



## THE MAIN SHEET

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Photo – Courtesy of Sue Styles

### Message from the Commodore – Pat McDonald:

I am sure we are all anxiously awaiting the summer sailing season of 2022. After the last couple of tough years, it looks like we may be getting to the point where 2022 might be somewhat of a “normal” year.

Your board is off to a great start with significant plans to continuing the improvement of the club’s infrastructure, a pretty active schedule of Social and Racing events, and the continuation of refining & updating our Governance Documents such as the Articles of Association. I am amazed and gratified to see the commitment, focus and efforts they each make as members of your board.

As the season gets underway, I am sure there will be many requests for help in various committees to make these goals and plans come to fruition. I would encourage all SBYC members to keep in mind that SBYC is a club that has successfully run for over 40 years primarily through its membership voluntary efforts. To that end, please look for opportunities where you can help and feel free to volunteer. Just that act is one more thing that continues to make SBYC

*Alberta’s Sailing Community of Choice!*



## 2022/23 Board Members: Welcome to your new board

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## Messages from your SBYC board

### Landlord / Director – Geoff Cook

Hello SBYC members, as a family we are pleased at the outcome of the license renewal and look forward to the continued legacy of the SBYC. As it is said, “home is where the anchor drops”, welcome home.

### Past Commodore – John Semple

I would like to welcome all members new and old to the 2022 sailing season. Those returning to the club will see much has changed and to you our new members, welcome. The board has much planned for the 2022 summer season and will require your support in getting these projects completed.

Some of our new members have limited sailing experience. This is not a negative but a positive, as it means that we are gaining new members to the sport, so reach out and welcome them, we were all new to the sport at one time.

I would like to welcome three new directors to the 2022 board. They are Andy Minty as Dock Master, Dave Donnelly as Facilities and Marvin Abugov as Secretary. To comply with our current Articles of Association we now have only 11 directors instead of 12. **Communications** has been amalgamated into Membership and **Marketing** into the On-Shore Events. With the addition of a **Rear Commodore** position (as required by the club Articles of Association). Rear Commodore and Fleet Captain have also been amalgamated into one position.

Please keep in mind the 6 core values of our club:

- **Inclusiveness:** club activities and functions are designed to accommodate all members, family, and guests.
- **Safety:** is paramount in everything we do!
- **Respect, Trust & Integrity:** our decisions are ethical, transparent, and honest for the benefit of the Club, its members, and stakeholders.
- **Stewardship:** we promote responsible use and protection of the Environment. We are prudent with our Finances for the well-being and enjoyment of our members and future generations.
- **Seamanship:** we promote mentorship and training to enhance our sailing community’s safety and skill.
- **Volunteerism:** we utilize the unique skills and abilities of all our members to get things done!
- **Community:** we nurture our relationships and build a sense of community with our members, landlords, guests, partner clubs, and the communities where we sail.

I look forward to seeing you all at the docks and on the water this summer.

### Vice Commodore – Brad Barber

Good day SBYC Members,

Thank you to all who participated at our AGM. Without you, there is no us!

I am honored to be reelected to the SBYC board for the 2022/2023 season and will do my very best as Vice Commodore to fulfill my role and responsibilities.

Looking forward to another great year on the board and on the water at SBYC.

**Secretary – Marvin Abugov**

Marvin Abugov first started sailing at the club in 1994. In 1997, he purchased his Seaward 23 which he continues to sail to this day. Soon after officially joining the club as a full member, he joined the board and over time has served various roles including membership, communications, treasurer, and before becoming Vice-Commodore served as the club's Secretary. In 2013, he became Commodore and then Past Commodore.

One of the most important "principles" of SBYC is MEMBER PARTICIPATION.

SBYC is a Member Co-operative (not a marina) with involvement either on the board or as part of a committee. The club requires that everyone get involved in some aspect of the club as their talents and time permit currently amounting to 10 hrs./ year. I decided to reprise my role as Secretary when nominations for the board this year came up a bit short.

