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We are launching a brand new loyalty card program at your marina. All marina customers will receive a card and full program details before the 2020 boating season. The program provides a percentage cash back on certain purchases at the marina (certain restrictions to apply). We are excited to offer this program to all of our valued marina customers. And if you're thinking of moving to our marina, ask yourself, does my current marina provide loyalty rewards like this all season long? Why would you want to boat anywhere else?
We’re Waiting to Wow You

Aaah those sultry summer days on the breathtaking bay are coming. We’re waiting to welcome you and help create memories on the water to last a lifetime.

We’re counting the days till summer and we’re waiting to “Wow” you again this year. 2019 was a strong season as we returned to our roots of providing personalized exceptional customer service. At Bay Port you’re always more than an account number and we care about the small details. This year we will continue that tradition as we transition to the next generation of marina managers with Kyle MacDonald taking on the GM position upon Ken MacDonald's retirement.

They say it’s all about the location and Bay Port simply can’t be beat. Georgian Bay is the best freshwater boating in the world with wonderful anchorages, endless islands and cruising destinations awaiting your exploration. A world on the water awaits and we are conveniently close to major metropolitan areas like Toronto, Kitchener-Waterloo and Hamilton.

If you’re new to Georgian Bay be sure to ask us how to make the most of your new location such as increasing your battery power for overnight anchoring, better anchor hardware to ensure a peaceful night’s sleep and an inflatable dinghy for discovering nooks and crannies the big boat can’t go. We have plenty of amazing amenities onshore such as our updated children's playgrounds, but we suggest you head out and experience everything the area has to offer from crystal clear water at Beckwith Island, countless secluded islands up the shore, Georgian Bay Islands National Park so close to your home port or the historic Trent Severn Waterway and the Big Chute Marine Railway – the only one of its kind in the world.

General Manager of Bay Port Yachting Centre Ken MacDonald CMM retires

After 28 years with Bay Port Yachting Centre, GM Ken MacDonald CMM retired in December 2019. Succeeding Ken will be his son Kyle MacDonald, currently Assistant General Manager and Service Manager. Kyle has been with Bay Port Yachting Centre in various roles for 18 years.

“This role has been the best of my long career,” Ken said. “I am thankful to have worked with great crew members here at Bay Port Yachting Centre and had the support of a great customer base throughout those years. However, as we have planned, I want to spend more time with my family. That has been difficult to balance over the last few years. The time is right to hand over the baton to Kyle and his crew to take Bay Port into great success in future years.”

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More For You at Bay Port

With our new on-site brokerage and the most talented team of technicians in the industry we help you relax and enjoy boating.

We're pleased to welcome aboard a new partnership with Bayshore Yacht Sales, our in-house yacht brokerage (more on page 13) with on-site sales professionals who love boating as much as you do. Buying or selling they are ready to help.

We also provide a new and affordable opportunity for people to get onboard with the Carefree Boat Club at our sister marina Wye Heritage – find out more on page 11. Fluctuating water levels are a fact of life on Georgian Bay. Rest assured we have the resources and will deal with whatever Mother Nature brings us in 2020 – and beyond.

Our talented tech team continues to grow with knowledge and training. We are thrilled to work with the Georgian College's Skilled Trades Centre in Midland to ensure we continue to have the best and the brightest to work on Bay Port boaters' prized possession.

This season look for familiar faces of our experienced young customer service ambassadors who help make docking stress-free.

We value our incredible boaters and now we reward you for your continued support with our brand new Bay Port Loyalty Card to help you save all season long. Details on page 2. Loopers travel 5000 nautical miles through the inland rivers of the US and the Intercoastal Waterway but the highlight of their remarkable journey is without a doubt Georgian Bay and the North Channel. For them it's the trip of a lifetime. For Bay Port boaters you live it every day!
Better Boating with ValvTect

Our ValvTect marine gasoline and diesel helps your boat engine perform better and avoid other fuel related problems.

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✔ Contains extra moisture dispersants
✔ Cleans up fuel injector deposits
✔ Cleans up intake deposits
✔ Reduces harmful exhaust emissions
✔ Improves power and performance
✔ Improves fuel economy

Stop bacteria in your tank with specially formulated marine diesel
ValvTect Marine Diesel with biocide maximizes engine performance and protection, requiring no additional fuel additives to protect your engine, saving you time and money.

