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From the Publisher and Editors

On behalf of everyone on your Blinker Team, we hope you and your loved ones are well. If you, or members of your family, are one of many heroes serving on the front lines of this Corona virus crisis, we salute and thank you for your courage and sacrifice.

Over the last few months we've focused on an appropriate Blinker for the times. Like the many "Port Strong" motivating posters around town, we've dedicated this Blinker issue to, "NSYC Strong."

The Club has adjusted to this new world in so many ways, especially our well-attended and enthusiastic Spring Membership Meeting and Commissioning via Zoom, careful day-to-day decisions during Covid -19 lockdown, best practices with social distancing and the best news of all...steady arrivals of membership boats at their Club moorings!

As sayings go, "Sometimes we are tested not to show our weaknesses but to show our strengths. A smooth sea never made a skilled sailor. This too shall pass."

Bob Ebenau, Publisher

Bill Palafox, Editor in Chief

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★ ★ ★ ★ From the Commodore

I am honored and delighted to be serving as Commodore as we begin our 150th season. We are one of the two oldest yacht clubs on Long Island, the other being Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club. It is certainly a unique and unusual experience to be celebrating such an accomplishment of 150 years during a pandemic, but, as usual, we will make the best of it. We are a strong and resilient group of sailors that will continue to keep our club going for another 150 years. I saw a sign here in Port Washington that said "Calm waters never made a skilled sailor." This is so true. We will get through this together.

As restrictions start to loosen, and we begin our launch service, and open our upper deck, it is a time to come together as a family after a long winter with renewed passion for our sport and to celebrate the beginning of a new season at North Shore Yacht Club. It is a time to show your support and to share the enjoyment of our Club with your fellow members while social distancing. It is time to celebrate the camaraderie we feel in our mutual love of sailing and the water on this beautiful harbor as we smile behind our masks.

I know everyone wishes this pandemic was over and we could get back to normal. This season will be a little different and we will adjust as necessary. The good news is we have hired a lovely young lady as our sailing instructor for this summer. Her name is Olivia Campmany and I hope that you will say hello and give her our NSYC support this summer. She is starting immediately with lessons and certifications on UnderToad, and beginning June 29th she will be instructing our Junior Sailors. The new Race Committee/Junior Sailing vessel has been launched, and she has been named by the Herman/Lim family. Her name is RC, jr. Thanks to all who submitted names.

Olivia is an avid Laser sailor and we will be opening up our two Lasers to any member of the club that wishes to learn to sail a Laser. Once you have been certified to skipper a Laser by Olivia, you can sign up online to take one of the two Lasers for a sail. This is open to all members of the club, not just the Boat Share. I hope that you all take advantage of this opportunity. It has been years since I sailed a Laser, but I plan to start again this summer. Maybe a few match races are in store for us this season.

We are very fortunate to have our highly skilled and experienced Club Steward, Captain Vic, working hard to get the club opened and running and a great team of launch drivers in place. I am very lucky to have an extremely dedicated Bridge and outstanding Membership Chair that go way above and beyond, and I could not do it without them. I thank them all.

As a member owned club, it is the strength and commitment of our members, our friendships, and our common goals that will help us move forward. **We are stronger together!**

Linda S. Kulla

NSYC Commodore



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North Shore Yacht Club Slate of Officers and Trustees

Officers:

Commodore: Linda Kulla
 Vice Commodore: <Vacant>
 Rear Commodore: Peter Hirschhorn
 Fleet Captain: Carlo Zaskorski
 Treasurer: Colin Schneider
 Secretary: Ruta Ledins

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Through 2020: Roger Lifson
 Ed Flores
 Through 2021: Bill Palafox
 Karen Verola
 Through 2022: Jamie Ebenau
 Evan Spence

Mark Your Calendars - Dates to Remember

• Racing:

Smith Cup Sunday, July 19 Double-handed
 Cruising Start

Future 2020 Club Races indicated in the Club Directory will be considered one at a time.

• Cruises

June 27 – July 5 Sat-Sun July 4th Cruise
 July 25 – 26 Sat – Sun July Target Cruise
 Aug 8 – 9 Sat – Sun August Target Cruise

Sept 4 – 7 Fri – Mon Labor Day Cruise
 Oct 3-4 Sat – Sun Oktoberfest Cruise Die Hard!

