

Over the Waves

The Monthly Newsletter of the Wickford Yacht Club
August 2019

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



Friday, August 30
6:00 PM
Just \$22!

In case you need a reminder, here's how Lobsterfest works:

- Your ticket provides you with ONE lobster, ONE ear of corn, coleslaw, butter, dessert, paper plates, tablecloths, napkins, knives and forks. *If you want something else, BRING IT!*
- You provide appetizers and other sides for your group plus all beverages. The Club is not providing booze or setups.
- Remember to bring lobster opening implements.
- Plastic required. No glassware allowed on the patio for this event.
- You will not be able to use the kitchen to prepare any of your food.

Guests are welcome, but the event is capped at 100 and will sell out!

Tickets: \$22 through August 23. Hot dogs for kids at no charge.

Late reservations through August 25: \$27. RESERVATIONS CLOSE AT 100!

Reservation not made until your online reservation or check is received in the Social Committee box.

Do not use US Mail.

**Contact Marylou Greene with questions:
401-465-2301**

**To Register, click the link below:
www.tinyurl.com/wyclobsters2019**

Connect With The Club:



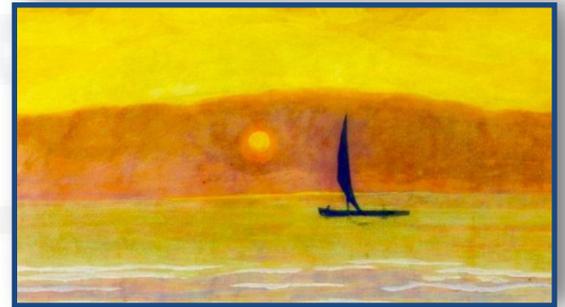
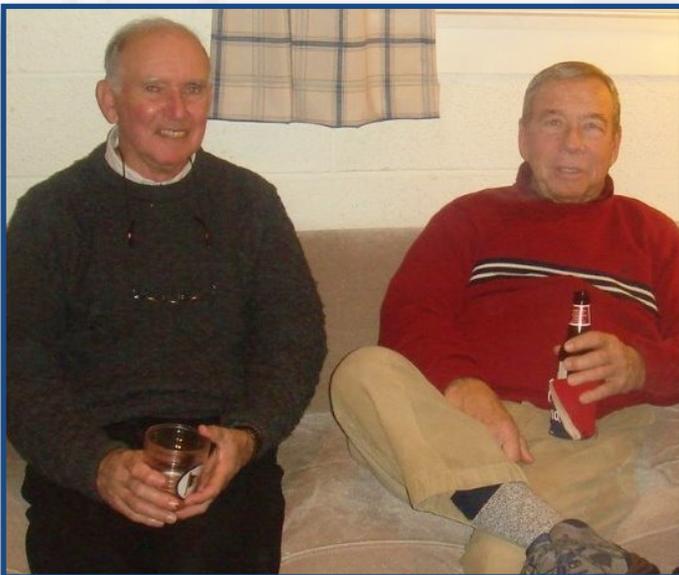
CROSSING THE BAR

Robert Viera

January 10, 1937 - June 25, 2019

Bob's warm eyes and outward demeanor belayed the fineness in his life. Managing the souls he saw as blips on his traffic controller screen could be a metaphor for how he safeguarded his family, friends, boat, garden and home.

At the WYC, we knew him as an awesome Manhattan mixer, and the generous can-do guy with endless skills that he self-mastered in his years. If the word "friendships" had a synonym picture, it would be called "Holland & Viera".



If "devotion" had a synonym picture, it would show Jane and Bob's kids.

[Link to Obituary](#)

COMMODORE'S LOG



Gordon Fletcher

With lots going on, the club is really in full swing. The first summer series of racing is behind us and looking forward to the second series. Other sailing activities included another successful Wickford Regatta. The summer cruise is next and is all set to head east into Buzzards bay, hopefully those that can't make it by boat will be able to join us by land.

We have received some great feedback on our junior sailing program run by WSA. Thanks to Russ and his team of instructors the program is doing very well. Also, the trailer has arrived and we have begun the transition of the JYC back to a place where kids will be able to hang out.

Thanks to all those that are helping out, whether its with the social events or race committees, its all very much appreciated by all of us.

