

Over the Waves

The Monthly Newsletter of the Wickford Yacht Club
August 2017

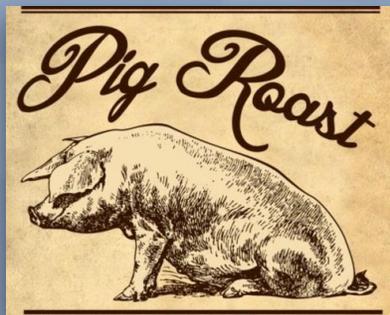
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The Wickford Yacht Club

*cordially invites you
to a celebration
honoring*

Commodore “BJ” Barbara Jackson *and* “Skip” Whyte

The Beach Party Pig Roast “Ball”



Saturday, August 19, 2017
5:30 pm

*Signature Cocktails Beer Wine
Oysters and Clams from the Raw Bar
Exceptional Appetizers
Succulent Whole Pig Roasted on an Open Fire
Bountiful Side Dishes
Classic Summer Dessert*

Everyone’s Favorite Boogey Music for Dancing Under the Stars

Attire Suggestions: Piggy Pink | Creative Black Tie | Surf Jams

\$55.00 p/p

<http://tinyurl.com/WYCball>

A members only event | Registration Closes August 12

Connect With The Club:



COMMODORE'S LOG



Barbara Jackson

What great weather we have had! Ok, so a little rain...but that makes the hydrangeas look fantastic. So far, the summer is going safely and we're all having fun – what more can we ask? We just had a wonderful mini-cruise, a HUGE Cheeseburgers event, and our Summer Cruise will be incredible. Plus, Bissel Cove is bug free this year and the water is warm – life is good!

Note to our new members: The Club maintains moorings in Dutch Harbor and Brenton Cove. They are free for Club members to use. When on the moorings, you have to agree to raft with other WYC members. It makes for a pleasant mini-cruise or afternoon retreat. Enjoy!

See you on the Docks,

BJ

VICE COMMODORE & HOUSE COMMITTEE



Dick Lemieux

This month I have decided to combine both reports under one heading. As a result of our financial meeting regarding the approval of funds to complete the engineering project, we have forwarded a deposit to Geisser Engineering to begin the process of determining our needs. This initial phase should have minimal impact on club usage and most likely will be accomplished in one day. Stay tuned for further developments

On the House side of affairs, on a short term basis, I have assumed the duties of House Chair. I have established a committee to oversee the various functions of house committee responsibilities. We have met to discuss and prioritize the needs of the Club and how best to achieve those needs. Each individual has volunteered to be responsible for specific areas including Heating & Plumbing, Electrical, Carpentry, Cleaning, Records Organization, and Interior.

By dividing the required tasks among the committee members, we seek to lessen the workload for any one person. The committee has already responded to several minor issues and is taking steps to address future needs. If you see something that needs attention, say something to any club officer know what it is and your request will be directed to the appropriate person.

A special thank you to Bob & Patti Kern, Chuck Ebersole, Hans Kresinski, Tony Micheletti, Steve Johnson, Gene Wante, Karen Pizzarusso, and Elaine Lemieux for helping to get this endeavor functioning.

The Interior committee is Looking for volunteers. Call Elaine Lemieux to join this group effort!



**Save the date: 2017 Lobsterfest
Friday, September 1**

Contact Bruce & Barbara Dawson @ (401) 295-5057
with questions or to volunteer
More information & Registration Link Coming Soon

COMING UP AT THE CLUB...

July 29-August 3: WYC Annual Cruise

August 3: WYC Cruise Dinner, Hyannis Yacht Club

August 19: Commodore's Beach Party & Pig Roast

August 26: 'Round Dutch Race

September 1: Lobster Fest!

Full WYC Calendar



2017 Round Dutch Pursuit Race

August 26, 2017

Please join us for a fun afternoon on the water as we race around beautiful Dutch Island! 3 classes will satisfy both hard-core racers and those sailors that prefer a more leisurely pace.



Racers with a current PHRF can enter either the Spin or non-Spin classes. The cruising class welcomes all others (anchors, families, and those who'd rather not remove all their canvas!)

An awards party will follow at the Wickford Yacht Club ~ 4:30 PM. Bring your own picnic dinner. We'll have some music, prizes for the top three finishers in each class and the grills will be on! Beer and wine will be available.

Registration is \$20 per boat, and the party is \$7 per Adult. Children and tea-totallers are free! Non-racers are welcome!

The official start time is 1:00. Specific start times for all boats will be issued once all boats are registered, with a goal of being back at the club around 4:30.

To register, click here or use the link below:

<https://tinyurl.com/yddm4254>

Event Chair: Sheila McGauvran, Rear Commodore

FLEET CAPTAIN

2017 Summer Cruise Sign Up

It's not too late to sign up for this years summer Cruise.

Please click here to sign up for the various events!



Bob Shore

Navigation Resources

Are you heading out on the cruise? Take a look at the links below. The NOAA website is filled with so many resources that are not only invaluable, but also free! ~*The Ed*.

