

TILLER TOPICS



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REPORTS & HELPFUL INFORMATION

NEWS FROM OUR COMMODORE



Wow! Summer is almost over. Where did the time go? I hope everyone had an enjoyable time boating this summer.

The rub rails project on D dock is complete except for the last six slips.

Thanks to our Rear Commodore Scott and our Projects Director Tom for organizing the whole project.

A big thank you to all the volunteers—too many to mention, but you all know who you are for doing a great job. Without your help, projects like this would have to be contracted out at a great cost to our club.

Susan Mathews will be the Chair for our nominating committee. If anyone is interested in becoming involved in a position on the executive board, you can email [redmathews00\(at\)gmail\(dot\)com](mailto:redmathews00(at)gmail(dot)com).

Our proposed date for our AGM is Tuesday Oct. 25th. I urge everyone to attend as member involvement is important and to have a say in what direction you would like to see the club take in the future.

Safe boating, everyone!

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald G
Commodore VYC

VICE COMMODORE REPORT



By now you will have noticed that the long-awaited delivery of BW2, the larger floating steel breakwater, has finally occurred.

This 346-foot long by 30 foot wide section of the new breakwater replacement project was delivered by Burton Marine and Pile Driving around 1:00 pm on Thursday August 11th and, by the time you are reading this, will be secured in-place as far as they can take it until the vessels in the marina have been removed for the winter as many of the anchors for the leeward side will rest under A dock.

The smaller 131-foot long by 24-foot wide BW1 is still undeliverable and the relocation of 6 of the 10 existing floating concrete breakwater sections and the long bundled breakwaters to the north continue to be delayed until some remaining issues with the Ministry can be resolved.

Once the anchoring of BW2 is completed, the steel pipes will be flooded with water to reduce the freeboard to roughly 18 inches, thereby increasing its mass and effectiveness at attenuating waves from the SW through NW, which should result in considerably less wear and tear on our docks and fingers. Already it appears to be very effective at reducing the wave action even before flooding of the pipes.

John Laporte of Bilbo Marketing (not a member) has offered to lend us an all-weather, outdoor TV for our deck. That should be set-up soon and afford those sports-minded members an opportunity to enjoy the deck while watching their favourite teams in action. Thanks John!

Our Office Manager Debra recently emailed all members notice of two town hall meetings to be held in the upstairs lounge of the clubhouse. The first meeting is at 7 pm on Thursday, September 15th and the second from 10 am until noon on Saturday, September 10th.

These meetings are your opportunity to share your views and suggestions you consider important for the near and long-term future of the Vernon Yacht Club. After these meetings, the long-term planning committee will take into consideration those items discussed that members in attendance express as being crucial for the VYC and possible inclusion into the Long-term Plan.

Once updated, the Long-term Plan will be presented at this year's AGM, to be held October 25th, for member approval. The Long-term Plan is a living document that provides guidance and direction to your executive committee when deciding on policies and projects to be implemented, thus ensuring the wishes of the membership are a guiding factor in these decisions.

In the past the long-term plan has been distributed at the AGM, but it is my sincere hope and that of the present executive committee the updated Long-term Plan will be ready at

the beginning of October for distribution along with the formal Notice for the AGM thus allowing each of you the opportunity to review it in advance of the AGM.

A preliminary list of topics for discussion at these town hall meetings follows this report but I call on each of you to email me any additional topics you deem important for the future of the VYC, which will be added to this list for discussion at these town hall meetings. Please make a point to attend at least one, if not both, of these town hall meetings and provide your thoughts on the following list of topics and others I hope to receive over the next couple of weeks.

I ask that you email me your RSVP at the address below and indicate which meeting you will be attending. At the time of writing this I have only received two RSVP's. Your thoughts are important and the town hall meetings are an incredibly important means for each of you to play an integral role in the affairs of your club.

The end of our fiscal year is quickly approaching and nominations for positions on the executive committee are available, so now is your time to become active in your club and to guide its future.

Do consider becoming active in the day-to-day affairs of your club by running for a seat on the executive committee. We have always been a volunteer-driven, non-profit society and it is those selfless hours volunteered by others who have made the VYC what it is today. Let's keep it going!

Cheers,

Craig W

Vice Commodore

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

Two Town Hall Meetings for attendance by the general membership of the Vernon Yacht Club will be held by the Long-term Planning Committee in the upper lounge of the Clubhouse on:

- Thursday September 15, 2022 at 7:00 pm
- Saturday September 17, 2022 at 10:00 am

The Long-term Planning Committee is to provide guidance and direction to the executive committee and to the general membership of the Vernon Yacht Club, addressing the following:

1. Community Relations
2. Membership Development
3. Club facilities, improvements and expansion, including moorage, the Clubhouse and surrounding grounds
4. Security

The purpose of these town hall meetings is to provide the membership with an opportunity to share their views and suggestions that they would like to see for the future of the Vernon Yacht Club, which the Long-term Planning Committee will take into consideration when updating the Long-term Plan for presentation at the Annual General Meeting for the membership to review and approve.

