

# Port Jefferson Yacht Club's



# Bowspritz



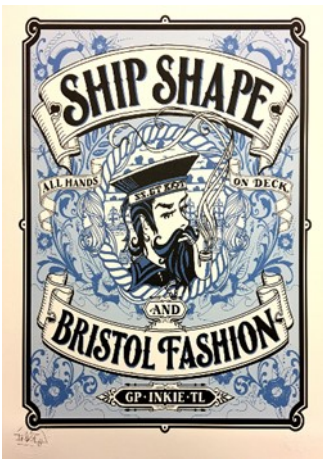
Newsletter of the Port Jefferson Yacht Club

<http://www.portjeffersonyachtclub.com>

March 2023

## FROM THE HELM

Having been involved in the renewable energy business for a couple of decades I thought our members might be interested to hear that Port Jefferson will become the new operations and maintenance hub for Sunrise Wind, a 924 MW (122 turbines) offshore wind farm to be built about 30 miles east of Montauk. Our protected harbor will provide dockage for a 250-foot Service Operation Vessel (SOV), with a warehouse and office facility in the vicinity. The SOV called "Eco Edison" is currently being built in shipyards in Louisiana, Mississippi and Florida for planned delivery in 2024. As an assurance, you will not see it tied up on the PJYC docks as it will be using the dockage close to the power station, although most of the time it will be at sea. When Sunrise Wind is operational perhaps we can arrange a club cruise to see the 122 wind turbines in person. That would be an amazing trip!



Commissioning this year will be on Sunday May 21st at 1pm. Our Fleet Captain has been researching the correct protocol for a yacht club commissioning and has found out that we have been raising the flags in the wrong order all these years! So this year, Dave Hubbard (aka Fleet Captain) will be the master of ceremonies and you will hear him announce "Commodore, PJYC is ready for commissioning for the 2023 season", Commodore - "Please Proceed" following by the firing of the cannon. All very exciting and as they say in jolly old England, we will be "Ship Shape and Bristol Fashion". I mentioned last month that April 1st will be our annual dock launching. We have one other project to complete during that morning which is replacing the sailing school steps which are rather wonky and considered unsafe. Alan Johnson will provide the necessary supplies but we need a couple of "step builders" to complete the job.

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## FROM THE HELM

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I know that with all the engineering talent on hand during that morning we will not be short of advice for the creation of a step masterpiece! Please lend a hand if you can.

What else is going on? New stone planters will be constructed around the clubhouse in the next few weeks and we have our St. Patrick's Day party on March 18th with traditional Irish food and music. So start practicing your "Jigs and Reels" and hope to see you on the dance floor.

Finally, don't forget the Commodore's Cocktail party which will take place on Saturday, April 22nd at 6 PM. I look forward to seeing you all for a few "Dark n' Stormies".

Andrew Mathews  
2023 Commodore



*Please join us for the  
Commodore's Cocktail Party  
2023*

*Date: Saturday April 22, 2023*

*Time: 6:00 PM*

*Hosted by: Andrew and Sharon Mathews*

*Place: PJYC Clubhouse*

*RSVP: Sharon Mathews [sharon@smacarilaw.com](mailto:sharon@smacarilaw.com)*

*By April 15, 2023*

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### VICE COMMODORE

This winter, a combination of six catamarans and monohulls, along with members and friends of our club, descended on the British Virgin Islands. Couple by couple we enjoyed sailing the aquamarine waters and experienced the mountainous backdrop of the Islands, along with their ports of call. Sharing our experiences with our friends from the PJYC on our sister boats made for some of the most remarkable moments.

The snorkeling was fantastic. We saw an abundance of aquatic life including turtles, sharks, barracudas, rays, dolphins, and a plethora of multicolored fish. At dinner one night, we spotted Elon Musk's Space X Rocket, leave a debris field that came back to earth next to Richard Branson's Island. There was also the full moon night when Venus and Jupiter kissed each other in the sky while they passed each other's orbits. How much magic can one vacation have ?

