

WEST BAY YACHT CLUB'S

# Blooper



**The Friendliest Little Yacht Club on the Bay!**

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## Commodore's Message



Attention West Bay Members,

We've launched our summer activities! May 25<sup>th</sup> and 26 was the Memorial Day Cruise. Cruise captains Will and Elizabeth Richmond, led our group to Ida Lewis Yacht Club for our first cruise of the year. Check out the pictures on the club website! Thanks Will and Elizabeth for kicking our year in gear! It is only the beginning of a successful cruising year and we've made an excellent start.

Monday Night racing has started and is well under way. I am really looking forward to seeing our WBYC fleet out on the water. I plan to be there myself very shortly. A few more things and I'll launch. I do want to mention my interest in seeing a few WBYC boats going the extra mile to compete at a higher level this year. Nothing more exciting then to see our burgee flying on a top performing boat in the cup events at the end of the year. Let's get together and support those that are willing to take this challenge.

For those who have visited our clubhouse over the last week or so, you may have noticed a few changes. The House Committee is underway with their project. Walls have been painted and general updates have begun. We'll appear to be a bit unsettled for a little while until things get reorganized. It won't be too long. Bear with us.

Lastly, Keep an eye on the calendars and forums. We have a lot of events scheduled and you might just see a few impromptu events dropped in too. Let the fun begin!

Respectively Submitted,  
Dean Travis

## Vice Commodore



Cheers WBYC Members,

WBYC boating season is well underway and off to a great start. There was a great turnout for the Memorial Day Cruise to Newport. Despite high winds and an extremely cold weather, a large group turned out for the traditional Ida Lewis deck BBQ and as always, the food was delicious.

On the home front, our club continues to improve aesthetically with an outstanding effort by many club members to add fresh coat of paint and a new look to clubhouse. Many thanks to Matt Aubee for overseeing all these efforts. Job well done.

I want to remind our members to check out the all-new WBYC website where a complete list of all club activities, races and cruises can be found. This site is constantly updated with new and relevant articles. In addition, there is a forum section where people can find information and participate in discussions about various topics related all aspects of our club. I recommend checking it out and getting in on the conversation.

Lastly, please be sure to check out the blooper articles about the upcoming cruises including the Kids Cruise.

In the meantime, I look forward to seeing many familiar faces over what is continues to be an outstanding boating season.

Fair winds ~  
Jay Eshleman, Vice Commodore – WBYC

## Education Committee



The newly formed Chess Club is recruiting members to attend a 10-week educational seminar Thursday evenings from 7:00PM to 9:00PM started June 13<sup>th</sup> at the Yacht Club. For additional course details and syllabus contact the education chair at

[grantbrandon01@gmail.com](mailto:grantbrandon01@gmail.com) and re-kindle your chess skills from days gone by when you played with family members and friends. Each session to feature a Game 30 tournament play, as well as, world class game strategies and tactics. Here's the opportunity you've been waiting for to improve your chess skills and clean your partners clock!



Attendance is open to all WBYC members and friends. Classes start at 7PM sharp.

Grant Brandon

## Cruising Committee

After a few years of not being held, the Kid's Cruise is back! On Father's Day Weekend, Jay & Alicia



Eshleman and Dave & LeAnn Pickering will be hosting. This is a great family cruise with a particular focus on activities for our younger cruisers. There will be activities for those of us who are a little older as well. You will find details later in this Blooper. You can also find the latest news on our Facebook "Events" page and on our website.

Our Memorial Day Weekend Cruise was a rocking success. With heavy northerly winds all weekend, four hearty crews made trip. Space Cat had to turn back with engine problems. Many other WBYC members came by land yacht to enjoy the hospitality of the Ida Lewis YC membership Saturday night. A great time was had by all.

Our summer cruise is only a few weeks away and Cruise Captains Joe & Debbie Crocker are well under way with their planning the July 4<sup>th</sup> Weekend Cruise to Edgewood YC. RSVPs need to be made soon, call Joe or Debbie for details.

July will also bring our Whaler Race/Cruise to Block Island on the weekend of July 27. Cruise Captain Dave Lodge is busy planning this fun event dominated by cruisers. Time to put this one on your calendar.

By now your boat should be in the water, so what are you waiting for? Let's go cruising!

See you on the water!

