

Port Jefferson Yacht Club's



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Newsletter of the Port Jefferson Yacht Club <http://www.portjeffersonyachtclub.com> April 2024

FROM THE HELM

The Clubhouse has been attended to, the Grounds have been prepared, the Sailing School has been enrolling, and the cruising schedule has been dared,

The racing rules have been settled, the launches have been primed, the reciprocities have been reciprocated, and our Club's Commissioning has been timed.

Safety Courses are continuing, the Board is taking extra care.

The Club's committees are in force, and our Spring Season is in the air.

The social season has been puzzled, and great events have been planned, the rest of the docks need installation, and Alan Johnson still needs a hand.

HELP ALAN JOHNSON, YOUR DIRECTOR OF DOCKS, GET THE EXPANSION DONE ON TIME !!

CRITICAL PATH -DEFINITION

- In project management, the *critical path* is the longest sequence of tasks that must be completed to execute a project.

Embarking on a complicated construction project, Alan Johnson, our Director of Docks and Floats, has found it useful to follow the "Critical Path" method for project management. He has set a completion timeline for installing and expanding the docks, he has broken the tasks to accomplish this into manageable parts, he has organized contractors and club members, he has deployed material and equipment, and he has puzzled it into an order of sequence in which each task is to be accomplished. After reviewing my old "Management" textbook, I realized the "method" has left out a few essentials that are needed for the success of the project. For example, one must have vision, dedication, persistence, resilience, and a purpose for the greater good. We are fortunate that Alan Johnson has all these qualities.

Please join Alan J. on his "critical path", as many of you have done in the past.

Thanks to all of you,

Alan Siris, Commodore,



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Please join us for the
Commodore's Cocktail Party
2024

Date: Saturday April 20, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM

Hosted by: Alan & Connie Siris

Place: PJYC Clubhouse

RSVP: *Connie Siris* pjycsiris@gmail.com

By March 27, 2024

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*The Board of Governors of the
Port Jefferson Yacht Club
cordially invites you to attend our
2024 Commissioning Ceremony
on Sunday, May 5th at 1:00 pm
1 Pass Way,
Port Jefferson, NY 11777*

Reception at the Club Following the Ceremony

*RSVP by April 21st to
Vicki LaRossa at vicki.larossa@gmail.com*

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Vice Commodore

Spring has sprung and there is a lot going around the club. It hardly seems possible that we are less than a month from commissioning day!

As the dock and wiring of the docks continues, we will be adding additional Wi-Fi coverage to the docks for the new slips. Wi-Fi passwords will be changing before commissioning day. Look for an email with the new member Wi-Fi password.

The Branford fireworks display will be on June 22 to save the date. This is always a popular cruise. The long cruise will begin with the Essex Lobster Bake on August 3rd. From there we will head between the forks on the east end to enjoy some great sailing.

I sent out about 70 reciprocity letters and have started hearing back from several clubs already. I will be updating the reciprocity page on the website in the coming weeks. (Ed Note: See the list of clubs in the "Extension of Privileges" page under the "Social" menu.)

Chris Beach

Vice Commodore



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DOCKS & FLOATS

I have met with the dock builder, piling contractor and the electrician. Their price quotes were limited in length to 30 days but were not increased; all of the contractors are honoring their prices from last year. One half of our docks are built and the balance of the material is on site and the build is being completed. The new 6' wide ramp has been delivered and is in the lower lot waiting for installation and the new electrical stanchions have been received. The electrician has been on site and has started. Saturday March 23 dock work party was cancelled and rescheduled to March 24 because of rain. Some minor projects have been completed on the docks and we have much to do to reach completion and an operational waterfront and marina. There are several projects that could not be done until the docks are launched such as laying in the electric cabling; new water lines and mounting the electrical stanchions that are being completed now and we will need additional work parties to be ready for the season. The slips are all spoken for and everyone that requested a slip has been assigned one. Ed Nielsen has been busy with making signs for the slip numbers so that slip numbers can be seen from the water as well as while walking down the docks. I am happy to report that the rolling adjustments have been to a minimum but there will need be more work parties scheduled since the docks were launched and I hope the membership will continue to volunteer until we finish these project. We will continue to have smaller work parties until we are ready to open, receive guests and get the docks and slips completed.



