



Royal Newfoundland Yacht Club

April 6, 2021

Member Update

Good day, fine members and yachtspersons.

After an interesting Winter, and after overcoming several challenges, Spring is now at our doorstep and plans for 2021 operations are starting to take a more finite path. I wanted to provide you with an update on items around the Club and in the community. All dates and activities are, of course, subject to any change in pandemic alert level and there are many moving parts, some directly controlled by and some not controlled by the RNYC.

As distributed last week, the date for our Semi-Annual AGM has been set and the motions have been circulated. The meeting will be held at 8:00 pm, Thursday, April 29, 2021. It would be great to see as many of you as possible for this. Attendance will include options for both in-person and virtual participation.

We have considerable activity ongoing on our grounds at the moment. Please be reminded of the dangers associated with construction. I request all members obey associated signs, fences and barriers, and instructions from those completing work scopes. Members are not to enter the construction zone unless authorized by the contractor, or during times of launch, the Yard Master.

The following represents the best information we have as of today. We will be providing further correspondence and communications as the next few weeks progress:

- RNYC Office- The RNYC office remains closed due to pandemic protocols. All items of concern should be addressed to Kathy Evans via email or over the phone. We anticipate the office will open on a "by appointment" basis on April 26th.
- Launch- This year's launch will require careful coordination between the RNYC and our contractors. Launch will commence the last week of April on a case-by-case basis to ensure clear parking and minimize interference with construction activities. Official Launch and commencement of full-time yard activities is scheduled to commence May 17th. Launch will be coordinated by the RNYC Manager in consultation with our Yard Masters and contractors. I ask for your patience as we plan and coordinate this. A balance will need to be found between launching activities and construction progress. Those members in the water wishing to come out for maintenance will be accommodated as laydown becomes available.
- Restaurant- The Restaurant will open on Thursday, May 20, 2021 at 12:00. Capacity and service will align with COVID protocols at the time of opening.
- Fuel Dock- The Fuel Dock will be opened concurrently with the start of the Coast Guard's Inshore Rescue Base program on the Victoria Day weekend. This will open on May 20th.



- Breakwater Repairs- We are excited to see the amount of effort made by the Town of CBS and their contractor in the reinstatement and upgrades to the breakwater arrangement. They are progressing well with this scope and we have been informed that they are more than 50% complete. It is anticipated that repairs, including dredging operations, will be completed before the end of May.
- Marginal Wharf Repairs- As you are aware, we are presently working diligently along with our consultants and our contractor to ensure a timely completion of this work scope. As of now, we are ahead of anticipated schedule with considerable work completed. Our contractor has brought in additional equipment and has extended working hours to maximize productivity. We are expecting that heavy excavation and crib installation will be completed in early June with all works completed by the end of July. This timeframe does hinge on three things:
 1. Weather;
 2. Management of simultaneous operations related to Launch;
 3. Condition of unexcavated substrate. (i.e., whether we run into heavy rock or bedrock)

Post crib installation, considerable work will be needed to complete the installation of lumber, decking, electrical, finishing, and paving. These scopes should not interfere with channel usage and have limited impact on other club activities. Of these scopes, safe access and electrical supply to the North Dock are obvious priorities; hence, excavation and construction began adjacent to that area.

- Our Mighty Mast Crane- The mast crane has currently been removed from its base at the marginal wharf. The marginal wharf reinstatement includes a replacement crane base. The crane itself will be transported to a shop to develop an estimate for repairs and upgrades required under the OHS Act. This spring, masts will be installed by our boom truck.

I ask you for your support and patience as we work through launch and I'm looking forward to seeing you all on the water. We will provide a more detailed progress update at our AGM. Please reach out to Kathy with any queries

Thanks, and kindest regards,

Anderson Noel, Commodore RNYC