



South Bay Cruising Club

From The Masthead

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From the Helm

John Davis

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Spring is officially here, and it's usually about now that you might expect to see your commodore writing an article about the ongoing work and projects on the *SBCC Flagship*. I've always taken advantage of poor winter weather conditions by using that as an excuse for having done nothing on *Dragon Fly* prior to spring. The truth is, I'm not going to do much of anything any way. My daughter Jennifer, and son-in-law Michael, purchased a great looking 36 ft. Morgan (Nelson-Marek design) with a gorgeous teak interior. Knowing that I have owned boats for almost fifty years, Mike asked me how to restore the slightly weathered teak to like-new condition. He seemed surprised when I told him that I never do anything with my teak because God made it to be exposed to weather without rotting. I think the C&C 25 is like the old Boston Whaler, *if it aint broke, don't fix it*. I'll sand and paint the bottom and be on my way.

If you think I'm a little casual you're right, but I'm not alone. At a recent gathering with Eric Forsyth and crew at the Maritime Museum, Eric generously offered his time for an open question and answer period following his fascinating video on his most recent circumnavigation of the world. I think we were all intrigued by Eric's nonchalant methods of dealing with various situations occurring during his 33,000 nm, 15 month voyage. A special thanks to Eric for giving us an opportunity to watch his spectacular video and talk with him about the voyage. It is an honor to have such a notorious sailor as a member of our organization.

We chose the Maritime Museum as the location for the meeting because of its bond with local maritime history and educational events. However, we underestimated the number of

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From the Fleet Captain

Dennis Krug

There is activity again in the boat yard. Several SBCC'ers store their boats at the same yard where *Kariana* is hauled out for the winter. When the coffee truck arrives there is a mini get-together. We have all agreed that we enjoy reggae music and cocktail parties over the waxing and bottom painting. After talking about boat maintenance the conversation generally turns to "what are your cruising plans this year". The coffee truck discussion barometer shows there is quite a bit of interest in joining in on one of our cruises.

Remember there are three cruises planned this year, The SBCC three week cruise led by Cruise Captain Dorothy Becker will leave on Friday June 25 with stops at Block Island; Newport; Watch Hill, RI arriving at Mystic Seaport on July 3 and leaving on July 5. The cruise will return home through the

Sound and end on Thursday July 14. You can contact Dorothy at djb138@yahoo.com or 631 234 4062.

Have you cruised to the Jersey Shore? Cruise Captain Dave Tedesco, aboard *Painkiller*, will be leading a group which will be assembling Friday evening July 2 in the vicinity of Atlantique or Sore Thumb, and returning Sunday, July 11. Ports of call may include Sandy Hook, Sea Bright for the 4th of July, the Navesink River and Red Bank, Manesquan Inlet/River, Metedeconk River, Sheepshead Bay and maybe a peek into Barnegat Bay. Dave can be reached at capt1@ix.netcom.com or 631 277 3760.

A meeting will be held in early May to discuss these cruises and the always popular "Week in the Bay" cruise. 🔥



Retired Fleet Captain Frank Peter congratulates Skipper Ed Hopkins and crew Megan and Joey, for winning the Sheila Daytz Trophy for the second year in a row. Looking on are Rear Commodore Joe Mülle' and Nancy Sherman.
Photo by Mike Duffy

From the Regatta Captain

Jack Morgan

The Regatta Committee has completed its off-season review of our racing program and we have come up with a few changes. I will review a few here, but I will go into greater detail as the dates draw near.

- The first twilight series in both Bay Shore and Babylon will be three races with no throw out. The remainder of the twilights will be four races per series with one throw out.
- West Cup returns, Saturday, June 12 at 1900.
- SBCC Corinthian Race, Saturday, July 31 at 1200. For Corinthian boats only.
- Super Blast/Race Week, August 11-14. Four races in the Bay Shore/Babylon area. The Super Blast will follow the Pearsall Cup on Saturday.
- The Foulke Trophy will be run as a pursuit race. Also the course has been modified to improve racing conditions.
- South Bay Cruising Club races will now be

scored using the Time-on-Time scoring method.

- The starting sequence has been modified to allow the use of numeral pennants. The pennant number will indicate the approximate time between the start of one class and the warning of the next class.

Race committees have been assigned however I do have a couple of events still open. We need a committee for the Turkey Race, and also the Ed Brooks Memorial New Year's Race. If you would like to volunteer for either of these races, please contact me.

