

WEST BAY YACHT CLUB'S

Blooper



The Friendliest Little Yacht Club on the Bay!

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Commodore's Message



What a great 4th of July! Glad the boating season is finally upon us, seems like summer was slow to arrive this year. Cruising and Racing are in full swing at WBYC and it seems that everyone is having a great time. 4th of July cruise to Bristol had 11 boats and was all smiles. Special thanks to the Safton's for putting the event together. Racing is off to a great start also so come out and test your skills against your fellow members. If you aren't into racing there is always a dinner that is open to all. Next up is the Whalers Race/Cruise to Block Island hosted by Grant and Jenny Brandon, see Facebook for details. See you on the water!

Joe Crocker
Commodore

Vice Commodore



I thought I would provide a brief primer on Genoa car adjustment

Next month I will address the main sheet traveler and boom vang.

For newbies to sailing (or their boat) or needing a refresher - this is pretty good.

Good luck and good sailing!

Kevin

Trim and shapely - genoas

Genoa trim is of particular importance when the wind is forward of the beam and wind is passing over the genoa before the mainsail.

An incorrectly sheeted genoa can wrongly direct wind over the mainsail making it unhappy too. The tools to adjust shape in a genoa are halyard tension, mast rake, backstay tension, genoa car positioning and sheet tension.

We'll start by looking at genoa cars and sheet tension as these are the easiest to adjust.

Cars

Most genoa cars move forward and backwards on tracks either side of the deck. By moving the cars, the sheeting angle of the genoa is altered changing the tension in the leach and foot and altering the shape of the sail.

>>>>>>> The intention is to get an even tension on the foot and the leach.

1. Car too far forward; the foot of the sail sags, the leach will be pulled down tight almost straight.

2. Car too far aft; the foot is pulled tight, but the leach will lift causing the top of the sail to twist excessively and flap.

3. Car somewhere in the middle should give an even tension in the foot and the leach allowing good trim.

>>>>>>> A general rule of thumb is to move the car forward until the top of the leach just stops fluttering.

>>>>>>> On furling headsails, the genoa cars usually require moving forward as the sail is furled to keep the correct sail shape.

Twist

Don't be surprised if the top of the leach twists out to leeward more than at the bottom – it's supposed to. Wind speed increases and frees a little with height.

Therefore the top of the sail is trimmed freer than the base of the sail. The amount of twist is judged by looking up the leach to see if the top of the sail is flapping more than the central sections.

A more precise method is comparing the telltales along the luff from tack to the head.

Telltales

Telltales give a clearer picture of the airflow passing over both sides of the sail.

On a genoa it is useful to have three sets of telltales along the luff; at the top, middle and about a metre up from the tack. Telltales flow straight if the sail is well trimmed

If the windward (inside) telltales flutter – bear away or sheet in.

If the leeward (outside) telltales flutter – head up or ease sheets.

Telltales and car adjustment

1. Telltales all streaming nicely with the windward ones just starting to lift – perfect, the air flow is constant all the way up the sail.

2. Just the top windward telltale lifting whilst the bottom one is fine, sheeting-in would only spoil the air flow over the bottom of the sail. The problem is too much twist at the top of the sail - move the genoa car forward to increase the downward pressure on the leach.

3. Top leeward telltale lifting indicating the leach is too tight and too little twist, ease the car back slightly to open the leach. The lower windward telltale lifting would indicate a similar problem. Rear Commodore

Kevin Ingle

Cruise Committee Report

Our cruising season is in full swing. Our 4th of July Cruise is still happening as I write my report, our annual 2 week cruise took off yesterday and Chaz Crocker is on an adventure of a lifetime on a 3-week cruise aboard the tall ship Niagara. And I am sure there are several



members on cruises as well. Weather has been top notch and a bright forecast for the next week or so ensures great cruising ahead.

