### **Port Jefferson Yacht Club's**



# Bowspritz



Newsletter of the Port Jefferson Yacht Club

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### FROM THE HELM

January starts the NEW YEAR, a reset, providing us all with a fresh 365 days to live and love. All those resolutions waiting to be broken! Then comes this month of February which begins with a Ground Hog that puts on the hat of a meteorologist. That ground hog did not provide news the boating community wanted to hear. Punxsutawney Phil predicted six more weeks of winter on that Tuesday during the annual Groundhog Day ceremony in Pennsylvania. But that did not stop a group of members at the Pre-Super-Bowl BOX Number Pick and General "hey we need to get out of the house" event at your club. This event slated for Super Bowl Sunday was moved up a day due to weather. It was a great time and turn-out at the Upper Club Parking Field. I will leave the details to Laurina Nielsen to report but I need to thank everyone that helped make this come to be. We all know how hard it has been to get together these past months. However, if Saturday afternoon's excitement was any example of things to come, we are off to a fun 2021.

I have few political skills so making the following correction to my January report will not be a negative career move. No spin just the facts. I was informed by a concerned citizen, PJYC member, and sailing friend whose name will remain **anonymous** that I had mistakenly wrote that "The Port Jefferson Setauket Yacht Club will be celebrating sixty years this coming season". It is true that our first Commodore Harry F. Gille lead this club from 1960-1961. However, it was the summer of 1959 that a group of friends began to talk about establishing a sailing club on Port Jefferson Harbor. The club was formally organized on October 7th, 1959 with Harry Gillie chosen as the first Commodore. This coming October the time of the *Harvest*, the PJSYC will be celebrating sixty-two years of boating from this harbor. That is many full *Moons* ago for sure.

Your Board of Governors are working hard as spring is not far away. The Dock and Slip Project moves ahead and waiting for permits are one of strong steering winds. We are also working on the financing component with two different banks.

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### FROM THE HELM

### **CONTINUED**

Damage to the club house deck awning during a fall storm has been a big topic at the BOG meeting and investigating a replacement solution is underway. Since this is such a visual part of our club house this needs to be delt with before the season is in full swing. This current awning has provided more than a decade, some say over fifteen years, of protection to our members while they sit and watch those wonderful sunsets. We will also look to install some type of ceiling fan system as anyone that has sat under this awning in the mid-summer understands that it can really get hot under that deck.

In closing I did receive the hard copy of the signed license agreement with the Town of Brookhaven on January 27th. The PJYC can safely plan its future and grow its membership knowing we have a home for many years to come.

Best, Jeffrey W. Hausner Commodore 2021



## **BOARD REPORTS**

UPDATES FROM THE OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

### FROM THE VICE COMMODORE

The year has gotten off to a busy start. The board has been busy with several projects. As you know we, are hoping to complete the dock expansion for this season. Several members have already expressed interest in renting slips. We are also looking into improving the club appearance. You may have noticed that the awning to the clubhouse suffered some wind damage this winter. The old awning has served the club for at least 15 years and Kevin Broderick has been working on getting quotes for a replacement. The membership committee has also been busy this year. There are several new launch members in the process of joining, so expect to see some new faces around the club. Our social director, Laurina Nielsen put together our first social event of the season this past Saturday. The club held a small get together in the parking to pick the Super Bowl numbers. There were cakes and refreshments served. The turnout was great, and it was nice to see some familiar faces and catch up with friends. Hopefully we can hold some more outdoor events as the weather improves and the pandemic subsides. Lastly, the club is looking for a new cruise director, if anyone would like to volunteer please contact me.

Tim Racheck Vice Commodore 2021





## RACING

### HARBOR CUP NEWS!

I am pleased to announce that our Harbor Cup Regatta has been accepted as a qualifying race for YRALIS Trophies! (Yacht Racing Association of Long Island Sound) To enter this year you MUST be either a YRALIS member with a valid PHRF Cert, or get a "Single Race Certificate" from YRALIS (Does not require full membership fee). This will help bring in more boats from surrounding clubs. The eastern side of the YRALIS area was under-represented, with the only qualifier being over at Black Rock YC.

