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GRADY DOWN UNDER CANYON 456 IN SYDNEY HARBOR. (PHOTO CREDIT: SHORT MARINE)

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#### Grady-White Family Grows Close Spending Time on the Water

We love getting e-mails from customers who enjoy their Grady-White boats! We really love stories like this one, that is centered around family time and making memories together. Read how this Grady family has spent the last 16 years together enjoying their boat.

My name is Rick Satanek and 16 years ago my wife and I ordered our brand-new *Islander 270* from Grady-White Boats. We took possession in May 2004.

Our children grew up boating and our Grady-White has provided all of us with the fondest memories we could ever ask for. We grew close spending every weekend on the water. We have boated in extremely challenging conditions on Lake Erie and always felt confident in our boat's ability to get us home safe.

Our Grady story began boating and fishing with very small children on my dad's 1989 Grady-White *Tournament 19*. As our family grew to six children ages 3-15, we decided we needed a bigger boat and purchased a new Grady-White *Islander 270*.

Today, 16 years later, after putting five children through college, including one Naval Architect/Marine Engineer (University of Michigan) and two graduates of the United States Merchant Marine Academy (Marine and Systems Engineers), we still own this amazing boat. We attribute our children's interest and success in the marine industry to the lifestyle our Grady-White provided us these many years. The family fun, fishing, camping and all the enjoyment our Grady provided us has been invaluable.



THE DAY WE PURCHASED OUR BRAND-NEW GRADY at Beaver Park Marine in Lorraine, Ohio. Pictured: Michael, Shenise, John, Justin, Cindy, Chris, Rick and Ryan

Today, even though our children are grown, and most have moved on, we still find time to vacation, boat and fish throughout the Great Lakes together. Our adventures have taken us to Georgian Bay and the Trent Severn Canal, Lake Erie (our home base), the Niagara River and Erie Canal, Lake Ontario, Rideau Canal, and finally the 1000 Islands, where we vacation every year.

Thank you for building such a high-quality, solid boat. Not a day of boating goes by without other boaters complimenting us on such a beautiful boat, most thinking it is brand new. No one believes it is a 2004 and in such amazing condition, which we attribute, in part, to the high-quality standards set forth in the Grady-White building process. In the summer, we store our boat covered in our driveway and trailer it to the lake every weekend. The boat is stored indoors during the winter months. Everything is original and we have put over 1,200 hours on the flawless twin Yamaha 150 four strokes.

This has been an amazing boat for us and fits all of our boating needs. We would recommend Grady-White boats to anyone looking for the best in quality and performance. Lake Erie can be an extremely dangerous lake when the southwest winds blow, and a Grady-White is the perfect boat for up here on the Great Lakes. Like the ad says, "Get the Grady."

> SUMMER OF 2019 AT POTTERS BEACH on Grindstone Island in the 1000 Islands. Pictured: Rick, Cindy, Justin, Michael, Shenise, Liam (grandson), Chris and Ryan.

# **Dealer News & Events**

Grady-White dealers sponsor hundreds of events every year, including seminars, tournaments, trips, cookouts, sightseeing voyages and much more. **See gradywhite.com and look for Dealer Events in your area.** 



**THE LAKE ERIE GRADY-WHITE CLUB** enjoyed a morning fishing seminar at South Shore Marine. Travis John Hartman, ODNR, and Ross Robertson, professional guide, presented a never-ending stream of tips and tricks to help take walleye fishing to the next level. Eighty-four club members and guests made for a record turnout.



CJ JENKINS FROM MARINE MAX GULF SHORES SHARES THIS PHOTO OF TOM SWEETSER, who recently purchased his sixth Grady-White, a *Freedom* 235.



## **The Grady Life: Owners' Clubs**

Here are highlights from recent Grady Owners' Clubs events and outings. If you have Grady club information to share or are interested in information about Grady clubs in your area, email anchorline@gradywhite.com. **Go to gradywhite.com for links to club websites.** 



THE TAMPA BAY GRADY-WHITE CLUB enjoys their annual Christmas party.

