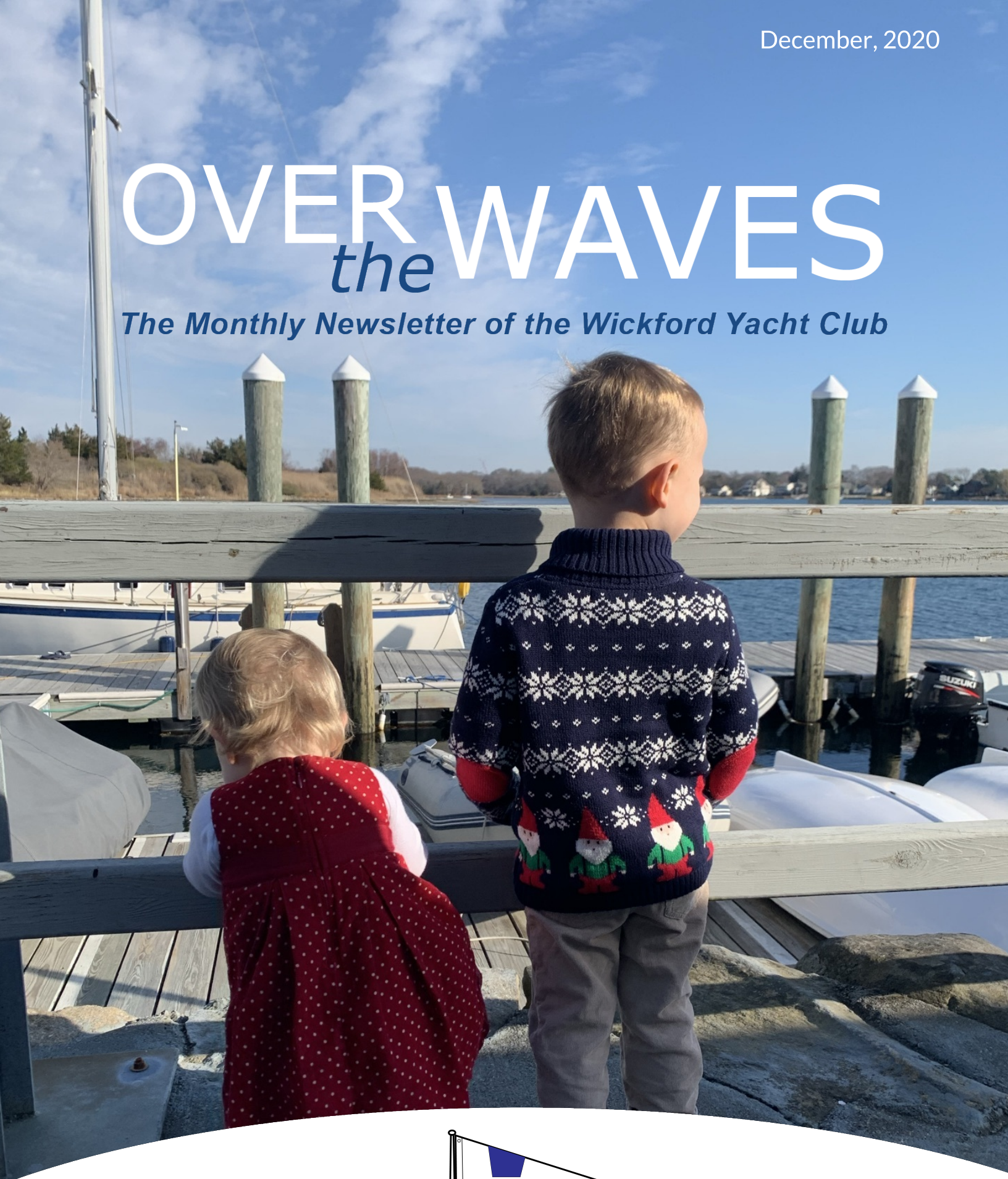
December, 2020

OVER *the* WAVES

The Monthly Newsletter of the Wickford Yacht Club



Wickford Yacht Club

Commodore's Log

As we wind down this very unusual year, it is important to reflect on the positive things that we, as a club, have accomplished. Most importantly, our members have been able to remain relatively healthy. Additionally, we financed and completed a significant construction project and safely ran a spring mini cruise, Wednesday night racing, a modified annual cruise, a fall mini cruise/pursuit race, Frostbiting, the Laser masters/Wickford regatta, golf programs for men and women, a few social events, and Friday night gatherings. All of these activities accommodated restrictions to avoid cancellation. We also took in new members!

None of this could have been accomplished without the club volunteers that stepped up and a board that was willing to think outside the box during this very strange year.

Thank you all for your support and counsel. It has been an honor to serve this year as your 54th commodore!

Wishing you all a very happy and healthy holiday season,

Bob Shore, Commodore

PS: Don’t forget to fill out your proxy for the 2021 budget!

Race Results

		WFA Fleet 166 Results			11-8-20		
		Light and Variable		Outbound Current			
RC	**Chuck Allen**						
		Course	W-Finish	L-Finish	W-Finish	W-Club	
Place	Name	Sail#	Race 1	Race 2	Race 3	Race 4	Total
1	Chuck Allen	4					**R/C**
1	Ed Adams	15	**1**	**1**	**1**	**2**	**5**
2	Daniel Borsutzsky	50	2	2	3	1	**8**
3	Bret Nazareth	0	**6**	**5**	**2**	**5**	**18**
4	Ezra Smith	91-Fleet	4	6	7	3	**20**
5	Brad Brown	100	**10**	**3**	**4**	**6**	**23**
6	Skip Whyte	1	3	4	5	16	**28**
7	Paul Nannig	49	**9**	**9**	**12**	**4**	**34**
8	Peter Greene	54	5	13	8	8	**34**
9	Meredith Adams	126	**14**	**8**	**6**	**7**	**35**
