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#### **Commodore's Message**



#### Members,

This past week, we had the Fourth of July cruise. Cruise Captains Debbie and Joe Crocker lead our group to Edgewood Yacht Club to celebrate our nation's independence. Checkout the WBYC events page on Facebook and our club website to see details and photos of this event!

Things to do this summer? We have a bunch. Racing, Cruising, and even a few assorted activities are underway. On Thursday nights, we have a chess night. We even have a few nights that are open to ideas. Suggestions?

On July 31st, We have Beverly Yacht club coming to visit our clubhouse. They have Norton's Marina as a destination for their summer cruise and will using our clubhouse for a few hours to toast their arrival. Welcome Beverly Yacht Club!

Lastly, as I said last month, keep an eye on the calendars and forums. We have many events scheduled and you might just see a few impromptu events dropped in too.

Respectively Submitted, Dean Travis Commodore

V	VBYC Calendar
Date	Event
Monday, July 15, 2013	WBYC Summer Race Series #7
Thursday, July 18, 2013	WBYC Chess Club Meeting 7-9PM
Saturday, July 20, 2013	Newport Storm/McKinley's Around the Bay Race
Monday, July 22, 2013	WBYC Summer Race Series #8
	J-30 N/A Championship and
Thursday, July 25, 2013	WBYC Chess Club Meeting 7-9PM
Friday, July 26, 2013	Game Night at WBYC
	WBYC Whaler's Race to Block Island and
Saturday, July 27, 2013	Cruise Week 1
	WBYC Summer Race Series #9 and
Monday, July 29, 2013	Cruise Week 1
Saturday, August 03, 2013	WBYC Norton Annual Regatta
Monday, August 05, 2013	WBYC Summer Race Series #10
Thursday, August 08, 2013	WBYC Chess Club Meeting 7-9PM
Saturday, August 10, 2013	Twenty Hundred Club - Block Island Race
Thursday, August 15, 2013	WBYC Chess Club Meeting 7-9PM
Friday, August 16, 2013	Ida Lewis Yacht Club Distance Race (August 16th-August 17th)
Saturday, August 17, 2013	WBYC Lady Skipper's Regatta

### Vice Commodore



Cheers WBYC Members.

WBYC boating season is now in full swing! There is so much going on and it is great to see all of you around the club.

The June Kids (Family) Cruise to Potters Cove was a success. Despite competing events around the Bay that same weekend, we still managed to gather for an outstanding family cruise event. The weather could not have been better! All boats dropped anchor for 2 days of Fun, Food and Friends. Potters truly is an amazing destination, right in our own backyard.

July's and August club events are coming up soon! Be sure to check out the WBYC website for up to date details.

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

Summer On WBYC! ~

Jay Eshleman, Vice Commodore - WBYC

# **Education Committee**



Three weeks have passed

since the WBYC Chess Club was established and I'm pleased to report we have (8) eight active players on-board. I have heard rumors at least four more players are in the wings clearing their calendars and plan to join us in the next few weeks. For those not aware of the "Chess Calendar" it is as follows:

All Thursday nights from 7 to 9PM except the 1st Thursday night of every month as the Club hosts the Board of Governor's Meeting. Each Thursday night the program content is divided into two sixty minute sections: in the 1st section two major championship games are analyzed using an overhead projector and large format screen, and in the 2<sup>nd</sup> section all players play two (30) thirty minutes games using chess clocks on loan from the Rhode Island Chess Association. In addition I have offered to play all players in a simulcast format ... in other words, I play all players simultaneously moving from board to board until I lose or they lose! A great way to level the playing field having basically 30 seconds to make a move on each board. If you think we're only a sailing and cruising club think again as the Chess Club is gaining steam and it's the place to be on Thursday nights!

All members, non-members and friends are welcomed to participate and take their game to new heights, as well as, re-kindle their lost passion for a game they once played long ago and buried deep within their psyche. We actively review strategies & tactics for those who haven't played for some time and assist in their personal chess development. If you haven't thought of joining us so far you need to try us out as you might find it will transform your life ...