From the pictures I am seeing our annual July 4th cruise is a huge success. At least 11 boats represented WBYC. Thank you to cruise captains Dawn & Rich Safton for making it such a memorable event. You will find more pictures at the end of this Blooper.



As for our 2-week cruisers, we will have to keep an eye on FB for random and occasional postings they choose to make as they cruise to Falmouth, Vineyard Haven and the greater Buzzard's Bay area. Based on this pic Nathan posted one day in, it appears it didn't take Barb Shapiro any time at all to get into the cruising spirit. Way to go Barb!



Chaz Crocker has scored the cruise of a lifetime. Through Sea Scouts, he was lucky enough to be chosen for a scholarship to cruise on Niagara, a 123 ft. (198 sparred length) 2-masted Brig. They will be sailing from Buffalo NY to Erie PA over the next 3 weeks. Chaz will work as part of the crew and learn seamanship the old fashioned way; as a member of the crew. He is posting pictures on the Ship 1909 FB page as he goes, or you can follow his adventure via the ships log here: <https://brigniagara.wordpress.com/>. Maybe there is an education committee seminar at the end of this one?

Our next cruise will be our annual Whaler's Race to Block starting from Dutch Harbor on July 23. This is a race dominated by cruisers and the word 'race' should not deter you from joining us for this one. Race and Cruise Captains Dave Lodge (race officer) and Grant Brandon

(Shoreside activities) promise this will be another fantastic weekend. Grant has already posted the dinner reservation signup on our FB page, so race, cruise, fly or



ferry on over and join us! To register for the race, go to the WBYC website.

I posted this last month and I am going to

include it each month of the summer: You will find the rules for our mooring at Dutch Harbor included in this Blooper. It is always a good thing to review them at least once a year. Remember, members get first preference on the mooring use and up to three boats can raft at a time. If you are already there and decide you don't want to raft with an arriving boat, you must vacate the mooring. Likewise, if there are already 3 boats on the mooring and one or more is a non-member boat, a non-member boat must leave to make room for the arriving member boat.

You can always find our cruise schedule in this Blooper, on the Club Cruise bulletin board, on the bulletin board outside the Club and on our Facebook events page. Please do join us and please do get involved.

As always, we welcome all members to join our cruising committee, be cruise captains or just volunteer to help out. The work is light if it is divided among many. Give me a call 401-451-9799 or send me an email rtstocker@gmail.com. Your help is greatly appreciated.

See you on the water!
Tom Stocker
Cruise Committee

Activities Committee



Summer has finally arrived!! Alchemy (our boat) went out for its' first "shake-down cruise of the season" to watch the start of the Newport to Bermuda Race. While it started a little slowly due to lack of wind, further reports say things have definitely picked up.

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 the first Monday in June. As always, dinner will be available after the race. If you'd like to join us as "sous chef" and prepare dinner one week, please don't be shy, give us a call.

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.

See you at the Club,

Jo-Ann and the Activities Crew

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2016 Cruise Schedule

<u>Cruise</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Cruise Captains</u>
Memorial Day Weekend	May 28-30	WBYC	N & C Roman
4 th of July Weekend	July 2-4	Bristol YC	D & R Safton
Whaler's Race to BI	July 23-25	Great Salt Pond, BI	Dave L/Grant B
Lobstah Boil	Aug 6-7	Sandy Beach, PI	
Kid's Cruise	Aug TBD	Potter's Cove PI	J & D Crocker
Labor Day Weekend	Sept 3-5	Cuttyhunk	M & B Lilly
End of Summer	Sept 24-25	Ida Lewis YC	K & B Ingle
Columbus Day Weekend	Oct 8-10	Wickford Marina	N & C Roman
2 Week Cruise	July 2 – July 17	Buz Bay, MV & BI	Mark & Cindy D



Let's Go Cruzin!