This is going to be a great season of racing in the South Bay Cruising Club. If you have any questions or you need assistance with anything, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Phone: 631-422-6531

E-mail: redwing137@yahoo.com

See you on the starting line. 🏆

How My Sailing Obsession Evolved

Vincent Ranieri, SBCC Associate

My name is Vincent Ranieri and I am a proud new associate member of the South Bay Cruising Club. I am 21 years old and live in West Islip. I currently attend Stony Brook University, majoring in Mechanical Engineering. I have been boating my entire life, but only on power boats, fishing, clamming and enjoying everything (at least I thought everything) the bay had to offer. Then when I was fourteen I moved across the street from John Davis (about 6 years ago). Shortly after meeting John, he invited me to sail in a Twilight race, and I was hooked. Being skeptical at first, I thought to myself how much fun could a sailboat be. Never having been on a sailboat before I knew very little about them, and all I thought was "slow and boring".

To my surprise there was nothing slow about it. Every move had to be made with speed and accuracy. From start to finish it was a pure adrenaline rush. One minute you're hanging your legs over the side of the boat cranking away at the winches feeling like your part of the wind.

Next thing you know, you're letting the sails out rounding the first mark of the course coming inches away from another boat. I really enjoy how technical sailing is but at the same time so in tune with nature, constantly adjusting and tuning the sails to achieve the perfect balance between the boat and the wind. For me, personally, sailing back to West Islip from a Wednesday night race in Bay Shore at 9:00 on a summer night, it's perfect. It's funny to say but if it wasn't for John taking me under his wing and teaching me everything I know about sailing, I would have truly missed out on a very exciting part of my life. Not only do I have John to thank for my love of sailing but my cousin Chris does as well. He is thirteen and just started sailing on **Dragon Fly**. He raced in at least 75% of the races last summer and, like most of us, can't wait until spring arrives. I hope to get my own boat after I graduate college. Who knows-maybe in a couple of years Chris and I will be leaving **Dragon Fly** in the dust; at least John can say he taught us everything we know. 🏠

Hospitality

Allison & Jim Reichel

Sailing Through The Decades

Spring Cocktail Party
West Sayville Country Club
Sunday, April 25, 2004
1700 - 2100

Pay in Advance
and Receive a
Prize!*

Take a well-deserved break from working on the boat and come join your fellow sailors for a fabulous *musical trip* through the decades.

This year, the annual SBCC Spring Party will be an event to remember -- as we remember the *hottest hits* of all the decades we have left behind.

This *timeless tribute* to great music, great food, great friends, and the Great South Bay will take place at the West Sayville Country Club, the restored 1909 Meadow Edge estate of Mrs. Florence Bourne Hard. Located adjacent to the Long Island Maritime Museum, the 1700 start time should be perfect for taking in a panoramic view of the bay and a spectacular sunset while we enjoy **unlimited beer and wine** and **Hors d'oeuvres** in the lavish glass enclosed patio.

Don't Miss
our Unique
and Useful
Basket
Raffles!

The magical, musical entertainment (provided by our own probationary DJ in grooming) will be in the air as you feast on a gourmet buffet that is sure to include some of your *all-time favorite hits* like:

- ☆ Roast Beef and Boneless Pork Loin carving stations
- ☆ Chicken Francaise, Eggplant Rollatini, Penne Ala Vodka, Fettuccine with Shrimp and Scallop Scampi, and Fried Calamari with Hot Pepper Relish
- ☆ Antipasto Platter, Fruit and Cheese Display, and Seafood Salad
- ☆ And don't forget the homemade desserts!!

Folks, if you only attend one event this season, make it this one by making a reservation right now!

Advanced payment is preferred, and as an added incentive, the first 15 reservations paid in advance will receive a special prize!

Cost: \$36 per person

No charge for children under 3 years

\$15 for children aged 4-10 years

Make Checks Payable to South Bay Cruising Club

RSVP Mail: Jim and Allison Reichel
122 Higbie Lane, West Islip, NY 11795
Call: 631-539-4403

Email: rsvp@sailchoice.com



For more information on the West Sayville Country Club, visit lessing.com/Sayville.htm.

