

Over the Waves

The Monthly Newsletter of the Wickford Yacht Club
June 2017

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Commissioning Day

May 27, 2017

Join us for our annual Commissioning Day Ceremony and Parade of Ships to celebrate the official opening of the Club. Guests are welcome.

Schedule of Events

- 1600:** Commissioning Ceremony & Parade of Ships will immediately follow the ceremony
- 1645:** Beer/Wine/Snacks
- 1800:** Dinner

Main Course Menu

Choose One:

- Becky's Famous BBQ Half Chicken
- Becky's 1/3 BBQ Rack of Ribs
- Key lime Salmon
- Grill your own Steak

Sides include Becky's Baked Beans, Corn bread, Cole Slaw, Green Salad, rolls, Coffee & Desert



Ticket Options

- Dinner/beer & wine: \$30 if paid by May 18th/\$35 thereafter
- Rib lovers: Order an extra 1/3 rack of ribs for additional \$15
- Guests: \$35
- Children 12 and under free chicken

Event tickets sales close May 21. No tickets will be sold after May 21!

Purchase tickets and make dinner reservations on line by clicking here or using this link:
www.tinyurl.com/wycmay27

Anyone paying by check must deliver it to the club prior to May 21. No Checks will be collected at the door! No Walk-Ins, this is a catered event.

Contact Rich Lemieux at (401) 714-3671 with questions.

Connect With The Club:



COMMODORE'S LOG



Barbara Jackson

Commissioning Day is here at last!

The summer forecast is for nice weather more days than not. (Thank you Farmer's Almanac) This is great news as we have a great season planned! For returning members, welcome back. For our new members –

WELCOME TO THE CLUB!

Over 20 members and families have joined our ranks in the past 24 months. That's a lot, when you think about it. Take a few minutes and get to know a new face when you see one and don't be surprised if not everyone understands our unwritten customs – or if a few new ones spring up.

I've been told by friends who have joined Clubs in communities new to them that they wished that the House Rules were easily available to new members. Did you know that ours are available on our website? [Click here](#) to see the house rules.

Meanwhile, Skip and the Wickford Regatta team are hard at work. We expect to debut two new classes at the June 10 & 11 regatta – and it's always a great event. If you want to get out on the water, give me a shout and we'll find an assignment for you. Want to stay shore-side? We have assignments for you there as well!

Don't forget, season officially begins on May 27th. I hope you'll join us for the ceremony at 4 pm. The beer, wine, and soft drink bar opens at 5. There will be a lot of new members with us this year. Please make sure you say hello!

See you on the docks! -BJ

Event Sign Up

Please Use PayPal option when you sign up for an event! You may think you're saving the Club money by writing a check rather than using PayPal. Our goal moving forward is to make using Paypal for events the new norm!

It makes it a lot easier for the volunteers running the event and a heck of a lot easier for our Treasurer. As an all-volunteer club, we try to find ways to make it as easy as possible for those doing the volunteering. This is one of the ways, so please help us out.

PayPal is one of the safest things you can do on the Internet. It provides quite a few levels of security between your credit card and the "system" to protect you.

If you're still writing us a check, please, please consider helping us out by ordering and paying for your tickets online.

Parking Information

Commissioning Day is here! This means we'll see lots of members we haven't seen for a while and meet those who just joined. All of those members showing up at once means that the Club parking lot will be jammed.

Here's the situation: We need to leave an open lane for emergency vehicles. (Think about it before you roll your eyes.) That means we are removing the parking spaces next to the entrance of our lot. There will be only parking for ONE car along the fence, leaving us with about 32 possible spots. If you can walk without assistance, please use the West side of Pleasant St. in order to leave the Club spots open for those who aren't as mobile.

We also need to point out that parking at the end of Pleasant St on the boat launch ramp is never allowed. Some members disagree with this prohibition and others argue that boats aren't launched in the dark. Maybe the complaints we receive are from cranky Pleasant St residents or those who'd like to be Club members but aren't. Either way, it is against the law, so please don't park there.

COMING UP AT THE CLUB...

May 13: Work Party, 0830

May 13: Tim Cranston's walking tour Sea Captains of Wickford, 1300

May 27: Commissioning Day!

May 31: Solstice Series Race 1

[Full WYC Calendar](#)



ATTENTION ALL FACEBOOK USERS

If you use Facebook, please join the **Wickford Yacht Club Members Only Page**. We can exchange pictures, event notifications, etc.

There are multiple ways to access the page:

- On page 1 of OTW, click the Facebook Button at the very bottom
- Shortlink: <http://bit.ly/wycfbmember>
- On your Facebook Newsfeed Page, type "**Wickford Yacht Club Members**" in the search bar and it will appear at the top. You will have to request to join, but there are several administrators who will confirm you.



FLEET CAPTAIN



Bob Shore

A brief reminder about our policy regarding dock usage:

The main or North dock is restricted to loading and unloading only. No craft shall be left on this dock for more than 30 minutes. Boats on this dock must not be left unattended.

The West dock is to be used for the service, maintenance, and repairs of member's vessels only and no vessel shall remain on the dock longer than 48 hours. Rafting of 2 vessels must be permitted if the Club Steward or Fleet Captain requests this configuration.