ValvTect Marine Diesel features:
✔ Contains micro-biocide
✔ Helps prevent ultra low sulfur problems
✔ Is free of bacteria and other contaminants
✔ Stabilizes for 2+ years
✔ Contains extra corrosion inhibitor
✔ Contains extra moisture dispersants
✔ Prevents sludge and plugged fuel filters
✔ Cleans up fuel injector deposits
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✔ Improves power, performance and fuel economy

ValvTect Marine Diesel:
✔ Can keep bacteria from forming in your tank
✔ Prevents engine damage from marine fuel
✔ Improves fuel economy

Seems like you just put the boat to bed, but now is the time to think about spring service. Call us to discuss what's best for your boat. Remember, regular maintenance is essential to avoid breakdowns and interruptions to those all-important vacation days. Some say it's too expensive to boat – however if you keep up with regular maintenance, boating is both more affordable and more enjoyable. We recommend you follow the schedule in your operating manual. Don't have one? Ask us to print a copy for you.

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Innovation on Georgian Bay

Consider living and working full time in North Simcoe on the shores of Georgian Bay where economic opportunities are flourishing.

Did you know the world's largest nickel vapour deposition facility is at Weber Manufacturing Technologies in Midland? Or that Industrial Filter Manufacturing in Penetanguishene has produced over 40 million filter bags exported to 33 countries? Our marina isn't just perfectly placed in a weekend playground. You could call Georgian Bay home – and work where you live and play. Innovation and creativity abound in the Heart of Georgian Bay in successful agribusinesses, health care, tourism, advanced manufacturing an entrepreneurial endeavors. Strategically accessible to global markets, with abundant land; lower development costs; and offering affordable housing for employees combined with an outstanding lifestyle that can't be beat; a world of business opportunities is waiting to be discovered by you. Be inspired by the profiles of engaging entrepreneurs at www.edcns.ca/doing-business-here/success-stories/

The Economic Development Corporation of North Simcoe is ready to help you successfully relocate your existing business here – or start a new one, connecting you to local resources, training opportunities, incentives and networking.

The EDCNS reports there are 1,316 different employers in North Simcoe with over 21,000 people working in diverse locations ranging from small businesses to Waypoint Centre for Mental Health Care. You could be here too! You could love where you live – and live where you work.

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Get to Know Your Bay

There is so much to know and love about beautiful Georgian Bay. To get you started we’ve gathered 10 fascinating facts about the bay.

Did you know Georgian Bay’s nickname is the Sixth Great Lake? At 15,000 square kilometres it’s not much smaller than Lake Ontario (18,960 square kilometres).

You will find the world’s largest freshwater archipelago, the magnificent 30,000 Islands (and a lifetime of exploration by boat) in Georgian Bay.

Georgian Bay Islands National Park is home to 33 kinds of reptiles and amphibians – more than anywhere else in all of Canada.

Manitoulin Island is the largest freshwater island in the world.

In 1815 Captain William Fitzwilliam Owen made the first nautical charts of Georgian Bay which he called Lake Manitoulin. Captain Henry Bayfield did extensive soundings and created more detailed charts of the bay, which he renamed in 1822 after King George IV. Today’s charts are still based on Bayfield’s meticulous work.

Georgian Bay was designated a UNESCO biosphere reserve in 2004, one of 18 in Canada representing diverse geography, climate, culture, ecology, economy and culture.

The rugged Bruce Peninsula with its impressive flowerpot formations (sea-stacks of limestone pillars eroded by wind, rain, spray, ice and snow) divides Georgian Bay from Lake Huron. The 890 km Bruce Trail ends its journey here in Tobermory, winding its way all the way from the Niagara River.

There is a natural water connection, called the Toronto Passage, that links Georgian Bay to Lake Ontario via the Nottawasaga River and Lake Simcoe. Long used by indigenous people, the route was important during the War of 1812 when a military base was established in Penetanguishene.

The groundbreaking Group of Seven artists first formed in the 1920s, capturing iconic images of the Canadian landscape. Their strong brushstrokes brought Georgian Bay to life on canvas to create and strengthen a unique Canadian identity on the world stage. Can spot your favourite Georgian Bay anchorage in their work?

History is tucked into every corner of Georgian Bay. Find footsteps of the past in shipwrecks, the Jesuit mission of Sainte-Marie among the Hurons, indigenous legends of Kitchikewana and the fur trading voyageurs travelling the French River.
Whether it's anchoring in a secluded bay or playing all day with a group of friends and family, there’s no better way to make memories on Georgian Bay than with a boat.

Visit one of 59 Georgian Bay Land Trust properties encompassing over 7,300 acres of vital wilderness along Georgian Bay’s eastern shore. Learn more at www.gblt.org

Chart a course for adventure anywhere on the bay or sign up for the annual Georgian Bay Regatta.
At the end of another perfect day on the boat, it's time to sit back, relax and watch the sun set upon another fantastic Georgian Bay day.

Georgian Bay is a diverse eco-system with many plants, reptiles and animals. Keep your eyes open for wildlife like this fawn at Killbear Provincial Park near Parry Sound.

