Port Jefferson Yacht Club's





Newsletter of the Port Jefferson Yacht Club

http://www.portjeffersonyachtclub.com

February 2022

FROM THE HELM

The club is open again and it was great to see some familiar faces last Friday night. We celebrated the reopening with some delicious shared appetizers and a lively game of Mexican train. It was great to catch up with friends and make plans for the new season. Now that the club is open again, be sure to watch your email for upcoming social events including the St Patrick's day party in March and a pot luck dinner on Friday. I hope to see you there.

Things are moving ahead with the dock expansion. Our Treasurer, Rich Spitzenberger closed on the financing last month. Thank you Rich for all your efforts. And thanks to Alan Johnson for managing all the moving pieces of the build while keeping everything on schedule and on budget. The construction of the docks is well underway, the piling contractor has been scheduled and the electrical work will begin shortly. Everything is looking good for the planned early April Launch.

Well when you notice that the days are getting a little longer each day, you know that spring can't be far away and with that said, it's hard to believe the first day of spring is a little more than 4 weeks away. Sooner than you think, we will be uncovering our boats and prepping them for another season on the water. Spring is also the time, our directors are busy with projects around the club and as we prepare the new year please lend a hand to your directors. Jason Sanabia will be looking for help on the grounds and Kevin Broderick will be looking for help with projects on the clubhouse. Watch for emails in the coming weeks.

Tim

EDITOR'S NOTES

Welcome to the February 2022 issue! This month, I have also attached a copy of the first issue of Bowspritz that Vic Suben published! It was January 2002. Just over 20 years ago!

I'd also like to thank all the contributors. Thanks to last year's Commodore, Jeff Hausner, for braving the elements! He managed to get to his lounge chair and capture pictures of the club during the blizzard (from the security cams we have)!

Also a reminder that we will start having work hours available to help the club, and to defray the membership costs. Contact the various directors (Grounds, House, Docks, School, etc...) to see if there is something you could help with. Also see the work hours section in this issue for ideas.

WEBSITE Updates: There is now a weather widget on the homepage. It only shows current marine advisories. If you click it, it will take you to the NOAA Marine Weather page for our zone. Also, the layout, assignments, and use plan for the new docks (see Alan's article and pics) is on the members only page in one of the top boxes. You can also find the current docks/slips and mooring rules there.

PHOTOS WANTED! I want to refresh the website some. I would love some shots that can but cut very wide and narrow. A ratio of about 3 to 1. You don't have to edit it, I can do that, but something I could trim down would be great. Perhaps like this (I trimmed off the masts and some water):



Regards,

Dave Hubbard

UPDATES FROM THE OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Winter Blues and Warm Sunshine

Happy Valentine's everyone. Hope everyone got to share some hugs and kisses.

The club had its grand opening last Friday night after being closed since December and it was so nice to see everyone. There were lots of appetizers and desserts to share and we had a fun game of Mexican train while chatting. We also discussed the upcoming long cruise this summer, looking forward to that.

So the weather has been crazy, flip-flops on Saturday and snow boots on Sunday.

Seeing as I couldn't drive for six weeks, I kept myself busy doing a puzzle and some reading. The puzzle was fun until I got to the end and there was a piece missing. The jury is still out on where that piece could be.

So having lots of time to think, I was thinking of all the things we could do to make the club a better place. Not that it's not great already, but there are always improvements that we can make. So I would like to hear from you. I am going to make a wishlist of wants and

needs. If you have any ideas for the club either cosmetic or just general activities you would like to see at the club, please drop me an email and let me know what that is. And before you ask, no you cannot have a pool or a hot tub. Let's think along the lines of low-budget items.

So email me at Kayrachek@optonline.net.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Corresponding Secretary

Kay Rachek



UPDATES FROM THE OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

DOCKS & FLOATS

The electrical contractor is due to start the electric upgrade to 600 amp service, this week, in the lower lot and JSP building. Docks are being built, and since we started early enough we have only had slight supply chain issues. The docks are still on schedule to be delivered the week of 4/4 and the pilings are still scheduled to be set and the docks installed the week of 4/11. If anyone has some time the week of 4/4 or 4/11, I would like to have a representative of the club present while the docks and pilings are being installed and drivers to move the docks. Please contact me if you are available. We are still set to begin our repairs of the existing docks in March as the weather breaks, be on the look out for a start date which will probably March 5. This will allow us four work parties to complete any repairs. Last year we worked on 17 of our 19 floating docks, this year we are doing much less even with adding new electric stanchions and wire to the West dock. Our major project will be to renovate the three newly donated floating docks into one raft, three docks wide and the installation of cradles and cleats. Stanchions have been ordered for the finger piers. YTD we are completely within budget on the dock expansion.

