

Newsletter of the Port Jefferson Yacht Club http://www.portjeffersonyachtclub.com May 2024

### FROM THE HELM

Thank you to Dave Hubbard and Laurina Nielsen for running our very important Commissioning Event. Our Club was awarded the following Citations, Certificates, and Proclamations by our partners in Government. The Port Jefferson Yacht Club is a valued part of the community. Thanks to all who attended, participated, and helped.

• Representative for Assemblyman Ed Flood, New York State Assembly, Fourth District <u>CITATION</u> presented by New York State Assembly to The Port Jefferson Yacht Club and Foundation. We were recognized for raising funds to benefit pancreatic cancer research and Mather Hospital's Palliative Care.

• Edward P. Romaine, Suffolk County Executive **PROCLAMATION** 

The Office of the Suffolk County Executive takes great pride in acknowledging organizations who have made significant contributions to enhance our region and improve the lives of our residents.

• Councilman Jonathan Kornreich, Town of Brookhaven, First District

<u>**CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION</u>** Awarded by the Brookhaven Town Board to the Port Jefferson Yacht Club in recognition of the organization's contributions to the local community, its efforts in educating children and adults about sailing and boating safety, increasing access to our community's beautiful waterfront, and contributing to the local economy by supporting small businesses.</u>

Thanks to all of you,

Alan Siris, Commodore,



See the next page for Alan's Full Commissioning Speech

### UPDATES FROM THE OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

### 2024 Commodore's Speech

Board of Governors, Membership, and Invited guests.

First, I would like to thank our Past Commodore, Andrew Mathews, for his service to our club. He has contributed many hours of work and has shared many hours of wisdom to help make our club a better place. Thank you, Andrew.

Almost everything you see here today has been accomplished with the volunteer work hours of our talented and skilled members.

By providing a quality and stabile organization we are positioned to be a positive and potent force for the common good. Belonging to the Port Jefferson Yacht Club has brought our families together, brought us great joy in life, and has brought us a great sense of purpose and responsibility.

Our members provide a "nautical gateway" to the historic village and harbor of Port Jefferson. Boaters come from other Marinas and Yacht Clubs, from backyard docks, and from the 1,000 miles of coastline around the rim of the Long Island Sound and beyond. Our Director of Launch, Ed Dowd and our Director of Docks and Floats, Alan Johnson see to their facility and comfort. They put out the "welcoming mat" for our guests and members. According to reviews, we have created one of the most incredible experiences of the boating landscape. We are a must "Port of Call". Our visitors are greeted at our Docks and Clubhouse and are charmed by the choice of Village Restaurants and Shops to patronize. We create an economic multiplier effect, for the entire community.

Our Education Director, Ed Torre, with the help of Dave Diamond and Will Bradshaw oversee our 200 plus students in our Sailing School. Mankind has sailed the seas for tens of thousands of years. The kids in our Junior Sailing School are continuing that heritage and those traditions. We teach skills & coordination, we teach self-reliance, we teach teamwork and direction, we teach them to be lovers of our water environment, and yes, we also teach them how to sail.

Our members Phil Schiavone, Tony Dutra, & Walter Saracini, have connected us to our Maritime history. Their craftmanship at the Bayles Boat Shop next door has kept Port Jefferson's boat building heritage alive and well. They also help perpetuate our valued traditions.

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### 2024 Commodore's Speech

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Ray Dickenson, our Rear Commodore, is the Club's Liaison for the Port Jefferson Rowing Club, for Stony Brook School's Sailing club, and for Stony Brook University's Sailing and Rowing Clubs. Our Yacht Club hosts their educational activities.

Our member and fishing tournament committee chairman Jack Bowman has created a fishing academy to teach proper techniques and instruct us on how to be better stewards of these great waterways.

Our Fleet Captain Dave Hubbard, our Social Director Laurina Nielsen, and our Education Director Ed Torre have organized safety and training classes along with the Coast Guard, for the betterment of the area's nautical education.

Our seasoned members like Ed Nielsen, Alan Rosenblum, Mort Fortgang, Bob Bari, and John Lane pass on their talents and knowledge to the next generation of boaters through their seamanship and mentorship.

