



Bowspritz

Newsletter of the Port Jefferson Yacht Club

<http://www.portjeffersonyachtclub.com>



August 2026

FROM THE HELM

Ahoy, PJYC Members!

As the summer begins to fade in the dog days of the 2026 boating season, our clubhouse deck continues to offer those spectacular sunsets that make Port Jefferson such a special place. Whether you're powering across the Sound, trimming sails on Tuesday nights, or simply enjoying a cold drink at the Tell-Tales Bar, it's wonderful to see so many familiar faces (and boats) back on the water.

Summer Highlights So Far:

The Essex Lobster Bake was very nice – this is the second year that Annette and I have attended and it is a lot of fun. Although Annette and I drove around so that we could make other family commitments, it looks like the boats continuing on with the cruise up the Connecticut and Rhode Island coast will have a great time!

The Cowboy line dance was I hit. I personally was not able to coordinate the dance moves successfully, but had a good time trying!

I wanted to make a special mention about the attractive membership board that was enhanced beautifully by Ed Nielsen. It is at the entrance to the Yacht club and list all our members engraved in wood on the member board. If you have not seen it take a look and give Ed a thank you!

Looking Ahead

- Keep an eye on upcoming social events and the Commodore's BBQ in August 23.
- The Village Cup is on the horizon September 20; it remains one of our most meaningful events, supporting pancreatic cancer research through the Lustgarten Foundation. Your participation, whether racing, volunteering, or sponsoring, makes a real difference.

A heartfelt thank-you to our hard-working Board, Directors (especially Launch & Mooring, Docks & Floats), volunteers, and all the unsung heroes who keep the club running smoothly. Special appreciation to our Dockmaster, launch drivers, and the Social Committee for keeping the calendar full and the clubhouse welcoming.

Let's make the rest of this season safe, fun, and full of great memories. Fair winds, calm seas (well... mostly), and I look forward to seeing you on the water or on the deck!

Ray Dickenson

Commodore, Port Jefferson Yacht Club



REMINDERS

HURRICANE PLAN

The club does in fact have a 'Hurricane Plan'. Actually for any severe weather.

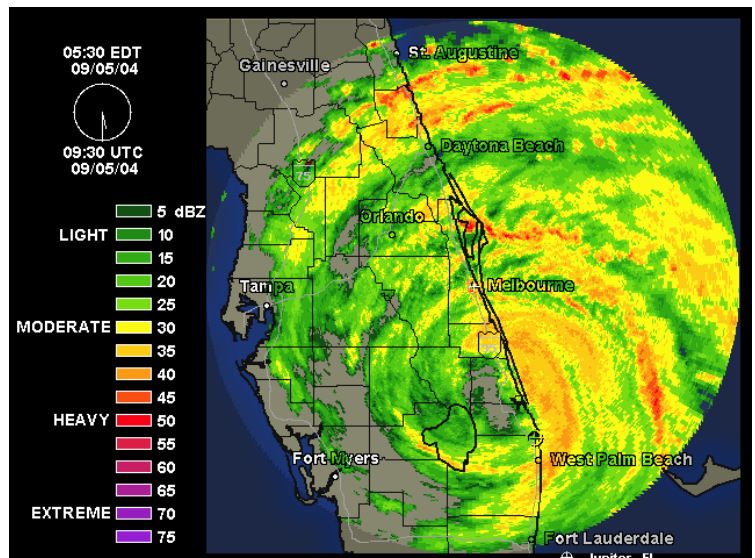
It is available on the 'Members Only' page of the website. I am also pasting it here. It is simple, but you should be familiar with it!

Disaster/High Wind, Storm Surge, or Hurricane Preparedness Plan

1. Plan is triggered when weather warnings predict winds will reach a sustained speed of 22mph or higher, out of the North West or North North West
2. Members are notified in advance by group email, phone, or text that if they have boats on the dock, they must move them to a mooring by the date/time provided in the Notification.
3. Members are required to have a backup in case they are not available to move the boats in the case of such emergencies
4. The Dock Master or Director of Docks make the decision of when to initiate. In the event of Hurricane category storm warnings, immediate notice is provided to Members who still have boats in the water, and steps are immediately taken to secure PJYC launches and small boats as described below.
5. PJYC Launches follow the same procedure. Back up is arranged with Danfords to put launches behind storm wall or take out of water.
6. Small boats (including sailing club, school) are removed from floating docks. All area is secured or tied down.

