

Macassa Bay Yacht Club

HISTORY - MBYC has evolved from a very humble beginning in 1967, to the vital, vibrant and exciting club that it is today. The MBYC clubhouse (built in 1998), has outstanding facilities, and a beautiful location. MBYC has always been a *self-help club*, with the members doing much of the required work.

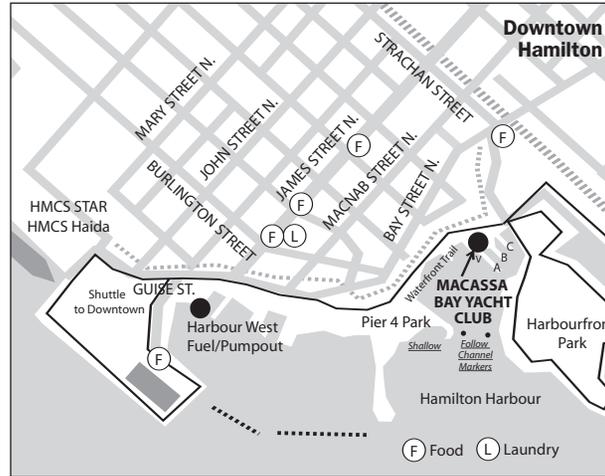
LOCATION - Macassa Bay is located on the South/West shore of Hamilton Harbour/Burlington Bay. We share the bay with a marina to the left. Follow the channel markers, we are the docks on the right side of the bay. There are three long fixed docks with slips for over 100 boats, both power and sail. One of the best anchorages is at Carroll's Point across from Macassa Bay.

OFFICER OF THE DAY - A member of our club will be on duty only on the weekends. Other times check with the bar staff. A record is kept of vacant member slips. Phone ahead 905-529-9205 to check on availability. The Club monitors VHF channel 68.

DOCKS - Visitors tie up to the dock by the mast hoist at the end of the first set of docks (A Dock - port tie up) and go to the Club Bar on the second floor to register. You can enter from the back stairs. There are no visitor docks but you can be accommodated in vacant member's slips. Docks have water and 30 amp service. When approaching from seaward, the first Dock you come to is A, next B to the right etc., the slips are numbered odd to port and even to starboard. Macassa Bay depth can be a problem in the fall when the water drops. There are limited deep water slips. Maximum boat length 42 feet/width 14 feet/6 foot draft. Remember to tie all halyards to minimize noise.

RECIPROCAL PRIVILEGES - The MBYC offers reciprocal privileges to boats visiting from reciprocal yacht clubs on *first come first served* basis. Reservations are not accepted unless you are traveling with an organized group arranged by your yacht club. Club membership card must be presented. Please fly your club burgee.

GATES/SECURITY - The Gates are locked when the bar staff leaves. Please make sure to check the time if you are planning to leave club grounds.



PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION - Free shuttle to Downtown Hamilton, in a special red Trolley Bus departs from Discovery Drive. From downtown you can get a bus to most places in Hamilton. The Fare is \$2.55 cash or \$2.00 if you have a ticket. Fares subject to change.

Please note: The main gate is locked when the Bar closes. A gate key may be borrowed from the bar with a \$10.00 deposit.

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Visitor's Guide





We hope you enjoy your stay with us!



Macassa Bay Yacht Club is located on the south/west shore of Hamilton Harbour /Burlington Bay. A pretty club between two parks, with wonderful sunsets and bay views from our Club House balcony.

MBYC Facilities

CLUB BAR - The second floor Club Bar is open Monday-Saturday, 11:30am to 11:00pm (or up to 1:00am). Sundays, 11:30am to 6:00pm. Debit machine and snacks are available. Check out the exceptional view of the Bay and it's sunsets from the second floor balcony.

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SHOWERS & WASHROOMS - There are two private shower/washrooms on the ground floor at the back of the Club House. There are also showers/washrooms in the small white building behind the garden gazebo. Washrooms are also located on each floor of the Club House.