We will need operators for the chase boats/launches the week of April 4 to drive the docks from the PJ Launch ramp to our docks. Please contact me if you are available.

Alan Johnson, Dir. Docks and Floats

See next page for pics of the new docks under construction....

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DOCKS & FLOATS OUR NEW FINGER SLIP DOCKS BEING BUILT!







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GROUNDS Join our Spring Cleanup! Saturday March 26 9:00 – 5:00 pm Lunch will be provided

Spring is our time to prepare the land to greet the sea in Summer.

Join me, fellow members, and Stony Brook University students for our Spring Cleanup on what must be a warm, sunny Spring day. Can you give hours, and then have lunch? Or vice versa? And vice versa? I believe we need a force of 8 people. Together let's remove the leaves, prune the trees, and put new soil down for the forthcoming planting.

Contact me if you are interested or have specific ideas on how you'd like to contribute! And look out for email with a reminder and further information.

See you this Spring!
Jason E. Sanabia
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EDUCATION

Members -

Here is a great opportunity. The club celebrates sailing and power boating in many ways. Of great importance to the club and the community is the sailing program for children and adults. Want to become involved? We are looking for volunteers to help with the education program. Not to provide instruction—



we have an able staff that provides the day-to-day interaction with the students. But rather to work with the instructors and behind the scenes on publicity (many types) or helping with the maintenance of chase boats/sailboats/our floating dock, or helping with finances, or maybe ... It will be a fun and rewarding activity (and you get credit for work hours).

Contact David davidjdiamond@optonline.net

631.513.6074



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FLEET CAPTAIN

NEW 2022 CG Fire Extinguisher Regs: UPDATE! See:

https://www.boatus.com/news-room/release/boatus-new-us-coast-guard-fire-extinguisher-r

Racing:

The racing schedule for 2022 is set!

See the website for the full schedule. Note that registration is not open yet. I am evaluating some other options this year for registering and scoring. I'll let you know.

Did you know that I submit all our racing to the USCG? We get a 'Marine Permit' for all our events. While not specifically required, it prevents problems if there is a

conflict for use of the area. No one can complain if our boats interfere with them. This also includes the Village Cup parade and regatta.

This season we will kickoff with the skippers meeting at the club on **Friday May 20**th, followed by a 'Gear Tester' on the 21st. Also, a big THANKS to Aaron Rubin for letting us use his Grand Banks 32 again this year as the RC boat!



A little Frostbiting in the harbor a week ago. Taken from the PJ Ferry.

Photo by Clara J Crew member Chart Guthrie.

See you out there!

Dave

UPDATES FROM THE OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

CRUISING

Looking out at the snow on the ground is making me long for being back on the water and cruising.

Memorial Day weekend we will be at Northport Yacht Club. We have 10 moorings reserved and planning a dinner in their wonderful dining room on Sunday the 29th. The weather has to be better than last year! Northport Yacht Club has been wonderful, to us and it is also an easy drive for those who are without boats in the water or just without boats to join in.

June 11th we will go to Milford Landing. You can make reservations through Dockwa. Note to them that you are with the PJYC cruise so they can try to group us together.

June 25th is the Branford CT fireworks. This is always a big draw. They should be done with the pier renovations so the fireworks should be directly overhead, again.

July 23rd will be our cruise to nowhere, aka. Flax Pond. High tide is at 8:16 in the morning so we will have enjoy water exiting the pond and if you stick around till 2:16 PM you can ride it in. That evening we will all enjoy music on the deck back at the clubhouse.

August 6th is Essex for their Annual Lobster Bake. This is a great time. This will be joint with MSSA and should have a great turnout. You can make reservations with Safe Harbor Dauntless on March 1.

The long cruise will start out with Essex Lobster bake. As of now I have ports of call to include, Shelter Island, Block Island, Cuttyhunk, Edgartown, Marion MA, Jamestown, West Brook CT. Returning to PJYC on the 19th in time for the Commodore's BBQ. If you are interested in the long cruise or parts of it please reach out to me so I can take your input on the scheduling.

Is there interest in a short cruise, about 1 week starting after July 4th? If you are interested, please reach out to me.

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CRUISING

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For Labor day weekend, I am working on Shelter Island Yacht Club or return to Northport Yacht Club. Northport has good proximity to the Huntington Music Festival. I am concerned the Shelter Island may be too long a trip for a long weekend.