All Members should call the following persons for any storm emergencies, information, or questions:

Ron Digregorio Dock Master 631 748 2088
Edward Dowd, Launch Director 631 871 1219



BOARD REPORTS

FLEET CAPTAIN

Safety-At-Sea Course:

We will again be hosting a Safety-At-Sea course. This September 12th. This is an official US Sailing course. Having it can help you get insurance that covers distance travels. I do not have the registration details yet, but should soon.

Racing:

We continue to have a very odd season weather-wise. But the Summer Series is in full swing. We will again hold a “It’s Not Over Yet” pursuit series starting September 9th. It is ideal for new racers as every boat is given its own start time, so less congestion at the start. This extends the season with 3 Tuesday evening races. No charge for this series. See the club Racing web page for links to sign up.

Flag Protocol:

As the ‘Fleet Captain’, one of my jobs is knowing proper protocols. Did you know that, while racing, you should NOT fly the American Flag, Ensign, or Officers Flags? At other times, by precedence order. This means the highest precedence, the American Flag or Ensign, is either a stern flag staff, or from one quarter to a third down pinned to the main sail leach for sailboats, or the topmost position on a line down from the starboard-most spreader. Burgees can fly from the main-top, or a bow staff, or under an American Flag/Ensign flown under a spreader. Officer’s flags fly under those off the starboard spreader. The port side is for flying low precedence flags like fun flags, etc...

Dave Hubbard
Fleet Captain



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Ed Dowd on race night fishing for Crocodiles. He actually caught one when it crossed his line!

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PORT JEFFERSON YACHT CLUB
FRIDAY NIGHT MUSIC
AUGUST 14th CHIC VOORHIS
AUGUST 21ST LAIA KAY
AUGUST 28th PDP TRIO

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**TURN UP
THE HEAT!**

**COME ON OVER FOR THE
COMMODORE BBQ AT PJYC
SUN, AUG 23RD 4PM-7PM**

RSVP BY 8/14

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★ BUILD. FLOAT. WIN. ★

★ ANNUAL SIKAFLEX ★
QUICK & DIRTY
BOAT BUILD

JOIN THE ULTIMATE TEST OF SPEED,
SKILL, AND WATERPROOF SEALANT!

 **EVENT DETAILS** 

- **Dates:** Saturday, August 22nd (Build Day) & Sunday, August 23rd (Judging & Race), 2026
- **Location:** Harborfront Park, Port Jefferson, NY
- **Admission:** FREE for spectators

 **REGISTER TODAY** 

- **Team Size:** Exactly 2 people per team
- **Sign-up Deadline:** August 15th, 2026
- **For more info contact:** Ralph Antignano at ralph.lisec@gmail.com.

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Line Dancing!



Chrissy Up The Mast!

CRUISING!

BY CHRIS BEACH

Labor Day Weekend Sept 5-7

Northport Yacht Club.

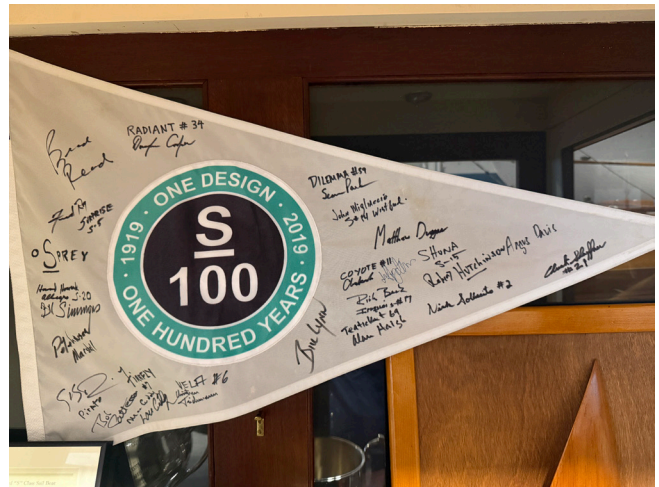
We have mooring reserved. Please do not contact NYC directly for moorings. We will provide a list to them.

