

Cruising Down Memory Lane

Today's Moments are Tomorrow's Memories



Dominique Kyle

General Manager

Some occasions are truly once in a lifetime moments. There is nothing more special than making memories with those you love – we should aim to simply cherish and treasure them. Whether with your family, friends, or peers, let the Grace Anne II Yacht & Lodge deliver the enchanting moments that you and your guests will never forget. For our corporate retreats we offer the perfect fusion of business and pleasure that turns any event into a enjoyable occasion for all esteemed professional peers. With the enormous talent that I am surrounded by for this upcoming season, I am prepared to guarantee your experience will be memorable for a lifetime.

Gracie in her rebellious teen years! We can count 41 passengers aboard the Grace Anne II from this photo taken in the Forlong era.



April 22: International World Chaîne Day!

The Grace Anne II is proud to be one of nearly 25,000 members of Chaîne des Rôtisseurs, an International Association of Gastronomy which brings together enthusiasts of quality, fine dining. Pictured below is Dominique Kyle celebrating with Chef Jeremy Langemann from Red River College and Chef Bernard Mirlycourtois, Vice-Conseiller Culinaire, Manitoba Bailliage. Cheers!



CUSTOMER TESTIMONIAL

“I have had the pleasure of staying with the Grace Anne II four times – three aboard the yacht, and once at their lodge. All four times I hosted business and YPO groups that demand the highest level of exclusivity, quality, service, and enjoyment. The staff of the Grace Anne II has consistently delivered this and more for all of my experiences, spanning a 7 year period. Whether it’s catching walleye from the Grace Anne II, shooting ducks in December from the Lodge, or enjoying 5-star French cuisine while cruising the lake, the staff delivers it all. Chef Nicky, Captain Patrick, Dominique, and the current owner have all become my friends and will go above and beyond to produce a flawless experience. I recommend them with the highest regard.”

Ed Haselden, YPO Member

Annie Salvage

Assistant to the General Manager



As I watch the evening sun linger above the horizon I am reminded of something beautiful – summer is on its way. The Grace Anne II team is so ready for a season filled with cruising and adventure with familiar and new faces. Our calendar is filling up with exciting vigour, as well as many culinary cruise requests that can finally be confirmed in the next few weeks. Last year was a record season for culinary cruises and we very much expect this year to be no different! If you have a special date in mind, reach out to us soon to reserve. I had a fantastic summer meeting many of you, and I look forward to waving many more off as they embark on their next trip with us.



Captain Pat Howard

The Grace Anne II yacht is anticipating 3- and 4-night trips this season. Due to these longer trips we will be able to explore new areas of this beautiful body of water. Exploring with us is our vintage compass built in 1913, predating the Grace Anne II by 18 years. The use of the 104-year old compass came as a surprise to the engineers at Ritchie Navigation to hear of its continued accuracy and reliability. One of the most unique parts about our compass is the lighting system, which is a pair of kerosene lamps on either side, which are obviously no longer used in wooden boats! The compass, as with ‘Gracie’, are one-of-a-kind, rare beauties, and we are honoured to care for them. These unique pieces of history never cease to create new memories with all of its passengers.



THE GRACE ANNE II HUNTING LODGE

We are ecstatic to announce the inaugural season of our newly completed hunting lodge this fall! We are offering a duck hunting option to add to your fishing experience starting at season open in September. If you'd like to host a group of hunters for fowl, deer, bear, or even the elusive wolf, we would be happy to accommodate you for all your wild game needs. Our experienced guides know how, when, and where to have your best chances at harvesting your trophy. Book your fall hunting experience today!



Chef Nicky Dartiailh

I am doing my spring cleaning of my menus for the year, hoping to make your meals on board the Grace Anne II as memorable as the scenic cruises you are about to embark on! Last year we started growing our own herbs at the Lodge. I am excited to announce that we are expanding our herbs and vegetables garden this year with the addition of a chicken coop to provide us with fresh farmed eggs which is 'Eggscellent'! There is nothing more exceptional than the garden-to-table experience we are aiming to provide in the coming seasons.



'Gracie' in her Splendour

The Yacht looks spectacular after an intense maintenance & repair schedule this winter. After 86 trips around the sun, 'Gracie' has only become more beautiful with time. We are sure that this season will bring her elegantly into her 87th year. We are excited for that moment when the boathouse doors open and she can shine in the sunlight yet again.

The countdown has begun!



Thomas Johnson

Operations Manager



As the newest member of the Grace Anne II Yacht & Lodge team, I am especially excited for this season to begin. I look forward to complimenting the already superior level of standards you have come to expect. I am eagerly anticipating the new challenges that will come with my new position. Spending the whole summer at the lodge will give me a unique perspective of the operation and a real hands on approach to ensuring impeccable experiences. Looking after the recreations department and ensuring a seamless integration with our food services department is part of my goal and I will work hard to augment your time spent with us. I can think of no place more beautiful or close to my heart, and feel truly blessed to have the opportunity to help you make memories that will last a lifetime.