Submitted by Alan Siris  
Vice Commodore



More Cruise Pics in the 'Social' section!

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### REAR COMMODORE

We just returned from ten days in the BVI along with five other boats from PJYC. What a great trip! Thank you, Chuck Chiaramonte for organizing the trip.

I have received and have tested the new Wi-Fi for the Docks. I am coordinating with Intelitec to replace the current router to make sure all goes smoothly. I will be coordinating with Alan Johnson on the installation of the equipment on the docks. This should all be in place before commissioning day.

We had a cruising meeting on February 3rd with great attendance.

#### Cruise Schedule:

- ◆ Memorial Day Weekend – Brooklyn (One 15 Marina) They have a no cancel policy It is \$7.00 a foot/night. We can receive 90% credit if there is at least a small craft warning for NY harbor, but it would need to be used during the sailing season. I have a call into the marina to see if we can get a better cancellation policy since we will have six to ten boats. If the marina looks to be fairly empty, it may make sense to watch the weather and make our reservations during the week before Memorial Day.
- ◆ Milford – June 10th – Milford landing – Make reservations on Dockwa
- ◆ 6/24 Branford Fireworks.
- ◆ Short Cruise – July 1 – July 5th Shelter Island YC? Coecles? and Three Mile harbor
- ◆ Cruise to nowhere – to be coordinated with social.
- ◆ 8/5 Essex CT Lobster bake (possible start of long cruise)
- ◆ Long Cruise – TBD but possibly up through Cape Cod Canal (2 weeks)
- ◆ Labor Day weekend – Northport Yacht Club – I am waiting confirmation of moorings from NYC.
- ◆ Westport CT- TBD

Chris Beach

Rear Commodore



More Pics in the 'Social' section!

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### DOCKS & FLOATS

We have had two productive work parties so far and I see one more before the docks are launched and one more when they are in the water. We need to finish the electrical troughs for the electrical cables powering the stanchions move three stanchions and the cables that feed them and build covers for the troughs.

On another matter; we made an application and the Brookhaven Town Board has voted to amend our license to rent the additional bay bottom so that we can do another slip expansion in the future. We are hoping to add an additional 18 slips, four large and 14 smaller slips to better accommodate all the members of the club. I will be meeting with expeditors this week but I do not see this happening for this year. It is probably a 2024 project.