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.

The 'Long Cruise' is well underway! Looks like they are having a great time.

Most pics by Deb Baker or Chris Beach.

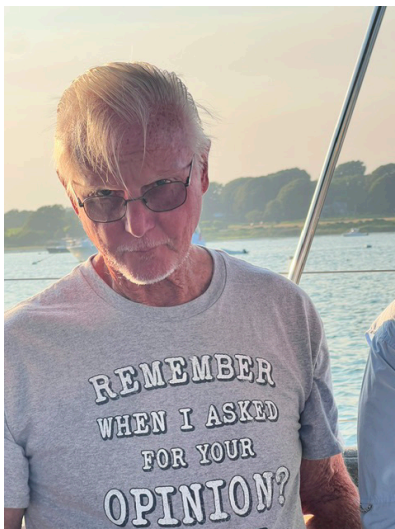


Herreshoff Marine Museum

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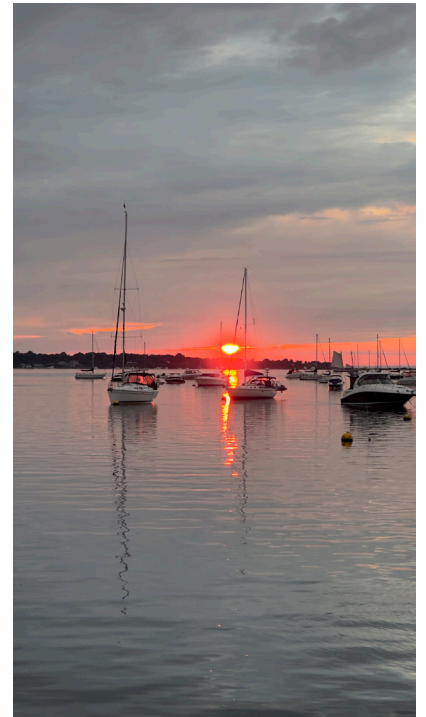
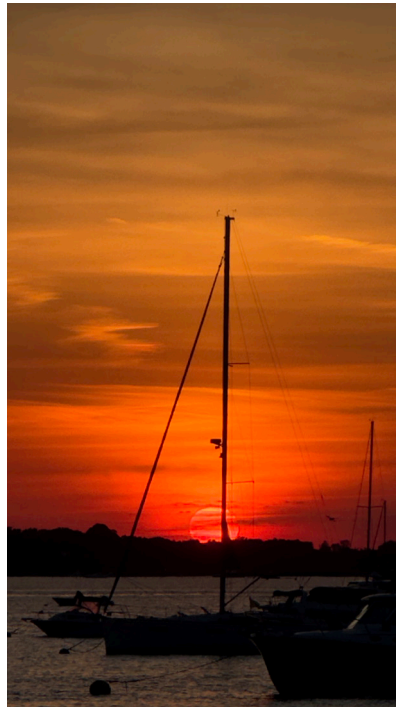
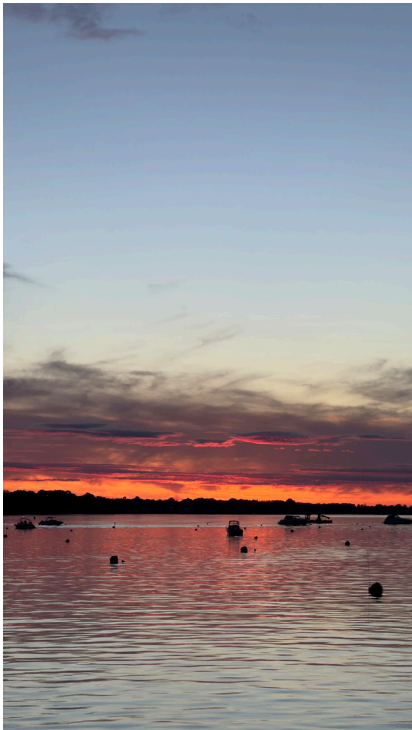
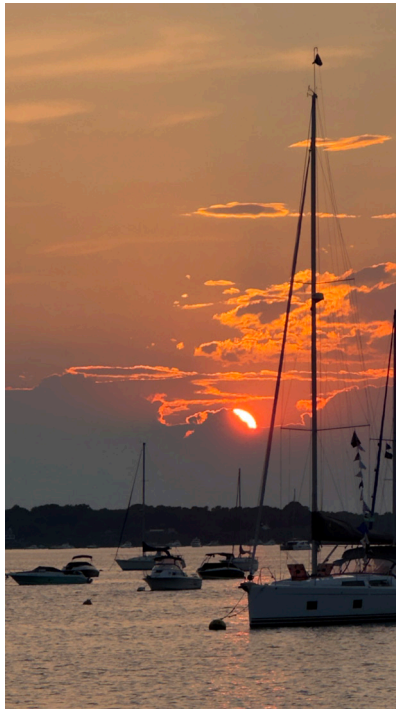


