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From the Helm

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The SBCC has so many things going on this winter; it's difficult to keep up with all the invitations. The *Racing Rules and Tactics Seminar* featuring guest speaker Dave Perry was not only a great event for SBCC members, but for members of sailing clubs all over Long Island and Connecticut as well. The prestigious recognition we receive for sponsoring such an event expands our reputation as a first rate sailing organization far beyond the Bay. I especially want to thank our Protest Chairperson, Aileen Eppig, for organizing this event with Dave Perry, and the Sayville Yacht Club for their generous hospitality in offering the use their facility. It was a perfect setting for the full day event with additional entertainment provided by a few ice boats on the frozen bay.

Ten days latter we celebrated the 2004 SBCC Racing Season with our now traditional *Race Awards Meeting* at Mustang Sally's in West Islip. Our Trophy Committee, Jennifer and Mike

Einsetler, have treated us to a refreshing variety of awards at numerous events through out the 2004 season. Thank you both for providing the year end awards our skippers are proud to receive and display. Our Regatta Captain, Jack Morgan, presented the awards to numerous skippers and unveiled the 2005 Racing Season Schedule at the meeting.

The *Safety Seminar* organized by our Program Chairman, Rich Troy, will be on Saturday March 5th at Molly Malone's in Bay Shore, Free of Charge. There will be a cash bar for your refreshment and plenty of room if you care to bring a guest. You should have your invitation by now so give Rich a call and join us there. Rich has also scheduled the *Cruise and Rendezvous Awards Meeting* at Molly Malone's on March 18th with a spectacular buffet dinner and cash bar. Of course, Mike and Jennifer Einsetler have a special selection of awards ready for their recipients. Dennis Krug

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From the Fleet Captain

Dennis Krug

Don't forget to make plans to be at Molly Malone's waterfront restaurant in Bay Shore on Friday March 18 for the 2004 Cruising Awards Dinner starting at 1930. Hope to see you there.

Adrian and I returned to *Kariana* in Florida on January 8th. She weathered our absence well. On January 21 we hopped aboard *WINDQUEST* to help Bob Van Tassel, our Vice Commodore, bring his boat from Florida to the Bahamas. Of course, we also planned to spend some time cruising the Bahamas as well. That's the price Bob had to pay to get us to crew.

We left Melbourne and traveled south on the ICW to Ft. Lauderdale. We've made this trip before, but it is always interesting. You pass private homes that look more like hotels and loads of mega yachts. Not to mention 19 opening bridges.

At its closest the Bahamas is only 50 miles from Ft. Lauderdale, but the Gulf Stream passes through most of that distance. Any northerly wind against the stream can present an uncomfortable and perhaps dangerous passage. The result is that boats often wait for weeks for a weather window to cross the stream.

We were fortunate. The day after we arrived in Ft. Lauderdale, the winds were projected out of the west at around 10 knots. We went out Ft. Lauderdale inlet at 6am and the rising sun highlighted pleasant sea conditions. At around 2pm we passed Bimini. Our destination was Nassau. However, it is not possible to reach that in a day. This means spending the night anchored on the Bahama banks, a wide expanse of open water, where depths average 20 feet. There are little to no navigation aids in the Bahamas so visual navigation is the rule. The remarkable

clarity of the water allows this, once you have learned how to read the colors, which range from deep blues, aquas and greens, to blackish and white. Each color tells something about the bottom and depth. Travel is best made once the sun is high enough, hopefully at your back, and before it sinks to low in the sky.

After a night on the banks we stopped at Chub Cay (pronounced "key") where we checked in with Customs. The next day it was on to Nassau. The winds built to a steady 20 kts. with gusts to 30. Under reefed main and jib *WINDQUEST* and Bob were in their glory.

From Nassau we spent 12 days visiting some of the islands of the Exumas. This is best payment a crew could want! Winds blew out of the north the entire time, so temps were cool by Bahama standards, but the result was clear days and comfortable nights. We visited Normans, Allans, Staniel and Wardrick Wells Cays. At Wardrick we were visited by Bubba, the resident barracuda (he likes hot dogs) and Harbormaster, the resident Lemon Shark. That kept us out of the water. Although we were told they do not bother you we decided to let someone else test that theory.

