Over the Waves

The Monthly Newsletter of the Wickford Yacht Club
May 2019

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

SATURDAY MAY 25
Commissioning Day 2019

Join us as we kick off the 2019 season with the Commissioning Day ceremony and Parade of Ships!

Guests are welcome!

1600: Commissioning Ceremony followed by Parade of Ships (bar opens immediately after the ceremony)

1700: Appetizers – beer and wine bar

1800: Dinner – Choice of Citrus Salmon, Half Chicken, or Steak (cook your own) Sides include potato salad, green salad, grilled veggies, rolls. And of course, Strawberry Short Cake for dessert.

Tickets are required for the open bar, appetizers, and dinner.

Tickets are $30 until May 12, $35 after that date and at all times for non-members. Chicken dinner for members' children under 12 is free, but we need a headcount. Tickets for guests under 12 are $5.

This is a catered event, so all ticket sales close on May 19.

Sign up at www.tinyurl.com/wyc2019commissioning

We prefer that you use PayPal, but if you are paying by check, please deliver it to the club prior to May 19. Make it payable to Wickford Yacht Club and leave it an envelope addressed to the Commissioning Day Committee in the Social Committee mail box in the upstairs office.

Questions? Contact Randy Wietman erawtm@yahoo.com or 401-439-6389

Connect With The Club:

COMING UP AT THE CLUB...

April 2019

Sun Apr 28	5:00pm - 8:00pm	Family Dinner - April Pot Luck

May 2019

Fri May 3	6:00pm - 9:00pm	First Friday
Sat May 4	6:00pm - 9:00pm	WSA Auction & Dinner
Fri May 10	6:00pm - 10:00pm	Aloha Friday
Sat May 11	12:00pm - 4:00pm	Private function - Verdi Rental
Tue May 14	7:00pm - 8:00pm	WYC Board Meeting
Sat May 18	9:00am - 11:30am	Spring Work Party
Sat May 25	4:00pm - 8:00pm	Commissioning Day

June 2019

Tue Jun 11	7:00pm - 8:00pm	WYC Board Meeting
Thu Jun 13	7:00pm - 8:00pm	WSA Orientation
Fri Jun 14	6:00pm - 9:00pm	Cheeseburgers in Paradise

Visit the WYC Online Calendar

or

Download the TeamUp mobile app

iOS Devices | Android Devices

Use the key below to access the club calendar.
No need to create a account!

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COMMODORE'S LOG

Gordon Fletcher

With April upon us, and spring is in the air, we had a great Commodores reception organized by the Fahlmans and the Brownes and their team of many volunteers. There were many past commodores, as well as the Commodores of the Newport Yacht Club and the Rhode Island Yacht Club enjoyed a wonderful evening with our members. Thank you.

The Frostbiters have finished off their season and High School sailing has started, really showing that we truly have are a year-round facility dedicated to sailing. We are looking forward to the summer season of racing, cruising and many events scheduled by our social committee.

Please don't forget the WSA fundraiser on May 4th. I look forward to seeing many of you at the event.

See you at the club. -Gordon

REAR COMMODORE

Bob Kern

Attention all racers!!

Registration is open for both the 2019 Solstice Series and 2019 Dog Days Series. Registration must be done using the Regatta Network Web Site.

The following are the registration links for both series:

Solstice Series

- **http://tinyurl.com/2019-Solstice-Series-Reg**

Dog Days Series

- **http://tinyurl.com/2019-Dog-Days-Series-Reg**

All Race documents have been updated and are available on both the regattanetwork.com and wickfordyc.com web sites under the racing tab. Race Committee members, Signal boats, and Mark Boats including a large group of volunteers have committed to another great year of racing on Wednesday Night at the WYC.

FLEET CAPTAIN

Neil Bergh

Reservations for moorings and slips for the 2019 Summer Cruise

For those members participating in the summer cruise the following information is provided for mooring and slip reservations. Note that all mooring and slip reservations are the responsibility of the individual member and not the cruise committee. To best ensure availability of moorings and slips, members are encouraged to make their reservations early.

