



Bowspritz



Newsletter of the Port Jefferson Yacht Club

<http://www.portjeffersonyachtclub.com>

September 2022

FROM THE HELM

It has been a busy August at the club. Several boats participated in the long cruise and went as far east as Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard. Although many boats went their separate ways for parts of the trip we did manage to meet up along the way with stops in Essex, Stonington, Edgartown Jamestown/Newport, Hamburg cove and my new favorite stop Watch Hill, RI. The weather was great for the most of the trip and we even had a chance to sail for a good part of it. Although the ride home from Saybrook was straight into 15 knots of wind with waves on the nose, it did flatten out as we got closer to home. We arrived home in time for Taco Night hosted by Diana and Connie.

We also had a very successful raft up outside of Pirates Cove. Eleven boats attended and all had a great time sharing drinks and appetizers on different boats. I manned the grill with the help of Kay and Sean & Regina Brandow. There were plenty of hamburgers, hot dogs and chicken for all. Thank you to Laurina and Kay for getting all the food and supplies together and Ed Dowd for transporting it all and supplying a launch as a BBQ platform.

The Village cup was a huge success this year, raising over \$100,000 for the Lustgarten foundation and the Mather Hospital Palliative care center. The wind could have been a little better but everyone still had a great day out on the water. The reception again featured Ralph Macchio as our Celebrity Ambassador. Ralph flew in from the west coast the night before so that he could attend the Regatta. Thank you to all the members who supported the Regatta whether through your participation, spectator boats, donations or hard work in the planning. There are too many names to mention and Chuck will be thanking the individual skippers but to those who were on the committee, thank you to Chuck Chiamonte, Dianna Stackow, Dave Hubbard, Gary Passavia, Alan Siris, Ed Dowd, Karl Janhsen, Mort Fortgang, Vic Suben and Jeff Hausner for making this year's Regatta such a success.



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Junior sail completed a successful season this year. Revenues were down a bit but management was able to reduce expenses to match the demand. Thank you David Diamond for a great season. We were also able to upgrade our adult sail boat to a beautiful blue hulled J-29 named Whisper thanks to the generous donation from Ron and Mary Clifford from MSSA. The donation came at the perfect time since we were trying to decide whether to invest money for repairs in the previous adult sail boat, Jeremiah. The Junior Sail Program wasted no time putting Whisper to great use in our adult sail program and we were even able to find a good home for Jeremiah.



As the Summer comes to a close, we start planning for the future. As you have probably seen from the club emails, Alan Johnson has been testing the waters for interest in expanded docks. We are exploring the feasibility of expanding the east dock to accommodate more member slips. The first expansion worked out better than we had expected. This past summer, there was ample room on the docks for members looking for a short tie up to wash or perform repairs. I'd say this year there was even more room than was available in past years. At the same time, we received record revenue from the 6 transient slips and created a room for 10 slip members. We hope to do something similar on the east dock.

As we close out the summer, there's still plenty of great boating remaining and social activities at the club. Next weekend is the True North Race and next month, back by popular demand, is the night at the races. Enjoy the rest of your season and I hope to see you on the water and at the club.

Tim Rachek

Commodore, PJYC



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A Miserable and Dangerous Passage

In July, Pesaro spent a few delightful nights at the Rams Head Inn located in Coecles Harbor (pronounced "cockles") on the eastern side of Shelter Island. For those that have not been in a few years, they have all new moorings that can be reserved ahead of time by making a call to "Captain Graeme". Apparently, the RHI dock was chain-sawed apart by the town earlier this year owing to a dispute with the new Rams Head owners who then proceeded to buy the house next door for a few million dollars for its usable dock. Good to be rich! After leaving Shelter Island we had a great sail to Watch Hill, via Gardiners Point into Block Island Sound and then past the southern side of Fishers Island before motoring through Lords Passage against the usual "Sods Law" foul tide.

Watch Hill reminds me of the summer resorts of old with a carousal for the children and one of the best beaches anywhere in the world. A must is taking a short walk to the Watch Hill lighthouse to see the views of the Atlantic Ocean as well as passing the fabulous homes on Lighthouse Road including Holiday House that is owned by Taylor Swift.

After two nights, we decided to head to Essex that is a few miles up the Connecticut River and is another one of our favorite spots. The forecast for the day was overcast with occasional showers with a light north easterly wind. The motor to Stonington Point was pleasant enough and upon entering Fishers Island Sound I hit "goto" for the CT River waypoint on the chart plotter and sat back for an uneventful journey. Of course after 30 minutes the heavens opened and it started to pour with rain that followed us all the way.

