

## REGISTRATION

Welcome to Sidney North Saanich Yacht Club. We hope you enjoy your stay.

Moorage is on a first-come first-served basis. You must be a paid-up member of a reciprocal, inland or offshore yacht club. You are limited to three nights every four weeks.

The marina you are in, North Saanich Marina, is owned by Oak Bay Marine Group, not by SNSYC.

The registration envelopes are in the reciprocity cabinet, on the dock. Please complete the blanks and take it to the bar when the club is open. After paying you will receive a key to the marina gate and the combination to the washrooms in the clubhouse basement. Display the tear-off tab, with your departure date, on your boat.

Arriving on Monday or Tuesday? Collect a key from the marina office. Pay with cash in your envelope and drop it into the drop box.

## WHILE AT THE DOCK

Tie or raft to the west side of our guest dock. One boat can tie to the east side by special permission or if there is a sign saying so. Wide vessels cannot raft, since that would restrict access to the slips opposite.

Display your tear-off registration form in a dockside window. Fly your club burgee.

Aboard you can access a Shaw Go Wi-Fi hotspot. There is an SNSYC hotspot inside our clubhouse.

## FEEES

The fee for the first night is \$5, Canadian or US. This pays for any power you might use, and for showers. Second and third consecutive nights cost \$5 plus 75¢/ft. Limit is three nights per month.

## LEAVING

Please return your marina key in the drop box before you depart. If you forget, we will contact you to get it back, so please put a reliable contact method on the envelope.

If you haven't registered at the club, please fill in and deposit an envelope.

## CLUBHOUSE FACILITIES

SNSYC is the white building on your right as you walk through the marina gate. Our restaurant welcomes you almost every night to an attractive affordable meal with a marvelous view over Tsehum Harbour.

Our clubhouse contains a large licensed family area and an adults-only bar, plus an extensive exterior sun deck. Light lunches, a lounge menu, and gourmet dinners are offered. Please consult the details on the other side of this sheet.

A phone for free local calls, or long distance using a calling card, is available at the bar.

Washrooms and showers are downstairs to the left of the main entrance to the clubhouse. You can reach these using the combination you were given at registration. They are open 24 hours per day. There are also washrooms inside.

Please sign the guest book in the entrance way when you visit the clubhouse.

Smoking is not permitted inside the clubhouse, nor on the outside decks.

## RECIPROCAL DOCK CLOSURES

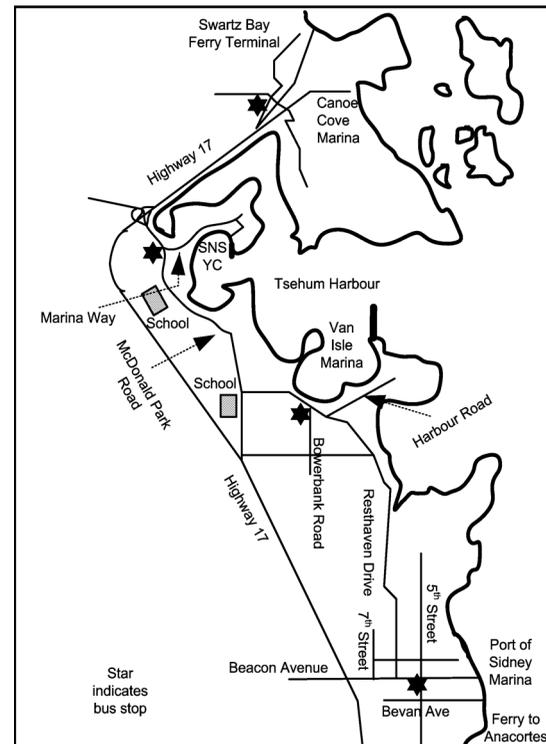
The east side of the dock is usually closed to visitors for Junior Sailing & our Sailing School. The entire dock is closed for club events (sailpast in May and regatta in September) as posted on our web site and on [yachtdestinations.org](http://yachtdestinations.org).