Over a dozen species thrive in the clear waters and the islands provide fantastic fish habitat.

Settle into a deck chair or the dinghy and dive into a good book.
All Aboard

Leave no person – or pet – behind. We ensure everyone gets onboard safely and comfortably. Our marina is happy to help you find just what you need.

Got a reluctant crew member who feels like they’re preventing the rest of the family from having fun? Sometimes a simple solution is all it takes to ensure everyone has a good time on-board. Our fully stocked chandlery can help. If we don’t have a product on the shelf we can source it for you. We’re here to help – please ask!

Baby on board? No need to wait until they’re older. Combine comfort and safety with a lifejacket such as the Salus Bijoux Baby Vest specially designed for babies 9 to 25 pounds.

Looking to up the fun factor for hard-to-please teens constantly glued to their screens? Get them outside instead. Ask about ordering from a selection of radical inflatable towables, waterskis, boards and more – all of them sure to hit the coolness factor with the kids, whatever their ages.

Who says boat beds have to be uncomfortable? Maybe it’s time to upgrade your mattress so everyone gets a restful night’s sleep and wakes up refreshed and rejuvenated. Check out custom shaped boat bedding, boat mattresses and toppers made in Canada from Anchors Aweigh Custom Boat Bedding.

There’s no need to leave Fido or Fluffy behind. There are a number of pet PFDs available for all shapes and sizes of furry friends and there are even ramp options such as Paws Aboard Doggy Boat Ladders for easy access to your boat.

No-one wants to slip and fall on wet decks. Reduce the risk with a range of non-skid and grip deck treatments. AWL Grip can be customized with different texture grades for better grip. Kiwi Grip is a do-it-yourself option that can be applied with a roller to create a high traction surface while Marine Mat is comfy on the feet and looks good but isn’t suitable if pets will be on-board as their nails will shred the surface. Or perhaps carpet is your best bet. Come in and discuss your options with us.

Tired of towing your dinghy? There are lots of options from hydraulic platforms to Dinghy Caddy that uses a pulley system (manual or power) to lift your dinghy out of the water and on to the platform.
A New Way to Boat The Bay

For the first time, new boaters can experience an affordable alternative to buying a boat with our Carefree Boat Club.

This season we are launching a membership-based club that allows members to fully experience the joys of boating in a cost effective and convenient alternative to full boat ownership.

With 77 locations in the US, Carefree Boat Club is already well established and this will be the third location in Canada. The club will be located at our sister marina Wye Heritage Marina.

It's an exceptional way to introduce friends to boating. It also helps ensure the next generation can enjoy the benefits of the boating lifestyle they've come to know and love, but may not be able to fully afford just yet or whose busy lifestyle limits their spare time.

Benefits of this new option include:

**Affordability** – Membership can be as little as one-third the cost of boat ownership, with a convenient monthly payment.

**Convenience** – Choose your day, time and boat through our easy to use reservation system, with unlimited access to boating. Simply take out the boat, and return once you’re done.

**Reciprocity** – Members have access to all US and Canada locations. If you’re vacationing in Florida, for example, you can visit a Carefree club and use a boat for the day, at no extra cost.

**Support** – Our team will provide training to allow members to feel comfortable when boating, which includes an on-water orientation of Georgian Bay.

**Boat Variety** – Try different types of boats. Beginning with a variety of different types of boats in the 20-24 foot range, members can get to know the bay with the help of our certified and trained team providing on-water instruction.

As membership grows we’ll be adding more boats for more choices.

**On-shore Amenities** – Members also get to enjoy the benefits of Wye Heritage Marina and its facilities.

**Learn more at the Boat Show** – See us at the Toronto International Boat Show to learn more about this exciting opportunity.

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Play in Georgian Bay

It's hard to beat boating in the finest freshwater cruising grounds in the world, but there's also plenty to see and do on-shore near your marina.

Have a sweet tooth? Satisfy your sugar cravings at Ontario's Best Butter Tart Festival in Midland on June 13, 2020. Last year 65,000 butter tart lovers snapped up well over 150,000 tarts with traditional flavours and wild styles. Due to King Street construction, this year's festival will be centred one block east on Midland Avenue.

Get out and get active on waterfront trails in Penetanguishene, Midland and Tay Township including the multi-use paved Tay Shore Trail that winds 18.5 km along the Georgian Bay shoreline from the Wye River to Waubaushene, perfect for walking, biking or roller blading. Spot wildlife along the trail or stop in one of the villages for lunch.

Expand your horizons and celebrate the cultures and contributions of Indigenous, Inuit and Metis peoples at the National Indigenous Peoples Day on June 18, 2020 at Sainte-Marie among the Hurons. Enjoy Indigenous singing, drumming, dancing, demonstrations and more including kid's heritage crafts, lacrosse demonstrations and crafters. Go to www.hhp.on.ca and click on Sainte-Marie to learn more.

