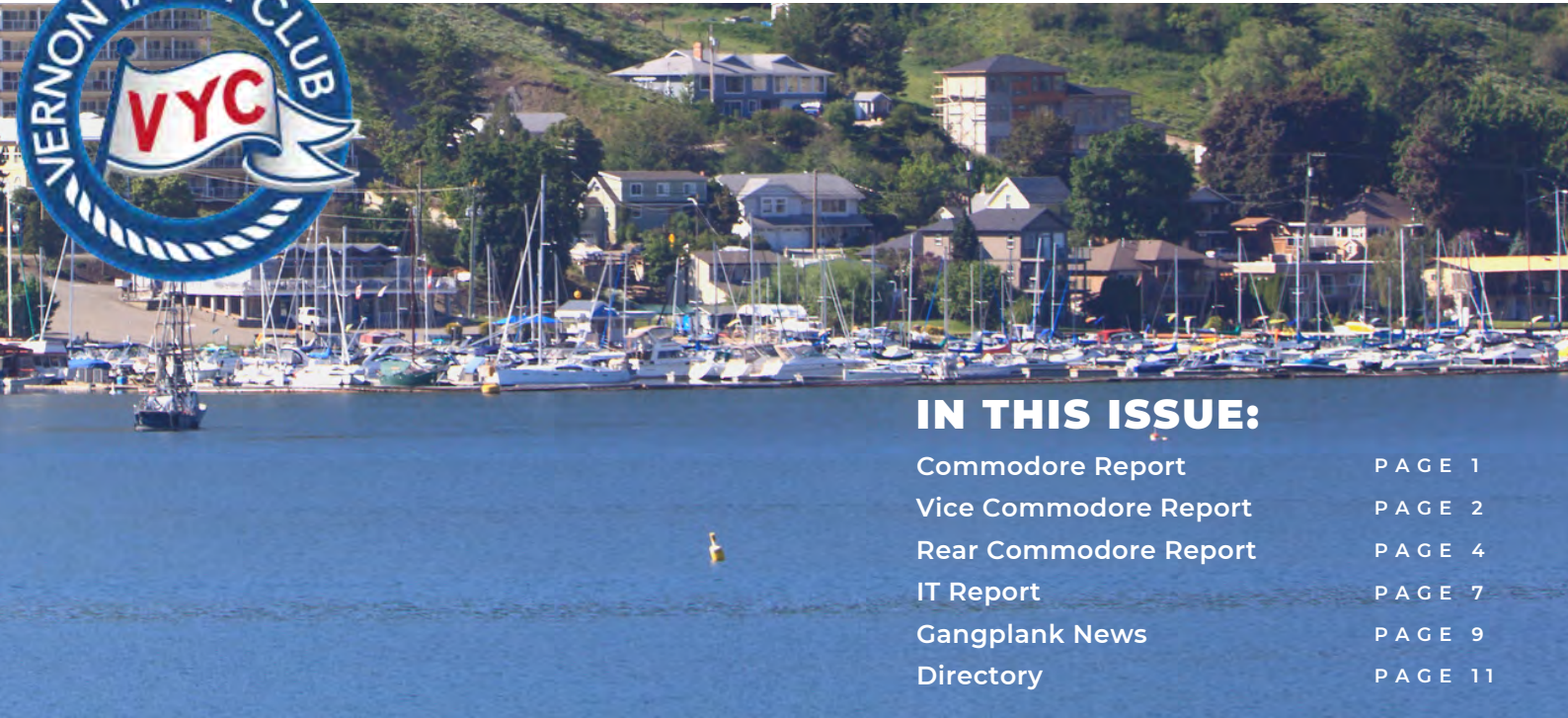


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REPORTS & HELPFUL INFORMATION

NEWS FROM OUR COMMODORE



Wow! Spring has sprung! It is exciting to see everyone working on their boats getting ready for this years' boating season!

On Saturday April 9th we had our first event called Spring Fling in two years.

