

Newsletter of the Port Jefferson Yacht Club http://www.portjeffersonyachtclub.com January 2024

### FROM THE HELM

Happy New Year! I trust everyone had a wonderful holiday. The recent cold weather has been warmed up by a couple of social events at the club. Thank you to Dave Hubbard for organizing the watch party for the new changes to the Racing Rules of Sailing for 2025. It was great to see so many people both from PJYC and MSSA. The Chili party on the 10th was a blast. Lots of good food and comradery. Thank you Laurina, Dianna, Annette and the rest of our social committee for such a great job.

Ripple sits snugly in the shed at Essex Boat Works, looking forward to getting back in the water. Her keel has been successfully dropped and re-bedded. I am really looking forward to a dry bilge this year. Our trip up to Essex at the end of the season was eventful – the easterly winds and seas were predicted to be fair, but of course that turned out not to be the case. Shortly after getting out of the harbor, the freshwater pump was running. Going down below, there was a nice little waterfall on the port side. Turns out a former owner of the boat believed the solution for all plumbing issues was 4200 caulk. The connection for the shower valve had been repaired with 4200, and now it decided to let go. Shut down the pressure water system. I was able cut the pipe and cap it with an eclectic combination of plumbing parts onboard. We could use the head again!

We sailed on for a few hours making decent headway towards the mouth of the Connecticut river. Something felt a bit wrong – I went below and saw the mast wobbling inside the partners. I had been worrying about pulling the mast once we got to Essex because of the Spartite chocking the mast. Well, now the Spartite had worked itself up the mast and was no longer holding it in place. I learned later that many riggers put a screw into the Spartite to keep this from happening. Of course, that tip was not in the instructions. One thing less to worry about, and a new one. With about 3-4 ft seas and 20 on the nose, and the mast wobbling, we dropped our sails, and I was able to mostly secure the mast using wood hold plugs (the ones you keep on your boat hoping you will never have to use them).

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We made it up the river to Essex smoothly after that, arriving at Essex Yacht Club just in time for the launch driver to show us where our mooring was before he took off for the night. Fortunately, we kept the dingy on the boat for the trip, so we were able to go into shore to get some hot food. In the morning, we headed over to the dock and prepared to leave Ripple for the winter. The seas were still unpleasant on the ferry ride back to Port Jeff, but they seemed so much smaller on the Ferry. We're glad to be back home, with Ripple safely at the yard for her winter work. We are trusting that the return trip in April will be less exciting.

If you haven't completed your New York State safe boating certification, make sure to get it done. Everyone is now required to have it if skippering a boat, even us old folks. You can do it online if you want. We may hold an onsite training at the club if there is sufficient interest. Please reach out to Dave Hubbard so he can assess the interest.

Brookhaven town moorings opened for registration on January 10th. It is the same online system as last year, with most of the bugs worked out of the new system. If you have a mooring further out in the harbor, consider moving in closer to the club. You can request this when getting your new permit. This will help to reduce our launch fuel costs and make shorter waits for the launch for everyone.

Keep on the lookout for club emails about more social events over the winter.

Cheers,

Chris Beach Commodore



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### DOCKS & FLOATS

It's now January of 2025 and time to start planning. I have met with the security gate fabricator and the gate will be ready when we launch our docks. Work parties are planned for Saturdays starting March 1 and each Saturday thereafter. With membership participation we will have our 35 to 45 year old main docks re-decked for the coming season. When we get a warming spell in Jan. and Feb., I will put out a call for additional work parties. If members are available to work during the week, let me know and I will see that your get the necessary information, any tools and material needed for prep our dock for re-decking. We have a lot of work to accomplish before April 12, our dock launch date. The second project, if time and budget allows, is to install the approved rub rail on all finger piers to better protect our boats.

All existing slip holders should have received a bill for 50% of your slip fees with the dues notice, if not contact our treasurer, Rich Spitzenberger. The first half must be paid by January 31 AND the balance paid by March 31, 2025 to secure a slip for this season. If you fail to pay the first installment on time, you can expect to have your slip offered to a member on the waiting list. On or about February 15 we will notify the club members of the

number of vacated slips available for this coming season. As of January, we have one slip holder that will not be returning. So we have one available slip now. Slips will be assigned strictly by seniority as listed in the member's directory with the date joined. Any member wishing to be on the slip list needs to send me an email **before Feb. 14** to either alanwilliamjohnson@gmail.com or docks@portjeffersonyachtclub.com even if you have previously told me you wish a slip. This will be the 2025 list.



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Our intention is to offer the slip holders their existing slip location but changes may have to be made depending on the size of the new member's boats in slips to get the best fit for the boat and the club. All existing slip members are asked to tell me their preferences so if any changes have to be made, I will try to accommodate. Preferences could include staying where I am or a West slip or bow or stern in with a port or starboard tie. Please let me know. Requests for a specific slip are difficult to fill.