Each year about this time the Grady Club calendar hosted on our website starts to fill up. If you're not a member of a Grady Club, you should visit our website (then go to The Grady Experience – Grady Life – Grady Clubs) and search for a club nearest you. If there's not one, consider working with your dealer to start a club. Carolyn Simmons of the Low Country Grady-White Club has this to say about her club experience: "Grady-White is a wonderful organization, builds a fantastic boat, has great staff, and the support it shows its boat owners is impeccable. It is an everlasting relationship. As the saying goes, 'join as strangers, leave as friends'."



MEMBERS OF THE TAMPA BAY GRADY-WHITE CLUB relax on a recent club excursion.

**The Tampa Bay Grady-White Club** took a day trip to Jimmy Guana's on the same day as the Gasparilla Pirate Invasion. The restaurant was filled with "pirates" in all their costume attire. Nineteen members attended on what turned out to be a very nice day for boating.

**The Gulf Stream Grady Group's** Dorian Relief end result was a total of \$14,595; \$8,195 in cash, with another \$6,400 in supplies including a 5000-gallon reverse osmosis system for water needs.

**The Northwest Grady-White Club** has been busy! In 2019, they had 21 new members join the club and they had 75 attend their annual Grady-White Owners' Tournament. After the boat show in January they

THE NORTHWEST GRADY-WHITE CLUB prepares to fish the annual club tournament.



GRADY-WHITE'S OWN GWEN EDWARDS joined about 40 Northwest Grady-White Club members for dinner.

gathered for dinner with about 40 owners joined by Grady-White's own Gwen Edwards. Gwen enjoyed talking to these owners who absolutely love their Grady-Whites and the support they get from Grady and Jacobsen's Marine. They are excited about their May trip to the San Juan Islands and they are already working on plans for another Alaska trip. The Tampa Bay and Cannon's Crew Grady-White Clubs hosted their annual season-long Kingfish Tournament with most fish being caught as the season first opened. Congratulations to Bob Clancy from the Cannon's Club for landing the winning fish in what seemed to be slow season. Perhaps the weather was to blame for only four fish being submitted this year for consideration. While the fishing was not as productive as previous years,



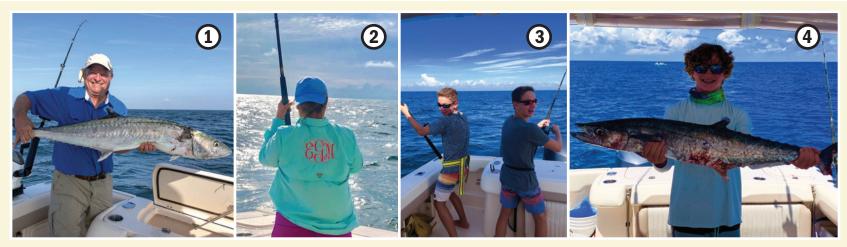
WELCOME TO THE FIRST COAST GRADY-WHITE CLUB, from Jacksonville, FL.

everyone enjoyed the camaraderie and have high hopes that the spring season will be more fruitful.

A huge welcome to the first new Grady-White Club of 2020! **The First Coast Grady-White Club**, from Jacksonville, FL is sponsored by MarineMax in Jacksonville Beach. They held their first club event and had nine families in attendance with 26 total expressing interest in club membership. **The Low Country Club** from Hilton Head, SC has helped them establish the new club and they plan to boat to the Jacksonville area in the spring where the two clubs are planning an event together.

THE GULF STREAM GRADY GROUP celebrated the final tally of the clubs Dorian Relief effort.

### Letters & Photos what's happening? Have an interesting story or photo? Email us at anchorline@gradywhite.com



Moi Monroe is having a great time with family and friends on his Freedom 307, Reel'in the Years. Long time fishing buddy, (1) Tommy Tapley, puts a 40 plus lb. king into the fish box. (2) His youngest daughter, Elizabeth Grantham, is the real deal when it comes to offshore fishing; here she's fighting a big king. (3) Identical twins, Drew and Dow Bowen, had an amazing time on their first offshore trip. They hooked up two nice kings with their first baits. (4) New to fishing, Enzo Gamba was very quick to learn and caught this kingfish.



