

# The GLGBA.

**T**he Great Lakes Grand Banks Association is an inclusive, non-profit organization promoting opportunities for social and educational interaction among people who enjoy pleasure boats and who have a common interest and appreciation of the trawler lifestyle, and the Grand Banks Brand in particular.

Currently, the GLGBA numbers 140 members. We have 60 vessels in our fleet. Most of our members own Grand Banks docked on all five of the Great Lakes as well as Lake St. Clair and Georgian Bay. We have members in Madrid, Spain, California and as far south as Texas and Florida. Some of our members are temporarily "between boats" and are looking for that special Grand Banks. Some no longer own a boat but stay in the "club" to maintain relationships that have developed over the years.



# Join Today!

**W**hether you are a current or former boat owner, or simply interested in boating...whether your boat is a Grand Banks or a different brand... you are invited to join the GLGBA. At the incredibly low cost of just \$50 U.S. per year, your membership will entitle you to Fun, Friendship & More. Check out our open website, [www.glgba.org](http://www.glgba.org) to find out more about who we are, what we do, what you are missing and how to join the GLGBA.

All new members receive a Club Burgee, Membership Card, the GLGBA Quarterly Newsletter and access to the full GLGBA website.



**It's Easy.**  
Simply go to [www.glgba.org](http://www.glgba.org), click on the Membership button, download the Application Form, fill it out and mail it with your payment in U.S. funds to the address on the form.

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# Fun.

**T**he Great Lakes Grand Banks Association was founded in 1996.

Some of our more experienced members were in attendance at the first Summer Rendezvous in Sheboygan, Wisconsin that same year. They witnessed a fleet of beautiful Grand Banks vessels all in one harbor and the camaraderie that quickly developed among the owners. Our annual Summer Rendezvous has become a tradition that our members have looked forward to ever since.

Summer Rendezvous have been held in Great Lakes locations throughout the the U.S. and Canada. We have visited many locations, including Rogers City, St. Ignace, Charlevoix, Frankfort and Harbor Springs, Michigan. Sheboygan and Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin, Sault Ste. Marie and Parry Sound, Ontario, Canada. The 2016 Rendezvous took us to various harbors and anchorages in the North Channel with special events at each stop. It was a fantastic and most memorable experience! The 2019 Summer Rendezvous will be held in Harbor Springs, Michigan and we will meet in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario in 2020.

# Friendship.

**A** typical Rendezvous agenda is focused on a balance of social activities, educational sessions and business meetings. We enjoy, cook-outs, cocktail hours and local restaurant dining. We have been treated to boat yard tours, theaters for plays and musicals, and maritime museums. We attend lectures by expert guest speakers on topics such as boat maintenance and safety, navigation, weather, marine electronics, and environmental issues affecting boaters. We also conduct annual General Meetings and Board Meetings. The informal side of the Rendezvous mostly happens dockside on-board members' boats, beverages in hand, as we renew old acquaintances and make new ones. This is a great opportunity for do-it-yourselfers to compare notes and share their expertise with newer members.

Our members enjoy the camaraderie of the Summer Rendezvous so much that we also convene a Winter Meeting, usually between October – December, at a location somewhere around the Great Lakes. Our last meeting was held in Holland, Michigan.

# & More.

**O**ur open Website, [www.glgba.org](http://www.glgba.org) provides access to useful information such as: events, our cruising calendar, a sample of the current GLGBA Newsletter, photo gallery, and most importantly a **Membership Application Form**.

Members have access to a password-protected "Members Only" link to the current roster, event registration, the full GLGBA Newsletter and archives as well as laded links to useful information about boating safety, weather forecasting sites, boat maintenance and general information.

The GLGBA Newsletter is particularly attractive and informative. Professionally prepared and published quarterly, it provides interesting articles offered up by our members about their ongoing adventures cruising, living aboard or repairing their vessels. You will find articles offered up by experts on a variety of marine topics such as safety, navigation, electronics etc. You will also find a GLGBA Member Boats & Gear For Sale, just in case you are shopping for a well-maintained GB.