Our entire membership has led our community in a great charitable endeavor. Fifteen years ago, our club decided to form the Village Cup Regatta Committee. It consists of representatives from the Village of Port Jefferson, Mather Hospital, Lustgarten Foundation, with eight of our very own committee members to drive it forward. Chuck Chiaramonte, one our past Commodores, is our committee's leader and Chairman. Together with the total Club's participation, we have raised almost "One Million Dollars" for Pancreatic Cancer Care and Research.

We are part of something here. We make a difference here. We will leave our community better than when we found it, and we will make the world a better place because of it.

We have created a space for the human spirit to reside. We are a touch stone for the positive values in our community. We are people who dream larger and aim for what is greater than ourselves. This is the legacy we will all leave behind.

I hope that wearing my heart on my sleeve has lifted your hearts today, because when your hearts are lifted, it helps us to endure, and for our humanity to prevail.

Thank you for allowing me to be your Commodore for 2024.

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**Education Director**, Ed Torre. Thank you for being a shining example of a new member stepping up when needed.

#### Honorable mentions:

We have Dianna Stackow and Connie Siris as Bar Managers with Jean and John Doherty in Support. Jean and John also provision your Club's Store.

James Baker chairs the race committee.

Ralph Segalowitz, chairs the membership committee that interviews our new members.

Annette Dickenson chairs the nominating committee that picks the next class of Club Officers.

Janet and Kevin Mularky, books your Club Rentals, Gene Stark, e-mails your mass mailings, and Mort Fortgang handy- caps your PURF Ratings.

We have many helpful people accomplishing many tasks. Please consider stepping up and assisting them. Your time and talents are needed and most welcome.

# FROM THE EDITOR

### **Pics Wanted!**

#### **Photos Needed:**

I need new pictures for our website! Specifically, I could use pics of members having fun in boating activities. I have plenty of social event pics, but I want to show folks on the water! Sailing, fishing, whatever! These should be in a format I could trim into roughly a square. You don't need to edit them, but something where I could trim them.

Also, We could use some fresh area shots that are wide format. Like the harbor entrance shot like at the top of the 'About/Your Boating Home' page. Again, I can trim to the exact size I need, but they should show nice bright days.

And some fresh school shots, on nice days. If you are out when school is in session and can get some shots of our students sailing it would be great.

Send them to me at davechub@gmail.com .

### Website Notes:

The **homepage**, portjeffersonyachtclub.com, has an updated weather widget! It shows any weather alerts from NOAA, and now shows the upcoming 4 High and Low tides with times and levels (relative to mllw, which is Mean Low Low Water). You can also CLICK it to get our local marine forecast!

The **password** for the 'Members Only' page (Under 'Social') is on your membership cards!

#### **Reciprocal Privileges:**

Your membership card now also shows your **'Member ID'** number. This is needed if you request a "Letter of Good Standing" which is needed by some clubs to get **reciprocal privileges.** The link to the request form is on the Member's Only page in the 'Useful Links and Forms' box. This is now automated and can email you and/or a host club directly, and you do not have to wait for a response from a board member. This ID may be used in the future for other features.

Dave Hubbard—Editor and Webmaster

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### Vice Commodore

So much has changed around the club since April. The dock expansion project is going well. Docks are in and the electric and Wi-Fi will be going in next week.

For 'Reciprocity' see the 'Extension of Privileges' page (under the Social menu). We have a number of clubs that have responded to our reciprocity letters.

The PJYC members Wi-Fi password was updated on the morning of commissioning day. The new password is correctly listed on the back of all membership cards.

I will be working on cruising plans later this week.

Chris Beach Vice Commodore



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### **DOCKS & FLOATS**

The installation of our new docks is proceeding nicely and by the time this is read all the docks will be installed and the water brought to each stanchion. The electric is expected to start about May 16. It was not scheduled earlier because we had to be sure all the docks would be installed.

I am looking forward to getting the docks power washed and stained to eliminate the "piano keyboard look". If anyone can volunteer and has a power washer please contact me or we will have it done by an outside contractor. I cannot get the docks stained until the new wood is completely dry and that will be another work project.

Thankfully, we will be just about out of dock projects but I will want to bring water and electric to the end of the new East ramp. This will be permanently installed to the ramp and we will not have to reconnect it each season.