For more detailed information please contact Grant Brandon at grantbrandon01@gmail.com

Looking forward to seeing each of you soon, Grant Brandon

# **Cruising Committee**

Welcome to July! As you read this, our summer cruise



is nearly complete. The July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend cruise to Edgewood YC had a successful run! (More on that one next month).

June was an outstanding cruising month as most of the

rain occurred during the week and not on weekends. The **Kid's Cruise** held on Fathers' Day weekend was a huge success with four boats and a band of fifteen happy old and young pirates converge on Potter's Cove.

The traditional water fight and treasure hunt were great fun as was the potluck dinner and bonfire on the beach. Thanks to Jay & Alicia Eshleman and Dave & Leann Pickering for putting together a great event.

The Kid's Cruise was so successful I have heard a rumor that a '**Kid's Cruise II**' may be held later in the season (maybe August?), so stay tuned for details. Want to help

or want more info? Call me or post on our Facebook page.

Our first Summer Cruise of the season is currently underway visiting various ports along the eastern end of the Connecticut coast. Pictures I have seen so far



indicate another wellattended and successful WBYC cruise.

So what's coming up? Lots!

The rest of July will be busy with our **Whaler** 

Race/Cruise to Block Island on the weekend of July27. Check our 'Events' calendar for registration details.You can also find out more in Dave Lodge's Racing Committee article.

\*\*\*LATE BREAKING NEWS!!!\*\*\* 'SUMMER CRUISE II' Grant & Jenny Brandon are planning an extension to the Whaler's Race/Cruise to BI. They and several other WBYC Cruisers will be continuing on to Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket to extend the festivities from the weekend to a full week. At least three boats are already in the plans. More details will be posted to Facebook so stay tuned for more on this one.

Cruising is really heating up here at WBYC with everything going on. AND, it is so hot, we have added the "Summer Cruise II' (can this become an annual event?) and we may be adding the 'Kid's Cruise II I mentioned at the beginning of my article. Stay tuned. There is no excuse for you not to join in the fun. Not only do we have something for everyone already planned, but we keep adding more!

See you on the water!

Tom Stocker Cruise Committee Chair

# **Activities Committee**



Those lazy, hazy days of summer are

back for yet another year. Hopefully, you are all enjoying all or some of them.

The "racing kitchen" continues to be open on Monday nights. We've been serving around 30-35 hungry sailors each week after the race. Our biggest challenge is "what's for dessert"? If you'd like to join us one night, just stop by. Thanks so much to Jennie B. who continues to help out every week. We've even had a guest sous chef from EGYC join us last week. So, thanks to Jen Blanchette for giving us an extra hand.

A personal note about the EDGEWOOD YACHT CLUB CRUISE - Sandy and I had a wonderful weekend with everyone over the 4<sup>th</sup> and wanted to say thanks to Joe and Deb Crocker for hosting such a great time. What's better than dinner and a movie? Especially when it includes popcorn and cotton candy!! Thanks again.

GOOD AND WELFARE -- It was great to see Celeste Wright after the race on Monday. Glad to see you're up and mobile and back on the race committee boat. Everyone else remains to be both good and well!! If you have anything you'd like to pass along to the membership, just give us a call and we'll be happy to take care of it. We're always looking for ideas for events. So, if you have one, please don't be shy, give one of us a call.

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

# **Racing Committee**

We've completed the first month of our racing season and despite living with an unstable weather pattern for the month we were able to complete all but one race, Race #3 of the Monday Evening Summer Series. With the Bermuda high located where it continually pumps tropical moisture in our direction with a good 15+ knot southerly breeze at us, the race committee has spent a lot of time analyzing conditions and deciding whether a race can be held and where we should set up the course.

The Rainone Solo/Twin Regatta was sailed this year without a solo class but we had enough boats sailing

double handed that we were able to split the them into two classes with boats rating faster than 150 (PHRF-NB) in Class 1 and those slower in Class 2. Class 1 was won by *Thunder*, followed by Abbi Stewart's *Flyer*, and Bob Johnston's *Morning Dance*. Class 2 was taken by Ken Thorsen's *Thora*, with *Mojo* and *Cosmo* in second and third. The race was run with no threat of rain (really the only one so far this year) in a mostly westerly wind that was up and down all day (but mostly up), and the boats were challenged by everybody parking together for a short time out near Ohio Ledge.

