

From the Publisher and Editors

"The Friendly Club for People Who Love Sailing!" That's NSYC!

On behalf of everyone on your Blinker Team, we hope you and yours are well and progressing to an "almost" post-Covid life. As sayings go, "A smooth sea never made a skilled sailor."

Our 2023 Cruising, Racing, Boat Share, Social and Education programs are now trimmed for speed and 2023 enjoyment.

Just click any Table of Contents link below and see how this Blinker issue serves as a "Journal of Club Activities" with a peek towards the future... just click "Looking Forward" and see a great season of Cruising, Boat Share, Social, Racing, great times and friendships unfold.

Our entire Blinker Team, made up of Anne Cassidy, Kelly Cai, Bob Ebenau, Peter Li, Frank LoPresti, Bill Palafox, Judy Raskin, Michele Riggio and Marian Weissman, invites you to take a little time, click the links and enjoy your Blinker!

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Welcome to our 153rd season.

We have had a very busy spring culminating in the club's commissioning on May 20. There was a full house, unfortunately the rain kept everyone inside. But the club house was just the right size for the gathering. The ceremony featured a bagpiper along with Jane Murphy's beautiful singing of the national anthem. The rain did lighten up near the end of the ceremony and allowed five of our past commodores to raise the flags. Thanks go out to Alexandra Caliendo along with Alex's friend and other members who helped host the party. It was a fantastic time along with a delicious cake. Some said it was the best cake ever!

Our facilities are in great condition. Fleet Captain Evan Spence organized work parties to wash and seal our new decks. They look great, thanks to Evan and all who helped.

The Boat Share program is going strong as Undertoad has been launched and is in the fleet, Elusive is not far behind. We are expanding our training for Boat Share members by recruiting Boat Share skippers to help train the new people. Thanks to all the skippers who are helping in the training. Later in the season there will also be a sailing instructor available for hire who can teach adult sailors. More details to follow.

On the social side we are starting our First Friday BBQ's, held the first Friday of each month. I encourage everyone to come to the club, enjoy hot dogs and burgers as the sun sets. We have the best view in Port Washington.

Our racing program will start June 11 with the Borden Cup. If you are a seasoned racer or just starting out we have a race for everyone. Come out and join the races. Let us know if you need help figuring out what is needed to race.

Looking forward to seeing you on the water.

Rich Predmore

LAUNCH SERVICE HOURS

Summer Season - Thurs May 20th - Mon Sept 4

Mon - Fri	0900-2145*			
Sat & Sun	0800-2145			

Holidays: July 4th & Sept 4th same as Sat/Sun schedule

For late pick-ups from mooring field for fireworks on holiday weekends after 2145 (9:45PM) to midnight, you must make reservations before 8PM with Port Water Taxi – 516-455-0411 or VHF Ch 9.

Fall Season - Tues Sept 5 - Sun Oct 15

Mon - Thurs	0900-1945*
Fri & Sat	0900-2245
Sun	0900-1945

*Exception for Wednesday and Thursday – if required for racers, launch will run through 2245. Holiday: October 9th same as Sunday schedule

Post Season – Mon Oct 16 - Sun Nov 12

Port Water Taxi

Mon - Thurs 1300-1700 Fri - Sun 0900-1700

Port Water Taxi/Matt Meyran Ch. 9; cell 516-455-0411

If you wish to sail until November 12th, please advise the Steward. All boats should be removed by November 12th so mooring work can be completed.

Anyone needing to get to their boat outside of scheduled launch service hours must make arrangements other than the NSYC launch. Do not call launch operators on their cell phones as they are not available to render this service.

NSYC 2023 Officers and Trustees

Commodore – Richard Predmore Vice Commodore – Vacant Rear Commodore – Peter Hirschhorn Fleet Captain – Evan Spence Secretary – Rob Harrison Treasurer- Yustin Koleda **Trustees Through 2023** Jamie Ebenau Roger Lifson **Trustees Through 2024** Laura Boehm-Warnke Karen Verola **Trustees Through 2025** Mitchel Litke Anthony Girand

LAUNCH SERVICE COMMITTEE

APRIL

The Launch Service Committee met on April 18 to perform the spring service on both launches which includes installing the batteries, changing the Raycor and primary fuel filters, and checking the fittings and connections on the engine. The work was done expeditiously, and the launches were ready for service in a timely manner.

The following members of the Committee were present: Hamilton Driggs, Allyn Salomon, Commodore Rich Predmore, and me.

If anyone would like to join our committee, please let me know.

JUNE 14

The Committee met this morning to service the launches. Linnea had almost no use since the commencement of launch service and the oil was full and clean so nothing was done.

We (Peter Hirschhorn, Hamilton Driggs, Arlene Kase, Cmdr. Rich Predmore and I) with encouragement and assistance from Capt. Vic, drained the oil from Victor launch, replaced the oil filter and re-filled the crankcase with clean oil. We also did a general observation of the engine. All is good and probably no further service will be due until the Fall.

Ken Magida, Chair

Rear Commodore's Report: Clubhouse Is Open for Business

Early April we held our first big work party to prepare the clubhouse for the season. With another excellent turnout of members, we took all the deck furniture out from the basement and washed it down before moving on to the decks. The winter bubbler system was returned to the basement. Members did a thorough job of cleaning up the inside of the club including the kitchen, bathrooms, lobby and the upstairs meeting room. Thank you to everyone who showed up to help this year.