**New BOAT!** We are looking to get a new Race Committee Boat. I am working with Ed Dowd and Ron Digregorio (our dockmaster) to sell Pintail (See the ad down in "The Exchange" section), and acquire a new boat that better fits our needs.

**HELP WANTED!** I am looking for some volunteers who would like to spend some time on the water to help with our race committee! No experience needed. Spend some nice evenings on the water with a beer and spectacular sunsets!

**New RULES!** There is a new set of "Racing Rules of Sailing" (Aka the "RRS") for 2021 thru 2024. No big changes, but many clarifications. I will review these during the pre-season Skippers Meeting.

### Here is the schedule as it looks now:

Friday May 21<sup>st</sup>—Skippers Meeting via Zoom at 6 PM

Saturday May 22<sup>nd</sup>—Gear Tester Race

Tuesday June 1<sup>st</sup>—First Tuesday Night Race!

Saturday June 19<sup>th</sup>—Harbor Cup

Sunday August 1st—Ladies Day Race

Saturday September 11<sup>th</sup>—Village Cup

Saturday September 25<sup>th</sup>—True North Distance Race



### **DOCKS & FLOATS**

Docks are launching April 10, with a morning high tide. The crane is confirmed with an 8 am start. We will start work parties the end of February or early March. The response for the slips and the revamp of the JSP docks brings into focus how much work needs to be done this spring to accomplish it. We have three docks to renovate for JSP and each and every float on our east and west dock would need to be worked on before launch and the entire electric system needs to be replaced. Looking at the responses to the slip survey, we realized we have too few slips for beamy boats. We have re-thought the slips on the East side of the main dock and the openings between finger piers will be widened to 34' to allow for beamer boats. This reduces by 4 feet the area assigned to longer term storage for repairs. We have the room and do not have to change anything on our applications. The drawings needing engineers seal have been completed by a member. Waiting for signed off copy of NYSDEC/USACOE JOINT APPLICATION from Town of Brookhaven to complete applications and submissions. There is much to be done this spring and I hope we get many volunteers. It will be mostly woodworking and preparing for the new electric. We are including a depiction of our proposed West dock and how we see the slips being used. As a reminder we have included a copy of the dock rules so that we can become familiar with them again.

Alan Johnson Dir. Docks and Float

See next page for the current Dock Rules. And Page after that for diagrams.





## **DOCK RULES**

**Purpose:** The rules below have been approved to enable members and transients who rent club moorings to make the greatest use of the club docks.

#### **Short Term Use**

- 1. During peak use times, all vessels will be restricted to 60-minute periods at dockside for picking up ice, taking on water, or loading supplies or passengers.
- 2. Peak times are defined as weekends and holidays.

