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The Friendliest Little Yacht Club on the Bay!

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Commodore's Message



Members,

Here we are, its October! We have got some great events planned. Columbus Day Cruise to Wickford, and the Pumpkin Patch Regatta are all this month! Lastly, please do not forget that this month, we have our annual meeting! Your attendance is needed to pass the reigns of leadership for 2014 to our Nominees. What a great group we have on slate. Many thanks to the Nominating committee!

Keep an eye out for an impromptu event too. We're not ready to put our boats to bed yet. Right?

Respectively Submitted,

Dean Travis
Commodore

| WBYC Calendar | |
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| Date | Event |
| Thursday, October 03, 2013 | WBYC Board of Governor's Meeting (7:00 PM) |
| Friday, October 11, 2013 | Poker Night at WBYC |
| Saturday, October 12, 2013 | WBYC Cruise to Wickford |
| Sunday, October 13, 2013 | WBYC Cruise to Wickford |
| Monday, October 14, 2013 | WBYC Cruise to Wickford |
| Friday, October 18, 2013 | WBYC Annual Meeting at the Clubhouse (7:00 PM) |
| Saturday, October 19, 2013 | WBYC Pumpkin Patch Regatta |
| Friday, October 25, 2013 | Game Night at WBYC |
| | AHYC Hecht Memorial Race |
| Saturday, October 26, 2013 | Halloween Party at WBYC (6:00PM) |
| Thursday, November 07, 2013 | WBYC Board of Governor's Meeting (7:00 PM) |
| Friday, November 08, 2013 | Poker Night at WBYC |
| Saturday, November 09, 2013 | WBYC Annual Awards Dinner at EGYC (6:00PM) |
| Friday, November 22, 2013 | Game Night at WBYC |
| Thursday, December 05, 2013 | WBYC Board of Governor's Meeting (7:00 PM) |
| Friday, December 13, 2013 | Poker Night at WBYC |
| Saturday, December 14, 2013 | Holiday Party at WBYC (6:00 PM) |
| Friday, December 27, 2013 | Game Night at WBYC |

Vice Commodore



Cheers WBYC Members,

Fall boating in New England can really be something special. Though the temperatures have turned a bit cooler, the winds remain strong and the sailing is at some of its best. I find that there is also a certain camaraderie that exists when you meet a fellow fall boater. There is an unspoken understanding that both share a true passion for life on the water!

Turning to Life at WBYC, by the time this article is published, WBYC will be looking forward to the ever popular Columbus Day cruise to Wickford, the Fall Racing series and a number of Saturday Bay Races including my favorite, The Pumpkin Regatta. Lastly, the WBYC Halloween Party, late in October is always a great time as well. Our Activities Committee does an outstanding job transforming the “Friendliest Club House....” into the “Spookiest Club House on the bay”.

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.

Fall is on at WBYC! ~

Jay Eshleman, Vice Commodore – WBYC

Education Committee



It’s been a while since I last wrote an article for the monthly Blooper but as many of you know while vacationing on Martha’s Vineyard in late July I encountered the wrath of a large stone in my gallbladder. The end result was four nights and five days in hospitals and “minus” a gallbladder. The

recovery period lasted six plus weeks and now I’m at a point that I can say, without hesitation, I’ve recovered completely. Thanks to everyone for your kind thoughts and best wishes during my recovery period they all really made a difference!

Back at the ranch “chess playing” continued without interruption which was a beautiful thing. I have included for your personal enjoyment several outstanding photos [taken by my wife Jennifer] of our chess club members in action as they think through strategies & tactics on their opponents. For those interested in re-kindling a chess skill from days gone by I highly encourage you to join us on Friday nights at the Club from 7 to 9PM. The playing format is straight forward as we have players at all levels from beginners to intermediates. The idea and purpose of the Chess Club is to have fun while fine tuning your chess skill set or learning how to play the game. Instruction is always available and we welcome members and non-members alike to join us for an evening of fun, relaxation and camaraderie on Friday nights.

Last, but not least, this coming Saturday October 5th from 10 to 1PM the Education Committee will be hosting the Fall Sewing Class starring our very own “canvas lady” Tonya Ricketts. For those of you who missed the Spring sessions this is your chance to redeem yourselves and join the infamous WBYC sewing team. I know Tonya has several surprises up her sleeve which she is going to share with us on Saturday. The only requirement is to attend the class by bringing yourself and a sewing machine [if you own one]. Lunch to be provided at NO COST so there are few if no excuses that will be accepted for not attending and participating at one of our most memorable events of the year!