You will notice the freshly painted window shutters on the front of the building as well as our new window flower boxes. We must thank Yustin Koleda for his time and skill in building the new flower boxes.

The clubhouse is in good shape for another season and looks good to go. Enjoy our beautiful view from the back deck. There aren't many better views in all of Port Washington to relax and take in our magnificent harbor. It's the perfect place to have lunch or drinks with friends. Of course, the best views are on the water. Hopefully those members without boats can get some time on the water as guests or crew.

As always, treat our clubhouse as your home. Enjoy it but also help us maintain it. Clean up after yourself so others may enjoy a clean facility. If you notice something that needs attention, please bring it to Capt. Vic's attention or reach out to me so we can take appropriate action.

Have another great season at NSYC

Peter Hirschhorn Rear Commodore

NSYC March 5th Open House – Another Success!

With 9 total applications (4 Affiliates and 5 Boat Share) from attending prospects, there's much thanks to go around for the success of the March 5th Open House.

Generating prospects, guests, and follow-ups, clubhouse prep, setup and clean-up, beverages, nibbles, friendly hosts, literature and friendly NSYC hosts made for success. Thanks to many from NSYC!

Naturally, bringing membership applications to fruition takes leg work, confirmations, interviews, follow-up, and more.

Our process for generating and cultivating membership prospects is proven.

Many Thanks to Capt. Vic, Laura Boehm-Warnke, Mary Lu Dempsey, Anthony Filorimo and Son, Peter Hirschhorn, Mitch Litke, Bill Palafox, Rich Predmore, Carolyn Predmore, Richard Raskin, Evan Spence and numerous other NSYC friendly "walk-ons" who added a positive spirit to this successful event.

Bill Palafox



Fleet Captain's Report

The Boat Share had good work parties on April 2nd, 15th and 29th. We washed & waxed UT's topsides, washed & waxed her deck, polished the chrome, and added a winch handle pocket to the cockpit. Joe Stevens, Kathy Gallo, Paul Spoonhower, Wendy Brown, Anthony & Thomas Filorimo, and Jacob Spence all participated. Thank you all for coming out and doing great work! Once Undertoad was painted and got splashed, we attached the motor and took her to the mooring on the 29th. Despite it being a little wet, Wendy and Joe came out to help and we were done in just over an hour.

Special thanks to Linda Kulla, Peter Hirschhorn, Richard Raskin, Robert Coles, and Captain Vic for the assistance and expert advice.

Elusive had several little things to be fixed before she was ready to sail. !

On May 6th, several NSYC volunteers power washed our docks in preparation for water sealing, which Lloyd Herman did on the 23rd and 26th. This will keep the new docks looking great and lasting for many years. Thank you to all who helped get it done!

Undertoad is in commission and is being enjoyed by our Boat Share members as the season takes off. After many trips to the boat yard & West Marine, Elusive is ready as well, and with any luck will be sailing as you read this. Thanks to Boat Share Cochair Anthony Filorimo for his help in stripping the brightwork, repairing wood in the bilge, and doing the myriad of other things to get the Sonar ready for the season. Also special thanks to Robert Coles for refinishing the hatch cover boards, lending us his wet/dry vac, power washer, and just being available to offer expert advice or come out to see the boat. We could not have done it without you, Robert!

Evan Spence Fleet Captain







B*L*I*N*K*S

New 2023 Members

4 New Affiliate Members

Hamilton Driggs & Ramona Zimmerman Garden City, NY 11530...*Clare Rose*

Gregory & Graceann Forrester Port Washington, NY 11050...*Rosie Peach*

Tomas Gonsorcik New York, NY 10011...Gotham

Phil Rosenthal & Sherri Ehrlich Brooklyn, NY 11201...Sushi Roll

<u>3 New Active Members</u>

Anne Cassidy Jackson Heights, NY 11372 Contessa 26'... *Neewin*

Dr. Carl & Roberta Friedman Woodsburgh, NY 11598 Mariner 19'... *Best Healer*

Anthony Girand Port Washington, NY 11050 Pearson 37'... *Khaleese*

13 New Social Associate Members

Robert & Laurie Baskin Manhasset, NY 11030 Wendy & Robert Brown...*BSP* Port Washington, NY 11050

Anna Falth & Thibaut Delespaul Little Neck, 11363, NY

Katherine, Gallo...*BSP* Port Washington, NY 11050

Steven & Carol Goldberg...*BSP* North Hills 11040, NY

James & Judith Gordon...*BSP* Port Washington, NY 11050

Winslow & Anita Himsworth...*BSP* Plandome, NY 11030

Toshiyuki & Yuka Kanehira Port Washington, NY 11030

John & Phen Platz Farmingdale, NY 11735

Riggio, Joe & Michele...*BSP* Port Washington, NY 11050

Rose, Jeffrey...*BSP* New York, NY 10019

Sakharnykh, Nikolay & Olga...*BSP* Port Washington, NY 11050

Theresa Woods Floral Park, NY 11001

*BSP - Boat Share Program

DID YOU KNOW?



It's Your Website...nsyc.net!..."Public" and "Members Only" access

**Public Access...login not required...the website is loaded. Current Club Calendar and Schedules to offerings' descriptions, activities, Education Zooms, and more!

