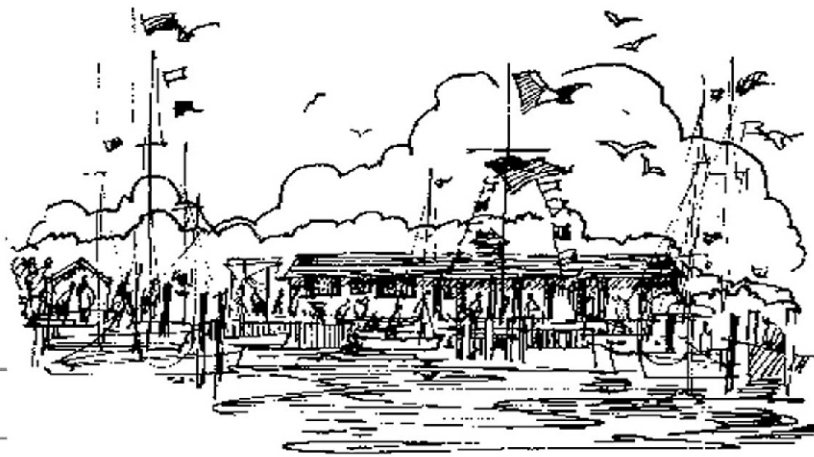


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WINTER 2010 NEWSLETTER



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SHERYL HECHT, EDITOR

COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

As 2010 comes to an end I reflect on what a privilege it has been to serve as your Commodore. We have been truly blessed to have a Board of Directors that has been singularly focused on improving the Bay Shore Yacht Club and making the experience of membership such a positive one. It has been such a pleasure for me to serve with this dedicated group. Volunteering on this Board is a very rewarding experience for those who serve. I suggest that those of you who feel inclined to serve as a committee chair, to please contact me.



Unfortunately for me a number of committee heads are moving on and thus opening opportunities for new members to show their leadership skills. I want to thank the following members who gave their time and talents to benefit us all.

Tamara Vid, Entertainment - After five years chairing this very important committee, Tamara is retiring and will hand the position to a new Chair. I want to thank Tamara for her outstanding service to the Club. We have been truly fortunate to have Tamara at the helm. I am looking for a new Chair of Entertainment and ask any member who wants to step up, as Tamara did, to please call me.

Carol Schnorr, Co-Chair of Sailing Instruction, is also retiring. Carol's enthusiasm and organization skills have been a true benefit to the Club. Thank you Carol.

Gretchen Stang has graciously offered to take over for Carol and Helene Linden, who is also leaving the Sailing Instruction Co-Chair. Gretchen is well known to the membership as a skilled sailor and a keen racer of Narrasketucks. Gretchen brings enthusiasm and a skill for making the sailing experience fun for all who have sailed with her. Thank you Gretchen for volunteering.

Ken Lindahl stepped up to the plate to answer the call I made to serve as Junior Yacht Club advisor. Ken did an outstanding job. He also broke new ground as the first male advisor of the JYC. Ken, I thank you for your service. Ken also serves as an elected Governor. I am looking for a member to step forward to serve as JYC advisor. Those of you who have children in the program are ideal candidates. Please volunteer.

Entering the 2011 season we will have a new Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore and Secretary. I would like to offer heartfelt congratulations to Russell Pearson, moving to Vice Commodore. Russ will be the fourth generation Pearson to serve as Commodore when he replaces me in 2012.

Ellen Gravina moves to Rear Commodore. Ellen replaced an outstanding Secretary, Gail Donohue, and continued the tradition. I found Ellen's organizational skills and advice and aid to be invaluable.

Helene Linden moves into the office of Secretary. I am fully confident that Helene will continue the tradition of outstanding Secretaries.

I want to thank and congratulate each of you on your new offices.

Heading into 2011, we will bring a number of new services and programs to enhance the Bay Shore Yacht Club experience. New televisions will be installed in January and will mark the return of the BSYC Super Bowl Party.

Fleet Captain Gerry Holwell has plans for increased get-togethers on the water. Raft ups off the Club will open opportunities for those members without boats to join us out on the water. We will offer shuttle boats to ferry you out and back. The in-the-bay cruise will return. Other ideas from you, the membership, are welcome. Please step forward with your ideas.

Finally, I would like to thank you, the membership, for making my first year as Commodore such a rewarding experience. Gail and I want to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful 2011.

To a Great 2011 Season
Kevin P. Donohue, Commodore

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ENTERTAINMENT HAPPENINGS!

It's been a busy Fall for Entertainment – and great to see so many of you enjoying our events.

'Ol Blue Eyes was back... at the October TGIF – thanks to our hosts, Patty & Tim Greene and Barbara & Paul Roussillon! Singer Rick Allen provided a wonderful evening of Sinatra, doo-wop, R&B and show tunes. And our hosts warmed our tummies with a variety of soups.

New members, Vicki & Ray Keyes, gave us much to be thankful for in November – the perfect way to relax and socialize with friends at the TGIF before the big Thanksgiving holiday!

