

# RYC Membership Information

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## How to Become a Member

The Club's membership is capped at 130 members. Vacancies are filled on an annual basis prior to June of each year, upon the recommendation of the Director of Membership and approval of the Board, and based on an acceptable Application and Payment.

If interested in becoming a member, please:

1. Read and Complete the Membership Application Form
2. Calculate your Payment, as per the RYC Service Rates and make check payable to the **Rothesay Yacht Club Inc.** *Payment will only be processed if the application is approved.*
3. Deliver Application and Check by mail to: RYC Manager, 8 Wharf Road, Rothesay NB E2E 5X1

## Membership Categories

**Family Membership** includes the boat owner, spouse and any children up to the age of 19 years, or children still enrolled in post secondary school. This membership entitles the "Family" to use RYC grounds, facilities and services, and participate in RYC races, activities and events in accordance with the Club By-laws and Club Rules. Each Family Membership, in good standing and over the age of nineteen, shall have one (1) Member Privilege which includes: voting at members meetings and election of members to the Board; and stand for election to the Board and have a vote at all Board meetings.

**Associate/Racing Membership** includes any person 19 years and older as of June 1<sup>st</sup> who will be a social member and will not have a boat at the club or will participate in five (5) races or more. This entitles the "Associate" to use RYC grounds, facilities and participate in RYC races, activities, and events in accordance with the Club By-laws and Club Rules. An Associate Member shall not keep any boat or tender at the club or participate in RYC races in their own boat, except by invitation of the Race Committee. Associates do not have member voting or election privileges.

**Junior/Student Membership** includes any person 7 to 23 years of age as of June 1<sup>st</sup> and/or a full-time student. The "Junior" may keep at RYC a boat no longer than eighteen (18) feet overall, with a motor having no more than 10 HP, if any, with proof of insurance. This entitles the Junior Member to enter upon RYC grounds, use RYC facilities and services, and participate in RYC races, activities and events in accordance with the Club By-laws and Club Rules. A Junior Member, after no less than five (5) consecutive years of membership and 19 years of age, may apply for Family Membership and is entitled to have the Entrance Fee waived.

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## Member Services

The Rothesay Yacht Club, on the beautiful Kennebecasis River is your personal summer resort and vacation get-away, without the need or hassle of a cottage. The Clubhouse offers a number of member services including rental, refreshments and endless summer sunsets. The enhanced breakwater and enlarged marina docks/berths provide safe, stable and protected access to boats. Club staff and volunteers provide friendly services to boaters and are often available to help with minor repairs and advice. Please check the RYC Service Rates, for a listing of marine services and fees.

## Club Events

Special events are available to members including dinners, dances, fun races, sailing regattas and the annual summer cruise, just to mention a few. Events occur all year and create real comradely within the membership. Please check e-mails and the Club Website for details on upcoming events.

## Member's Day

Each year in early June, members and associates, new and old gather at the Club to celebrate the beginning of a new boating season. The event is filled with fun activities, friendship-building opportunities, and sharing of knowledge.

## Membership (Volunteer) Contribution

This is a working club and in an attempt to maintain low expense levels, each family (membership) is expected to contribute a minimum of 15 hours of their time (excluding personal launch and haul-out) to maintain the operations, premises and equipment. Members are encouraged to contribute their talents to the clubs activities/operations or join one of RYC's committees and to make their preference known on the Membership Form. If you do not wish or are unable to contribute your time, please indicate so on the Membership Form and your billing will be adjusted accordingly.

Committees include:

**Berths & Docks** - Assemble the floating docks after launch and removal of docks after haul-out.

**Buildings & Grounds** - Repairs/maintenance to RYC's buildings and spring/fall clean-up of club property.

**Harbour** – Maintenance/placement of moorings

**Sailing School** – All aspects of Sailing School programs including racing and junior sail boat maintenance.

**Launch & Haul-out** – Assist owners in the launch and haul-out of boats.

**Power Boats** – Responsible for the interests of the power boat club members

**Sailing** – Responsible for interests of the sailing members of the club, including racing

**Social** – Organization of RYC's numerous social events during and subsequent the boating season.