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From the Helm

John Davis

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It may seem like very little has been going on during the past month of ice, snow, and extreme cold, but nothing could be further from the truth in the SBCC. In order to complete all the plans for 2004, committee meetings have been occurring in rapid succession. The result will be a calendar of events we all can be proud of and enjoy. Prior to receiving your new Yearbooks, check the *Masthead* articles and calendar pages for the many events occurring in the near future.

One SBCC event that's always a lot of fun for me is the annual Race Awards gathering at Mustang Sally's Pub. The 2003 awards were given out on February 10th with close to 100 in attendance. . Special thanks to last year's regatta captain Joe Mulle', and scoring chair Jim Reichel, for bringing us a spectacular variety of trophies. I truly enjoy seeing so many club members having some fun and a few laughs talking about sailing despite the fact that it's the middle of winter.

Be sure not to miss the Cruise/Rendezvous Awards Dinner on March 26th at Snapper Inn. While it's a bit more formal than the Race Awards, we can promise you a fun filled Friday evening while enjoying a fine dinner with friends.

Last week I watched our new Suffolk County Executive, Steve Levy, give his "State of the County" address and to no one's surprise, he outlined the county's fiscal woes and blamed the other party. Right around that time, your team of three commodores and treasurer got together and did a State of the SBCC financial analysis of our own. I'm happy to tell you that we have nothing to blame on anyone and the SBCC is in a healthy financial state. Two weeks later we held our annual budget meeting with several of our committee chair people and came up with the 2004 spending plan. Just like the county, many of our expenses are beyond our control, but we still managed to produce a balanced budget. As various expenses continue to rise, we may have to increase our income to adjust, however, we are on an even keel for this year.

One of our biggest expenses continues to be our mailing cost, and the largest part of that is mailing the *Masthead*. You can help us reduce this expenditure by asking our Mailing Committee to send your copy via e-mail. You will get it several days sooner, and it will be in color. All you have to do is contact Sue Montana at thesuemt@optonline.net

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John. 

From the Regatta Captain

Jack Morgan

The SBCC 2004 regatta season is a long way off but good things are happening. On February 10th we had the 2003 Racing Awards at Mustang Sally's in West Islip. Close 100 people attended and Rear Commodore Joe Mulle did a great job presenting last season's trophies. Of course Commodore John Davis had some additional awards to give out. Everyone had a great time. This is always a fun event and helps to get us through the long winter.

One thing I found interesting at the race awards, as well as at last month's installation dinner, was that there seems to be quite a buzz about the Corinthian Race. People were asking questions about the format of the race, qualifications, and restrictions. They were even networking for crew as well as spots on boats. I know this race doesn't take place until July 31st

but already it is showing the makings of a big event. It's funny that out of all of the races we have scheduled, the one that's stimulating the most talk is, dare I say it, a cruising race! Stay tuned.

The Regatta Committee has yet one more meeting to discuss issues regarding handicap and scoring. We need to go over a few points, and put the finishing touches on this season's racing program. I have asked Bob Bennett, our yearbook chairman, to extend the deadline for my submissions so that the regatta committee can make sure that every detail has been attended to. Thanks for your patience Bob.

That's it for now. Warm weather is right around the corner.

See you on the starting line. 🏆

From the Fleet Captain

Dennis Krug

Adrian and I have, fortunately, been spending the month of February in Florida. It is great getting out of the snow and cold. This week we attended the Miami Boat Show. What an event! It is so large it is held at four locations, Strictly Sail is at Miamarina, large power boats are at Sealine Marina, Megayachts are along Collins Avenue, and the Miami Convention Center is host to power boats and exhibits. Shuttle buses provided transportation between the locations.

Strictly Sail did not have as many sailboats as Annapolis. However, the exhibits at all venues were mind-boggling. Almost every company that makes electronics, engines, hardware, fishing gear and accessories were there - more than 2,300 of the world's leading marine manufacturers. It is an event you should plan to visit one year as boaters come from all over the world for this show.