** "Members Only" Establish your username and password at "login."

***Members Only Examples:

--Club Directory

- --Board and Membership meetings
- --Online Payments
- --ByLaws

--Club Regulations

--Boat Share (Under Toad, Elusive, Laser Sailboat Reservations plus Post Sail Reports

Nautical Gear, Member Benefits, Discounts, Services

****Club Devices:**, Burgees, car bumper magnets, caps, lapel pins, scarves, ties, gators... See Steward, Membership or Marketing Chair, Commodore

**"Ship's Store: Clothing and custom items for sailors at <u>www.nsyc.net</u> ...Membership pulldown

**Cape Fear: Nautical Gear, 25% (Discount Coupon nsyc)...www.capefearsportswear.com

****BoatUS Discounts:** Join or renew BoatUS Membership (<u>www.boatus.com</u>) at a discount using our unique BoatUS Cooperating Group Number: GA85149Y. Over 25 benefits and services at discounted prices for NSYC members.

**Hot Links to individual Blinker articles:...See Blinker page 1, Table of Contents

**NSYC Ambassador Program: For those referring new members...see below!

A **Referral Program** accompanies the NSYC Ambassador Program whereby Ambassador Recognition and accompanying gift card is earned by a referring member when a referred Affiliate member becomes an Active member, or - when a referred Social Associate member becomes a second year Social Associate member. Just forward your new member candidate's contact information to Mary Lu Dempsey, our Membership Chair, (516-767-1760, <u>membership@nsyc.net</u>) to get the process rolling.

Club Directory! The 2023 Directory booklets are now in the Club lobby in a US Post bin in alphabetical order. Please stop by and pick yours up. Corrections/updates, please advise by email to Directory@NSYC. net.

Club Directory Online: Located at nsyc.net website (login with username and password)

Monthly Board Meetings: Scheduled for the 2nd Tuesday of each Month, 7:30PM. Reminders on the website calendar.

Insurance Certificates: All members owning a yacht in the mooring field must maintain liability insurance with minimum coverage of \$300,000 naming NSYC as an additional insured on the policy and provide proof of coverage. For proof, please send the cover page of your insurance policy showing the dates of coverage, or a Certificate of Insurance, to Fleetcaptain@nsyc.net and Bookkeeping@nsyc.net.

Work Hours "Book": Those with Work Hours Requirements. Don't forget to enter your hours in the Work Hours Book in the Club kitchen.

Mark Your Calendars Dates to Remember

Also see Club Directory, Website (www.nsyc. net), Ahoy & Event Announcements

♦ JULY 4TH HOLIDAY CRUISE JULY 1 - JULY 9

- ♦ 1st Friday BBQ July 7
- SMITH CUP JULY 16
- ♦ JULY TARGET CRUISE JULY 22 23
- ONSYC MOONLIGHT OPEN REGATTA JULY 29
- ♦ 1st Friday BBQ/Texas BBQ August 4
- ♦ AUGUST TARGET CRUISE AUGUST 5 6
- **EPSTEIN TROPHY** AUGUST 6
- ♦ LOBSTER & CLAM BAKE AUGUST 19
- ♦ LABOR DAY CRUISE SEPTEMBER 2 4
- ♦ Commodore's Cup & Raft-Up September 10
- OKTOBERFEST CRUISE DIE HARD CRUISE SEPTEMBER 30 - OCTOBER 1
- OPEN HOUSE OCTOBER 1
- ♦ THEME PARTY OCTOBER 7

- ♦ FALL MEMBERSHIP MEETING (DE-COMMISSIONING) OCTOBER 14
- ♦ 153rd Gala Dinner Dance TBD

Annual "Buddy Brunch" 2023

Thirty-one enthusiastic sailors joined together for the annual Buddy Brunch this year on Saturday, June 3rd held at the Club.

All in attendance are looking forward to sailing as each day a few more boats arrive from their winter slumber on the hard.

The Brunch is one of many opportunities to meet new members, chat with our Bridge members, and enjoy the friendly welcoming atmosphere of North Shore Yacht Club.

A special thank you to Arlene Kase for continuing to chair the Buddy Program and New Members, Joe and Michele Riggio, for co-hosting this well-attended gathering.

Important Mooring Information

Some members have boats at the club and we do not have current insurance information on file.

- 1. If you have a boat on a mooring at the club, please send the cover page of your insurance policy showing the dates of coverage to: <u>fleetcaptain@NSYC.net</u> and <u>bookkeeping@NSYC.net</u>
- 2. North Shore Yacht Club must be listed as an Additional Insured on the policy.
- 3. Before you bring your boat to the club, your dues must be paid.
- 4. Please contact Capt Vic three days before arriving so your pickup buoy can be put in place.

Thank you for your cooperation,

The Board of North Shore Yacht Club



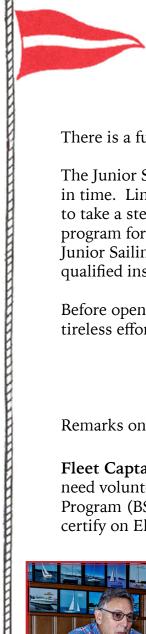
On a lovely calm spring morning, the membership meeting opened with the traditional continental breakfast. Commodore Richard Predmore opened the meeting at 9:37 with thanks to Carol Roberts and Yehuda Rosenstock for the breakfast. Quorum was established; the minutes of the October 16, 2022 meeting were approved; and members of the Bridge were introduced: Peter Hirschhorn - Rear Commodore, Yustin Koleda - Treasurer, Rob Harrison - Secretary and Board Members: Roger Lifson, Evan Spence, Karen Verola, Laura Boehm Warnke, Mitch Litke, Jamie Ebenau and Anthony Girand.