Thanks to Ken H, our Entertainment Director, who arranged it. Thanks to Mary & Corrine who prepared a fantastic meal of chicken mango with a cream sauce. Thanks to Rachel our Bartender for serving us drinks all night. Everyone danced the night away to

music provided by a band called Home Stretch.

We now have a new Point Of Sale called Touch Bistro. I would like to thank Doug Stewart and a team consisting of Craig W, Deb M, Rachel R, Terry R, who researched different companies and decided that Touch Bistro best suited our needs. Refer to Doug's report for a more in-depth report.

I would like to remind everyone that we are no longer accepting American Express, only Mastercard, Visa, & debit cards.

I would like to remind everyone on May 1st our Rear Commodore Scott and Tom Koritar are having a spring cleanup. I urge everyone who can, to come out and join in. It is a lot of fun, and you even get lunch and a beverage. You can check out the white board in the lower level entrance for a list of jobs that need to be done.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald Gustafson
Commodore VYC

VICE COMMODORE REPORT



After a painstaking 7 plus years, it is finally beginning to show some tangible and visible results of the efforts expended on our breakwater replacement project.

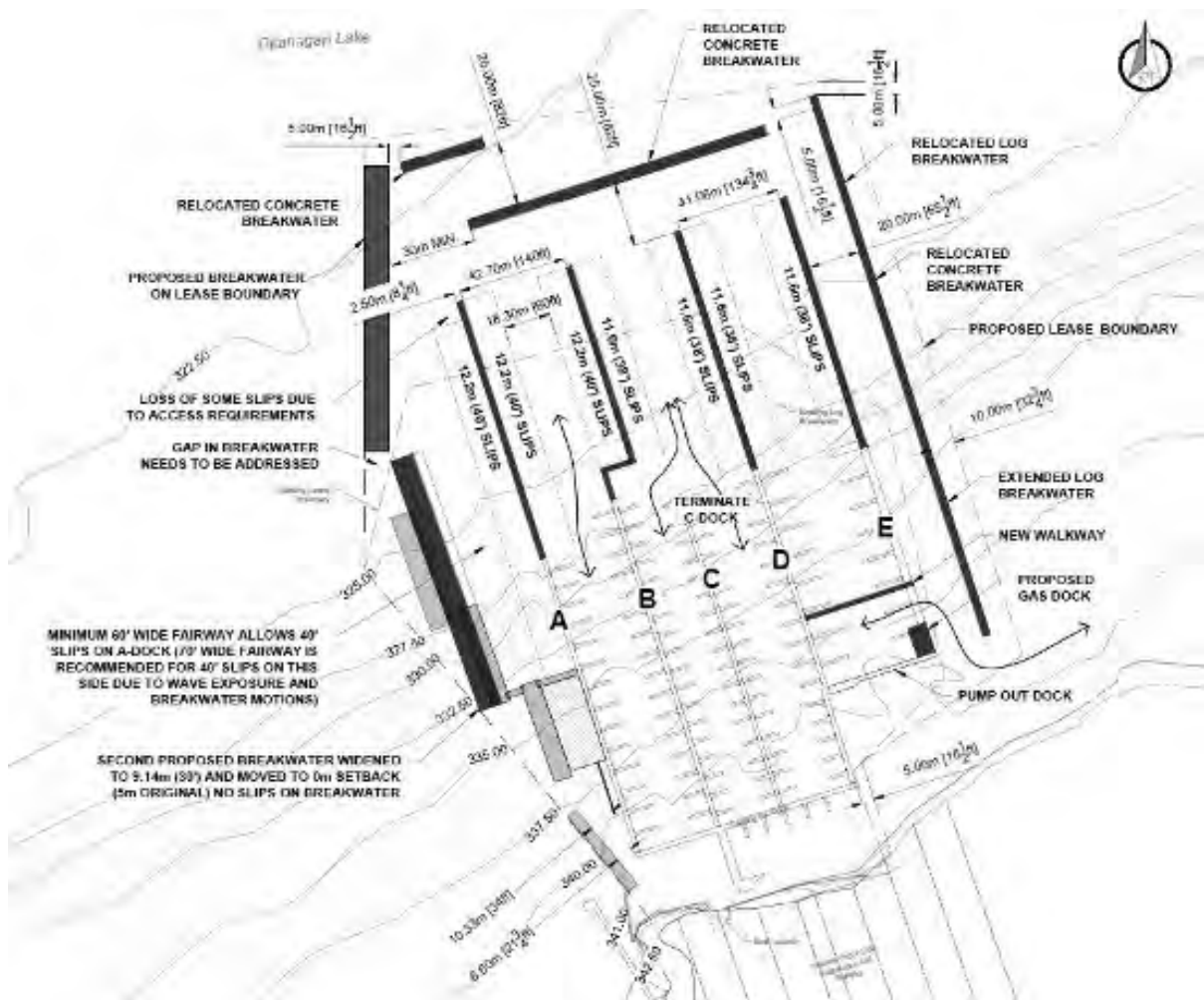
After some unavoidable delays, the largest of the two floating steel sections pictured above, measuring 30' wide by 340' in length ("BW2"), is now scheduled, weather dependent, to be towed up the lake and anchored in place by the 22nd of April, with the smaller 24' wide by 131' long floating steel section ("BW1") to follow by the end of April or the very first part of May.



