

Port Jefferson Yacht Club's



Bowspritz



Newsletter of the Port Jefferson Yacht Club <http://www.portjeffersonyachtclub.com>

February 2026

FROM THE HELM

It really is mid-winter here on Long Island. It feels like we are in a deep freeze with the coldest winter season in 20 years. Watching the ice form in Port Jefferson Harbor and seeing the persistent snow pile up does point to quite a spectacular looking winter view across our local landscape. I am wishing safe travels to the mariners that must be out on the water today.

We had a very nice Chili and Super Bowl numbers Party on Friday night January 30 that was well received by members and I have to give special thanks to Hope for organizing the event. I did not influence the award for best Chili for Annette to win, she earned that on her own!

We are making progress on the Centennial Wall Remediation project which impacts the parking area at the PJYC upper lot. The wall remediation project is in progress in conjunction with the Town of Brookhaven and the Village of Port Jefferson. Initial samples have been taken and analyzed and I believe we are on track to begin work in the spring although we do not have a definite timetable yet. Funding has been secured through FEMA and will not come out of PJYC funding. With luck this will not impact the commissioning ceremony, but the sooner it is corrected, the better!

I am looking forward to warmer weather and the boating season ahead.

Cheers,
Ray Dickenson
Commodore



BOARD REPORTS

FLEET CAPTAIN

DOCKS & FLOATS

It's hard to believe we will be launching out docks in nine short weeks. As we sit here at the end of January with nearly a foot of snow on the ground and a near frozen over harbor, there is work to be done to get us in shape for our next summer season.

We will be having work parties each Saturday in March. The key work to get done is repairing 2 of our JSP docks that suffered end damage where sections connect, as well as rebuilding a JSP dock section that failed completely.

For that section, there is extensive work to happen:

1. Remove decking and salvage as much as possible.
2. Remove and replace all damaged framing
 - a. We are going to have to flip this deck over and rebuild from the bottom up, replacing the old foam flotation with new floats (We are going to need manpower to do this!).
 - b. Rebuild the foundation, install floats, flip back over, build top frame, and redeck!

We may also need to reset some pilings if any ice jacking occurred – Brandt Marine will help us with that!

This is my first year leading this effort – I am going to need your help in getting us ready in the 4 weeks of March for our April 4th launch! Skilled or unskilled – we will put you to work!! Thanks in advance!



Tim Knoll
Director, Docks & Floats



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Clara J Off Season

Not much going on racing wise... So I thought you might be interested in this: People occasionally ask me what I do with Clara J during the winter. She actually stays in the water! That is because it is better for wood to stay wet, rather than expanding and contracting every year. Although today she is in the shed having her winter touch ups. But then back in the water as soon as it thaws! Wooden Boatworks in Greenport cannot currently move boats due to the freeze! Here are some pics:

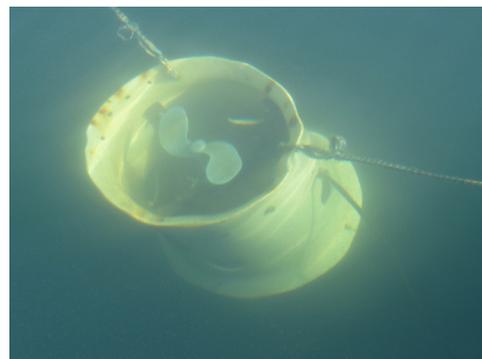


Here you can see an 'Ice Eater' pushing water up to keep it from freezing.

Dave Hubbard
Fleet Captain



Marine Railway Frozen



An 'Ice Eater' is a 110v motor with a propeller slung under or between boats.

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Upcoming Events

JAN 30 6PM-10PM <i>Chili, Hot Dogs and Football Picks</i>	FEB 14 6:30PM-10PM <i>Valentine's Day Party</i>	MARCH 14 6:30PM-10PM <i>St Patrick's Day Party</i>
APRIL 25 COMMODORES COCKTAIL PARTY	MAY 17 COMMISSIONING	JUNE 5,6,7 <i>Fish Tournament</i>
JULY 4 BBQ	AUGUST 23 COMMODORES BBQ	SEPT 6 LABOR DAY BBQ

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Hope Kinney
Social Director



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SUPERBOWL RESULTS!