The first order of business was a change to the bylaws to allow the board to appoint a member of the board to serve as a signatory on the investments accounts of Treasurer and the Investment Chair Committee. The motion passed.

The Commodore thanked the committee members that make the club run so well!

Julie Lim – Ahoy	Insurance – Lloyd Herman and Ken Magida				
Auditing - Dean Verola, Anthony Filorimo, Woody	Investment – Andrew Alkon and Yustin Koleda				
Greenberg, Peter Li	Launch Support - Ken Magida, Peter Hirschhorn, Arlene				
Blinker – Anne Cassidy, Bob Ebenau, Bill Palafox, Frank	Kase, Ed Causin, Mary Causin,				
LoPresti, Kelly Cai, Judy Raskin,	Richard Predmore, Hamilton Driggs				
Marian Weissman, Peter Li, Carl Friedman	Marketing & Communications & Website – Bill Palafox				
Boat Share – Co-Chairs Evan Spence, Anthony Filorimo,	& Mary Lu Dempsey-Palafox,				
Linda Kulla	Debbie Greco-Cohen, Frank LoPresti, Greg Forrester,				
Bylaws – Helene Goldsmith, Ken Magida, Linda Kulla	Dan Herron, Pedro Avila,				
Cruising -Ron Gold	Shak Malik				
Dinner Dance – Karen Verola & Linda Kulla	Membership & Mentoring – Mary Lu Dempsey-Palafox,				
Directory – Lloyd Herman	Arlene Kase, Marc Epstein,				
Education – Laura Boehm, Mary Lu Dempsey-Palafox, Bill Palafox, Frank LoPresti,	Gary Cohen, Ernest Goetz, Richard Raskin, Laura Boehm-Warnke, Urs Signer				
Gary Wachter	Race Management – Co-Chairs Bill Palafox, Richard				
Finance – Yustin Koleda and Andrew Alkon	Raskin and Ernest Goetz with Protest Chair Woody Greenberg supported by Anthony and Thomas Filorimo,				
House – Peter Hirschhorn and Mary Lu Dempsey-Palafox	Frank LoPresti and Giulio Varsi.				

The Commodore stated the club is in very good shape but we did not raise dues this year and with no revenue from the Junior Sailing program, the club is "running lean" and must control costs and try to increase revenues.



NSYC SPRING MEMBERSHIP MEETING



April 16, 2023

There is a full social schedule for the year and volunteers are needed to host or help with the events

The Junior Sailing Program was cancelled in March because we were not able hire an instructor in time. Linda Kulla started and ran the Junior Sailing for many years but has deservedly decided to take a step back. For this year, Anthony Filorimo is investigating the possibility of a shortened program for this summer. However, there is a need for more people to start organizing for the Junior Sailing program for next year and several members spoke up, offering to help. Besides a qualified instructor, there needs to be an adult member of the club on site every day.

Before opening discussions on the reports, Commodore Predmore thanked Captain Vic for his tireless efforts and all he does for the club and its members.

Remarks on the Committee reports which are posted on the NSYC Website:

Fleet Captain – Evan Spence: There is still some space on the dinghy rack, need volunteers to power wash docks. The sonar Elusive is now a Boat Share Program (BSP) boat. Bill Palafox and Richard Raskin will help BSP members to certify on Elusive. People have to be certified to use the club Lasers.

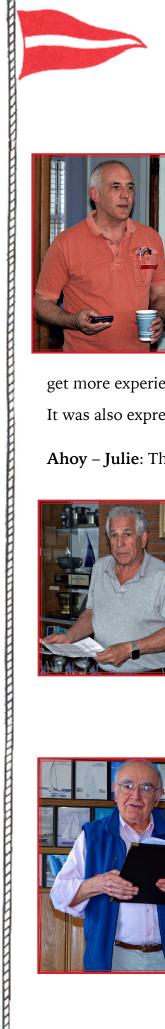




Rear Commodore – Peter Hirschhorn: Great work parties, lots of help. Treat the Club like your home!



Treasurer – Yustin Koleda: Treasury updated to the Cloud; investments are a little better than the market and the Capital Certificates have been organized.



NSYC SPRING MEMBERSHIP **MEETING**



April 16, 2023



Roger Lifson - The Board is inclined to increase Social Associate and BSP membership and needs member feed-back. The current limit is 35 Social Associate, 25 of whom are in the BSP. 13 of the current 24 BSP are certified to sail.

There was considerable discussion of the suggestion:

It was noted that our BSP is the wave of the future as less people own their own boats, but we need to encourage BSP members to be active, not just pay to sail. Maintaining the BSP boats is a lot of work. Ken Magida suggested to look at increasing the Social Associate dues, need to reflect use of the club. Bill Palafox said 10 BSP members are not yet qualified to skipper and need to

get more experience. Active members are encouraged to invite BSP members to sail.

It was also expressed that any additional BSP candidates must be experienced sailors.