This season will be a little different, we will adjust as necessary.

Please stay tuned for updates.

NSYC Launch Schedule RC Launch—VHF Channel 78

Summer	Thur May 14 through Mon Sept 7
Mon-Wed	0900-2145
Thurs-Fri	0900-2245
Sat & Sun	0800-2245
<i>Holidays: May 25th, July 4th and Sept 7nd same as Sat/Sun schedule</i>	
Fall	Tues Sept 8 through Mon Oct 12
Mon	No Service
Sun & Tues-Thurs	0900-1945*
Fri & Sat	0900-2245
<i>*Exception for Wednesday and Thursday – if required for racers, launch will run through 2245.</i>	
<i>Holiday: October 12th same as Sunday schedule.</i>	

The NSYC Race Committee will use the Mako launch which will be equipped with the start/finish pin and rode.

Qualification for use and driving the RC launch have not yet been determined. Captain Vic will be the best source of information and training.





North Shore Yacht Club

Rear Commodore Report – House

May 2020

It's been a few months now since we have all be living somewhat sequestered in our homes, trying to keep ourselves and families safe from the Covid-19 virus. I hope everyone is doing well and are coping with what is becoming a new normal. What lies ahead for all of us is still unknown but we can be hopeful that in the near future the powers that be will have figured out a way for everyone to come back to some kind of normalcy.

As everyone is aware, we have taken then necessary precautions regarding our club and its facilities based on state and local regulations as well as what the science is telling us. We are hopeful that we can open up but everything is quite fluid at this moment. When the building does open, we may have limits on what can be accessed and what areas we feel need to be avoided for the time being. Every consideration is being given to the wellbeing of each of our members so we all stay safe and healthy. We all understand that some may feel it is not necessary to close our facility but we hope you understand we are trying to keep everyone safe so that we all can join together at some future date when we have been able to put this behind us.

We are doing only basic repairs for items that are needed during the course of the season such as the dinghy rack. Other large projects such as upgrading the plumbing and electrical systems is on hold until such time as we can meet with contractors and get the bids necessary for such projects. It's more likely things will be postponed until 2021.

In these difficult times, we all need to be grateful that we have our club and the ability to still sail. There is still nothing quite as enjoyable and relaxing as getting out on the water and enjoying our harbor and the LI Sound. I know many of us would like to be able to take other guests along for a sail but you do this at your own risk. As our season progress, it might become possible depending on new suggestions from our local officials and most importantly, the recommendation of our medical and science advisors we can trust. Please use good judgment and proper precautions to stay safe while enjoying your time on the water.

I wish everyone well in these times and hope that we can all enjoy our time sailing.

Hope to see you on the water.

Peter Hirschhorn

Rear Commodore.





North Shore Yacht Club

Fleet Report

May 2020

Items discussed with Captain Vic:

Sailing Canoe event has been postponed

Moorings: Inspections complete, moorings in place, boats are coming to moorings! Earliest include Osprey, Old Flame and Vision. UnderToad is scheduled for next week.

Work Boat: in water used for mooring work

Dock Replace floatation-repair underway docks okay.

Launches : Captain Vic has the launch boys standing by, ready willing and able. bottoms painted, have to be unwrapped, Jim Thomson service will be coordinated by Capt. Vic. Launches are cleaned and waxed-done in spring. Launch Victor will receive a coat of non-skid deck paint by Capt. Vic. Replace fuel filters , probably Replace oil & filters July.

Launch Service by NSYC 's own launches begins June 1.

Matt Meyran's Water Taxi prior to that **Work Parties :**

Dinghy Rack: Colin Schneider, Richard Raskin, Ken Magida and Robert Oswald repaired and renovated the dinghy rack

Remove bubbler & service, Bubbler was removed by Roger, Warren and Peter H.