Along with rain came close to zero visibility. I knew to head south of Noyes Shoal and then north of Ellis Reef but with the chart plotter zoomed in I happily continued in a straight light oblivious to the next reef until I zoomed out and saw that I was about to hit Ram Reef off Mystic Harbor. A quick 40 degree course change solved the problem but I realized how different it is making a passage along the CT coast without the ability to see what is ahead. I really had to pay attention. But the same thing happened again!

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Motoring past the New London entrance markers while watching the Orient Point ferry appear out the gloom, I zoomed out again and saw that I needed to make another 40 degree course correction to go around Bartlett Reef that has nasty rocks to its north as well as only a few feet of water. Once past Bartlett, the next hazard is Hatchet Reef that is close to the CT River entrance but in fact you have to go quite a way out to go around the final marker that is the red buoy close to the Long Island Shoal before heading North West to the CT River entrance.

We made it to Essex and enjoyed a great meal at the Griswold Inn. But the moral of the story is just because you have made the same passage many times, in low visibility it all seems different. Modern navigation technology sometimes leads you into a false sense of security that can go horribly wrong if you don't pay attention and "zoom in" and zoom out" all the time to make sure you see ALL the hazards that are ahead.

Enjoy the rest of your boating season everyone.

Andrew Mathews



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REAR COMMODORE

THE KIND HEARTED

YOU EACH HAVE STEPPED UP; PLEASE ACCEPT OUR DEEP THANKS.

YOU BRING HOPE TO THE SUFFERING, AND THEIR RANKS.

YOU BARE MANY BURDEN, AND LOAN YOUR SUPPORT.

YOU GIVE YOUR COMPASSION; I'M PROUD TO REPORT.

TO DONATE TIME AND TREASURE, BRINGS OUT YOUR VOICE.

YOUR MOTIVES ARE "GREATER THAN YOURSELF", BY CHOICE.

A STEWARD OF HUMANITY, YOU HAVE BECOME.

YOU MEET CRISIS HEAD ON, WHERE MANY SUCCUMB.

YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE; YOUR PRESENCE IS KNOWN.

THE WORLD'S A BETTER PLACE; THIS IS WHAT YOU'VE SOWN.

WE ARE BOUND TOGETHER, BY DOING LIFE'S GOOD.

YOU BROUGHT PURPOSE AND HELP, TO DO ALL WE COULD.

YOU VOYAGE WITH US, ON THIS COURSE WE STARTED.

YOU HAVE NOW BECOME ONE, OF "THE KIND HEARTED".

By Alan Sirís, Rear Commodore



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DOCKS & FLOATS

We continue to beat last year's reservation revenue on the docks. Over the same time period, through September 15, dock revenue is up 29%. If we continue until the end of the season we should bank about \$46K. In 2017, the year we first tried dockage as an experiment, we banked \$8,300. Moorings are equal to last years YTD totals. The docks are scheduled to be removed November 5 starting at 8 a.m. We will need a bigger turnout than in prior years until we get a handle on moving 38 docks in one day. In prior years we moved 20 docks maximum.

I hope the members are reading the excellent reviews we are getting on Marina.com. The reviews continue to be very favorable.

We are now taking day trip reservations through Dockwa. It has been very successful. Using the 300# moorings and the floating dock as back up has worked great.

I had not planned on another work party but the need one work party to prepare the docks for next spring on October 1 starting at 8 am. We are going to alter the decking to create a continuous utility trough so that the electric cables and water can be easily laid in the trough and not fed through the holes we had previously prepared. I realized too late that the individual hatches and the holes were not the way to go forward. We will still have to prep the docks by disconnecting the wire to be removed from the electrical stanchions. We have hired Lowell Electricians, the contractor that installed the wire, to come in and with his powered equipment, roll the cables onto spools for winter storage and show us how a professional would handle the end of season task. By building the trough we will be able to do this efficiently in house in future years.

Reporting back to the membership, the interest in additional slips was very favorable and we have begun the process. First Ken Babbitts is drawing the proposed changes and then we will have the surveying and engineering firm of McLean Associates produce an as built survey and add the proposed docks to the survey. From this we will be able to develop a time line and costs.

