



Bowspritz



FROM THE HELM

Happy new year to everyone. The PJYC Board of Governors 2024 had its first meeting on Jan. 8th, and we hit the ground running.

Thanks to Andrew Mathews (Past Commodore), Dave Hubbard (Fleet Captain), and Laurina Nielsen (Social Director), our club's 50+ years of paperwork is being triaged. We are digitizing important documents, securing hard copies, and disposing of the not needed remnants in the shredder. This is no small task, so if you would like to help, please contact Laurina. Type C personalities only please! We will need Type A & B personalities for other tasks later in the season.

Jason Sanabia (Director of Grounds) is on "snow watch" this winter. He has a contractor on "Stand By" to keep our Parking Lot & Steps clear. He is also contemplating the spring clean up plan, along with the beautification of the grounds to come.

Laurina Nielsen (Social Director) is preparing our "Social Calendar" for our "Social Season" to come. Please watch for events planned throughout the winter. I will personally look forward to seeing my fellow "Romantics" at the Valentine's Day Party in February. Watch for her "Invites".

Kevin Broderick (House Director) is paying attention to our clubhouse. He's putting away this, fixing that, and making the building safe for all of us.

Rich Spitzenberger (Treasurer) is busy counting the funds we have and what funds we don't have. He's sending out "Dues Notices" and paying our Bills. Please be current. Borrowing from "Peter to Pay Paul" is not fun for him. Thanks.

Ed Torre, our new Director of Education, will be overseeing the Junior Sailing Program. David Diamond was our Director of Education for the past five years. He will be transitioning both Ed T. and our new Sailing School Director, Will Bradshaw, into their new roles. A big thank you to David Diamond.

Ed Dowd (Launch Director) is spending more time with his other children, known as our three Launches. "The Setauket" is the problem child.

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He's waiting to see what can be done about it. Hopefully it just needs some attention.

Betsy Dowd, our new Judge Advocate, will be working on getting us the best insurance rates and she will be readying herself for any legal issues that may come.

Ellie Bowman the Recording Secretary, records the club's minutes for each Board Meeting. You can review the Board's due diligence and transparency because of her.

Vicky LaRosa our Corresponding Secretary handles the mail, she connects with our membership, connects with the outside world, and communicates it to the Board.

Ray Dickenson the Rear Commodore is working on School Contracts. He is in charge of the Stonybrook School and the Stonybrook University Rowing and Sailing Clubs status.

Chris Beach (Vice Commodore) is helping transition Ray into his new role as Rear Commodore along with helping in the School Contracts. Chris has also conquered the thermostat issues in the Clubhouse. We now have heat. Chris is considering destinations for our "Cruising" schedule this year. He will also take over for me when I am not available. Thank you, Chris.

Alan Siris, your new Commodore, has signed a contract with James Finke of the Port Jefferson Rowing Club for \$14,700 and has also signed a contract with our new employee, Will Bradshaw to be our new Sailing School Director. Alan S. has had several productive meetings about many of our club's concerns.

Andrew Mathews (Past Commodore) keeps us on course. He is still here for us, and is still a willing participant in all things Club related, and is very much appreciated.

Alan Johnson (Director of Docks and Floats) has done it again. Our Master Visionary, Master Planer, & our Master Dock Builder is ready to roll. Yes, all plans & permits for Phase 2 of the new Finger Docks have been approved. Alan J. is now in motion.

Dave Hubbard (Fleet Captain) is Brainstorming the racing season to come. What will be the new schedule, what will be the new schedule, and who will be on the race committee? He's also organizing new safety courses.

I'm sure you can see that your Board is working hard for you. We are all volunteers just trying to make our Club a better place. We are proud doing the "Yeoman's work". Come this spring we will need the membership's vital help as usual. Have a good winter.

Thank you for the opportunity to be at the Helm,
Alan Siris, Commodore PJYC



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DOCKS & FLOATS

Since my last article we now have all approvals for Phase 2 and the necessary building permits. The dock builder has been hired as well as the piling contractor and the manufacturer for the new 6' X 30' ramp for the East dock. I am still working on an electrical contractor that will make us a legal/functioning marina for the next 30 years.