I look forward to the challenge. Much has changed and improved at the club particularly over the last three years and particularly with the impact of COVID-19 and its variants. The fact that so much has been accomplished despite Covid-19 is a testament to the first principle of the club as noted above. Said another way: When we ALL do a LITTLE, a lot gets done -- even if we have to wear a mask to get the job done.

I look forward to the upcoming sailing season with enthusiasm.

**Treasurer – Richard Schlachter**

I look forward to another year as treasurer for the club and I appreciate your support at the 2022 AGM to allow me another term. I take my guidance from the membership, directors and our strategic plan objectives. These objectives include presenting a critical assessment of our budget and ongoing expenditures, exploring new revenue possibilities to maintain our club's solvency and completing an annual financial audit (or equivalent) of our accounts.

Our accounting firm has completed its review engagement and found our 2021 statements as being a fair representation of our finances. In my opinion, our club continues to be financially viable as we head into the 2022 season. Last year we were able to generate a small excess in revenues over expenses and this was used prudently to make small improvements to our grounds and facilities. A finance committee was established to explore creative ways to generate additional funds for capital improvements and some recommended changes are reflected in this year's fees. Inflation has become a significant factor in meeting rising costs and so the additional funds will help us keep up.

My wife Kate and I look forward to another year on the water with all our club mates and we look forward to meeting the new sailors joining.

**Rear Commodore / Fleet Captain – Bonnie Reib**

I am happy to have served you for 2 terms as Fleet Captain and now a 3rd year as Rear Commodore/Fleet Captain. (You may refer to me as Ms. Rear Commadorable 😊).

From Toronto (2015) I had researched Alberta sailing clubs and came to the conclusion that SBYC was Alberta's Sailing Club of Choice, so made it my choice. This theme continues to be the challenge we all now live up to.





Since Wee Beastie II was launched in 2016 onto Wabamun Lake, I have been transitioning from 20 years of successfully racing on Lake Ontario (club, lake, distance and double handed racing on a J33) to racing and cruising on Wabamun Lake. It has been a welcomed growing and evolving experience for me.

2020/21 seasons poised a huge challenge for SBYC (COVID) to operate safely and within Gov't guidelines. I was pleased to be able to help SBYC set policies, processes and procedures to ensure our safe boating and use of our property. I thank all for your respect and adherence. All being well, the 2022 season will not be hindered or limited by COVID. However, we will prevail together with whatever we may face.

I continue to be thrilled to be a member of SBYC and look forward to seeing more boats heading out to the racecourse, as well as interacting with members with on-water and onshore activities.

Happy Sailing!!

### **Dock master – Andy Minty**

I am excited to be the newly elected Dockmaster for SBYC. All of the board members are a great bunch of people and very helpful in supporting me. I have experience with maintenance of equipment so I hope I can contribute some practices that will keep the docks in working order for years to come. I have helped out with the docks the past couple of years so I have some knowledge but have lots to learn. 2022 will be my third year of sailing out of SBYC and we are very much enjoying it. Looking forward to the 2022 sailing and racing season.

### **Facilities – Dave Donnelly**

I am proud to be elected to the board for the 2022 season and happy to serve in my role as Facilities Director. I have been a member at SBYC since 2015 and served 2 years on the board in a different capacity in 2018 - 2019.

This year will see the club embark on some of the more ambitious projects in our recent history. There has already been some clearing of brush and old trees last fall, and this season will see us develop a comprehensive horticultural plan to beautify the areas around the clubhouse but preserve the natural aspects of the surrounding land and shoreline. Some of the more immediate work we will undertake are refurbishment of the main deck and stairs plus the re-grading of the lawn area in front of the clubhouse to provide better drainage. The lawn work will be somewhat disruptive to our normal club life, but we will make every effort to get as much done outside of the weekends to lessen as much as possible any interruptions.

Over the next few weeks, we will be getting our 2022 season underway which of course includes opening the clubhouse for the season. We will be asking for volunteers to help with this as is tradition. We also will be seeking a handful of willing volunteers to serve on a facilities committee to bring some extra horsepower to the planning and execution of the more ambitious projects.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the club very soon!