Alan Johnson

Director of Docks and Floats



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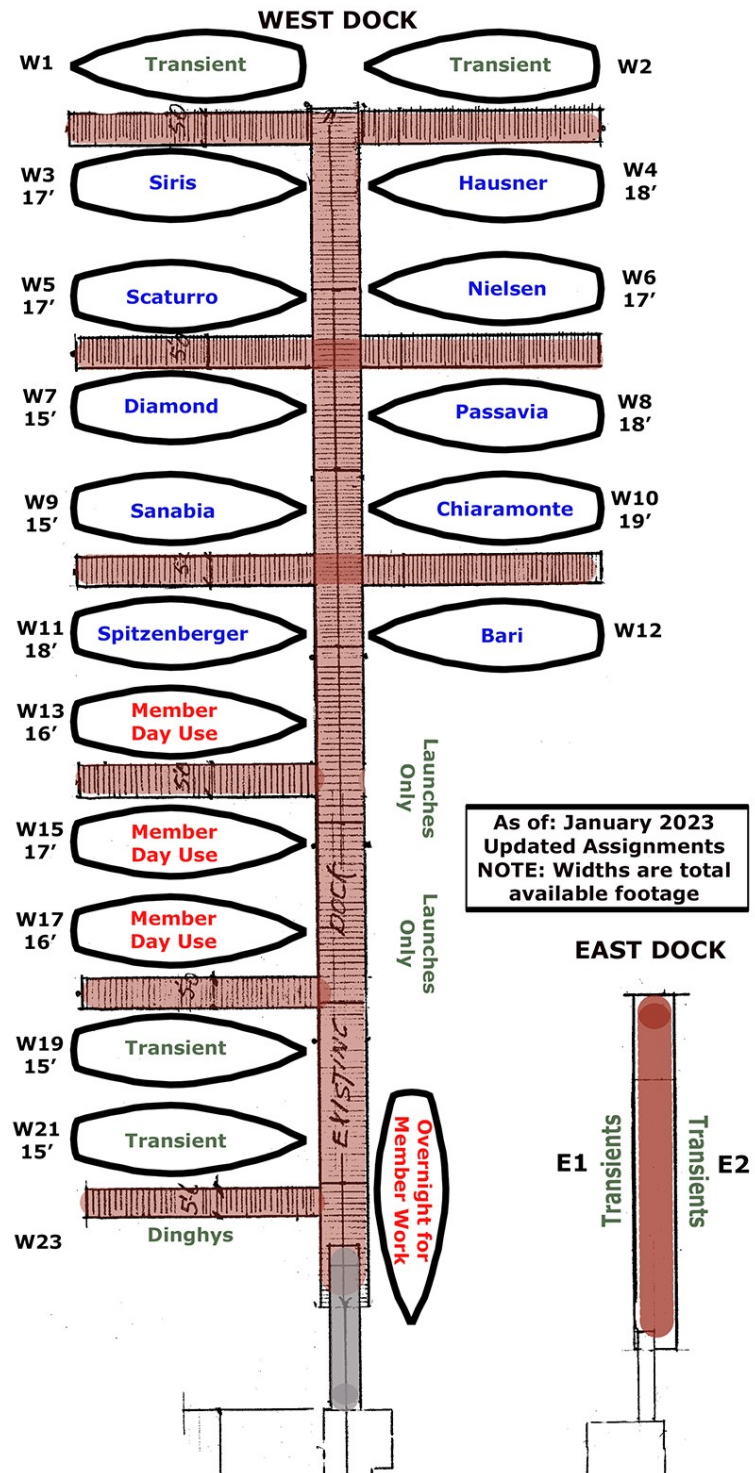
## DOCKS & FLOATS

**NOTE:**

Updated January 2023

Changed Names to match

New assignments.



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### FLEET CAPTAIN

#### Racing!

We have finalized our mark locations for 2023. And a couple of distance marks are being renamed to avoid conflict with MSSA. They are also changing some names. Specifically for PJYC:

- We are swapping “J” and “L” to be consistent with MSSA:
- Old “J” (PJ Red/White Approach Whistle Buoy) will now be “L”
- Old “L” (Rocky Point Can 9) will now be “J”
- “M” (Green 1 E of Middle Ground) will now be “MG1” (Rarely used)

Links to the new coordinates can be found on the website racing page.

#### Protocol

As Andrew mentioned, the job of a ‘Fleet Captain’ traditionally includes overseeing nautical protocol. This is even in my job description in the club by-laws! So this year I’m tuning up a few minor things to bring them into line with long established Yacht Club traditions, many of which stem from traditions hundreds of years old, before there were even formal ‘Yacht Clubs’.

For example: Did you know why our club’s main flag pole has a diagonal pole sticking out? And a yard arm across it? And why the American flag does not fly from the top as many landlubbers would assume it should?

See the next page! This is also a guide for flying flags on your own boat!

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### FLEET CAPTAIN

The PJYC Flag Pole actually represents a gaff rigged sailing vessel headed out to sea!

By tradition, each 'point of display' on a boat has an 'order of preference' setting its importance. Thus the country flag gets the most important point of display.

On a gaff rig, the top of the mast is usually cluttered with a topsail rig, and various blocks and tackle to support the gaff. Thus it is not a good place for a large flag. So the most important point was traditionally the top of the gaff.

Other flags are flown on other points based on their priority. The priorities are:

- Gaff (Or two thirds up the main leech or aft stay on a Marconi/Bermudan rig, which is about where a gaff would be).
- Flagstaff off the stern
- Bow Staff
- Yardarms/Spreaders, Starboard to Port. Starboard being higher priority.
- Main truck (Top of main mast)
- Power boats would be in similar approximate places.