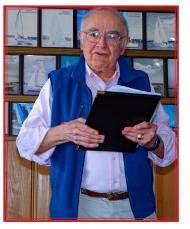
Ahoy – Julie: The May blast sent out



Auditing – Dean Verola: Followed audit schedule

Buddy Program – Arlene Kase: no new buddies yet, buddy lunch June 3.





Blinker/Marketing/Communications/Race Management - Bill Palafox:

-The march prospect open house was a success...next in the Fall.

- -Harborfest Booth in June to follow
- -Website is current and continuously busy with proper updates
- -Stay tuned for exciting Club races and open Regattas.
- -Sign-up for Race Committee

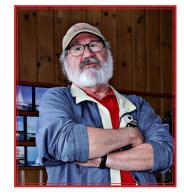
-Blinker publish date ... expect late June. Welcome Anne Cassidy as new publisher



NSYC SPRING MEMBERSHIP MEETING

April 16, 2023

Cruising – Ron Gold: Open for suggestions for July 4, Labor day, and Target Cruises.





Education – Laura Boehm: Suggested boat procedures for BSP, rules of the road, safety rules.



Launch Support – Ken Magida: Called for volunteers to prepare the launches.

Membership & Mentoring – Mary Lu Dempsey Palafox: We have 3 new Affiliates, 3 new Active and 8 new Social Associate members.



The meeting was closed with a reminder of our 153rd Commissioning on May 20th.









NSYC 153rd Commissioning

May 20, 2023

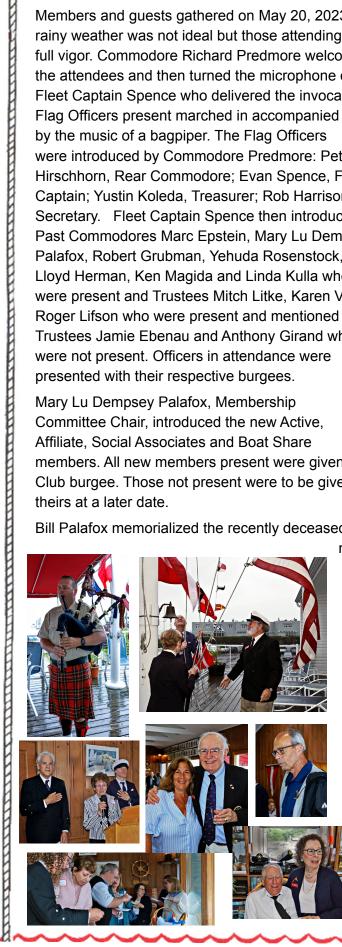
Members and guests gathered on May 20, 2023, for the 153rd Commissioning of the North Shore Yacht Club. The rainy weather was not ideal but those attending turned lemon into lemonade and celebrated as true sailors with

full vigor. Commodore Richard Predmore welcomed the attendees and then turned the microphone over to Fleet Captain Spence who delivered the invocation. Flag Officers present marched in accompanied by the music of a bagpiper. The Flag Officers were introduced by Commodore Predmore: Peter Hirschhorn, Rear Commodore; Evan Spence, Fleet Captain; Yustin Koleda, Treasurer; Rob Harrison, Secretary. Fleet Captain Spence then introduced Past Commodores Marc Epstein, Mary Lu Dempsey Palafox, Robert Grubman, Yehuda Rosenstock, Lloyd Herman, Ken Magida and Linda Kulla who were present and Trustees Mitch Litke, Karen Verola, Roger Lifson who were present and mentioned Trustees Jamie Ebenau and Anthony Girand who were not present. Officers in attendance were presented with their respective burgees.

Mary Lu Dempsey Palafox, Membership Committee Chair, introduced the new Active, Affiliate, Social Associates and Boat Share members. All new members present were given a Club burgee. Those not present were to be given theirs at a later date.



Bill Palafox memorialized the recently deceased



members and they were honored by the tolling a bell by Alexandra Caliendo, a moment of silence and the playing of Amazing Grace by the bagpiper. Recently deceased and memorialized were Peter Frank, Edith Kulla, Helen Oehrlein, Peter Rowland, and Suzanne Stross.

Jane Murphy sang the Star-Spangled Banner initiating goosebumps as only Jane can do when she sings.

Fleet Captain Spence responded to the Commodore that the club was ready for Commissioning. All flags and burgees were raised while attendees enjoyed a glass of champagne. The Commodore offered a toast to "...fair winds, calm seas, safe sailing and comradery..." before declaring the North Shore Yacht Club in Commission for the 2023 season.

The celebration went forward. The variety of food and desserts provided by the members was delicious and plentiful. The sheet cake from Steiner's was beautifully decorated and best tasting in recent memory.

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NSYC's St. Patrick's Day Party March 18, 2023

This year's St. Pat's party at NSYC was another very special event!

35 NSYC Members with guests enjoyed this annual Spring event because... "Everyone Is Irish On St. Pat's Day...." and we celebrated Past Commodore Linda Kulla's birthday too!

So...we Ate, Drank and Became Irish!

With many arrangements by Chairwoman Alexandra Caliendo, total Club setup by Captain Vic, decorations and food setup by Gail and Bruce Logan, bar tending by Linda Kulla, greeting by Carolyn Predmore, plus the usual support rendered by other spontaneous members, there was steady cheer throughout the evening. More followed!