Membership

Sue Montana

Thanks to everyone who has submitted their updated information, and paid their dues for 2004. Hopefully all the information will be accurately reflected in the yearbook.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATES - If any of your information needs correction or changes through the year, please be sure to let me know at thesuemt@optonline.net so I can update the database. This includes address, phone, boat, email, etc.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS - If you HAVE paid your dues and have NOT received your membership cards in the mail, please let me know and I will get them out to you by mid-April.

MASTHEAD VIA EMAIL - We've had a terrific response to the "email only" option for delivery of the monthly **Masthead**. If you'd like to help save a couple trees and receive a full color copy of this publication, send your request to thesuemt@optonline.net.

NEW MEMBERS - Do you have sailing friends or dock neighbors who aren't members of the SBCC but should be? Give them an application, write a sponsor letter and welcome them aboard! For information on membership requirements, go to our website www.sbccsail.org and click on the About The SBCC link.

FORMER MEMBERS - "Frank and I have moved to Florida. Please give all our best wishes. We have enjoyed many years with the Club. Helping out with the Entertainment Committee and attending all functions. We'll miss everyone. If anyone is in our area, please give us a call.

Frank & Pauline Roan

772-465-1319" 

Welcoming New Members

Della Bucher

The following new members were voted in at the last board meeting:

Members - **Richard and Maris Job** of Massapequa who sail **Mariah**, a Bristol 27.7, out of Amityville. They were sponsored by John Davis and Jim Reichel.

Carlo DeLorenzo of Brooklyn who sails a Morgan 34 out of Amityville. He was sponsored by John Davis and Jim Reichel. 

Programming

Rich Troy

The next diet craze: Spam and Rum?

About 60 SBCC members and other folks sat in rapt attention at the Long Island Maritime Museum on Friday March 12th, watching Eric Forsyth show a very excellent one-hour video about his second sailing trip around the world. Eric followed the video with an entertaining question and answer session, which was assisted by two of the crew members who had traveled with him on some of his 33,000 nautical mile trip. One of those crew members was SBCC's own Bob Bennett.

An entertaining aspect of the evening's event was hearing how much of their food consisted of Spam and rum - and how one of the crew lost weight on the cruise! Could this be the next diet craze?

The video was so interesting and professionally produced that, if it wasn't for the sound of the wind in the microphone, you would have thought you were watching a show on the Discovery Channel or the Travel Channel. If you have ever thought about taking an extended sailing cruise, seeing his video and listening to Eric Forsyth is

a wonderful event. Eric even has more info on his website www.yachtfiona.com and SBCC's Bob Bennett has pictures on his website www.pbase.com/benro/circumnavigation.

What made that evening's event even more remarkable is that Eric Forsyth is a member of the SBCC, and not the only SBCC member to have done a circumnavigation. Hey, I've circumnavigated Long Island twice already!

But, seriously, your SBCC is an amazingly experienced group of people - and there are other SBCC members who have circumnavigated the world.

While we're on the subject of experience...

The SBCC is looking for a few good men (or women) who would be willing to share some of their knowledge in a future SBCC meeting or event. You don't even have to own a professionally made video to qualify! Just contact Rich Troy with your thoughts on what you'd like to share, or, if you know of someone outside of the SBCC who you feel would make for an interesting speaker, pass the contact information to me at 516-935-5367 or rich@newsguy.com



Calling All Bakers

The Spring Cocktail Party at the West Sayville Country Club on Sunday, April 25 is sure to be a great time.

In addition to the variety of food items that will be served at the event, the Hospitality Committee is pleased to also provide homemade SBCC desserts.

We would like to extend an invitation to all the wonderful bakers in our club to volunteer to bake a special treat.

Please contact Allison Reichel at 631-539-4403 or Allison@sailchoice.com for more information.

Up Date Your Copy of the South Bay Cruising Guide

Good news! Shinnecock, Moriches and Mattituck Inlets have been dredged as of February/March 2004. Moriches Inlet has aids to navigation now and is 20ft deep by 400ft wide.

Buoy 3E	40°46'05"N	072°45"W
5E	40°46'08"	072°44'45"
7E	40°46'17"	072°44'29"
9E	40°46'23"	072°44'29"
4W	40°46'12"	072°45'18"
6W	40°46'19"	072°45'38"
7W	40°46'35"	072°45'58"
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people wanting to attend, and I apologize to any one unable to be seated. For more information on the meeting, please find the article written by Program Chairman, Rich Troy elsewhere in this issue of the **Masthead**.

