



Clark Lake Yacht Club

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A member managed sailing, boating, and social club.

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Hello Fellow Club Members,

Spring is here and winter has lost its grip on the land. Everything is looking fresh and the club is coming alive! Happy Mother's Day to all the proud and strong women whom you all love.

Great things are happening at CLYC. With Covid-19 being understood and restrictions being eased we should be able to begin a season of normalcy.

Rich O'Boyle has the bathrooms in the clubhouse looking good with new fixtures installed and fresh paint in the near future. The clubhouse inside is soon to be professionally cleaned. The water is on in the bath house and the plumbing in the clubhouse is being updated. The HuysSENS have laundered the bedding in the bedrooms of the house that were covered in dust by the bathroom construction. It was a mess.

Ann O'Harris has taken on the responsibility of scheduling the booking rentals of the clubhouse and is working with Neil Robb to modernize the club's website.

Pat O'Harris has been readying the clubs sailboats for a season of use. Most boats will be rigged and in or near the water for club members to use. Bruce Chipman and Pat are also working to startup the "Learn 2 Sail" program. Crag Hamilton built an excellent Lear 2 Sail program and is advising Bruce and Pat. This is a fun sailing program that is offered to members and the community. More later about this as it evolves. The club is also selling some of it's inventory sailboats. Mike Britz is helping in this effort. If you are interested, we have one for you.

Steve Cummings has secured the needed DNR permits for this year's racing season. We need volunteers to man the committee and support boats for the races. If you're a power boater you could crew the two person support boat. If you like pontoons you could help the race chairman spotting and keeping times on the raft during the race. It's a lot of fun to be on the water and it's not a hard job. No training is needed and the help would be much appreciated. Any volunteering you do helps you fulfill your needed hours of club service.

Micheal Sabourin is working on readying the support and Committee boats for a May launch. The cleaning of winter grime is always a daunting task.

Clint White has the installation of the docks and lifts progressing smoothly. Docks and lifts should be completely installed by May 14. There are changes in the way the docks are laid out. This is to provide more deep water spots for the growing membership. A layout is provided for your viewing on the club website.

Rick Joseph has been busy this spring making the grounds look good. He is working on sprucing up the area where the sailboats are parked. Resurfacing the area will begin soon. He has also installed a diagram in the trailer parking area to organize the placement of trailers to maximize its capacity. Address signage has been placed on Hayes drive to help visitors and deliveries find the club. Work has started on building new picnic tables and staining the old ones. Children's play equipment has been ordered and will be installed soon. The grounds lighting is being updated for safety and security.

Jenna Chmielewski, is planning a great season of parties and club sponsored events. They will begin with the Memorial Day party and business meeting. More info to follow on the Memorial Day Party. With the easing of restrictions and our practice of social distancing, it should be an enjoyable year. If anyone would like to volunteer to help, please contact her.

Hugh Harris is managing the clubs business operations. Any monetary debts owed to the club must be taken care of now. This includes membership dues, mooring fees, and rental fees. Please contact him if you have any questions.

Mark Sokoll has been doing a good job increasing our membership. There are many new families that have joined this year. Please greet them when you meet and welcome them to the club.

The beginning of the season is a great time to read over the member yearbook and familiarize yourself with the rules regarding visitors, parties, your children's rights and responsibilities and anything you always wanted to know about the club. The 2021 yearbooks will be out in the next month or so, with the updated membership directory. Please read the book, it's fun and you may just learn something new.

The past year has been tough. I sincerely hope this year will bring us together in a way we were unable to experience last year. Thanks to everyone who has stepped up to make the club a better place. I appreciate everyone that came to the spring work party and dock building parties. If I have missed thanking you for work you have done, I sincerely apologize. I'm looking forward to seeing you all soon.

Harry Sabourin
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