### **Membership and Communications – Tim Stubbs**

Thank you for electing me for another term, I am truly honored and look forward to serving you.



Welcome to what should be another fantastic season at SBYC. To date we have 54 confirmed boats on the dock for this season. We have a few regular members busy with other things this summer and not launching their boats, although I am sure we will still see them around the club from time to time

Be sure to promote the club and encourage potential new members to check us out, as we have 3 slips available for this summer. We will be advertising in the community, but word of mouth amongst friends and colleagues is usually the best

We still have one trailer site available for this summer only – if you are interested, please contact me [membership@sunshinebay.org](mailto:membership@sunshinebay.org)

As the communications director, I will be looking for volunteers / committee members to help with the photos contest and input for ongoing Main and Jib sheet newsletters amongst other things. Stay tuned for more news, see you on the lake soon

### **Onshore Events / Marketing – Nicole Sikora**

Welcome to the 2022 sailing season! I have the privilege of being elected as your Onshore Events / Marketing director this season. I am a mom of 2 grown children and currently work in administration at WEM Toyota. I joined SBYC for the summer of 2018 with my boyfriend, Ralph Fergusson. We can be found on **Current Obsession** most weekends during the summer. I am looking forward to potentially having a full social season this year with Covid-19 moving to an endemic status.

The **“Sail past”** and **“Meet and Greet”** will be the first event for the season which is a combined effort with Fleet. It was a new event and hopefully, a continuing tradition which started in our 40th year as a club! We also are looking forward to hosting a **Big O party**, **Women, Wind, Waves and Wine** learning event, **Pirate Days** and a **Surf And Turf** to name a few events. Plans are already underway, and committees have been started (lots of room for those wanting to help out). The marketing part of this portfolio will be a welcome challenge this season. I look forward to learning a few new skills and putting forth some of my old skills with this new endeavor. I welcome input and suggestions as the season progresses. Feel free to say hi to me when you see me around!

### **Office of The Environment**

<https://www.sunshinebay.org/environment>



### **Lake Stewardship Progress - Sue Styles**

Greetings to all returning SBYC members this season, and a very warm welcome to the new members of SBYC. For the benefit of new members, a brief introduction - my name is Sue Styles; Brian and I have been SBYC members since 2008; I am currently honored to be SBYC Liaison to the Wabamun Watershed Management Council (WWMC), as well as Chair of the WWMC Board of Directors.



This Main Sheet piece includes a reflection on the new 2022-2032 SBYC Licence Agreement and a brief [Wabamun Watershed Management Council](#) (WWMC) update.

To begin, I extend congratulations to the newly elected SBYC Board of Directors and a huge thank you to the outgoing Board of Directors for your long-lasting contributions to *Alberta's Sailing Community of Choice!*

Particular kudos to the outgoing SBYC Board of Directors and SBYC membership for accomplishing a satisfactory 2022-2032 Licence Agreement! Using an environmental and lake stewardship lens, the new SBYC Licence Agreement includes many significant clauses that are worthy of being highlighted.

SBYC has **elevated good lake stewardship practices** by explicitly delineating that from 2022 onward, 'all SBYC members are required to **capture all wastewater and greywater from their boats and dispose of such in the approved storage facilities**'. While for most SBYC sailors, capturing all wastewater (grey and black) has been common practice for many years, this clause in the 2022 SBYC agreement provides assurance that all SBYC sailboats/sailors will be compliant. This is a good news milestone for the health of Wabamun Lake!

Furthermore, in the new agreement, it is noted there are several more familiar, but still highly important references to ensuring good lake and watershed stewardship practices i.e., cause all garbage and similar waste materials to be removed from the Licensed Lands; maintain a sewage and wastewater holding tanks adequate to the number of people; and prevent waste or damage to the Lands. As well the enhanced requirement for an agreed Horticultural Plan provides opportunity to further integrate restoration of riparian areas and protection of the lake.