The slip list for the new docks is full. If you sent an email to me to be on the list and did not receive a confirmation THIS MONTH, I did not receive your request. The list closes at midnight on 1/31/24 and I will publish the list on 2/1/24 of the members being offered a slip. This list for new slip holders is based strictly on seniority not when you notified me of your interest. Members that already have slips will continue to have a slip and do not have to notify me. You must be a member in good standing to retain the slip or be offered one of the new slips, i.e. pay your first dues installment by 1/31/24. I want to be sure that the slips holders assigned to the 30' finger piers will be billed for a 28' boat as the minimum charge for the smaller slips and anyone assigned to a 40' or longer finger pier will be charged for a 36 foot boat as the minimum charge for the slip. The current charge per foot, as approved by the BOG, is \$155/l.f.

We have raised transient rates for mooring and dock space slightly; we hope not enough to scare any one away but to keep up with inflation.

Our cancellation policy for reservations has be liberalized, but we do not feel it will impact revenue but will increase our appeal to transient boaters knowing that they can made reservation and if circumstances change, they can cancel without penalty if cancelled within our liberal policy. Dockwa makes it easy to fill cancellations.



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Our biggest change is that we will make every effort to have our slips at capacity every day. We are taking a hint from the airlines industry and will be offering FREE upgrades to returning mooring reservations for a slip. In the airlines industry, if a plane takes off with an empty first class seat, it cost the airlines next to nothing to upgrade someone in the back of the plane to first class and we feel that the good will and the positive reviews will be outstanding and far out way the minor electrical increase. We have observed that we often are sold out for mooring and have a waiting list but will have some slips available. So in theory we have a better chance of selling out moorings and slips. We are limited in the number of slip and moorings available so they only way to maximize revenue is to make certain that every vacant slip and mooring are filled. This is a one year experiment and we will be only looking to upgrade late in the day when it is obvious that we are not getting any additional dock reservations. All the rate changes are up to date on Dockwa and we will be open for reservations on 2/1/24. With the success we have had last year and our changes we look forward to another banner season.

Looking forward, work on the docks will start on March 2 and we will probably have work parties on March 9, 16, 23 and 30. We have a fair amount of work to be done to prepare our existing docks for the slip expansion. The docks will be launched on April 6 with a nearly perfect 10 a.m. high tide.

See next pages for diagrams.

