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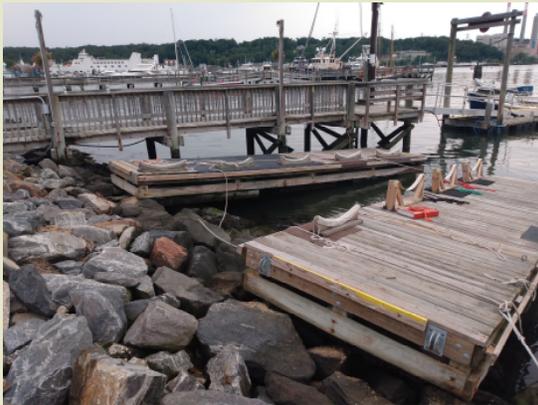
Newsletter of the Port Jefferson Yacht Club

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## COMMODORES' COMMENTS

Well August was off to an interesting start with Tropical Storm Isaias visiting Port Jefferson. Although not a direct hit we know high winds took down power and communication lines. I count my blessings that our fleet in the harbor didn't suffer catastrophic damage.



Our JSP docks did break free during the height of the storm. Thank you to Ed Dowd, Ron DeGregorio, Pete Murphy, Ryan and his father from our sailing school who all took quick action to secure the JSP docks. Without their actions the docks would have certainly caused damage to many of the boats in the harbor and possibly other property, including our docks. Vincent Murphy, Ed Nielsen and Alan Johnson beached the docks within a day of the storm to repair them. With their help we will be able to get through the rest of the season. We will need new docks next year. These docks have served us well but it is time to retire them.

With the power and internet out at the dock house we were concerned we would be unable to service the number of transient boaters coming in for a busy weekend. Jeff Hausner got the dock house back up and running with his personal generator and Jessica continued to communicate with transients. Jessica, Jeff and our professional launch drivers did an outstanding job.

James Finke has been doing a wonderful job as Director of our Junior Sail Program. With Covid-19 on everyone's mind we were unsure of whether we would have a sailing program this year. Parents were eager to find something for their children to do after a semester of school work done at home. Our school benefited from their demands. Their demand continues so 2020 will be the first year with fall sailing in the Junior Sail Program. James has prepared an after school program to run from September to the end of October. The demand is there and we plan to provide a stellar program.

Throughout the summer we have been adding new members to our roster. That is extremely encouraging. We plan a major membership push for next year. I hope we are well passed Covid by that time and back to some degree of normal.



**Our Friday Night Sunset Sails have been a welcomed break to our workweek. John and Jean Doherty have done a great job to get us out on the water. The weather and winds have not been cooperative but that's ok. Tim and Kay Rachek have organized light openings for the bar along with Dianna Stackow and Connie Siris. Ronnie our bartender is always eager to get the bar open.**

**To say 2020 has been challenging is an understatement. Thank you to all of the members for their patience as we navigate these waters. We have made the best of the circumstances and we will continue to put all our efforts into making the best boating experiences for all.**

**Karl H. Janhsen  
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## **Making a Difference**

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

**Long Island Cares  
10 Davids Drive,  
Hauppague, NY 11788**

Thanks and stay well,

*Judy Suben*



# Docks and Floats August 2020

Earlier we had reports of issues with the electric on some of the electrical stanchions. The crimp ends to the cabling was installed in 2006 and we are noticing some corrosion on the ends. This coming spring we will be installing all new crimped ends of the electrical cables without heat shrink so that we can better visually inspect and check for corrosion. Most of these electrical crimps were installed in 2006 and we have ordered new crimps and the tool with which to install them. . We will Install he new crimps either in the fall or spring or both if necessary.

Reservations for the dock spaces and moorings are coming in nicely. This past Forth of July we had a record with a complete sell out on the moorings and docks.

The Boating Infrastructure Grant.

Kate Kevill had volunteered to apply for the BIG Grant. After hours of exploration she determined that the Grant was not a good fit for our club and we will not be applying for it.