The Long-term Plan is a living document, to which the executive committee shall refer when deciding on policies and projects to implement, thus ensuring the wishes of the membership are a guiding factor.

A list of topics for discussion follows below and we encourage you to provide your suggestions and ideas by email no later than September 8th so they may also be included in the discussion and be considered for the inclusion into the Long-term Plan.

These incredible facilities that we all enjoy and own together exist today only as a direct result of the foresight and efforts expended by others who came before, with thoughts not only for their own benefit but for that of future generations. So please take time out of your busy schedules and attend either one or both of the meetings and provide your thoughts, opinions and ideas so that future executive committees have a framework from which to work, not only for our mutual benefit but for that of future members of this extraordinary club of ours!

PLEASE RSVP to the email address below which meeting(s) you will be attending!

On behalf of the Executive Committee, Craig Williams Vice Commodore
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TOWN HALL MEETING TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION 2022

Bylaw Amendment Considerations

- Bios and blurbs to be submitted by each nominee for director, whether challenged or not
- Life memberships—automatic for all 2-term + Commodores, consecutive or not, retroactively and posthumously awarded; any others to be nominated and approved at AGM?
- Voting privileges for affiliate members, which would also permit sitting as a director on the executive committee
- Allow payment of initiation fee for new regular members over period of up to 3 years to encourage and expand greater involvement from broader spectrum of North Okanagan community members. Until payment in full of initiation fee has privileges of a social member with same annual dues with no voting, waitlist or, mooring privileges
- Amend bylaws to identify the residency requirement of Part 2 Sec. 4 (a)(i) as unalterable
- Amend bylaws to identify the inability to be remunerated for being or acting as a director under Part 4 Sec. 35 (a) and Part 7 Sec. 57 as unalterable
- Part 1 Sec. 3 of the bylaws provides for words importing a male person include a female person. Should we update the bylaws entirely to be gender neutral throughout and dispose of Part 1 Sec. 3?
- ...?

Encourage Member Involvement

- Charging members an annual fee in addition to member dues, moorage and house accounts that is earned back through volunteer at an hourly rate similar to the \$12/hour credit for security, etc.
- Encourage/insist members use and rely upon forms available on the VYC website (more to come) to reduce burden on the office manager, especially in-person or phone calls to pay member dues, etc.

- Regular survey requests being emailed out to the general membership on some interval (quarterly/twice yearly, but no less) to get thoughts and views on a variety of different aspects of the operation of the VYC
- Hours of operation of the bar and kitchen have been extended year-round. How do we increase greater attendance by our members?
- ...?

Possible Future Capital Projects

- Install EV chargers on site for members and/or public usage
- Converting the east half of the south side of W dock into canoe/kayak/PWC moorage
- Turning the grassy area into additional gravelled parking
- ...?

Community Relations

- Use of the mooring buoys by the recreational boating public
- ...?