We certainly are not the only SBCCer's enjoying Florida's warm weather. Racers were here for Key West Race Week and we have been in touch with several club members here for various lengths of time to escape New York's particularly harsh winter. Parker and Debbie Revella have made the trip south in their boat *De Ja Vu II* and are currently in Fort Lauderdale.

Whether or not you have actually escaped the cold, or are rereading sailing magazines dreaming of it, it's time to start thinking about planning for a cruise. Previous Masthead issues have laid out the plans for our two and three week cruises, and as always there will be the popular "Week in the Bay" cruise. Hopefully, you can arrange the time to participate in all, or part of these

cruise schedules. 🏆

Upcoming Programs

Eric Forsyth at Long Island Maritime Museum Friday, March 12

Eric Forsyth will present a one-hour sailing video, featuring highlights from his recent circumnavigation of the world aboard his 42-foot yacht *Fiona*, on Friday, March 12 at 7:30 at the Long Island Maritime Museum. This video presentation will tell the story of how he followed the routes of the old clipper ships that were used before the opening of the Suez and Panama Canals. He will chronicle his voyage to Cape Town, South Africa, past the Cape of Good Hope, across Antarctica's Southern Ocean, to Cape Leeuwin in Australia, and Cape Horn at the tip of South America. He will also describe his visit to the remote island of Kerguelen, which is a French possession located between Africa, Antarctica, and Australia some 13,000 kilometers from France in the Southern Indian Ocean, and to the remote island of South Georgia, once part of the Falkland Islands it is now a British territory. The 15-month voyage was completed with leisurely cruising in the Caribbean, Bermuda, and Maine. SBCC member Bob Bennett accompanied Eric for most of the journey and SBCCer Mike Duffy was able to crew on the Maine - New York leg.

This was Forsyth's second circumnavigation made since 1995. He has also sailed to the High Arctic and

the Antarctic. For this latter cruise he was awarded the 2000 Blue Water Medal by the Cruising Club of America. This medal has been awarded annually since 1929 to an amateur sailor from any country for a meritorious example of seamanship and adventure. Eric was also awarded the Blue Water Cruising award from the SBCC in 1992, 1997 and 1999.

Eric is a resident of Brookhaven Hamlet and worked at Brookhaven National Lab from 1960 until his retirement in 1995.



Capt. Eric Forsyth rounding Cape Horn at 10:20 AM on Feb. 11, 2003. Photo courtesy of Bob Bennett

2003 Cruise and Rendezvous Awards Dinner and General Meeting

On Friday, March 26th, 1930 hrs. we have planned a well deserved night out for everyone waiting for this winter to come to an end. If you are feeling a touch of cabin fever by now, you're not alone.

Join us at the **Snapper Inn** for an evening of fine dining, and spectacular 2003 Rendezvous & Cruise Awards with a little fun mixed in. Your sit-down dinner will include appetizer, garden salad, choice of entree, desert, coffee & tea. Domestic beer, house wines, and soda are included.

Whether you are expecting an award for the 2003 season or not, you'll be sure to enjoy the ideal setting of the Snapper

Inn while sharing in the celebration with your friends.

Watch for your invitation in the mail and be sure to make your reservation early.

The price per person is \$35.00

Advance payment is preferred and makes it much easier for all of us. Make your check payable to: South Bay Cruising Club.

To make your reservation now contact:

Jeff Mattera

Phone: (631)968- 6127

E-mail: jmmattera@yahoo.com

Mail: 485 North Windsor Ave.

Brightwaters, N.Y. 11718

Handicap

Steve Brice

Handicap certificates need to be renewed every two years. At this time most certificates have been updated for those who race on a regular basis. They need to be signed and checked by the respective owner. One can view the handicaps at SBCC website - sbccsail.org. If the vessel has a CODE then a certificate is on hand and if you haven't already done so, you must sign it before being scored for a race. If a blank form is needed then that can be also found on the site. Please complete it and sent it to me. It **MUST** be stressed that in order to be scored a current certificate must be on hand no later then 48 hours after the end of a race!!!