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We have eliminated the separate three wide rafts we had in prior years. We have repurposed two of the docks to save on phase two expenses by repurposing them as the new dinghy dock connecting the east and west ramps. That left only one float that did not make enough money in rentals to cover the cost to launch and retrieve the moorings and it saves two moorings. We are going to attach that one raft to the JSP raft and continue to use it for member's dinghies and row boats.

You will notice that we will have non member boats on the docks and moorings. We have temporarily added a new Dockwa category called wet storage. Pete Finn of Harbor-side needs to launch boats probably starting around 4/14 but the Town marinas do not open about May 16. We have set a new Dockwa rate for that time for people to wet store their boats, no electricity, no water and access only to move their boat to their marinas or prepare their boats for the season. We are trying to maximize the use of our docks/moorings and increase the income stream. This will allow us to have a launch driver on site every day with the payroll paid by these early guests. There will be no reason to call Ron or Ed for a launch early in the season. A driver is scheduled to be on site from 10 to 6 every day. As your boats are launched, please go directly to your mooring. Our moorings are being used to moor our docks and for wet storage or non-member boats.

We launched our docks on Saturday 4/6 under marginal conditions. We were able to get all the docks launched but not assembled. We put out a call for a small work party on April 9 to finish installing the docks and noticed the 4' x 10' docks were QUITE unstable (ask Mitch) and we have found a solution and are modifying the docks to increase stability. We have had two work parties to rebuild and stabilize the 4 x 10 dock but we are not finished and the 30' finger piers will be unusable until they are modified. We will also need another work party to complete the new water system in the main dock and finish the 4' X 10' docks and clean up any open items in preparation to receive the new dock the week of 4/22 and after that, the electrician will need to finish wiring the docks and the piling contractor needs to set all the new pilings. After the new docks are installed we will have another work party to bring water to the new docks.



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We have A LOT OF WORK yet to be done to open our waterfront and we need the continued support of the members showing up for the work parties. Any little issue will delay our use of the docks. All slip holders need to delay the launch of their vessels if possible as VERY few slips will be available.

We just received updated delivery information from our dock builder. The docks will be delivered and launched the week of April 22 and I am reaching out to the piling contractor to get his start date. I know the contract for the docks starts on April 15 but it is obvious that we will not make that date. Additionally, we will see some boats in our slips and moorings that are not members. We are helping out Harborside Marine launch his customer's boats and our boats. Since the town marinas are not opening until about May 15 we are taking some of the boats plugging his yard so they have a place to go and not delay the launch of our member boats. We have a wet storage agreement that is being run thru Dockwa. We are limiting the number of boats in slips so that they can be moved to our transient slips once the docks are installed. The transient fees we are receiving will be offsetting the labor costs of having a launch driver on site every day from 10 to 6.

If when you are launched and need to use a transient mooring before moving to your mooring, send an email to docks@portjeffersonyachtclub.com and give us the mooring number and the dates you will be on the mooring so we do not assign it as wet storage.

With the launch drivers working every day, members should not be on the docks overnight but use the launch to get to your mooring or a temporary transient mooring if absolutely necessary. Best to use your mooring as we will need to store the new docks on our moorings when they are launched.



New Ramp for Dinghy Dock

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I have been asked to remind all members that there is no swimming in the marina and please review the dock rules as found on the web site. The links are attached.

[PJYC-General-Dock-Rules-2022.pdf \(portjeffersonyachtclub.com\)](#)

[PJYC-Member-Dock-Rules-2024.pdf \(portjeffersonyachtclub.com\)](#)

[PJYC-Member-Slip-Rules-2024.pdf \(portjeffersonyachtclub.com\)](#)