10	Francie Miller	4	13	7	9	12	**41**
11	Rex Brewer	17	**7**	**16**	**11**	**9**	**43**
12	Bob Hicks	64	15	10	10	13	**48**
13	Doug Nannig	40	**11**	**14**	**13**	**11**	**49**
14	Gary Breder	57	17	11	14	10	**52**
15	Geoff Signman	32	**12**	**12**	**15**	**14**	**53**
16	Kyle Nannig	9	8	17	17	**16**	**58**
17	Jay Koyler	46	**16**	**15**	**16**	**15**	**62**

Membership Update

WYC, our therapeutic Rx in an unsettled time.

What did “settle” this year is the refreshed pavilion, handsomely completed and applauded. We unmasked for smiling selfie pics for our member’s page, but safely distanced for celebrations of new beginnings, babies and boats.

The heart of the WYC community family bade good-bye to dear souls and welcomed five new couples who impressed us with their enthusiasm and talents.

Well done, Members.

Karen

MEMBER*UPDATES*

MEMBERSHIP POSTING: Potential New WYC Members for December 2020

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FAMILY MEMBERSHIP
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Trinket 18' Marshall Catboat
Sponsors: Gordon Fletcher & Ezra and Tracy Smith

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FAMILY MEMBERSHIP
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Sponsors: Board Meeting

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

CrossingtheBar

Bruce Ferguson, 2004 Commodore
October 12, 2020

The sturdy boat ramp that moves smoothly with the tide's gravitational forces could be a metaphor for Bruce's connection to the WYC. It's one of many things he built for us.

His genius was in mechanical problem solving as evidenced here, and in the successful business he ran. Bruce was an accomplished sailor and equally as passionate about supporting the WSA and mentoring young sailors. His enduring legacy is in the quiet generosity that funded so many worthy causes.