Looking forward to seeing a whole bunch of you on Friday and Saturday,

Respectfully,

Grant Brandon
Education Committee Chair
grantbrandon01@gmail.com

Cruising Committee

Since my last report, we have not had any club cruises. September is now behind us and October brings us our final cruise of the season over the Columbus Day weekend. This cruise has been a club favorite over the past several years with our biggest turnout of boats and land-yachts.



We will be converging on Wickford Marina, in beautiful Wickford harbor. Cruise Captains Debbie and Bruce Arey asked me to remind you that early reservations are recommended, as Edgewood YC will also be staying at WM so it could get crowded.

Debbie is planning dinner options for cruisers and land-cruisers for either Saturday and Sunday night so check out Debbie's article in this Blooper for more information. You can also find the latest and up to the minute info about this (and all others) cruise on our Facebook "Events" page and on our club website.



Since I am the eternal optimist that fair summer weather will continue with us for some time, remember our Dutch Harbor mooring is mooring #215 located next to several Wickford YC moorings labeled "WYC". The coordinates are: N41.29.692 by W071.23.527. Keep in mind that if you want to go ashore be sure to bring a dingy, as the DH Marina will not provide launch service no matter how hard you may try.

See you on the water!

Tom Stocker
Cruise Committee Chair

Activities Committee



We're excited about the fall lineup, which began with the New Member Social on 9/21. We had planned for about 35 guests and were delighted to see at least 45 people in attendance. The Club was full of chatter between "old" and "new members. It was terrific!! Everyone enjoyed a delicious Chicken Marsala dinner with all the fixins. Thanks to everyone who pitched in to make this another great WBYC function. Don't forget to mark your calendar for upcoming events:

Friday, 10/18 – The Annual Meeting – Start time 7:30 – Find out what happened this past year and what's in store for next year. Dessert and coffee will be served

Saturday, 10/26 – The Annual Halloween Bash and Potluck- Calling all ghosts and goblins, big and small, old and young to join us for a fun night together. Wear a costume, bring a friend, and let's have a party!! The haunting starts at 6:30.

If you last name starts with:
A-I, please bring an appetizer or salad
J-R, please bring a main dish
S-Z, please bring a dessert

Saturday, 11/09 – The Annual Awards and Appreciation Banquet will be held at the East Greenwich Yacht Club. You'll receive your invitation very shortly. Please join us for this very nice evening out. Awards are presented to the racing folks for their hard work (and fun) out on the Bay. Several other awards are handed out as well. There's great food, music, raffles and a silent auction, too. It's a great opportunity for us (the "kitchen crew") to get together and enjoy everyone's company away from the WBYC kitchen. Responses are due by 10/31/13. Even if you're unable to make it, please drop your reply in the mail. We're excited about our new locale this year, so plan on spending Saturday, November 9th with us.

Saturday, December 7th – The Annual Holiday Party is scheduled. More details to follow.

GOOD & WELFARE - We'd like to express our sincere sympathy to Aaron Babcock and his family on the recent passing of his Dad, Bruce. Bruce was an avid sailor and racer. We always enjoyed seeing him after racing on Monday night. We sure will miss seeing his "forever smiling face". Also, Jim Ward had successful back surgery and is recovering at home and should be good as new in no time. From all reports, everyone else remains well. Keep up the good work. If you have something to share, please let us know. We'd be happy to pass it along.

We could use some help decorating for the Halloween Party, so if you're interested, just call.

See you at the club,
Jo-Ann and Phyllis

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Racing Committee



Another great WBYC Fall Series is in the record books. We had a great series with good weather and winds. In fact, despite setting up a starting line for the fourth and final race in a Greenwich Bay that looked like a mill pond shortly after the start a nice solid 10-12 knot breeze showed up and the final race was completed on the full length of the course the committee selected.

Many EGYC boats that don't race with us during the summer join us for the fall so the non-spinnaker class on the first evening of the series was 11 boats strong. As has become commonplace for WBYC races the racing was quite close with many race places decided by seconds and third place in the spinnaker class was decided by a tie-breaker.

Non-Spinnaker Class

1. *Pale Rider* - 3 pts.
2. *Thora* - 5 pts.
3. *Climax* - 9 pts.
4. *Espresso* - 13 pts.
5. *Citation* - 14 pts.
6. *Reprise* - 15 pts.
7. *Great Pumpkin* - 20 pts.
8. *Obadiah* - 22 pts.
9. *Elusive* - 23 pts.
10. *Snow Goose* - 28 pts.
11. *Vella Via* - 30 pts.