Upon our return to Nassau we flew back to Florida to spend time on *Kariana*. Friends and club members are joining Bob during the coming month.

Kariana has had visits from SBCC members Tom and Joyce Gotard, Parker and Debbie Revella and Don and Marian Metznik. They each spent a few nights with us and we went sailing. Around April 1st we will start to head north.

Dennis 

From the Regatta Captain

Jack Morgan

Attention racers. This is the list of available dates as of February 17. Please get in touch with me to select your assignments ASAP as I must get the list in for the yearbook. Basically it works like this: If you are a regular racer, you must do two race committee assignments. If you are an occasional racer, you must do one assignment. If you don't select your own they will be assigned.

Thanks,

Jack 🏆

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Sunday	June 5	Spring Family Race	Watch Hill
Saturday	July 16	Commodore's Cup	Bay Shore
Tuesday	July 19		Bay Shore
Saturday	July 23	Foulke Trophy	
Saturday	August 6	West Island Race	Nicoll Bay
Tuesday	August 30		Bay Shore
Thursday	September 1		Babylon
Sunday	September 25	Fall Family Race	Atlantique
Saturday	October 8	Discoverer's Race	Bay Shore
Saturday	October 22	Last Chance Race	Bay Shore
Saturday	November 5	Fall Series 1	Babylon
Saturday	November 19	Fall Series 2	Babylon
Saturday	November 26	Turkey Race	Babylon
Sunday	January 1, 2006	Ed Brooks Race	Babylon

Membership

Sue Montana

Thank you to the 174 members and associates who have submitted their renewal forms and payments. It has made my job so much easier! This is particularly important as the Yearbook Committee will use this updated information to publish the member directory section of the 2005 yearbook.

To the 62 of you who have NOT submitted your response, please do so at your earliest convenience. If you do not intend to renew, you may resign in good standing by sending me a letter or email. This will save the Committee and the Club time and money on follow up calls and mailings. If you have any questions regarding your membership, please do not hesitate to contact me via phone (631-567-7028) or email (thesuemt@optonline.net).

Welcoming New Members

Della Bucher

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

Members - **Kenneth Goodwin** of West Islip who sails *Intrepid*, a Tartan 28 was reinstated.

Michael L. Milligi of West Islip who sails *Amblin* a Pearson Wanderer. He was sponsored by Aileen Eppig and Joe Mulle.

Brian R. Joyce of Farmingdale who sails *Wicked* a 25' Catalina out of Amityville. He was sponsored by Jim Reichel and Jim Westpfahl.

Associate - **Chris Toner** of West Islip. He was sponsored by John Davis and Michael Einsetler

Please welcome them to the club. 🏠

NEW MEMBERS' RENDEZVOUS

March 19, 2005

1500 - 1800 Hrs

10 Salt Meadow Road

(Bridgeview at Babylon Cove)

New Members - Please look for your invitation to come and be welcomed by the SBCC Board and fellow new members. We are looking forward to meeting you and talking about our many sailing activities in and beyond our Great South Bay.