## MARINA FACILITIES

Just outside the gate is a coin telephone (50¢ for local calls) and bins for garbage. Beyond the club are the marina office and Bayview Yacht Brokers, with another washroom between them. Ice is available in the marina office. There is a fuel dock behind that office, and also at Van Isle Marina, which was to port after you passed the outer breakwater inbound. Van Isle also has a pumpout facility and a dock for Canada Customs, which our American visitors should have cleared before docking here.

## TAXIS, FERRIES, CARS, & PLANES

- Peninsula Taxi 250-656-1111. Fare to downtown Sidney is about \$10. Tell the dispatcher you are in the south side of North Saanich Marina.
- B.C. Ferries to Vancouver and the Gulf Islands leave from Swartz Bay, about 30 min walk north. Washington State Ferries to Anacortes is 4 blocks south of downtown Sidney.
  - Car rentals are available in Sidney.
  - Victoria International Airport is close to Sidney.



## OUT & ABOUT (see map)

Take the trail to your left at the top of the ramp, or walk through the parking lot, to get to Marina Way, then left on Marina Way about 700 m to the MacDonald Park Road bus stops.

To the north from the bus stops, it's about 2 km to Westport Marina, Canoe Cove Marina, and to the B.C. Ferries terminal for Vancouver and the Gulf Islands. There are marine stores and boat services at both marinas. Canoe Cove Marina has a coffee shop open daytime from early morning and the Stonehouse Pub is open for lunch and dinner.

To the south it's about 2 km along MacDonald Park Road and Resthaven Road to Harbour Road, where you will find the Resthaven corner store, two chandleries (All Bay Marine and Spencer's), the headquarters of Gulf Islands National Park Reserve, two restaurants (SeaGlass Waterfront Grill, and the Latch), and a huge collection of marine businesses. The boatyard on Harbour Road is run by Vector Yacht Services.

Sidney is about 4 km south from the bus stops, and has complete town services including several supermarkets and liquor stores, hotels, hardware stores, and many restaurants and fast-food outlets. Washrooms are located at Port of Sidney Marina and on 4th Street just north of Beacon, behind Tanner's Books.

Further on, the world-famous Butchart Gardens is directly accessible in less than an hour by bus, and downtown Victoria is about an hour away.

## BUS TRAVEL

There is regular bus service on MacDonald Park Road, from the bus stops described above. The regular service through there is number 72 (also 71 sometimes) between downtown Victoria and Swartz Bay, and the number 81, which is more local, passes every two hours. The bus stop to go north to the Swartz Bay ferry terminal, Canoe Bay and Westport Marina is on the near side of the street, and to go south to Harbour Road, Sidney, Butchart Gardens, and Victoria is across the street.

The fare to anywhere is \$2.50 — no change is given. Children under 5 are free, but everyone else pays \$2.50. Day passes, sold by the driver, are a good deal at \$5, especially since transfers are not used.

For Canoe Cove and Westport Marinas to the north, get off the northbound bus at Lands End Road, then walk back across the overpass.

For Harbour Road stores and services, get off the southbound bus at Resthaven Drive & Bowerbank and walk a short block to Harbour Road.

For downtown Sidney, get off the bus at Beacon Avenue and 5th Street. Return to SNSYC from the bus stop just north of Beacon at 5th.

Phone 250-382-6161 or see the full schedule at [www.bctransit.com/regions/vic/](http://www.bctransit.com/regions/vic/)

You can plan a trip with Google Maps. Click on Get Directions (upper left) and then on the transit icon (looks like a bus). The site will accept SNSYC for your origin (A). For example, Google Maps suggests the #72 and then the #75 to Butchart Gardens, or, if you are lucky with timing, the #81 will take you directly there.