I got the call you always hate to receive as Director of Docks and Floats. Our JSP docks had broken free in the August 3 storm. When I got down to the club I saw that we had two separate sections of floating JSP docks, and not the one section that we were supposed to have. One section was swinging dangerously close to the large catamaran that has spent almost two months on our transient mooring. Ed Dowd and his helpers secured one half of the docks to a mooring and the other dock to a piling on the East dock. The next day, the damaged docks were separated and beached between the east and west docks and the two parts of the dock were reunited temporarily. On Thursday Ed Nielsen, Phil Schiavone, John Lane, David Diamond, Ralph Segalowitz and I removed the damaged dock portions, Vince Murphy went out in his truck to pick up lumber and hardware in Riverhead. Repairs were scheduled to be completed in one tide cycle. We started at 9 AM and had to finish before high tide a 1:30 PM. I did not think we were going to make it because remember we had no electricity. Luckily, Schiavone was able to get my generator started and then things went into high gear and we were done by 12 noon. We went to lunch till 1 PM and the docks were just starting to float. A couple of tugs by the launch and we were free. It took about an hour and a half to rejoin the docks and JSP had their docks back and the West dock was available for rentals (that is if we had electricity).

Alan Johnson Dir. Docks and Floats



Although the wind failed us for the Harbor Cup, we hope to have at least one weekend race yet! As we cannot hold the Village Cup race this year, I would like to put a weekend race in its place! So hold that date. Just no Village or Mather guests onboard. And remember to support the Village Cup cause anyway! (See the club website for details about 2020)

Tuesday nights have been pretty good with up to 12 boats turning up to race short-handed (one or two crew). We have some close racing with ties going into the last race of the 'Spring Series'!

The Summer Series had a good start, although we did have to take a break due to 'Isaias' barreling through!

Also look for the "True North" race later in September! More info to come.

Also, Jack Rachek has been coordinating Monday Night racing in the harbor with our club 420s. We have been getting as many as 5 boats on the water! Contact him if you are interested.

We hope to see you out there with us! If you would like to try racing, this is a good year, with plenty of spacing between boats. Let me know if you would like a quick intro course to racing.

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## **3 CHEERS FOR LAUNCH CAPTAIN JESSICA ROTE**

At about 1700 hours on July 25th, the sailing vessel *Keghani* was visiting Port Jefferson from Cedar Point Yacht Club, where their vessel is kept. James and Barbara Garmirian from Reading Pennsylvania were aboard *Keghani*. In his account of the incident, Mr. Garmirian stated that he was having difficulty getting the mooring. Ultimately, his boat hook fell in the water, and, in trying to retrieve it, he followed the boat hook into the water.

*Bon Vivant*, moored nearby and visiting from the Centerport Yacht Club with Mr. Thom Hering aboard saw Mr. Garmirian fall in the water and watched as *Keghani* drifted toward *Bon Vivant*. Despite his efforts to fend off the drifting boat, *Keghani's* anchor scratched *Bon Vivant's* starboard beam. Apparently without further damage, the drifting boat was pushed to the stern of *Bon Vivant*. Mr. Hering noted that the PJYC launch was in the area at the time.

Indeed, the PJYC launch, operated by Captain Jessica Rote, was in the area. In her incident report, Jessica wrote that with the engine shut down she was able to pull up to the man overboard. Having gotten the man overboard into the launch, Jessica secured the *Keghani* and towed it out of the mooring field.

In his report of the incident, Mr. Hering wrote, "The launch operator did a stellar job managing the situation". And in his report of the incident, Mr. Garmirian wrote, "Jessica rescued me. I love her."

On behalf of all the members, I express our thanks to Jessica for so successfully managing a potentially life-threatening situation, and we offer her a well-deserved "Well done."

