



THE BLOOPER

Commodore's Message



Knot So Fast splashed at the end of April and the first jaunt of the season took place on May 5. There's still some cleanup to be done inside, and I want to do a 5-6 hour run to Newport and back to see if my engine problems of last fall are resolved. Hopefully that will be done in the next week and I can sleep better at nights.

We went to Bristol Harbor to check out the mooring and I can report that it's a great location with easily 15 feet of water. There are no other moorings within 200 feet with one exception, so finding it and hooking the line shouldn't be too difficult. You will shortly get an online survey which will help the Mooring Committee (Sandy, Dean, and I)

determine how to administer the mooring's usage and availability. Please take the survey as soon as you get the mail so we can get things in order ASAP.

Our social events have been very successful and if you haven't been to the Armory yet, check here or on the Website to see what's coming up. The event organizers always need help, so please pitch in if you're not already one of the 'regulars' and help support YOUR club. We have a lot of things coming up soon, not to mention the start of the racing season. Jo-Ann and Jen will be opening up the kitchen for the after-race festivities, and even if you can't cook, help is always needed in setup and cleanup.

I plan to be on the water a LOT this summer and I'm looking forward to seeing all of you on the Bay and at the club events. If you have any suggestions or questions, you can always mail or call me personally. The club is on a roll as evidenced by the success of the St Paddy's dinner, the Pawsox game, the Education night, and the phenomenally successful May Breakfast. Don't miss out on the upcoming events and I can guarantee a great time.

Thanks
Scott Tagen, Commodore
(mobile) 401-203-9676

Rear Commodore's Message



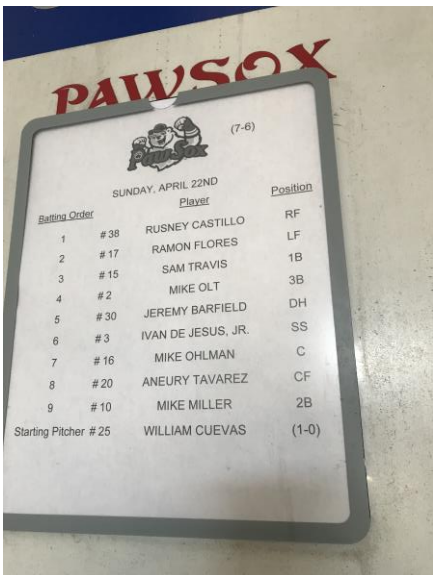
Phew! The last couple of months have had a flurry of activities. It's been great to see everyone, to hear how they survived another crazy New England winter, what their plans will be for the summer, which of our events they are planning to attend and to enjoy being together again! One of those activities was St. Paddy's Dinner, hosted by Paul and Cathy "O'Finstein":



By the time we were finished I don't think there was a scrap of food left. Everything was delicious, everyone had a wonderful time and it was a pot of gold's worth of fun!

The next event was the New Members Social. Thanks to our Membership chair, Dean, it was a very successful evening. Even though a number of members were away on winter vacations we had a very good turn-out! Everyone brought a dish to share (we have some fabulous cooks among our midst!) and it was BYOB. There were appetizers, entrees and plenty of delectable desserts. We all nibbled, grazed, sipped and swapped stories!

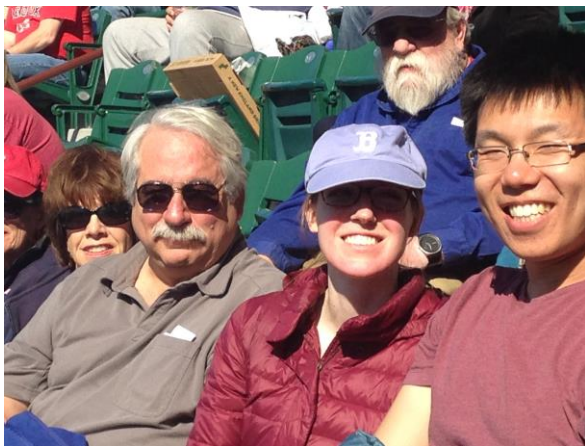
Shortly after the New Members Social, the winds of spring called us all out to McCoy Stadium to watch a Paw Sox game, thanks to the organizational skills of our Treasurer Jim Thorsen. He managed to put together the whole activity while planning his own business trip to Mongolia! He wasn't even able to attend, but we all appreciated his efforts on our behalf, and had a marvelous time in spite of his absence:



A photograph of a Paw Sox lineup board. The board is white with black text and a black border. At the top, it says "PAW SOX" in red letters. Below that is a small logo of a dog's head. The board lists the starting lineup for a game on Sunday, April 22nd. The players are listed in two columns: the left column shows the batting order and the right column shows the player's name and position. The starting pitcher is listed at the bottom.