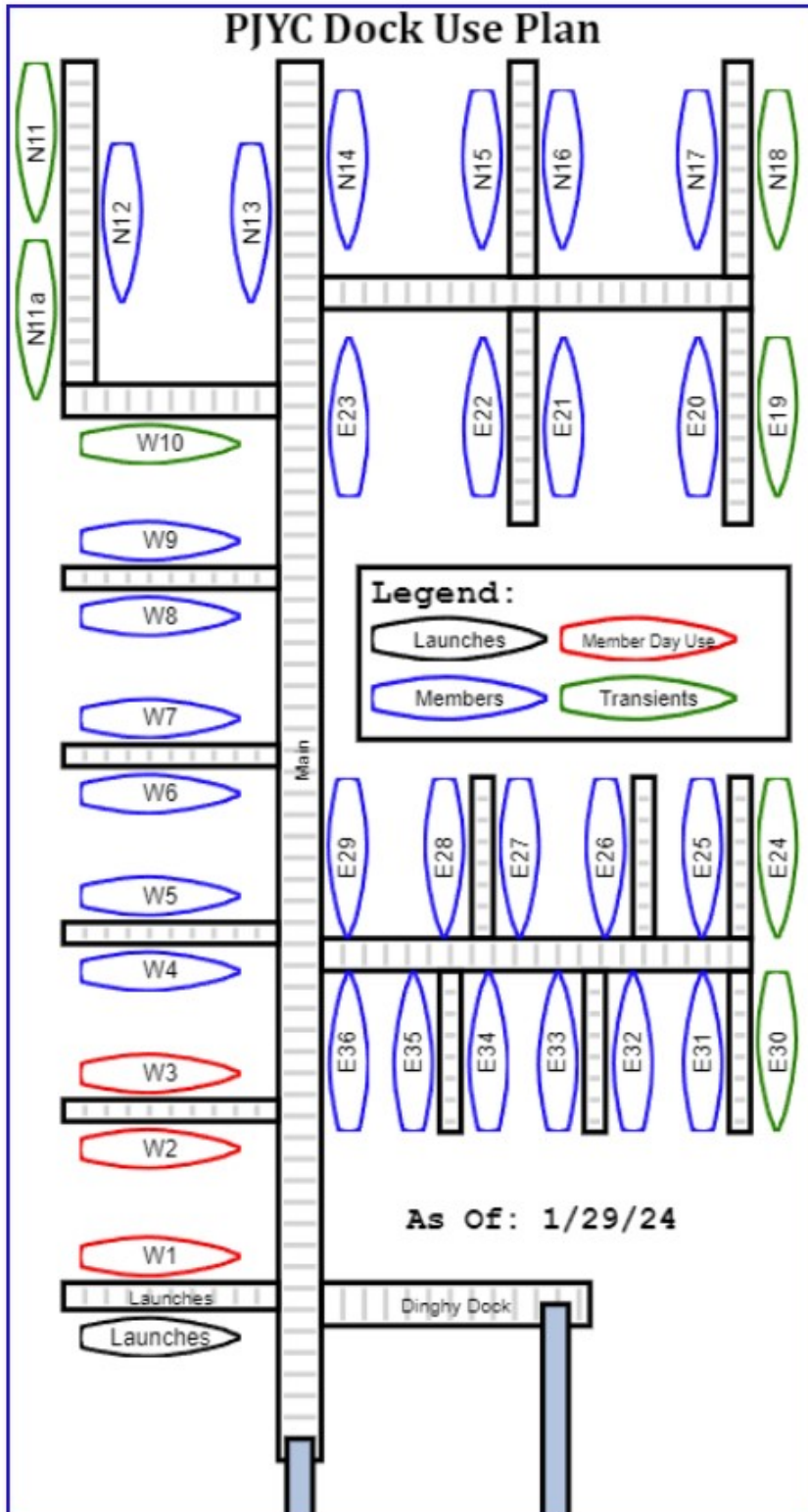
These are also available on the “Members Only” page of the website.