See you at the club. ~Gordon

COMING UP AT THE CLUB...

August 2019

Sat Aug 3	All day - Fri Aug 9	Summer Cruise heading East (Neil Bergh Fleet Captain)
Thu Aug 8	5:00pm - 10:00pm	Private Party Club Rental (Skip Whyte)
Mon Aug 12	All day - Wed Aug 14	Junior Race Week (CRB)
	7:00pm - 8:00pm	WYC Board Meeting
Wed Aug 14	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Wednesday Night Races - Dog Day Series ⚓
Fri Aug 16	4:00pm - 8:00pm	WSA Awards Night 📺 (Kathy Brown)
Sat Aug 17	6:00pm - 10:00pm	The Pig Roast Sailing, Kayaking, and Barbecue
Wed Aug 21	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Wednesday Night Races - Dog Day Series ⚓
Wed Aug 28	4:00pm - 10:00pm	Private Club Rental (See Harry Church if any questions)
Fri Aug 30	6:00pm - 10:00pm	Lobsterfest

September 2019

Sun Sep 1	1:00pm - 9:00pm	Visiting Yacht Club Today - Bristol Yacht Club
Sat Sep 7	11:00am - Sun Sep 8 3:00pm	Dutch Island Pursuit Race and Fall Mini Cruise
Tue Sep 10	7:00pm - 8:00pm	WYC Board Meeting ⚓
Sat Sep 14	6:00pm - 10:00pm	Awards Mixer and Taco Bar
Sat Sep 21	All day - Sun Sep 22	Laser Masters Regatta (Laser Masters Regatta 2019)

FLEET CAPTAIN

2019 WYC Annual Summer Cruise ATTENTION ON DECK!



Neil Bergh

This is the final call for signing up for the 2019 WYC Summer Cruise

We will be heading East on August 3rd with a one-night stopover in Westport Harbor. Then on to Buzzards Bay, Massachusetts. We have planned some wonderful events in Quissett, Red Brook and Marion. Boat or no boat, if you would like to attend any of the events, please sign up on the following links:

Rafting Party in Quissett Harbor (August 4th, 2019):

- <https://tinyurl.com/WYC-Rafting-Party>

Commodore's Reception in Red Brook Harbor (August 6th, 2019):

- <https://tinyurl.com/2019-Commodores-Reception>

Summer Cruise Dinner in Marion (August 8th, 2019)

- <https://tinyurl.com/Summer-Cruise-2019-Dinner>
- Limited to the first 50 who register

To view / download the Cruise Package and for mooring, itinerary dates and cruise information use the following link: <https://www.wickfordyc.com/cruising/>

Two cruise meetings have been held to review the cruise package and field questions. If you were unable to attend and have questions, please do not hesitate to give me a call: (609) 970-2921.

Since there are two catered events, the sign-up deadline for reservations is Thursday, July 25, 2019. Please be advised that the reservations for these events are firm commitments with our caterers. Refunds will not be available should you cancel.

REAR COMMODORE



Bob Kern

Racing for the summer is a wonderful experience and the competitors (18 to 20 boats every Wednesday Night) and race committee are enjoying the beautiful waters off Wickford Harbor. We have just started the Dog Days Series and the results of the top finishers for the Solstice Series are as follows:

SPINNIKER 1 CLASS:

Pos	Sail	Boat	Rating	Skipper	Yacht Club	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total	Pos
1	43	Grimace	86	Dawson & Ben Hodgson	Wickford	[3]	2	1	3	1	1	8	1
2	43746	Joyride34	113	Steve McCrory	Wickford YC	2	1	2	[4]	2	4	11	2
3	269	Hot Streak	118	Daniel Stone Daniel Stone	Wickford Yacht Club	[4]	4	3	1	3	2	13T	3
4	579	GiJima	117	Gordon Fletcher	Wickford	1	3	[4]	2	4	3	13T	4

SPINNIKER 2 CLASS:

Pos	Sail	Boat	Rating	Skipper	Yacht Club	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total	Pos
1	960	Kona	186	Neil McDermott Jamie Verdi	Wickford YC	[3/DNC]	1	2	1	1	1	6	1
2	837		186	Paul Nannig Ian Nannig, Kyle Nannig	WYC	1		[2]	1	2	2	8	2

CRUISING CLASS:

Pos	Sail	Boat	Rating	Skipper	Yacht Club	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total	Pos
1	10	Bizzy Ball	207	Thomas Heald	Wickford	1	3	1	4	1	[9/DNC]	10T	1
2	USA5366	RABBIT	210	Dan Dyer	Wickford Yacht Club	2	2	2	2	2	[9/DNC]	10T	2
3	327	Flying High	167	Daniel M. Borsutzky Mark Romanelli	WYC	3	[9/DNC]	4	1	3	1	12	3

ENSIGN CLASS:

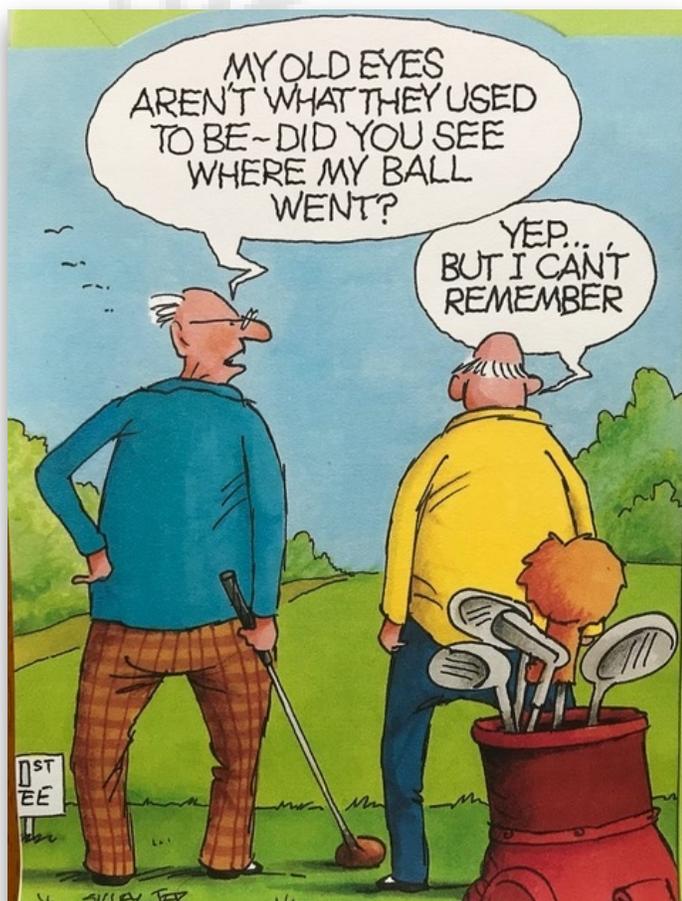
Pos	Sail	Boat	Rating	Skipper	Yacht Club	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total	Pos
1	551	Miss Jenn	0	Gary Smith	none	1	1	1	2	1	[4/DNC]	6	1
2	1550	Storm Petrel	0	Jameson Chace	none	[4/DNC]	3	3	1	2	1	10	2
3	631	Luna-C	0	Joe Connelly	none	[4/DNC]	2	2	3	3	2	12	3

13 th Annual WYC Co-Ed Golf Tournament

Wednesday, September 11
Jamestown Golf Club

- 9 Hole Scramble/Best Ball
- Foursomes will be decided by golf committee
- First tee-time Approx. 11:30 AM
- BYOE at WYC at 5 PM for awards and stories
- This is a low-key fun event!

To register contact Bruce
Dawson, croc51915@cox.net



SOCIAL COMMITTEE

August Social Events

August 17 – BBQ Feast, Pig Roast and Veggies too!

- Guests are needed for This Event! We have to order a whole pig and we don't want leftovers!
- The Frostbite Association – World Champion Seadog Fleet 166 – is our host for this special event.
- The menu includes a whole roast pig, BBQ chicken, sides, salads...including local caprese salad (tomatoes, basil, and mozzarella), dessert and a beer and wine bar, and lots of soft drinks for the kids.
- As an added incentive to bring as many guests as you know, we've waived the additional guest fee AND if your guest joins the club by the end of 2019, you and they will get your ticket fees refunded in full!
- Tickets are \$28 until August 10 and \$33 thereafter...and may be free!
- Go to www.tinyurl.com/wycpig2019

August 30 – Lobsterfest...It's Back!!!!

