docks should now be turned on as well. Please inspect your dock and finger piers for loose boards and trip hazards. If you find any please fix them or report them to the Fleet Captain.

Club Fuel Supply Status:

We still only have about 265-gallons of fuel in our storage tank. We are waiting a bit for fuel prices to stabilize before we fill our bulk tank. As soon as we can get a definite price on the fuel and fill the bulk tank we will include that in a Mail-Chimp "BLAST".

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## FLEET CAPTAIN (CONT...)

### Spring Boat Lift-In:

Please sign up for your Lift-In in the lift book at least 24-hours ahead of your lift date. Short notice lifts should only be done to “fill-in” time gaps for on duty lift crews and must be approved by the lift crew supervisor, Jim Wassenberg or the Fleet Captain. “Fill-in” lifts will only be done at the convenience of the lift crew. Please respect the lift crew’s decisions. Boats will not be lifted in unless all fees are paid in full.

We are in need of club members (including social members) for lift crews. If anyone would like to volunteer for a lift crew please contact Jim Wassenberg. Working on a lift crew is another great way to become reacquainted with and meet new club members (and earn service hours)

### Blessing of the Fleet:

The blessing of the fleet this year will be on May 30th at 4:00pm. Everyone is invited to attend this annual event. A celebratory drink and snacks will be provided.

Cheers,

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GBYC Fleet Captain

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## SECRETARY

Hello GBYC Community,

April has arrived, and with it, boating season is just around the corner!

As we gear up for a busy time, I wanted to share a few updates.

The 2026 Handbook is nearly ready for release—after thorough review and final adjustments, particularly regarding the member contact section, we expect to distribute it later this month. Thank you for your patience during this process.

Looking ahead, the annual Inter Club party will take place at the Sheboygan Yacht Club on Saturday, April 11, beginning at 4:00 PM. Please remember to RSVP by April 4th. Additional details will be shared through our social media channels.

We are grateful for your continued membership and look forward to seeing you out on the water.

Wishing you a safe and enjoyable boating season!

Richard Matonich

## BUILDINGS

Hi from Mr. Fix it.

Thanks to everyone that helped during Dock Days, We got alot of small projects and maintenance to the club house completed. Now it,s time to shine up those boats and get them in the water for some

summer fun. Be safe on the water.

Dan





## GROUNDINGS

A big thank you to everyone who came out and contributed their time at Dock Days! Your help makes a big difference, and is greatly appreciated.

With spring finally here boating season is right around the corner. Here are a few friendly reminders to help keep things running smoothly and looking great

Please be mindful of parking. Each slip holder has one parking space along the harbor. Any additional vehicles or guest parking should be in other areas around the club grounds. We also ask that you help maintain the appearance of the harbor by keeping up with weed removal in the riprap areas in front of your slips.

Lastly the large dumpster for shrink wrap will be picked up May 29th.

Wishing everyone a safe, enjoyable, and memorable 2026 boating season. See you on the water!

## SAD NEWS

Our condolences to Barb and Ken Lemerond on the passing of Barbs father Clyde Peter Baeten. Sincere sympathy to the entire family during this sad time.

Our deepest sympathy to Anna Mae Phillips on the passing of her husband Lawrence "Larry" Phillips. Sincere condolences to the entire family at this difficult time.





## GRASSY ISLAND RANGE LIGHTS

Hooray! Hooray!  
The first of May!  
Outdoor activities start today!

Soon Tuesday nights will be busy at the Grassy Island Range Lights. Come check out the opportunities for you to get hours and have some fun.

Sitting around the other day with a couple of lighthouse keepers we were discussing who is going to take over the maintenance of the lights when us old fogies are gone. Where will we get the enthusiastic, able-bodied people to do the perpetual maintenance that the lights will require? The current lighthouse keepers are doing their best to get them in top shape and keep them that way. Be one!

Since 1872 they have been around, first on Grassy Island, then on Green Bay Yachting Club property. Their images have been used by many in print and video. They are listed in and have been visited by many United States Light House Society members and Great Lakes Light House Society members. Over 154 years they have been an introduction to Green Bay to seafarers of all ilk. As owners of the lights, the Green Bay Yachting Club is responsible for their maintenance. That is you and I.

Your Grassy Island Range Lights also participate with Door County and their Passport days. That is when most of the Door County lighthouses are open for viewing. These are the dates: May 22-24, Jun 5-7, Aug 7, Oct 2-4. Aug 7 is National Lighthouse Day. We are typically open from 10:00am to 5:00PM on those days. Talk it up!

And if you haven't yet, check out the video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z0Jj0KZ09zg>





## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- May 2nd – Private Party 12 to 5 pm
- May 4th – SeaGals Meeting
  - Culinary Showdown at Rock Garden 5 pm \$20 per person
  - Ticket Instead of a traditional meeting at the club this month, I discussed with Carol/Janet about gathering all the SeaGals for this activity to support our local community & its students. I have never attended this before, BUT it sounds like FUN Paper copies of tickets available through 7:15 AM on Monday, May 4, 2026: \*Purchase at Pulaski High School's main office OR\*Purchase at Pulaski's Super Ron's service desk.
  - Link for tickets: <https://www.greenbay.com/culinary-showdown/>
- May 9th – Private Party 12 to 7 pm
- May 10th – Mother's Day – Regular Service
- May 11th – Board Meeting 6 pm
- May 13th – Muskies Meeting – 5 pm
- May 14th – General Board Meeting 7 pm
- May 16th – Private Event 1 to 5 pm
- May 17th – Private Event 1 to 4 pm
- May 20th – Men's Smoker 5 pm
- May 23rd to 25th - Memorial Weekend – Bartender Saturday & Sunday 2 pm to Close / Monday 2 to 7 pm. Todd will also have Specials available – More Details to Come



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