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JULY 2018



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4th – 4th of July Pancake Breakfast

6th – Commodore's Cup Regatta

7th – Commodore's Clambake

13th-21st – Annual Summer Cruise

21st – Island Party - All Welcome

25th – Steak & Swordfish Night

28th – Signature Regatta - Multi Class



ON THE HORIZON

AUGUST 2018

10th – Friday Night Dinner

11th -12th – Cruise to Battleship Cove

17th – Beer, Burgers & Blues

24th – Friday Night Dinner





Overnight in Battleship Cove

BYC is planning an overnight cruise to Battleship Cove in Fall River August 11-12. We will leave BYC Saturday morning and return Sunday. We will have a group of moorings reserved in the shadow of the Battleship Massachusetts for \$36.50/per boat. For those who want to come by land or smaller boat and are interested in staying overnight aboard the Battleship Massachusetts, we may be able to arrange if we have 30 people sign up at a cost of \$69/per person. Additionally, attendees will have access to tour the entire fleet of military vessels. We are planning appetizers with a drink of the day event for late Saturday afternoon aboard a couple of the larger boats that will be rafted together.

This is a great opportunity for an in-Bay cruise with a unique and exciting destination! Perfect for smaller boats or those new to cruising. A great way to introduce children and/or grandchildren to cruising as well. For those without boats but who want to travel down by boat, we will be offering passage on several of your fellow BYC members' boats who are heading down. Please contact cruise director Tamara Barney at tbarney@me.com to indicate your interest in attending so we can begin to gather numbers. Please let us know if you need a mooring, and/or want to sleep on the battleship. Registration will be announced via the BYC Weekly in mid-July.

Joe Whelan – Fleet Captain

MEMBERSHIP

New Member Wait List

Last updated June 19, 2018

1. Anthony & Kimberly D'Aiello – Wrentham MA. (Reinstatement)
2. Sean & Sandra Rosser – Bristol, RI – [Re-instatement](#)
3. Gary Warner & Catherine Murray – Bristol, RI

A Wait-list exists when the current membership of the Bristol Yacht Club has reached the maximum capacity of 325 Senior Members.

Wait-list priority is given to current Intermediate Members who wish to become Senior Members, then to former members who wish to be reinstated, then to new applicants.

The order of approved applicants is according to the date when they submitted a completed application. If Intermediate and/or former members apply for membership, and are approved, they will be placed on the top of the list and will subsequently change the existing order.

Paul Redman – Fleet Captain



COMMODORE'S QUARTERS



Greetings...

As many of you know, Kathi Lengel has resigned her post as Vice Commodore as of June 19, citing differences of opinion. The Board is currently discussing how best to proceed with the vacancy and will keep you apprised. The Bristol Yacht Club endeavors to provide the best possible benefits to everyone on a variety of levels and continues to support all yacht club activities, especially sailing and powerboating, for the enjoyment of our members. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly. We thank Kathi for her many years of service to the BYC and wish her well.

There is a lot going on at the Club and I hope you have the opportunity to take it all in. As always, July is hopping at the BYC. As we dive head-first into summer, this is a great time to take full advantage of all the Club has to offer.

Want to try your hand at cruising? Check out these great opportunities...

Cape Islands Cruise

There's the annual cruise going to the Cape and Islands where you can buddy up with an experienced skipper to make the passage safe and fun.

Double Dutch Event

There is also the Double Dutch BYC event at the end of the month in which cruising boats will be racing down to Dutch Harbor, then an overnight stay with a good party, and a race home.

Do you fancy racing? Want to learn to sail? We've got you covered!

Commodore's Cup

Commodore's Cup on the 6th (a fun race with a staggered start - all invited)

J/22 Charters

Charter a J/22 eastbaysailingfoundation.org/j22charters.html

Adult & Kids Sailing Programs

Enroll your kids in the EBSF program, or register yourself for one of the adult programs

Wednesday Night Races

Want to know more about our Wednesday night races? Join in the Steak and Swordfish night on the 25th and chat up your fellow members who race

4th of July... as Only a Club in Bristol Can Do!