- Tickets are \$20 until August 18; \$25 thereafter. This event will sell out so sign up early.
- If this is your first Lobsterfest here's how it works.: The club provides one lobster, one ear of corn, and cole slaw. We also provide table cloths, plates and napkins. That's it. YOU bring EVERYTHING else - beverages, booze, salad, dessert and CLAW CRACKERS.
- Guest seating is limited to two per member at this event due to its popularity.
- Go to www.tinyurl.com/wyclobsters2019

WSA SAILING GRANTS

I have been remiss the last two years not keeping our members informed and aware of the Sailing Grants awarded each year. Last year we awarded 5 grants and this year 6. The grants are based entirely upon financial need. Without the grants these children and the hundred or so before them would never have the experience of sailing a boat, enjoying the beautiful waters of Narragansett Bay.

The Yacht Club was formed years ago with one of their main purposes to bring sailing to the children of the community. We have evolved over the years but thankfully introducing children to sailing is still in our DNA.

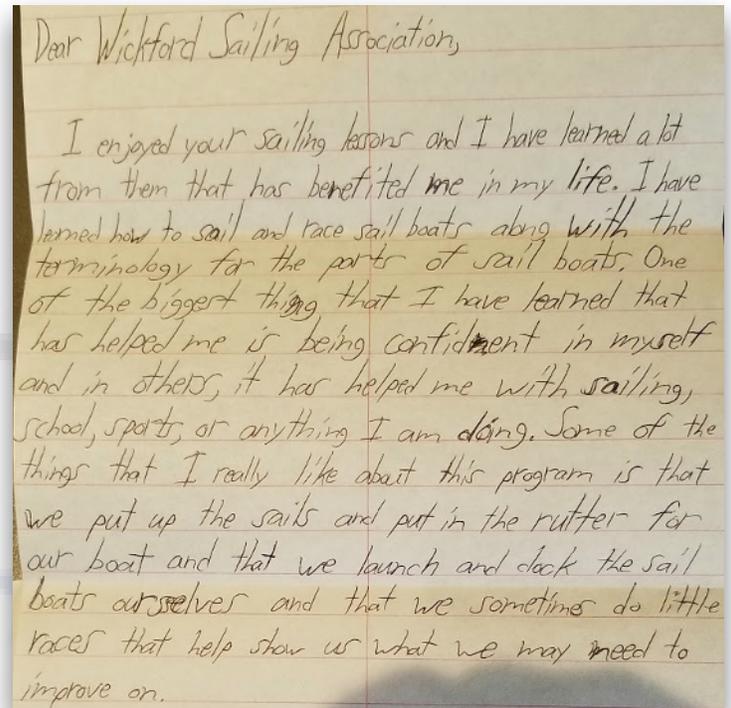
The Grant program is financed entirely through donations from our members and the community.

We have had a number of benefactors over the years that have been very generous but wish to remain anonymous. Unfortunately, a number of our members have passed away. Their families have donated money to the program in their memory. The Wenzel family did this a number of years ago in Bob's memory with the stipulation that any money received in Bob's name would be used to introduce sailing to children for the first time. Recently, Bud and Frankie Nannig passed away and it was their wish that if you wanted to remember them this would be a wonderful way.

The photos include a letter from a child thanking us for a 2018 and a letter from a child asking to be a recipient of a 2019 grant.

Lastly I need to say "Thank you" for all the past recipients since without your financial assistance they most likely would never have the experience we are so lucky to enjoy.

Mark Callahan
Sailing Grant Chair



Dear Wickford Sailing Association,

I enjoyed your sailing lessons and I have learned a lot from them that has benefited me in my life. I have learned how to sail and race sail boats along with the terminology for the parts of sail boats. One of the biggest things that I have learned that has helped me is being confident in myself and in others, it has helped me with sailing, school, sports, or anything I am doing. Some of the things that I really like about this program is that we put up the sails and put in the rutter for our boat and that we launch and dock the sail boats ourselves and that we sometimes do little races that help show us what we may need to improve on.

My name is [REDACTED] I am ten and I'm going into fifth grade, I wish to go the Wickford Sailing Association this summer. I want to go to the camp this year because I want to become a marine biologist.

I've loved the ocean since I was 2 years old. I'm being raised with my 1 brother and 2 sisters by my mom. I need to learn how to sail and run a boat to become a marine biologist.