2004 Cruising Award Recipients

<i>Vixen</i>	<i>Mistress</i>	<i>Cee-J2</i>	<i>Wild Blue II</i>
<i>Miss Liberty II</i>	<i>One More Time</i>	<i>Astarte</i>	<i>Ceol na Mara</i>
<i>della.calm</i>	<i>First Light</i>	<i>Njord</i>	<i>Magic Dragon</i>
<i>Lady Barbara (n)</i>	<i>Jam V</i>	<i>Belle Free</i>	<i>Laurie Jean</i>
<i>Habanero</i>	<i>Grace</i>	<i>Fenian</i>	<i>Pzaz</i>
<i>WINDQUEST</i>	<i>Saga</i>	<i>Becky</i>	<i>St. Micheal</i>
<i>Counterpoint</i>	<i>Floriana</i>	<i>Silhouette</i>	<i>Full Circle</i>
<i>Kariana</i>	<i>Cu Mara</i>	<i>Leprechaun</i>	<i>Galatea</i>
<i>Painkiller</i>	<i>Dragon Fly</i>	<i>Captain's Lady</i>	<i>Magic Dragon</i>
<i>Eagle's Wings</i>	<i>Courageous</i>	<i>Charisma</i>	<i>Arcadia</i>
<i>Windswept</i>	<i>Stardust</i>	<i>Silent P</i>	<i>Silver Cloud</i>
<i>Emerald Seas</i>	<i>Justus</i>	<i>Fun Sway</i>	<i>Wind Call</i>
<i>Carefree</i>	<i>Déjà Vu</i>	<i>Shoot'n the Breeze</i>	

Hospitality

Alison & Jim Reichel

April Fool's Spring Cocktail Party

Get ready for some good clean fun and a little tomfoolery at the South Bay Cruising Club's April Fool's Cocktail Party.

This hilarious event is set to happen on **Saturday, April 2nd, 2005** from **1600 - 1900 Hours** at the **Sayville Yacht Club** where you will enjoy an **OPEN BAR**, Tons of Hot & Cold Hors d'oeuvres, Desserts, and Musical Entertainment.

At just \$25 per person this party is sure to bring some smiles!

Invitations will be in the mail soon, but you don't have to wait - RSVP today by contacting Jim and Allison Reichel at 631-539-2687 or at rsvp@sailchoice.com, or drop a check in the mail (payable to SBCC) and send it to 1165 Patricia Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795.

See you there!



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promises he will return from the sunny South to make the presentations.

Mark your calendar with one more event on Saturday April 2nd for our annual Spring Cocktail Party sponsored by your Hospitality Committee. Jim and Allison Reichel will be hosting this event at the Sayville Yacht Club with the emphasis on fun and preparing for a season of sailing. After that we need all of our energy to get the boats ready and sailing by Commissioning

Day.

Some of your invitations may give a rather short notice, but please join us as often as possible. All of your committees are working hard to give you programs and events you will enjoy.

You can reach me anytime at (631) 422-2242 or email to Jdavisfly@aol.com

John 

Programming

Rich Troy

Two important events are planned for March.

First - Join us in a FREE SBCC 4-Hour Boating Seminar on Safety and RADAR Saturday March 5th, 1300 - 1700, Upstairs at Molly Malone's in Bay Shore, NY

Sponsored by the South Bay Cruising Club (SBCC), Captain Henry Marx and Captain Eric Knot of Landfall Navigation will provide an entertaining and informational seminar, including some equipment demonstrations.

The safety seminar will benefit anyone, whether you own or operate a recreational boat or not, and whether you cruise or race. Captain Henry Marx will provide an update on the radically new technology that has changed boating faster than anything else in the past 50 years. He will talk about personal medications, foul weather gear, Man Overboard Maneuvers, jacklines, safety harnesses, auto-inflating life vests (so comfortable you won't mind wearing them because you'll forget they are there), and the personal gear you should bring with you when are on the water. **Demonstrations will be included** to show examples of how some of the new safety equipment works.

The RADAR seminar will be ideal for the curious, those who are thinking of buying RADAR, those who already have it on board, and those who want to make better use of it. Captain Eric Knot will explain how to use RADAR, what the controls do, how to find and deal with the limitations of your RADAR, and how to use RADAR for collision avoidance and position plotting - all which will help make your boating safer and more fun. **Demonstrations will be included** to show examples of RADAR in action.

Why Attend?

Lots of reasons! It's free! These are great guest speakers. There will be interesting product demonstrations of new safety equipment and RADAR. It's too long since we've had a rendezvous cocktail hour. This is a great waterfront location and a great place to get dinner afterwards (also Dutch treat). Remember, this event is first come, first served.