The aforementioned good lake and watershed stewardship practices in the 2022 Licence Agreement align with [SBYC Position Statement on the Environment](#), and as such, align with the [Wabamun Watershed Management Plan](#) and are important for maintaining healthy land, shore, and aquatic ecosystems. "When we take care of the land and water, the land and water takes care of us" (Sylix Water Declaration, 2014).

At SBYC, each of us must pause and think about what the Licence Agreement clauses on land and lake stewardship mean to us personally. What is our part, our individual responsibility in preventing harm/ damage to the lake and watershed? For additional information lakeshore stewardship see [On the Living Edge](#)

### WWMC Update

WWMC board has been immersed in work concerning two overarching themes, namely board governance and implementation of the [Wabamun Watershed Management Plan](#) (WMP).

WWMC board governance efforts include formalizing a 3-year strategic plan, advancing by-law revision, and completing an application to register as a charity.

Current WMP implementation efforts are centered on collaborative initiatives related to the priority WMP focus areas including, but not limited to, planning summer education events on aquatic invasive species, riparian restoration, and advocating for municipal bylaws/policies alignment with protection of the lake and watershed. For a review of the WMP priority focus areas, see 'page 5 of the [WMP](#)'.



## Winter Water Sampling

A robust water quality monitoring program is one of the [WMP](#) priority focus areas. The Alberta Lake Management Society (ALMS) has been running the LakeKeepers Winter Water Sampling program at 22 Alberta lakes for the past three winter seasons to document trends in water quality.

WWMC volunteers completed 4 LakeKeepers water sampling events this winter season (one in each month from December to March). The water samples were taken from three Wabamun Lake offshore sites – Water's Edge, Seba Beach and Rich's Point. Water temperatures and dissolved oxygen levels were recorded, and a number of water samples taken at each site and then delivered to ALMS for analysis. Following analysis, ALMS staff will produce a report containing their findings. Past reports can be found on [wwmc.ca](http://wwmc.ca)

## Boat Launch Update

Parkland County has informed the WWMC that crews will begin clearing land in the very near future (with accommodation to bird nesting and fish spawning season) for the approved boat launch site on the Wabamun Lake south shore near the Sundance power plant. This will be the beginning of Phase 1 of the project, constructing the new launch. Phase 2 will involve closure or restricting access to the informal launch sites around the lake. These efforts will go a long way to helping protect the lake's fragile ecosystem while allowing easier access to the lake for most users. More information about the launch can be found on Parkland County's website ([parklandcounty.com](http://parklandcounty.com)), search for Wabamun Lake Boat Access.

To wrap-up, I share (or for some I re-iterate) that the motto of WWMC is 'Keep Wabamun Lake Clean and Clear'; as seen by the SBYC attention to lake stewardship mentioned earlier in this piece, this is in fact a **collective responsibility** - **Let's Keep Wabamun Lake Clean and Clear**. Now more than ever we must have a strong collective voice and bold action to protect the lake and watershed.

All questions/comments are welcome. Visit [WWMC.ca](http://WWMC.ca) for information on our lake and watershed and for questions/inquiries connect with WWMC through [info@wwmc.ca](mailto:info@wwmc.ca)

For your questions/comments and interest directly related to SBYC lake and watershed stewardship connect with [membership@sunshinebay.org](mailto:membership@sunshinebay.org)

## Farewells...Sailors leaving us for other waters:

Member Since	Names	Boat Name
2005	Julie and Terry Smith (Alumni)	Cor-Lee Breeze
2008	Ted Kucher	
1981	Cathy and Dave Rogers (Alumni)	Jabberwocky
2009	Leslie and Pierre Daigneault	Romance





**Ahoy & welcome** – recent changes in membership status and new member to the Club:

Name(s)		Boat Name
Jeff Foster	Regular (Shareholder)	Mystified
Ada and Robert Tang	Regular (Shareholder)	Ronin
Elaine and Bob Schimmel	Regular (Shareholder)	Panache
Adrianna and Greg Landberg	Regular (Shareholder)	(O Day 20)
Shannon Goodman / Fill Osborne	Regular (Shareholder)	Jabberwocky
Chris and Nicole Sharman	Provisional	Cote D' Azure
Derek Stevenson	Provisional	Misty III
Erica and Allan Florizone	Seasonal Rental	TBA
Shane Welsh	Seasonal Rental	Jiggs and Reels