If you are interested in captaining a cruise and have a destination and date in mind, please let me know. You can earn work hours for your efforts.

I will be working to on more detailed plans for both the long and short cruises. Questions or comments about the cruising schedule you can email:

cruising@portjeffersonyachtclub.com

or call me 516-652-7830. More updates will be coming in coming weeks and the future issues of the Bowspritz.

Fair winds,

Chris Beach

WORK HOURS

Docks and Floats: Contact Alan Johnson

March 5 onward: Work crews needed to prep our docks for the season.

April 4 and 11: Helpers need for delivery of our new docks and installation of all our

docks.

Education: Contact David Diamond

Time varies: Help needed with various maintenance activities on boats, docks, etc.

Grounds: Contact Jason Sanabia

March 26 9:00 to 5:00: Spring Cleanup. 8 People. As many hours as you can.

SOCIAL!

See the club WEBSITE Calendar page for the current tentative list! A LOT of activities this year!

(https://portjeffersonyachtclub.com/calendar/)

Social Words

Although its cold outside and there is snow on the ground, we started the year out with some social events. The bar reopened on Friday 2/11.

I am hopeful that the virus that has set us back for a while is on its way out and we can enjoy each other's company more.

We had a number of members participate in the Super Bowl Pool It was fun for me to chat with the members who participated. – Thanks Mate!

The winners were:

1st quarter – Kate Nielsen

½ Phil Schiavone

3rd Carol W.

Final – Phil Schiavone

Congratulations to all our winners.

In February I am hoping to have a potluck dinner along with having the bar open – keep an eye out for flyers.

There are plans in the making for a St. Patrick's Day party so stay posted for flyers. I look forward to seeing you again at The Tell-Tale Bar.

Laurina

See next page for a pic of the Superbowl Sheet.

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SOCIAL

Superbowl Pool!



SOCIAL

This event has been postponed due to the Covid outbreak and will be held on April 9th 2022



If you haven't noticed, Long Island's Wine Industry has come a long way from its early beginnings. 30 years ago, budding wineries were told to plant Chardonnay and Merlot, two reliable crops that were easy to grow in our cool, maritime climate. While the region is now well known for those grapes, through improvements in biodynamic farming techniques, root stock selection, and a passion for experimentation and advancement, farmers and wine makers are zeroing in on new varietals that will redefine Long Island's high-quality wine for the next generation. At this event, we will taste 5 fantastic Long Island wines from several wineries, hand by Keith, that are not Merlot or Chardonnay.

WINE TASTING

SATURDAY, APRIL 9 5:30 – 7:00 PJYC

> LIMIT 20 PEOPLE \$30 per person



Your Host

An IT Professional by trade,
Keith Homan is a fresh and
enthusiastic Sommelier who
spends weekends serving at
a local Long Island winery.
Though most of his travels
and experience with wine
and wineries has been on
the West Coast of the US, he
too is rediscovering how far
Long Island has come with
building quality red and
white wines.

NEWS AND STORIES BY AND FOR OUR MEMBERS

Cruising & Learning

By Kate Kevill

These are photos from my "Learn and Cruise" class at LTD sailing in Grenada. (www.ltdsailing.com) The live-aboard course lasted 6 days and was one of the best vacations I have ever had. And I learned many things about sailing. The course included ASA levels 101 (Basic Keel Boat), 103 (Coastal Cruising) and 104 (Bareboat Charter.) I cannot say enough good things about the instructors, or about how much fun we head. These photos are from a sunset on a small beach called Anse La Roche.



We anchored in the harbor and ate at a restaurant with no name and no menu, and no bathroom, and which could only be accessed via sea. The food was fabulous, plentiful, and very fresh.



The owner, Tim, with the fish of the day.



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Cruising & Learning

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Cruising & Learning

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The week before I spent with Diane MacDonald and Don Mackenzie (The DMACs) on their boat, Hylander. We started the week in Falmouth Harbor, Antigua, cruised to Carlisle Bay (Antigua) and then to Barbuda and back to Antigua. The DMacs have become quite the salty sailors. And were awesome hosts.



Diane & Don in Barbuda



Diane on the bow showing off her anchoring moves



Water splashes on Hylander's dodger en route from Barbuda back to Antigua

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NEWS AND STORIES BY AND FOR OUR MEMBERS

Cruising & Learning

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Captain Don



Diane Relaxing

NEWS AND STORIES BY AND FOR OUR MEMBERS

The Great Blizzard of '22!