SUNDAY, APRIL 22ND		Position
Batting Order	Player	
1	#38 RUSNEY CASTILLO	RF
2	#17 RAMON FLORES	LF
3	#15 SAM TRAVIS	1B
4	#2 MIKE OLT	3B
5	#30 JEREMY BARFIELD	DH
6	#3 IVAN DE JESUS, JR.	SS
7	#16 MIKE OHLMAN	C
8	#20 ANEURY TAVAREZ	CF
9	#10 MIKE MILLER	2B
Starting Pitcher #25	WILLIAM CUEVAS	(1-0)





-And the Paw Sox won!

Since that super fun day, April showers gave way to May – bringing with it one of our favorite spring get-togethers: May Breakfast! If you couldn't make it this year, you can read all about it and see the photos below under Activities!

Now that my Rear Commodore activities (land based) are mostly winding down for a while, the Vice Commodore's activities (on the water) are heating up! Check out all the schedules for racing and cruising, both on weeknights and on weekends - one day events to one week cruises – below under the Racing (1st race is 6/4) and under the

Cruising categories (the 1st one is the Annual Family Cruise/Cookout on 6/23). There's something there for everyone, even if you don't have a boat! Racing captains are always looking for extra crew, and many of the cruise destinations can be reached by car. After our Monday night summer and fall series races, the sailors will be coming to the Armory for dinner and to hear the results from the evening's races. Come on down and enjoy the comradery and a good meal while race results are announced. Ask around among your fellow members and I'm sure you can find a way to join in on the excitement and fun!

Looking forward to seeing you out there!

Jen Brandon
(401) 954-4485

From the Membership Desk



Hello Members,

First, I want to thank everyone for returning for another great year at West Bay Yacht Club. We are back stronger than ever and continue to add to the membership rolls each and every month. We've added a few more perks to our offerings this year too with the addition of another great mooring in another great location. Bristol Harbor. Your membership just became much more valuable wouldn't you say? Two great locations, Bristol and Dutch. Wow, that's a bargain!

Secondly, we have some great events coming up. One event being the Family Annual Cruise, Saturday, June 23rd. It's a family event for ALL members, boat owners and non-boat owning members alike. Children of all ages are welcome too. It's a day to relax and celebrate our friendship! Look for a flyer with details in this Blooper.

Lastly, just remember we couldn't do all this without you. We need your contribution at all of our events - whether it's as a patron or a cook. We appreciate all that you have done in the past and are excited about what you will want to offer in the future. It's your club, our club, we hope everyone will come join the fun!

Thanks! Dean
dean@travistechnologies.com
(401) 573-3276

Secretary's Report

Board of Governor's meeting notes for Jan 17, 2018



Attendees: Scott Tagen (Commodore), Paul Finstein (Vice-Commodore), Jennifer Brandon (Rear Commodore), Grant Brandon (Secretary), Jo-Ann Grima (Activities), Sandy Grima (Committee member), Bill Lilly (Parliamentarian), Raleigh Jenkins (Member-at-Large), Ray Perrotta (Member-at-Large), Michele Lilly (Member-at-Large) & Dean Travis (Membership).

Board of Governor's meeting brought to order at 7:03PM on April 4, 2018 by Scott Tagen:

- **Commodore's BOG future meeting dates overview – Scott T.**
 1. May 7th – Monday
 2. June 6th – Wednesday
 3. July 18th – Wednesday
 4. August – No Meeting
- **Secretary's Report and Minutes were approved & accepted as presented – Grant B.**
- **Membership Report – Dean T.**
 1. This year vs last year we have [41] paid memberships at \$95 vs [60] at \$95
 2. So far this year we have [2] paid memberships at \$195
 3. We currently have [4] lifetime active memberships
- **Vice-Commodore's Report – Paul F.**
 1. A good time was had by all at the St. Paddy's Day Dinner which was held on Thursday night March 15th
 2. Planned on [20] attendees had actual paid dinners of [17] with a profit of \$95.00 after expenses of \$62.01. All receipts given to Jo-Ann for accounting purposes.
- **Rear Commodore's Report – Jen B.**
 1. Blooper to be published end-of-week.
 2. Next Blooper articles due following the week of May Breakfast [May 7th] notice to follow.
- **Treasurer's Report – Jim T.**
 1. No report – on route to Mongolia for several weeks ... don't forget to bring home the bacon!!!
- **Activities Report – Jo-Ann G.**
 1. St. Paddy's Day Dinner went very well. Many thanks to the O'Finstains for another wonderful effort!
 2. Sandy and I had a wonderful winter vacation and had good weather to boot.
 3. PawSox game day is on though Jim T. is off to Asia – Scott T to manage in his absence
 4. New member Social April 15th is a Pot Luck night bring your favorite dish [have commitments of 15 so far]
 5. May Breakfast is scheduled for May 6th and is organized
 6. Our friend Jake P. is under the weather will send a get well card.
- **Race/Education Committee Report – Grant B.**
 1. Race night Open House scheduled for April 16th
 2. Grant and Scott to coordinate appetizers, snacks and beverages - \$50 expense budget
 3. Grant & Dean to promote Open House with emails to the membership, as well as, event on Facebook
- **General Business – Scott T.**
 1. New mooring discussion involving three locations: Newport, Bristol and Potter's Cove
 2. Sandy G. made a huge effort in researching mooring availability around the Bay and his efforts were greatly appreciated.
 3. **Purpose in this effort is to add value to current members, as well as, a way to attract new members!**
 4. Motion made and approved to spend up to \$1,500 for mooring rental for the upcoming season.
 5. Scott T. has a mail box key and checking weekly
 6. Assigned Board members to specific WBYC members who have not renewed to date (listing to follow).
 7. Would like to see more general activity on Facebook by Board members (i.e. sharing experiences, etc)
 8. Jen B would like to incorporate a Facebook link in the Blooper – Scott T to assist in effort
 9. Discussion was had to incorporate a Race payment line in the PayPal membership form – Scott T to assist

*** Meeting adjourned at 8:22 PM – next meeting date Monday May 7th at 7 PM
Varnum Armory ***

Annual Family Cruise / Cookout!



Annual Family Cruise / Cookout!

Saturday, June 23rd 2018 – 2:00PM and on! **RSVP required**

Cedar Tree Point Beach (aka “Pickering Treasure Island!”)

(We hear Treasure is buried there!)

Dave & Leann Pickering and Dean & Kelly Travis are your hosts!

- **Arrive Saturday by boat, dinghy or car - park your car at the Apponaug Marina (Dickerson's) as beginning at 2:00, dinghies will transport you to and from the beach – only 75 yards away!**
 - **Plenty of stern-to-beach anchoring for power or sailboats for rafting up! Stay the night!**
 - **Large awnings will provide shade, with coolers full of ice on the beach for all**
 - **Cookout begins at 5:30 on the Pickering's deck with hamburgers, hot dogs, tables and chairs provided. In addition, you may bring & grill your own food! – BYOB**
 - **Outside Hot showers and bathrooms available!**
 - **Special appearance by the Beach Boys and Jimmy Buffet!**
 - **Campfire begins at 8:00 with S'Mores and **Fireworks** to cap off the evening!**
- **Games for Adults and Kids!**
 - **Cornhole Bean Bag Toss, Horseshoes and Wiffle Ball, Frizbee's and Water Football!**
 - **Discover Buried Treasure, Water & Land Games, Dinghy Exploration Rides**

Cruising Event Fee:	Members:	\$5.00 p/p - Kids under 12 free
	Non-Members:	\$10.00 p/p - Kids under 12 free

Remember to bring your own beach chairs!

Please text or call your **RSVP as to the number attending directly to either Dave Pickering (401) 742-5039 or Dean Travis (401) 573-3276**

The Volvo Ocean Race

Is in Newport!



Volvo Ocean Race

In Newport

May 8 - 20, 2018

The Volvo Ocean Race boats are in Newport. Seven one design Volvo 65's left Alicante, Spain in October and are now in Newport. This year's race coverage is excellent with daily video, on board reporters, and drone footage. To follow the race you can download the Volvo Ocean Race app, go to volvoceanrace.com, or follow on Facebook and Twitter.