- **U.S. Coast Pilot 2:** *Atlantic coast from Cape Cod, MA to Sandy Hook, NJ, including the coasts of Rhode Island, Connecticut, and New York*
 - Coast Pilot Narragansett Bay Chapter | Coast Pilot Vineyard Sound & Buzzards Bay Chapter
- **NOAA Paper Charts for download:** *Click here for the Chart Locator*
 - **Individual PDF Charts:** Narragansett Bay | BI to MV | Martha's Vineyard Buzzards Bay & S Cape Cod

MEMBERSHIP



Karen Pizaruso, Chair

POSTING: Potential New WYC Family Member:

George Hagerty and Jacki Elgar

Sponsored by David & Ellen Abell and Richard & Sue Moore

Primary Residence: 646 Central Street, Stoughton, MA, 02072

Secondary Address: 30 Lexington Avenue, North Kingstown, RI, 02852

Boat: Echo, 22' LOD 1965 Friendship Sloop (wood)

Any WYC member wishing to comment may contact the Board of Governors

Meet the Members!

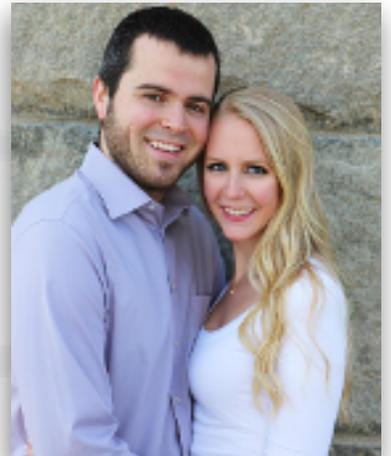
Allison Browne and Daniel Piascik

Allison was born and raised in RI, growing up in Exeter. She has been around the WYC since she was 3 years old when her parents (Paul and Sarah Browne) joined the club. She went through the junior sailing program as a child along with her brother, Matthew Browne (who is also a member of the WYC).

Daniel grew up in Sturbridge, MA and moved to Potowamut, RI in September 2016 when he and Allison bought their first house! He went through the adult sailing program last summer and instantly loved to sail.

They met during their undergraduate years at Quinnipiac University and both continued on to graduate school together at Quinnipiac, obtaining their Master's degrees and Physician Assistant licenses. They both work as PAs in Providence, Allison in Oncology and the Emergency Department, Dan in Gastroenterology. They enjoy golfing, hiking, and any other outdoor activities. Allison and Dan recently adopted a lab mix named Carlie and cannot wait for their Newport wedding in October 2017!

They are very excited to be new members and are looking forward to many years of friendships and memories at the club!



Cathy Cowen

Cathy, aka Catherine Mary, is a mom, gran, and retired Providence school teacher.

As a native Rhode Islander she loves everything Rhody including hanging out with fun folks boating, sea-fooding and cocktailing. She is excited to re-join the Wickford Yacht Club where she'll get a rap as one cool cat with the utmost Rhody yacht fashions.

WICKFORD SAILING ASSOCIATION



The club's youth sailing program is off to a great start! It is great to see the enthusiasm of the young sailors as they embark on their day of instruction and fun!



Paul Nannig, President

Enrollment is up from last year at over 100 students while adult lessons continue to be a big hit with enrollment at its limit of 17 adults.

Seven Opti racers have already entered their first regatta hosted by Ida Lewis Yacht Club.

Remaining events include a Laser Regatta hosted by your's truly July 11th, NBYC Race week is hosted by Sail Newport the third week of July, two more 420 events at Saunderstown YC and Conanicut YC, two more Laser events at Sakonnet YC and Conanicut YC and two more Opti events hosted by Barrington YC and East Greenwich YC.

We are looking forward to some great results this summer. The WSA season will end on Friday, August 18th with the last day of class, an end of season afternoon sail for families and Awards Night.

Until then, our Instructors are working overtime making sure our sailors are safe, motivated and focused. The shore team continues to chase the maintenance issues of our safety boat fleet as well as our Optis, 420s and Quests. Fundraising continued with the Cheeseburger in Paradise event Friday, July 14th. Great job team WYC!

Thank you for all your support!



WSA Thank you to all for a successful and fun Cheeseburgers Event Friday Night. Jimmy Buffet night has always had a lot of moving parts because of the extensive menu and the support it gives to the Wickford Sailing Association, and this year was no exception. WSA piggy-backed on the social event with a scaled back Silent Auction and we had to plan for possible rain. The WSA Scholarship Grant committee headed by Mark Callahan has always holds a Raffle and this year it had record support from attendees raising over \$700. FYI, the Grant Committee gave out 8 grants this summer! Although we didn't hold a Live Auction this year, the Silent Auction had many generous donations from members and the community raising over \$4,000 for WSA Capital Expenses!

Please thank our donors when you stop in their businesses or see these members at the club. A heartfelt thank you to all donors and volunteers who helped setup, serve and a special thank you to Tyke who always helps check-out our patrons and keeps me organized!