The CODE signifies a few things which affect the base handicap; the first letter is either "Y" or "N" signifying if a trophy hasn't been won in the past 2 years awarding 6 sec./mile, the 2nd for the maximum size of the spinnaker (5 for being 143.1% to 153%, 4 for 133.1 to 143%). The next 2 letters show information about the prop and its location, the 5th is if there is eligible roller furling. The 6th for symmetrical or asymmetrical spinnaker, and the last for the maximum number of people allowed (at 180lbs. average) when racing.

Hospitality

Alison & Jim Reichel

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

As winter slowly comes to a close, the SBCC will celebrate spring with our annual Spring Party. This year, the festivities will take place at the West Sayville Country Club in a restored 1909 estate on the Great South Bay. With panoramic view of the bay, passed hors d'oeuvres, a dinner buffet, homemade desserts, beer, wine and soda -- this event is guaranteed to kick those winter blues away!

Mark your calendars and look to the next issue of the Masthead for more detail. Or, if you are ready to reserve your spot, please call Jim and Allison Reichel at 631-539-4403 or email to rsvp@sailchoice.com.



Racing Awards Photos Courtesy of Mike Duffy



Regatta Captain Jack Morgan with the "Keeper" from the 2002 Foulke Trophy



Class Champions Frank Marinaccio, Non-Spinnaker and Aileen Eppig, Spinnaker

Minutes of the General Membership Meeting

January 10, 2004

Riviera Catering Hall, Massapequa, New York

1. **Commencement of the Meeting** - With a review of attendance showing a quorum existing, Commodore John Davis commenced the meeting.
 2. **Approval of the Minutes** - Matthew DeMarco read the Minutes of the December Membership Meeting and motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved accepting the Minutes of the December 2003 Membership Meeting.
 3. **Honor for Former Vice Commodore** - Governor and Immediate-Past Commodore Sally Eilbeck called upon William Menger for special recognition of his many years of service to the SBCC.
 4. **Introduction of Officers and Committee Chairs for 2004/2005:**
Vice Commodore Bob Van Tassel
Rear Commodore Joe Mulle'
Treasurer Jeff Mattera
Recording Sec'y, Matt DeMarco
Governors Barry Pittman, Richard LaBella, Rich LaTorre, Sally Eilbeck, Frank Marinaccio, William Grauer, Michael Kohl
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| Fleet Captain Dennis Krug
Regatta Captain Jack Morgan
Membership Sue Montana
Program Rich & Adrienne Tesoro
Hospitality Jim Reichel Alison Davis
Fleet Surgeon Dr. Andy Peters
Corresponding Sec'y Belle Baxter
Yearbook Bob Bennett
Historian Bob Sheppard | Storekeeper Bryan McLoughlin
Trophy Mike & Jennifer Einsetler
GSBYRA Rep. Jerry Keenan
Handicap Steve Brice
Protest Aileen Eppig
Race Scorer Bob Blessee
Mailing John Holst
Welcoming Della Bucher
Chantyman Matt DeMarco |
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5. **Report of the Fleet Captain** - Dennis Krug reported that plans for the summer cruise & rendezvous schedule are under way.
 6. **Report of the Regatta Captain** - Jack Morgan reported on the Ed Brooks Memorial race.
 7. **Report of the Treasurer** - Jeff Mattera, had no report
 8. **Report of the Hospitality Committee** - Jim Reichel and Allison Davis reported that the spring cocktail party was set for April 25, 2004 at the Sayville Country Club.
 9. **Report of the Membership Committee** - Sue Montana encouraged all those who had not yet paid their 2004 dues to do so as soon as possible.
 10. **Report of the Welcoming Committee** - Della Bucher reported that she was attempting to set up a mentoring program for new members and was seeking volunteers to reach out to new members and make sure they knew about the club activities.
 11. **Report of the Storekeeper** - Brian McLoughlin, no report.
 12. **Report of the Programming Committee** - Rich & Adrienne Tesoro reported that the Race Awards Ceremony is scheduled for Mustang Sally's on February 10, 2004, at 19:30 hours.