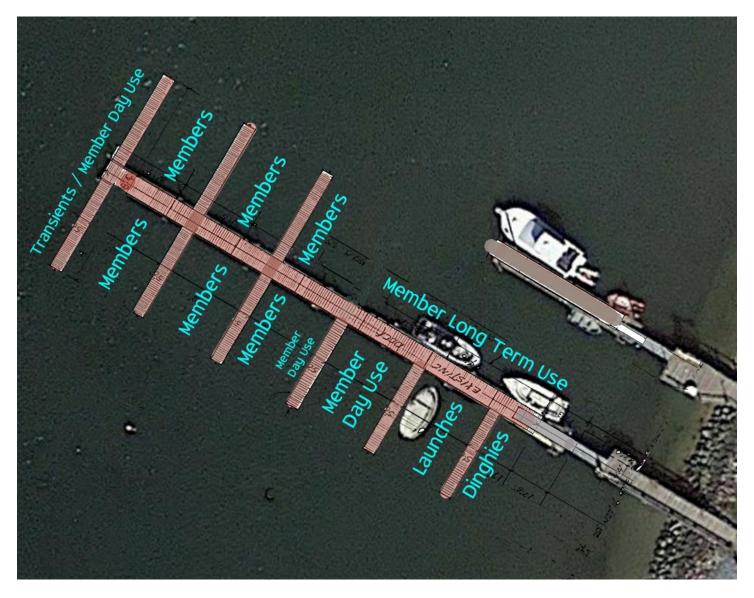
#### **Long Term Use**

- 1. Activities requiring use of dock space for repairs, vessel wash down, or other activities which require shore power or water will be limited to periods of not more than five hours and then not during any peak use times.
- 2. Vessels returning after normal launch operating hours or departing prior to those hours may tie up overnight. Early departure vessels will coordinate their plans with dock personnel prior to leaving their craft at the dock.
- 3. Skippers of vessels left overnight must make arrangements for leaving the dock or having their vessels returned to their moorings no later than one hour after launch service begins.
- 4. Exceptions to the above requirements, when absolutely necessary, must be coordinated with the Launch Director or his delegate.
- 5. There will be a charge of \$2.00 per foot per night if a vessel is kept on the dock outside of the dock rules outlined in our by-laws.
- 6. NO boat can be left unattended on any dock except one launch when the wind is forecasted to have a north component and above 16 knots.

#### **General Practices**

- 1. Crews of vessels berthed at the dock will assist arriving and departing craft with mooring lines and docking.
- 2. Courtesy, consideration and cooperation among you and your fellow boaters will solve more problems than any of these rules.
- 3. Intervention, if necessary, by dock personnel will be directed by a club officer. It shall be done in a firm, but courteous manner. Failure to respond can result in fines being assessed by the Board. Special fees may be required for certain types of use. Dock personnel will advise you of such requirements.
- 4. No vessels may be left at the dock unattended (see 2 & 3 above).
- 5. No Overnight Berthing Permitted (see 2 above).
- 6. No vessels will be permitted to use the dock space reserved for club launches.

## PROPOSED DOCK USE DIAGRAM



Contact Alan Johnson with any thoughts and suggestions!

### Key:

**Members:** For annual 'Slip Membership'. Can be used by transients if a member is away cruising.

Member Day Use: Short term (hour or so) stays by members

**Member Long Term:** For longer stays. For example for Maintenance.



### **Some Social Words**

2020 was a tough year - there is no denying that but here we are in 2021.

Hopefully, some of you have had at least your first vaccine and we can be hopeful for some "real" social activities sooner than later.

### The Super bowl pool was a success!

We had to open two pools due to popular demand!

We held a short 2 hour event on Sunday 2/6 at 2 PM to pick the numbers and have some hot chocolate. It was moved up due to the storm forecast!



**See Next Page for our Winners!** 

I will try to be as creative as possible but will continue being socially responsible.

I hope to see you all soon and if there is anything you would like to add to the program or just want to give me some advice please feel free to email, text or call me ... I am listening!

Laurina

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## WINNERS!

### Here are the lucky winners of the Superbowl Pool!

### **Pool #1**

1<sup>st</sup> quarter – Howie Nielsen \$25.00 ½ time – Kay Rachek \$50.00 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter – Ethan Nielsen \$25.00 Final – Ethan Nielsen \$100.00



1<sup>st</sup>. quarter - Alan Johnson \$25.00 ½ time - Alan Johnson \$50.00 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter Dan Dinkel \$25.00 Final - Dan Dinkel \$100.00









## PICTURES









## SOCIAL CALENDAR!

### **Upcoming Events**

**March** Friday 19<sup>th</sup> St. Patrick's Day Zoom

**April** Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> Commodore's Cocktail Party – likely outdoors

May Friday 21<sup>st</sup> Race Skippers Meeting

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> Commissioning

**June** Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> and Sunday June 6<sup>th</sup> Fishing tournament

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> Harbor Cup

**July** 4<sup>th</sup> of July BBQ

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> Cruise to Nowhere

**August** Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> Commodores BBQ – possible raft -up

**September** Village Cup Saturday on 4<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> will consult Cup Committee

**October** TBA

**November** Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> Dinner Dance **December** Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting

Of course everything is just proposed and subject to chance but after 2020 we are all prosat rolling with the punches.