For a howling good time check out Festival du Loup in Lafontaine July 16-18, 2020. It's a celebration of francophone cultural heritage with music, food, games, family friendly activities and the wolf howl competition.

Over 3000 acres of provincially significant wetland awaits your exploration at the Wye Marsh Wildlife Centre with year round activities, trails, special events and demonstrations. See www.wyemarsh.com
Launch of Bayshore Yacht Sales

Our team brings boatloads of experience to our three on-site boat brokerages, dedicated to helping you buy or sell the perfect power or sailboat.

We're thrilled to announce the launch of a new partnership providing the ultimate in customer service for buying or selling a boat. Whether it’s your first boat; you need a different layout; you’re moving up or scaling back; prefer power or sail; any size – our on-site boat brokerage, Bayshore Yacht Sales, offers personalized on-site service to find a boat tailored to your needs.

General Manager Rob Hopkins said, “Bayshore Yacht Sales is not just in the business of selling boats. We are passionate about boats and boating, building lasting relationships with our customers.”

A lifelong boating enthusiast, Rob started out in cottage boats before moving into cruisers. “I want to help families have the same great experiences on the water that I've had.”

Lory Quinn has sailed Georgian Bay, the US Intracoastal Waterway, Florida and the Bahamas and is excited to put her 10 years brokerage experience to work. “I love the energy and positivity at the marinas. I've met many boaters who have become friends, and I'm thrilled to be a part of this team.”

If it floats, sailboat broker Ted Salisbury has probably been at the helm. In the early days it was learning to sail Albacores at Camp Kitchi before life took him onboard to cruise Georgian Bay, the North Channel and Lake Ontario. He then powered through Lake Erie, the Thousand Islands and the Trent Severn Waterway. Today he boats year-round – summers on the bay and winters cruising the suncoast of Florida.

You might recognize powerboat specialist Mike Gridley as former host of PowerBoat Television. Mike's days on the water began with a 12-foot Peterborough cedar strip before graduating to a series of fiberglass cuddy cabins and cruisers. He recently returned to his roots with the purchase of a 1964 Greavette. A boat handling instructor and marine sales professional Mike can’t wait to help you find the best boat for your needs. The Bayshore Yacht Sales team can put you in the perfect boat before summer.

Call 705-300-8950 or visit www.bayshoreyachtsales.com

Bayshore Yacht Sales will have offices and brokerage listing boards at our three Georgian Bay marinas:
• Bay Port
• Wye Heritage
• Beacon Bay
Caring for our Community

We know it is essential to support organizations to help create and strengthen our thriving community.

Our marina has been an integral part of the community for decades. Being a good corporate citizen means getting involved and giving back.

We do that in dozens of different ways. We sponsor summer events and concerts and get involved with community causes. For instance, you might have spotted our float in the Santa Claus parade in November. But did you know the boat is part of the Atlantic Challenge Canada program which our family of marinas supports? This youth leadership program uses sailing and rowing to prepare youth for life. This year's international competition is in Russia in July. That's right, Russia! Want to go to Russia?

Learn more about this opportunity for those aged 15 and over at (705) 330-0360 scott.wagg@atlanticchallenge.ca

No one wants to think about the hospital until an emergency happens. Do you know about the Boaters for Best Care campaign at Georgian Bay General Hospital? This is your hospital when boating Southern Georgian Bay. Our boaters support helps ensure quality care and state-of-the-art equipment is available when you need it here.

For over 100 years YMCA Camp Kitchikewana on Beausoleil Island has given children from all walks of life unforgettable summer memories. When the camp required a major reinvestment to rebuild cabins our boaters were there, helping to ensure a new generation experiences the magic.

Georgian Bay is the site of the North American 5.5M Regatta and our sponsorship is key to the rejuvenation of these sleek, fast, former Olympic class sailboats in Canada and the US. Our American sailors are amazed at the generosity and hospitality they find here.

This year we are proud to support Midland Bay Sailing Club with a significant donation to their new sailing school building inspiring the next generation of boaters to discover the joy of being on the water.

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Plan to join us for our annual Winterfest on Feb. 29 with family friendly activities and fabulous food. Why not make it a weekend and enjoy everything the area has to offer such as the skate trail at Discovery Harbour in Penetanguishene? With Mother Nature's cooperation the trail will be open the end of January until the first weekend in March. Friday nights 6-9 p.m., Saturdays 1-9 p.m., and Sundays noon-5 p.m. There’s also fat bike rentals, snow tubing for kids and live entertainment. Activities are weather permitting so check www.hhp.on.ca and click on Discovery Harbour for the latest updates. Watch for details of all the fun at Bay Port this season:

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