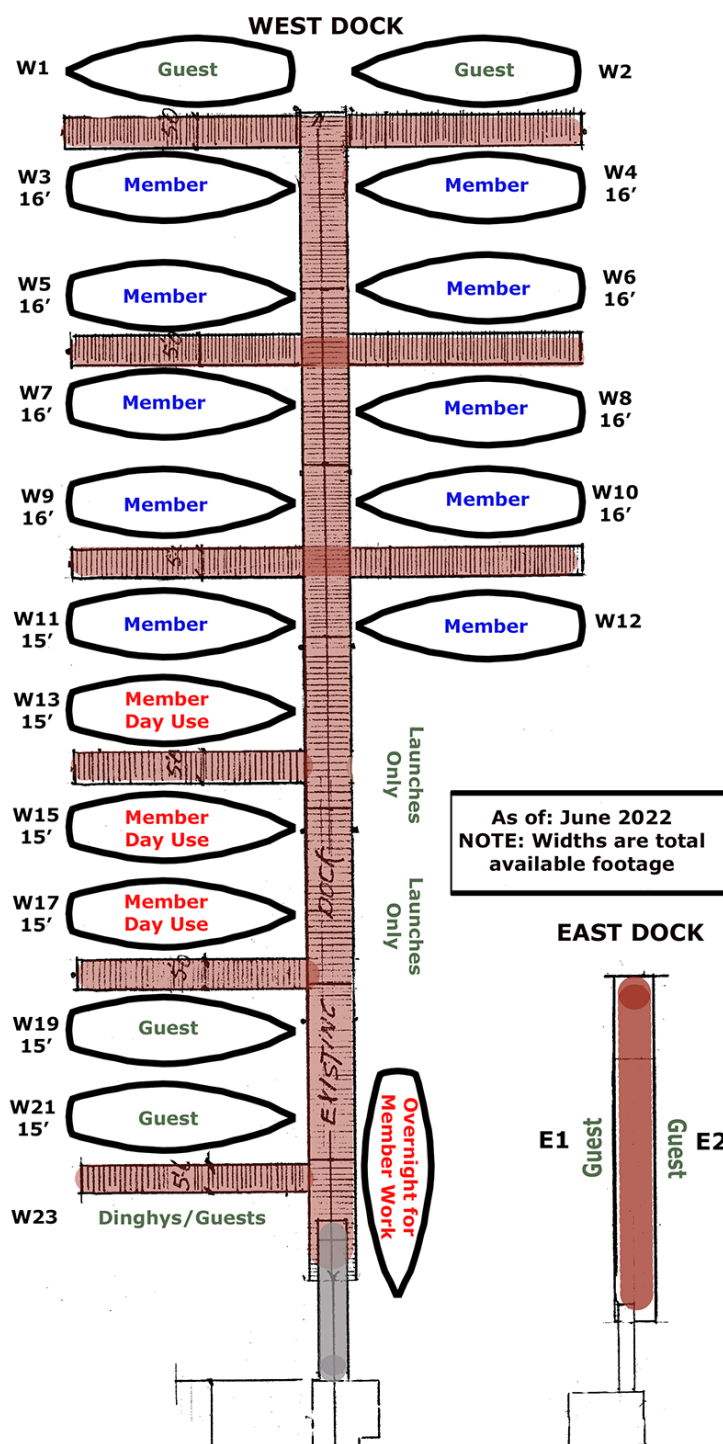
Alan Johnson, Director of Docks and Floats



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FLEET CAPTAIN

As I write this, we have wrapped up the Tuesday Night Racing, the Village Cup, and for several of us, the Mount Sinai Sailing Association's annual 'American Cancer Society Regatta'. Members are still looking to squeeze in some last racing, with our 'True North' distance race looking like it will happen for the first time in years! This one is across the sound to just off Stratford, over to Fairfield, and back to the harbor. Then a few members may be doing the 'Whitebread' race around Shelter Island on October 1st. Congrats to all our racers, as we had a really good year with good competition across the board, and all boats certainly improving their game!

Our last Tuesday Night race was intense! With 15kt winds gusting above 20!

