



Pine River Boat Club

Spring 2020

General

Welcome, this newsletter is a summary of important 2020 boating season information, event dates and membership information. Please refer to the Boat Club website (<http://www.pineriverboatclub.ca>) for additional items of interest. A new member information sheet, gate keycard, and a pennant will be provided to all new members. Please inform your Harbour Master if there will be a delay or if you are not putting your dock in this year. Twenty-four foot boats are the reasonable limit acceptable for our river. Channel depth varies over the season.

Key Issues

This is the second year for the use of keycards instead of the mechanical keys. It is the first year that we will need to reauthorize your key card. Members who have paid on time should have no problems using their keycard when the gates are locked on May 2. Members who pay after March 31 may have a delay. The plan for reauthorizing will be to reset the keys in March for those who paid on time and make a further reset before the gates are locked in May. Since the reset requires either Dan or Gord to go to the locks and authorize your keycard later payment of fees will require a delay in activation.

If you have an issue with your key see, Dan Sevcik at 62 Bell Drive, Lurgan Beach or Gord Cale at 663 Lakeside Trail. There is no exchange as your 2019 keycard will continue after activation. New paid up members get a keycard as part of their initiation fee. Replacement cost for a key is \$100.

Loaning your Key harms the club

The gate key issued to members is for the exclusive use of the member. The club has set a fee of \$20 per day when a member permits a guest access to the key. The member takes the responsibility for the guest and is expected to collect the fee and submit it to the club treasurer. The key is not a community asset to be shared with neighbours, friends, or relatives thus reducing the financial support of the club and discouraging membership. to keep the harbour open for boating.



SVCA issues complaint

Last summer when the high water threatened the North Bank the club sought advice to protect the shore from eroding into Bell Drive. My memory is that SVCA was too busy to assist. In January when the club is inactive we were issued a demand that either we remove the shore work or pay a fee for the SVCA to reconsider our work. The deadline for replying was February 7. We will

try to keep the membership informed as this issue moves forward. The Board consulted by email and have paid the fee. You may look closely beyond the work to see continuing erosion damage that is threatening Bell Drive.

The On Time date for 2020 dues is March 31

Board of Directors

		Cottage	Home
Commodore	Doug Baier	519-580-8135	519-634-8135
Vice-Commodore	Bill Johnson		519-395-4886
Rear Commodore	Klaus Jorritsma	519-531-0277	519-887-6624
Fleet Captain	Vacant		
Past Commodore	Mike McCourt	519-395-2826	519-356-2426
Secretary	Gordon Cale		519-395-2291
Treasurer	Dan Sevcik	519-395-0331	519-748-1230
Director	Parry Martin		519-497-7723
Harbour master and Director			
South	Paul Buttinger	519-395-4300	519-579-5859
North	Howard Madill	519-395-5608	519-696-2111
Directors at Large	Barry Cress	519-395-2657	519-747-2783
	Rob Kieswetter	519-395-0870	519-896-7063
	Bill Flesch		905-893-3906
	Don Voll		519-395-3519

Important Dates

March 31, 2020	Date for on time payment of 2019 dues	
Sunday April 26,	Board of Directors Meeting at the club house	9:30 am
May 2	Gate locks activated	
Sunday May 17	Spring General Meeting of members at the club house	10:30 am
Saturday June 13	Clean Up day on the property,	8:30 am
morning		
June 14	Docks should be in or Harbour Master told of delay	
Saturday August 1	BBQ and Corn Roast at the club house	5:30 pm
Sunday Sept 6	Directors Meeting at the clubhouse	9:00 am
Sunday Sept 1	Fall General Meeting at the clubhouse	10:30 am

The 2019 financial statements for the Pine River Boat Club appear in the copy of the newsletter distributed to members but will not appear on the website.

Pine River Boat Club Incorporated

For an explanation of the share system review the 2018 newsletter on the website. There were fourteen new shares earned in 2019. The active shares total is 275.

Be a good neighbour

Members are reminded that not all the waterfront that docks join belongs to the club. There are places on club property to store docks when removed. Several neighbours permit access through their property but do so out of courtesy. Members are expected to show courtesy or face the loss of access.

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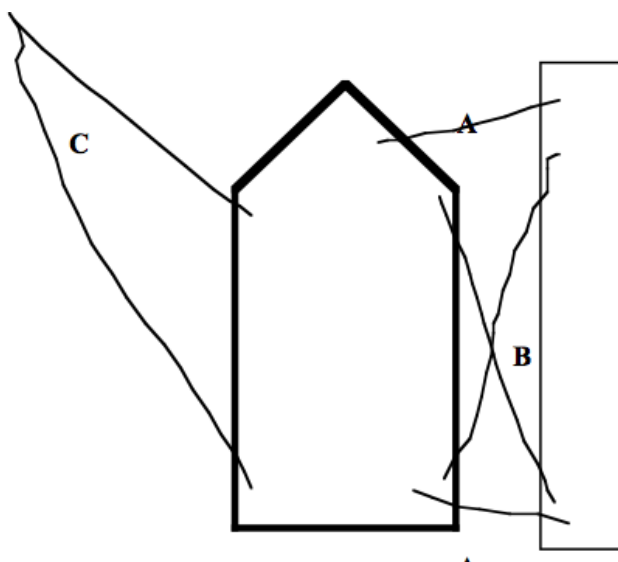
Tips for tying up

A These are the normal lines most use to tie up.

Tying these lines too tight is a common error. A seiche can use these lines to pull the legs of the dock up out of the mud or turn over the dock.

B Spring lines keep the boat from moving out past the dock or onto the shore

C Lines from the boat to shore reduce the strain of the boat pushing against the dock or pulling on the dock as water surges in or out of the river.



**Mail your 2020 dues
and any updated information to:**

**Dan Sevcik
180 Oldfield Dr.,
Kitchener, ON
N2A 3S5**

**Dues for 2020 are \$250 on time
\$300 late
Social \$20**

From the Helm

I know we are all looking forward to the upcoming spring season although a ways off lets review and be prepared. Please take note of the Important Dates listed in this letter especially general mtgs, property cleanup and club bbq corn roast. It is imperative that all personal docks have your name on them at all times. This will avoid confusion on the grounds as well as throughout the boating season in the river.

The executive is still short a position of Fleet Captain. We are looking for someone to step forward and help with the administration of the club in this role. It involves organizing the club social and bbq on Aug.1 under the expert guidance of Past Pres. Mike and help from many others. Also scheduling some members for lawn cutting a couple times during the summer. Remember the club will not function without volunteers.

Last year we experienced several issues with boats not secured properly while docked. Some even caused damage to innocent neighbours vessels. Sudden and sometimes severe river level changes occur due to either - weather pressure out on the lake (seches) or - heavy rainfall. Surges in and out. Be sure to leave some slack in your dock lines to allow for up and down water movement. Absolutely tie a secure shore line to the corner stern of your boat. If you are not sure call your Harbour Master for advice. Better safe than sorry \$\$.

Finally for those members who have dock assigned spaces #1 thru #9 on the south side of the river upstream. Please respect the private property you may be near or crossing to get to your dock. Clean up your personal belongings, waste and equipment b4 leaving site.

Let us all hope that mother nature and the lake/river levels treat us fairly this spring .

Cmdr Doug

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