Alan Johnson
Director of Docks & Floats



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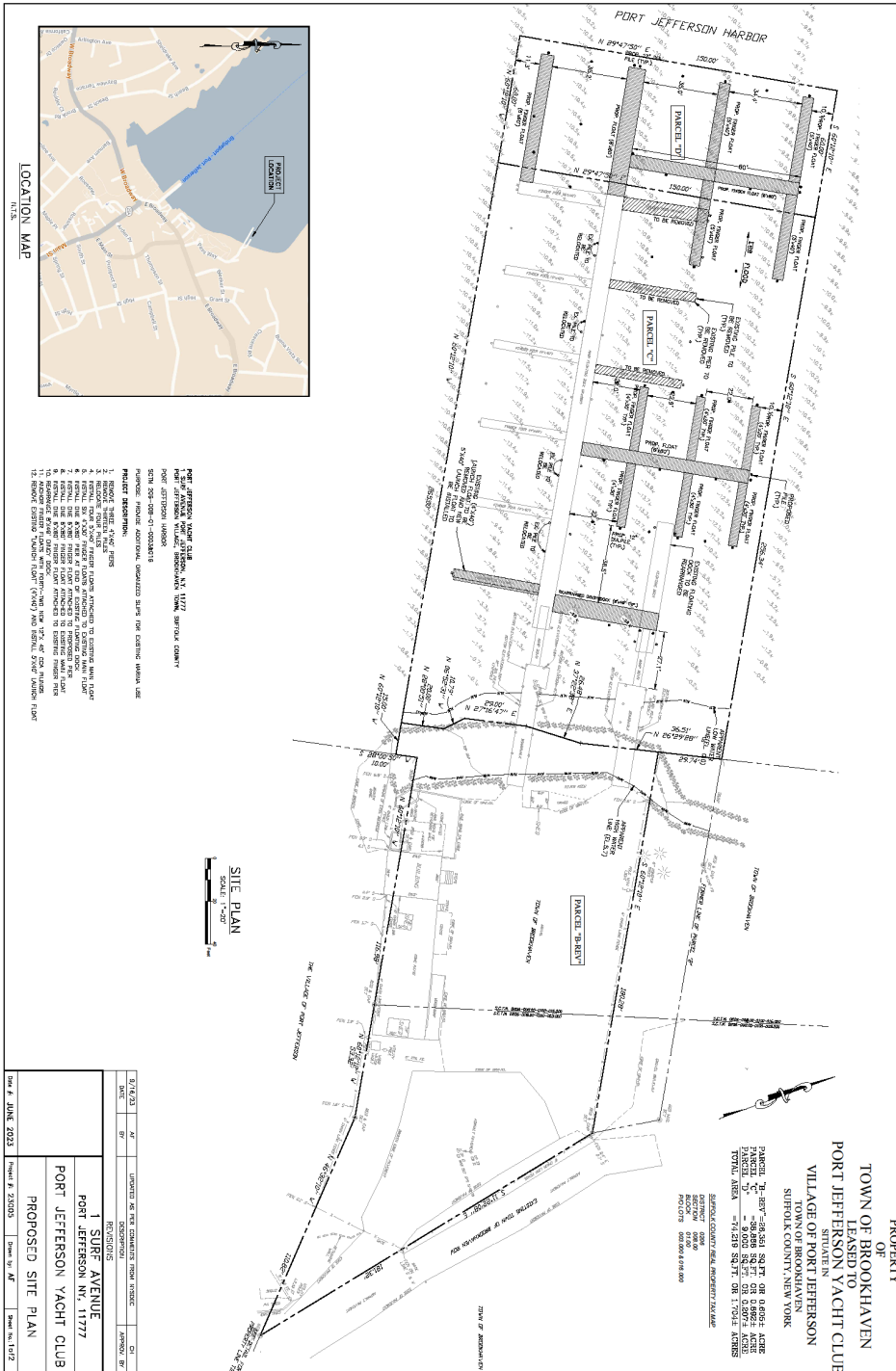
This is the current plan for the 2024 docks. Member slip assignments are fully allocated. Alan Johnson will have contacted you if you have a slip for the upcoming season. See the 'Slip Holders Form' on the 'Members Only' page of the website if you want to apply to be on the waiting list for a slip.

Note: There is no longer an 'East Dock', however the 'East Ramp' will still run down to the 'Dinghy Dock' on its east end. It is also accessible from the 'Main' dock which it is attached to on its west end.

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FLEET CAPTAIN

Boating Safety! REMINDER: ALL skippers of powered vessels of ANY size MUST have taken a certified course by 2024 to be in charge of such a boat. We are hosting a Boater Safety Course on May 18th! See the next page for registration info. We will also try and hold one in the fall. Also, you can take it online at:

<https://www.boatus.org/newyork/>

Racing!