Dale B.

Activities Report



From the Activities Corner

Hi Everyone!!

I think we've finally crossed over to the warmer weather. People are busy with yardwork, boat prep, and perhaps have even enjoyed a sail or two.

Our May Breakfast went off without a hitch on Sunday morning May 6th. It was nothing short of spectacular! We served nearly 60 hungry guests beginning with Jim Ward, who arrived just around 8AM, and continuing straight through 'til Noon. Many, many thanks to the crew that shopped, cooked, cleaned, and made everything happen. Especially Jen, Dean, Raleigh, Scott, Michele, Greg, and Nathan. Forgive me

if I've forgotten anyone. I'd also like to thank the local vendors, namely Buttonwoods Fish & Chips and Sandy Lane Meat Market, for their help and their support of the EG Armory. Here are some great photos:



Racing starts on June 4th and the kitchen will be open for business. Everyone is welcome to come and eat whether you sailed that night or not. Check the racing calendar for the dates we will be cooking. We usually start serving around 8:00 or whenever the race crews start to drift in! We're always looking for help there, too. Give one of us a call if you'd like to show off your culinary expertise or just want to pitch in. Either way you will enjoy the fun, the stories from the race course and good food!

Have a wonderful upcoming season!

The Activities Crew
Jo-Ann, Jen, and Michele
738-0272, 954-4485, 398-2621

Education Report



On March 22nd our Commodore, Scott Tagen, presented a terrific power point presentation on maintaining your small engine outboard for maximum efficiency and conditioning throughout the year. His topics included: spark plug replacement, carburetor draining, cleaning and adjustments, fuel filter replacement, anti-corrosion techniques, lower unit disassembly and impeller replacement, as well as, lower unit gear oil replacement. If you missed it give

Scott a call or drop him an email should you have any questions.

From the Race Committee



West Bay Yacht Club
c/o Racing Series
PO Box 1604
East Greenwich, RI 02818

Ahoy Mates ...

Just a short message from your Race Committee as we're only weeks away from the start of the Summer Racing Series and multiple Saturday Races. The following schedule of events should be incorporated into your 2018 sailing and racing calendar:

1. Summer Series (1810 1st Signal):
 - June 4th, 11th, 18th, & 25th
 - July 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th
 - Aug 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th
2. Rainone Solo / Twin – June 23rd (1300 1st Signal)
3. Whalers Race to BI – July 21st (1130 1st Signal)
4. Lady Skippers Regatta – August 4th (1300 1st Signal)
5. Long Distance Race – August 18th (1300 1st Signal)
6. Pumpkin Patch Race – October 13th (1200 1st Signal)
7. Fall Series – Sept 5th, 12th, 17th & 24th (1800 1st Signal)

All skippers are required to complete a 2018 Race Entry and Release of Liability Form and submit it along with a current PHRF-NB rating certificate. The "form" is available from either the WBYC website or by emailing the Race Committee Chair at grantbrandon01@gmail.com. Once forms are completed enclose check and mail to: West Bay Yacht Club, Attn: Race Committee, P.O. Box 1604, East Greenwich, RI 02818. An additional payment option through PayPal will also be available via the website (westbayyachtclub.org). Note, all entry forms must still be submitted to the

Race Committee if payments are made through PayPal. **Additionally, the PayPal payment option will be available via the website on or after May 15th.**

Feel free to drop me an email should you have any questions at grantbrandon01@gmail.com. Looking forward to seeing everyone on the Bay for another exciting racing season ... *Grant*



WEST BAY YACHT CLUB
2018 Race Entry & Release of Liability Form

Name of Yacht: _____ Sail #: _____ PHRF: Spin _____ / Non-Spin _____
Yacht Owner: _____ Cell Number: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Racing Skipper: _____ Email Address: _____
Yacht Make: _____ Color: _____ LOA: _____ Year: _____
*Current year PHRF-NB Rating Certificate to be provided to the Race Committee

