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From the Helm

Happy Harvest Dance Month! I do love November. Indeed I do. There are those days that you can still throw on a sweater and head out on the water, either to fish, sail, or just enjoy the peacefulness. You may not even need a sweater if the current weather pattern holds - the last week of October was in the 70's! November also lets me know that baseball is over (for the Red Sox a while now - not happy 'bout that) and we can start looking forward to those great family and friends times of the holiday season. Nothing better than the night before Thanksgiving at the FYC bar- another "Top 10" FYC event for me.

Then there is also the November FYC "business side" (as I like to call it) for this month. November is the start of the Nominating Committee work. That is where we begin looking ahead to next year and start to get an idea who will come forward and see if they can help FYC steer the ship into the future. All positions are available for those who want to come and see if their energy, talent, and forward thinking can help us continue the progress that has happened in the recent past. Dates are listed in this newsletter, so if you are interested, please come on one of those dates, state the position you are interested in and go for it! Another important business side item is the Club's annual Connecticut Food Bank drive headed up by Sandye Mann. Sandye has been doing a fantastic job orchestrating this collection for many years now and I think it is a very simple way to give back. There will be a big box in the front hall for non-perishable items. Last year we also threw money into a hat at a Friday Happy Hour and Sandye personally went out to get as many turkeys as she could. We'll definitely be doing that again.

Well to sign off, make sure you come on down to check out what has been going on more recently at the Club. The new FYC burgee front entrance carpeting looks awesome. The new ticket buying for the events on the new Point of Sale system has been working very smoothly. Don't forget, you can purchase your event tickets with cash, check, and now, credit cards. Swanson's hot side items on Friday nights are increasing as the temps dip a little. The new decking out back will be completed this month. We wanted to wait until the members got every last minute of warm sun on their faces.

Sláinte,
George E. O'Connell
Commodore





From the Vice Commodore

November already? Time sure flies when you're having fun! October was such a busy month here at FYC thanks to all the events Rear Commodore Rich scheduled, as well as the Fishing Committee's Fish Fry, and Friday night music and raw bar. Get ready for November as we have our annual Harvest Dance on the 20th. Get your tickets early because this one sells out every year.

It is a tremendous help if everyone would bring their empty bottles and glasses back to the bar and clean up their tables. Please remember to inform your guests as to our club rules concerning this.

Another fun night in November is on the 6th, as we have our Sailing Awards starting at 1830 hrs. You don't have to be a sailor to attend and it's only \$10.00 per head. It will be a special night for me, my wife, and my two son's as we sailed on Blue Angel, owned by Aavo Anto who we lost this year. I'm sure he will be with us on Nov. 6th as his two son's will be receiving 1st and 2nd place awards for the Wednesday Night Div I Series.

Fridays will continue to be really fun nights with live music and Swansons raw bar. Then on Sunday afternoon, what better place to hang out and watch football than in our bar or upstairs on the big screen in the library. Monday night dart league is going strong. It doesn't matter what your skill level is as we play for fun and choose different teams each week. We are glad to have new and beginner players join us.

Finally I would like to wish all of our members a very Happy Thanksgiving.

Jim Sorensen
Vice Commodore



From the Rear Commodore

Thankful for what we have; being able to share!

Last Month four yacht clubs participated in the Coastal Cook-Off: Fayerweather, Black Rock, Ischoda, and East End. The event raised over \$2,500 for Special Olympics.

Race Night became an intimate affair, while Sinatra Night was an overwhelming success. Success created by the music, food, drink, and friends overlooking the sound. We look to Fright Night Costume Party on Mischief Night, Oct. 30th. Custom judging and prizes will be awarded.

Calling all bail bondsmen – Criminals will be on the scene for the Harvest Dance. Our DJ for the evening is Seth Carly! Tickets for the dance are available at the bar – unfortunately we will need to limit participation to 200 so get your tickets early (note the signup sheet breaks the rooms down by Penfield 100, Upper Deck 60 and Bar 40).

I need assistance for the Harvest Dance setup: Please see the signup sheet at the bar.

Keeping with the theme of sharing, we are collecting non-perishables for the Local Food Bank – Drop the items in the orange box.

I'm looking for suggestions for New Years Eve.

Rich Parker
Rear Commodore

Calendar of Events

Tuesday, Nov 2nd
General Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, Nov 6th
SAILING AWARDS 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov 10th
Auxiliary Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, Nov 20th
HARVEST DANCE

Monday, Nov 29th
B.O.G. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Weekly Events

Thursday Night Dinner
Seatings at 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.
Check website for special menus

Friday Night Happy Hour
–Raw bar, lobster rolls, chowder–
–Live Music–.

FYC Dart League
Monday Nights 6:50 p.m.

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THE FYC NOMINATING
COMMITTEE WILL BE
INTERVIEWING CANDIDATES
IN THE SMEDLEY LIBRARY
FOR 2011 OFFICER AND
B.O.G. POSITIONS.

THE INTERVIEWS WILL
BE BETWEEN 7-9PM
ON NOVEMBER 4, 11, 18
AND DECEMBER 2.

Fleet Captain's Corner

Last month we talked about the Dock Rules and went over the first three: our docks' functions; service to them; purposes of each; and disabled boats staying at the main dock and transient dock.