Below you will find our dock rules. Please be sure all members make themselves familiar with them and a link to the slip layout.

https://portjeffersonyachtclub.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/PJYC-General-Dock-Rules-2022.pdf

https://portjeffersonyachtclub.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/PJYC-Member-Dock-Rules-2024.pdf

https://portjeffersonyachtclub.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/PJYC-Member-Slip-Rules-2024.pdf

Alan Johnson

**Director of Docks & Floats** 



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### FLEET CAPTAIN

The Off Season

#### **Rules Watch Party!**

We had a good turnout for the 'Watch Party' of perhaps 25 people!

Laurina provided snacks too!

#### Safety

There has been interest in another 'Safety at Sea' in person course. We are working to set another one up for this fall. In the meantime you can find a list of scheduled courses, although not in our area so far, here:



https://www.ussailing.org/education/adult/find-a-course-near-you/

#### NYS Safe Boating Course

See my email broadcast. This is required for anyone operating a boat with a motor in 2025. Regardless of age.

Dave Hubbard Fleet Captain





### Social words

Happy new year to all.

2025 has arrived and the PJYC BOD has hit the ground running.

We started to make some plans for events at the clubhouse that we look forward to planning and hope to see you there.

Just this last week however, we had a racing rules seminar on Thursday, January 9th and a Super Bowl Pics and Chili night on Friday January 10<sup>th</sup>. It looked like everyone enjoyed the evenings and that we are off to a good start.

I am planning some events for the end of January and some additional events in February and March but don't have specific dates just yet. I have been social chair for the last 5 years, so I am always open to some fresh, new, and exciting ideas to improve our calendar, so if you want to add some input I am always open to new innovation,

Here are some dates you may want to "Save the Date" for since before you know it Spring will arrive!

Commodores Cocktail Party - Saturday April 5<sup>th</sup>

Commissioning Sunday May 18<sup>th</sup>

In the meantime, stay posted for my flyers and keep your eye out for events to come.

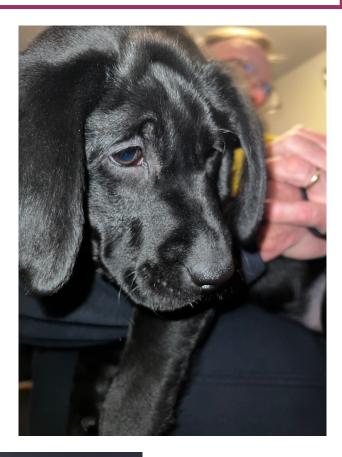
Laurina Social Chair 2025 (631-827-00490) Laurina\_n@hotmail.com



















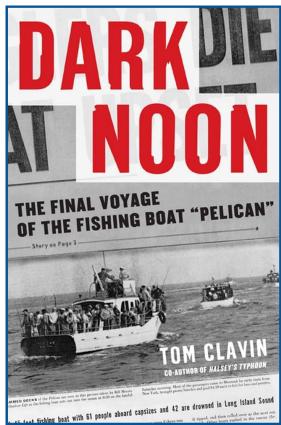






# **Book Report**

'Dark Noon' is a really good non-fiction historical read about the capsizing of the fishing boat 'Pelican' in 1951 off Montauk Point. Several sections are real page turners. But aside from a very thorough review of the incident, and the large loss of life (45 of the 64 on board perished), it also has quite a bit of Long Island history. It includes how the LIRR ran back then, and how the Hamptons were formed. The book draws from interviews with survivors and families, as well as official Coast Guard reports and minutes of Coast Guard hearings. Some well known Long Island names are in here, including Frank Mundus, who was involved in the rescue. Plenty of lessons to be learned here. I would certainly recommend it for a some offseason reading.



Dave Hubbard

# What's News!

#### Smithtown Township Arts Council - Mills Pond Gallerv



### Join us - Member Artist Showcase Opening Reception Sat. Jan. 25 1 - 4 pm all are welcome to meet the artists and enjoy this unique exhibit All Parking in Rear Lot - GPS 176 Mills Pond Rd. - St. James, NY www.millspondgallery.org admission is always free! 631-862-6575