Vic Suben, Bowspritz editor-in-chief

### KAYAK WANTED

I am a PJYC member looking to purchase a single or tandem kayak

please contact me

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# **CLUB HOUSE, DOCK AND LAUNCH RULES IN RESPONSE TO COVID - 19**

- 1. At this time there is no use of the upper club house**
- 2. Bar is closed until further notice**
- 3. Rentals will begin once the curfew is lifted for such activities by New York State**
- 4. Masks to be worn at all times while on club premises**
- 5. Launches have been marked to show appropriate social distancing**
- 6. Launch drivers have ultimate say in who may use launch. Number of passengers is at their discretion. Please show proper respect to launch drivers at all times.**
- 7. Launches to be completely disinfected at a minimum of once per day. Handrails and other touch points will be wiped down after each trip with appropriate disinfecting wipes.**
- 8. If the JSP Rest Room is used by anyone there are disinfecting wipes that must be used to clean all surfaces before leaving the rest room. Use of JSP Rest Room for member and guest is at the discretion of the Launch Drivers.**

## Items for Sale

35 pound CQR anchor. Good condition. Asking \$150, which is much less expensive than a new one (over \$500). If you need a short piece of chain with it, I have some 3/8 chain I can include for free. Call or email Elliott (sv Senta) at 919-812-3975 cell, or benenttguerrero@gmail.com

Rave Sports Nighthawk 3-Person Towable Tube. Used fewer than 10 times. Very good condition. No leaks. Includes a tow rope. Asking \$150, which is much less expensive than a new one, e.g. \$300 at Dick's Sporting Goods (<https://www.dickssportinggoods.com/p/rave-sports-nighthawk-3-person-towable-tube-16rspunghthwkxxxxwsr/16rspunghthwkxxxxwsr>). This is a 3 rider, double decker, wing style tube and features a skim-fast bottom for a fast ride that offers great maneuverability. Foam handles with neoprene knuckle guards help you hang on tight as the Nighthawk whips back and forth across the water. An anti-chafe guard offers added protection. Holds 3 riders. Double decker swept wing style tube. Durable Nylon top cover. Heavy duty PVC bladder. Skim-fast bottom for a slick and fast ride. Anti-chafe guard. 6 foam-filled handles with neoprene knuckle guards. Quick connect tow point. Inflated dimensions: 73.5" x 77" x 25.5". Deflated dimensions: 77" x 80". Max combined rider weight: 510 lbs.

If interested call or email Elliott (sv Senta) at 919-812-3975 cell, or benenttguerrero@gmail.com

# FOR SALE: 2017 CATALINA 315

**Length Overall:** 9.49 m 31' - 11"

**Length of Hull :** 9.45 m 31' - 0"

**Length at Waterline:** 8.08 m 26' - 6"

**Beam:** 3.35m 11' - 7"

**Mast Height Above Waterline:** 14.70 m 48' - 3"

**Draft:** Wing Keel 1.32 m 4' - 4"

**Ballast:** Wing Keel 1,996 kg 4,400 lbs

**Approx. Basic Weight:** Wing Keel 4,808 kg 10,600 lbs

**Engine:** 3 Cylinder Diesel 16 kw 21 HP

**Total Water Capacity:** 155 ltr 41 gal

**Fuel Capacity:** 102 ltr 27 gal

**Holding Tank Capacity:** 64 ltr 17 gal

## Options Include:

Radar

Furling

Mast (Selden) with vertical battens

Removable Bow sprit/UPS Asymm reaching sail with Code X Furler and sheets

Raymarine eS97

Whisker Pole

Microwave

Folding Leather Wrap Wheel P70/Evolution

Wheel Pilot P 70 Display

Horizon VHF w/Ram in cockpit

Fusion MS-RA205 Marine Stereo system

Fitted Teak Cockpit grate

## Sail Area:

100% Foretriangle 47 sq. m. 506 sq. ft.

Standard 135% Genoa 54.72 sq. m. 589 sq. ft.



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## **Upcoming Events**

**TBA**