Westport – Saturday, August 3rd

- Reservations can be made by emailing Rich Picard, the yard manager at F.L.Tripp & Sons (richpicard@fltripp.com). Make sure you let Rich know that you are with the Wickford Yard Club.

Quissett – Sunday, August 4th & Monday, August 5th

- Reservations are not accepted in Quissett. Moorings are on a first-come basis. The Quissett Boatyard is aware of our arrival however and will be working to ensure enough moorings will be available.

Red Brook Harbor – Tuesday, August 6th & Wednesday, August 7th

- Two options are available for moorings and slips in Red Brook. Either Parkers Boat Yard or Kingman Yacht Center. Reservations for both can be made through Dockwa (https://dockwa.com/).

Marion – Thursday, August 8th

- Mooring reservations can be made through the Beverly Yacht Club. Contact either Rusty Peirce rusty@beverlyyachtclub.org or Holly Bouchard hbouchard@beverlyyachtclub.org or by calling the office at (508) 748-0540. Requests for slips or moorings at Burr Bros can be made through Dockwa

WICKFORD SAILING ASSOCIATION

Paul Nannig
President

WSA Fundraiser Saturday, May 4th

***Click here** to register online*

Join your fellow WYC members for the Wickford Sailing Association's Fundraiser Dinner and Auction. Enjoy an Italian themed Lasagne and Eggplant Parmesan dinner with salad & dessert, beer, wine and soda also included. There will be a gluten-free option as well.

Price is $25 per person if you register in April - $30 per person thereafter. **Guests welcome!!**

We have auction items secured from:

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- North Sails - Sea Dog sail and Service Package
- CVS Charity Golf Classic - June 20-21, 2019
- Block Island Ferry
- America's Cup Charters
- A Sail on Sweet Pea
- A Mark Knapp wooden bowl - stunning!
- And many more!!

If you have trouble registering online, contact Paul Nannig at pnannig@gmail.com or 401-640-1980, or Mark Bamford at msbamford@cox.net or cell: 401-524-1569.

US SAILING

Renew your US Sailing Membership as a MVP Partner of WSA

WSA belongs to the US sailing MVP Partner Program where discounted membership rates apply. If you sign-up or renew your US Sailing membership as an MVP with WSA selected,

WSA receives credits towards educational courses and materials.

When you join or Renew from the US Sailing website, there's an opportunity to select the MVP Program button link.

Wickford Sailing Association
sailing instruction for all ages

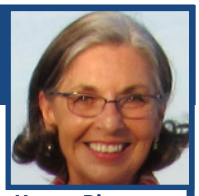
ATTENTION ALL FACEBOOK USERS

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.

MEMBERSHIP



Karen Pizzaruso
Chair

MEMBERSHIP POSTING: Potential New WYC Members May 2019

Bradley "Brad" Brown
Son of Win and Kathy Brown
Sponsors: John Wilson and Win and Kathy Brown
Primary Residence: 22 Charlene Court, North Kingstown
Bbrown2011@gmail.com
Secondary Residence: US Coast Guard Duty Station Dorado, Crescent City, CA
Boat: Laser
MILITARY Membership

Dawson and Megan Hodgson
Sponsored by Neil Mc Dermott and Jamie Verdi
Primary Residence: 299 Waites Corner Road, West Kingston, RI 02892
dawsonhodgson@gmail.com
Children: Winfield (10) and Charles (8)
Boats: Life Aquatic 22' Siso Grimace 33' J100
FAMILY Membership

Ted R Williams
Son of Linda and Paul Sollitto
Sponsors: Bruce Dawson and Will King
Primary Residence: 173 Rochambeau Avenue, Unit 2, Providence RI 02906
TedRWilliams9@gmail.com
INDIVIDUAL Membership

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

Thank you!

Sarah & Paul and Paula & I would just like to recognize and thank the following volunteers for helping create the wonderful reception for our Commodore Gordon Fletcher and his wife Sharon, which included guest Commodores from Rhode Island and Newport Yacht Clubs. The Hors-D'oeuvres provided by West Bay Gourmet were exceptional and the flowers by Brenda Owren added an elegant touch of Spring. A wonderful evening was had by all.

