

South Bay Cruising Club

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From the Helm

Bill Grauer

Memo to our Yearbook Committee: Fantastic job! Thank you for again delivering a top quality yearbook on time for our Spring Cocktail party. Yearbook Chairman Vince Piazza was on hand at BSYC to give out the books. If you missed the cocktail party be sure to get your books at Commissioning Day. This is the second book that Vince and his team have produced, and this one is even better than his excellent first. My thanks to Rich LaBella for the magnificent front and back cover photos.

Fleet Captain Della Bucher treated us to a fine awards buffet on March 14 at Sayville Yacht club. Many fine awards were presented along with an equally fine meal. Della and Jeff gave us some further details about the two-week cruise that starts on June 27th. And Della reminds us that the first rendezvous is April 25 at Davis Park hosted by Frank and Barbara Peter.

On March 28th a group of our own health-care professionals gave an in-depth panel presentation aptly named, 'Medicine for Mariners'. The panel consisted of Joyce Gotard, Doctor Jennifer DeMarco, Margaret Christiansen, Sally Eilbeck, Jane Glinski, and Peg Van

Tassel. Chairperson Joyce Gotard did an excellent job in organizing the presentation so that we had a fast moving and informative morning full of practical information. Thank you ladies for all your hard work.

Our Spring Cocktail Party at Bay Shore Yacht Club went off without a hitch. There was fine food and entertainment, and good company. My thanks to Bill Eilbeck and his committee for a sterling job. The Coast Guard sent a helicopter from New Jersey and a support boat from the FI CG station to conduct a demonstration of a helicopter rescue operation. This was done about 100 yards off the beach at the BSYC. Many thanks to Bob Forman who organized this demo and thanks to the Coast Guard personnel who participated.

At the end of the General Meeting (held during the cocktail party), Lizzie Mülle once again sang God Bless America for us. Thank you Lizzie.

And, while speaking of music, our Vice-Commodore Matt DeMarco has finally found a replacement for his other job - Chantyman. Matt has convinced the very able and

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Regatta Captain

John Holst

The 2009 Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions, and Schedule have all been published in the yearbook and posted on the website. There are three date changes to the schedule as printed in the yearbook, please update your yearbook's when you receive them:

Sun-Oct 4	Louis Orr Race (BYC) at Noon
Sat-Oct 17	Discovers Race
Sun-Oct 25	Last Chance Race

There have been several significant changes to the rules, the biggest being the new definition of Zone and Mark Room. I strongly encourage everyone, to remove old rule books, yearbooks, and course cards from your boat, and study the changes with your crews. We will be using the 2009-2012 Rules of Sailing for the 2009 season.

We will kick off the 2009 season with the Spring Skippers Meeting on May 7th at the West Islip Library from 7 - 9PM. The agenda will include:

- Review Schedule
- Review of Rules Changes
- Review of Race Committee Procedures
- Pro Start Demo

Class Streamers and new Course Cards will be available free to those that attend. If you miss the skippers meeting you can buy them on Commissioning day.

Racing starts Tuesday May 12th with the Bay Shore Twilight race. We have schedule five 4 Race Series on Tuesday nights in Bay Shore and five 4 Race Series on Thursday nights in Babylon. New this year, after the 4th race in Bay Shore we will meet at Molly Malone's for an after party and after the 4th race in Babylon we will meet at Mary Carol's. Scoring has agreed to attend and will score the 4th race and the series on the spot.

For those new club members that are looking to race please call me with any questions. A great way to start is by crewing for another skipper. You get to learn the ropes and watch how the start sequence works. Another option is to just hang back at the start. Pick a boat similar to yours and follow them around course. It is important that you have the correct sail numbers displayed on your sails. Please contact the membership committee if you have questions about your sail numbers. Most important for new boats please file a handicap form with the handicap committee ASAP.

I would like to thank the members of the regatta committee for all of their help this winter planning the 2009 season.

See you on the bay!

John

Fleet Captain

Della Bucher

Spring has arrived and I know of many members who have been working in their free time readying their boats. Della . calm will be in the water around the 20th, ready to go to the first rendezvous April 25th at Davis Park aboard Vixen hosted by Frank and Barbara Peter. So get ready and come! I'll see you there.

It was wonderful to see so many friends at the Spring Cocktail Party. As usual Bill and Sally Eilbeck and crew did a fabulous job. What's better than friends, food, and drink to spend time and talk with on a breezy late afternoon in the spring that starts off the season. It was great and delicious! There was also the added attraction of the Coast Guard helicopter and rescue team demonstration. A thank you to Bob Forman for his diligence in finally getting this demonstration for all of us to witness.