The SBCC spring schedule is extremely busy this month starting with our bi-annual welcoming party for members who joined during the past two years, generously hosted by Della Bucher. Later in the month our Protest Chairperson, Aileen Eppig is hosting a *Protest Seminar* featuring Dave Perry on April 20th at LaGrange Inn in West Islip at 1900hrs. Dave Perry will offer an excellent presentation sure to enlighten all sailors attending.

We're saving the best for last in this month, the *Spring Cocktail Party*. On April 25th, our Hospitality Committee has organized a fun-filled event at the West Sayville Country Club on Montauk Highway in West Sayville. The event will feature a full buffet dinner, unlimited beer and wine bar, and theme music to dance by. We won't take up any of your time with a meeting at this one. This is strictly a party for fun. Contact Jim and Allison Reichel for more information. Check the **Masthead** or the SBCC website for more details, and watch the mail for invitations. You can reach your Commodore at (631) 422-2242 or email to Jdavisfly@aol.com

John 

Flotsam & Jetsam

The Editor

Start Off a New Sailor or Tune Up on Basic Skills - and Don't Forget the Kids!

Narrasketuck Yacht Club in Amityville is offering its annual SNAP program, available to anyone over 21 years of age interested in learning basic sailing skills right on the Great South Bay. This class is taught by volunteers and is not for profit. Classes are for novices or returning sailors who want to brush up on their boat handling skills. Four hours of lecture and twelve hours of sailing in small groups with plenty of hands-on opportunity in comfortable and responsive O'Day Mariners. Groups are small with emphasis on individual attention.

Class Dates: Wednesday, June 2nd and Wednesday, June 9th 7:15 - 10:00 PM Classroom Lecture and Saturday, June 5th and Saturday, June 12th 9:00 - 3:00 Sailing

Contact: SBCC members Nick & Eniko De Marco who head up this program at 631-598-0168 or visit www.nycsail.com and look for the link for adult sailing classes

Narrasketuck also offers an excellent summer sailing camp for kids 9 years of age and up. Two sessions are available at skill levels ranging from Beginner through Advanced. Great fun in the sun! To learn more call Cathy Powell at 631-264-2941 or visit our website at www.nycsail.com and follow the link to Youth Sailing.

Off The Bay

Adrienne Tesoro has forwarded the following regarding Federal activity to stop the shoaling in the ICW. Send emails and phone calls to Rep. John Duncan (TN) Chairman of the Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure, Water Resources & Environment subcommittee at www.house.gov/transportation and members of the House Appropriations Committee, Energy

and Water Development Subcommittee through <http://appropriations.house.gov>. You can also read about this in BoatUS November 2001 article at http://www.boatus.com/gov/icw_article.htm

There's also a lot of activity on **Block Island**. Go to Block Island Times online to search the archives for information on proposed expansion by Ballards in New Harbor and Champlins in Old Harbor.

The **Tall Ships** are scheduled to be in Newport July 16-20. Go to http://www.projo.com/news/content/projo_20040127_nkships27.10b44d.html for more information. They will also be in New London on July 22-25. The visit will be in conjunction with the International's Children's Conference on the Environment which will be held at Connecticut College.

The **Atlantic Highlands Yacht Club** of Atlantic Highlands, NJ has extended club house and anchorage privileges to officers, members and guests of the Club. **Sag Harbor Yacht Club** had extended club house and dock privileges to officers, members and guests of the Club.

A good reason to carry your membership card - it can be used at many other club houses where we have reciprocity - you don't have to arrive by boat. You can check reciprocity in the **Registry of the Yachting Club of America**.

Where credit is due

If you like the new look of **From the Masthead**, and I've received lots of positive feedback, please tell John Holst. The post office was having difficulty with our staples and John suggested we change to the new booklet format - Thanks, John.

WHERE DID THAT MUSIC COME FROM?

By Fleet Captain, Dennis Krug

Many who attended the Cruising Awards dinner have asked where the music that accompanied the Dingy Award (The Dingy Song) and Anchoring Award (The Anchoring Dance) presentations came from.

The music was from CD's by Eileen Quinn. Eileen is a Canadian cruiser who has been wandering the East Coast and the Caribbean aboard a Bayfield 36 with her husband David Allester, since 1994. She has also been writing and performing songs about sailing life. Her CD's are a quirky collection of songs chock full of inside jokes and wry references only a cruising sailor can comprehend.