I wanted to do this last year but I didn't know about this sailing camp in time. Also, I've loved summer camps since I was really little. I hope you will consider me for participation this year.

In conclusion, I would love to go to the summer camp if i'm able to this summer.

MEMBERSHIP



Karen Pizaruso
Chair

MEMBERSHIP POSTING: Potential New WYC Members June 2019

Erin and Jeff Spear

Children: Parker

Sponsored by Jim Seymour and Heather Colby

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Boat: "Silver Lady" 19' Key West 186CC

FAMILY Membership

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

Meet the Members!

Kristen, Matthew, Petraneia and Pyper Smith

We are the Smiths! From one sailing family in the foothills of Western Canada and another sailing family in the mountains of Vermont, Matthew and Kristen met on the windy waters of San Francisco Bay. They now own their third boat, Tumbleweed, a 2005 Nauticat 321, which they love sailing with their

daughters, Petraneia (18) and Pyper (14), and Matthew's parents, John and Grace Smith.

The Smith's live in East Greenwich and also enjoy skiing, biking, hiking, traveling and any activity that takes place on or near the water. They are happy to join WYC to become more involved and help support the local yachting community. We also enjoy a good party every now and then!

In their application letter, the Smith's mentioned that they were fond of azure on a fess undy argent in base dexter a mullet azure.

(See our bylaws - ARTICLE XI: SIGNAL CODE AND YACHT ROUTINE, Section 3

This got us thinking on who designed our WYC burgee. If you know, please share.



SAILING ACTIVITIES

Mary Horrigan, Yarrow Thorne, Dawson Hodgson and Chuck Allen won The New York Yacht Club 175th Regatta sailing aboard Harvey Jones's Botin 55 *Outlier*.

The boat was launched this summer and was built in Brooklyn, Maine. She is cold molded wood and will reach speeds in the high teens. *Outlier* lives in Nantucket during the summer.



WYC Logo Products

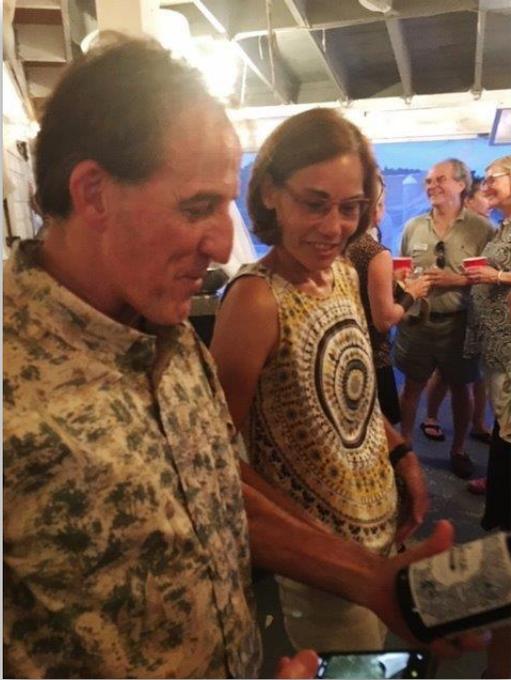
Hundreds of polo shirts, tee shirts, caps, hats, jackets, vests, and fleeces are available at our on-line store. It is hosted by My Locker and you can get there by clicking on WYCGear.

Select the type of item you want, choose the type of logo, add any personalization, like your boat name, sail number or message. You can even upload your own logo or design. There is no fee or minimum. Check it out!

- Visit the link below or find more information in the members section of the WYC Website.
- <https://www.mylocker.net/shops/wickford-yacht-club>



COMMODORE'S SAFARI!




The Commodore's Durban to Wickford Party
Gordon and Sharon Fletcher
July 20, 2019

Safari Appetizers
Raw bar
Shrimp
Cheese Board
Boerewors sausage

South African Wines
Sangria
Beer

Dinner 29.8587° S, 31.0218° E
Savory Summer Salad with cucumbers, peppers, radish
Chicken Bunny Bowl
Bakala Beef
Durban Seafood Curry
Moroccan Rice
Chutney

Dessert 41.5723° N, 71.4485° W
South African Celebration cake
Chocolate covered strawberries

Current Durban Temperature : 59° F



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