Kathy Brown, Auction Chair

2017 Donors - Auction and Raffles:

Arthur & Alice Hamilton
Bob Chatham
Brewer's Wickford Cove
Canvasworks
Carole Stone
Cate Brown
Cindy Wilson Photography
Dan & Mimi Dyer
Eclectic Bungalow
Francis Geary
Full Keel Marine, Jon Mendes
Gordon & Sharon Fletcher

Jan & Richard Breault
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Peter & Clare Northrup
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Pleasant Street Wharf
Ronstan International Inc.
Sailor's Tailor / Tyke Loomis
SailorBags
Sailormade USA
Sonoma Bistro & Wine Bar
Tate's Italian Kitchen
Tom & Ellen Grennan
Tom & Lori Heald
Tom & Kem Vassallo

REAR COMMODORE



Sheila McGauvran

Wednesday night racing continues with the Dog Days Series. Thanks to so many volunteers for helping out with Race Committee, PRO, Mark Boat, and KP duties! The last night of racing will be on August 23. We will have an awards presentation after racing that evening. All skippers and crew are encouraged to join us.

SAILING GRANTS COMMITTEE

We were very fortunate to be able to award 8 sailing grants this year. We have introduced 5 new children to the sailing program as well have three children returning who have received grants in the past.

We actually have two funding accounts set up to pay for the program. One was set up by Sandy and Kristen Wenzel in memory of their husband and father, with the restriction that the funds be used for new recipients as a way to introduce sailing to children who without financial assistance would otherwise not be able to participate. The other grant fund is open to all children. This has allowed us to

offer multiple years of sailing instruction where we deem it to be in the best interest of the child.

These grants are only possible through the generous donations received each year from the WYC membership, merchants and the general population of our Community. The Club was formed many years ago with a primary motivation of bringing sailing to children. I think that our founders would be proud that this tradition continues today.

On behalf of the children, thank you!

Mark Callahan, Sailing Grant Chair

A BIG CHEESEBURGERS THANK YOU!

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THANK YOU TO THE SHOPPERS...THE PLANNERS...THE BARTENDERS....THE CLAMCAKERS...

THE CHOWDER SERVERS... THE FROZEN DRINK MAKERSTHE DECORATORS THE FABULOUS KITCHEN CREW....THE BURGER COOKERS....

THE TALENTED MUSICIAN.... THE CLEANUP CREW.... THE SHRIMP COCKTAIL CREW...THE PARKING ENFORCER

AND THE WICKFORD SAILING ASSOCIATION VOLUNTEERS AND RILEY.....GREAT JOB

AND ALL THE EX-COMMODORES WHO HELPED!!!!!!

WICKFORD YACHT CLUB IS SUCCESSFUL BECAUSE OF THE VOLUNTEERS..... THE BARTENDER...

THE PERSON THAT CLEARS YOUR PLATE...THE COOKS.....PROBABLY AN EX COMMODORE VOLUNTEER AT THE NEXT EVENT.....YOU MAY MEET SOME INTERESTING PEOPLE....

~Tom Grennan, Cheeseburgers Chair

Updated Member Contact Information

Please update your yearbooks!

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Awards Committee

The WYC Awards Committee has begun its annual search for worthy candidates for the various award categories as noted in your current Directory. The ceremony will again take place in November. The current membership of the Committee includes Cynthia Carpenter, Tom Grennon (representing the WYC Power Squadron), Barry Hoffman, Martha Parks, Cindy Wilson and Vinnie Cerbo.

New Club Members.... If you would like to VOLUNTEER for a committee this is the one for you. We would love to entertain one or two new members this year. Your fresh eyes can add a new perspective to our deliberations.

As we noted at last November's ceremony...."If you see something...say something (to one of the committee members)....good or bad!!" Your assistance in recommending award recipients goes a long way in helping the committee recognize club members for the good works they do....or the "not-so-smart" things they've done on the water.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Pete Pizzarusso, Chair.



Membership Name Tags

Final Call for WYC kids and adults magnetic name-tags.

Email pkpizz@verizon.net with exactly how you would like your name to be written out.

"Believe me, my young friend, there is nothing - absolutely nothing - half so much worth doing as simply messing about in boats." — Kenneth Grahame, The Wind in the Willows



WYC Golf

A group of men from the WYC play 18 holes of golf every Monday and Thursday from April to October. We tee off between 8:00-9:00 AM. We play a different course each week.

This is a very relaxed and informal group. Join us as frequently as you would like. We generally have lunch following golf. Contact Dick Breault at rbrea32337@cox.net or Paul Christiansen at paulchristi@gmail.com if you would like to join the group.



Missed something? Deleted the email?

Click [here](#) or use the link below to visit the members page of our website to access all back issues of *Over the Waves*.

<http://bit.ly/wycnewsletters>

Yearbooks

Your 2017 yearbooks are ready for pickup in the WYC front foyer.

Trunk or Treat!

Do you recognize the members below?





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