

# Over the Waves

The Monthly Newsletter of the Wickford Yacht Club  
November 2017

## The Seasonal Retrospective Bash!



More info will be published soon - Here are the essentials:

- Open bar at 6 pm with a Jack & Cider signature cocktail.
- First course and a short awards program begins at 6:30.
- Buffet (details soon) is served at 7, followed by Drop the Anchor, Full Speed Ahead.
- Tickets are \$40 until November 6; \$45 until reservations close on November 13.
- **Reservations:**

[www.tinyurl.com/wyc2017retro](http://www.tinyurl.com/wyc2017retro)

## NKHS Sailing's 4th Annual Jambalaya Fundraiser



Please join us November 4th for our annual Jambalaya Fundraising Dinner. This year it is extra special as our team once again qualified for the Great Oaks National Invitation in New Orleans Nov 17-19th which was the reason for the first dinner back in 2010.

We will once again be having 2 sittings, one at 5:30 and one at 7:30 in the Great Room. Tickets are \$20 each or \$25 at the door if space allows. There is a limit of 90 persons per sitting. Please contact Matt Bourgeois at (401) 258-9616 or email at [mnbourgeois25@gmail.com](mailto:mnbourgeois25@gmail.com) for tickets. If you're unable to attend, feel free to make a donation to the team. All checks should be made out to *NK Sailing*.

**What:** Jambalaya Fundraising Dinner

**Where:** Wickford Yacht Club

**Who:** NK High School Sailing Team

**How much:** \$20 or \$25 at door - seating is limited

**When:** Saturday, November 4th  
5:30 pm OR 7:30 pm sittings

**How:** Call Matt at 258-9616 or  
Email [mnbourgeois25@gmail.com](mailto:mnbourgeois25@gmail.com)

Connect With The Club:



# COMMODORE'S LOG



Barbara Jackson

It's that time of year again. Boat trailers large and small rattle up Pleasant Street reminding us that fall should be here – except it's still really warm...so it's hard to yank the plug. Fall also means that it's time for the Annual Meeting. This is the one event that every member really needs to participate in – whether you're there or casting your vote by proxy. This year, the meeting is on **Tuesday November 14 at 7 PM.**

## At the meeting we will:

- Receive an update on the Seawall/Patio engineering study and project plans
- Receive an update on the upper patio repair
- Review the Financial Results of 2017
- Approve the Operating and Capital Budgets for 2018 (that's when we approve the dues)
- Approve the Slate of Officers for 2018

The Annual Meeting is important. We want you to understand the issues before you vote, so we're holding two information sessions before the meeting. The first will be **Sunday, October 29th at 11 AM** in the Great Room. The second will be on **Monday October 30 at 7 PM.** At both meetings we will run through a detailed presentation and answer your questions. The presentation will cover all of the items on the Annual Meeting agenda.

We will stay until we answer all of your questions. If you want to leave your proxy behind at the end of the meeting you can do so and skip the meeting on November 14. (Think of it like early voting.) If you want to come to one, two or all three meetings, that's really great!

All of the documents for the Annual Meeting will be emailed to members on October 30 after the informational sessions. They will also be posted on the Club website and available at the two prep meetings. I know that many of you want to know what we are going to say before you come to a meeting, but that's what the pre-meetings are for. Documents will not be available before that first meeting on October 29. Why? Because we are still tweaking them! Our By-Laws require a 7 day notice of Agenda period prior to the Annual Meeting. We are providing 16 days and two informational meetings. We need all of the time available to us until the first informational meeting on 29th to prepare.

If you can't attend the Annual Meeting or one of the informational meetings, please send your proxy to someone. Vinny Cerbo will be collecting them, if you'd like him to vote on your behalf. You can leave the proxies for Vinny in my mailbox on the second floor or stick it through the mail slot of the Steward's office. Remember – under our new By-Laws each person – not each household – has a vote.

Also remember that your Family or Individual Membership Category will stay the same unless you notify us by November 1 that you'd like to make a change. I have left a few copies of this form at the club by the front door and you can find it on the website at <http://www.wickfordyc.com/members/request-change-of-membership/> Dues notices will be sent out as soon as the budget is approved and are due by January 15, 2018 in order to avoid a late fee.

## COMING UP AT THE CLUB...

**October 29:** Information Session 1 for Annual Mtg. 11 AM

**October 30:** Information Session 2 for Annual Mtg. 7 PM

**November 11:** Family Movie Night, 5 PM

**November 14:** WYC Financial Meeting, 1930 hrs

**November 18:** 2017 Retrospective Celebration Dinner & Awards

**December 15:** Kids' Holiday Party



# VICE COMMODORE & HOUSE COMMITTEE



Dick Lemieux

By the time this is distributed, the club will have been prepared for winter, most boats put on the hard, social activities winding down, and most of us preparing for seasons without boating.

Plans are being made to keep our fifty year old clubhouse functioning and to insure another active and fun filled year. Our new board of Governors and committee chairs will soon be announced and voted upon. The standing committee positions are mostly filled for the next year with some room for anyone wishing to participate.

Serving in any capacity is a great way to meet the membership and strengthen bonds among club members. Think of increased participation as fun, because it really is! Now that the club is in winter operation mode the best way to enjoy the company of other members will be at the upcoming social functions. Hope to see you there!