VYC ANNUAL PIG ROAST

Saturday, September 10, 2022

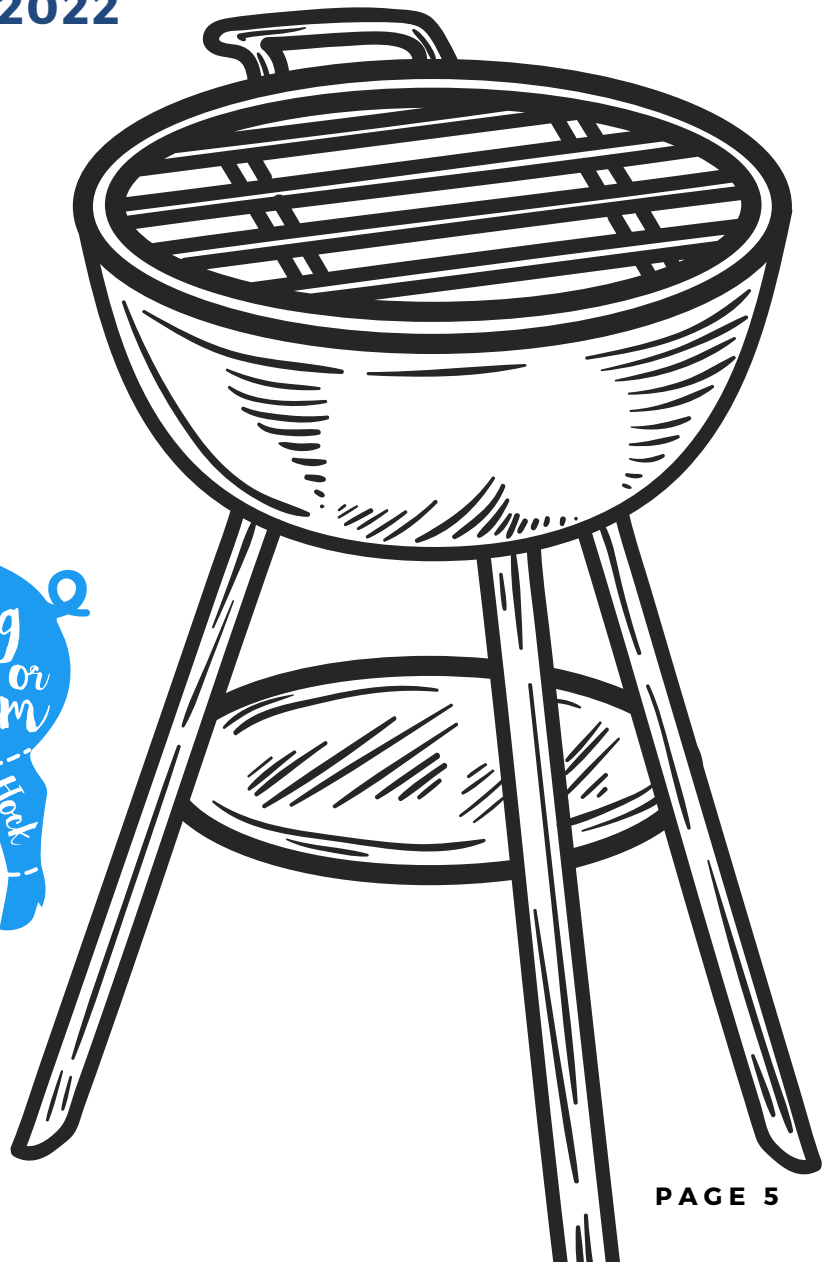
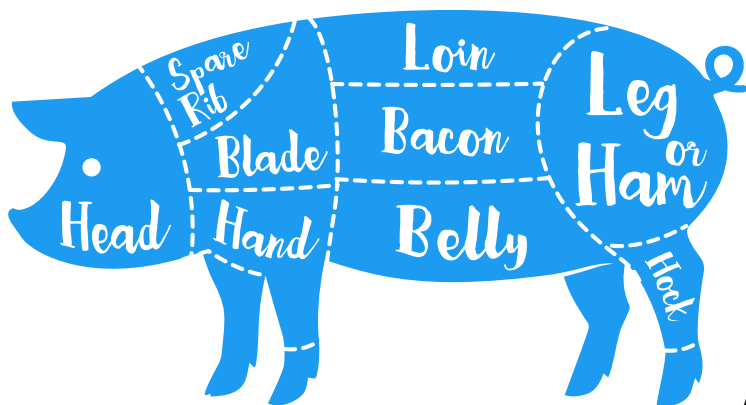
Cocktails: 5:30 pm

Dinner: 6:30 pm

Dance: 8 pm

Entertainment by: "Feet First"

Tickets: \$40 GST included





LADIES NIGHT

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20

Ladies Night starts up again October 20, 2022!

Mark your calendar for every **Third Thursday** of the month from October to May (skipping December because it's just too crazy!)

Here's how it goes: The VYC member will receive an email invitation to the event 2-3

weeks before the event. Then you'll gather your group of lady friends together and book and pay for your places through the club. Ladies Night will always have a fantastic dinner and entertainment such as a wine tasting, a comedian, a sip and paint night, etc. Ticket prices will vary according to what we have planned.

See you October 20, 2022!



Image of Wally, Scott, and Rob heading out to replace buoys at Agate Bay, Fintry, forestry on Lake Okanagan - photo submitted by Commodore Gerald G.

What do you call a
sail with only two corners?

I haven't got a clew!

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Wednesdays: Burgers & Appies, 5-8 pm

Thursdays: Menu & Appies, 5 pm-8 pm

Fridays: Steak & Salmon BBQ, 6 pm-8 pm

Saturday: Soup & Sandwich, 12 pm-3 pm, Menu 4-8 pm

Sunday: Brunch, 10 am-1 pm, Appies 2-6 pm

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

Tuesday, Wednesdays & Thursdays: 4-9 pm

Friday: 4-11 pm

Saturday: 12-9 pm

Sunday: 10 am - 6 pm

Holiday and private function closures: closed December 18-31st for Christmas Break, open for New Years Eve Party on December 31st, and closed January 1st & 2nd.



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