



Over 125 Years Of Yachting Tradition



The Chestnut street building was officially dedicated in July of 1895, and George T. Bliss served as the first Commodore.

Though the Club's new location west of the ravine and below the cliff in Kahkwa Park proved to be a challenge during construction, the formal opening was August 22, 1919.

A new Clubhouse was constructed and dedicated on October 5, 1968 with the master of dedication, the Honorable Raymond Shafer, then Governor of Pennsylvania in attendance.

This year marks the Centennial year of the Club.

Major renovations to the bar and grill room have delivered a warm inviting interior finish.

About the EYC

1895

1919

1965

1995

2005

In September 1894, George T. Bliss, our first Commodore, had a dream of a boat club on Erie's beautiful Presque Isle Bay. George envisioned a club that would have a clubhouse plus a low building to store sculls, small boats, and equipment. By 1895 the Erie Yacht Club's first building was officially dedicated. From those humble beginnings over 125 years ago, the Erie Yacht Club (EYC) has grown to over 1,500 members. We believe much of our success comes from holding true to the Club's founding principles of promoting, encouraging, and developing activities associated with yachting.

Today the Erie Yacht Club is one of the oldest and largest full service yacht clubs on the Great Lakes. The atmosphere is casual and family-oriented with modern facilities that can meet all of your boating, dining, or entertainment needs. Our spacious clubhouse offers both casual and fine dining.



Completed a six year, 7.2 million dollar renovation of our basin facility that included all new concrete floating docks, improved parking and park areas.

Complete construction of the 1 million dollar Rickloff Community Boathouse which is the new home of our Reyrburn Sailing school.

The Club celebrates it's 125th Anniversary of boating in the Erie community.

2012

2015

2020

If life near the water holds a special place in your heart, then you owe it to yourself and your family to join us. Our Club offers the exhilaration of boating, relaxed dining, and casual conversations and drinks among good friends, all with an exquisite view. The EYC is a place to entertain, whether it's for 2 or 200. The Club is the place to 'just get away' without ever leaving the city. Add more than 125 years of proud yachting tradition, sunsets that will calm your soul, and members who feel like family, and you have what people in Erie consider the greatest place on the Great Lakes.

The Erie Yacht Club offers year round fun for members, their families, and their guests. On average, the Club hosts over 150 scheduled events a year. During the summer there are dock parties, sunset barbecues on the lighthouse deck, and sailboat racing for both beginners and advanced sailors. Thursday Happy Hours feature a DJ, dancing, and refreshments. From fall through spring there are numerous events including Oktoberfest, Christmas Dinner Dance, Commodore's Ball, Friday night bingo, a Club bowling league, ice boating, and a New Year's party to name a few. In keeping with our mission, the Club also offers Learn to Sail Classes for children and adults of all ages.

If you're looking for a venue to host a party, anniversary, wedding, business meeting or special event, the Erie Yacht Club is the perfect place. Our amazing food and friendly, experienced staff will make your event a smashing success. Contact us today for more details.

For boating members, our Club grounds include fueling facilities, 372 boat slips, 100 dry sail spaces, 47 jet ski docks, kayak racks, 2 launch ramps, 4 hoists, pump outs, showers, restrooms, washers, dryers and two picnic shelter areas.

As an added benefit of membership, the EYC has reciprocal agreements with many yacht clubs such as Buffalo Yacht Club, Cleveland Yacht Club, Port Dover Yacht Club, Chicago Yacht Club and the Toronto Yacht Club, to name a few. This means you may be able to dock and charge meals and refreshments at these clubs to your Erie Yacht Club house account.

Activities for Everyone to Enjoy



Join the Club



The Erie Yacht Club offers a variety of affordable membership options. All memberships include Clubhouse privileges that allow full use of the clubhouse facilities and the ability to charge food, refreshments, and certain other items to your Club account. Based upon your membership level, boat services may also be included. Each member class holds different privileges as well as individual fee structures as outlined below.



Associate

An Associate membership is most beneficial to those who do not require boating privileges and plan to use the Club for business or personal reasons. As an Associate member you will have limited boating privileges and full use of the Clubhouse. Boating privileges include seasonal rental of Dry Sail, Jet Ski Docks and Kayak storage. You will not have voting privileges.

If you initially join as an Associate member and later decide you would like to obtain a boat slip, simply submit a letter to the Board of Directors requesting transfer to a Regular membership. You will then be billed for the difference between the two member classes.

Junior

A Junior member must be between the ages of 16 and 34 to join under this classification. You will have all the rights and privileges of an Associate member. This member classification has tiered pricing based upon your age when applying.

In the year of your 35th birthday, as a Junior member you will be automatically transferred to a Regular or Associate membership.

