

TILLER TOPICS



Vernon Yacht Club



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Rockin' the Lake

The VYC hosted the Vernon Winter Carnival "Rockin' the Lake" this past February 8. The theme was the '60s.; entertainment was provided by "The Goods". Costumes were encouraged.

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*Winners of the Costume Contest
(above)*

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Ron M
VYC Commodore

News from our Commodore

Dear Members,

It is my privilege to present to you the Commodores Report for Spring 2020. I would like to record my thanks to the Executive for their support and dedication.

A HUGE Thank You to our Entertainment Director Ken H. His new idea was to present a 2020 Valentines Dinner called Café Milan with guitar music provided by Manfred. This event was a successful sell out.

Our VYC Web Site email addresses have been the target of numerous internet phishing scams. That is why the last names have not been included in our Tiller Topics. To recognize our members, we are going to put first and last name in our Printed Version. The Digital Version will show the first name and last name initial only.

Burton Marine has been contracted to replace our wooden C dock with Concrete Walkways and fingers. This work is scheduled to commence on March 23, 2020. If you have moorage on C dock, personal items on or attached to your slip should be removed. Should have any questions, contact Ken Smith - VYC Maintenance Manager. We will keep you updated as work progresses.

New walkways are also being installed on A dock and the older existing walkways of A dock are being moved to C dock. This means A dock slips could be changed as Burton Marine reattaches new mains to existing A dock fingers. All personal items should be removed from these slips. We will continue to keep our members informed.

Respectfully Yours
Ron M
Commodore
Vernon Yacht Club

*Rob & Sue P and Danny & Tara R
visiting the Lahaina Yacht Club for
cocktails and appies—February 24*

Photo Credit: Danny R





Scott C
Fleet Captain

Fleet Captain Report

Moorage Update as of February 7, 2020

Available Slips

Vacant Slips - 19
Sublet Slips - 10
Rental Slips - 1

Wait List - 41
Move List - 13

New slip, sublet and rental slip assignments will begin in early March and if all goes well, will be completed by the end of March 2020.

New Policy - Maximum Utilization of Available Slips

This policy was approved by the Vernon Yacht Club Executive on February 11, 2020.

The intent of this policy is to assist the Club in making the best use possible of our marina. We want to do our best to give as many of our members on the moorage wait list as possible the pleasure of having access to slips that may be temporarily left vacant by the member that is assigned that slip for the season.

Essentially, this policy is requesting that if you plan on leaving your slip vacant for longer than 30 days, to notify the Club so we can try to get as many members on the water as we can.

If you are a member with assigned moorage, please read the policy so you have all of the details.

Scott

Check out the Message Board at the Clubhouse.
You'll find important information posted, like the **Slip Utilization Policy** mentioned above

Staff Captain and Entertainment Director Report

We wish to thank all the members who attended the "Cafe Milan" Italian dinner making it a sold out event.

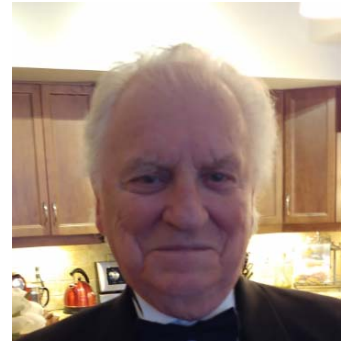
A lot of people worked hard to make this an affair to remember. From the Kitchen staff who delivered a terrific Italian dinner plus ribs as an alternate choice . Denise Dobie, a volunteer, provided a scrumptious dessert. Well done Denise! The decorations were done by Susan M and Anne G providing the atmosphere. Jay and Chanel worked hard behind the bar keeping us all hydrated; "Manfred's Guitar" provided the background music. It was very gratifying to be given so many positive feed backs for an idea that provided a different event from the Status Quo.

This will be followed by "Have a say in what we play," Music by "Boogie Nights" D J . On March 13th , which is 4 days before St Patrick's on Tuesday the 17th , so maybe members may want to wear green ?? Each couple will be asked to submit one song to me via E mail with their name , which the D J will then dedicate that song to the couple hopefully the couple will join everyone in dancing to their song

Thanks Debra (Staff Captain)
Ken (Entertainment Director)

Debra B

Staff Captain



Ken H

Entertainment Director

Vice Commodore Report

Hello it's been a busy start to the year at VYC with all the winter storms there was and is a lot of damage to fix.

I am still looking for a few more people to work either the bar or kitchen we would like to get these people trained before the boating season gets into full swing; these people will be compensated the same as our security people with \$12.00 an hour going towards your club fee. If you are interested please contact me vice commodore@vernonyachtclub.com

I would like to welcome Vicki our newest staff member. We hope you enjoy working in our kitchen along side our other fantastic staff.

Happy Easter Susan



Susan M

Vice Commodore

**Fred H****Boat Show Director**

Boat Show Report

Hello Members;

This year marks the 31st anniversary of the VYC Boat Show - May 2 & 3. In an effort to make it as successful as possible I'd like to invite anyone that has a boat they would like to sell, to put it on display either on land or in the water during the show.