Next, the attendees were treated by 10 talented Irish Step Dancers ...all dressed in traditional Gaelic attire. With this completed, the evening rolled-on with a vibe resulting in much enjoyment and laughter.

Special thanks to Alexandra Caliendo for many of the arrangements, Bruce and Gail Logan, who ordered and picked-up the delicious Irish fare, the spontaneous help from members and Capt. Vic which made this party a very enjoyable success.



















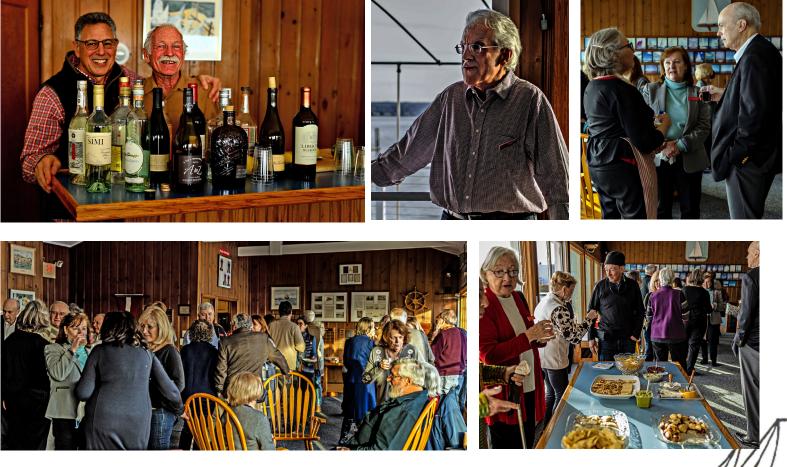
A bright, clear, breezy and cold day was warmed by approximately 50 members, families, guests and prospective members at this vibrant February Officers' Cocktail Party.

This event is the opportunity for the Officers and Trustees to thank all members for their contributions during the year which make NSYC such a wonderful Club for all of us. The afternoon was a great opportunity to meet with old and new friends, talk sailing and pass another day until launch service commences in April. It is also an opportunity for potential members and guests to visit and learn more about NSYC. Peter Hirschhorn provided the drinks and had assistance at the bar from Gary Cohen.

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Richard and Carolyn Predmore brought in a wide assortment of food. Carolyn was ably assisted by Kori and Mark Schneider, Laura Boehm and her friend Kate with the set up. Julie Lim, Barbara Greenhouse and Kori Schneider were heroes with the clean up in the kitchen. All volunteer helpers were a tremendous help as there was a mountain of food - including 156 pigs-in-blankets, 100 spanakopita, crudites, fresh fruit, shrimp and dip, salmon, cheese and crackers and chips and dip. Lots of conversation and no one went away hungry, a great party.







Officers' Cocktail Party



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2023 New Year's Day Rendezvous!















New Year's Day 2023 at NSYC...another great day for a NSYC party!

Thanks to Karen Verola and many eager volunteers, this year's "Rendezvous" confirmed 41+ NSYC members in attendance were ready for a party!

Opening with a New Year's greeting by Commodore Rich Predmore, this warm, sunny, temperatures in the 50s day, plus a perfect sunset, was warmed even more by sumptuous snacks, appetizers, main courses and desserts supplied by members. All who provided these treats deserve special thanks...a major reason for this party's annual success.

Tremendous thanks goes to Karen Verola and volunteers Laura Boehm, Wendy Brown, Mary Causin, Gary Cohen, Debbie Greco, Julie Lim Herman, Lloyd Herman, Ed McAndrews, Paul Meilink, Bill Palafox and all the rest that contributed to success. Special thanks to Peter Hirschhorn who made sure all the needed supplies were on hand and assisted with setup of the bar and kitchen and to Captain Vic who did his usual very appreciated job of setting up the furniture, supplies and coffee.

A glorious sunset did not wrap this day up, as NSYC camaraderie "just kept going and going."











1st Friday BBQ – June 2nd

The calm of a waterscape at dusk, the sweet smell of barbecue, and the joy of laughter and friendship came alive on Friday night, June 2nd, to kick off the first of the seasons NSYC monthly barbecues.

Instead of having a single host, members came together to co-organize the event. Ken Magida was in charge of the grill, preparing a medley of hotdogs, and hamburgers to perfection. Greg Forrester graciously treated members to his sumptuous, homemade pulled pork, which he slow-cooked for 14 hours before the event.

Mary Lu and Bill, with their typical vibrance, ensured that everybody felt welcomed and kindly introduced new and old members, while uncannily recalling every single name and detail to allow people to more easily connect.

Commodore Rich Predmore stood proudly on the deck, chatting with guests and members, and talking about the exciting Consolidated Club schedule for the season.

Mitch Litke, who happens to be my new member "Buddy," spoke highly about his experience with the Boat Share Program and the opportunities for seasoned and new boating enthusiasts to come together and form bonds on the water.

Mother Nature personally welcomed us back to the club for the season with a downpour of welcome tears, followed by her finale—a color-soaked, perfect rainbow over Manhasset Bay.

Boat owners watched proudly, pointing out their boats bopping in the distance. Chatter abounded about 20, 30, and 40 - foot sail boats, adventures from previous sailing trips, tips for navigating the local and distant waters, and contending with birds that always manage to find their way to masts, decks and cockpits.