I have been asked by several members about allowable changes and alterations to the slips. We now allow steps on the finger piers. Five, six and eight foot wide finger piers can have the steps permanently affixed to the dock but must be removed at the end of the season. Four foot wide finger piers need to be loose. Several members have used vertical

"whips" to hold their dock lines at a convenient height and that is also allowed as long as it is removed at the end of the season. We are also now allowing rubber rub rails to be installed on the dock at your own expense. It must be installed with SS screws and washers at 4" o.c. on the top and bottom flange to prevent the bumpers from dislodging it and also removed at the end of the season. Be careful of dock edging that is shipped in a roll. The edges tend to look like the edge of lasagna, wavy, when unrolled. A local source is Deck and Dock, 35 Zorn Blvd., Medford, 631 657-7892.



The two 'Usual Suspects' who have lived at the docks during the expansion!

(Alan J. and Ed N.)

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I have tried to assign member slips to best satisfy members known wishes and satisfying the needs of the yacht club, but that is not always possible and some members may be unhappy. All slips need to be considered temporary assignments. Our current slip holders will always be offered a slip, but you should never consider it your permanent slip location. Conditions will continue to change with members buying new boats, members leaving and us finding the measurements we asked for in the beam of the slips were not delivered and we have had to make changes midseason. We will not know the actual beams of the slips until they are installed and measured and if necessary changes will be made.

We have changed the slips for members anytime use to slips W1, W2 and W3. The slip assignment diagram is found in the members' only portion of the web site. Here is the link. https://portjeffersonyachtclub.com/guestmoorings/dock-diagram/ While I am on the subject of dock numbers, we have a new system of identifying our docks and slip numbers. Our original dock, our main N/S dock will continue to be called the main dock. On the West side of it we have the launch slip followed by slips 1 to 10. These are on the West side of the main dock and are further identified as W1 to W10. As we get to the North end, the dock to our left will be known as A dock and the dock to our right is being identified as B dock and has slip number 11 to 18. These slips are further identified as N11 to N18 as they are at the North end of our marina. As we make the turn to the East, The numbering continues from 19 to 36 and will be identified as E17 to E36 Slips E23 to E 37 are attached to the next dock and will be identified as C dock. The dock that attaches our two ramps is our D dock and has many uses. Among them is member dinghy storage in season. It can be used as an in water dinghy dock by our transients and the SBU Sailing team will be storing their

420's on the slings for their Spring and Fall seasons and will continue to store them on trailers for the summer. All of our dock will have identifying numbers to make reassembly easier in the spring.



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You will notice that we no longer have the three-wide floating dock that members were using for their dinghies. Dinghies can now be stored in the slings on the new dinghy docks. Sign up for it by making a reservation on Dockwa. The cost is \$150 for the summer season. Dinghy storage in the dinghy rack in the lower lot is still free to launch and slip members and you will now have a 6'wide ramp to make launching more convenient.

Please review the dock rules for the members anytime use slips and general dock rules. There are restrictions.

I hope you enjoy the pictures taken as the docks have been installed. They have really changed our waterfront.

Links to rules:

PJYC-General-Dock-Rules-2022.pdf

PJYC-Member-Dock-Rules-2024.pdf

(These are also on the "Members Only" page in the "Rules and Documents" box)

Alan Johnson Director of Docks & Floats





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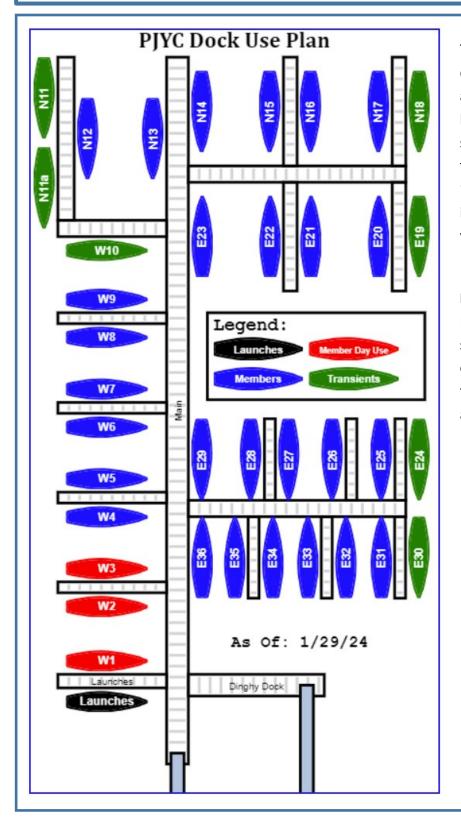