Fireworks

It's the best spot in town to watch the fireworks on the 3rd - on your boat or on the lawn. Bring your family and friends and enjoy!

Pancake Breakfast with Harbour Transit

Hungry and looking for a ride to the parade on the 4th? What's better than a Pancake Breakfast and roundtrip launch service?

Annual Commodore's Clambake

If you like a good old-fashioned traditional New England Clambake, don't miss the Clambake on the 7th!

BYC Island Party

If you have a Caribbean Soul, put the BYC Island Party on your calendar (21st) and dig out your "barefoot shoes" because we are heading for a fun time. And to our annual cruisers: what a way to end your cruise; join us and spill the details of your week-long adventures!

There is something for everyone here at the BYC. Sign up and come on down... I'll meet you there!

Ruth E. Souto – Commodore

NEWPORT BERMUDA RACE



Report from Bermuda

The boats are headed home, awards have been handed out, and the memories are settling in. At the Royal Bermuda Yacht Club following the 51st Newport-Bermuda Race one could walk down the dock and see *Incognito* and *Shearwater* with a single boat in between. *Moonshadow* and *Aggressive* were berthed on nearby piers, and it was easy to locate more than a dozen Bristol Yacht Club friends in the crowd, which definitely added to the fun.

BYC members who sailed and their results:

Aggressive:

4th in double handed (Ray Renaud)

Incognito:

4th in Class 9 (Mike Brito, Joe Brito, Evan Granoff, Joe Murray)

Moon Shadow:

5th in Class 12 (John Bell, Jil Westcott, Peter Maloney, Tom Sullivan)

Shearwater:

11th in Class 6 (June, Chris, Kate and Ted Bjerregaard, Joe Whelan, Ken Madsen)



And Bristol had two more representatives in the race. Ray Deleo sailed on *Milky Way*, completing his 14th Bermuda Race. David Schwartz was a watch captain on *Grundoon*, the Columbia 50 that won both their class and the St. David's Lighthouse Trophy as the winner of the entire 86 boat division. David had been invited by owner Jim Grundy, whose 50 year old boat sported a new rig designed by David for GMT Composites. He joined three of Jim's adult children and a few other friends. The race itself was, according to David, pretty easy with light winds until the last 24 hours which featured a sporting close reach in 20+ knots of wind. But he appreciated even more the bond created between the crewmembers, as people worked hard to maintain a friendly equilibrium as well as focus throughout their journey. In addition to lack of wind, *Grundoon* also faced a dearth of water and toilet paper... and yet they arrived in Bermuda at 5:37 AM after 5 nights at sea with huge smiles on their weary faces. And then the celebrating began!

In addition to some wonderful docktime, the culminating awards ceremony, held at Government House, was especially beautiful, with gentlemen in blazers, ladies in dresses, and flowers abloom throughout. *Incognito* won an award for being 4th in their class, *Shearwater* received a 2nd for best time with most family members aboard, and *Grundoon* took home six award placques plus a replica of St. David's Lighthouse.

Marti Schwartz – Senior Member

We were only able to get BYC Bermuda Photos from *Incognito* – we hope to share some others in the next issue.



NEWPORT BERMUDA RACE



Incognito at start.



Incognito & Crew



Joe Murray gets a big hug from daughter, Olivia at the finish line.

HOUSE

Bermuda Send-Off!

What can we say... BYC certainly loves her sailors. This was clearly demonstrated by the wonderful support and turn out for our "Newport to Bermuda" Friday Night Dinner. Over a hundred participants enjoyed a Bar-B-Que dinner from Perella's and some fun thoughts from our Fleet Captain, Joe Whelan. Skipper Chris Bjerregaard spoke about one aborted race effort and his desire to take his crew to the finish with Co-Skipper Joe Whelan. Skipper Joe Brito, had his whole sturdy crew of young men join us for dinner and another attempt toward winning this race. Co-Skippers John Bell and Jil Westcott, spoke of their winter efforts to gain their individual Captain's license and the new name for their beautiful boat. Finally, Skipper Ray Renaud was questioned about the 15 or so Newport to Bermuda Races he has completed and the five races he has won to honor our club. Ray has completed both the "single-handed" and "double-handed" versions of this race multiple times. Over 20 club members participated. Thank you to all those who shared past race pictures.