By Jeff Hausner

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PJYC WINTER BAR HOURS

BAR Re-OPENED! Feb 11!

Canasta!

Tuesday Nights

Bar is Open as a Self-Serve Honor System
Bring your own Snacks
6:30

Text Dianna 631-512-1068 for more info

NEWS AND STORIES BY AND FOR OUR MEMBERS

WHAT'S IT?

January's What's It: Name the knot!

Ralph S. got close! It is a 'Water Bowline' One of several variations on the classic bowline. I have used it with Poly as it adds some extra friction, especially when line is wet.



February's What's It:



THE EXCHANGE

(SELL, BUY, SWAP)



Surprise 1987 Catalina 34

DIMENSIONS

LOA 34'

LWL 29'11"

BEAM 11'9"

DRAFT 5'7"

DISPLACEMENT 11,950 LBS.

BALLAST 5,000 LBS.

ENGINE

Universal M25XP - 23 HP

Engine Fuel - Diesel

Engine Hours ~ 1,500

TANKS

Water - 2 tanks - 28 gal & 23 gal.

3 Cabins - Forward (V-Berth), Main Cabin, Aft

All sails in good condition – Main Sail – Doyle Stack

Pack with full length battens

Lazy jacks

Two Genoas – 150 LP and 116 LP.

Furlex Roller Furler System

All Controls led to cockpit

1 Electrical, 4 Manual Winch Handles

Electrical system was rewired in 2014 and Blue

Seas circuit breaker panel was substituted for

original fuse panel.

Garmin Chartplotter & Garmin handheld GPS

Data Marine Wind Speed, Wind Direction, Knot

Meter and Depth Gages

AC Shore Power Receptacle

Maintenance Logs

BERTHS

Double – 3 (includes dining table)

Electrical cable for shore power

Bimini and Dodger refurbished in 2020

Uniden Oceanus DSC VHF radio with handheld wire-

less remote

Simrad WP30 Autopilot

Zodiac 8' inflatable dinghy Cart for moving dinghy

Evinrude 3HP 2 cycle outboard engine in working

order

Sony AM/FM radio with CD player

Custom made companionway screens

Full set of cockpit cushions - new in 2019

Some tools

Catalina 34 Owner's Manual

Universal Engine Owner's Manual

Contact: Vic Suben 631-513-1679 or vsuben@optonline.net

See next page for more pics...

THE EXCHANGE

(SELL, BUY, SWAP)

Surprise





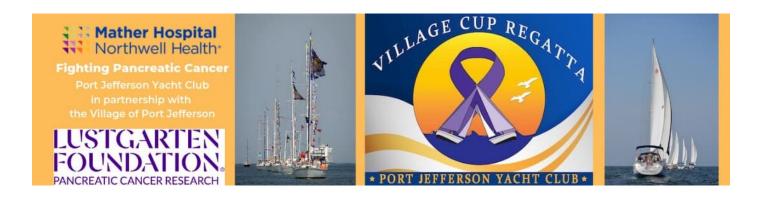






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COMMUNITY



The Village Cup will be September 10th this year!

Making a Difference

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

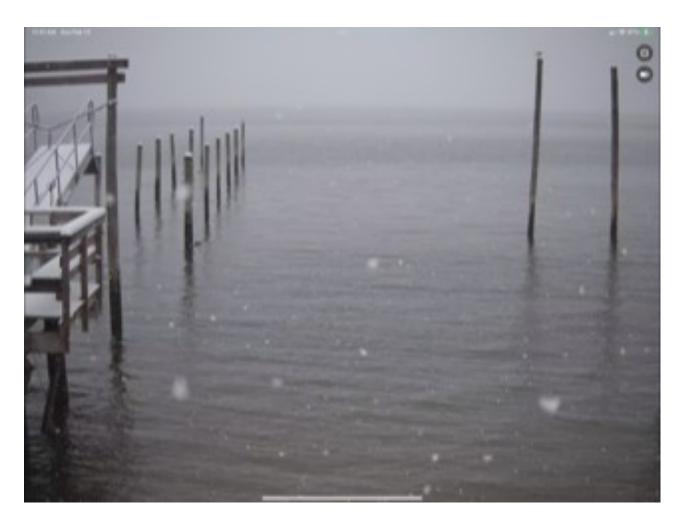
Long Island Cares
10 Davids Drive
Hauppauge, NY 11788

licares.org

Thanks and stay well,

Judy Suben





By Jeff Hausner

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

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