BARBECUES - Feel free to use the clubs barbecues that are located at the gated entrance of A, B and C docks.

GARBAGE DISPOSAL - There is a large skip in centre of the parking lot.

WI-FI - There is free Wi-Fi available at the docks and in the Club House. When checking in, you can obtain the codes for the Wi-Fi, washrooms and locked dock gates.

SAFETY - The Executive requires that all visiting children wear life jackets while on the docks.

SATURDAY BBQS - Every Saturday during boat season, the club has a sausage/burger/hotdog BBQ Lunch, except when there is an evening special event. The BBQ is served in the gazebo at a nominal cost. It's a great way to meet MBYC Members and enjoy our lovely location.

Other Local Services

REFUELLING/PUMPOUT - Public gas dock and serviced Pump Out are located at Harbour West Marina which is a Municipal Operated Marina and is just down the shoreline from Macassa Bay Yacht Club.

COIN LAUNDRY - A laundromat is located a short walk from the club on James Street North at the corner of Burlington Street.

RESTAURANTS - There are many restaurants in the area. Walk directly up the hill to James Street North. Go left, there are a few restaurants that are popular with the boating community. Pier 4 - Fisher's Restaurant and Harbour Diner - serving breakfast/lunch/dinner. Take the trail in front of the club, go left and walk to William's Coffee Pub - Discovery Drive (great views of the Burlington Bay and Harbour West Marina). Walk into the downtown, (right) on James Street and there are many good Portuguese restaurants a few blocks past the tracks. Take Bay Street at top of hill, turn right towards downtown and then left or right on Cannon Street, there are a few Chinese/Vietnamese Restaurants.

FAST FOOD - The plaza at James Street North, at the corner of Burlington Street also has Grandad's Donuts shop, Weston Pizza & Wings take out (905-521-9919) and a variety store selling sandwiches. Up the hill to the right of the Club, to Bay Street go right and Tim Hortons is located at the corner of Cannon Street. At the top of the hill is Hutch's Fish & Chips a longtime favourite spot for Hamiltonians.

GROCERIES - Food Basics & The Beer Store is located at Barton West and Mary Street. You can walk up the hill to the right of the club and go straight along Strachan St. turn right on Mary Street. Go over the rail bridge and the stores are on the left. Fortinos is located at Dundurn Street and Main Street and is a bit far to walk. Further up Dundurn is also the LCBO. Another LCBO is located at the corner of James Street and King in Jackson Square, Hamilton's City Centre Mall. Hamilton Farmers' Market is open Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday early am - 6pm. Located in the Hamilton City Centre Mall located at James Street and King Street. They sell almost everything. If you just need milk/bread, there are small variety stores on James Street North (go left) not far from MBYC.

THINGS TO DO - TOURS: Two tour boats leave from Discovery Drive. The Hamiltonian, a 12 person boat that does a 60 minute tour of the bay. The Hamilton Harbour Queen, a large boat that has a few different itineraries, some include dining. The Waterfront Trolley travels along the entire trail from Discovery Drive to Cootes Paradise Nature Area and back (1.5 hrs) cost \$5.00 and you can get off and reboard as you wish at different stops along the way. One stop is in the Harbourfront Park adjacent to MBYC. Free shuttle to Downtown Hamilton in a special red Trolley Bus also departs from Discovery Drive. HMCS Haida - Tour a ship from the World War II, (admission fee), located at HMCS Star, off Guise St. Art Gallery of Hamilton, world class exhibits, free entrance to main gallery, special exhibits admission fee. Browse the James Street North - Art Galleries. Hamilton Place, top entertainers and shows. Copps Coliseum, lots of big name shows and events year round. All within walking distance/bus/or taxi.

BANK - Bank of Nova Scotia at the corner of James St. N. and Burlington St.

If you need more information there is a binder in the Bar with maps, brochures and local takeout menus.