Click for Obituary

CONNECTIONS

Pleasant St. TIDINGS…send yours to Karen, Membership pkpizz@verizon.net

From Pinkie: How can I keep from singing?
Well, she can't.
Click this link for the North Kingstown Community Chorus' joyful gift to all of us.

From Grampa John Tylawsky :
"My crew for next year, "you introduced me to horses, grandpa can you teach me how to sail next?" 5 year old Abby's mom, Liz, is an accomplished equestrian and cover girl on Morgan Horse magazine.

NOT A FISH STORY: WOW, Matt Grennan! Bluefin tuna, over 800 pounds, 109" long, and caught south of Block Island.

Zeta's storm finished up the season for the 19 Wickford Lady Golfer's. Nine holes, at as many as nine courses, followed by tee-riffic socially distanced lunches. Barbara Dawson and Patty Kern will link up these cool cats again in 2021.

Food Insecurity, its real, and desperate.

Carrie Mitchell pointed out that canned food drives have been cnx. Monetary support is urgent with rising costs. Our Jeff Shapiro, owner of the Kayak Center is MATCHING donations up to $2,500.

NK Food Pantry, 445 School Street,02852

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Meet Leo, Liz and Agu Suvari's Covidentia puppy. Look at that sweet face.

Sitting pretty on Remedy, Deb and Rich O'Brien's fur grand-puppies, (L) Wrigley, a mini labradoodle and (R) Grady, a mini-goldendoodle.

Hempstead is Jeff & Julie Cook's daughter (from Larkspur, CA.) 5th dog in training. "Service dog wants to go out but it's raining."

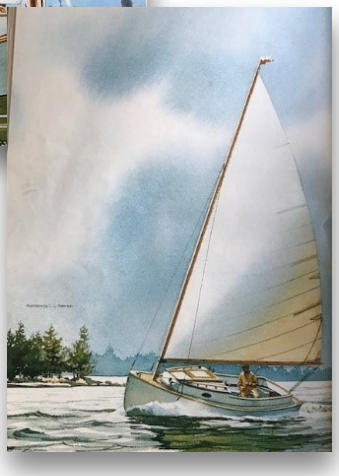
From Kate (Demos) McDermott : If you are between 60-79 years old, this is important and worthwhile to consider as a participant . U.S. POINTER is a national study coordinated by Wake Forest Baptist Health and the Alzheimer's Association®. PLEASE click on this link

Email Kate directly at Kathryn_demos@brown.edu, or call 401-POINTER, or email pointer@butler.org.

From **John Smith**: There is a lot more to this story about John's renaissance Dad, Ralph.

"*My dad built a 15 foot, hard chine, Marconi catboat that was designed by the late, great Charles Wittholz. It was a wonderful boat which carried our family all over the coast of Maine with no engine, and, as is true for most catboats, could stand up to way more weather than one would expect. I have a full set of plans that I can't bear to throw away. But I must start cleaning out our house. I wonder if any yacht club members would be interested.*"

Along with this, John shared pictures he captured from a SAIL Magazine article, August ,1979.



The watercolorist illustrator is the prolific C.L.Peterson whose love of sailing is captured in his artwork .

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We decided to downsize! Jill & Bruce Mulford's *Dreamboat*, a 41-foot Cruising Hunter Sailboat In excellent condition is for sale. Call Tim Norton at 401-575-8326

"My she was yar"

This, from **Hans**: Port of Nonsuch

Joe Kolb & Carrie Mitchell are the 5th owners of the 1887 Victorian home that they bought from Joan & Chris Peet. The Cheetham's (who owned before the Peets) sold a portion of their land to the town after the Hurricane of 1938 washed away the town's water tower. Chris Peet named the street Standpipe Lane.

(Pg.8, Tim Cranston, historian)
https://www.nklibrary.org/sites/nklibrary.org/files/pdf/Vol9-10partA.pdf

The Spear's attempted to take some holiday pictures at the Club. Parker (3) and Reese (1) were not having any of it!

Meanwhile…Chris and Joan Peet sent this.

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