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Commodore's Message



Members,

What a fantastic start to our season. As this moment, racing and cruising are underway. The mooring at Dutch is waiting your arrival and I saw the first invite for an impromptu raft up off Goddard Park. Anyone not yet in the water? Time to invest the time to make it happen! For those of you looking for your next great adventure, take a look at the WBYC calendar located in this Blooper. We have lots of good events coming up. Let's get out there. Let the summer begin!

Respectively Submitted,
Dean Travis
Commodore

WBYC's 2014 Monday Evening Summer Series

Twelve Monday Evenings June, July & August

Sail and yacht clubs across the country hold summer evening races. Sailors everywhere rush out of work on time - or maybe sneak out a little early to join family and friends to compete, watch the sun set, and socialize. WBYC is no exception. Summer Monday evenings at WBYC are among our best times of the year. The camaraderie and friendly competition on the water extends to great dinners at the club after racing always expertly prepared by Phyllis, Jo-Ann, and Jennifer.

As always we will have multiple classes of spinnaker and non-spinnaker yachts. Plan on a year where the race committee will try its best to set a wide variety of courses that test your skills and seamanship.



June

Monday, June 2nd, 6:15 PM	Monday Evening Summer Series - Race #1
Thursday, June 5th, 7:00 PM	Board of Governors Meeting
Monday, June 9th, 6:15 PM	Monday Evening Summer Series - Race #2
Friday, June 13th, 7:00 PM	Cards Night at WBYC
Saturday, June 14th, 12:00 PM	WBYC's Rainone Solo/Twin Regatta
Monday, June 16th, 6:15 PM	Monday Evening Summer Series - Race #3
Saturday, June 21st, 12:00 PM	WBYC's Fantastic Plastic Regatta
Saturday-Sunday, June 21st-22nd	WBYC's Kid's Cruise to Potters Cove
Monday, June 23rd, 6:15 PM	Monday Evening Summer Series - Race #4
Friday, June 27th, 7:00 PM	Game Night at WBYC
Saturday, June 28th	2000 Club Spring Race
Monday, June 30th, 6:15 PM	Monday Evening Summer Series - Race #5

July

Friday-Sunday, July 4th-6th	WBYC's Fourth of July Cruise
Saturday, July 5th	Annual Two-Week Cruise Begins
Monday, July 7th, 6:15 PM	Monday Evening Summer Series - Race #6
Thursday, July 10th, 7:00 PM	Board of Governors Meeting
Friday, July 11th, 7:00 PM	Cards Night at WBYC
Saturday, July 12th, 10:00 AM	WBYC's Around The Bay Race
Monday, July 14th, 6:15 PM	Monday Evening Summer Series - Race #7
Saturday, July 19th	EGYC Annual Regatta
Monday, July 21st, 6:15 PM	Monday Evening Summer Series - Race #8
Friday, July 25th, 7:00 PM	Game Night at WBYC
Saturday, July 26th, 11:00 AM	WBYC's Whaler's Cruise/Race to Block Is.
Monday, July 28th, 6:15 PM	Monday Evening Summer Series Race #9

Cruising Committee Report

So now it is June and based on your Facebook posts, many of you are already in full cruising mode. Excellent! I attended my first cruise of the season with the Sea Scouts this past weekend, visiting the always



fine port of Wickford. We had a great time and I am looking forward to many more weekends of fine cruising this year.

Our Kid's Cruise is set for June 21-22. The destination

will be Potter's Cove on Prudence Island. The information and cruise details from our Co-cruise captains, Dave & Leann Pickering and Joe & Debbie Crocker can be found on another article in this issue of The Blooper.

We DO NEED a Cruise Captain for our 4th of July Cruise. We are looking at Jamestown as our destination. As soon as we find out which side of the island they plan to have fireworks, we will plan accordingly. Won't someone stand up and help plan this one? I promise planning a cruise is not overly difficult or time consuming. Call me for details.

See you on the water!

Tom Stocker

Cruise Committee Chair

Rear Commodore



Summer is finally here! While I am late launching it is great to have another season finally upon us. Coming up next is the Kids cruise to Potter's cove, which we are co-captaining with the Pickering's. Should be a great time and it is NOT just for kids! We are hoping for some good participation and have many fun activities for all ages. Racing is off to a good start and there is much to do at WBYC. I have met some members around the boatyard (my projects are taking too long) whom I have never

seen or met. If you have been inactive please consider making this a year to get involved in WBYC. What a great club and membership we have!

See you on the water!

Joe Crocker
Rear Commodore

Membership

Hello Everyone!

A big thank you to all who have renewed memberships. The boating season is upon us. June begins our Summer Race Series with Race #1 on Monday June 2nd. Good luck to all who will be participating! We will also be having our WBYC Kids Cruise on Saturday June 21st.

Please refer to: www.westbayyachtclub.org for further event information for the month of June.