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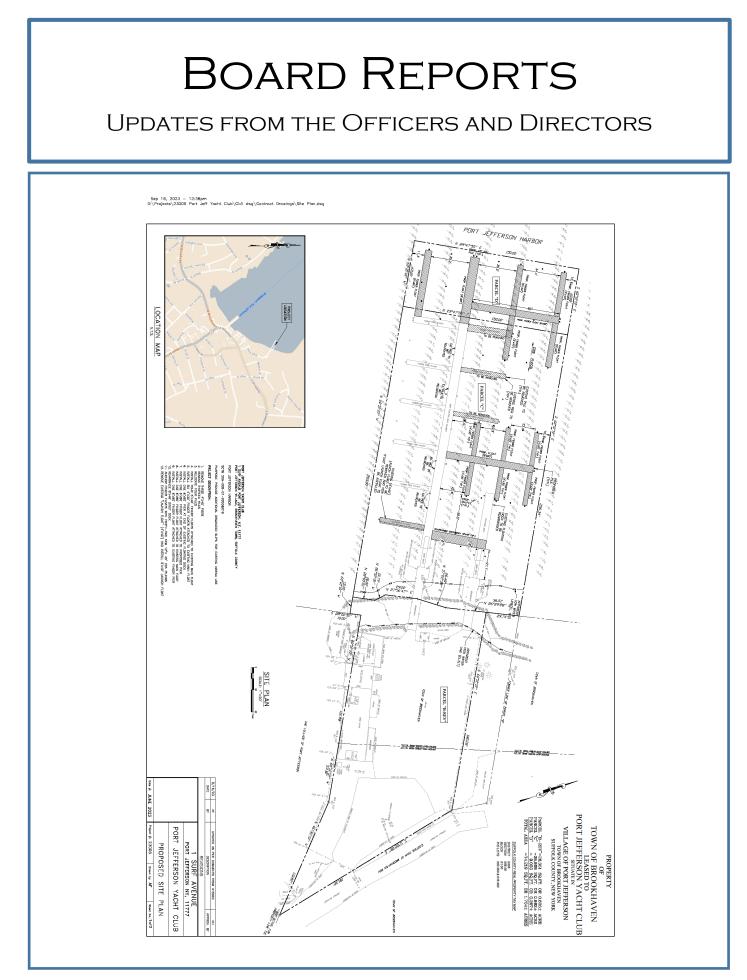


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This is the current plan for the 2024 docks. Member slip assignments are fully allocated. Alan Johnson will have contacted you if you have a slip for the upcoming season. See the 'Slip Holders Form' on the 'Members Only' page of the website if you 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 it's east end. It is also accessible from the 'Main' dock which it is attached to on it's 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 before 2025 to be in charge of such a boat.** We are hosting a Boater Safety Course **THIS SATURDAY** the 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 BEGINS MAY 21<sup>st</sup>!

We will have a kickoff "Gear Tester" on Tuesday the 21<sup>st</sup>. Just to help you shakedown your gear (and crew?) for the season which start the week after on the 28<sup>th</sup>.

#### Changes:

Both divisions this year will be doing Windward/Leeward courses, and will be sailing the same courses. So just one set of courses for both spin and non-spin. We can always change things if needed. **REMEMBER**: We need new **YRALIS PHRF** certificates if you have changed any configuration such as jib size etc in the last couple of years.

See the club web page for links to registration info, NORs and SIs!

https://portjeffersonyachtclub.com/race-program/overview/

Dave Hubbard Fleet Captain davechub@gmail.com





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### Social words

What a fun few week we have had ....

The Commodore's Cocktail party on April 20<sup>th</sup> was beautifully presented and deliciously prepared by Connie and Alan Siris and their helpers.

The commissioning was a well-attended event considering we dodged the rain and were able to hold the ceremony outside. This is an event that surely "Takes a Village"! Thanks to all the members who attended and the BOG who put in a lot of effort to make this event successful.

The following events are scheduled for May:

Monday May 13<sup>th</sup> Captain Jacks fishing academy

Saturday and Sunday May 25 -26 Masthead Yacht club visiting – so we will have a lot of guests on our docks, deck and bar.