JORDAN AND STEPHANIE DAVIS noted it would be an understatement to say their daughter, Hannah, enjoyed her ride on their 251 CE, Miss Carson. Check out the handy PVC rack Jordan configured to hold Hannah's carrier. We imagine we'll be seeing more pictures of her as Jordan leads the Cape Fear, NC Grady-White Club on their trips this coming summer.



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JOSE RODRIGUEZ RIBAS' Gulfstream 232, Quest, looking tranquil in Nahuel Huapi National Park, Patagonia, Argentina.



KENNETH AND SUSAN WILHELM'S FAMILY enjoyed their 2nd summer boating around St. Michaels, MD on their Freedom 307. Submitting this photo Susan writes, "We love it !! " (Photographer - Karena Dixon Photography)



GAIL BOGLE AND SON, WILL, head out for a day of fishing off Nantucket on her Freedom 235, Back 9.



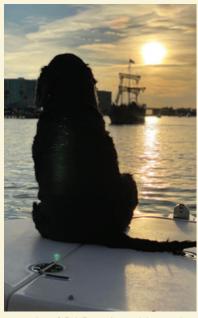
**RICK BROWN AND HIS BUDDIES** had a great day fishing, they caught their limit of red grouper! On the way home they took on 3' to 4' seas and the Grady-White *Canyon 306* took it all in stride.



**TREVOR CAPPS AND HIS FAMILY** enjoying a vacation in Marathon, Florida Keys aboard their 2018 *Fisherman 236*.

#### Who's Your Grady Buddy?

To share a photo of your furry Grady friends, email us at anchorline@gradywhite.com



**SCAMP**, Lynn & Bob Bratton's grand dog, watches for pirates from the bow of their *Freedom 307* in Perdido Bay, Ono Island, AL.



Anywhere she can stretch out is fine with **SAM** who is enjoying retirement from field trials and years of hard duck hunting on the Monroe's *Freedom* 307.



**BENNY** enjoys a beautiful day on Barnegat Bay, NJ, on the Seitz family's *Freedom 235.* 



Bob Lynch's buddy, **EDDIE**, licks his chops whenever they catch a fish on their *Adventure 208* on Grand Traverse Bay!



**MURPHY** likes to relax on the Froelich's 2014 Journey 258 on Pelican Lake, MN.



Troy Asche and his family love their *Express* 330. Their blue merle sheltie, **BELLA**, is also happy with their purchase. She gratefully "owns" the fold-out bench seat.



**BELLE'S** favorite spot on Chris and Tricia McCain's *Freedom 235* is on the bow while they're in motion, except when they are tubing and then she prefers to watch over her sisters (Jenna - 14 and Lilly - 12) from the stern. She is also NUTS for fishing!



Cavalier King Charles spaniels, LADY (12) AND GRACIE (2) enjoy their Grady outing. Photo submitted by Erin Pulkkinen.



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#### **Dear Grady-White Owners and Enthusiasts:**



EDDIE SMITH AND KRIS CARROLL

The start of a new year is always exciting as boat show season swings into full gear! With three new models making their debut for the 2020 model year there's a lot to be excited about! We love the opportunity to interact with new customers, as well as current Grady owners, who come to the boat shows to explore the great features we've incorporated into our new models. It's especially rewarding to see repeat customers who love their boat stop by to share with the team how much they're enjoying the Grady Life.

It's no secret, when you purchase a Grady-White you truly become part of a family. Owners like Ian and Emma Black who in

2017 announced their engagement from the bow of their Fisherman 180 and then in 2019 once again shared big news from their boat that they were expecting twins. All four of them, mom, dad and babies, visited us at the New England Boat Show as their growing family has put them in the market for a new Grady-White. We think a dual console will fit the bill!

In the months ahead we're looking forward to enjoying many exceptional days on the water and can't wait to hear from you about the many adventures you're experiencing on your Grady-White. If there's a boat show near you - come see us!

Happy Boating!

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Eddie Smith, Jr., CHAIRMAN, CEO



IAN AND EMMA BLACK and their twins visited us at the New England Boat Show while shopping for a new Grady-White.