Spinnaker Class

1. *Seaquest* - 4 pts.
2. *Red Stripe* - 5 pts.
3. *Civil Action* - 10 pts.
4. *Flyer* - 10 pts.
5. *Anser* - 11 pts.
6. *Velocity* - 13 pts.
7. *Escape Plan* - 21 pts.

Everyone should save Saturday, October 19th for the Pumpkin Patch Regatta, racers and cruisers too. If you don't have a PHRF-NB rating certificate a generous rating will be assigned to your boat. We will have a non-racer class if enough boats are interested, or come out and raft up with the committee boat and party with us as we run the races. The first gun is at noon and we plan on

running three short races (weather permitting) with the finish for the last race at the entrance of Greenwich cove like we did last year (between green can C7 and *Estesea's* mooring).

See you all on the water!

David Lodge

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

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2013 Committee Chairs

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| Activities..... | Phyllis Geisser & Jo-Ann Grima |
| Cruising..... | Tom Stocker |
| Education..... | Grant Brandon |
| Publicity..... | Raymond Way |
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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: \$9,950.

BREAKDOWN OF PRICE

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| 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): | <u>600.</u> |
| | \$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 Arey, Tel 508-887-1253, Email: brucearey@hotmail.com

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

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COLUMBUS DAY WEEKEND CRUISE TO WICKFORD UPDATE

Debbie & Bruce are your Cruise Captains - Join us for the annual Wickford Cruise, a popular cruise. It will, again, be held at the Wickford Marina. Make your reservations early. It was highly recommended by Paul @ Wickford Marina to get your reservations in by Oct. 1st for a slip as Edgewood Yacht Club has also reserved for this weekend. Paul has made arrangements for some moorings as there won't be enough transient slips. You can call him at 401-294-8160. Our potluck dinner will be on Saturday night, the 12th. Bring something to grill for yourself along with a dish to share. On Sunday, the 13th at 6pm, we will be going to The Oak Hill Tavern on 565 Tower Hill Rd. (Rte 1) in N. Kingston for dinner. We were unable to get a caterer for various reasons and due to possible cool October evenings, it has been decided that this option is best. There is plenty of room for the estimated 30 people already signed up with a central bar. There should be plenty of cars available for rides from our land cruisers along with our car. We will be hosting the cocktail breakfast on Monday, the 14th at 10am under the yellow tent. If anyone can make an easy dish for this, please let me know. We will have the usual bloody marys and mimosas, fruit salad & mini quiches.

Please contact Debbie @ 508-579-7748 or Debarey@hotmail.com for any questions. Also, if you have not already signed up, please let me know.

LET'S HOPE FOR WEATHER LIKE THIS FOR OUR FINAL CRUISE OF THE SEASON!!!



It's a Sweet America's Cup Victory for Sail Newport <http://ripr.org/post/its-sweet-america-s-cup-victory-sail-newport>

Thursday is an especially sweet day for Sail Newport. It's not only celebrating the Oracle Team USA win over New Zealand for the America's Cup, but today is also Sail Newport's 30th anniversary.

The public sailing center was formed almost immediately after America lost the cup to Australia in the waters off Newport. Sail Newport Executive Director Brad Read couldn't be more thrilled with the timing of the America's Cup win.



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Credit Bradley Campbell / RIPR

The latest America's Cup win could mean events like the World Series that sailed off Newport in 2012 could return to Rhode Island.

“In the grand scheme of things, there's only been one other quote ‘race of the century’ in sailing and that was 30 years ago today when Australia II beat Liberty and took the America's Cup from America,” said Read. “That was the race of the century the last century and this was the race of the century obviously in a young century.”

Newport hosted the America's Cup World Series last year. Read said this American win could bring another pre-event back to the Ocean State.

Sail Newport is celebrating its 30th anniversary with yacht tours and a sailing festival on Saturday.



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West Bay Yacht Club

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

2013 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Return To:

WBYC Membership Chair
P.O. Box 1604
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Date: _____

APPLICANT _____ APPLICANT _____

STREET _____ CITY _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

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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. Thanks for your interest. We look forward to hearing from you!

SAILING INTERESTS: Circle your interests

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

PREFERENCES FOR CLUB PARTICIPATION: Circle your preference for participation

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



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