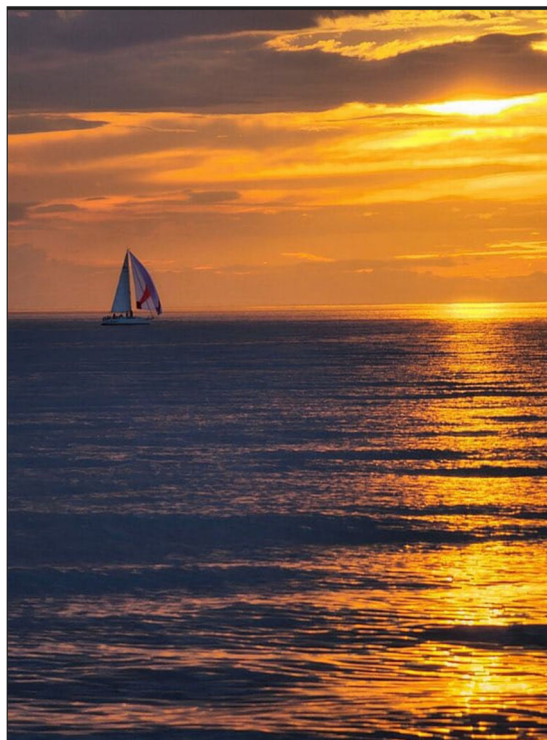
If you want to see what a late season race in high winds looks like from the helm of Clara J, I have an 8 minute video with highlights, the mark roundings, and finish here:

<https://youtu.be/hAOEJs7dv20>

Yes, those last races get dark! And yes, near the finish, that is lightning out over Connecticut! We got lucky with several races where T-Storms stayed north or south, or split both ways and we were able to race!

Stay tuned to Laurina's Social Announcements for the date of an Awards event!

Dave Hubbard
Fleet Captain



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NEW CLUB BENEFIT

The PJYC Board of Governors is pleased to announce a change in member benefits starting in 2023.

All Launch, Non-Launch, Emeritus and Honorary members will now be able to use one complimentary space on the club's dinghy rack in the lower parking lot. Small Boat members will continue to receive this benefit.

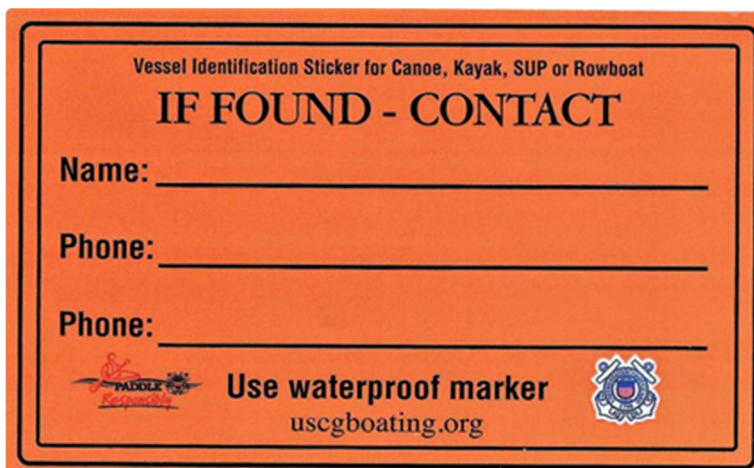
No registration is required. We just ask that you to place a coastguard "if found" sticker on your vessel for identification purposes. These can be obtained from the dock house.

A second vessel on the storage rack as well as use of our floating storage will continue be charged at the prevailing rate.

As a reminder, **all vessels on the storage rack are to be removed prior to the hauling of the docks which in 2022 will take place on November 5th.** Any boats remaining after this date will be moved to the end of the storage rack closest to the entrance gates. If not removed after March 31st of the following year, the member will be charged a winter storage fee at the prevailing rate. If the member(s) cannot be identified, the matter will be reported to the Board of Governors for further action.

Andrew Mathews

Vice Commodore





Vessel Identification Sticker for Canoe, Kayak, SUP or Rowboat

IF FOUND - CONTACT

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Phone: _____

 Use waterproof marker 
uscgboating.org

SOCIAL!

Some Social Words

This month a Club cruise organized by Chris Beach and Nancy Goroff to Essex Connecticut and beyond started on August 5. Some boaters went on to Martha's Vineyard and some broke off and went elsewhere or came home. It was beautiful weather and was lots of fun for those who joined.

On August 20th there was a Taco Night run by Dianna Stackow, Connie Siris Jean and John Doherty and Ellie and Jack Bowman. The food was good and about 20 members attended.

On August 27th we had the Commodores Raft Up and BBQ. Tim was the super commodore who cooked those hotdogs, burgers and chicken to perfection. Of course, Kay was the woman behind the man by shopping and organizing! It was lots of fun with 11 boats attending which had at least 50 members and friends attending. Thanks Tim and Kay and Sean and Regina Brandow for the cooking and serving it was a happy day.