## ATTRACTIONS

Butchart Gardens. By far the top tourist attraction on the Saanich Peninsula, these gardens were once a quarry. Now fifty gardeners work there. Open daily 09:00 – 22:00 in the summer, when the prices are \$34 for adults, \$17 youth, and \$3 for children under 12. Spectacular fireworks after sunset on summer Saturday nights. 250-652-5256. [www.butchartgardens.com](http://www.butchartgardens.com)

Butterfly Gardens. Astonishing collections of butterflies, insects, birds, and plants near Brentwood Bay, which is on the west side of the Saanich Peninsula. Buses to Butchart Gardens go past Butterfly Gardens. 10:00 – 17:00 daily in the summer (closed in the winter). \$16.50 for adults, \$11 students and 65+, and \$6 for children under 12. 250-652-3822. [www.butterflygardens.com](http://www.butterflygardens.com)

Shaw Centre for the Salish Sea. In Sidney at 9811 Seaport Place, which is near the seaward end of Beacon Avenue. This world-class aquarium specializes in local species of the Salish Sea and is famed for its very clear water. Its hands-on and hands-wet exhibits are popular with children. \$12 for adults, \$10 youth, and \$7.50 for children 4-12. Open daily 10:00 – 16:30. 250-665-7511. [www.salishseacentre.org](http://www.salishseacentre.org)

Sidney Historical Museum. 2423 Beacon Avenue. 10:00 – 16:00 daily. Admission by donation. 250-655 6355. [www.sidneymuseum.ca](http://www.sidneymuseum.ca)

## MEDICAL AND DENTAL

Ambulance: Dial 911 from any phone.

Hospital: Saanich Peninsula Hospital 250-544-7676 with 24-hour emergency department, and two large hospitals in Victoria.

Doctors: Two walk-in clinics on Bevan Ave., which is one block south of Beacon Ave., both near the corner of 5<sup>th</sup> Street:

- Bevan Ave. Clinic 250-656-4177 open Mon-Fri 08:00-18:00 at 2-2379 Bevan Avenue.
- Associated Physicians Clinic 250-656-1164 open Mon-Fri 9:00--6:00, Weekends 10:00--3:00 at 2425 Bevan Avenue. Closed Canadian holidays.

Dentists: Sidney has many dentists, all located a block or so north or south of Beacon Avenue. One that is easy to find is the Sidney Centre Family Dentistry 250-652-7293, at 9764 Fifth above Capital Iron, beside the big mall. Mon-Fri 08:00 – 16:00.

Pharmacies: Five in Sidney. Shopper's Drug Mart, next to Save-On in the mall, has long hours: 08:00--22:00 every day.



## Sidney North Saanich Yacht Club

Location: 1949 Marina Way  
North Saanich, B.C.  
Canada  
(off MacDonald Park Road)

Phone: 250-656-4600

Fax: 250-656-6422

Email: info@snsyc.ca

Web: www.snsyc.ca

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 2521  
Sidney, B.C.  
Canada V8L 4B9

### Clubhouse Hours:

Monday & Tuesday	closed
Wednesday to Friday	15:00 – 21:00
Saturday	15:00 – 21:00
Sunday	10:00 – 16:00

### ARRIVING BY BOAT

Enter Tsehum Harbour at:  
Latitude 48° 40.3 North  
Longitude 123° 24.3 West

See an aerial view of the harbour at:  
[www.marinas.com/view/overview/1552](http://www.marinas.com/view/overview/1552)

If arriving directly from the United States, proceed to slightly beyond the gas dock at Van Isle Marina on your port side. Telephone for customs clearance from the shed at the western end of the dock, toll free. The number is posted there.

Proceed to Blue Heron Basin at the western end of Tsehum Harbour, just past the rock breakwater off Nymph Point at:

Latitude 48° 40.4 North \*  
Longitude 123° 25.0 West

Depth in the last 150 m from the red mark to the breakwater is 2 m at zero tide. Stay in the deep channel by going directly between them.

See an aerial view of the dock at:  
[www.marinas.com/view/marinas/12862](http://www.marinas.com/view/marinas/12862)

Dock on the west side of the SNSYC guest dock, starboard tie if bow in. Rafting is not allowed. Leave as much space as possible for other arrivals. Very small vessels can tie across the end of the dock. The east side is reserved for junior sailing but reciprocal visitors can occasionally use it if permission has been given or there is a sign saying so.

Register as described overleaf.

### DINING AT SNSYC

Our star chef, Bruno Filali, cooks for us almost whenever the clubhouse is open. Please ask at the bar for details. Highlights are:

Dinner Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and

Saturday, starting at 16:00.