Alan Johnson

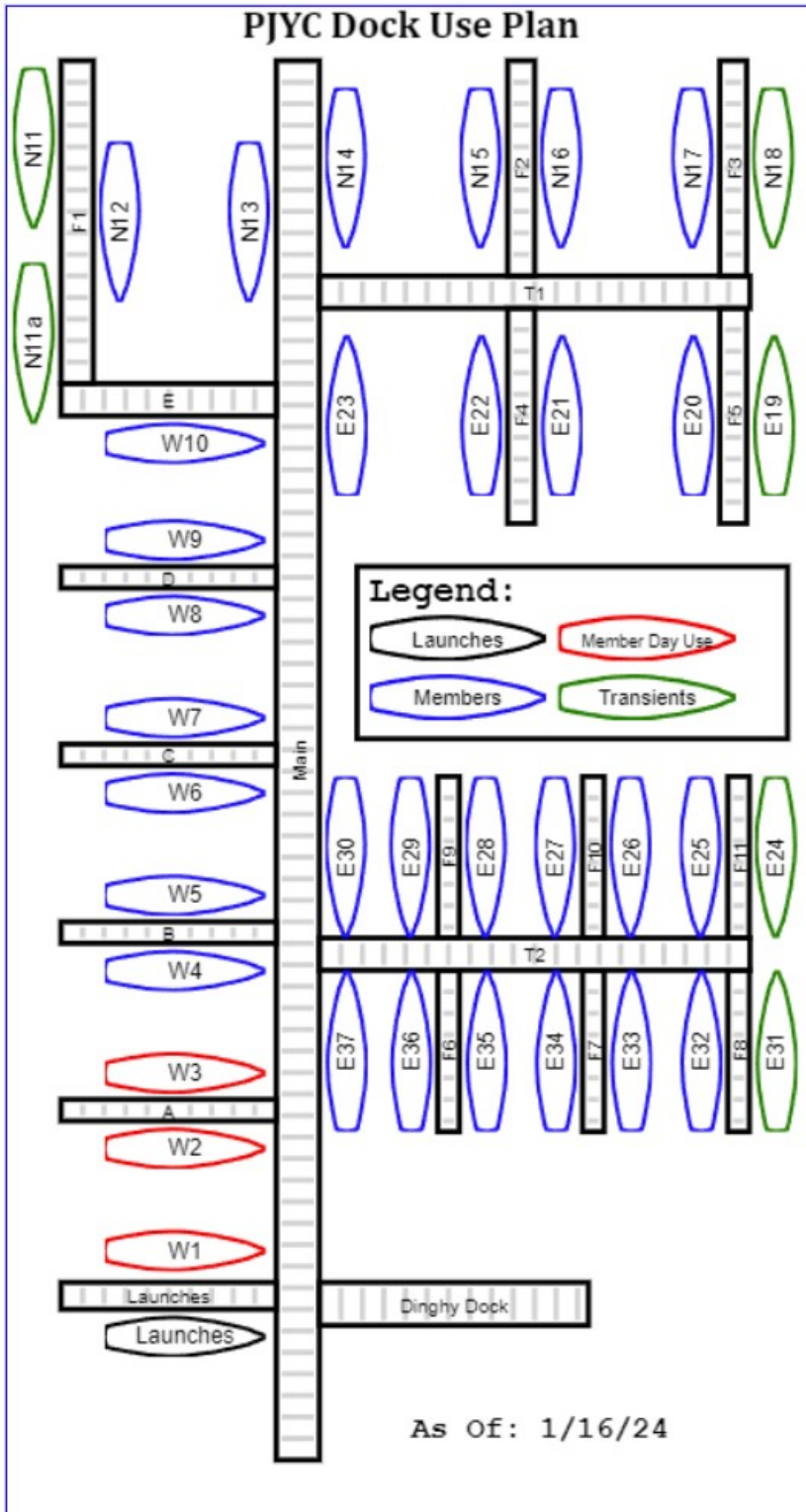
Director of Docks and Floats



Courtesy of John Doherty

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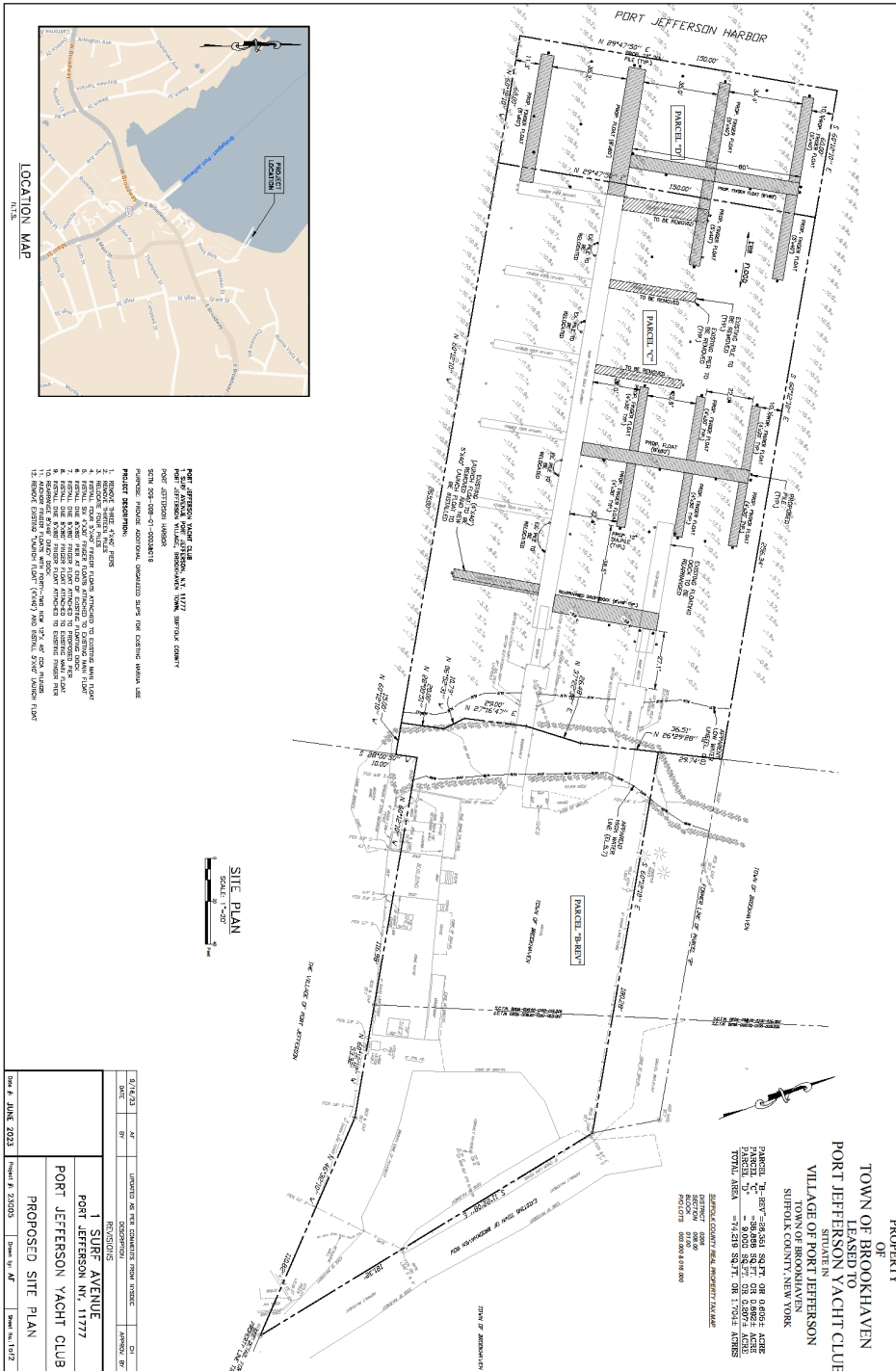
This is the current plan for the 2024 docks. Member slip assignments are fully allocated. Alan Johnson will have contacted you if you have a slip for the upcoming season. See the 'Slip Holders Form' on the 'Members Only' page of the website if you want to apply to be on the waiting list for a slip.