Deck furniture put in place, Gov's Pause , TBD

Undertoad, Commissioning is underway. Great response by Evan, Ernie, John & Neil. Marc Epstein has sails. Motor is in Bob Ebenau's garage

Respectfully submitted
Carlo Zaskorski Fleet Captain





B*L*I*N*K*S

New Members for 2020

(4) New Active members

Hochheiser, Donald & Madeline
New Hyde Park, NY 11040
Pearson 32'... *Acceptance*

Parker, Neill & Giulia Alimonti
NYC, NY 10001
Hunter 39'... *Dolcezza*

Schneider, Colin & Jaime Petcove
Long Beach, NY 11561
Hunter 33'... *Offline*

Wachter, Gary & Carol Ott
NYC, NY 10011
Catalina 42'... *Joelle*

(1) New Social Associate Member

DellAguila, John & Michelle
Manhasset, NY 11030

(1) New Affiliate member

Harrison, Robert & Carolyn
East Meadow, NY 11554
Pearson 28'... *Irini*

NSYC Coronavirus Procedures
Commodore Linda Kulla, Thursday, May 28

Hi NSYC Members,

This email is to reiterate what we discussed last night and to provide the same information to those that missed the Zoom call.

First, let me say how wonderful it was to see all your smiling faces. I miss seeing all of you and am eager to get back out on the water.

As I informed you all last night, we will begin our own launch service on Monday, June 1st. Please do not call Matt Meyran for service after Sunday, unless you plan to pay him directly. If you are feeling at all unwell or are exhibiting symptoms, please stay home and do not endanger fellow club members.

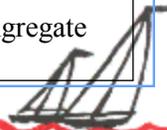
- * Our launch hours will be the same as last year.
- * Monday-Wednesday 0900-2145 hours
- * Thursday-Friday 0900-2245 hours
- * Saturday-Sunday 0800-2245 hours

We will also be opening the downstairs of the clubhouse. Please do not access the docks through Capri after Sunday. The downstairs hallway will be open as will the bathrooms. There are hand sanitizer dispensers at each end of the hall. Please use them before entering the clubhouse. The bathrooms will be open and sanitized periodically, but we cannot sanitize them after each use. Please use common sense and keep them sanitary.

Before entering our clubhouse or using our launches you must sign the attached waiver and return it to me or Captain Vic. You can sign it and scan it and email it to me or put it in my mailbox. If you do not submit one in advance you will not be allowed on the launch without providing the launch driver with a signed copy. Copies will be available in the lobby and on the website.

Masks will also be required for the entire time you are on our property. This includes the clubhouse, the docks and the launch. Social distancing will also be required.

When you come through the clubhouse do not congregate





and proceed down the dock. Please social distance from those in front of you. When the launch driver indicates it is your turn to climb aboard, please enter towards the stern, away from the launch driver. We will only allow 4 people on the launch at one time, spaced out. If you are a family of 5 or more, you may go together but no one else can be on the launch. The launch driver will not be able to help you with personal belongings.

When you return to the mooring and call for the launch, please let the driver know how many people are onboard your vessel so he can plan accordingly.

If we get very busy we will run two launches so not to cause long delays.

On Monday we will also open the upstairs deck. This deck can only be accessed by the outside staircase and you must sanitize your hands prior to going up the stairs. The deck will have 10 chairs and it will be much like musical chairs. If you cannot get a chair, you cannot stay on the deck. The tables and chairs will be separated, and unless you are a family unit, please do not move them. You will be required to wear masks at all times.

The inside living room and kitchen are strictly off limits. The grill is also not to be used and the lower deck is off limits as well. If you want to store beer when you are racing or sailing, the downstairs refrigerator is open, use at your own risk.

We will be sanitizing chairs, launches, carts, and bathrooms as often as possible, but you are ultimately responsible for your own sanitation.

The Boat Share Program will be starting shortly after an orientation meeting. The boat will need to be brought to the dock at the end of each use, providing we have enough water at that time. It will be sanitized and the launch will return the boat to the mooring.

The junior sailing program is proceeding but we will have limited spaces this year to keep the children on their own boats and social distanced during chalk talks and lunch. We have had an uptick in interest already, so if you are planning to enroll your child or grandchild, please do so soon.

Tomorrow I am interviewing a local young lady to be our sailing instructor so we will be all set to go.

Please limit the guests you bring to the club to those you really know well so we can be more confident of their health. We will have guest moorings available this season, but these guests will have no access to our launch or facilities.

Cruisers, we have listed our club in the Register of American Yacht Clubs which gives you reciprocity with all other clubs listed in the book. I have ordered reciprocity cards for anyone that wants one. As soon as they come in, I will mail them to you. In the meantime you can access the registry online at www.ycaol.com. Our user name is Club 1040 and our password is y100446c

Please do not share that with non-members.