These social events can only happen with the help of volunteers. It was a pleasure to work together as a team to create such a special evening. A special thanks to the registration desk staffed by Cynthia Carpenter & Anne Bowen; servers including Clare & Peter Northrup, Chuck & Becky Allen, Tom & Ellen Grennan and Barbara & Tom Halavik; bartenders Win & Kathy Brown, Bob & Patty Kern, Tony & Virginia Micheletti, Doug LeVasseur & Agu Suvari, Darcy Lynch & Paul Nannig, Ellen & David Abell, Sarah Bliven & Rick Nagele and Mary Lou and Bill Greene. Also, we would like to thank Ben Rice for coordinating the liquor inventory and bar setup, Carrie Mitchell for lining up the volunteers to tend bar during the evening and to Barbara Jackson for her assistance with the on-line registration process.

Sarah & Paul Browne

Paula & Peter Fahlman

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Many thanks to Sarah and Paul Browne, Paula and Peter Fahlman, and all of the bar tenders and other members who helped to make the Commodores' Reception a wonderful evening.

If you missed this fantastic annual event, enter it in your calendar for next year because it's the best way to catch up with members who've been away for the winter and meet the new members who have joined for the 2019 season!

Our next event is a **POT LUCK SUNDAY DINNER** on April 28. The Club is providing rotisseried chickens – guests bring a side, appetizer, or dessert for 6 – and of course your beverage of choice! This is a great opportunity to introduce potential members to our club – in time for the upcoming season!
Tickets for those over 12 are $5. Go to www.tinyurl.com/wycpl1 for tickets. Reservations close on April 25.

COMMISSIONING DAY! The detailed schedule is elsewhere in the newsletter. The link for registration is **here**. There are three dinner choices: citrus salmon, half chicken, or grill your own steak. Tickets are $30 until May 12th for members, $35 thereafter and at all times for non-members. For our members under 12, chicken dinner is free – $5 for guests under 12. Our team for this event is spearheaded by Nancy and Bob Shore and Mimi and Dan Dyer. It's a big event to organize – Thank You!

Since the Shore's and Dyers aren't spending the day cooking, this event is catered. That means we have to give a final headcount on May 19th No tickets will be available after that date.

Questions? Contact Randy Wietman at erawtm@yahoo.com or 401-429-6389

WICKFORD REGATTA is June 8 and 9. For members on the committee who want to order lunch or dinner tickets go to www.tinyurl.com/wyc2019regatta If you'd like to work at this event and don't have an assignment, please **email** or call Barb Jackson ,617-510-0384 and I'll plug you in. We can always use another set of hands – and we give you a free dinner in thanks!

Save the Date - Cheeseburgers, June 14th

Meet the Members!

Jim and Jo-Ann Hutchins

Life long residents of North Kingstown, the Hutchins live on Roger Williams Drive. Married for 51 years, they raised their family here and once owned Hutchins Electric. With more free time, they are getting back into boating and finding friends at the WYC who also golf.

Mary Ann Horrigan

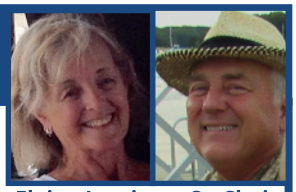
Mary Ann Horrigan (soon to be Thorne) has always had a great appreciation for the water, having grown up in an avid seafaring household. This led her on a path to collecting a plethora of marine certifications and teaching experiences along the way from Hawaii, to California and recently landing back in Rhode Island. She is currently working as Program Director for New England Science & Sailing Foundation (NESS) in Stonington, CT. NESS provides ocean adventure education to 10,000 students annually with over 100 different schools and organizations. Her passion for science, nature, and anything to do with the sea has made a large impact on her artwork. Whether this creative expression comes from her immersion in nature or her submersion in the sea, it is a true representation of her world.

DID YOU KNOW?

...keeping you filled with nautical facts you've never heard!

The word 'Quarantine' comes from the Latin word for 40, which was the number of a days a ship had to wait to dock because of the plague.

