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The Friendliest Little Yacht Club on the Bay!

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Commodore's Message



Members,

Big turnout at last night's Super Bowl Party!!!!!! Past Commodore David Pickering hosted a spectacular event. In fact, three spectacular events. We had the Patriots for two games and last night we had the Seahawks versus the Broncos. What a great time. Thanks David and thanks to all our members who contributed to the potluck feast. No one went home hungry! And let's not forget to thank our Paul Finstein for his contributions too. Without Paul, things just aren't as much fun!

Now we have another great event to talk about. It is the Cruise Planning Party on February 22nd. This was a spectacular event last year! It was the beginning of something really special. WBYC got the cruising bug and we never looked back. This year, we're doing it again! Don't miss this party! It sure to be a lot of fun.

Last but not least, we have some education seminars coming up. One in particular that comes to mind is for the entire family. We

have TJ Del Santo of WPRI channel 12 coming to WBYC on Wednesday March 19th. This is an awesome subject for our kids as much as it is for ourselves. Bring your family and come meet TJ.

Now on a personal note, Don't let all this snow get you down. We'll be on the water before you know it. Just grab a friend or two and bring them along to one of the many events we have planned this winter. Just think how much fun this summer will be if you create a bunch of new friends before the boating season even starts.

Respectfully submitted,
Dean Travis - Commodore

WBYC Calendar	
Date	Event
Friday, February 14, 2014	Cards Night at WBYC
	Watercolor class with Michelle Lilly and Celeste Wright at WBYC (10:00AM till 1:00PM)
Saturday, February 15, 2014	
Saturday, February 22, 2014	WBYC Planning Cruise Social
Wednesday, February 26, 2014	Chess Night at WBYC
Friday, February 28, 2014	Game Night at WBYC
Thursday, March 06, 2014	WBYC BOG Meeting at 7:00PM at WBYC
Saturday, March 08, 2014	Waterline Systems Open House

Cruising Committee

It is time to start our cruising season! We will be holding our annual cruising social and planning meeting on Saturday February 22.



Our theme will be Caribbean and we are looking for someone to outdo Patty Hughes. Any takers?

Debbie Arey has come up with an outstanding menu,

which is posted on our website and in our event posting in Facebook. Admission is \$15 per person. You will be able to RSVP and pay via PayPal on our website, or by check or cash. RSVPs are required. I hope we will see all of you there.

We are still in need of a few volunteers to be cruise captains for the 4th of July cruise and one for our newest cruises, the 'end of summer cruise' in September, and for our two week summer cruise. Pair up or head it yourself, this is a great way to get involved with your Club.

Our cruise committee is hard at work putting the final touches on our cruising party and planning our cruises. See you on the 22nd!

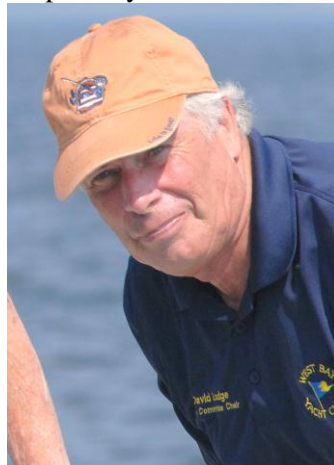
Tom Stocker
Cruise Committee Chair

Vice Commodore



What a fantastic Super Bowl, go Seahawks! If you missed, it was a great party at West Bay Yacht Club. What a variety of activities we have to keep us busy while the boats are covered up. January brought wine and beer making, watercolor, sewing and racing rules. February had the great Super Bowl party and has the cruise planning dinner, Beer and Wine making part 2, Watercolor part 2 and more. These events are a great opportunity for learning as well as meeting members. If you haven't participated please join us. Also mark your calendar for April 12th as your Flag Officers will be sharpening their culinary skills for a great night of fine dining. (you may even see some of the fruits of our labor with the Beer and Wine making class). Your board of

Governors is working hard to ensure 2014 is the best season yet. We are always looking for motivated volunteers to help so if you have a little extra time please



get in touch. An outline of the proposed 2014 cruises has been floated (check the club's website calendar and/or our Facebook page) and the social will give everyone a chance to add their input. Check Tom's cruising report for more information. For racers we have a Racing Rules Refresher Seminar coming up on Thursday, March 27th. The seminar will be led by US Sailing Judge, Ron Hopkins. We could all use a refresher on the rules so that we can easily adhere to the second commandment of beer can racing, "Thou shalt honor the racing rules." I've posted all Ten Commandments. You can reach them from the link on the front page of the club's website.

David Lodge
Vice Commodore

Activities Committee



We trust everyone is surviving this very chilly and snowy winter.

Looking back—The Superbowl party was held on February 2nd. We had about 30 attendees enjoying good food, good conversation and each other's company. Although the Pats were out, we got to enjoy cheering for the Seattle Seahawks (the Crocker's' home team) as the wiped out the Denver Broncos. A great time was had by all. Thanks to everyone who brought food and helped

clean up the mess afterwards, too. As always, it surely was appreciated.

Looking ahead—February’s calendar continues to be busy, busy, busy

Calling all Cruisers- Be there on Saturday 2/22 at 6:00 to socialize together as well as plan this upcoming season’s cruises. Tom Stocker and his committee will be preparing a terrific dinner for everyone. Check out Tom’s article for more details.

Don’t forget – the Annual St. Patrick’s Day Dinner is scheduled for March 15th. So mark your calendar. Details will follow.

GOOD and WELFARE – Mom P (aka Phyllis) continues to recover from her open heart surgery last month. We’ll always hold you up in our thoughts and prayers till you’re back to your old self again. If anyone else something to share, please give one of a call so we can pass it along.

We’re always looking for new ideas for different activities, so don’t be shy. Give us a call.

See you at the Club,

Jo-Ann (738-0272) Phyllis (219-1784)

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-Bruce Arey

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RI eyeing Olympic sailing trials

<http://wpri.com/2014/02/11/ri-eyeing-olympic-sailing-trials/>

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — A commission set up by the governor is working on ways to bring more sailing events to Rhode Island, including Olympic trials.

The Newport Daily News reports that members of the Sailing Events Commission say Gov. Lincoln Chafee wants to look at whether Fort Adams State Park in Newport could host trials ahead of the 2016 games in Rio de Janeiro.

Commission member Joe Dias of the Department of Environmental Management says other countries have an Olympic sailing base, but the U.S. does not. He says Chafee wants Newport and Rhode Island to serve as the base.

Commission member Evan Smith, head of the regional visitors' bureau Discover Newport, says they'll also look at other events that could benefit the state's economy.



Photo Courtesy of David Lodge



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"Friendliest Little Yacht Club on the Bay"

Location: Norton's Marina & Shipyard

Foot of Division Street, East Greenwich, RI

2014 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 our Membership Chair to discuss the WBYC Membership options and cost. 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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<http://www.westbayyachtclub.org/2013-wbyc-officers.html>

The latest Club Cruising, Racing and Social calendar is
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View from the dock - Photo courtesy of David Lodge