As a new member of the club, I was excited by the sense of pride, warmth and camaraderie of members, and willingness to teach new members about the best ways to learn and play on the bay and beyond.

It was a wonderful summer kick-off and is the first in a series of Friday barbecues that are part of the NSYC social calendar, so see you next time! The next bbqs will be held on July 7th and August 4th.

Michele Riggio

NSYC Exhibit Enlivens Port's Harborfest 2023





On Sunday, June 4th, Port Washington's Harborfest Town Dock was enlivened by an attractive NSYC booth and enthusiastic members demonstrating the best the Club has to offer.

NSYC "interest tickets," enticed by a Raffle for a Free Harbor Sail on Marc Epstein's Alerion 38, were filled by 50 booth visitors (versus 39 last year). Ultimately, a small percentage of these leads will ultimately join NSYC.

This marketing exhibit complements the Club's two prospect Open Houses in February and October of each year as well as the Club's website and Blinker newsletter open to the public

Thanks to NSYC members who played a contributing role include, Peter Li and Kelly Cai, Mitch Lifke, Bill and Mary Lu Palafox, Susan and Peter Rossi and Urs Signer. Concurrently, Bill and Mary Lu served as advisors to the Harborfest Model Boat Regatta which ran the same day.

Was the effort worth the results? As Bill says, "You Bet!" Each Club event like a Booth Exhibit and Open House primes and replenishes the Prospect Pipeline with fresh entries with a small percentage that eventually join the Club.

Bill Palafox

NSYC Education Presentations

Sailing Home Carolyn Predmore

Some of us dream about casting off and sailing into the vast waters that

members gathered in person for the hybrid Zoom and club event.

surround us as a fantasy. On Thursday, January 26, we had presentations from

two of our members who have completed journeys of long distance. Over 40

Carolyn and Rich Predmore and their tree frog aboard Magic (Leopard 39



catamaran) traveled over 200 miles to bring their boat to Manhasset Bay. Carolyn gave the Predmore's presentation of the mishaps (corroded engine ground bolt, wrongly led bridle) and adventures (30+ knot winds to round

Cape May Point) for the sail from Annapolis Md. to Manhasset Bay taking 5 days and anchoring each night, once both engines could be convinced to start. Anne Cassidy aboard Neewin (Contessa 26) covered 1200 miles from Kenosha, Wisconsin to Manhasset Bay. Anne's



trip began with a 24-hour leg to cross Lake Michigan and continued with daylight sails through 3 Great Lakes and the Erie Canal. After 67 days and 39 different ports, Anne was welcomed into Manhasset Bay and our club.





CRUISING CORNER

he cover is off and the Spring prep for this year's season is underway. More Advil please! However, taking a break to think about cruising and plans for this season. In the roster the cruising calendar will be included and it will also be on the Club website. The schedule is comprised of monthly Target Cruises on one weekend per month and holiday cruises for the three basic holidays, Memorial Day, July 4th and Labor Day. This year's calendar is made up of a number of the events that were on last year's calendar but were not held either because of weather or scheduling issues or conflicts with member's own plans. As mentioned at the Spring meeting, there is a good mix for these events and I hope that members will find them interesting and the weather cooperates so that more participation is forthcoming.

Target Cruises are informal gatherings where members head to the announced target destination. Once there, we usually get together for cocktails or dinner. Most of these are anchoring but can also be changed if members are interested in moorings or docks at a club. The Memorial Day cruise has been for many years to Northport, where choices included Northport Yacht Club with guest moorings and full facilities including pool, restaurant and bar and snack bar along with their launch service. Other options are Centerport YC which has similar facilities and is located close to town and Seymours, which has moorings and launch service and their dock next to the town dock in town. When visiting these clubs or Norwalk YC in Connecticut which is on the July 4th cruise or other destinations, each member has to contact the club they are visiting and make their own arrangements for their mooring or dock, depending on the club's facilities. Many clubs are now on Dockwa which is an app that you can make your reservations on and also search out places to stay when visiting a harbor.

The July 4th cruise offers the option for cruising the whole week of the holiday or joining the first weekend or last depending on each member's schedule. The proposed plan was used over the last few years and mixes in different locations that are reachable for most boats in 4-5 hours to 6-7 hours at the farthest venues. The destinations also a mix of yacht clubs that have moorings and good facilities, except for Milford where only docks are available at the club or the other marinas up in the harbor closer to town. In Oyster Bay there are ample anchoring options off Cove Neck or moorings at two yacht clubs or Oyster Bar Marine. All of these options are interesting and great places to visit and manageable for a weekend or an extended week cruise.

Lastly, there is the Oktoberfest Cruise for those who enjoy the beautiful fall weather and good breezes, along with a little chill. Oyster Bay is one of the easiest places to get to from our club and also one of the most beautiful harbors to visit. There are alternative ways to visit, either on your anchor or on moorings as mentioned above. The town is a short walk from the marina and Sagamore Yacht Club where there are plenty of stores and restaurants.

Some members have mentioned that they might like to try a trip down the East River to either the Statue of Liberty and up the Hudson or further down to Atlantic Highlands or around to Brooklyn to Sheepshead Bay. If members are interested in making this trip, please let me know as I can provide you with information on possible destinations and how to get there.