TEAM **Seahawks**

	0	2	5	6	3	8	4	1	9	7
4	Elba Vega	Chuck & Peggy	Deborah John & Jan	Phil	Vicki LaRossa	Chris & Nancy	Patty Bradenick	Fran Juscamo	Dianna	ANN MEYER
2	Rita + Carolee HARRIS	John Baker	ED N	ALAN JOHNSON	John & Jean Debrity	Chuck & Peggy	John & Jean Debrity Helen	Rita Juscamo	Kevin Bradenick	Fran Juscamo
5	Justin Kinney	Vicki LaRossa	Dianna	Jack Bowman	Joe Kinney	Kay Rachak	Phil	John Baker	John & Jean Debrity	Elba Vega
1	Kim + Carolee HARRIS	John & Jean Debrity Helen	Chris & Nancy	Helen	Jack Bowman	ALAN JOHNSON	SILVIA COHN	JOE Kinney	Joe Juscamo	Cathy & Ralph
3	Joe Juscamo	Phil	Tim Rachak	John Baker	Elba Vega	Lauren	Dianna	Elba Vega	Chris & Nancy	Patty Bradenick
8	ED N	Rita Juscamo	JOE Kinney	ALAN JOHNSON	Kay Rachak	Kevin Bradenick	Ellie Bowman	Lauren	Patty Bradenick	Vicki LaRossa
0	Vicki LaRossa	CARMELA TALIENCO	Justin Kinney	ED N	ED N	John Baker	Helen	ALAN JOHNSON	Elba Vega	Mickie Gentry
7	Dianna	Fran Juscamo	Chris & Nancy	Rachel Kinney	Tim Rachak	Phil	SILVIA COHN	Rita Vega	Cathy & Ralph	Joe Juscamo
6	Helen	Rita Vega	Chuck & Peggy	Kevin Bradenick	Helen	Fran Juscamo	Kevin Bradenick	Kevin Bradenick	Cathy & Ralph	Nickie Gentry
9	ANN MEYER	Rita Vega	Cathy & Ralph	Joe Juscamo	Joe Kinney	Kevin Bradenick	Helen	John & Jean Debrity	Helen	Chuck & Peggy

Super Bowl Pool Rules

- Write your name in any box
- Please make sure I can recognize your name.
- All Squares are \$5.00 each
- Payout will be:
 - \$100 first quarter
 - \$100.00 halftime
 - \$100.00 3rd quarter
 - \$200 Final

When all the squares are filled will add the numbers teams on the side
I will ask for help on a night that's attended to pick
The random numbers
Picks are first come first serve
date to select boxes: February 4th





Here is the final grid!
 Congrats to the Winners!
 Hope will contact the official winners

WHAT'S NEWS

NEWS AND STORIES BY AND FOR OUR MEMBERS

ICE AGE



Pics by Kevin Broderick

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CRUISING!

We need cruise captains for Memorial Day and Branford.

Memorial Day Weekend: May 23-25th.

Huntington Yacht Club.

Make reservations through Dockwa.

Nancy and Chris plan to arrive early and leave on the 24th due to a prior family commitment. Their cancellation policy is 72 hrs. I will reach out to them about this to see if it can be shortened to 24 hrs. if really bad weather is forecast. Last year the weather was perfect, but they had a water and electrical problem which forced us to make alternate plans.

June 13-14

Saugatauk YC or Milford. I am still working on this.

June 27-28

Branford Fireworks.

We would follow the usual plan and anchor in the outer harbor. Nancy and Chris will not be there due to a wedding so someone will need to organize cocktails.

July 3-6

NYC Fireworks are not really a consideration due to both cost and availability. We are instead thinking about a sail during the day before the BBQ at the club in the evening.

July 25-26

Saugatuck YC or Milford. Still working on this.

Note that the Around Long Island Regatta start is on July 23rd

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CRUISING! (CONTINUED)

Long Cruise August 1-14

August 1 - Essex CT for Essex Lions Club Lobster bake (Starts at 1:00)

August 2 - Essex to Stonington CT

August 3 - Stonington to Dutch Harbor

August 4 - Dutch to Bristol RI - Herreshoff Maritime Museum

August 5 - Lay day in Bristol. - Working on a behind the scenes tour for us

August 6 - Bristol - Newport

August 7 - Lay day Newport

August 8 - Lay day Newport

August 9 - Third Beach

August 10 - Block Island

August 11 - Block Island

August 12 - Shelter Island YC

August 13 - Lay day Shelter Island YC

August 14 - Shelter Island to PJYC

Dates and Ports of call are tentative. We may adjust Newport to optimize costs for a 12m charter. Nancy and Chris plan to depart PJYC on July 30 and head to Duck Island Roads and up to Essex on July 31 anyone is welcome to join

Labor Day Weekend Sept 5-7

Northport Yacht Club.