Many boats do not have good rigging for anything large at the top of a mast when sailing, and power boats don't usually have masts (although they can) so it is traditional to fly the country flag from a stern flagstaff.

So, our flagpole has a 'Gaff' and a 'Yardarm'! And thus also has a Starboard and Port side! So we fly our flags as if it were a ship! Since the top of the mast/pole is the lowest priority if the pole has a gaff, that is where a burgee flies. If it does NOT have a gaff, then it is considered to be just a flagpole. In which case the 'US Flag Code' applies, and the American flag is flown at the top.

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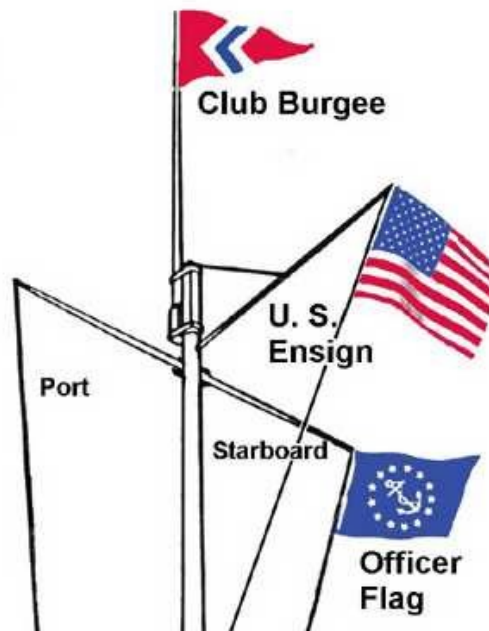


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### FLEET CAPTAIN

On that yardarm, the starboard side is traditionally the officers flags from the Commodore at the most starboard, down going to the port side. See the board reports here in Bowspritz to see what each officer's flag looks like. The 4 flags we fly are for what are called the 'Flag Officers' (Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Fleet Captain). Other officers are just called 'Officers' (although there are traditional flags for many of those too). The port end of the yardarm is reserved for misc flags of honor. We use it for the Brookhaven Town and PJ Village flags.



For more information on flag protocol, get a copy of the US Power Squadron's publication "How to Fly Flags". It is only about \$7 (more with shipping). This info is also on their website: <https://www.usps.org/national/fecom/faq/flag/gaffpole.html>

Dave Hubbard  
Fleet Captain



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## HOUSE

A couple of pics of our new furnace:



# SOCIAL!

## Social words

The Valentine's Party was a success the food was delicious and plentiful – if you weren't there you missed a feast. There was music and dancing with the Commodore and first Lady opening the dance floor. Thank you to everyone who participated and made this such a fun evening – it does take a Village!

The next event will be the St. Patrick's Day party on March 18th. Kay Rachek is handling the RSVPs and planning a fun evening with Irish entertainment and a Corn beef and Cabbage dinner. If you are planning on going, please get your responses in as early as you can it does take planning and since Kay is willing take this on for me I hope you will all be prompt.

There will be a game night end of March - something simple such as LRC or Bunco. Please watch for my flyers. Also in the planning is a Pasta sauce contest sometime in April and a Cinco De Mayo party in May. Again, please watch for my flyers.

The Commodores Cocktail Party will be on Saturday April 22nd please get your responses into Sharon, so we have an idea of the attendance. Andrew has already sent out the invitations because once our boats are in the water our calendars tend to fill up and before you know it is the end of April – you don't want to miss out!

Mark your calendars for our Commissioning Day, Sunday May 21st Plans are already in the works to have a lovely party and a bright kick off to the 2023 season.

Thanks!

Laurina Nielsen



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# SOCIAL!

Port Jefferson Yacht Club **ST. PATRICK'S DAY**

Lucky You  
We're having a  
party!