As with all our events at the Club, these cruises are only as successful as we chose to make them by participating and also on getting involved in planning them. This article will give you the calendar and there will be more postings on the website and in emails, but let me hear from you as to your interests and whether you are planning on going on any of these cruises so we can let other members know where and who will be going and answer any questions you may have.

Ron Gold, Cruising Chair -

The Racing Form





Our 2023 racing season got underway with a flourish as Richard Raskin of the Race Management Committee (RMC) presented his Principle Race Officer (PRO) and Race Committee (RC) Refresher at the Club and on Zoom on April 26th. Richard instructed and reviewed NSYC race committee practices and procedures for all race committee (RC) members and Principal Race Officers (PRO) as well as others interested.

The Race Management Committee, comprising of Ernest Goetz, Bill Palafox, Richard Raskin as the RMC, with Woody Greenberg (Protest Chair), Giulio Varsi (Scoring) and Anthony and Thomas Filorimo as support.

Now, with the active participation of our club members and a small cadre of trained and under-study PROs, we make ready to support the following 2023 Race Schedule.

Borden Cup	Sun, June 11	Racing start. Full Crew as determined by skipper. PHRF non-spinnaker race.					
ANNUAL DAY RACE OPEN REGATTA	Sat, June 17	Racing start Can "1" NE of Execution Light. Open to members of all clubs. Full Crew as determined by skipper for PHRF Spinnaker & Non-Spinnaker divisions. Also includes, a PHRF "2-handed" Non-Spinnaker division. Post race party.					
SNYDER CUP	Sat, June 24	Self-Start - Non-Spinnaker race combined with the June Target Cruise. See Notice of Race and Race Instructions when issued.					
SMITH CUP	Sun, July 16	Racing start. Double-handed PHRF non-spinnaker race					
ANNUAL MOONLIGHT OPEN REGATTA	Sat, July 29	Racing start at the Worry Wart. Finish at Green Flasher "1" off Plum Point, Manhasset Bay. Open to members of all clubs. Full Crew as determined by skipper. PHRF Spinnaker & Non-Spinnaker Divisions. Post race breakfast					
EPSTEIN TROPHY	Sun, August 6	Cruising start. Single-handed PHRF non-spinnaker race with an optional safety/observer person permitted onboard.					
COMMODORE'S CUP	Sun, September 10	Cruising start. Full Crew as determined by skipper. PHRF non-spinnaker race. Followed by Commodore's reception.					
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At NSYC, this is a rewarding racing program that spans competitive fleet racing, one-design races, races for cruisers, single, double and full-crewed races, and the list goes on. Including our racers, race committees, our congenial hosts and members at our regatta collations and breakfasts, as well as shared after-race beers on the club deck, well, we've got a lot of the club involved in sail boat racing—it's an integral and meaningful part of NSYC.

It's in serving on the Race Committee, regardless of the four hours work credit, that the club provides, that you personally experience club involvement and camaraderie. So, sign-up with Richard Raskin, for the fun and satisfaction of a 'Job Well Done' at: richard390raskin@gmail.com.

Welcome Aboard! Bill Palafox

Borden Cup 2023

At last, NSYC'S 2023 Racing Program launched with success with the 2023 Borden Cup, a fullcrew, racing start PHRF Race, on Sunday, June 11th!

With racing entries at 8 boats and a Worry Wart start in Manhasset Bay, Mother Nature took charge and countered with a doldrums-style "lack-of breeze" for almost 2 hours and finally releasing her energies with a "Southerly" breeze to race to the finish.

Racers dealt with a handful of contrasts... 'forecast breeze from the south, actually from the north at start and conflicting, or no wind, top-to-bottom conditions on the mast.'

Ultimately, it was Vision, Old Flame and Osprey, the 1,2, 3 place finishers, who somehow found

enough breeze to limp to the first turning mark ahead of the rest and then luckedout by finding the Southerly to zoom home!

6 of the 8 starters finished. NSYC Tradition took over as racers and others gathered at the clubhouse to toast a great time and the camaraderie that racing brings to a yacht club.













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Results - 2023 NSYC BORDEN CUP									
June 11 th , 2023									
DIVISION:	<u>6A</u>	Non-Spinna	aker STAR		START: 1:36:00 PM DI		DISTANCE: 3.67		$S_pM_pU_p$
BOAT NAME	SAIL #	OWNER	Boat	CLUB	H'CAP	FINISH	RACE TIME	CORRECTED	POSITION
Vision	9	Mark Epstein	Alerion 38	NSYC	135	3:17:05 PM	1:41:05	1:32:50	1
Old Flame	479	Bill Palafox	Sonar 23	NSYC	174	3:23:54 PM	1:47:54	1:37:15	2
Osprey	390	Richard Raskin	Alerion 28	NSYC	183	3:59:18 PM	2:23:18	2:12:06	3
Under Toad	260	Evan Spence - BSP	Colgate 26	NSYC	171	4:05:06 PM	2:29:06	2:18:38	4
Tredecim	N/A	Yustin Koleda	Beneteau 1st, 21	NSYC	209	4:11:04 PM	2:35:04	2:22:17	5
Starfire	N/A	Alan Bernstein	Catlina 315	NSYC	186	4:15:59 PM	2:39:59	2:28:36	6
Laurie B	568	Bob Baskind	Sonar 23	NSYC	174	DNF			
Best Healer	N/A	Carl Friedman	Mariner 19	NSYC	267	DNF			