Prime Rib dinner on Fridays.

Brunch on Sundays, starting at 10:00

Reservations are recommended, particularly for

Friday and Sunday, but are not required.

Light meals when clubhouse is open.

Our bar & lounge are open during all clubhouse hours.

### OTHER RESTAURANTS

- Many choices in Sidney from casual to fine dining.
- Some pizza places will deliver to the marina.
- Take your dinghy to Van Isle Marina to the "Sea Glass Waterfront Grill" between D & E docks, or to Canoe Cove for the Stonehouse Pub (short walk).

### PROVISIONING

#### Corner Store

The closest corner store is 2 km away at the corner of Harbour Road and Resthaven Drive, as described on the other side of this sheet.

#### Grocery Stores in Sidney

- Fairway Super Foods at Beacon & 1st Street.
- Save-On in the mall at Beacon (south side) & 6th Street.)
- Thrifty Foods in the mall at Beacon (north side) & 7th Street.
- Lifestyle Select organic foods at Bevan & 5th.

#### Wine, Beer, and Liquor

- One private store at Beacon and Highway 17, behind MacDonald's, and another at the east end of Beacon, near the pier, 09:00 – 23:00, every day.
- The government liquor store is next to the Save-On at Beacon & Resthaven (6th Street.) 09:30 – 21:00, Monday to Saturday.

### RECREATION

- Racquetball, squash, indoor tennis, weight room, and pool with hot tub and sauna at Panorama Leisure Centre by taxi (about \$15) or bus.
- Tennis courts at Parkland Secondary School, which is on MacDonald Park Road slightly south of the bus stops, when school is out.
- Golf at Glen Meadows 250-656-3921 or Ardmore 250-656-4621, by taxi (about \$18) or bus and two mile walk.

### LAUNDRY

- Van Isle Marina between D & E Docks - by dinghy.
- Canoe Cove Marina by boat/dinghy - tie up at the gas dock for free while you do your laundry (with the pub and a coffee shop close by.)

- In Sidney: Wash-Rite Laundromat 1/2 block north of Beacon on 3rd Street - 8 am to 9 pm (last load 7:30 pm).

### LOCAL BOAT SERVICES

#### Fuel and Ice

Fuel and ice are available in the north side of this marina, North Saanich Marina. Leave the breakwater astern and follow the channel north. Ice is also available at the Marina Office, 250-656-5558.

The largest fuel dock is at Van Isle Marina at the entrance to Tsehum Harbour. 250-656-1138.

Propane •Canoe Cove Marina by taxi or boat.

Pump Out •Van Isle Marina.  
• Port of Sidney Marina

Boat Lifts • Vector Yacht Services 250-655-3222.  
• Canoe Cove Marina 250-656-5566.  
• Westport Marina 250-656-2832

#### Marine Stores

On Harbour Road near Resthaven Drive, just six minutes by bus:

- All Bay Marine at the corner of Resthaven Drive. 250-656-0153.
- Spencer's Marine - 1/2 a block to the east, across from the deli. 778-351-1400

At nearby Marinas:

- Canoe Cove Service, Canoe Bay. 250-656-5515.
- Jensen Marine, Westport Marina. 250-656-1114

#### Marine Services

There are many marine services — electrical, mechanical, propeller, engines, boat tops, wood, steel, and fiberglass boat repairers, riggers, sail makers, inflatable repairers, and so on in and around Sidney, particularly on Harbour Road. Search under [www.yellowpages.ca](http://www.yellowpages.ca) with terms like "marine repair" or see the printed Yellow Pages under both the Boat listing and Marine listing. Phone books are available in the clubhouse and marina office.

#### Charts and Boating Books

- Most of the marine stores above, particularly for charts (not Spencer's).
- Tanner's Books at Beacon and 1st Street - go through to the back room.
- Used books at Beacon Books (Beacon near 5th), Time Enough for Books (Beacon near 4th), Galleon Books and the Haunted Bookstore, (3rd Street near Beacon.)



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## Visitor Guide