Tom Stocker  
Cruise Committee Chair

## Activities Committee



After a few chilly days recently, it looks like summer has arrived and the boating season has begun. Are you ready?

The May Breakfast on May 6<sup>th</sup> was well attended with nearly 75 people streaming in an out for yet another scrumptious meal. Thanks go out to Joe C. and his new toy (a mega griddle), Nathan, Michele, Carol Ann, Dave and Barbara Lodge, and the many others who made it such a success. A special thanks also to our wait staff of Chaz and Zack Crocker. You guys rock!!

Wait till you all see the great job that Matt and Raleigh and their crew did painting the inside of the Club on May 18<sup>th</sup>. We'll be putting together an "Unveiling Potluck Party" real soon. Stay tuned for details. The Racing Kitchen is open! As always, we'll be serving dinner after the race. If you'd like to join us, just stop by. We'd love to see you.

Good and Welfare-- Congratulations to Dee Crocker and Don Ihlefeld on their recent wedding on May 18<sup>th</sup>. May you have many happy years together. Also, congrats to Adrian and Jennifer Rawn on their wedding on September 15, 2012.

Celeste Wright will be having knee surgery on 6/3/13. Hopefully, all goes well and you'll be up and about in no time.

If you have anything to share with the membership, just give us a call and we'll pass it along.

See you at the Club,  
Jo-Ann Phyllis  
(401)738-0272 (401)219-1784

## Racing Committee



We have begun our summer race series! The gun every Monday night is at 1815h (that's 6:15PM). Our first race, the Spring Tune Up Regatta, was held on June 1<sup>st</sup>.

We have two other Saturday regattas later in June. On Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup> we had WBYC's Rainone Solo/Twin Regatta for single and double-handed racers. We won't have a Stocker - Mojo Challenge challenge this year so we need to find another rivalry to watch closely. Perhaps the battle of the C&C's, Jennifer & Grant Brandon's 41 and Dawn & Rich Safton's 99 (no it's not 99 feet). Whatever it is on-the-water rivalries are lots of fun. Then, two weeks later (Saturday, June 29<sup>th</sup>) we will hold WBYC's Fantastic Plastic Regatta. This pursuit race is one of our favorites of the season. Check the website and bulletin boards for Notices of Race and Sailing Instructions for these and all regattas.

We have received entries from most of the usual suspects and there are only a few who will wait to the very last moment to hand me their entry as they sail past the committee boat moments before the first gun. It's much easier to enter online. Go to: <http://westbayyachtclub.org/entryforms/entryform.html> to fill out the online entry form then the system will take you to PayPal where you can pay your racing fees. We had a small turnout for the skippers meeting (most entries have come in via the online system and we discussed a couple procedures on the race course that have caused confusion in the past. The first one was the beginning of the sequence after an AP pennant (postponement) has been hoisted. The AP pennant is lowered and a horn sounded one minute *before* the beginning of the 5 minute starting sequence. The other starting line event that doesn't happen very often on WBYC starting lines is a general recall. Our sailing instructions follow the Racing Rules of Sailing which state that the recalled class will be the next class to start. The recalled class does wait until all other classes have started.

I'm looking forward to a great season.

See you all, soon, on the water!  
David Lodge  
Race Committee Chairman

# Website

Traffic on our website continues to increase. Back in February, the first full month the new site was operational we averaged 47 unique visitors per day. Since then that number has increased each month with a daily average of 72 in March, 92 in April and 121 in May.

Help me keep the site fresh by sending me your photos and stories from club events and activities. Just email them to me at [webmaster@westbayyachtclub.org](mailto:webmaster@westbayyachtclub.org) and I will use them. I try to make sure that there is new content on the website every week.

David Lodge  
Webmaster

## Keep a Sharp Lookout

**Poker Night is the second Friday of the month as well as Game Night is the last Friday**

## West Bay Yacht Club Store

**Baseball Hat \$10.00**  
**Men's and Ladies T shirts \$12.00**  
**Sweatshirt \$25.00**  
**Men's and Ladies Polo shirt \$25.00**  
**All Prices include club logo!**

## 2013 Board of Governors

**Commodore**.....Dean Travis  
**Vice Commodore**.....Jay Eshleman  
**Rear Commodore**.....Ed Cure  
**Past Commodore**.....Will Richmond  
**Secretary**.....Raleigh Jenkins  
**Treasurer**.....Jo-Ann Grima  
**Parliamentarian**.....Marcie Feldman