Photo by Chuck

WHAT'S NEWS

NEWS AND STORIES BY AND FOR OUR MEMBERS

Sunsets By Brandy Knoll



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HELP WANTED!

We are looking for someone(s) to run the 'Ships Store'.
Can be applied to 'Work Hours'

If interested, contact John or Jean Doherty!

seaeaglejld@hotmail.com

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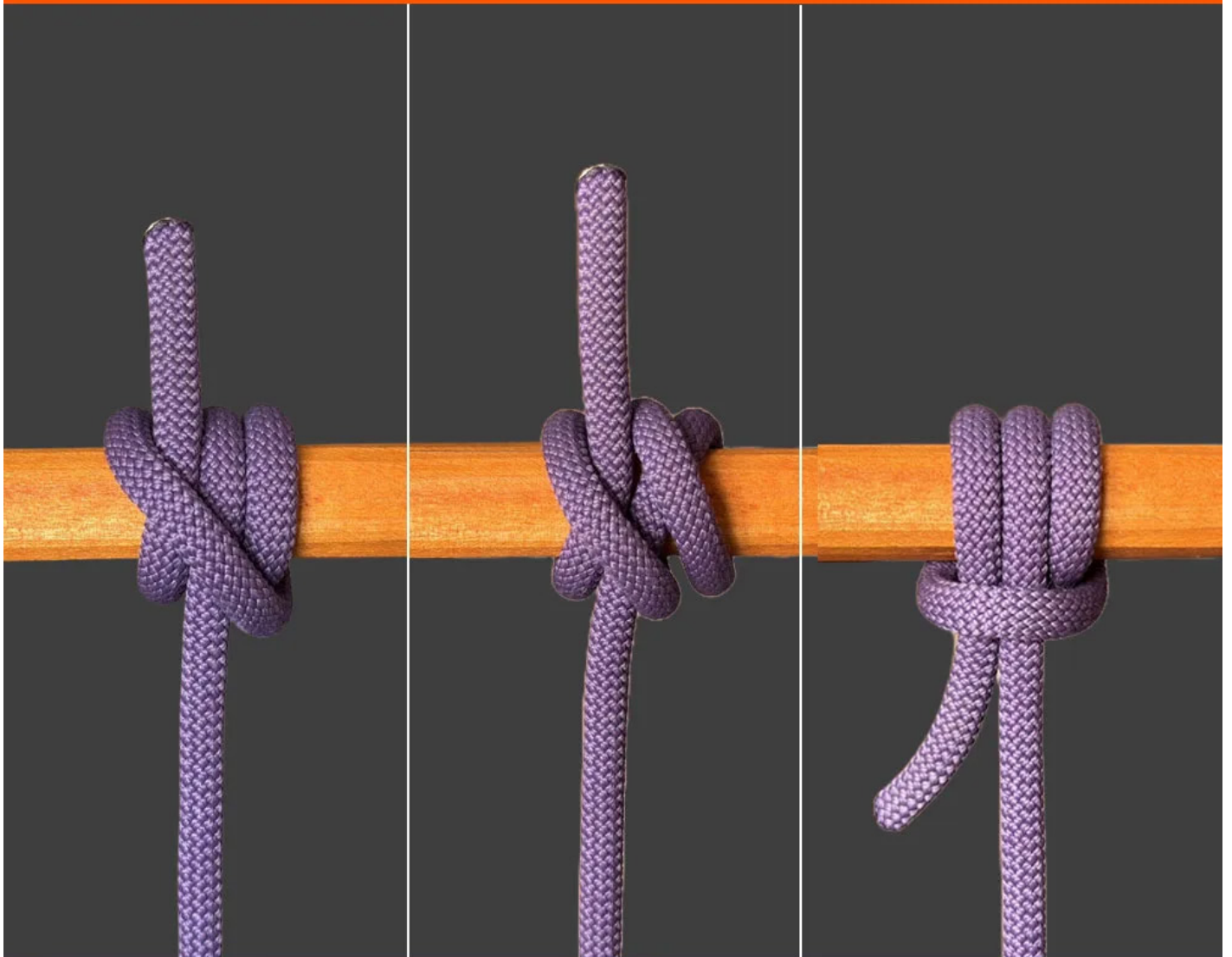
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KNOTS!