Monday May 27<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day BBQ -there will be a flyer coming out soon.

May 31<sup>st</sup> - June 2<sup>nd</sup> Fishing tournament

I may try to get a game of some type going on May 17<sup>th.</sup>

Stay tuned for my flyers.

Laurina—Social Director





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#### Commodore's Cocktail Party











Pics by Deb B.











Pics by Clara K., Deb B., Bob B., and Ellen B.









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NEWS AND STORIES BY AND FOR OUR MEMBERS



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### A Week of Adventure: Sailing Course in Grenada

April 7, 2024 – April 13, 2024 Vicki LaRossa, PJYC Corresponding Secretary



Embarking on a week-long sailing course in the Caribbean paradise of Grenada is not merely a lesson in navigation: it's a journey through turquoise waters and past lush mountainous greenery, the perfect backdrop for aspiring sailors to hone their skills while being immersed in breathtaking scenery.



Grenada

Carriacou

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The students (aka Crew) were me, Tim and Kristie, a high-spirited couple from Texas who were also eager to explore the Caribbean Sea. Nico was the instructor (aka Captain) from LTD - Living the Dream Sailing.



Tim, Vicki, Kristie, and Nico



Tim, Vicki, Kristie

Under Nico's patient guidance, we were taken on this unforgettable voyage, on the sailing vessel Crazy Love, a sleek 38-foot Juneau.



Crazy Love, 38' Juneau

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The course began with the basics: familiarizing ourselves with the vessel, stocking the provisions, learning nautical terminology, and understanding wind patterns. With Nico's expertise and passion for sailing, we all adapted to life on the open sea, guided by the wind and the waves.



As the week progressed, Nico instructed us into the intricacies of navigational skills, and through crystal-clear waters we each demonstrated tacking, jibing, docking, and anchoring. We mastered man overboard drills with confidence, ensuring the safety of all crew members. Every moment was an opportunity to learn and grow.





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But amidst the serious lessons, there were also moments of unexpected humor – like the "hamburger overboard" incident that left everyone in stitches and served as a reminder to stay vigilant even during moments of relaxation.

As the days passed, our confidence grew, and we immersed ourselves in the joys of sailing and looked forward to each day's new challenges and discoveries.





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**Travel Passage** 

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Grenada Underwater Sculpture Park

Anchoring at the end of each day in a different port, evenings were spent swimming, snorkeling, and swapping stories under a starry sky at small beachfront restaurants, recounting the days triumphs and challenges over delicious local cuisine.





Anchoring for the night.

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Lobster Bake on the beach.

As the final day dawned, it marked the end of this journey but the beginning of many others. With newfound skills we bid farewell to Grenada, carrying the spirit of adventure and comradery found on the open sea.



Final morning of our week-long course.

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As the week came to an end, each of us emerged with ASA certifications in hand, 101 Keelboat Sailing 1, 103 Basic Coastal Cruising, and 104 Bareboat Cruising, in preparation to navigate and sail with skill and proficiency.

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The week-long sailing course in Grenada was more than strictly educational. It allowed us to experience the freedom of the open sea and provided the confidence to apply our newly acquired skills toward achieving our own personal goals.

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#### Port Jefferson Rowing Club

Sometimes you will see the trailer with all the crew boats missing from the upper lot?

We've left for a regatta!

April kicked off for the PJRC with the Mercer Lake Sprints in Princeton, New Jersey, PJRC came away with medals in numerous events. A very positive weekend for the club against very stiff competition.



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#### **Stony Brook University Sailing Team**

The 2023-2024 season was very successful for the SBU Sailing Team. We began the year with our first annual Alumni Regatta at the end of August. We had 26 past and current sailors come for a beautiful day of racing and socializing. It was great to catch up with so many alumni and we look forward to making this event even bigger in the future!

We competed in 11 regattas throughout the Fall and Spring seasons, with 3 regattas being hosted at PJYC. We hosted the Stony Brook Fall Open in October, the Seawolf Women's Open at the beginning of March, and the Stony Brook Cup at the end of March. We recorded podium finishes at all, finishing in 2nd, 3rd, and 3rd respectively! Being able to host home events and allow visiting schools a chance to sail in Port Jefferson is a great thing and we are very grateful to be able to have PJYC as a venue. A few other regatta highlights for the year included the Intercollegiate Offshore Regatta at Larchmont YC in October where the team got the chance to race a Sydney 38 and a trip to Oriental North Carolina for the Sailpack Invitational hosted by NC State University. Overall, our team finished the year ranked 22nd in our conference (out of 55 teams) and in the top 10 of club teams in the conference.