13. **Report of the Yearbook Committee** - Bob Bennett reported that preparation of the yearbook was well under way, and requested photos of club members/events for possible inclusion in the yearbook.
14. **Report of the Trophy Committee** - Mike & Jennifer Einsetler, had no report.
15. **Report of the Fleet Surgeon** - Dr. Andy Peters, Fleet Surgeon, absent.
16. **Report of the Chantyman** - Matthew DeMarco had no report.
17. **Report of the Mailing Chairperson** - John Holst had no report.
18. **Report of the Historian** - Bob Shepard reported that he was attempting to compile past editions of the Masthead, and asked for anyone with their own archive to contact him so he could compare it with the records that he gathered from former historian Gene Reardon.
19. **Report of the Protest Committee** - Aileen Eppig reported that she is organizing a Protest seminar for sometime in March 2004. A US SAILING Judge will conduct the seminar.
20. **Report of the Handicap Committee** - Steve Brice reported that he and his committee are working on a revised handicap rating system that would take into account the usual conditions and courses sailed on the bay. The aim is to create a more equitable system
21. **Governor's Reports** -
 - Governor Sally Eilbeck, no report.
 - Governor Bill Grauer, no report.
 - Governor Michael Kohl, no report.
 - Governor Richard LaBella, no report.
 - Governor Richard LaTorre, no report.
 - Governor Frank Marinaccio, no report.
 - Governor Barry Pitman, no report.
22. **Report of the Vice Commodore** - Bob Van Tassel, had no report.
23. **Report of the Rear Commodore** - Joe Mulle, absent.
24. **Other Business and Adjournment** - Commodore Davis asked if there was any other business to be brought before the Membership, and there being none, adjourned the meeting.

Matthew J. DeMarco, Secretary

New Members

Della Bucher

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

Members - William and Maureen Danilczyk of North Babylon who sail their Endeavor 47 Catamaran *Runaway* out of Bay Shore. Their sponsors are John Holst and Jennifer Einsetler .

Please welcome them.

Over the Bowsprit

March

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12 Eric Forsyth, Long Island Maritime Museum, West Sayville 7:30 PM	13
14	15	16	17 	18	19	20 Happy Spring!!  !!!
21	22	23	24	25	26  Cruising Awards & General Meeting Snapper Inn 7:30 PM	27
28	29 SBCC Board Meeting, LaGrange Inn, West Islip 7:30 PM 	30	31			

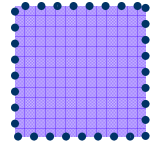
Over The Bowsprit:

April

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18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 Spring Cocktail Party, West Sayville Country Club 	26 SBCC Board Meeting, LaGrange Inn, West Islip 7:30 PM 	27	28	29	30	



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

For Sale: Two Blade Bronze Michigan Sailor Prop. Right hand rotation, 13" Diameter, 14" Pitch, for 1" shaft. \$75.00

Three Blade Bronze Michigan Prop. Right hand rotation, 12" Diameter, 13" Pitch, for 1" shaft. \$125.00

Martec Folding Prop, Mark III Eliptec. Right hand rotation, 12" Diameter, 12" Pitch, for 1" shaft. \$288.00

Contact: Mark Randazzo - *Williwaw*
Phone: 631-567-2064

Wanted: Old Kenyon or Homestrand two- burner pressurized alcohol stove. Does not have to be in working condition. Needed for parts.

Contact: Tom Gotard *Silhouette*
Phone: 516-541-2805

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

Contact: Mike & Jennifer Davis-Einsetler
Phone: 631-539-4331

E-mail: sailinaway5861@optonline.net