If you have not yet brought your boat to the mooring field, please remember to give Captain Vic 3 days' notice. Also you will need to be sure that your insurance is up to date naming NSYC as an additionally insured party. Please have your insurance company email that directly to fleetcaptain@nsyc.net or bookkeeper@nsyc.net.

Also, this is a reminder to please pay your dues. Some of you are late from December and the balance of the season is due now. We count on all of our members to help us meet our expenses. If there is an issue or a hardship, please speak to me in confidence and we can work something out.

I am also very pleased to announce the newest addition to our Bridge. Colin Schneider is assuming the position of treasurer immediately and we are thrilled. Welcome Aboard Colin!

Obviously, things may change as the summer goes on and we will take our lead from our Governor. We will reach out with updates if anything changes.

Please free, as always, to call me or email me if you have any questions, comments or concerns.

All the best,

Linda

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Smooth Sailing





DID YOU KNOW?

- **Corona Virus Procedures:** See page 5
- **Boat Certificate of Insurance:** Before bringing your boat to the Club, please send your Certificate to fleetcaptain@nsrc.net and give Capt Vic 3 days notice prior to bringing your boat over.
- **2020 Club Directory: Hardcopy is in the hallway at the Club. Also, on website Members-Only.**
- **Reciprocity Guide...REGISTER OF AMERICAN YACHT CLUBS 2020 (Also on NSYC website)**
Go to: <https://www.ycaol.com/index.html>
 When There: Click "Members Only"
 Your club User ID is: **club1040**
 Your club Password is: **y100446c**
- **NSYC Referral/Ambassador Program:** Earn a **Gift Card** by referring a membership candidate who accepts our invitation to continue after year one. Forward your referred candidate's name and contact information to Mary Lu Dempsey, our Membership Chair, (516-767- 1760, membership@nsrc.net) for further details.
- **Website:** Browse for current Club Calendar, launch, social, cruising and racing schedules.
- **Website – "Members Only:"** First establish a Username and Password to Access "members only" features by Clicking the homepage "Log In." Establish a user name and password and enjoy!
- **Nautical Gear?** Check our Ship's Store. Website >>> "Membership" pulldown to >>>Ship's Store.
- **NSYC "Ride Share" Program."** Members-Only login, select "Boat Share Program." Explore many opportunities for Boat owners and non-owners to "Share-A-Ride" at the "click-of-a-link."
Crew Requests:
 Boat Share Skippers reserving Under Toad can seek crew while completing their reservation
Members Available to Crew:
 Any Member can offer to crew
Invitation to Sail:
 Any Boat owner fills a template inviting any member for a sail.
Offer to Crew on Another Member's Boat:
 A template filled by any member
- **NSYC caps, lapel pins, car magnets and burgees:** See Captain Vic
- **BoatUS Discounts:** Join or renew BoatUS Member-ship (www.boatus.com) at a discount by using NSYC's BoatUS Cooperating Group Number: GA85149Y

Boat Share Program Spring 2020

Ahoy Toad Sailors: Update May 26, 2020

In mid-May Ernie, Adriana, Evan & John met to begin commissioning the Toad, John removed the old and bought new tarps. The team washed UT. Ernie picked up the sails, John removed the worn boot top tape and Evan and Karina gave her a good waxing.

Richard Raskin and I went to the yard and found Toad's bottom painted.

The boot stripe will be painted on instead of waiting for the boot top tape since West Marine is uncertain about receiving the delivery

We met with Stevan & Freddie at the yard, with whom Richard has a long-standing relationship, and they are telling us that the Toad will go into the water on Friday.

So let's plan on meeting Saturday AM to bend on sails, install and test the engine, install the battery, and get ready for sailing UT to the mooring.

So here is our crew for Saturday commissioning: Ernie has the sails, Jaime has the engine, John, Neil and Evan will lend a hand in bending on the sails and installing and testing the motor and we will plan on sailing UT to the mooring.

Please let me if you're available. Because of social distancing we may want to stagger the times we work.

Carlo Zaskorski

Commissioning UnderToad





NSYC'S New Year's Day Fete – "Sets a Clear Vision for 2020"

Wednesday, January 1, 2020

January 1st, 2020 was a cloudy crisp 42 degree day for our annual New Year's Day Party at NSYC. A record number was reached with 62 attendees as we enjoyed the privilege of hosting this annual event yet again..