Fee Schedule – Please Circle Individual Series and / or Races		
	<u>Members</u>	<u>Non-Members</u>
1. <u>SUMMER SERIES:</u>	\$ 75.00	\$ 110.00
• June 4 th , 11 th , 18 th & 25 th		
• July 9 th , 16 th , 23 rd & 30 th		
• Aug 6 th , 13 th , 20 th & 27 th		
2. <u>FALL SERIES:</u>	\$ 40.00	\$ 60.00
• Sept 5 th , 12 th , 17 th & 24 th		
3. <u>RAINONE SOLO / TWIN:</u>	\$ 25.00	\$ 35.00
• June 23 rd (1300 Start)		
4. <u>WHALERS RACE to BI:</u>	\$ 25.00	\$ 35.00
• July 21 st (1130 1 st Signal)		
5. <u>LADY SKIPPERS REGATTA:</u>	\$ 25.00	\$ 35.00
• August 4 th (1300 Start)		
6. <u>LONG DISTANCE RACE:</u>	\$ 25.00	\$ 35.00
• August 18 th (1300 Start)		
7. <u>PUMPKIN PATCH RACE:</u>	\$ 25.00	\$ 35.00
• October 13 th (1200 Start)		
Total Submitted	\$ _____	\$ _____

NOTES:

8. Payments by PAYPAL to be made on the WBYC website at: westbayyachtclub.org
9. Payments by CHECKS to be sent to: West Bay Yacht Club
Attn: Race Committee
P.O. Box 1604
East Greenwich, RI 02818
10. In accordance with Section 7-6-22 of the Rhode Island General Laws, as amended, entitled EXEMPTION FROM LIABILITY TO PARTICIPANTS IN SPONSORED ATHLETIC OR SPORTS EVENTS, I hereby release West Bay Yacht Club, its officers, directors trustees, agents, servants and property while I am participating in or practicing for any contest or exhibition of an athletic or sports nature sponsored by the West Bay Yacht Club; and I hereby acknowledge and assume the risk of any bodily injury and or property damage to myself or my property incurred while participating in or practicing for any contest or exhibition of any athletic or sports nature sponsored by the West Bay Yacht Club. I have read and understood the conditions for the West Bay Yacht Club Racing Series and events and agree to comply with the conditions while participating in the 2018 West Bay Yacht Club Racing Series.

Signed _____ Date: _____
(Owner or Owner’s Representative)

2018 WBYC Racing Calendar

The racing calendar dates for 2018 are as follows:

Summer Series (12 races) in blue, Weekend races in white:

June
Monday Races: 4th, 11th, 18th, & 25th.

June 23rd: Solo/Twin Regatta – Noon Start

July
Monday Races: 9th, 16th, 23rd, & 30th.

July 2nd: Monday Night Optional Crew Rotation Race

July 21st: Whalers Race to Block Is. – Fisherman’s Start from Dutch Harbor – 11:00 am Start

August
Monday Races: 6th, 13th, 20th, & 27th.

August 4th: Ladies Skipper Regatta – Noon Start

August 18th: Long Distance Race – Noon Start

Fall Series (4 races)

September
Wednesday Races: 5th & 12th. Monday Races: 17th & 24th.

October 13th: Pumpkin Patch Race – Noon Start

Note: Any races not held during the Summer Series’ scheduled dates will be made up on an available **Thursday**. We typically expect at least one maybe two weather related cancellations during the Summer Series, and Thursdays is the least conflicted day of the week (AHYC sails on Tuesday and EGYC sails on Wednesday).

Cruise Committee Report

2018 Cruise Schedule...(so far)

Spring Cruise	June 23	At Pickering Beach	Dave &
Leann Pickering			
2 Week Cruise	TBD	TBD	Mark &
Cindy D.			
4 th of July Raft-up	July 3 rd	Off of Goddard Park	Scott & Julie
Tagen			
Whaler’s Race	July 21-22	Dutch Harbor to Block Is.	Grant & Jen
Brandon			
Labor Day Wknd.	Sept. 1-3	Cuttyhunk Island	Tom Stocker

End of Summer	Sept. 22-23	TBD	TBD
Columbus Wknd.	Oct. 6-8	Wickford Marina	The
Pickerings & Brandons			



Calendar of Events

Next Board of Govenor’s Meeting – Wednesday June 6th at The Armory

- June 4th** First Monday Night Race of 2018! Starting time: first gun at 6:15
- June 11th** Second Monday Night Race
- June 18th** Third Monday Night Race
- June 23rd** Annual Family cruise & cookout Starting at 2:00pm at Pickering Beach
(across from Dickerson’s)
- June 25th** Fourth Monday Night Race
- July 3rd** Goddard Park Raft-Up Starting at 7:00 pm Hosting “anchor boat”: Knot Too Fast