



THE GREEN LAKE YACHT CLUB  
FOUNDED 1894  
P. O. Box 684  
GREEN LAKE, WISCONSIN 54941-0684

Dear Members,

Greetings from Green Lake! We have endured several false springs here in Green Lake, with their cycle of snow melt and return, but the days are lengthening and the true spring is lurking just over the horizon. This means Green Lake Yacht Club renewal season, and your Green Lake Yacht Club board has been hard at work to put together a summer of entertaining and engaging events for our favorite club.

We had a very successful 2022 season during Frank Pollock's final year as commodore. Frank's tenure saw the challenges of and the successful navigation of the COVID-19 pandemic, the introduction of new club events, and a surge of interest in the club. We thank Frank for his service to the club as commodore, and we are grateful for his continuing service on the board.

Highlights from last summer include:

- The inaugural Casino Night fundraiser for the Green Lake Sailing School was well attended, lots of fun, and a great success for the Sailing School.
- An exciting season of Snipe racing came down to the very last day of racing, with the final winner determined by a fraction of a point.
- Excellent turnout and a very close finish in the Scavenger Hunt, with the impressive theme and costumes of the Rogers family boat narrowly edged by the laser focus, superior boat speed, and competitive drive of the Mason family.
- The Green Lake Sailing School continued to operate at capacity, with full sessions and even a waiting list.
- We had two very entertaining ILYA regattas to enjoy, as well as the annual Catamaran Racing Association of Wisconsin regatta.

We have an exciting schedule planned for this summer, where you will recognize a mix of both old favorites and new hits. The first event of the season will be (as usual) the Kickoff Party, which will occur on June 10<sup>th</sup>. The location will be announced with the directory, but the date is set – mark your calendar!

The most important event to mention at this time is that we will be repeating the Casino Night fundraiser for the Green Lake Sailing School on June 24<sup>th</sup>. This is our signature event, and we encourage you to attend and support the Sailing School. Ticket supply is limited to 100; you can pre-order yours on the membership form to ensure you aren't left out. This event will be open to the public once the pre-order is complete, and we expect to sell every seat.

That's the preview of the fun stuff, now for the fine print.

There has been some chatter about inflation over the last couple of years; perhaps you have noticed? I regret to report that inflation has finally reached the Green Lake Yacht Club. Our costs have risen significantly over the last five years, and while we have delayed as long as possible, we have now

unfortunately reached the point where the board felt it necessary to implement a small increase membership fees. Our new membership schedule is detailed below.

- Junior Membership – Free
  - o Age 8 to 15; no voting rights
- Senior Membership – \$75
  - o Age 16 and older; includes voting rights
- Racing Fee – \$125
  - o Snipe or I20 fleets
  - o Skipper only, including junior skippers
- Casual Fleet Fee - \$25 Suggested
  - o Portsmouth, Laser and Pram fleets
  - o Skipper only

You will notice that we have introduced a suggested racing fee for the casual fleets (Laser, Portsmouth, and Pram), in addition to a slight increase for the Snipes and I20s. Historically, we have not asked the casual fleets to pay racing fees, in order to foster participation by new sailors, and to continue in that spirit, this is a voluntary fee. However, the club must still pay for insurance for casual racing, and committee boat support where needed. The Snipe and I20 fleets have absorbed two rounds of racing cost increases on their own in the last five years, and we felt it appropriate to ask the casual fleets to help bear the burden this time.

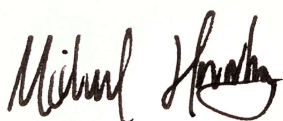
In order to better reach members and ensure that every member has every opportunity to attend club events, this year you may elect to receive event reminders and updates (such as rain locations or other ad hoc changes) by text message. If you would like to participate, please provide a cell phone number at which you may be reached. We promise not to spam you, and you can opt out of the text message updates at any time.

We also ask that you indicate any way in which you might interested in supporting the club – through hosting a club event, assisting with race committee, helping out with junior racing, or any other role in which you might be interested. We are a volunteer-driven organization, so volunteers are always welcome and appreciated.