And a record-breaking crowd celebrated the holiday season at the annual Holiday Party on December 11th! Scrumptious appetizers, carving station, and decadent desserts were provided by Simply Elegant Catering.

It was a wonderful, festive night – good friends and good cheer! We wish everyone a wonderful holiday season and all the best for a happy, healthy New Year!

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Barbara and Charlie Becker 666-0194 - bcbecker12@verizon.net
Recently the following membership activity occurred. Please join us and the entire Board in welcoming these new members:

MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

RETURNING MEMBERS:

Thomas and Bridget McCall
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Brightwaters, NY 11718
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INTERMEDIATE MEMBERSHIP:

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BSYC HISTORY - CHRIS 2

WWI brought a new Apocalypse, appearing as the 4 horsemen of Atrocity, Murder, Starvation and Destruction. As WWI raged on, the Allies were hurting until America's entrance came in 1917. With the partial cessation of hostilities came "The Treaty of Versailles" in 1919, attempting to settle amicably the war's end. While America didn't covet any possessions expressly, other nations made extravagant and unrealistic demands. Did you know that Ho Chi Minh was a delegate having worked in a Parisian hotel kitchen? Russian revolutionaries, as among others, were still fighting. Several new nations were born by dividing up the spoils. By comparison, 50 new nations have come into being, since 1960. Meanwhile, the Hoover Plan struggled to bring food to the starving hordes in Europe. Allied bureaucracy tried to foil Hoover, but he overcame the blockade.

In the interlude, The Gold Cup for boat racing had 2 winners from Chris in 1915 and 1916 with Miss Detroit and Miss Minneapolis, having won the cup three years in a row. Along came Gar Wood, an exceptionally creative man, having made his fortune in the field of hydraulic lifts for dump trucks. He approached Chris for a controlling interest. This partnership created the most successful motor boating racing team in history. In 1917 Glen Curtis had a V-12 engine that was refused by the British Air Ministry. This was modified by the Chris and Gar team for a new racer, Miss Detroit III, called slender in those days with 400HP and 1,250Lbs. engine. Considered a masterpiece using 7 types of wood and single step planning angle, the hull was out of the water back to the step. And thus, this boat won in 1918, and in 1919 with Miss Detroit IV.

For 1919, each nation's racer had to use that nation's product. The next step in the evolution was Miss America I with twin 500HP at 2,500 RPM engines turning twin screws, along with the innovations of bow steering, returning the World Championship Harmsworth cup to the USA. These engines had been developed by Col. J. G. Vincent, the vice-president of engineering at Packard. Then in 1920 Miss America won the Gold Cup at Detroit, with a blistering 76MPH international speed record.

And so the roaring twenties began and with the challenge for the 1921 Harmsworth being accepted by Gar Wood. Miss America II was a bold new design featuring 4 Smith Liberty engines totaling 2,000HP. Wood thought to change the hull design with inferior results. Chris had to save the day. This grew into a major disenchantment between the two. So, Chris surprised all with a boat for Sheldon Clark, small by Chris' standard with a single Smith-Liberty of 500HP and a length of only 22 ft. Miss America went on to win the Harmsworth at 80MPH. Chris had the genius to make the first 40, 50, 60, 70 and 80 boats, always with a great power to weight ratio. Son Hamilton made the suggestion to simplify to Chris-Craft.

The last boats built under the Gar-Chris partnership were the express cruisers, at \$50,000 and guaranteed to go 50 mph. The Gar Jr. II raced the fastest train from NYC to Miami and won by 21 minutes, a record held for 65 Years. That same boat later toured the Caribbean, Great Lakes, and The Bahamas. Considering this was 1921, it was remarkable. Smith family members, now independent in 1922, built a larger manufacturing building.

In 1923, Chris was making bailing buckets and rowboats selling for \$621 and was still building his main product, race boats and the new runabouts. Yet even now he did repair work for Gar. But under a change of rules, Chris built a boat for Col. Vincent, the Miss Packard, and won the Gold Cup. Gar was never to regain the Gold Cup again. An intense competition sprung up between these 2 giants of boat racing.

2010 Raymond G. Terry Cup Race winner is Commodore Donohue

The 2010 Raymond G. Terry Cup Race was sailed on Saturday, Oct. 10 in conjunction with the BSYC Fall Atlantique Rendezvous. Participation this year was slightly higher due to the excellent weather, albeit light northwest wind. Once again, the boats had a long run to No. 4 off Nicoll's Point, a reach to Seaview, and a one legged beat to the finish off Atlantique. The fleet finished nearly simultaneously. Several new skippers and crews participated this year. Race Committee duty was ably performed by Glenn and Dianne Schmidt aboard CHIKI. Congratulations to Commodore Kevin Donohue as this year's winner.