March 18th, 2023  
6PM  
Traditional Irish Fare  
and Live Music  
\$25 per person

RSVP March 10 [KayRachek@gmail.com](mailto:KayRachek@gmail.com)  
mail check payable to PJYC  
KAY RACHÉK  
66 Aspen Lane  
Stony Brook, 11790



Music by Heather Martin Bixler and Donie Carroll

# SOLD OUT!

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# SOCIAL!



John Baker sharing his winning goodies from the Valentines Day Party!



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## BVI Cruise!



Thanks to Karen Janhsen for many of these pics!



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# WHAT'S NEWS

NEWS AND STORIES BY AND FOR OUR MEMBERS

## A Ferry as Yacht Club

...a personal view

Bob & Angela Bari

We joined the Setauket Yacht Club in 1978. We took adult sailing lessons at the club in 1976, when the club was still located at Bayles Dock. Sailing seemed to be something that we wanted to embark on as we became more entrenched in the Long Island area.

We purchased an O'Day 25 sailboat, secured a mooring in Port Jefferson Harbor and joined the club. It was noted to us at the membership meeting that the club was undergoing a major transition at that very time.

There was because the club realized in the mid-1970s that its operation at the Bayles Dock location was not practical due to maintenance and parking issues, to name a few challenges. The club determined that it could lease property from the Town of Brookhaven in the southeast area of the harbor and purchase a used ferry that would serve as the overall club facility. A parking lot contiguous to the ferry made for a convenient way for the club to move into the future.

In 1978 the ferry was the clubhouse for the SYC with room for meetings and other functions as well as storage areas. The club launches were tethered to the ferry and this was the jumping off point for members to reach their sailboats on mooring in the harbor.

The club had a tradition of being a working organization with members providing services to its operation. Given Bob's limited experience with yacht club duties, he volunteered to spend many hours scraping metallic paint off the ferry's interior walls and then loading the paint chips into 55 gallon drums. Then someone would appear with buckets of fresh paint to re-coat the walls. At least this was an opportunity to get to know other club members (e.g. Fred Ganz) who participated in these activities.



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## A Ferry as Yacht Club

...a personal view

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This activity reminded me of the Myth of Sisyphus by Albert Camus. Other members of the club had similar experiences. A growing faction of the club started to realize for various reasons that the ferry as club was not a sustainable concept for SYC.

There was much active discussion at ad hoc meetings of the club leadership and the general membership on how to move forward with the ferry as club. There was a proposal to issue bonds to the members to help with the finances. For us, as young and new members, who just bought a boat, bought a mooring, paid an initiation fee to join the club, and paid club annual dues, the prospect of buying a bond in the club did not seem appealing. Before we had to make this decision, we understood the ferry was sold (to a restaurant in Maine) and would be shipped away from its berth in our harbor.

In the aftermath of the ferry as yacht club, we had nothing but a parking lot, the small building that now houses the present junior sailing program and piers to lead us to the water and our awaiting launches. This situation lasted for approximately one year while a real club was being designed and built. This is the club that now sits above the harbor front as we know it today.



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## Club History

By Dave Hubbard—Info from Bob Bari

In 1932, Franklin Delano Roosevelt (FDR) visited Port Jefferson by boat while still governor of NY. In this picture, the 12 year old Randall Woodard met FDR. Randall later became a member of Setauket Yacht Club, and was Vice Commodore in 1969! Randall passed away on December 25th, 2017 at 97 years old. He shared a birthday (not the year) with Bob Bari and Mort Fortgang.

Picture credit is from : <https://tbrnewsmedia.com/boy-photographed-fdr-port-jeff-1932/> That article has a lot more info on Randall.



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**PETS!**



**SEND ME YOUR PET BOATING PICTURES!  
INCLUDE NAME, GENDER, AND A SHORT STORY  
ABOUT YOUR PET'S BOATING ADVENTURES!**

**I'LL INCLUDE SOME SPECIAL PET FEATURES LATER  
THIS YEAR.**

**THE EDITOR**

**[bowspritz@portjeffersonyachtclub.com](mailto:bowspritz@portjeffersonyachtclub.com)**

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## NEED A SAILMAKER?