As always, please consider inviting any friends or family you might have who enjoy recreational boating on Green Lake to consider joining the club. The Green Lake Yacht Club remains a social club, which means we are not permitted to advertise ourselves to the public. We are thus reliant on word-of-mouth and relationship-based efforts to bring new members to the club. Bring an interested friend to an event, or contact a club officer for thoughts on ways to bring interested people along.

We are excited to be gearing up for summer, and we look forward to seeing you all in, on, under, and around Green Lake this summer!

Sincerely,



Michael Hawkes  
Commodore

Nick Vandervelde – Vice Commodore  
Richard Gerstein – Treasurer  
Andy Maes – Secretary  
Frank Pollock – Past Commodore  
Laurie Quernemoen  
John Mason



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### 2023 Membership Form

Please note that we have changed from a one-sided form to a two-sided form this year!

**Member Information:**

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Partner: \_\_\_\_\_

Your children under age 21: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address:**

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**Green Lake Street Address** (if different from Mailing Address)

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone**

Land line telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Email**

Primary email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Other email address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Preference**

I prefer that you communicate with me by:

- Email       Postal Mail

**Directory Preference**

Please select an address to include in the directory:

- Mailing Address       Local Address

**Text Message Preference**

We plan to send event reminders via text message to those members who would like to receive such updates. Please check the box below to be included in the text reminders.

- Please text me with event reminders and updates       Please don't text me

This is in addition to email notifications - we will continue to send email reminders to club members as well.

**Green Lake Yacht Club Merchandise**

<u>Item and Description</u>	<u>Price Each</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Subtotal</u>
Club Hat, Light Blue with Embroidered GLYC Logo	\$20	_____	_____
Large GLYC Burgee (24in x 36in)	\$80	_____	_____
Small GLYC Burgee (12in x 18in)	\$40	_____	_____
Boat Blanket, Navy Blue with Embroidered GLYC Logo	\$50	_____	_____
Casino Night Ticket Preorder	\$100	_____	_____
<b>Merchandise Total</b>			_____

**Member Dues**

Member Dues (16 years or older on May 15)	\$75	_____	_____
Junior Member (16 or younger as of May 16, nonvoting)	\$0	_____	_____

**Racing Fees**

Snipe, I20	\$125	_____	_____
Laser, Pram, Portsmouth (suggested)	\$25	_____	_____

**Additional Donation**

Please apply my donation to:  
 Sailing School       Junior Racing       Area of Greatest Need

**Membership Total (Merchandise, Dues, Racing, Donation) \_\_\_\_\_**

If you or a member of your family plan to race, please tell us which class or classes:

- |  |                                     |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Snipe         | <input type="checkbox"/> I20        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Laser         | <input type="checkbox"/> Pram       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Junior Racing | <input type="checkbox"/> Portsmouth |

If you would like to learn more about racing, please indicate below, and a racing member will contact you!

- I'd like to learn more about racing       I want to get started racing

If you would like to be more involved in the club, please indicate any interests here and we will contact you!

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| <input type="checkbox"/> I'd like to help with Race Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> I have an idea for a club event         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I'd like to host a Club Event        | <input type="checkbox"/> I'd like to help with hosting a regatta |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Something else! Call me!             |  |

To be scored in any official race, skippers must have first paid their racing fees. While Junior, Opti, Pram, Laser and social racers are not required to pay racing fees, your donations are encouraged to sustain our racing programs.

To be included in the Club's directory, please return this form and payment before April 1st to:

**Green Lake Yacht Club, PO Box 684, Green Lake, WI 54941-0684**

Electronic payment options are available on our website, [greenlakeyachtclub.org](http://greenlakeyachtclub.org).

The Green Lake Yacht Club is organized as an IRC 501(c)(7) social club. Donations to the Club are NOT tax deductible. Donations to the Sailing School ARE tax deductible. To return your form electronically, or for any questions or comments, please contact Commodore Michael Hawkes at [commodore@greenlakeyachtclub.org](mailto:commodore@greenlakeyachtclub.org) or call 650.248.1527.