If you enjoyed the songs played at the awards dinner, or would just like to get some music made for sailors, you can order her CD's at www.eileenquinn.com or tel. 800 289 6923.

The Anchoring Dance

the perfect little parking place is easy to find
all you really gotta do is read his mind
if what your honey wants is hard to tell
when the hand signals fail you can always yell
grind your teeth, shout till you're hoarse
there's always one more step, you can file for divorce
no better way to test a true romance
than to do, do, do, do, do
do the anchoring dance
ease to starboard, then hard to port
throttle down but you come up short
up on the foredeck, see them prance
when they do, do, do, do, do
do the anchoring dance...

SAILBOAT BUYERS GLOSSARY

From Mike Duffy

NEVER RACED - slow

STABLE - slower

SOLID - still on the course

Project Boat - consenting adults

NEEDS TENDER LOVING CARE - insurance won't cover nursing home

PASSAGE MAKER - not going anywhere

OWNER RELOCATED - to Belleview

CLASSIC - lawn ornament

WELL EQUIPT.BLUE WATER BOAT - bilge pump, pfd, rosary beads

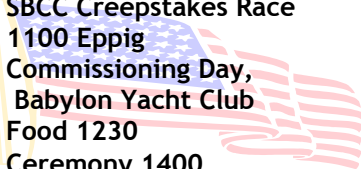
NEEDS NEW OWNER - serial killer

*Over The Bowsprit:***April**

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
				1	2	3 Welcome New Members Party, Della Bucher, 1900 
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20 Protest Seminar with Dave Perry, LaGrange Inn, West Islip 1930 	21	22	23	24
25 Spring Cocktail Party, West Sayville Country Club 1900 	26 SBCC Board Meeting, LaGrange Inn, West Islip 1930 	27	28	29	30	

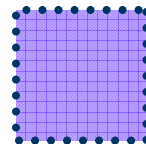
Over The Bowsprit:

May

Sun	Mon		Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	31 Memorial Day SBCC Creepstakes Race 1100 Eppig Commissioning Day, Babylon Yacht Club Food 1230 Ceremony 1400 					1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8 "Ferg Fest" Unqua Heading Stardust 
9 Mothers Day 	10	11	12	13	14	15 Rendezvous, Atlantique Counterpoint 
16	17	18	19	20	21	22 Rendezvous, Coast Guard Cove Vixen 
23	24	25	26 Bay Shore Twilight Spring 1 Race, 1930 Woodrick 	27 Babylon Twilight Spring 1 Race, 1930 Penny 	28	29 Rendezvous, Oak Island Lead Mistress 



From The Masthead
Belle Baxter, Corresponding Secretary
28 Shore Road
Babylon, New York 11702



The Rigging Locker

All items must be nautical
items for sale by
SBCC MEMBERS ONLY
Ads will run for 3 months and
will then be deleted unless
you request that it continue
to be run.

Send the written
advertisement by mail to:

Belle Baxter
28 Shore Road
Babylon, NY 11702
or email to:
belfry86@optonline.net

Wanted: 2004 Season Dockage for 36' Morgan, 4'.8' draft.

Contact: Mike & Jennifer Davis-Einsetler

Phone: 631-539-4331

E-mail: sailinaway5861@optonline.net

For Sale: 1985 Cape Dory 25D (diesel)- Boat and engine in superb shape. Recent roller furling; oversized running and standing rigging; Navico 2500 autopilot; D/M, K/M, compass; Three sails in good condition; two gel-cell batteries; Interprotect barrier coatings; more.

Contact: Jim and Donna Westpfahl 631-226-2376. \$18,900.

JamesW7644@aol.com ⁽⁵⁾

22 ft. Catalina 1983 with pop top. 7.5 HP Evinrude outboard. Swing keel. New sails and roller furling 2001. New cockpit cushions 2000. Great condition! \$4,900.00.

Contact: Chris Carlberg 631-666-9064 ⁽⁵⁾

Wanted: One or two Individuals to crew on a competitive boat for the Bay Shore Wednesday night twilight series. Owner has decided to work less and sail more. No screaming and the beer and soda will be cold.

Also have two Lewmar #8 winches for sale. They worked great when removed from the boat. Make me an offer. ⁽⁵⁾

Contact: John Williams

Cell: 516-383-8691

Home: 631-422-4453