**Members at Large** .....Celeste Wright  
.....Joe Crocker  
.....Matt Aubee

## 2013 Committee Chairs

**Activities**.....Phyllis Geisser & Jo-Ann Grima  
**Cruising**.....Tom Stocker  
**Education**.....Grant Brandon  
**Publicity**.....Raymond Way  
**Website**.....David Lodge

**Blooper**.....Andrew Brousell  
**Membership**.....Greg Yates  
**House**.....Raleigh Jenkins  
**Racing & Website**.....David Lodge

## **Norton's Discount Marine Store**

**Always a Fully Stocked Marine Store Offering  
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In addition, we are a certified Volvo-Penta, Mercury, MerCruiser, and Yanmar dealer and always carry the items you need, when you need them. Please stop by and visit us, pick up a catalog, and remember – Norton's often meets or beats even *our own* listed prices!

Need something we don't have in stock? Their professional & knowledgeable staff will be happy to order it for you.

**1976 Bristol 27, LOA: 27'-2", LWL: 19'-2", Draft: 4 ft, Beam: 8 ft**

DESCRIPTION: Carl Alberg design. The hull shape has a short waterline with long overhangs. Cutaway full length keel with attached rudder provides sailing stability and is good heavy weather performer.

ENGINE: Universal Atomic Four, 30 HP gasoline. 20 gal monel fuel tank, bilge blower. Replaced coil and electric fuel pump, and added secondary fuel filter between fuel pump and carburetor in 2012.

SAILS: Banks mainsail, 1999; Banks 130% genoa, 2001; working jib, all on Hood LD roller furling. Mainsheet traveler and lazy jacks.

ELECTRICAL: Two deep cycle 12 volt batteries, isolator switch

CABIN: Four bunks in two separate cabins, fitted bottom sheets for V-berth bunks. Hanging locker and enclosed head with porta-potty with 6 gal holding tank plumbed to deck pump-out fitting.

GALLEY: Two burner Origo alcohol stove; sink with fresh water foot pump; approx 15 gal fresh water tank. Ice box with cockpit access.

ELECTRONICS AND NAVIGATION:Garmin GPS MAP 545S Chart plotter, Apelco VHF radio; Datamarine depth sounder, Ritchie bulkhead-mounted compass; Simrad T-10 tiller pilot

OTHER: Repainted deck with non-skid paint in 2010. Coast Guard safety equipment: three ABC fire extinguishers, flares, life sling, throwable cushions, running lights, life jackets. One claw and one Danforth type anchors with rodes. Manual bilge pump. Custom dodger with zip-on sunshade, main sail cover. Removable swim ladder and two sun showers. West Marine inflatable roll-up sports dinghy, Mercury 3.3 hp outboard motor, Force 10 Marine gas barbeque grill with stern rail mount.

PRICE: \$9950.

**BREAKDOWN OF PRICE**

1. Bristol 27 Sloop (See Note 1):	\$8725.
2. Inflatable Dinghy (approx yr 2000):	225.
3. Mercury 3.3 hp outboard motor (yr 2000):	400.
4. Garmin GPSMAP 545S Chartplotter (yr 2009):	<u>600.</u>
	\$9950.

**NOTES**

1. All of the items in the advertisement are included in asking price for Item 1 except items 2, 3 and 4 are broken out as indicated

CONTACT: Bruce Arey, Tel 508-887-1253, Email: [brucearey@hotmail.com](mailto:brucearey@hotmail.com)

**Henri Lloyd Eco Hi-Fit Foul Weather Trousers, XL, like new, carbon color, \$80.**

Contact: Bruce Arey, tel: 508-887-1253, email: [brucearey@hotmail.com](mailto:brucearey@hotmail.com)

## WBYC Two-Week Cruise

**Hosted by Barbara & Nathan Shapiro and Cindy & Mark DerMugrditchian**

Please contact Nathan Shapiro for more information:

Nathan Shapiro  
401-822-1744  
[nshapiro2@cox.net](mailto:nshapiro2@cox.net)