The Fantastic Plastic was held on Saturday, June 29th on a day when the weather forecast predicted a 50% chance of rain and/or thunderstorms. Right after the start the weather cleared and we had blue skies for the entire race. The weather predictions may have led some boats that were registered for the race to stay home but they missed a great day on the water with a very steady, if maybe a little shifty 10-20 knot southwesterly breeze. Tom D'Albora's *Coconut* finished ahead of *Thunder*, skippered by Charlie Kineke and Ken Thorsen's *Thora*. After the race Ken told me that *Coconut* and *Thunder* are the only two boats he's never managed to beat.

About a third of the Monday Evening Summer Series has been completed and while we've had four different winners in the spinnaker class, the non-spinnaker class has been dominated by one boat, the Sea Sprite, *Pale Rider*. In only one race did Pale Rider fail to finish first but managed to capture a third in that race. Watch the website for a rescheduled date for Race #3 of the series.

Coming up in July is our inaugural running of the Around The Bay Race followed by the Whaler's Cruise/Race to Block Island. Please get you entries in soon for both these events so we can make sure that we can accommodate everyone at the shore side events.

I'm looking forward to a great season. See you all, soon, on the water!

David Lodge Race Committee Chairman

#### **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	
Past Commodore	Will Richmond
Secretary	Raleigh Jenkins
Treasurer	Jo-Ann Grima
Parliamentarian	Marcie Feldman
Members at Large	Celeste Wright
	Joe Crocker
	Matt Aubee
2012 Committee Chains	

#### **2013 Committee Chairs**

Cruising	Phyllis Geisser & Jo-Ann Grima Tom Stocker Grant Brandon
	Raymond Way
Website	David Lodge
Blooper	Andrew Brousell
Membership	Greg Yates
House	Raleigh Jenkins
Racing & Website	David Lodge

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

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 carburator 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):
 \$8,725.

 2. Inflatable Dinghy (approx yr 2000):
 225.

 3. Mercury 3.3 hp outboard motor (yr 2000):
 400.

 4. Garmin GPSMAP 545S Chartplotter (yr 2009):
 600.

 \$9,950.

#### **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 Arev. Tel 508-887-1253, Email: brucearev@hotmail.com

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

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Details				
Manufacturer	Century	Model	2900 Walkaround	
Year	2001	<ul> <li>Length</li> </ul>	29'	
Hull Type	FIBERGLASS	<ul> <li>Engines</li> </ul>	TWIN	
Fuel Type	GAS	• Price	\$49,990.00	

Powered by twin Yamaha 250 HP 2S engines (less than 400 hours), the 2900 offers all of the fishing amenities a serious angler could want as well as a spacious cabin featuring a generous size galley with refrigerator, microwave, and alcohol stove, enclosed standup head with shower, and convertible dinette, and A/C; electronics include Raytheon 24 mile radar, GPS with 10" color display, depth sounder, and VHF. This beamy (9' 6") walkaround sports an impressive handling deep-v hull for outstanding stability at both trolling and cruising speeds and she comes complete with tri axle aluminum I beam trailer. This turnkey fishing machine is priced to SELL at \$49,990.00!

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# Rhode Island's tall ship takes shape

http://www.cranstononline.com/stories/Rhode-Islands-tall-ship-takes-shape,83702

People who love Tall Ships have been waiting to get a glimpse of the SSV (Sailing School Vessel) Oliver Hazard Perry since 2008, when it was towed here from Ontario. We got a good glimpse of it over the weekend in Newport. Though far from complete, it takes very little imagination to see the scale and grace that the Perry will have under sail. But that image of the ship's future was far from apparent when Tall Ships Rhode Island was first introduced to it.

"I first heard about it from a Canadian friend of mine," said skipper Richard Bailey, a longtime Rhode Island resident and veteran tall ship captain.

"There was a Canadian group who were making a representation of the HMS Detroit, which was one of the ships captured by Oliver Hazard Perry on Lake Erie. For one reason or another, they ran out of money or interest and my friend told me they wanted to sell the hull. So we negotiated with them and got it for a really good price. They had already spent \$2 million on the hull."