Note: There is no longer an 'East Dock', however the 'East Ramp' will still run down to the 'Dinghy Dock' on its east end. It is also accessible from the 'Main' dock which it is attached to on its west end.

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FLEET CAPTAIN

Boater Safety Requirements!

The Coast Guard Auxiliary is working with us to schedule a boater safety course at the club.

I strongly suggest you get a copy of the 'Colregs' which are the regulations for prevention of collisions at sea. Also known as just the 'Navigation Rules'. The US Coast Guard publishes them in the US. If you buy a printed version, look for the version with an index! These plus other CG regulations, as well as good boating practices such as anchoring, handling motors safely, and the like are covered in the course. Having a 'Chapman Piloting and Seamanship' book is helpful too.

See <https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/sites/default/files/pdf/navRules/navrules.pdf>

You can also find more details and a list of authorized **online** courses here:

<https://parks.ny.gov/boating/education.aspx>

Dave Hubbard
Fleet Captain
davechub@gmail.com



SOCIAL!

Social words

The following is a Tentative Social Calendar for the entire year that we drafted. We hope you will be able to join us for some or all these events.

Please remember this is a tentative calendar because things change and rolling 2024 begins and we are off to a great start!

Adjustments are always required – keep your eyes open for the social flyers as the months go by.



Tentative

PJYC Social Calendar 2024

January 27 Saturday (Super Bowl Picks Party –Chili Party –\$5 boxes

February 17th (Saturday) Valentines Day with DJ or music

March 16th (Saturday) St. Patrick's Day Party

April 13th (Saturday) Wine Tasting - only a possibility

April 21st (Sunday) Commodore's Cocktail Party

May 3rd or 4th (Friday or Saturday) Cinco De Mayo Party

May 5th (Sunday) Commissioning

Monday May 13th Fishing Captains meeting

May 27th (Monday) Memorial Day BBQ

May 31–June 2 (Friday – Sunday) Fishing Tournament

June 15th (Saturday) Harbor Cup – possible J88 races also

July 4th (Thursday) BBQ

July TBA some theme nights or Music on Deck

August TBA music on Deck and games

August 18th (Sunday) Commodore's BBQ

MSSA ACS Regatta August 8/24

September 21 or 22 (Saturday or Sunday) Lobster Bake

September 8th (Sunday) Village Cup

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October 4th (Friday) Paint Port Jefferson Pink Party

November 3rd (Sunday) Awards Brunch

November 15 or 16 (Friday or Saturday) Friends Giving

December 15th (Sunday) Annual meeting

We will intersperse games, music and classes as we go

Laurina Nielsen

Social Director



See the Website calendar page for all upcoming events!