The calendar is set! See the website! We had a good skippers meeting last month, including a demonstration of the symptoms and treatment for “Vasovagal Syncope” by yours truly. Turned out to be nothing. A lot of people have it, triggered by standing for long periods. Turns out the trick is to keep your knees bent a bit. At least 2 other club members have had episodes like mine, Who knew? Thanks for the care.

We will have updated “Sailing Instructions” out shortly with the new courses. The mark locations will remain unchanged from last year, so no need to re-program them into your plotters.

Race Committee!



We will have an RC meeting for ANYONE interested in helping out on Friday April 19th at the club at 7 PM. All are welcome. No experience? No problem!

Dave Hubbard
Fleet Captain
davechub@gmail.com



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- **Trailing, storing, & protecting your boat**

NEW LAW

CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

ALL MUST HAVE CERTIFICATES BY 2025

Offering a one-day sessions
Join us Saturday May 18th

8:30am-5pm (30 mins. for lunch)

- Students *must be* at least 10 years old.
- Students *should bring* a bag lunch to class.

Fee: Per Student, PJYC Members \$25 Check or Cash, \$28 via Paypal. Non-Members \$30 Check or Cash, \$33 via Paypal. includes book and certificate

Location: Port Jefferson Yacht Club,
1 Pass Way, Port Jefferson, NY, 11777

To register, visit the USCG Aux. website
<http://tinyurl.com/3hbwpcj>

For additional information: Email
bigjohns1uscg@aol.com



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bucketlist

Learn to sail

Lessons across Long Island can get you started

BY MARIA ORLANDO PIETROMONACO
Special to Newsday

After moving to Long Island three years ago, Benjamin Sklar said he wanted to get out on the water, and sailing was at the top of his bucket list. His wife surprised him with five sailing lessons, he said — and he is now hooked.

"I had the time of my life," Sklar, 31, of Center Moriches, said. "It was a really great experience."

Sklar said he can now handle a sailboat by himself. He rents when he can, but his goal is to eventually buy a boat of his own.

If you, too, have dreams of sailing away, Long Island has many schools where you can learn the ropes — literally.

Sailing schools typically offer private lessons or small group sessions for adults. Although instruction techniques may differ for each program, you should expect to learn fundamentals like basic sailing theory (how boats sail), steering and navigation, proper terminology, safety procedures and boat handling.

"I don't think sailing is inherently difficult to learn," said Luke Hicking,

founder and instructor at Moriches Island Sailing in East Moriches. "We go over safety measures first, because if you don't feel safe you're not going to enjoy yourself. Once we review the essentials, including controlling the jib and tacking, we move on to docking, anchoring and so on. Wind awareness is probably one of the more challenging concepts to grasp."

You never want to get comfortable. You always want to be learning."

— Will Bradshaw
of Port Jefferson Yacht Club

But Will Bradshaw, director of the Port Jefferson Yacht Club sailing school, said while a course can teach you how to navigate a sailboat independently, sailing is something you learn over a lifetime.

"You never want to get comfortable. You always want to be learning," he said.

Many beginners want to know how many lessons they'll need before they're ready to set sail on their own. "I would say usually after 10 lessons or so people start to feel confident, but it varies for every student," Bradshaw said.

Ultimately, experience is the best teacher when it comes to sailing. "You can't control the weather. It's very unpredictable," Bradshaw said. "Learning to sail defensively in different situations takes time, just like defensive driving."



Benjamin Sklar, right, and other sailing students skim across Moriches Bay aboard a Flying Scot sailboat during a class offered by Moriches Island Sailing.



Students make their way around Port Jefferson Harbor in a class by the Port Jefferson Yacht Club sailing school.

■ WHERE TO LEARN

Ready to take the plunge? Here are a few options for sailing lessons on Long Island.

- **Port Jefferson Yacht Club**, portjeffersonyachtclub.com
 - **The WaterFront Center**, Oyster Bay, thewaterfrontcenter.org
 - **Dinghy Shop at South Bay Sailing Center**, Amityville, dinghyshop.com
 - **Moriches Island Sailing**, East Moriches, moricheslandsailing.com
 - **Sail Montauk**, sailmontauk.com
- Some town recreation programs offer lessons. Check your town website for information.