## A Note of Thanks

I would like to thank the Yacht Club for allowing me to hold Mariann's Celebration of Life.

Recently, I was going through Mariann's paperwork dating back to 2002. She requested that upon her death there would be a festive event with plenty of food, drink, smiles and fond memories celebrating her life. You all helped to accomplish this!

Members planned the event, arranged the flowers, set up tables and picture displays, staffed the bars, and assisted with parking.

Family and friends were all welcomed to celebrate Mar's life. Saying thanks cannot come close to express how I feel.

The Yacht Club has become our extended family where we always feel comfortable, at ease and welcome.

On behalf of Mar & Myself, Thank you.

**FALL FAMILY FREE DAY**  
at the Herreshoff Marine Museum

**FREE** 10AM-5PM  
**MUSEUM ADMISSION**

**SUNDAY NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>**

*Featuring Activities from 11am-3pm:*

ARTS & CRAFTS	KIDS ACTIVITIES	FORMAL TOURS
SEASONAL FUN	OUTDOOR GAMES	FIRE TRUCK VISIT

  

HOSTED BY THE  
HERRESHOFF MARINE MUSEUM  
One Burnside Street, Bristol, RI

Join in the festivities at our annual Fall Family Free Day! Celebrate the season with **FREE** **ADMISSION** from 10am-5pm. Seasonal Activities will be scheduled from 11am-3pm.

**Other activities include:**

- Formal Tours of the Museum
- Kids Arts & Crafts
- Seasonal Activities for Kids & Families
- Outside Games & Tournaments
- Firetruck visit from the Bristol Fire Department
- Z Food Truck & Del's Lemonade

**When**

**SUNDAY**  
**NOVEMBER 5TH, 2017**  
Activities from 11am-3pm  
Free Admission from 10am-5pm

**Where**

**HERRESHOFF MARINE MUSEUM**  
**ONE BURNSIDE STREET**  
Bristol, RI 02809

# MEMBERSHIP



Karen Pizzarusso, Chair

## MEMBERSHIP POSTING - Potential New WYC Members

### Darcy Lynch and Mark Jannitto

Sponsored by Carrie Mitchell & Joseph Kolb / Martha Parks  
Primary Residence: 15 Hendricks Street, Wakefield, RI 02879  
Boat: "Mahalo"; 36' Trawler  
Family Membership

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

## Meet the Members: The Smith Family

Ezra and Tracy Smith found each other through their love for sailing. Tracy, originally from Miami, FL and Ezra from Tiverton, RI met through collegiate sailing. Tracy was on the Conn College sailing team and Ezra competed for Yale. They had mutual friends and saw each other often during collegiate sailing regattas. The summer after Tracy graduated, they reconnected just as Tracy had decided to fully dedicate herself to qualifying for the 2000 Olympic Games. Ironically her coach was fellow member Skip Whyte who was the US Sailing Team. The connection was strong because despite the long-distance nature of the relationship at the time, the two married 5 years later. Ezra and Tracy moved to RI permanently in 2000 when Ezra enrolled at RISD to study Industrial Design. They currently reside in Wickford.



Ezra has his own business based in Newport specializing in marine and residential architectural design. Tracy is an Account Executive in the field of Information Technology. Outside of work, Ezra is an avid participant in the Wickford Catboat Association and races in the Tuesday night series. Tracy enjoys open water swimming and is a member of the WYC Triathlon Team, Team Wick'Fid, along with fellow members Rex Brewer and Becky Allen. Team Wick'Fid recently won the mixed relay division at the FirmMan for the third time.



Ezra and Tracy have two daughters, Maile Rose (age 9) and Amelia (age 5). Despite the nags and pleas to their parents for horseback riding and other "land oriented activities", unfortunately (or fortunately) these girls were stuck with two sailing loving parents who have been taking them on sailing adventures since they were babies. The two girls are now seasoned and salty! You can often catch the Smith family leaving the club dock for a family cruise on their Marshall Catboat 18, Kitty Hawk.

# Family & Kids Social Notes

Thanks to Tracy Smith we are holding  
more family movie nights!

November 11 @ 5:00 PM: *The Lion King!*



On December 15th at 8PM it's the WYC  
Kids Holiday Party!

Join in a cookie exchange followed by *Charlie  
Brown Christmas*.

Plus, you never know who's going to make a  
special appearance...

Please RSVP to [Tracyhayley@yahoo.com](mailto:Tracyhayley@yahoo.com) for  
each event.

## Small Runabout for Sale by WSA

- 17 foot POWERBOAT with 70 HP 2-cycle 2002 Yamaha outboard, 2003 Sailfish 174
- Good overall condition with engine serviced professionally and ready for launch.
- Currently owned by the Wickford Sailing Association but the boat has turned out not to be suited for our use so we are looking for a new owner. WSA did not use at all in 2017. Previously owned by Ted & Priscilla Green, so it was well maintained.
- American brand 'yard' trailer included. It is road worthy but has never been registered.
- Price: \$5000

Please email [Wickford.Sailing@gmail.com](mailto:Wickford.Sailing@gmail.com) or call the Brown's at (401) 294-2525. It is currently located at Win & Kathy's house for viewing.



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