[Sea Scout Ship 1909](#) needs your support; does your car get dirty? If you answered 'YES', then read on



Dear WBYC members,
Your local organization for helping our youth learn the sport and recreation we all love needs your help. We are running a painless fundraiser this summer that helps you keep your car clean and provides Ship 1909 with sorely needed funds

to keep our 2-boat summer program afloat. [Ship 1909 Carwash Fundraiser Link.](#)



Scrub-a-Dub Carwash has offered Ship 1909 50% of all funds collected as a carwash fundraiser. You can buy as many carwashes as you like for \$10 each from the attached website and Ship 1909 gets 50% of every dollar.

These coupons also make great gifts, and Scrub-a-Dub has 18 convenient locations throughout Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Maine and New Hampshire. (Closest Scrub-a-Dub is in Warwick on Bald Hill Road, directly across from Best Buy). There is another benefit: *Scrub-a-Dub offers some of the lowest gas prices in RI.* So fill up and clean up at the same time!

[Ship 1909 Carwash Fundraiser Link](#)

For more info about Ship 1909 activities, events and how you and/or your 14-21 year old can join in the fun, visit our [Ship 1909 Facebook Page](#).

WBYC Dutch Harbor Mooring Location

Mooring #215 Located in the town mooring field, in the general vicinity of 3 Wickford YC moorings.
Approximate location coordinates 041.29.692 071.23.527.

Dutch Harbor Mooring Rules (as adopted November 2010)

1. The mooring may only be used by West Bay Yacht Club members in good standing. Non-member guest boats are not permitted.
2. While using the club mooring, members must fly the club burgee, must carry an up-to-date membership card, and should carry a copy of these rules.
FYI: In the event you find a non-member boat occupying the mooring and refusing to vacate, you can call the Jamestown Harbormaster to resolve the issue.
3. Mooring use is first come-first served, when in compliance with all other Rules herein.
4. If you pick up the mooring, you agree to allow other member boats to raft with you.
If you do not agree, please be prepared to vacate the mooring immediately upon arrival of any WBYC member boat who is willing to raft with others. If rafting room is available but you are not willing to raft with the boats already on the mooring, then you have no cause for complaint.
5. Rafting is encouraged, but allowed only in calm-to-moderate conditions. Three boats may raft on the mooring when conditions permit, however the sum of overall lengths may not exceed 100'.
6. All rafts should break up when stronger winds (12 kts and higher) and rough seas arise that can cause damage to boats and/or ground tackle, and drag the mooring. When conditions change for the worse, the skipper of the boat who will be remaining the mooring has the final say in asking others to leave the raft. Claim to the mooring is per Rule 3 unless Rule 8 applies.
7. Unattended boats may be rafted to when conditions permit and where the arriving boat has adequate crew and equipment to safely perform the rafting operation without the assistance of the other's absent crew.
FYI: While it is legal to leave a single boat on the mooring unattended, it is illegal in Jamestown waters to leave a raft unattended (for example, everyone going ashore).
8. Except when there is no other demand, mooring use is limited to one twenty-four hour period per boat per weekend. Please observe these Courtesy Protocols:
 - Upon arrival, always announce your presence & desires to boats on the mooring.
 - Boats waiting to use the mooring should be served in order of their arrival.
 - Next boat up should be given notice when a departing boat leaves the mooring or raft.
9. Use Good Seamanship: Affix the mooring pennant eye to your cleat with a tie-down. If you need a longer pennant, DO NOT simply run a line through the pennant eye loop. Instead, tie your extra line to the eye so it cannot run freely and cause chafe damage to the eye.
10. Grievances: Where one member's disregard for these rules results in unfair denial of another member's rights of use, or where mooring equipment abuse is seen to occur, a good-faith attempt to resolve the issue between parties must be made on the water at the time of the incident. Unresolved complaints should be filed in writing with the Cruise Committee chair or with a Member-at-Large by the aggrieved party. Any member(s) found to have acted contrary to these rules may, by process of a grievance resolution hearing, be subject to disciplinary action by the Board of Governors.







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Location: Norton's Marina & Shipyard
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2016 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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