Vessels left unattended overnight at any dock without permission of the Fleet Captain will be assessed a dockage fee as approved by the Board, which will be subject to existing Club rules regarding the payment of fees. Vessels left unattended overnight at any dock without permission of the Fleet Captain will be assessed a dockage fee as approved by the Board, which will be subject to existing Club rules regarding the payment of fees.

During Wednesday night racing, the North dock is restricted to race committee boats ONLY. Organized sailing events take precedence over the use of all dock space during pre-race preparations and post-race return.

The Fleet Captain, according to the Dinghy Policy, assigns dinghy spaces. Short term (several hours) dinghy "parking" is ONLY permitted on the south (inshore) end of the East dock. Small boats must be launched and hauled from the ramp and take care not to block the dinghy dock after launching.

Fishing and swimming from the docks is prohibited, however, boat bottoms may be cleaned at the dock when the boat being cleaned is not part of a raft and when an observer, other than the steward, is present.

All docks are for use by members only. Family members and guests under 12 must wear a flotation device while on the docks. Horseplay or running on the docks is not allowed.

HOUSE COMMITTEE

Annual Work Party!

We welcome spring and all of its renewal and warmth. We have scheduled Saturday, May 13th for our annual spring work day. We will begin at 8:30AM and with many hands, finish around 10:30AM.

We have tasks for men and women, young and not so young. We welcome everyone to pitch in. There will be coffee and donuts available. You may even get to chat with returning snowbirds. See you on May 13th at 8:30AM. Thank you in advance for your support and help.



Bob Brockway, Chair

New Email Address:

Dick and Anne Bowen have a new email address:

dickandanne1966@gmail.com

Please update your records.

MEMBERSHIP



Meet the Members!

Will & Marsha King

Karen Pizzarusso, Chair

Will grew up in Hamilton, retired from the Army after 20 years and worked in the high-tech manufacturing industry for another 25 years retiring in 2005. Marsha grew up in New Bedford and moved to North Kingstown in 1971 having been hired by the school Department of North Kingstown. She taught high school and retired in 1999 after teaching 28 years at North Kingstown High School.

By 1988 Will was commuting to town from Boston every weekend to care for his ailing father. One Saturday morning Will spotted a little cutie over in a booth at the Harborside Restaurant in Wickford and things happened. They have travelled extensively, rebuilt two homes and are now enjoying life in the slower lane.



Since retiring both Will and Marsha have stayed very active. Marsha volunteers once a week at Beechwood at the welcoming desk. She is active in the Plum Beach Garden Club, plays mahjong and is in a golf league every summer. She belongs to two book clubs. Will has served on several boards and commissions in North Kingstown as well as serving as secretary and then treasurer of the Newport Ski Club.

Will and Marsha were both avid skiers having skied in the American West, Europe and New England until Marsha had to stop in 2009 due to knee injuries. Consequently, having to give up skiing, she joined the YMCA and does group classes at least three to four times a week. Will still spends much of each winter skiing in Vermont, the American west and Europe.

They live on the beach in Sauga Point and, as a result, have experimented with a number of different boats over the years. Will windsurfed for 20 years and they both have had a number of smaller to medium sailboats, power boats and now kayaks. They have both crewed on large sailboats and they can be seen every Tuesday and Wednesday evening watching the weekly races go by their home as they root for one of the boats.

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Betsy Moody & Ben Rice

Betsy Moody and Ben Rice are delighted to be joining the "family" of Wickford Yacht Club. Betsy is a physician specializing in geriatrics and now working part-time as Medical Director and attending physician for residents at a skilled nursing facility in Middletown. Ben is an electrical engineer, working full-time at ON Semiconductor in East Greenwich, specializing in power conversion integrated circuits.



Ben is a highly-experienced sailor, starting at age 11 with his father from his home town harbor of Scituate, MA. He has been a wooden boat man, sailing on Friendship Sloops, but now transitioning to fiberglass on Ben and Betsy's new sailboat Frolic, an Island Packet 350. Betsy grew up land locked among the mountains and lakes of Vermont, and her sailing experience is limited to one wonderful summer sailing with Ben on a 33 foot Friendship Sloop.

Betsy has two adult children and a beautiful granddaughter. Betsy and Ben are eagerly planning summer sailing adventures and looking forward to fun times and camaraderie at WYC.



2017 Name Tag Order

WYC Name Tags are here! Look for them on the magnetic board in the downstairs coat room. Please leave your \$6.00 for each badge in the upstairs office, so I can check your name off as PAID.
You may also send a check to WYC:

Wickford Yacht Club
Attn: Membership
Box 352
North Kingstown
RI 02852

OR

Karen Pizzarusso
31 Fishing Cove Road
North Kingstown
RI 02852.



10M/5K RUN/WALK

Allen Harbor

Quonset Point, RI

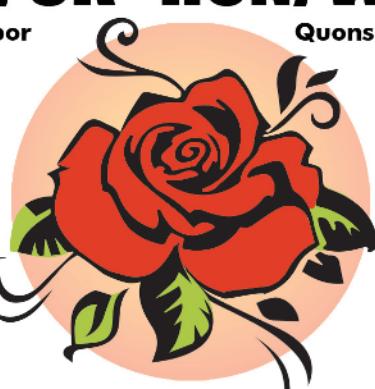
Registration
7:30am

Races start
8:30am

food, music
& prizes

scenic
USTF
sanctioned
courses

fun-filled
family event



Sunday, May 14 2017
MOTHER'S DAY RACE
www.MothersDayRace.com

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