Regular

A Regular membership is ideal for individuals interested in boat dockage and those who wish to have a voice in how the Club is run by voting in our Annual Meeting. These members have full boating and Clubhouse privileges. You also have the right to hold office.



	Initiation Fee	Dues	Assessment	Deposit *
Regular	\$4,500.00	\$850.00	\$250.00	\$425.00
Associate	\$1,500.00	\$789.00	\$250.00	\$394.50
Junior	Age	Initiation Fee	Due	Deposit
	16-20	\$0.00	\$85.00	\$42.50
	21-25	\$450.00	\$212.50	\$106.25
	26-30	\$1,125.00	\$425.00	\$212.50
	31-34	\$2,250.00	\$637.50	\$318.75

* Deposits are credited towards your first years dues.

Dues and Assessments are billed in 1, 2 or 3 installments. Members choose their payment plan.



Application for Membership

I _____ apply for _____ membership in the
PRINT FULL NAME *REGULAR *ASSOCIATE *JUNIOR FAMILY *JUNIOR
ERIE YACHT CLUB, and if elected to membership, agree to comply with the rules and regulations of the Club.

Residence _____	Phone _____
City _____ State _____	Zip Code _____
E-Mail Address _____	Date of Birth _____
Business Address _____	Phone _____
City _____ State _____	Zip Code _____
Spouse E-Mail Address _____	Cell Phone _____
Name of Business, Profession or Occupation _____	Spouse Name _____
Have you ever been convicted of a felony ___ Yes ___ No	Spouse Date of Birth _____
Other Clubs you are a member of? 1. _____	2. _____
Have you previously been a member of the ERIE YACHT CLUB ___ Yes ___ No If Yes , date resigned _____	

The undersigned does hereby authorize Erie Yacht Club and its agents to make such inquiries, complete such investigations and to obtain such information as it may deem relevant and appropriate in assessing the character, general reputation, personal characteristics and credit worthiness of the undersigned in connection with his/her possible membership in the Erie Yacht Club. This information may be secured from any source, including consumer reporting agencies, employers, personal references and other past and present club affiliations. As a condition of acceptance of my membership application, I agree for myself and my family to comply with the GROUNDS, DOCK, AND HOUSE RULES, and expressly waive and release the ERIE YACHT CLUB from any and all claims for damages to my property caused by the ERIE YACHT CLUB or its agents while in the care, custody, or control of the ERIE YACHT CLUB. I further understand that my acceptance as a Member does not guarantee that I will be assigned a berth. I understand that assignment of a berth for my boat is at the discretion of the Dock Committee based on the availability of a suitable berth. I further guarantee that I will not bring a boat into the ERIE YACHT CLUB basin or dry sail area without the permission of the Dockmaster or his agent.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

IMPORTANT – All questions must be answered. Applicant must be sponsored by two (2) members from these membership classes, Regular, Associate or Senior. Once complete, this Application will be filed with the Club Secretary.

SPONSORS: The Applicant must be known and recommended by two members from these membership classes, Regular, Associate or Senior Membership. You will be interviewed by the Membership Committee concerning this applicant.

Print _____ No _____	Print _____ No _____
Signature _____ Date _____	Signature _____ Date _____

FOR OFFICIAL CLUB USE ONLY – Do not write below this line.

We the undersigned, members of the ERIE YACHT CLUB Membership Committee hereby certify that we have interviewed the above applicant and recommend he/she is presented to the Membership and Board for election.

_____ Board Member Date _____
 _____ Board Member Date _____
 Date elected to Membership _____ Date Initiation Fee received _____

What to expect during the application process:

Once the Club receives your application, we will contact you to schedule an informal orientation interview with our Membership Committee. The interview allows the Committee to get to know you and your family while providing information about the Club, answering your questions and discussing your interests.



1. Complete the attached membership form or download a membership application from the web at www.erieyachtclub.org.

2. Obtain the signatures of two Club members whom you know personally to serve as your sponsors for membership. If you are new to the area or do not know any current members, contact our Club Office and they will assist you.

3. Complete the application and submit it along with the appropriate deposit to the address at the bottom of this page.

Once you have been accepted by the Membership Committee, your application will be posted on the Club bulletin board and a summary will be submitted to the Board of Directors to vote upon during the next scheduled board meeting. This meeting is held on the third Monday of every month. You will be notified of your membership within several days following the meeting. Once you are accepted as a new member of the Club, you will be billed the appropriate initiation fee as well as the balance of the dues owed. If preferred, we can charge your credit card. After we receive payment, you will be mailed your membership card, Club Handbook and gate card.

If you have any questions regarding this process please contact our Club Office.
453-4931