**Upcoming Events - Tentative dates Only – go to [www.sunshinebay.org](http://www.sunshinebay.org) for most recent post**

APRIL 2022				
Sat 23	Facilities – Start Up	TBD	Facilities	SBYC
Sat 30	Docks In	TBA	Dockmaster	SBYC
Sat 30	Facilities – Start Up (alternate date)	TBD	Facilities	SBYC
Sat 30	The Main Sheet – Volume 2, Issue 1	N/A	Communications	SBYC
MAY 2022				
Sun 01	Photo Contest Begins	N/A	Communications	SBYC
Sat 07	Docks In (alternate date)	TBA	Dockmaster	SBYC
Sat 07	Crane In (Committee Lead) Tentative	TBA	Committee	Committee
Thurs 12	SBYC Board meeting	1900	Secretary	SBYC
Sat 14	Crane In (alternate date)	TBA	Committee	Committee
May 23 - Victoria Day				
JUNE 2022				
Sat 11	Meet and Greet New Members	TBD	ALL / Membership	SBYC
Sat 11	Commodore Sail Past / Wine & Cheese	1300	Fleet Captain / Onshore Events	SBYC

## SBYC Racing

The 2022 racing season will be upon us soon. In fine form, the racing season will be prefaced by Sail Past on June 11<sup>th</sup> followed by the first Pursuit Race on June 15<sup>th</sup>, then Down the Lake Race on June 18<sup>th</sup>. All races are posted on the SBYC Event Calendar. The Notice of Race (NoR) documents are posted with the Sailing Instructions (SIs) soon to follow.

A new addition to the NoRs will be an e-Registration Form and to make it even easier, race fees may be paid by e-transfer.

To encourage new boats to come out to the race course, a boat is welcome to join in on one race of the Pursuit Race Series for no charge. For 2 or more Races the Fee remains at \$20. A Registration Form must be completed and submitted prior to any race.



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An important reminder is for all boats new to SBYC Racing, a Wabamun Lake PHRF Form (available on the Web Page) must be completed and sent to [fleetcaptain@sunshinebay.org](mailto:fleetcaptain@sunshinebay.org) to assess the boat's handicap prior to the race, otherwise the maximum handicap will be assigned. If you require help in completing the Form, please reach out to Bonnie Reib.

Looking forward to seeing you on the water!

## This and That:

Check this out and voice your opinion

[Wabamun Area Vision - https://wabamun.ca](https://wabamun.ca)

The **Wabamun** Area Long Range Plan will provide high level vision and direction for the broader **Wabamun** Study Area around **Wabamun** Lake, identifying opportunities...!!

## Orphan boats

If you recognize and want to claim these boats let me know, otherwise they will be up for auction at this year's **Treasure Hunt / Garage Sale** (June 19<sup>th</sup>)



## Photo Contest

Based on the success and the awesome photos submitted last year, we will continue with the photo contest again this year, I can't promise another calendar for next year yet, but please submit your photos to [membership@sunshinebay.org](mailto:membership@sunshinebay.org) and we will share the best in our marketing materials

If you would like to volunteer to be one of the judges of the photo contest, please let me know and we can form a committee

## SYBC Merchandise



Be proud supporters and promoters of our club in your SBYC club apparel available from [www.tackandjibe.com](http://www.tackandjibe.com).

**Tack and Jibe** is owned by our members Jody and Anastasia Mattinson and a % of the sales comes back to support the club



## No Parking

**Note – due to ongoing landscaping work there will no boat trailer storage at the club again this summer**

***The Main Sheet*** is published 4 times a year. April, July, October and January.

***The Jib Sheet*** is published 2 times a year. June and August

If you would like to contribute to the newsletter, or have feedback, please send to [membership@sunshinebay.org](mailto:membership@sunshinebay.org)



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