■ COST

Group classes can cost as little as \$50 per person, with private lessons reaching \$250 or more for a single session.

\$50-\$250

■ WHAT TO WEAR

You'll be in the sun and on the water, so material that dries quickly and offers SPF protection is ideal. A hat, sunblock and additional layers are also suggested.

■ WHEN TO GO

Sailing lessons are offered in the spring, summer and into early fall. Keep in mind that sessions may be canceled at the last minute due to inclement weather.



A Port Jefferson Yacht Club class: getting comfortable on the water can take time, said the school's director.

NEWSDAY, SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024 newsday.com

SOCIAL!

Social words

March was a busy month, we started off with a very educational seminar on Radar and Navigation presented by Ed Torres on March 1st We invited folks from Mt. Sinai sailing association and had a full house.

On March 8th a lovely fish and chips dinner was put together by Lynn and Peter Johnson and help from Carolyn and Kim Mohanty.

The St. Patrick's party on March 15th was another full house thanks to Kay and Tim Rachek and Annette Dickenson who know how to have a St. Patrick's Day party.

Rounding out the month we had an informative Skippers meeting on March 22nd.

April has had a good start with Music by Gary and his PDP trio. It was a lovely evening of music, friends, and appetizers.

The Commodore's cocktail party is coming up this weekend on April 20th. I am sure it will be a wonderful party as usual.

Stay posted for more coming events.

Laurina—Social Director



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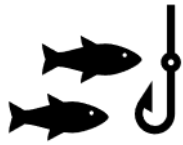
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SAVE THE DATE

Monday May 13th

7:30 to 9:00 PM

Port Jefferson Yacht Clubhouse

Capt. Jack's

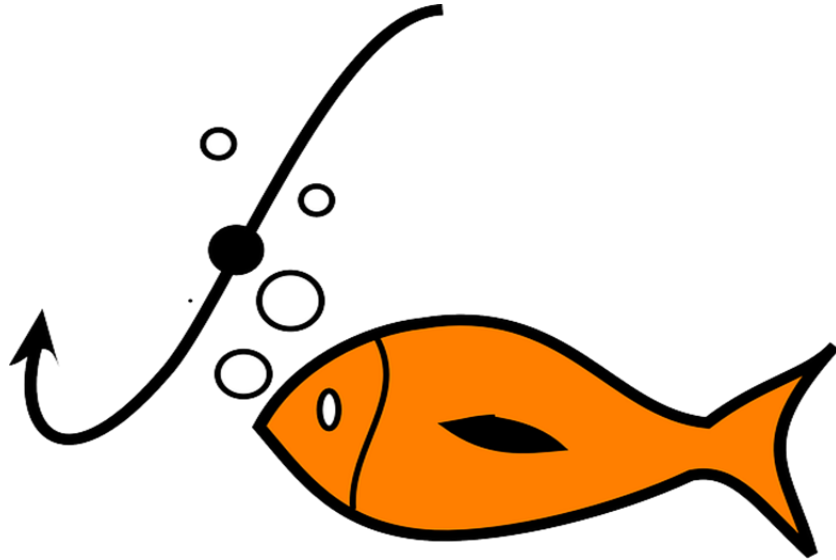
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SAVE THE DATE

15TH ANNUAL PJYC

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May 31 thru June 2 2024

Contact Jack Bowman for Info

jjb@mindplusmuscle.com

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A Bright Idea.....

One of the advantages of being Commodore is your ability to delegate all the ideas you come up with during the year. One of mine was adding new signs to the entrance of the lower parking lot with the names of our education members as well as our own PJYC Sailing School.

Well the year flew by and that particular project rolled over to 2024 where being Past Commodore I could no longer delegate so easily. So I decided to take it on as my own with the plan of having it completed by Commissioning.

I sat down one Sunday morning to decide what was needed to be done but for the life of me I had no idea what we actually had at the entrance, despite driving through it almost every weekend during the summer. I jumped into the car and took a few photos and realized we had this lovely PJYC sign that surely we must keep. However, the area needed a complete weed and tidy up as well as a fresh coat of paint.