Jeff Mattera has been working diligently on details for the two week cruise to Martha's Vineyard and beyond. This will be a wonderful time, so plan to come. Jeff is planning to send out the itinerary via e-mail, so look for it shortly.

Our new year book is fabulous!! Vince Piazza and his committee deserve a huge thank you and pat on the back for a job well done. Wonderful, simply wonderful.

I attended the Youth Activities meeting this past week. Mike handed out a proposal of possible dates to hold activities. Laura La Torre had purchased an interesting activities book, Beachcraft Bonanza. We picked out some great crafts and activities to do with our young sailors at many of the rendezvous, especially those that take place at marinas. We also would like to initiate a bedtime story-time after the rendezvous end. More on this later.

If you're a **new member** and don't know where, what or how about rendezvous, please call me. I'll meet you out on the bay and guide you to the rendezvous place and then introduce you to your fellow sailors attending. So don't hesitate, get on your boat, and come rendezvous with us. My cell phone # is **631-626-3568** Home # is **631-539-2707** or hail me on **CH 9** on the VHF.

Come launch and sail!
Be free with me!

Della

Foredeck Crew Wanted: Block Island Race and Halifax Race

Please contact **Bob Forman**

Coast Guard Rescue Demonstration

Spring Cocktail Party Has An Unusual Visitor

The program committee had planned to have a helicopter rescue demonstration as part of the Suddenly Alone Seminar on March 1. However the threatening winter snow and ice storm forced the cancellation of that portion of the program. Recognizing the importance of our understanding of these rescue procedures, the Coast Guard willingly rescheduled the event to our spring cocktail party. Battling the gale force winds, LCDR Roach and his crew consisting of copilot LT Cahill, swimmer Petty Officer Romano and mechanic Petty Officer Murphy flew up from Atlantic City. Local support was provided from the FI Coast Guard Station by Petty Officer Garcia and his boat crew.



Our first encounter with them was the fly over. Fortunately we have our own photographer, Dick LaBella, who was able to record this historic SBCC event for us.



Then they hovered off the Bay Shore dock for our photographer to take a very unique picture. Dick had LCDR Roach momentarily stop his rotors while he took this picture which shows not only the helo but the rotor in the idle position.

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Petty Office Romano, who drew the short straw, was then lowered into the frigid waters of the Great South Bay by PO Murphy. This was a simulation of the Coast Guard either dropping a swimmer into the water for a rescue or a basket onto your boat to evacuate someone.



After having turned a deep purple and promising to buy a round of drinks when they got back to base, PO Romano was hoisted back up to the helo for the bumpy trip home. This was a simulation of the Coast Guard either plucking someone out of the water, the rescue swimmer plus one other can be hoisted together in one lift. Or it could be the retrieval of someone in the rescue basket.

Jeff Mattera, provided copies of the CCA Pamphlet which describes the procedure for a helicopter rescue from a sailboat. For anyone who missed the event, the procedure will be posted on the SBCC website.

Membership Committee

Debbie and Jim Harris

Welcome New Members:

Tom and Marie Burke
124 Hiawatha Drive Bay Shore, N.Y.
E-Mail: twb55@optonline.net
Home Phone# (631)666-2421
Yacht Glenbeigh C&C 25 MK II
Sail# 655 Berthed in Brightwaters

Unofficial - 2 week Cruise

Captain - Joel Becker / Frank Peter

Departs Robert Moses boat basin 24 June and sails to Sheepshead Bay and will transit New York harbor up the East River to the north shore of Long Island with stops at various ports of call.

4th of July will find the cruise at the Harlem Yacht Club on City Island.

Expect to return to Fire Island on the 7th of July....

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and Cocktail Hour Recipes...
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capable Roger Daisley to take over this effort. Thank you Roger. For Rogers's introduction to his new responsibilities, Matt and Roger led a Karaoke session during the cocktail party. It was very evident that this was a big hit so I'm sure we will be seeing more of the same in the future.

We had a lot going on at the Spring Cocktail Party. The program committee chairs Frank Peter and Jeff Mattera also brought in the Coast Guard Auxiliary who set up an information table and gave us short talk about safety.

Racing is just around the corner. First race is May 12. And John Holst will be having a skippers meeting at W. I. Library, May 7 at 1900 hours. I hope to see many of you at the skippers meeting.

Bill

Eric Forsyth is planning an 11 month trip aboard Fiona to the west coast via the NW Passage, starting in June, 2009. He is looking for volunteer crew who can sign on for at least 5 months. For details contact Eric at eforsyth1@aol.com.