Bob and I continue to be grateful for the opportunity to greet new members and spend time with old friends. It is such a pleasure to observe everyone bonding together in friendship while welcoming in a New Year of challenges and joys..

The menu was well-balanced with sumptuous contributions from all those present. What a feast of appetizers, main courses and desserts!

Past Commodore Ken Magida rose to the occasion with an impromptu champagne toast in the absence of Commodore Linda Kulla..

We are very appreciative of all the kitchen helpers including Julie Lim, Melanie Moeller, Pat Hopkins, Barbara Greenhouse and so many others who offered and stepped in to help when limited kitchen space allowed.

We also extend our thanks to Capt. Vic, Peter Hirschhorn, Lloyd Herman, Bill Palafox and Carlo Zaskorski who contributed to various tasks including the room setup, provision of supplies, assistance at the bar, and clean up. Bill, Marvin Covitz and Roy Israel took photos of the event.

Each year we exclaim that this was the best New Year's Day Party in our memory, yet it just gets better each year! With all the unrest in the world, our fellow club members gravitate to events that ensure fun, laughter, and camaraderie.

We thank you for your friendship and support and extend our best wishes to our club members and their families for a very Happy New Year.





NSYC Officers Cocktail Party & Open House

Saturday, February 1, 2020

A bright, clear, breezy and cold day was warmed by an animated group of 70 members, their families, guests and prospective members at this February Officers' Cocktail Party and prospective members Open House. All age groups were well represented... a real family event!

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 place for all of us. It is also an opportunity for us to invite potential members and guests to visit and learn more about us.

The selection of food supplied by the officers and trustees this year was very diverse, interesting and delicious... people enjoyed all that was offered. The complimentary bar tended by members was a huge success.

The afternoon was a great opportunity to meet with old and new friends, talk sailing, warm up a cold day and pass another day counting down to Launch Service in the Spring.





NSYC SPRING **VIRTUAL** MEMBERSHIP MEETING

April 19, 2020



Virtual Spring Membership Meeting – April 19, 2020 Due to the Coronavirus and Covid-19, the spring membership meeting was held via computers on ZOOM. The meeting was called for 9:00 am and the first thirty minutes were used to get everyone signed in and accounted for, most on computers and some via telephone.

Commodore Linda Kulla called the meeting to order at 9:30 and counted 51 members present with more signing in during the meeting. The secretary certified that a quorum was present with a higher percentage of members than at the usual meetings. The members of the Bridge were named and a special thanks to Captain Vic for working all alone, getting the Club in good working order.

The mooring field is ready and all inspected. The Matt Meyran's water taxi will be used in place of the Club launch for now. Social distancing will be followed and the wearing of masks required. Hand sanitizers will be placed at each end of the hallway and the upstairs lounge and deck are closed. Captain Vic is at high risk so members must be very careful. There is hope that NYSC will be open this summer, but the May Commissioning is postponed and may be videoed with only have the Bridge present to put on the NYSC website.

Governor Cuomo opened marinas as of Monday, April 20, but it is not clear when the Club will be open. Members bringing their boats to the moorings must contact Captain Vic and arrange for pickup via water taxi, exiting through Brewers parking lot, not the Club.

Mariann Dalimonte is the new bookkeeper as Erica is moving away. Members in arrears are reminded to pay dues. The Club as filed for a PPP loan but has not heard. In an effort for transparency, all Bridge meetings have been posted to the secure section of the website as well as the reports for this meeting.

As suggested last Fall, NSYC is now included in the Register of American Yacht Clubs Reciprocity Guide. The guide is on line and there will be a printed roster available.

The International Canoe Regatta is still scheduled for July and we assume our October dinner dance will proceed as planned.





NSYC SPRING *VIRTUAL* MEMBERSHIP MEETING

April 19, 2020

(continued)

Rear Commodore Peter Hirschhorn reports on work done in the fall and this year's projects are not yet done as work parties are postponed until the Club is opened.

Bill Palafox of the Marketing, Blinker and Racing Committees stated that HarborFest has been cancelled but we are proceeding as if on a regular schedule for events and races until we hear otherwise.....**Covid-19... staying-in-the-ready.** Also thanks to Frank LoPresti and Dan Herron for their work on the Club website and we need folks to work on UnderToad.