Celeste Chute-Wright

Vice Commodore



WBYC Sailors:

Congratulations, sailing season has finally begun. As of this writing we have held our first Monday Evening Summer Series race. We had fabulous weather with clear skies and a breeze that started out at a solid 15 kts. and softened up to 8-10kts. by the end of the race. As always there was some close racing with **Stormin' Norman** overlapped with **Mojo** at the finish. **Stormin' Norman's** corrected time gave them a third place 1 second ahead of **All In**. Charlie Kineke's **Thunder** has returned to WBYC racing and ran away with first place. The spinnaker class is a little larger than last year with **Climax** shifting from the non-spinnaker class to the spinnaker class and Chris Tate's **Blitz** from AHYC racing with us on Monday nights this year. Though

it looking like conditions and the course configuration would favor the bigger boats in the non-spinnaker class the two smallest boats still managed to finish 1-2 with Ken Thorsen's *Thora* finishing ahead of Brian Anderson's *Pale Rider*. Bill Lilly's *Mighty Moose* claimed third place.

We have two Saturday races this month with the Rainone Solo/Twin on Saturday, June 14th and the Fantastic Plastic on Saturday, June 21st. The first gun for both races is at noon. As of this writing we expect a great turnout for the double-handed class of the Solo/Twin but it seems that we have a group of more social sailors who get lonely sailing single handed so there are few entries for this class.

New pages have been posted to the website with a new layout that allows for a space for our advertisers. The crew wanted/available section has already gotten some use and the new online race entry system has run smoothly. Now, when you enter a race online your entry automatically and immediately shows up on the appropriate race's scratch sheet.

The Fourth of July cruise details have started coming together. There were no mooring available on the east side of Jamestown so we have had to utilize Dutch Harbor, but we will have a "fleet" of shore cruisers to provide for terrestrial navigation to the fireworks on both Friday and Saturday nights. The Newport fireworks are on Friday night and the Jamestown fireworks are on Saturday night off East Ferry Beach. As details are completed they will be posted at:
<http://westbayyachtclub.org/2014cruising/fourth-of-july-cruise.html> and on the club's Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/168125521190/>.

The Pickerings and the Crockers have great plans for the Kid's Cruise on Saturday-Sunday, June 21st-22nd. Information on this is posted to the website at <http://westbayyachtclub.org/2014cruising/kids-cruise.html> and to the club's Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/168125521190/>.

Keep watching your email for impromptu happenings at WBYC like Goddard Park raft ups and clubhouse gatherings. See everyone real soon on the water.

David Lodge
Vice Commodore

Activities Committee



Is Summer here yet? We certainly hope so!! Alchemy (our boat) went out for its' first "shake-down cruise of the season" and it sure was chilly?

Most of the "summer fun" can be found outdoors, so the Club's indoor activities will be on hold till the Fall. Keep an eye on the calendar for anything that's coming up.

The Racing Kitchen opened Monday, 6/2. It's always a great time to get together, have dinner, and swap stories of what happened out on the race course. We'd also like to invite anyone interested in showing off their culinary skills and join us some night. Don't be shy—we know you're out there!

Good and Welfare—It looks like everyone continues to be both good and well. Keep up the good work!

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

Lost and Found—If anyone has lost a bracelet recently, it's been found! Call either of us and we'll make sure it's returned ASAP.

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

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For Sale 1974 Tanzer 22 with lots of character and fun to sail. The Tanzer 22 is a great day sailor or nightly club racer. She has a large cockpit and a nice cuddy cabin. This boat has been configured for single handing and club racing. The boat has many upgrades in including 3 sails: (Roller furled), Racing Dacron Main (2012), Racing Dacron Furled Genoa (2012) , and Racing Dacron Jib (2011), Updated Spinnaker pole (2010), speed/log gauge (2012), Pot-a-Potty (2011), Life Lines (2011), Tiller 2011, Hatch slides (2014), Battery (2014), Main sheet system (2012), Back Stay adjustment system (2011), Tiller tamer (2011), interior Cushions including berths (2010), Compass (2010), VHF Radio, bottom was striped, interlux barrier coated applied (2010), anchor and line, lines configured back to the cockpit and used rope clutches (2010), upgraded winches (Used), self tailing Main Sheet Traveler, Boom Kicker (2011), standard rigging (2012), Life lines (2011), etc.

The boat is available for \$1700 with out the 2 HP Honda outboard or \$2000 with it.

I am selling her with out the spinnakers as they have never been used, brand new and paid more than what I am asking for the boat.

This is a great boat for a down size, family or new sailor. It has been a pleasure to sail her, but I have move to a larger boat. The three sails cost more than the asking price.

The boat was not used last year, but is ready to sail for this season and is located at Dickerson's Marina.



Photo courtesy of David Lodge



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June 21 & 22 – WBYC's Annual Kids Cruise

(Adults with a kids heart are warmly welcome too ☺)

Potter's Cove, Prudence Island

This year's Kids Cruise offers SEVERAL new and exciting events as well as many of your favorites! Check out these exciting events!

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| (5 mph) Dinghy Water Battle with Water balloons & Super Soakers! | |
| - Biggest & Most Clams Contest | - Kids Treasure Hunt! |
| - Adult Metal Detector Treasure Hunt | - Water Sports / Tube Rides! |
| - Cookout on Beach w/ Fireworks | - Kayak Races |
| - Adult Metal Detector Treasure | - Dinghy Scavenger Hunt |
| All this along with a Bonfire, Smore's, Marshmallows & Banana Boats! | |

Special Guests: Jimmy Buffet & The Beach Boys!!

