

Over the Waves

The Monthly Newsletter of the Wickford Yacht Club
October 2017

More information about our club can be found on our website | www.wickfordyc.com

Join us for a Spooky Night of Cocktails, music and light fare on October 21st. Come with a costume ...or not. We are providing a special selection of beers to sample as well as our traditional open bars. Heavy appetizers will be served and there will be music.



COMMODORE'S LOG



Barbara Jackson

The good news is we've dodged a few storms...the bad news is fall is officially here. At least this weekend is a perfect one...it's even about 87 degrees while I write this!

There are a few important things I need to bring you up to speed on. As Rich Lemieux, the Vice Commodore, has explained in his report elsewhere in the newsletter, the House Committee has been incredibly busy and we all need to thank the team who has gotten a long list of projects completed this season. This team has some new members as well and will now be headed up by Co-Chairs Elaine Lemieux and Chuck Ebersol. One of the important projects underway is a partial solution to many of the leaks that have caused havoc with the first floor storage closet. Gene Wante has *McGyvered* a solution, and we are keeping our fingers crossed. One casualty is the temporary loss of the railing on the second floor patio so please be careful!

You'll notice a new refrigerator in the kitchen soon. This was part of our planned expenditures for this year. We certainly have gotten our money's worth out of the existing fridge.

We have also received a preliminary engineering report. Rich has outlined the findings and we will discuss them in detail at the November 14th Financial meeting. What is important to take away from the report is that there isn't an emergency. The work we need to do can be done off season. We are scoping the options and will have more info for you in November. **Please make sure to get the Financial Meeting on your calendar.**

It's a fantastic Sunday - The Pats just did the unbelievably again, and I'll see you on the docks!

BJ

Connect With The Club:



CROSSING THE BAR



Mariann Callahan

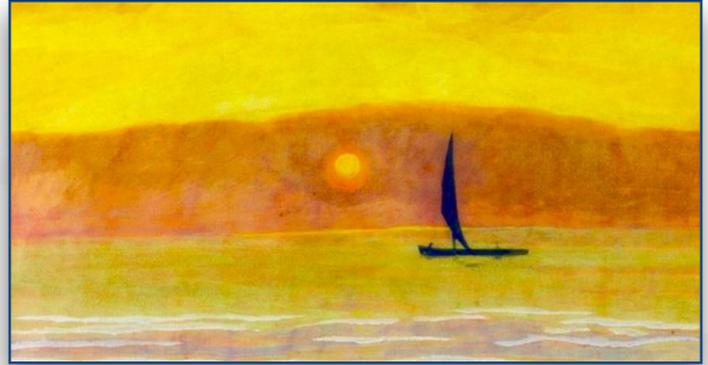
There is inadequacy when saying we lost someone. It's more than that; our grief is raw and painful. Our WYC family is struggling to accept our sorrow in missing Mariann. Her, "oh jeeez" exclamation in a conversation was feisty and funny, but in her declining health, it was her private grace and dignity that awed us.

Mark's reassurance that everything was OK was meant to make us feel better when we desperately wanted her to be better. A

doer, Mariann was a partner with Mark in the Wickford Sailing Association's scholarship grants. In the club and in the community, she gave her full attention and unique organizational skills. We liked being

around her, and will always be thankful for her friendship. If your memories of Mariann are happy ones, that's what she wanted.

~KP



FLEET CAPTAIN

Fall Mini Cruise

For those who still plan on having their boat in the water, we are planning to hold the traditional Fall Mini Cruise on Saturday (10/07) - Sunday (10/08) at Potter's Cove on the north end of Prudence Island. This will be very informal with no set schedule with the exception of a BYOB cocktail party on Saturday afternoon around 4pm.

Nothing like a good fall weekend on the boat! Save the date.



Bob Shore

COMING UP AT THE CLUB...

October 7-8: Fall Mini Cruise, Potter's Cove

October 14: History in the Cemetery, 1200 hrs

October 21: Spooky Coctails

November 14: WYC Financial Meeting, 1930 hrs

November 18: 2017 Retrospective Celebration Dinner & Awards



VICE COMMODORE & HOUSE COMMITTEE



Dick Lemieux

Since the last OTW newsletter many things have occurred:

- In my last report I promised to keep you informed regarding the Patio project. The engineer's report arrived and confirmed what many thought to be the situation. Namely the report stated that a 1 ½ to 2" void exists under the portion of the concrete that is sloping. The report further states that the soil compaction is composed of deteriorating shells and loose soil that will not support the existing structure. The proposed solution is to drive helical piles to a depth of 32' and construct footings on those piles. To accomplish this, the existing concrete has to be removed and the roof structure either disassembled or removed. Rigging companies have inspected the structure in order to determine the cost of removing the roof intact. We are currently awaiting quotes. Should we go forward with this project, the time for construction would be during the Fall or Winter of 2018 to minimize disruption of the club functions.
- On a smaller scale, the House Sub-Committee has been quite active. Will King has volunteered to assist with carpentry projects when needed. Thanks Will! A new light was purchased to improve lighting in the area between the Commodore's room and the fireplace room scheduled for completion by early October when Tony Micheletti is available.
- The deck roof leak continues to be a problem. The railing bolts continue to loosen which allows water to find its way into the building. To remedy this the railing abutting the roof has been removed, the holes sealed, and a gutter will be installed to drain water away.
- Additionally, the Fridge in the main galley is in the process of being replaced. Thanks to Vinny Cerbo for the due diligence in researching a suitable model which is scheduled to arrive after hurricane season in early November.
- By the time this is published the exterior of the short section of the North wall will have been power washed, scraped, primed, and painted.

At the last Board of Governors a new team of Co-Chairs for House Committee was approved and installed. Elaine Lemieux and Chuck Ebersole have volunteered to take over this responsibility. Due to the success of the sub-committee in accomplishing many tasks, the process will remain intact. May I offer a huge Thank You to all who assisted by stepping-up to volunteer. **Thank You!**

Fall Work Party - Save the Date *Saturday, October 21*

All Hands are needed for our annual work party! Many hands make light work as we ready the club for the winter season. Please arrive by 8:30 AM with gloves, rakes, a great attitude and big smile. Coffee and donuts provided as usual.

11th Annual Wickford YC Golf Tournament Report

Filed by Bruce Dawson

On what turned out to be a beautiful day, the 11th Annual Wickford YC Golf Tournament was held at Jamestown Country Club on Sept. 7th. 35 “golfers” participated and enjoyed an afternoon of golf followed by a BYOE (Bring your own everything) gathering and awards program at WYC. Results and highlights are below:



- 2 Teams tied for 1st Place:
Chuck Allen, Win Brown, John Bradley and Jean Robinson tied with Paul Christiansen, Nick Tarbox, Betty Sue Reed, and Grace Smith with rounds of 44.
- Longest Drives prizes were awarded to Betty Sue Reed (Ladies) and Chuck Allen (Men)
- Closest to the pin prizes were awarded to Annette Dwyer (Ladies) and Nick Tarbox (Men)
- There were many memorable shots – some were even good shots. Of particular note was Win Brown's 40 foot putt on the 2nd hole and Peter Fahlman's 80 yard hole out on the 4th hole.

We had 6 new participants this year and hopefully they enjoyed the day and return next year. As usual, the golf committee went to no expense on the prizes that were awarded.

MEMBERSHIP



Karen Pizzarusso, Chair

MEMBERSHIP POSTING - Potential New WYC Members



Linda Oliver Hughes and John Hughes
Family Membership

Sponsored by Kate & Harry Church / Ellen & David Abell
Primary Residence: 232 Indian Trail, Saunderstown, RI 02874
Boat: “Linda Marie”; 36’Ellis

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

Update on our Assistant Summer Steward



Reilly Damm

Reilly Damm is now a sophomore in the Economics School at the University of Connecticut with a goal of becoming a finance major in their Business School.

He's made good friends at Delta Sigma Pi and plans on rushing their Business fraternity. Reilly returned to the UConn Men's Lacrosse Team and is also part of their intramural hockey, soccer and volleyball teams.



In an email, he said, “I’m very lucky to have such a great summer job and a great group of people to guide me into adulthood. I hope I’ll be welcomed back for the summer of 2018 as well. Thank you to everyone for the memories!”

Updated Member Contact Information

Please update your yearbooks!

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Multi-Generations of Members

Sunday dinner at the club has been a tradition for so many families over the years. There isn't a better way to wind down before starting a new week. On one of the last Sundays in August, we were able to come together as a mix of young members to take a photo with a member of the *greatest generation*, WYC's own John Bradley. Thanks to Cindy Wilson for the great photo. ~The Ed



Back Row, Left to Right: Daniel Piascik, Allison Browne, Matt Browne, Maggie Browne, Pippa Browne, John Bradley, Ezra Smith, Tracy Smith, Kyle Wilson, Kaitlin Wilson, Lily Neato, Jack Wilson

Front Row, Left to Right: Maile Rose Smith, Amelia Smith, Hadley Wilson, Maggie Wilson, Emily Wilson, Hank Wilson

Family Movie Night



On September 10, the WYC kids (and adults) enjoyed our first family movie night where we took in the Animated movie *Sing*. Good food, blankets and plenty of comfy spots to curl up made the night a great success. A special thank you to Tracy Smith, Pinkie & BJ for their hard work and enthusiasm in putting the event together. We plan on making this a monthly event. Stay tuned for details via email.

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