RGR



Over The Bowsprit

APRIL

25 - SBCC RENDEZVOUS, DAVIS PARK, *VIXEN*
27 - SBCC BOARD MEETING, 1930, WEST ISLIP LIBRARY

MAY

7 - SKIPPER'S MEETING, 1900-2100, WEST ISLIP LIBRARY
25 - COMMISSIONING DAY, BABYLON YACHT CLUB
27 - SBCC BOARD MEETING, 1930, EAST ISLIP LIBRARY
30 - BEACH PARTY RENDEZVOUS, WATCH HILL

JUNE

6 - SPRING FAMILY WEEKEND, ATLANTIQUE
20 - CHRISTMAS IN JUNE RENDEZVOUS
24 - UNOFFICIAL TWO WEEK CRUISE
27 - TWO WEEK CRUISE
29 - SBCC BOARD MEETING, 1930, WEST ISLIP LIBRARY

JULY

27 - SBCC BOARD MEETING, 1930, EAST ISLIP LIBRARY

AUGUST

30 - NO BOARD MEETING

SEPTEMBER

28 - SBCC BOARD MEETING, 1930, WEST ISLIP LIBRARY

OCTOBER

4 - LOUIS ORR RACE
17 - DISCOVERS RACE
25 - LAST CHANCE RACE
26 - SBCC BOARD MEETING, 1930, WEST ISLIP LIBRARY

From the Rigging Locker

For Sale: Winches, Lewmar #43-Ocean Series. New, Standard Chrome, 2 speed, never used. 2 Available. Drum Dia: 3 7/16", Base Dia: 6 1/2", Height 6 1/8"
Price: \$675.00 each **Contact:** Don or Laurie Zimmer at 516-785-5246.

For Sale: Garmin Blue Chart GPS chart for Region 1-Great South Bay. This is the certified unlock code for the chart. Never used. Still in package.
Price: \$45.00 **Contact:** John Amato at johnfamato@optonline.net

For Sale: 2 Volvo 3 Blade 16 X 11 Folding Props. In excellent condition. One left hand, and one right hand rotation.
Price: \$800.00, orig \$1,500.00. **Contact:** Bill Danilczyk at wjdanilczyk@gmail.com or 631-682-8647

For Sale: West Marine Roll up Dinghy. In excellent condition, used only 2 weeks per year then stored in bag. Includes oars, storage bag, thwart seat, repair kit and foot pump.
Price: \$400.00 **Contact:** Lenny 516-489-6706.

For Sale: 13' Wilderness Systems Kayak. Single or 2 person Sit on top with paddle.
Price: \$300 **Contact:** Joel Becker at 631 234-4062

For Sale: 20' O'Day, 1974. Swing keel, roller furling, main, jib, including 1992 Eagle trailer with new Fulton trailer jack and 5 hp Nissan outboard.
Price: Asking \$1,500 **Contact:** Ann Sanalistro at 631-567-3441 or 631-456-0979

For Sale: Bristol 31.1 "Good-Wind" owned by Hal Goodwin. 1984 K/CB, Universal Diesel, Harken Jib Furl, electronics, propane stove/oven, H&C pressure water. Excellent condition.
Asking \$49,500. **Contact:** Ken Goodwin 516-527-0565 kgoodwinassoc@aol.com

For Sale: Fox, Pearson Wanderer 30' 1969. Well maintained boat with many new items following deck refurbish in 2004. New: Lewmar self tailing winches, Navman multi depth and speed, Ritchie bulkhead compass, Alpine cd and Bose speakers, Lots of new stainless on deck. Draft 3'4" cb up 6'4 cb down, roller furling. Atomic 4. Keel stripped and conditioned with 5 coats of 2000E in 2003.
Price: Open to offers **Contact:** Mike Hurley, 631 956 7415 or <mailto:mhurley@optonline.net>

For Sale: Salt Heart, 27' Catalina, 1980, new 22 hp 3 cyl. Universal Diesel, new radio & compass, roller furling, dodger, cockpit rain cover & cushions, bimini 6 sales, 3 jibs, spinnaker, pole & drifter.
Price: Asking \$6000 **Contact:** Dorothy McCormack at 631-563-1326

Available: Lindenhurst Winter Storage Slips. Deep Water - 9', 10', 12', 14' wide - protected and secure, no ice. Year Round also available. 1/4 Mile from boat ramp and marina. Nov. 15 to May 1, land storage also available.
Price: \$500 - \$1,100 **Contact:** Chris Schaefer at 631-957-1220

Wanted: Old Working VHF
Price: Cheap **Contact:** Jack Nielsen at 631.842.9169

Listings in The Rigging Locker are for nautical items for sale by **SBCC MEMBERS ONLY**. Ads will run for 3 months only unless an extension is requested. Send the written advertisement by mail to:

Marceil O'Connell
133 Tahlulah Lane, West Islip, NY 11795
Or
Email to Marceil@kb5gang.com

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Please make sure to pick up your copy at Commissioning Day for complete information on our many upcoming events...

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