Once BW1 has been positioned and anchored in place, then 6 of the 10 existing concrete breakwater sections will be relocated to replace roughly half of the north log-bundled breakwater, the displaced logs from which will be re-bundled into the remaining log-bundle sections, all of which will be repositioned roughly 125 feet further north from its present position.

All of the work for the breakwater replacement project is expected to be fully completed by the end of June—yes, this year!

Once this project is completed; however, there is still the next phase, approved in our 2020 long-term plan submitted at our 2019 AGM, to get started on. This involves applying for a larger lease area, which will allow for a phased expansion of our marina that also incorporates our own fuel dock:



The current iteration above for this next project is slightly different than the layout submitted with the 2020 long-term plan by deciding not to extend C Dock beyond its current terminus and before the idea of having a boat launch access near the SW end of the west breakwater was abandoned.

The west side of C Dock can only accommodate slips 20 feet in length, which aren't envisioned as being needed as much as longer slips, will be going forward. Old A Dock, which was used to replace wooden C Dock, is not capable of accepting additional or larger services needed if it were lengthened, and mooring smaller vessels in deep water becomes problematic and is not recommended.

The boat launch access near the SW end of the west breakwater required a pile driven wall to be erected to protect that part of A Dock exposed by this access but we could not alleviate concerns the Ministry had about accretion and erosion the wall might cause to shore areas to the west.

This general conceptual plan has also already been agreed to by our four neighbours owning the five properties to our west as part of the compromise that was reached between us in the design for our current breakwater replacement project.

The process of applying for this next phase needs to begin as soon as possible, especially considering the lack of speed at which these sorts of things seem to transpire. Anyone interested in participating in this important project for the future of our club is encouraged to step up so perhaps a committee can be formed to steer this project forward.

If interested please reach out to me by email at vice-commodore@vernonyachtclub.com

With the 2022 boating season literally just around the corner it behooves all of us to be aware of noises created by our activities around the clubhouse and on our docks after 23:00 hours. Some of the things we should all do:

- Don't let the marina gate or lids to the garbage and recycling containers slam closed;
- Be cognizant of our voice and music levels when out on the deck, in the parking lot, or out on our boats; and
- For us sailors, let's please ensure that our halyards are always tied back and away from the mast when away from our boats.

Rebecca and I are hopeful to get out on the water this year as it's been far too long a hiatus since we've been able to take advantage of doing so. With any luck we'll even be able to partake in some of the club racing as well as perhaps a Regatta or two at some of our sister clubs on the Lake!

Looking forward seeing you around the clubhouse, but most especially, out on the water!

Cheers,

Craig

Vice Commodore

REAR COMMODORE REPORT



Happy to report that things have been running smoothly as far as maintenance-related items in the clubhouse and the marina.

A few small items occurred, which Ken Smith took care of in short order.

When the weather gets warm enough to paint outside, areas on the outside of the clubhouse are going to get a coat of paint to freshen things up.