**From Patty Broderick:**

Jean of Bellport Sails is now part of OneSails in Huntington. She worked with Mark at Hard Sails 40 years ago!!

Contact: [jsailing@msn.com](mailto:jsailing@msn.com) cell: 631-522-8721

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## WHAT'S IT?

**February's What's It:**

**Nobody has submitted an answer, so I'll let it stand another month!**





# THE EXCHANGE

(SELL, BUY, SWAP)

## 2013 BAYLINER 215BR BOW RIDER

**MOTOR BOAT \$24,900**

(Contact Bill Beasley at: [billbeasley@me.com](mailto:billbeasley@me.com))

- Great shape, no hull damage
- LOA 20'4", Beam 8'2"
- Engine: 220 HP Mercruiser In/Outboard (Model 4.3L MPI)
- Outdrive recently serviced with all new gaskets.
- Comes with 2013 Karavan trailer in good shape
- Great for running around or water sports
- Comes with skins and tow rope
- Comes with all USGC required equipment
- Bimini and cover included
- We lost our town slip and are not using it anymore, time to sell!
- Decals are vinyl and can be easily pulled off and replaced!



(More Photos attached below)

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2013 BAYLINER 215BR BOW RIDER MOTOR BOAT \$24,900

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(Contact Bill Beasley at: [billbeasley@me.com](mailto:billbeasley@me.com))



# THE EXCHANGE

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## Items For Sale

Magma marine barbeque, like new \$75

50 ft Marine shore power . \$75

Sextant with instructions and video \$50

Plastimo Safety ladder ( a must have for cruisers \$50 (take all for \$200 )

Contact Ray Epp at 631 816 8659 or [rwepp@optimum.net](mailto:rwepp@optimum.net)

- 13' - 24'
- 3" WITH 3.5" OUTER DIAMETER
- FOR BOATS 40' - 50'

LIST PRICE: \$2,941  
DEFENDER PRICE: \$2,500

CHUCK CHIARAMONTE  
(516) 810-6695  
CHUCKCHIARAMONTE@GMAIL.COM

## FOR SALE: FORESPAR WHISKER POLE

USED ON HARVEST MOON - CATALINA 445  
CONTROL TELESCOPEING MODEL# 403202

**\$1,000**



# **THE EXCHANGE**

**(SELL, BUY, SWAP)**

**For Sale**

**'Papillon'**

**1979 Irwin- 39 Citation**



**Specs and Pricing on next page**

**Contact: Vince Murphy [wavecrestbuilders@gmail.com](mailto:wavecrestbuilders@gmail.com)**

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For Sale

'Papillon'

1979 Irwin- 39 Citation

Beam: 12'2" Draft 4'3"/7'

Displacement: 16,890 Lbs

Yanmar 3 cylinder 30 hp Diesel

Transmission : Kanzaki Transmission Model  
KH 18

PRICE: \$18,500

Boat located in Port Jefferson, NY on mooring

Forward cabin with V-berth, head to starboard with storage lockers opposite. Main cabin and Galley to starboard, settee and navigation to port, quarter berth to port. Cockpit with large storage lockers port, starboard and aft.

Hull material: glass reinforced plastic GRP with alternating layers of mat and roving to yield stiff hull.

Medium displacement sailing hull, shallow fin, molded as part of the hull with centerboard

Stainless steel Stations with double lifelines that were replaced last year.