Two Week Cruise	
Date	Event
Saturday, June 29th	Point Judith - Captains Meeting at 4PM on participating boat
Sunday, June 30th	Point Judith to Watch Hill Walk into Town
Monday, July 1st	Lay Day in Watch Hill Dinghy cruise up river
Tuesday, July 2nd	Watch Hill to Mystic
Wednesday, July 3rd	Lay Day in Mystic Trip to Whaling Museum
Thursday, July 4th	Mystic to Essex
Friday, July 5th	Lay Day in Essex Bike Trip
Saturday, July 6th	Lay Day in Essex Shore Dinner
Sunday, July 7th	Essex to Hamburg Cove
Monday, July 8th	Hamburg Cove to Fishers Island Yacht Club Dinghy Cocktail Party
Tuesday, July 9th	Fishers Island to Block Island
Wednesday, July 10th	Lay Day in Block Island Beach Party
Thursday, July 11th	Lay Day in Block Island Ride Around the Island
Friday, July 12th	Block Island to Newport Ice Cream in Newport
Saturday, July 13th	Lay Day in Newport Cliff Walk
Sunday, July 14th	Return to Home Port

Participants signed up as of March 7th
Helen & Ray Lanza - Rigamarole - Tartan 4100
Lillian & Chris Chapman - Ginger Lilly - Tartan 372
Gail & Dave Allen - Rockin' n Rollin' - Caliber 33
Karen & Dale Broadbent - Elan - Hinckley Pilot 35
Barbara & Nathan Shapiro - Moondance - Hunter 386
Cindy & Mark DerMugrditchian - Oasis - Hunter 41



## **R.I. boating industry buoyant despite drop in registrations**

<http://news.providencejournal.com/breaking-news/2013/05/bristol-ri---despite-a.html>

BRISTOL, R.I. -- Despite a drop in boat registrations over the past two years, Rhode Island's boating industry has stabilized, according the president of the Rhode Island marine Trades Association.

"There's evidence of recovery, there's evidence of positive activity, but it's in pockets," says Andrew Tyska.

Boat registrations in Rhode Island rose to 43,000 in 2007, but the following year, as the economy weakened, declined to 42,990 and then continued to fall, hitting 40,525 in 2009. Registrations increased in 2010, but over the past two years, they dropped off again. As of 2012, the number of boats registered here was 38,675.

As boaters prepare for another season, Tyska notes that many boaters from places such as Connecticut, Massachusetts and New York keep their boats in the Ocean State, spending money here.



**Photograph courtesy of David Lodge**



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Photograph courtesy of Will Richmond



Photograph courtesy of WBYC





# West Bay Yacht Club

"Friendliest Little Yacht Club on the Bay"

Location: Norton's Marina & Shipyard  
Foot of Division Street, East Greenwich, RI

## 2013 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Return To:

**WBYC Membership Chair**  
P.O. Box 1604  
East Greenwich, RI 02818

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICANT \_\_\_\_\_ APPLICANT \_\_\_\_\_

STREET \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE—HOME \_\_\_\_\_ WORK \_\_\_\_\_ CELL \_\_\_\_\_

CHILDREN'S NAMES & AGES \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

YACHT NAME \_\_\_\_\_ SAIL/POWER \_\_\_\_\_ CLASS/MAKE \_\_\_\_\_

YACHT LENGTH \_\_\_\_\_ MARINA \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSORED BY: 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

### MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS:

**Please contact Mr. Greg Yates, our Membership Chair to discuss the WBYC Membership options and cost. He can be reached by email at: [greg@h-bpackaging.com](mailto:greg@h-bpackaging.com). Thanks for your interest. We look forward to hearing from you!**

### SAILING INTERESTS: Circle your interests

Club Cruising	Series Racing	Committee Boat	Other
Race Own	Race Crew	Weekend Cruising	Cruiser Races

### PREFERENCES FOR CLUB PARTICIPATION: Circle your preference for participation

Activities (Social)	Cruising	Publicity	Education
Racing	Membership	Series Racing	

### WILLING TO HELP AS FOLLOWS: Circle your preference

Prepare/bring food for club functions    Decorate/Cleanup for club functions    Clubhouse maintenance    Other

I/We understand that the West Bay Yacht Club is a self-help working club and I/we agree to help and participate in various club functions.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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VERY important links to your Club website.  
Need to get in touch with a Club Officer or  
Committee Chair?

<http://www.westbayyachtclub.org/2013-wbyc-officers.html>

The latest Club Cruising, Racing and Social calendar is  
always at your fingertips electronically:

<http://www.westbayyachtclub.org/wbyc-club-calendar.html>



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