BREADS FOR SAILS & SAIL BUILDING NEWS

Submitted by Sailing Instruction/JYC

A big thank you goes out to all the sailing families for their wonderful holiday spirit this fall at our Holiday Boutique! On November 14th, the BSYC hosted the annual Holiday Boutique where 13 vendors were on hand selling a variety of items from photographs to candles. Our Junior Yacht Club members and sailors were also on hand, selling homemade holiday breads. Along with their parents, our sailors baked the breads from Cranberry to Banana and everything in between. They were then wrapped beautifully thanks to Carol Schnorr and Daphne Hoffman. All proceeds from our "Breads for Sails" campaign went directly toward new sails for our Mercuries.

The breads looked delicious. I wish I could say that I had a chance to taste them, but we were sold out by 2:00! Our Junior Yacht Club members and sailors manned the table and proved they are not only wonderful sailors but fine sales people as well. It was impossible for any customers to pass by the table without making a purchase. The hard work paid off as we raised \$300.00.

On a related note, the Junior Yacht Club and Sailing Instruction families would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Larry Becker and his sail building crew for their incredible gift of sails to our sailing program. They have been working tirelessly every Sunday and Monday down at the Junior Yacht Club building professional quality Mercury sails. To Mr. Bill Linden, Mr. Matt Rainis, Mr. Dave DeRuvo, Mr. Mark Stang, and Mr. Dave O'Donnell, please accept our hear-felt thanks on behalf of the sailing program families and the Junior Yacht Club.

If anyone is interested in checking into this wonderful opportunity to either learn some valuable skills, donate some volunteer time or simply watch this undertaking, you are encouraged to come down to the BSYC any Sunday afternoon or Monday evening. If there is a day or time that is better for you, please feel free to contact Larry Becker or Bill Linden for details.

Wishing everyone a wonderful holiday season and as my enthusiastic sailors have informed me . . . only 190 days until sailing starts . . .

To: **BSYC Membership**
From: **GSBYRA Delegate**
Date: **December 13, 2010**
Subject: **Activity Report**

The calendar may still officially be 2010, however the GSBYRA, Area B, and US SAILING have been very busy planning a great season for 2011.

2011 Invitation Schedule: The DRAFT calendar is set, however the details, i.e., starting times, remain TBD. So, get out your 2011 Calendar and note the Invitation and Championship dates.

January 12, 7pm at the LIMM -
Next GSBYRA ExCom meeting

May 16 - **GSBYRA Spring Dinner Meeting**
(Moriches YC to confirm date)

June 18 & 19 - **Buccaneer Class Regatta**
At Narrasketuck

June 26 - **Narrasketuck West Cup** at Narrasketuck

*Fri. July 1 - **Junior Regatta at Babylon**
to be discussed*

Sat. July 2/Sun. July 3 - **Babylon Invitation**

Sat. July 9/Sun July 10 - **V 15 Regatta**
at Sayville or Unqua

Sat July 16 - **LI Flying Scot Championship**
1st leg at Wet Pants

Sat July 16 - **Unqua Invitation**- PHRF and all classes
except Sunfish & Flying Scots

Sun July 17 - **LI Sunfish Championship** at Wet Pants

*Fri July 22 - **Junior Regatta at Sayville***

Sat July 22/Sun July 23 - **Sayville Invitation**

Thurs July 28 - **Junior Regatta** at Bay Shore

Fri July 29 - **GSBYRA Race Week** at Bay Shore

Sat July 30/Sun July 31 - **GSBYRA Race Week**
at Bay Shore

July 30/Sun July 31 - **Vanguard 15 Circuit
Regatta Run**

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Fri. Aug 5/Sat. Aug. 6- **Bayberry Invitation**

Fri Aug 12 - **Junior Regatta** at Narrasketuck

Sat. Aug 14/Sun Aug 15 - **Narrasketuck Invitation**
all classes

Sat. Aug 20/Sun Aug 21 - **Westhampton Invitation**

Sat Aug 27/Sun Aug 28 - open GSB

Sat Aug 27/Sun Aug 28 - **Narrasketuck
Championship**
at Narrasketuck

Sat Sept 3/Sun Sept 4 - **Bellport Bay Invitation**

Mon Sept 5 - **Queen of the Bay** at Bellport

Sat Sept 10 - **Narrasketuck East Cup** at Bay Shore

Fri. Oct 14 - **Fall Awards Dinner** at Bay Shore

Championships:

The GSBYRA venues were determined, however specific dates remain TBD.

Bay Shore will host the Match Racing at Bay Shore.

Babylon will host the Mens and Womens at Babylon.

Sayville will host the Westin Singlehanded

Moriches will host the Junior Singlehanded Smythe .

Bellport will host the Junior Doublehanded .

Bay Shore will host the Junior Triplehanded at Bay Shore

Westhampton will host the Midget singlehanded and midget crewed.

The Board of Governors approved a request to hold a *US SAILING Level I Instructor Training Program* June 27---30 at BSYC. Contact me if your children are interested in obtaining US SAILING certification and seeking employment as a Sailing Instructor.

Respectfully,
Glenn Schmidt
BSYC/GSBYRA Delegate
US SAILING Area B Director
631-587-3408

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