Ninety-seven Exhibiting Artists: Adam D. Smith, Adriena Masi, Andrea Fortunoff, Andrea Tonty, Arlene Gernon, Barbara Jones, Bernice Corbin, Bernice Rausch, Bob Stone, Christopher Buckley, Constance Sloggatt Wolf, CW Max, Daniel Van Benthuysen, David Herman, Debra Baker, Diane Motroni, Dominique Treboux, Ellen Ferrigno, Felecia Montfort, Frederic Mendelsohn, Gia Horton, George Junker, Heather Jablon, Hillary Serota Needle, Jacqueline DuBarry, Jacques Garant, James Kelson, Jane Corrarino, Jeanette Martone, Joan Rockwell, JoAnne Dumas, John Mansueto, John Morris, Josephine Puccio, Joyce Bressler, Judy Stone, Karin Dutra, Kathee Shaff Kelson, Kathy Brown, Khrystyne Robillard-Smith, Kusuma Bheemineni, Kyle Blumenthal, Linda Hartman, Linda Ann Catucci, Lisa Marie Scrima-Castelli, Liz Jorg Masi, Lori Scarlatos, Lou Deutsch, Louise McClellan, Lynn Kinsella, Lynn Staiano, M. Ellen Winter, Madeline Stare, Mark Levine, Mary Difronzo, Mary Waka, Mary Ann Vetter, Matthew Lombardo, Mike Stanko, Myungja Anna Koh, Nicholas Valentino, Pamela Waldroup, Pat Forie, Patricia DiGiovanni, Patricia Lind-Gonzalez, Patricia Yantz, Patti Napolitano Kern, Paul Edelson, Paul Mele, Renee Caine, Robert Wallkam, Robert Tuska, Robert Roehrig, Roberta Rogers, Ron Becker, Roni Murillo, Ross Barbera, Sally Anne Keller, Sandra Feinberg, Sandra Riddle, Scott Hartman, Sean Pollock, Sebastian McLaughlin, Shain Bard, Stephen Shannon, Steven Walker, Susan Guihan Guasp, Terence Mcmanus, Terry Tramantano, Theodora Zavala, Theresa Graff, Thomas Dicicco, Tracey Alemaghides, Victoria Beckert, Virginia Mallon, Whitney Bell, William Drost

Our Own Deb Baker will be in an art show later this month!

(SELL, BUY, SWAP)

# FOR SALE Cabling Tools



**Bolt Cutter** 



1/16 thru 3/16 Swaging Tool

18" Long \$15 Each

Contact David Diamond: davidjdiamond@optonline.net

(SELL, BUY, SWAP)

# FOR SALE 2003 REGAL COMMODORE 2465

One owner... well maintained boat with trailer

Length: 24'6" / 27' overall

Beam: 8' 6"

270 VOLVO 5.0 Gxi repowered in 2018 (approx. 250 hours on engine)

Head with shower

Galley with Corian countertop, microwave, alcohol stove, sink and refrigerator

2 Berths

And more...

Call Kevin Broderick 516-380-1037

\$21,500



#### (SELL, BUY, SWAP)



### 14ft 1956 Penn Yan Aristocrat Captivator

This little New York built wooden gem has been recently restored. The hull has been glassed with west system epoxy above and below the water line. Hardware is all original. Seats rebuilt and newly upholstered. Otherwise, this boat is completely original. Comes with good condition 25 hp merc motor. Needs battery and wiring, otherwise ready to go. \$8000

# (631)740-1961

(SELL, BUY, SWAP)

### **Century 20 Powerboat For Sale**

20' Great Condition

Contact Ray Epp: rwepp@optimum.net 1-631-816-8659

(Ray is upsizing to a new boat!)

### **MOORING FOR SALE**

350 lb

With all tackle and mooring ball

Only 2 years old!

\$650

**Contact Mike or Jeanne Compitello** 

Mike: 1-631-245-1389 Jeanne: 1-516-971-0396

#### (SELL, BUY, SWAP)

### J/24 For Sale

### Ready to Race—\$4,000

Sails for sale (North Sail):

Main-2019: \$700 Spin-2019 White: \$700 Spin-2012: \$350 Genoa-Practice: \$400 Spin-Practice White/Blue: \$400 Genoa-2019: \$600 Genoa-2021: \$800

ALSO: a 1996 Capri 14.2 with 1992 Shoreland Trailer: \$1,400

Contact Jen Staller: stallerjen383@gmail.com

### FREE!



**Various Anchors** 



200' 3-strand 3/4" - 20' Chain

Contact: Alan Johnson alanwilliamjohnson@gmail.com

#### (SELL, BUY, SWAP)

#### FOR SALE

#### NEW 50 AMP ADAPTER TO TWO 30 AMP \$150 (\$255 AT DEFENDER)

Contact Chuck Chiaramonte: charles@selectinvprop.com



#### (SELL, BUY, SWAP)

#### **SHIP'S STORE PRICE LIST**

#### **NEW ITEMS!!**

Men's Button Down Long Sleeve Shirt Sport Brown Shell Jacket Men's or Wm's Large Blanket – Blue Heather Fleece Hats – Cotton - Assorted Colors	\$40 each \$60 each \$40 each \$20 each
<b>Unisex Denim Shirt</b> – Long Sleeve	
Cotton, button down	\$45 each
Women's Maui Blue Shirt - Short Sleeves	y io cuon
Cotton Blend, Button Down	\$35 each
Men's Maui Blue Shirt – Short Sleeves	
Cotton Blend, Button Down	\$35 each
Unisex Polo Shirt – Quick Dry	<i>400</i> 00011
Steel Grey, Short Sleeves	\$30 each
Women's T-Shirt – V-Neck	<i>+</i>
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
Stainless Steel Tumbler 20oz	\$30 each
	2 for \$55
Beverage Koozies - Royal Blue	2 for \$5
	5 for \$10
<b>Tie Tack</b> – 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

# COMMUNITY









#### We Did It!

#### **ONE MILLION DOLLARS RAISED!**

### Thanks to all who helped and donated!

### **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!

### Email to: bowspritz@portjeffersonyachtclub.com

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