We had a Labor Day BBQ on the deck on Saturday September 3rd. Thanks to Alan Siris and John Doherty for doing the grill along with Rick Hauser. We also celebrated Mort Fotrgang's birthday that night – Happy birthday young fella!

Although there was no wind in our sails for the Village Cup race there was plenty of wind in the sails of the fund raisers who did an overwhelming job this year.

Dave Hubbard was very helpful in sending out a questionnaire to poll the membership asking what they would like in terms of future social events.

See the next page for the results of the poll:

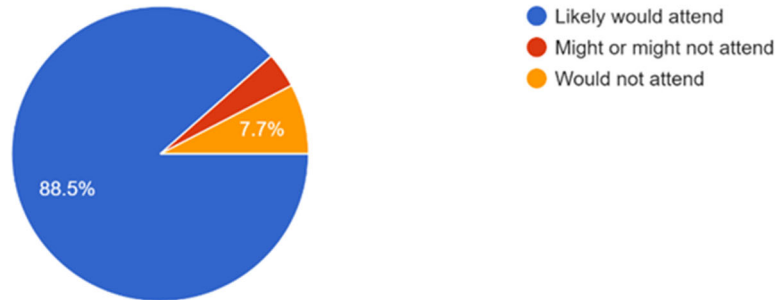


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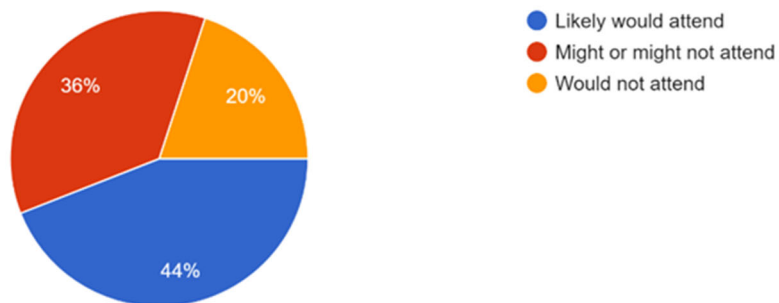
Lobster Bake on September 18th. \$45/person

26 responses



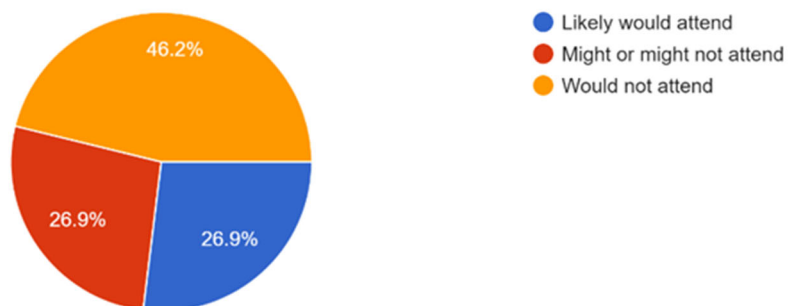
Awards Party at the Club - Breakfast or Lunch - \$30/person

25 responses



Dinner/Dance - Late Fall, early Winter. About \$100/person

26 responses



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So obviously not too many are interested in a dinner dance.

The lobster bake had 57 guests attending. The weather was beautiful and thanks to the superb help of *Carolyn Mohanty, Vicki La Rossa, Patricia Reinhardt, Bob Brroncatello and Jane and Rick Hauser* it was a lovely affair. *James from the Port Jefferson Lobster House* is a charm to work with so if you happen to see him when you are there say thanks – he is a great guy!

In the works, is an awards brunch that I am planning with *Dave Hubbard and Jack Bowman*. All members who wish to come are invited and the date is set for Sunday, October 23rd. Keep an eye out for flyers with time date and additional information.

As the weather cools down I will try to be creative and consider our safety for additional events.

Laurina Nielsen

Social chair 2022



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THE VILLAGE CUP!

Another fantastic Village Cup! And we likely set a record for funds raised at over \$100,000 to fight Pancreatic Cancer and provide palliative care at Mather! With this event we are well over \$800,000 to date! Do I hear ONE MILLION next year?

Ralph Macchio made a special effort and flew in just for us, the day after the premiere of Season 5 of 'Cobra Kai'! Wow.