There will be no cost for members to do this, and I ask that you be available to answer any questions that potential buyers may have.

Please get back to me with the type and size of the boat you have for sale so I can layout the parking lot or assign a display slip accordingly.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Thank you in advance.

Fred H
VYC Boatshow Chairman
Cell 250-819-5120

Your Laugh for the Day.....



If your man does any of these,



He just ordered boat parts

**Back by popular demand,
'Have a Say in What We Play!'
Come and enjoy our Friday night
BBQ steak or Salmon dinner and
dance to the music
Of 'Boogie Nights' with no extra
charge. Call and book your table
early March 13th
#250-545-5518**



Gangplank News by Jay

Welcome to Spring everyone! Winter past was slower than the normal slow so let us all make up for it this boating season.

The one event that was a raging success was the Cafe Milano on Valentine's Day. The food that Corinne and Mary prepared had many raving compliments out of 104 attendees. A big thank you to Denise D for topping off the night with her scrumptious desserts.



Jay L

VYC Bar Manager

The next best event was the 60s Winter Carnival D+D with The Goods groovin. Not quite a sellout like the previous year but a good time all around. Hopefully we cash in on the awards again given out in March.

We welcome Vicki Hunter to our kitchen staff. Tyler T was showing his smiling face around here lately volunteering in the kitchen while on reading break. Also, MJ W and Mary added to their Grandma count with baby girls. No people, they don't live together...

Upcoming events have a free Friday D+D (just pay for normal SoS meal) on March 13 (St. Paddy's theme) with Boogie nights spinning the tunes. Pat B always tailors the music to the vibe of the night. Book your tables now and please keep in mind our Rez policy; a member can book one table and must be occupied by 6 pm, otherwise the open season rule applies to any walk-ins. Not a big concern now but it is getting close to summer, so time to start reinforcing the policy.

Coming up: the boat show is on May 2/3 and Mothers Day the following Sunday with 9:30, 11 and 12:30 seatings.

Here's looking to another fun filled boating season, cheers

The Gang at The Gangplank



GANGPLANK WINTER HOURS

GANGPLANK BAR HOURS

Monday	CLOSED
Tuesday	CLOSED
Wednesday	4:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Thursday	4:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Friday	4:00 pm – 10:00 pm
Saturday	12:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Sunday	10:00 am – 6:00 pm

FOOD SERVICE

Wednesday	Hot Special & Winter Menu	4:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Thursday	Tacos & Winter Menu	4:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Friday	Steak, Salmon or Stuffed Chicken	6:00 pm – 8:30 pm
Saturday	Soup and Sandwich	12:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Sunday	Brunch	10:00 am – 1:00 pm

Is Your Sailboat Ready for Spring Launch

Its time to think about launching the boat and that first sail of the season. When preparing the boat, some things are easier to do on solid ground prior to launch and are also easier on the pocket book; no overboard phones, keys or glasses. Being prepared prior to sailing can save valuable time especially if you are out on the race course. The following list contains a few things to consider when preparing for spring launch.

Checklist

Hull and Topside

- Inspect and renew bottom paint if painted
- Wax the hull above the water line and below if not bottom painted
- Inspect the boat for blisters, dings or cracks that need repair
- Inspect hatches, vents, mast boot, chain plates for water-tight seals

Sails and Rigging

- Inspect, clean and repair sails
- Clean and lubricate sail slugs when putting the mainsail in the mast track
- Install sail battens and check pockets for fraying or tears
- Inspect shrouds and fittings
- Lubricate turnbuckles and check cotter pins, tape around pins to prevent snagging
- Check jib furler for smooth rotation
- Check all halyards, sheets and lines and replace /repair if required

Mechanical and Electrical Systems

- Check and/or replace fuel filters and spark plugs
- Check all fluid levels
- Check fuel line and connections for leaks
- Check all hoses and belts
- Check prop for dings or bends

Deck and Safety Equipment

- Check stanchions, pulpits and lifelines for integrity
- Check dock lines and fenders
- Check PFD's and Life rings and ladders
- Check bailing equipment
- Check that radios and electronics are functioning
- Ensure all Transport Canada required safety equipment is on board and serviceable



Thorough inspection and preparation of your boat will help ensure you and your crew enjoy a safe and trouble free sailing season. Enjoy!

Contributed by Tracy L-N

Café Milan –February 14th, 2020

Music with Manfred and door prizes

Photo Credit Doris H



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- carpeting

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Events

March 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				



Schedule of Events

- **March 13—SoS dinner—
"Have a Say in What We
Play" with Boogie Nights**

April 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		



Schedule of Events

- **April 18—Crane Day**
- **April 25—Spring Clean-up**
- **Note that April events could be rescheduled based on the work being done on C Dock**

To book Vernon Yacht Club events phone **250-545-5518** or email office@vernonyachtclub.com



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*The Vernon Yacht Club is the
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*of Boating in the
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Final Note

Mark your calendars

Vernon Yacht Club's 31st Boat Show
May 2 & 3, 2020

Thank-you to all the members that contributed to this issue of Tiller Topics!