Capt. Dave & Leann Pickering and Joe & Debbie Crocker are your Cruise Captains this year. Grills will be provided, just bring some food and your kids, nephews, nieces, grand kid's or join us and enjoy all the kids, kick back and have the time of your life. You deserve it!!

Questions? Just call Capt. Dave & Leann Pickering captdavepickering@gmail.com
401-742-5039 or Joe & Debbie Crocker joe@alhambrabuildingco.com 401-265-1773

Annual Regatta Goes Big For 160th Anniversary

<http://www.nyyc.org/latest-news-public-blog/1576-annual-regatta-goes-big-for-160th-anniversary>

It will be an anniversary to remember when the 160th New York Yacht Club Annual Regatta presented by Rolex hosts sailing's biggest players on Narragansett Bay and Rhode Island Sound this June. The three-day event, distinguished as America's oldest continually run regatta, is scheduled for Friday through Sunday, June 13-15, and hosted by the New York Yacht Club at its on-the-water clubhouse, Harbour Court, in Newport, R.I.

Team Alvimedica, the Rhode Island-led team preparing for the Volvo Ocean Race 2014-15, is on its way across the Atlantic Ocean from Lisbon, Portugal, to debut its just-launched Volvo Ocean 65 in the IRC division at the Annual Regatta's Around-the-Island Race, which kicks off the event's three days of competition on Friday. The 19-mile circumnavigation of Conanicut Island is separately scored from the Annual Regatta's weekend of buoy racing, and Team Alvimedica plans to use it as a further shakedown opportunity as well as a showcase for its Volvo effort.

"The Annual Regatta is a fantastic event in one of the best places to sail in the world," said Mark Towill (Kaneohe, Hawaii) by email from onboard his team's VO 65, which is skippered by Charlie Enright (Bristol, R.I.) and will sport a total crew of 10 during the Annual Regatta. "Newport is our team's homeport, and we are looking forward to getting there, engaging with the community and enjoying all that it has to offer. After the Around-the-Island Race, the boat will have its naming ceremony, and we will kick-start our campaign."

Also making a trans-oceanic trip (by plane) to race is the Brazilian team onboard the chartered Whitbread MOD 60 Cuba Libre, which will take on other IRC boats of similar size during all three days of Annual Regatta racing. "This is our first time racing in the Annual Regatta and our first time racing this type of boat," said the team's tactician Norman MacPherson (Niteroi, Brazil). "There are 16 sailors onboard, including me, and although we aren't professional sailors, everyone has a lot of racing experience. The MOD 60 is an incredibly fast and technical boat, so I am looking forward to seeing what our team can do with it."

The weekend classic is garnering extra attention this year as the first of three events in the venerable Onion Patch Series, a multi-regatta series that includes the biennial Newport Bermuda Race. Of the 147 boats currently registered to compete in the Annual Regatta, many go on to participate in the Newport Bermuda Race, which starts the following Friday (June 20). Among those are two IRC Mini Maxis, Alex Schaerer's (New York, NY) Caol Ila R and Hap Fauth's (Minneapolis, Minn./Naples, Fla.) Bella Mente. At 68 feet and 72 feet, respectively, the two have been engaged in an aquatic version of musical chairs all season.

"It is a bit of a risk for serious competitors to race in the Newport Bermuda Race without first competing at Annual Regatta," said Mike Sanderson (Auckland, NZ) who will join Fauth and fellow countryman John Cutler in Bella Mente's afterguard. "Caol Ila R is doing really well at the moment and a hard boat for us to race against because we owe them quite a bit of time. We need to pin our ears back and get quite a long way in front to win."

Sanderson added that the majority of the rival's team is made up of Australian sailors from the successful maxi yacht Wild Oats XI. The Annual Regatta will be Bella Mente's first competition since April when she broke her mast midway through Les Voiles de St. Barth, leaving Alex Schaerer's Caol Ila R to take the class win. Prior to that, Bella Mente won the mini maxi class at Key West Race Week (Caol Ila R came in second) and finished second overall and second in the IRC Z class at RORC 600.

"We will also have our hands full with the TP52s competing," said Sanderson. "The 52 is such a formidable IRC boat and makes for a good grudge match against a well-sailed mini maxi."

In addition to IRC, the regatta is open to yachts with a minimum LOA of 25 feet in Classic, 12 Metre and One-Design classes; PHRF, ORR and Doublehanded boats that want a more relaxing racing experience can compete in the Navigators Division, which sails one race per day around government marks.

Significant in size will be the Etchells Class, since the Annual Regatta serves as a prelude to the 2014 Etchells World Championship hosted by New York Yacht Club and Sail Newport later in June.



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MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS:

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We look forward to hearing from you!

SAILING INTERESTS: Circle your interests

Club Cruising
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Racing

Cruising
Membership

Publicity
Series Racing

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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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