The lumber for the replacement rub rails for D Dock is ready and will be delivered to the club in the near future.

B Dock rub rails are also nearing end of life and their replacement will be put into next years' budget.

As D Dock rub rails are being replaced by club volunteers, please step forward and volunteer to help out once Tom K, our Director of Projects, sends out his email canvassing for volunteers. It is a great opportunity to work with fellow club members and the lunches provided have always been a pleasure. Especially if your boat is on D Dock, come on down make this project a success. Of course everyone in the club is more than welcome to lend a hand!

As far as spring clean-up day goes, we had to schedule it on a Sunday rather than the usual Saturday as the clubhouse had been previously booked for a celebration of life. Typically, the clean-up day is scheduled for a Saturday between Crane Day and the boat show weekend.

The way things worked out this year, Crane Day was April 23rd. At the time of scheduling, it was uncertain if the boat show was going to go ahead or not, but if it had, the tentative date was the weekend of May 7 - 8th. This left us with only the weekend of Saturday, April 30th and Sunday May 1st for the clean up. As the celebration of life was booked in the clubhouse for April 30th, the only practical weekend date was Sunday, May 1st. Hopefully next year we will be able to get clean-up day back on a Saturday.

All that being said, lets all try to volunteer for clean-up day and work together to get the club looking good for the upcoming season.

Have a great spring!

Scott
Rear Commodore

FLEET CAPTAIN REPORT



It's been a cold and exceptionally windy spring, giving us a slow start to the boating season. Hopefully we will get some warmer weather now.

The moorage committee met in March to review the move requests and available slips for 2022. We were able to place 22 boats in the marina this year. For those of you we were unable to accommodate, we will make sure to notify you if anything opens up.

Please take a moment to review the Mooring Tie Up Standards diagram on our website (<https://vernonyachtclub.com/membership/moorage/>) and inspect your docklines for wear.

Our moorage regulations specify the following sizes and types for docklines:

- Boats up to 22 feet LOA shall use braided or laid nylon lines a minimum of 3/8" diameter.
- Boats over 22 feet LOA shall use braided or laid nylon lines of at least 1/2" diameter or larger.

We do have a supply of docklines and spring snubbers available in the office if needed.

Hope you have a safe boating season. See you around the club.

Liam Fitzgerald
Fleet Captain



VERNON YACHT CLUB HAS A NEW POINT-OF-SALE SYSTEM



Rachel and Corinne checking out the new P-O-S system - photo by Deb

On April 6, the new Point-of-Sale system went live!

After much discussion and analysis, the club selected and installed an entirely new Point-of-Sale system. The TouchBistro P-O-S system is an Apple iPad-based system which will add to the efficiency of our Gangplank Pub and food services operations.

A 'Discovery Team' met a number of times and swapped many emails over the selection. The team reviewed and evaluated five presentations from software vendors before making the final selection.

The 'Discovery Team' consisted of Commodore Gerald, Vice Commodore Craig, Office Manager Deb, Bar Manager Rachel, IT Specialist & Director Terry and Treasurer Doug. Once the final selection was completed, the 'Implementation Team' consisting of Deb, Rachel, Terry and Doug got down to work to 'make it happen'.

Many thanks to both 'Teams' and to the TouchBistro folks who assisted us.

IT REPORT: VYC WI-FI 101

Hello everyone. Although we have just switched from Shaw to Telus for our club's internet services, this change won't be noticeable for our Wi-Fi experience at the club, especially out in the marina, even with two long-range Wi-Fi repeaters (one on B Dock the other on D Dock).

Wi-Fi out on the marina can be extremely challenging due to the multiple sources of radio interference caused by metal boats, motors, sailboat masts, as well as the lake itself. As Wi-Fi relies totally on radio technology (radio waves), any source of radio interference can result in data loss which translates to slow or loss of Wi-Fi signal, kind of like trying to hold a conversation in a noisy room where you are constantly having to ask someone to repeat what they said.