Thanks to all the volunteers from the club, especially our Chairman Chuck Chiaramonte, the Village of PJ, and Mather and Lustgarten for pulling this off! As Dianna Stackow commented to me afterwards, "It really does take a village!" Amen to that! Many hundreds of volunteer hours go into this.

Also thanks to the donors. Some big ones came through for us this year, some past donors, some new. See some of them on our website under the 'Community'/'Village Cup' menu item.

Although the wind died during the race and only 3 boats were able to finish, we still had some nice sailing for our guests. But with those 3 boats, Mather won this year!

And from my POV (bringing up the rear of the parade), a pretty good line this year!

Dave Hubbard

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WORK HOURS

Don't Forget to Complete Your

WORK HOURS



WHAT'S NEWS

NEWS AND STORIES BY AND FOR OUR MEMBERS

WHAT'S IT?

I've had no takers for the last two months. So while I think up something, I'll just present this to explain "What's It that the various racing crew do?" on the boats when racing.



Driver



Tactician



Main trim



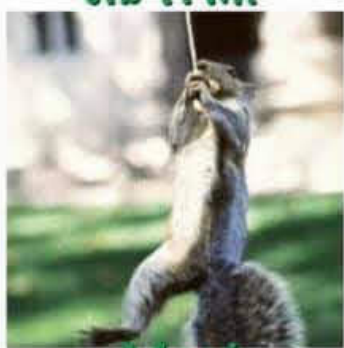
Jib trim



Spin trim



Pit



Mast



Foredeck



Rail meat

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Bayles Boat Shop Event

The boat shop next to our club had their annual boat building challenge sponsored by Sikaflex Adhesives. Member Phil Schiavone provided a short video of the fun. You can see it here:

<https://youtu.be/1CrTEmt7fs0>

Some shots (Note our PJYC crew did well!):



Team PJYC!



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Bayles Boat Shop Event



THE EXCHANGE

(SELL, BUY, SWAP)

For Sale

‘Papillon’

1979 Irwin- 39 Citation



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THE EXCHANGE

(SELL, BUY, SWAP)

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 Barient 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

(SELL, BUY, SWAP)

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

(SELL, BUY, SWAP)

For Sale



Sailboat Jack stands

7 jack stands are available

Asking \$100.00 each

Contact:

Vic Suben

vsuben@gmail.com

631-513-1679

**New stands of this size cost about
\$250.00 each**

THE EXCHANGE

(SELL, BUY, SWAP)

BOAT FOR SALE

Vanguard 420 Laser

Year: 2009

LOA: 13' 9"

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

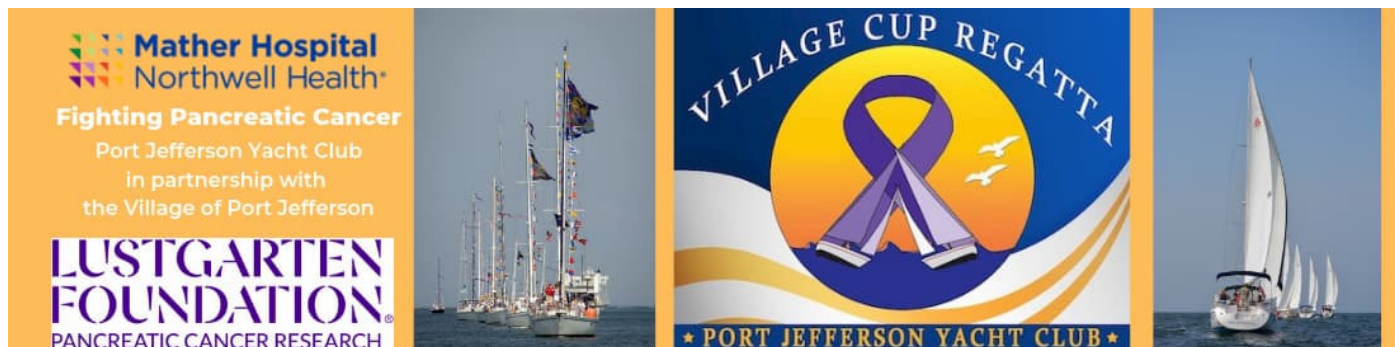
Includes Trailer, Beach Cart, and two covers (for with and without mast up).

Asking: \$5000



Contact: Cliff Petroske - cliffordpetroske@gmail.com

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

Thanks and stay well,

Judy Suben



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