<https://portjeffersonyachtclub.com/calendar/>

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NEWS AND STORIES BY AND FOR OUR MEMBERS

The Flood!

Pics by John Doherty



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IT AIN'T OVER 'TIL...

By Vic Suben

It has been 24 years since I was Commodore of the Setauket (now Port Jefferson) Yacht Club.

Just over a year ago, Judy and I moved to a retirement community in Silver Spring, Maryland. This is a large community owned and operated by Erickson Senior Living. In fact, this is the largest community of its kind in the country.

It doesn't take long in a community such as this to meet people and strike up new friendships. Naturally people ask about a newcomer's background, etc. One evening while having dinner with some neighbors, Judy mentioned that we had been sailing and racing sailboats for most of our adult lives.

Our neighbors immediately suggested that I start a yacht club here. Believing that the management would laugh at the idea of a yacht club in a retirement community, my response was "That's a great idea", and as soon as dinner was over, I forgot the whole thing.

However, my neighbors didn't let it rest, and so I finally broached the subject to management whose response was, "That's a great idea." A few days later, the young lady called me back to tell me that there are three other Erickson communities in the area that already have yacht clubs. Go know!! She also gave me the names of people to contact at the other communities.

It should be mentioned that these communities have good sized ponds.

A neighbor and I visited one of the communities to see the facilities and learn their procedures. Based on that visit, I prepared a detailed proposal and budget for the infrastructure required for a model yacht club. Before presenting the proposal to management here, I took steps to determine if other residents here would be interested in having a yacht club. The answer was YES.

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Unfortunately, my budget proposal was too late to be included in the 2024 capital budget. But, by eliminating the bells and whistles, I got management to agree to installing a dock for launching boats in 2024. In 2025 we will have bells and whistles. But in the meantime, we will be sailing our radio-controlled, one-design sailboats.

So, here I am, once again a Commodore.

Vic Suben



Dragon Force 65 RC Boats that Vic's Group is sailing!

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2023 BOAT PETS!

Fred Ganz

Dixie Lu, Pomeranian (female). We frequently cruised to Watch Hill, RI, and stayed on the Fuller (from the Fuller Brush Company) mooring, 1000 Lb, by the Watch Hill Yacht Club. Dixie Lu was an avid Dinghy rider, and enjoyed all the trips around the harbor.



Kate Kevill

Skye – Portuguese Water Dog (Female).

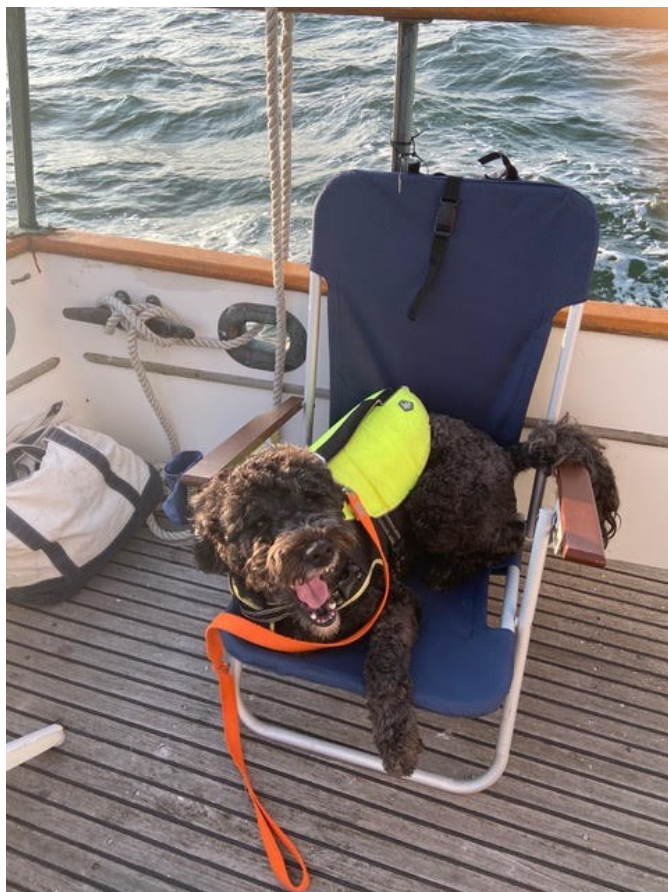
Skye is a Portuguese Water Dog and will turn 5 years old this May. She enjoys sailing and riding the launch and getting treats. She doesn't enjoy swimming as she seems to get ill at ease when her paws leave the sand. She does love happily frolicking in shallow water. Her adventures at sea began as a young pup when she rode the launch. She started off sailing on a Dolphin 24. After demonstrating that she could climb in and out of the cabin on the Doherty's Tartan 34, Skye graduated to her own Tartan 34. She has also shown an affinity for a certain Herreshoff. I've included one more photo to complete the tail. This is Skye on Whimsy, taking a rest from her duties as first mate.