Rule Four: All boats tied to the main dock overnight, (except disabled boats), must be removed by 0900 the next day. Members seeking early morning departure may dock free of charge from one half hour prior to the conclusion of launch service and must depart by the beginning of launch service the following morning. (This may at first seem somewhat confusing, but after careful review it does make sense.)

Rule Five: Boats shall not be tied up at the main dock longer than twenty minutes. The operator of any boat tied to the dock must notify the dock person in charge. Exceptions to Rule Five are at the discretion of the dock person in charge, depending on conditions at the time. Comment: This rule requires the application of common sense and it is on week-ends that some of us lose our perspective here. Do unto others...comes to mind here.

Rule Six: The gasoline fueling area, designated by a painted red stripe, shall be kept clear and used only for refueling operations. Boats not being fueled may not extend onto the fuel dock. Fueling boats shall be tied to the dock facing into the wind. No smoking, running of engines, or open flames are permitted on the fuel dock during fueling operations. All U.S. Coast Guard and State regulations regarding fueling must be followed. These regulations are posted in the dock area.

Rule Six A: No boat may be left unattended at the South end of the main dock which is designated by a yellow line. Maximum time for an Attended boat is twenty minutes. This rule is per order of the Bridgeport Harbor Commission.

These first six rules are the most important of all. If we can get these Read, Understood and Followed, then the balance of the Rules will most certainly fall neatly into place.

Enough said for this month...we will go over the next three Rules in December. It is our hope that these first six will be put onto refrigerators, or inside club members' lockers or boats or wherever they will be predominant and do the most good.

Any question relative the Rules can be addressed to me or any other of the Dock Committee. We certainly will get you the proper answer... and we thank you.

Bob Butler
Fleet Captain
268-5775



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The Fishing Line

Thank you all that came to the Fish Fry on October 22nd, and special thanks to the Committee Members who worked the event; Mark Berish, Walt Dobosz, Mike Herrington, Jerry Hogarth, Dave Shackett, Gerry Weiss, Dave Farrington and Jim Anderson's Kitchen Crew.

Also, thanks to the participants of the Annual Bridgeport Four Club Tournament on October 10th. We placed third with our top five boats weighing in 170.37 pounds (top three fish per boat) lead by Roy Edwards with 37.70 lbs.

Our Annual Fishing Awards Dinner will be December 3rd. The tickets are \$35 and are available at the bar. The raffle for *Penn International 975 LD Reel & Seeker East Coast Series 7' Rod*, a \$500 value, will take place at the Awards Dinner. Tickets are available at the bar.

The season is coming to an end with three categories still in play. 2010 Annual FYC Fishing Tournament standings as of October 24th are as follows;

Jim Hogarth & Jim Hanrahan
Fishing Committee Co-chairmen

Striped Bass		
1.	Ed Wargo III	38.05 lbs.
2.	Ed Kasper	35.18 lbs.
3.	Steve Ehrens	22.61 lbs.
Bluefish		
1.	Steve Ehrens	15.32 lbs.
2.	Roy Edwards	13.70 lbs.
3.	Mark Berish	13.10 lbs.
Black Fish		
1.	Stephanie Stypinski	10.41 lbs.
2.	Ed Kasper	8.39 lbs.
3.	Mike Vass	6.36 lbs.
Porgy *		
1.	Larry Palaia	2.56 lbs.
2.	Frank Stirna	2.35 lbs.
3.	Bob Gaydosh	2.06 lbs.
Winter Flounder *		
1.	Frank Stirna	2.32 lbs.
2.	Mike Herrington	1.79 lbs.
3.	Ed Wargo III	1.62 lbs.
Fluke *		
1.	Bob Gaydosh	7.35 lbs.
2.	Ed Kasper	6.23 lbs.
3.	Ed Wargo III	5.62 lbs.

* Season Closed

Good & Welfare

CONGRATULATIONS & WELCOME NEW MEMBERS
Dawn Nacewicz, William Allen, Dana Seymour, Heather Franc, and Richard Sastre.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Congratulations to Mike Andre and his wife Amy on the birth of their first child, Sawyer Michael.

Get well wishes go out to MaryEllen Tortorello and Richard Holmes, we wish them a speedy recovery.

There is quite an array of clothing, umbrellas, etc, in lost and found. Please check the hangers on the upper deck, next to the pool table. We will be donating them towards the end of the month to Goodwill.

Happy Thanksgiving,
Dee Powers
msseafarer@aol.com

Auxiliary News

Well it's November. Our meeting this month is holiday Chinese Auction. Our hostesses will be Eleanor Anderson, Carol Corbi, and Arlene Vaisil. We will be doing the sign up for the Christmas Party. If you can not attend the meeting and want to sign up for the party, please call me to be added to the list. The price for the Christmas Party is \$15.00 and must be paid ahead of time. We are asking those who attend the November meeting to please bring a bottle of wine for the Wassail basket raffle.

Yours,
Lynn Sullivan
Auxiliary President
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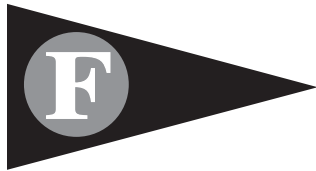
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