Second - South Bay Cruising Club's 2004 Rendezvous Awards Dinner Saturday, March 18th, 2005, 1930 Upstairs at Molly Malone's in Bay Shore, NY

The event features delicious Hot and Cold Buffet including Breads and Salads
Fully stocked cash bar
Awards Presentation and Surprises!
\$29 per person

Please RSVP by March 9th to
Rich Troy at 516-935-5367
Or mail a check payable to South Bay Cruising Club to
Rich Troy, 1 Stymus Ave, Bethpage, NY 11714

Visit www.mollymalonesbayshore.com for directions for both events

SBCB TWO WEEK “FORKERS (BETWEEN THE FORKS) CRUISE”
CRUISE CAPTAINS: CHARLIE BECKER (*BECKY*) AND JERRY HOLWELL (*GALATEA*)

Friday, July 1	Bellport (inside) or Sore Thumb (ocean passage)
Saturday, July 2	Cormorant Point
Sunday, July 3	Lake Montauk
Monday & Tuesday, July 4, 5	Three Mile Harbor
Wednesday & Thursday, July 6, 7	Greenport
Friday, July 8	New Suffolk or Cutchogue Harbor
Saturday & Sunday, July 9, 10	Bullhead Bay, Sebonic Neck
Monday, July 11	West Neck Harbor
Tuesday & Wednesday, July 12, 13	Coecles Harbor
Thursday, July 14	Lake Montauk
Friday, July 15	Cormorant Point or Tiana Bay
Saturday, July 16	Great River or home

Over the Bowsprit

MARCH

- 5 - Safety Seminar, Molly Malone's, Bay Shore, 1300
- 18 - Cruise Awards Dinner, Molly Malone's, Bay Shore, 1930
 Deadline for April **Masthead**
- 19 - New Members Rendezvous, Della's, 1500
- 28 - SBCC Board Meeting, West Islip Library, 1930

APRIL

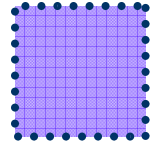
- 2 - Spring Cocktail Party at Sayville Yacht Club, 1600
- 15 - Deadline for May **Masthead**
- 25 - SBCC Board Meeting, West Islip Library, 1930



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From The Masthead
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The Rigging Locker

For Sale: West Marine Explorer foul weather gear, color red and white, like new.
Two sets, #1 Extra Large jacket, Large Bib pants, #2 Large jacket, Medium Bib pants. Cost new
#350.00 per set.

Price: \$125.00 per set or \$225 for both sets.

Contact: Ed or Kathy Simmons (631)859-3418⁽⁴⁾

For Sale: *Painkiller* - a well-maintained 1988 Hunter 26.5 - 3-1/2 foot draft with Wing Keel; with
a 1998 Suzuki 4-stroke 9.9 HP long shaft electric start motor with alternator; 110 & 150 jib; Roller
Furler; Battened Main; New Depth/Fish Finder (Not Installed); Dodger with Sun Awning; Single
Burner Alcohol Stove; Sink with Foot Pump; Charcoal Bar-b-Que; Hard Dinghy & 2.5 hp outboard. A
great little fast cruiser! All sails washed & maintained yearly by Sailor's Choice.

Price: \$12,000

Contact: Dave & June Tedesco - (631) 277-3760 ⁽¹⁰⁾

For Sale: *Hurricane* - 19' 1974 Cape Dory Typhoon 6 HP Suzuki outboard

Price: \$2,500

Contact: Rick LaTorre, 226-1505 ⁽⁴⁾

Wanted: Crew for local racing aboard *Suzy - Z*, Alerion 28 from a Babylon boat yard. Race or
practice on one weekend day, Saturday or Sunday. The skipper is an old experienced geezer who is
no longer winning any races. There is no yelling. Looking for someone with experience, able to do
foredeck and everything else.

Contact: Maurice Schoenwald I will be in Florida until May. Phone No. is 1 941 383 4444. When
back in NY, the home phone 1 631 968 4455; office NY 1 800 423 8393 -e-mail
thefundchap@aol.com ⁽⁴⁾

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