My idea was to move the PJYC sign up a couple of feet so the “white board” underneath could be used for the additional school signs. Alan Johnson and Ed Nielson engineered the raising of the PJYC sign and also added the new piling caps as they had started to rot from the top. Armed with the new signs, a garden rake and a fresh tin of Benjamin Moore white paint.

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A Bright Idea..... (Continued)

I must admit the project went smoothly apart from the gusty wind blowing paint all over me. Several dead branches were pulled from the area as well as removing discarded beer cans from behind the sign. The front was weeded and raked and the new signs installed (in alphabetical order in case anyone asks). Finally, I hauled several cart loads of mulch to finish it all off.

So there you have it. I hope everyone agrees it all looks much better and should make it easier for visiting guests and sailing school students to find us. Please take a look when you next drive by.....

Andrew Mathews
Past Commodore



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Joseph M. Hendrie – A Fond Remembrance

Submitted by Bob Bari

Text Appears in American Nuclear Society, Nuclear News, March 2024, Volume 67, Number 3, pp. 133-135

(March 18, 1925 - December 26, 2023)

To those of us who knew Joe, even prior to his appointment as Chair of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), it is an understatement to say that he was a larger-than-life member of the nuclear science and technology enterprise. He was best known to the broader community for two major accomplishments: the design and construction of the High Flux Beam Reactor (HFBR) at Brookhaven National Laboratory (BNL) and the creation of the Standard Review Plan (SRP) for the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission (AEC). In addition to the products of these endeavors becoming major fundamentals to their respective communities, they were uniquely Joe. The Safety Analysis Report for the High Flux Beam Reactor was written essentially single-handedly by him. This was true of the Standard Review Plan as well, which became the key safety review document for the NRC as it performed safety reviews for the growing number of power reactor applications in the U.S. His deep technical knowledge of nuclear engineering and his extraordinary management skills made this possible.

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WHAT'S IT?

February's What's It: (Idea by John Lane) These are 'Fids', really large ones! Also called 'Marline Spikes'. Sometimes lately I have seen 'fid' used to describe the hollow type used for splicing braided line.



From X.com

April What's It:

I am going to do a few months of Nautical Terms to test you out.

This month's word is: "**Loxodrome**". Extra points if you can tell me how this might relate to "**Rhumb**" !

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TUMBLERS

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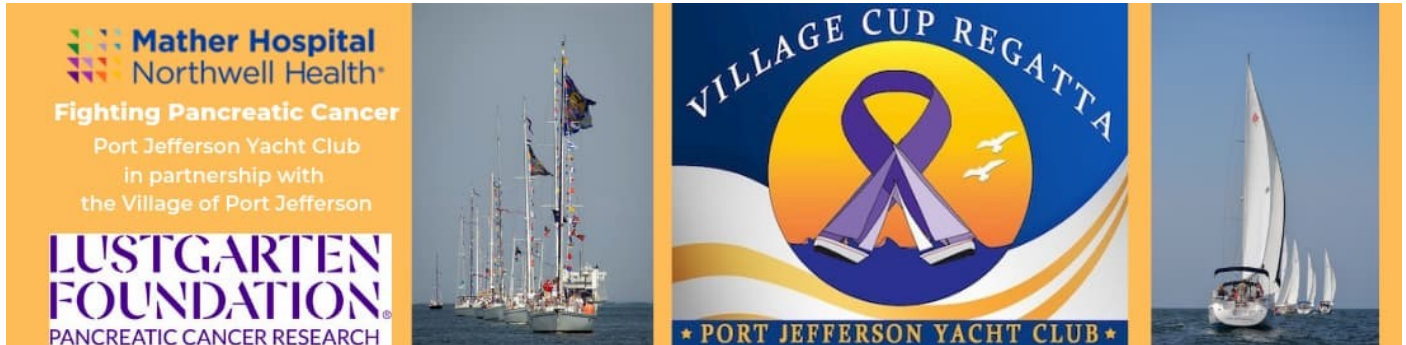
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Thanks and stay well,

Judy Suben





Ads, articles, pics all welcome!

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