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Skye Kevill
Working on Race Committee



Shencavitz's Boat Watchdog!

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Assistant Commodore
Arlo Mathews



Captain Snowball
(With First Mate Jeff)

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Kate with Skye

Best wishes to Kate as she moves to NYC for a new job!

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WHAT'S IT?

We are looking for your ideas for a “What’s It” for 2024!

Please submit them to Bowspritz!

THE EXCHANGE

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Previously used on a Hanse 458

Retail for \$1,000.00 each. For sale for \$500.00
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SHIP'S STORE PRICE LIST

Unisex Polo Shirt – Quick Dry	
Steel Grey, Short Sleeves	\$30 each
Women's T-Shirt – V-Neck	
Cotton, Royal Blue, Short Sleeves	\$20 each
Women's T-Shirt – V- Neck	
Quick Dry, Royal Blue, Long Sleeves	\$20 each
Men's T-Shirt – Crew Neck	
Cotton, Royal Blue. Short Sleeves	\$20 each
Men's T-Shirt – Crew Neck	
Cotton, Royal Blue, Long Sleeves	\$20 each
Hats – Cotton	
Tan or White	\$15 each
Green or Maroon	\$20 each
Beverage Koozies	
Royal Blue	2 for \$5 – 5 for \$10
Tie Tack – Burgee	\$ 5 each
Pendant – Burgee	\$ 5 each
Burgees	
Standard 12" X 18" (under 35 ft boat)	\$30 each
Large 14" X 21" (over 35 ft boat)	\$35 each



NEW!

TUMBLERS

PJYC Stainless Steel 20 oz

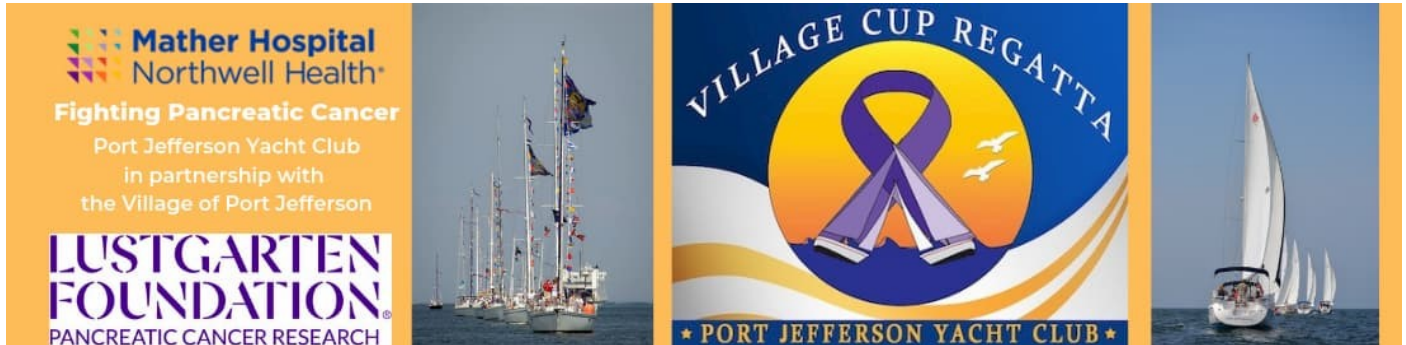
Double Walled, with Lid

\$30 each or

2 for \$55



COMMUNITY



We didn't make a Million, but we did raise \$100,000 !

Our second largest event to date!

Only \$44,000 to go to hit a Million!

Way to Go PJYC!

Making a Difference

To support our local community food bank, please make a donation to the following:

Long Island Cares

10 Davids Drive

Hauppauge, NY 11788

licares.org

Thanks and stay well,

Judy Suben





Ads, articles, pics all welcome!

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