So Stay Safe, Think Positive and Test Negative. I look forward to seeing you all this year.

### Laurina

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## WHAT'S NEWS

### NEWS AND STORIES BY AND FOR OUR MEMBERS

### What's It?

### January's Winner was John Lane!

This is a "Serving Mallet", or sometimes in this small size called a "Serving Board". Used to "serve" or "service" rigging. Meaning to wrap tarred line around it after "worming" and



"parceling" the line or cable, often for shrouds. "Worm and parcel with the lay, turn and serve the other way". My rigging needs to be reserved this off-season!

Submitted By: Dave Hubbard

### February What's It?



Email me your guesses, or possible entries for this column! bowspritz@portjeffersonyachtclub.com

## THE EXCHANGE

(SELL, BUY, SWAP)

### 35 lb CQR Anchor & Rave Towable Tube (Reduced!)

**Anchor:** Asking \$100, which is much less expensive than a new one (over \$500). If you need a short piece of chain with it, I have some 3/8 chain I can include for free...

Rave Sports Nighthawk 3-Person Towable Tube: Used fewer than 10 times. Very good condition. No leaks. Includes a tow rope. Asking \$100, which is much less expensive than a new one, e.g. \$300 at Dick's Sporting Goods (https://www.dickssportinggoods.com/p/rave-sports-nighthawk-3-person-towable-tube-

16rspunghthwkxxxxwsr/16rspunghthwkxxxxwsr). This is a 3 rider, double decker, wing style tube and features a skim-fast bottom for a fast ride that offers great maneuverability. Foam handles with neoprene knuckle guards help you hang on tight as the Nighthawk whips back and forth across the water. An anti-chafe guard offers added protection. Holds 3 riders. Double decker swept wing style tube. Durable Nylon top cover. Heavy duty PVC bladder. Skim-fast bottom for a slick and fast ride. Anti-chafe guard. 6 foam-filled handles with neoprene knuckle guards. Quick connect tow point. Inflated dimensions: 73.5" x 77" x 25.5". Deflated dimensions: 77" x 80". Max combined rider weight: 510 lbs.

Call or email Elliott (sv Senta) at 919-812-3975 cell, or <u>bennettguer-rero@gmail.com</u>

### Sea Bags!

ONE MORE LEFT! The club had been given several of Sea Bags' vertical striped duffel bags in exchange for junk sails no longer used in the Junior Sailing Program. The two left are in red and navy, are zippered, and come with straps as shown in the photo. Many of you are already familiar with Sea Bags products and know them to be attractive and built from heavy

sail cloth. These bags retail for \$180 online (seabags.com). The club initially sold them for \$150 each to give you a break and raise funds to use for the children in the sailing program. The two here are now going for \$125 each.

### Contact:

**David Diamond** 

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### **Pintail**

We are selling 'Pintail', our Race Committee Boat, in order to replace it with a boat that better fits the club's needs.



We have her listed for \$7,500

She is a 1979 Pacemaker 26. She has a Mercruiser inboard about 7 years old, and a new water pump.

For more info, contact Ron Digregorio at:

rjdigregorio@optonline.net

## Thanks!

Thanks to those who donated a couple of Vacuums for club use!



## COMMUNITY

## **Making a Difference**

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

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Thanks and stay well,

Judy Suben



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Clara J's Standing Rigging re-Served and ready for spring.

# Ads, articles, pics all welcome! Email to: bowspritz@portjeffersonyachtclub.com

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