We have mooring reserved. Please do not contact NYC directly for moorings. We will provide a list to them. If you plan to go to Northport YC please email you confirmation so that I have a list.

We would plan to have dinner in their dining room on Sept 6 and return to PJYC on the 7th.

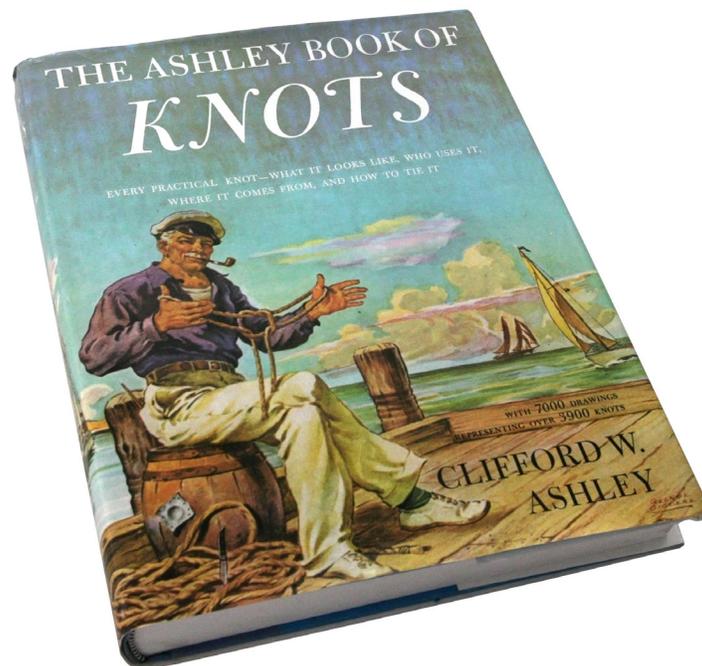
Chris & Nancy

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WHAT'S IT?

January What's It: What is the 'ABOK' ?



This book has almost 4,000 knots and variants on them! It also has about 7,000 illustrations! It includes discussions of the merits and uses of knotwork, from practical knots, to decorative knots, buttons, and the like.

February What's It: Define 'Vexillology'. Thanks to John Lane for this one.

THE EXCHANGE

SELL - BUY - SWAP

1983 13 ft Boston Whaler with Trailer

- ◇ 2021 Suzuki 30hp with power tilt & trim
- ◇ Installed and maintained by Moriches Boat & Motor
- ◇ Garmin Depth/Fish Finder
- ◇ Brunton illuminated compass
- ◇ Asking \$7500



milesdmanning@gmail.com - 646-644-4343



THE EXCHANGE

SELL - BUY - SWAP

FX Asymmetrical Spinnaker

Asking \$500 or Best Acceptable Offer

- ◇ Like New!
- ◇ Luff: 42' 6"
- ◇ Leach: 40' 3"
- ◇ Foot: 24' 0"



Doug Dalessio - gs279@hotmail.com

Leather Covered Wheel for Edson Pedestal

Asking \$300



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SELL - BUY - SWAP

FREE - Fender Holders

Contact Alan Johnson, 631 495-0985



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!)

WANTED - MAINSAIL

For a Pearson 30

Contact Bruce Folz

Email: brucehfolz@gmail.com

THE EXCHANGE

SELL - BUY - SWAP

SHIP'S STORE

Men's Button Down Long Sleeve Shirt	\$40 each
Sport Brown Shell Jacket Men's or Wm's	\$60 each
Large Blanket – Blue Heather Fleece	\$40 each
Hats – Cotton - Assorted Colors	\$20 each

Unisex Denim Shirt – Long Sleeve Cotton, button down	\$45 each
Women's Maui Blue Shirt - Short Sleeves Cotton Blend, Button Down	\$35 each
Men's Maui Blue Shirt – Short Sleeves Cotton Blend, Button Down	\$35 each
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
Stainless Steel Tumbler 20oz	\$30 each 2 for \$55

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

COMMUNITY



Making a Difference

Support Our Local Food Banks!

Long Island Cares
10 Davids Drive
Hauppauge, NY 11788

licares.org

Thanks and stay well,

Judy Suben





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