Rosemary Alden – House Chair



Father's Day – From Inception through June 17, 2018

On Sunday, June 17th, Father's Day celebrated its 118th anniversary and it all began when a young woman wanted to honor her dad. As explained by Remy Melina, author of *Life's Little Mysteries: Answers to Fascinating Questions About the World Around You*:

In May of 1909, Sonora Smart Dodd of Spokane, Wash., sat in church listening to a Mother's Day sermon. She decided she wanted to designate a day for her dad, William Jackson Smart. Dodd's mother had died in childbirth, and Dodd's father, a Civil War veteran, had taken the responsibility of singlehandedly raising the newborn and his other five children.

The following year, Dodd wanted to celebrate Father's Day on June 5th, her father's birthday, and petitioned for the holiday to be recognized in her city. Needing more time to arrange the festivities, Spokane's mayor pushed the date back by two weeks, and the first Father's Day was celebrated on June 19, 1910, according to the Spokane Regional Convention and Visitor Bureau.

At the first Father's Day celebration, young women handed out red roses to their fathers during a church service, and large baskets full of roses were passed around, with attendees encouraged to pin on a rose in honor of their fathers – red for the living and white in memory of the deceased. Dodd then brought her infant son along on a horse-drawn carriage ride through the city, bringing roses and gifts to home-bound fathers.

While Congress was quick to officially declare the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day in 1914, after it was first celebrated on May 10, 1908, it took much longer for Father's Day to be legally recognized. But thanks to Dodd's celebration, Father's Day steadily gained popularity.

In 1924, President Calvin Coolidge said that he supported it, in order to establish closer relationships between fathers and their children and to impress upon fathers the full measure of their obligations, according to the Library of Congress.

And the holiday gained more traction in 1938 when a trade organization, the National Council for the Promotion of Father's Day, which was formed by men's clothing retailers in New York City, decided to take up the cause, according to Consumer Rites: *The Buying and Selling of American Holidays* (Princeton University Press, 1995).

President Lyndon Johnson issued the first presidential proclamation honoring fathers in 1966, but it wasn't until 1972 that President Richard Nixon signed the public law that made it a permanent holiday. Since then, Father's Day has become a time to recognize the many different father figures in our lives.

To recognize this time-honored holiday, the Bristol Yacht Club celebrated Father's Day with yet another spectacular dinner on Sunday, June 17th. Over 100 family members commended these incredible men while feasting on either a 1½ pound lobster or a freshly grilled 10-ounce rib eye steak, along with clam chowder, little necks on the ½ shell, shrimp cocktail, and an assortment of sides and desserts, most prepared by our own inhouse chefs.

Kudos and special thanks to co-chairs Donna Glavin and Kathy Rotsky, along with Social Committee and Club volunteers (donned in newly acquired BYC aprons, no less), who organized this special day for these special men!

Pat Crawford – BYC Archivist







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JULY 21st
6PM to 10PM

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&
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Visit the [BYC Social/ Special Events page](#).

RSVP by July 15th

So, What's up with the BYC Website?

We had hoped that with the printing of this Mainsheet we could have announced the new BYC website. We have run into a couple of complications that still need to be worked out before we can go live. In the meantime, we are keeping the existing site up and running. We appreciate your patience and look forward to its launch in the near future.

Flag Pole Repair

When it came time this winter to repair the flag pole I don't think that any yacht club in the country could have a more capable repairman to turn to than **Ken Madeiro**. He told me that he doesn't get a lot of opportunity to give back to the club and that this was an obvious opportunity for him to volunteer and pitch in. He gave much of his spare time under the cold tent on the lawn during a very busy pre-season to get this done for the club. I know that several personal planned boat projects were postponed probably until next winter so he could finish the flag pole repair in time for opening this season.

Submitted by Patrick Bodden

Thanks Tom!!

Tom Pasqual single-handedly erected our driveway posts... with precision! The BYC couldn't do half of what we do without our volunteers.



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