Ron Gold, Cruising Committee has put together a cruising calendar and asks members to share cruising plans.

Richard Predmore, Education Committee states there are no scheduled presentations.

Junior Sailing Program purchased a Mako 20 as the Jr. Sailing chase boat and there will be a vote on a name for the boat. The program will go on if possible.

Mary Lu Dempsey Palafox, Membership Committee named 4 new Active Members: Donald & Madeline Hochheiser; Carol Ott & Gary Wachter; Neill Parker & Giulia Alimonti; Colin & Jaime Petcove Schneider; and New Social Associate: John & Michelle Dellaquila

Going on Zoom made for a shorter meeting this year!



NSYC *VIRTUAL* COMMISSIONING

May 16, 2020



Commodore Linda Kulla kicked off the 150th Commissioning of the North Shore Yacht Club on this May 16th, 2020 by greeting all of the members and guests to the Zoom virtual ceremony. It proved to be a spirited event in spite of the difficult issues presented by the pandemic. Approximately 60 members participated via Zoom.

P/C Yehuda Rosenstock began with a moving invocation that included an appreciation of sailing to help members navigate this difficult time.

Our upbeat Commodore introduced the officers and presented Fleet Captain Carlo Zaskorski with his personal

burgee for his position and appreciation for his service to the Club.

Rear Commodore Peter Hirschhorn introduced the trustees and Fleet Captain Carlo Zaskorski acknowledged the Club's past Commodores.



Secretary Ruta Ledins presented our guests from neighboring yacht clubs:

Manhasset Bay Yacht Club Commodore - Brian Raskin

Port Washington Yacht Club Commodore - Aidan McCormick

Hempstead Harbour Club Commodore - Susan Enzler

Seacliff Yacht Club Commodore - Charlie Parisi

Douglaston Yacht Club Commodore - Mark Siver

North Port Yacht Club Commodore - Theo Novak

Centerport Yacht Club Commodore - Susan Munro

P/C Mary Lu Dempsey-Palafox introduced the new members of the Club:

New Actives:

Donald & Madeline Hochheiser

Carol Ott & Gary Wachter

Neill Parker & Giulia Alimonti

Colin Schneider & Jaime Petcove

New Social Associates:

John & Michelle Dellaquila



Linda remembered fondly and with regret the loss of two outstanding members during 2019, Richard Ronzoni and Stanley Rosenberg. Both men loved sailing and their presence and contributions to the Club will be greatly missed. Trustee Bill Palafox read memorial tributes to both Richard and Stanley and our own and very talented Jane Murphy sang Amazing Grace.





NSYC *VIRTUAL* COMMISSIONING

May 16, 2020

(continued)

The Commodore then asked for our thoughts and prayers for healing for our members Yehuda Rosenstock, Bob Ebenau, Fran and Ted Lublin and Peter Frank.

Fleet Captain Carlo Zaskorski then announced that the club was ready for Commissioning. The American flag and the Club burgee were raised to the Star Spangled Banner, appropriately saluted and again beautifully sung by Jane Murphy.



Commodore Linda Kulla proposed a toast and declared the NSYC was in commission for its 150th season. The ceremony ended as Zoom toasts filled the air emphasized by a shotgun blast by Club Steward, Captain Vic.



NSYC EDUCATION

Richard Predmore, Education Chairman

February 6th - Education Event – 2020 Around Long Island Race (ALIR)

Racing can be more than just racing on Manhasset Bay. There is going places!

The Around Long Island Regatta (ALIR) is a well-known distance race. While the race is close enough to land for a first offshore race, it is also great for the more experienced offshore sailors. The ALIR is a great next step! That's the strong message left by our fellow sailors from the Sea Cliff Yacht Club (SCYC), Jim Aikman and Doug Wefer early in February.

With multiple years under their belt sponsoring ALIR, Jim and Doug very enthusiastically promoted the ALIR. They also emphasized safety requirements, boat preparation, weather and strategy.

The evening was a welcomed introduction to distance racing and stimulated several NSYC skippers and crews to seriously consider entering this traditional race.