Regardless, members need to also understand that the marina Wi-Fi was NEVER intended to be used for watching Netflix or other streaming video services. There isn't enough bandwidth available for 200+ boaters to expect the same level of service that they would get at home.

A member on A Dock complained to me that they were unable to watch Netflix down in the bottom of their boat. Netflix aside, being in the bottom of a boat which is below or at the water line surrounded by motors and other metal objects is not going to work well, if at all, regardless of what Wi-Fi technology is deployed.

In the last few months there has also been a noticeable proliferation of members deploying Internet of Things (IOT) gadgets, cameras, and Voice Over IP (VOIP) phones in the marina (these activities are registered in the Network Logs). This again was not the intention of providing member-wide Wi-Fi. If everyone were to do this, nobody would be able to use the Wi-Fi. Those of you wanting to monitor your boats should consider getting a cell data service so you aren't affecting other members wanting to use the Wi-Fi.

Ultimately, play nice and be considerate to others by not using high bandwidth internet services over VYC's Wi-Fi

Wishing everyone a safe boating season.

Terry R
VYC Director/Webmaster

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1999 Bayliner Capri Cuddy with matching Escort trailer. Boat length is approximately 19ft. 3L Alpha Mercruiser, wide V-berth, fresh water boat, very low hours, full top (bimini, slopeback and side curtains) Incredible fuel mileage & performance. Stored indoors, excellent condition.

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Contact Brian Gates
Hm 250-545-7196/cell 250-550-6073



1976 C&C 24, Over \$6000 in upgrades in last 2 years. Excellent condition. New bottom paint and new rudder. New roller furling with 140' boom. New (2021) 9.9 Yamaha 4 stroke with power trim, power windows and spare sails. New safety gear, new halyards and lines. Cabin wood redone, clean. Sleeps 4. New head and BBQ.

Also: Optional sub-lease of slip for one season subject to Vernon Yacht club membership approval

Contact Ken MacLeod 250-306-5915

LEARN TO SAIL



Vernon Yacht Club members and their dependent children are now eligible for a 20% discount on the North Okanagan Sailing Association's CANSail 1 or CANSail 2 sailing courses.

NOSA has 5 certified instructors and provides club dinghies for student use.

See <https://vernonsailing.com/> for course and registration information.



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FOOD SERVICE HOURS & MENU

Wednesdays: Burger Buffet & Menu, 5:00-8:00pm

Thursdays: Menu, 5:00pm-8:00pm

Fridays: Steak, Salmon or Stuffed Chicken, 6:00pm-8:30pm

Saturday: Soup & Sandwich, 12:00pm-3:00pm

Sunday: Breakfast, 9:30am-12:30pm

Takeout menu available Wednesday & Thursday nights 5:00pm-7:30pm & Soup or Sandwich on Sat 12pm-2:30. Please call in Advance. Gang Plank Menus unavailable during special events & private functions.

BAR HOURS

Wednesdays & Thursdays: 4:00pm to 8:00pm

Friday: 4:00pm to 10:00pm

Saturday: 12:00pm to 3:00pm

Sunday: 9:30am to 3:00pm

Bar staff can be reached at 250-545-5518 during Gang Plank Hours



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LADIES NIGHT

THURSDAY, MAY 19

Thank you for being such a great group of ladies and participating in some great events this season! Our May evening will be the last one in our 2021 – 2022 series as we all know how busy the summer gets!

For May 19th, we welcome a Summer Recipe Demo with Jan from [OliveUs](#).



As summer comes into full force, Jan will show us how to use great quality oils and vinegars in some yummy recipes for salsa, hummus (yes, it's really easy), gourmet popcorn, salad dressings you will never have thought of and marinades.

Our dinner for the evening will also feature OliveUs products. As always, round up your girlfriends and book your spot at \$25 a ticket. Call Deb at VYC (250)545-5518 to reserve or Rachel as you're there at the Clubhouse before the event.

Photo Contest Alert!

Submit one or two of your best sailing or Club photos and win a \$25 bar tab + bragging rights

*Winner will be announced & featured in the next edition of Tiller Topics
Please submit your photos to Deb M at office@vernonyachtclub.com*

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