There was one problem with the ship. The Detroit was what is called a "shoal-drafted" ship, designed to navigate the relatively calm bodies of water like Lake Erie. What the far-sighted people of the Tall Ships Rhode Island organization

saw was the basis of a tall sailing vessel of their very own.

"It was not an oceangoing ship," said Bailey. "It had what you call a low freeboard and it was meant to carry guns on the water of a lake. To make it capable of ocean sailing, we had to add another story to the deck."

Another story could make the ship top heavy and defeat the purpose of raising the deck, Bailey said, so 6,000 lead bricks, weighing 331,650 pounds, were laid into the hull.

If it's beginning to sound like Bailey knows his sailing ships, rest assured that he does. Bailey was born in Hyannis on Cape Cod but his family moved to Rhode Island when he was 5. He was fascinated by the HMS Rose, after reading about the tall ship in the newspaper. The Rose is a replica of an 18th century Royal Navy frigate that cruised the American coast during the Revolutionary War. In 1972, at the age of 21, Bailey moved to Newport and joined day sails with the tall ship, although it was mostly sitting at a dock through most of the 1970s. Bailey was a quick study and gained more experience on other ships.

"I became a crew member on a lot of sailing yachts and schooners," said Bailey. "That's when I made the bad decision to do it for a living."

He spent his free time learning everything he could about sailing ship maintenance and marine traditions. By 1980, Bailey was trusted enough to deliver sailing yachts all over the world. In 1980, Bailey left Newport to participate in boat deliveries around the world. Fatefully, about four years later he saw a billboard announcing that the Rose had moved to Black Rock Harbor in Connecticut. Bailey went to visit the ship, and the new owner asked him to be its captain. The owner knew Bailey's reputation and told him about his plans to rebuild the ship, which had been neglected and paid for mistakes made while making the ship. Over a six-year period, they rebuilt the ship and operated it as a Sailing School Vessel until 2001, when it was sold to Hollywood for the making of the 2003 movie, "Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World."

"We actually tried to buy the ship back from them," said Bailey, "but they decided to let it go to a California museum, in case they wanted to use it for another movie, I suspect."

Bailey went on to command other tall ships, including the schooners Spirit of Massachusetts, Westward and Harvey Gamage and the 177-foot tall ship, Gazela Primeiro.

There are no plans to sell the Perry to Hollywood or anyone else. The ship was written into legislation in May of 2012 as Rhode Island's official "Sailing Education Vessel."

The 196-foot, three-mast, square-rigged tall ship will be the first oceangoing full-rigged ship to be built in this country in over a century. Tall Ships Rhode Island has morphed into Oliver Hazard Perry Rhode Island (OHPRI). Promet Marine in Providence and Senesco Marine in Quonset have been the shipbuilders for the project, which, if all goes as planned, will be making its maiden voyage in late spring of next year.

OHPRI's goal is to build a tall ship that offers year-round experiential education-at-sea programs, in the Northeast in summer and the Caribbean in winter. It will hold 35 people on overnight trips and 85 for day trips, plus permanent crew.

Over the weekend, the Perry was seen with only the lower third of her three masts stepped and a bowsprit half the size of what it will be. It's new paint shows how beautiful the ship will be and Bailey hopes it makes an inspiring impression on potential donors.

"It's very difficult to raise funds for something 'sight unseen' like this, so I'm hoping the progress we made and the way it looks will bring in more support," said Bailey, who took on the task of selling the hull to supporters at one of the most difficult economic crises the country has ever seen. But his mood has improved along with the ship itself. "You know, we bought the hull on the same day that Lehman Brothers collapsed. I'm hoping people will be in the mood to help us now."

Bailey and the OHPRI members will show the ship to potential donors and hope that the promise of Rhode Island having its very won tall ship will loosen some purse strings. They still have to raise \$3 million to finish the job, but Bailey is

confident that it will come.

"I think we are over the mountain top now," said Bailey. "Before, people really couldn't see the vision of the Perry. For that, they have got to see the inside and imagine it complete."



Photo by David Lodge



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# **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

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

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