On the social side, we had a Friendsgiving dinner in November and our End of Year dinner this past Friday evening at the club. We also did an Inaugural Bring a Friend Sailing Day this past Sunday, which was very successful. Gorgeous weather allowed for a beautiful cruise to Pirate's Cove.

As always, we would like to thank PJYC for being a wonderful host venue. Whether it's a warm and sunny day in September or a cold, cloudy morning in March, sailing provides a wonderful opportunity and escape for our students and PJYC helps make that possible!

One last thing. We are currently working with the Advancement Department of the University to create a more official avenue for team promotion and fundraising. Part of that process is creating a comprehensive contact list of individuals who have an interest in our team.

If you would like to be part of that list, please take a moment to fill out this <u>Google</u> <u>Form</u>. Thank you! Geoff Loffredo, Coach

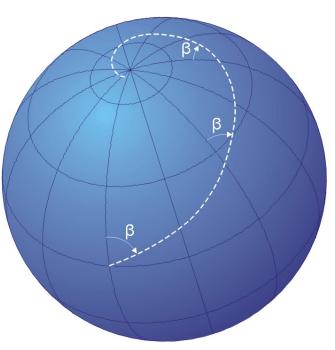
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# WHAT'S IT?

#### April What's It:

Nobody got it: "Loxodrome".

Also called a "Rhumb Line" is a course that stays at a constant heading across all lines of longitude. Unless you are heading due east or west, you will end up spiraling to a pole! This is not the same as a "Great Circle" route, where you need to adjust your heading constantly.



May's What's It: The history of "Port" and "Starboard". Let us know why we use those terms?

#### (SELL, BUY, SWAP)

#### FOR SALE

#### Loos Model B Tension Gauge

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#### (SELL, BUY, SWAP)

#### FOR SALE

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#### (SELL, BUY, SWAP)

#### FOR SALE

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Excellent, like new condition.

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works with:

Edson 1" Cone (25mm spindle)

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Previously used on a Hanse 458

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Please contact: stefanobasilico@mac.com or

646-732-8661





#### (SELL, BUY, SWAP)

#### SHIP'S STORE PRICE LIST

#### **NEW ITEMS!!**

Men's Button Down Long Sleeve Shirt Sport Brown Shell Jacket Men's or Wm's Large Blanket – Blue Heather Fleece Hats – Cotton - Assorted Colors	\$40 each \$60 each \$40 each \$20 each
<b>Unisex Denim Shirt –</b> 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
<b>Unisex Polo Shirt</b> – 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
<b>Tie Tack</b> – 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



Only \$44,000 to go to hit a Million!

#### Start Planning for the 2024 Event!

September 7th

### **Making a Difference**

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

**Long Island Cares** 

**10 Davids Drive** 

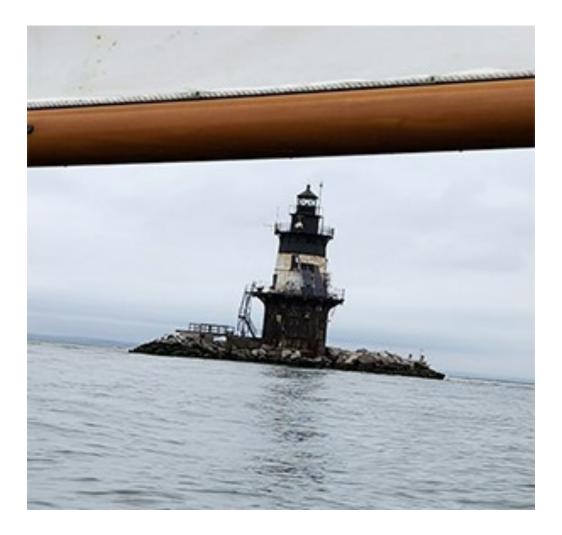
Hauppauge, NY 11788

licares.org

Thanks and stay well,

Judy Suben





### Ads, articles, pics all welcome!

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