HOUSE COMMITTEE



Elaine Lemieux, Co-Chair

Chuck Ebersole, Co-Chair

Spring is here time for opening the club!

May 18th - 8:00 AM

- Come one come all bring gloves and tools for flower boxes.
- Inside cleaning: Windows in Great Room, baths and kitchen.
- Coffee and donuts will be served.

We are looking for a new assistant steward. Any club member with children or grandchildren that are high school junior or senior that may be interested in employment, please call Chuck for more information on the position.

WICKFORD FROSTBITE ASSOCIATION

Chuck Allen

Spring Season Results:

- 77 races this half and 145 for the year.
- Excellent conditions all season, great turnout and a bunch of new folks giving it a go.
- Awards dinner was well attended at The Oak Hill Tavern!

	WYC Sea Dog Fleet 166 - Spring Sea														
		race	1/27/2019	2/3/2019	2/10/2019	2/17/2019	2/24/2019	3/3/2019	3/10/2019	3/17/2019	3/24/2019	3/31/2019	4/7/2019	4/14/2019	total
Place		Sail No.							no rc						
1	Chuck Allen	4	1	14	1*	1	2	1	8	9	2	1	1	1	11
2	Paul Nannig	49	6	4	2	11	8	3	1	3	1	3	3	3	23
4	Peter Greene	54	13	6	5	3	4	1*	2	1	6	3*	4	2	25
3	Neil McDermott	34	2	3	7	4	3	2	8	9	3	4	2	4	27
5	Doug Nannig	40	3	1*	9	8	8	4	3	2	7	7	5	11	40
6	Brett Nazareth	0	1*	2	1	2	6	10	8	9	11	8	8	11	45
7	Gary Breder	57	11	9	4	7	5	10	5	9	5	6	1*	7	49
8	Daniel Borsutzky	50	4	7	12	11	8	10	8	6	1*	5	6	5	50
10	Gordon Fletcher	5	9	5	12	6	1	10	4	9	4	8	8	6	51
11	Greg Phipps	86	13	12	8	1*	7	5	6	5	8	8	7	11	55
12	Bob Hicks	64	12	8	12	11	1*	6	8	4	11	5*	8	5*	56
15	Gary Smith	2	13	11	12	11	8	7	8	7	11	1*	8	8	69
14	Rex Brewer	982	13	13	11	10	8	8	7	8	9	8	1*	10	69
13	Ross Weene	9.1	7	14	6	11	8	10	8	9	11	2	8	11	69
16	Geoff Sigman	32	13	14	12	9	8	9	8	1*	11	8	8	9	71

Wickford Regatta June 2019 - Housing Request

Can you believe it's time to think about Wickford's 2019 June Regatta? Well its true and it will be here before you know it! I've just gotten the first request for housing and it still only March!

Yes it's true WYC is hosting another Wickford Regatta on June 8-9, 2019. We will be looking for WYC members who would like to house a sailor or two beginning Friday night, June 7 and Saturday, June 8. Some of the sailors will be arriving on Friday and will need accommodations for 2 nights while others will need accommodations for just Saturday night.

Sailors are easy guests - all they will require is a bed, bath/shower and perhaps a light breakfast. Their lunches and Saturday night dinner will be served from the club.

Please volunteer, as we have a large fleet arriving in Wickford and we need to find beds for those requesting them.

Please let me know the following:

- How many beds you will have available and sizes (twin, double, queen).
- Number of bedrooms available
- Preference, male or female sailors, and husband and wife teams.
- How many nights you can offer (1 or 2)
- Do you have pets (dogs, cats)
- For those of you who have housed folks from this group in the past, if you remember who they were and if you wish to house them again, I will make every attempt to do so.

If you have any questions, please let me know (pinkiesweetholland@gmail.com) (H) (401) 294-3212, (C) (401) 316-3212.

Thank you in advance for volunteering to share your home with a great group of sailors.

I know we still have some "snow birds" that haven't come back yet, but it is never too early to volunteer to be a host.

Pinkie

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