Practice your knots! You may need one in a pinch without time to think about it!

This Month: The Rolling Hitch (aka Taught Line Hitch)

www.knotspedia.com



Rolling Hitch Version 1

Rolling Hitch Version 2

Magnus Hitch

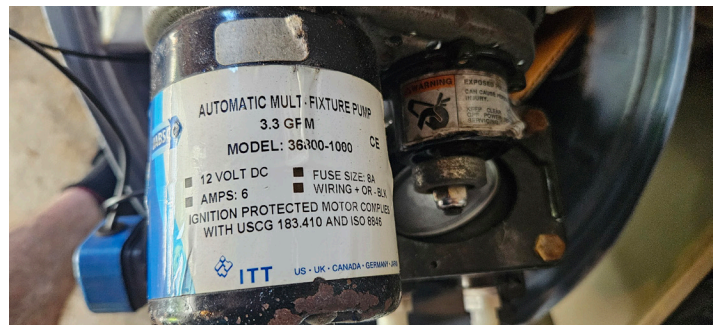
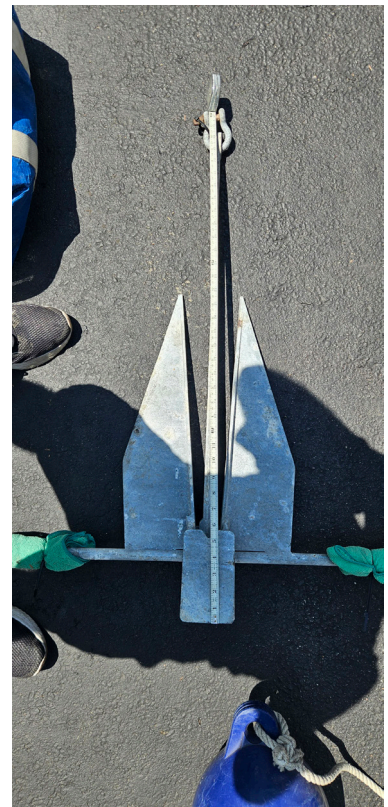
THE EXCHANGE

SELL - BUY - SWAP

Free Stuff!

From Elliott Bennet Guerrero

Contact Ralph Segalowitz - 631-834-4098



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WANTED - MAINSAIL

For a Pearson 30

Contact Bruce Folz

Email: brucehfolz@gmail.com

300# Mooring For Sale
Asking \$300 (Price Reduction!)
Tim O'Mara - 516-356-2265

THE EXCHANGE

SELL - BUY - SWAP

Asymetric Spinnaker

0.75 oz

Luff: 37'3" Leach: 32'3" Foot: 21'

Launching Bag

\$250

Doug Dalessio - gs279@hotmail.com



THE EXCHANGE

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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)	\$35 each
Large 14" X 21" (over 35 ft boat)	\$35 each (yes, same price)

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





Ads, articles, pics all welcome!
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