Genoa Furler on the forestay

150% Genoa on headsail

Mainsail cover

Aluminum boom

Masthead Sloop, Aluminum Mast

Aluminum Spreaders

Running rigging needs replacement- Dacron

Two Barent 28 primary winches, two Lewmar 40 winches in the cabin top and two Lewmar 16 winches on mast

Dodger & Cockpit Awning

Docking lines and fenders

Formica Countertops

Large Sink

table with drop leaf,

Gas stove and oven

ice box not in working order

Jabsco Hand pump Toilet 3 years old

Bulkhead teak plywood, Teak flooring replaced

Cockpit cushions and pillows

Fuel tank replaced 5052 aluminum, 40 gallons

Water tanks 90 Gallon capacity

Bilge pump

Compass

All new LED lights throughout cabin

Radar- Sitex Model T-100, CRT type

VHF/FM transceiver/ AIS: standard horizon intrepid model

Kenwood Stereo

Solar power and 2 marine batteries for 12 V

Folding stainless steel ladder on transom

Anchor – Danforth anchor in bow locker with chain, 2nd Danforth anchor as a plow anchor

4 large hatches, some Ports windows have leaks

Fire extinguishers

Distress horn and flares

# THE EXCHANGE

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KAYAK FOR SALE

LIFETIME KOKANEE 106 TANDEM KAYAK

\$500 OBO

Lovely, gently used sit-on-top 2-person kayak. Great for calm waters as it is wide and has excellent stability. Comes with three seat backs- I have fit three smaller people on it before. It weighs about 75 pounds, measures 10.5 feet long and can hold up to 425 lbs. Retail for \$739 but I will take \$500. Can be negotiable for a quick sale. Paddles and life vests available for purchase as well. (another \$100 for two vests and two paddles).

Call or text 347-302-7722 (Katherine)



# THE EXCHANGE

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## BOAT FOR SALE

### Vanguard 420 Laser

**Year: 2009**

**LOA: 13' 9"**

**Sails: Three full sets and 2 spinnakers. Racing set in excellent condition.**

**Includes Trailer, Beach Cart, and two covers (for with and without mast up).**

**Asking: \$5000**



**Contact: Cliff Petroske - [cliffordpetroske@gmail.com](mailto:cliffordpetroske@gmail.com)**

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*Port Jefferson Yacht Club*

P.O. Box 138 Port Jefferson, NY 11777

*Formerly Setauket Yacht Club Inc.*

## SHIP'S STORE PRICE LIST

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



**NEW!**

**Long Sleeve PJYC Shirt! \$45.**

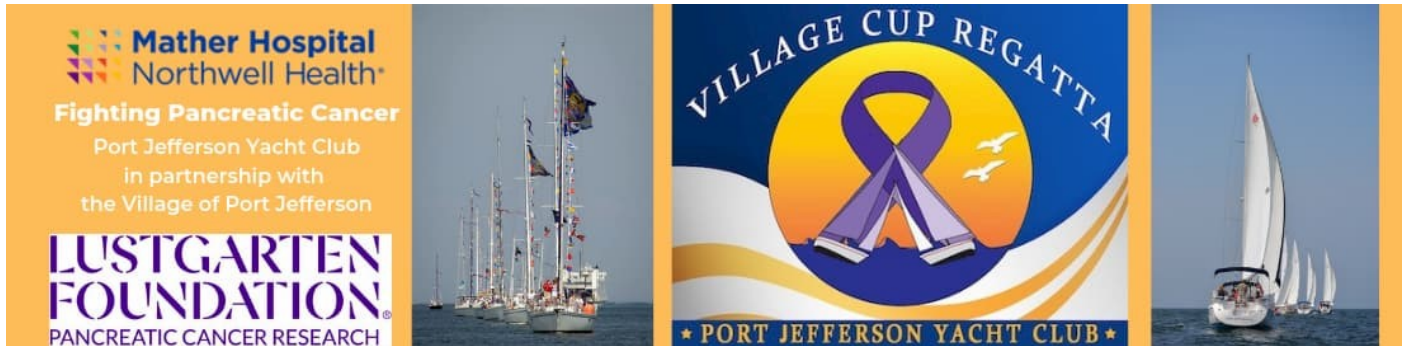
**Special order only.**

**Contact Jean Doherty**





# COMMUNITY



## 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](http://licares.org)**

Thanks and stay well,

*Judy Suben*





By Kevin Broderick

Ads, articles, pics all welcome!

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