Education Event – January 30th - Introduction to PHRF Racing & More” – Marc Epstein

January 30th was a perfect date for a dozen eager sailors to join together at 7:30PM at NSYC for a presentation by skipper and experienced racer, Marc Epstein, to learn more about handicapped racing on Manhasset Bay and Long Island Sound.

Marc covered the typical areas:

- Would you like to race your boat in Manhasset Bay and Long Island Sound?
- How to get started?
- Preparing one's boat
- Obtaining crew
- How to obtain a PHRF rating
- Typical race courses and their variations
- Race starts
- Local knowledge

Attendees left satisfied for a very informative evening led by one of the Bay's premier racing skippers.

Thanks Marc!





Cruising Corner

Spring 2020

Greeting from the NSYC “Old Salts” a potpourri

With the Covid-19 lockdown, we sailors won't stop dreaming about our next outings. That being said, the NSYC “Old Salts,” initiated just a few years ago, have these to offer:

Access to the latest *Register of American Yacht Clubs Reciprocity Guide*

North Shore Yacht Club is in the Register of American Yacht Clubs Reciprocity Guide to aid our cruising members. We are listed both in print and online this year.

Login to NSYC (www.nsync.net) Members Only with your unique username and password.

When there...first click the “Membership” pulldown. Then, click on “Reciprocity Guide.” Thereafter, just follow the prompts for an entertaining and informative cruiser experience

From our Cruising Chair, Ron Gold...a book review in Windcheck magazine

“The Coast of Summer”...Sailing New England Waters from Shelter Island to Cape Cod” WindCheck Magazine

As Ron says...“Saw this book review when reading WindCheck. Have carried this book with me on board for years. it might be a cool thing to recommend to our members in the Blinker. The book is very well written, and the stories mix a good description of history about the places, along with the people he meets in the various harbors. Also, the book has good sailing stories of making the trips from harbor to harbor, anchoring, rowing and visiting these very familiar places. I have never gotten tired of going back to it when on a trip to refresh my memory of places and compare his trips to my own in the same places. Click this link for the book review.”

<https://www.windcheckmagazine.com/article/book-review-the-coast-of-summer-sailing-new-england-waters-from-shelter-island-to-cape-cod/>

“Old Yacht Clubs of the Upper West Side”

If you love, or want to learn to love the Upper West Side, click this link....

<https://ilovetheupperwestside.com/old-yacht-clubs-of-the-uws/>

10 Phrases You Never Knew Came From Sailing...If you're a “Loose Cannon” looking for a “Square Meal,” these are for you...

<https://asa.com/news/2015/08/12/phrases-from-sailing/>

Ron Gold
P.C. Cruising Chair





The Racing Form

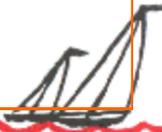
All NSYC covid-19 procedures will be followed for all racers and crew. Additional RC advisements are below and in the online RC Seminar.

Club Races & Race Committee Schedule
During this season of the Coronavirus the NSYC schedule of RC and Club races remains substantially unchanged—for now. Expect e-mailings announcing any changes to the schedule or the composition of the Club races.

<u>Proposed WW RC</u>		<u>Club Race WW RC</u>	
June	6 – 7	Snyder Cup	Sat, Jun 6
June	13 – 14	Epstein Trophy	Sun, Jun 14
July	18 – 19	Smith Cup	Sun, Jul 19
Aug	15 - 16	Borden Cup	Sun, Aug 16
September	12 – 13	Commodore's Cup	Sun, Sep 13

OPEN REGATTAS
Moonlight Regatta August 29

- NSYC Covid-19 Race Committee and Club Race Procedures**
- The RC will consist of two persons—a PRO and crew
 - The PRO and crew must ‘trust’ each other
 - The PRO will select the RC crew
 - RC members shall wear face masks and observe social distancing
 - The location of RC equipment will be in the entry hall
 - Two RC members will be in the RC launch at all times
 - There will be a single start/finish line
 - Club races will use a Racing or Cruising start as determined by the Race Management Committee for each race
 - All boats must start and finish in the same direction
 - No special marks will be used
 - No flags will be used to signal the start—only a sound system
 - Club races will be held within Manhasset Bay, south of ‘6’—‘I’
 - Club races will be approximately 2-3 hours long
 - The number of one-design races per class on any given race day, will be determined by the Race Committee based on the day’s conditions.





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We're Back! with the Epstein Trophy

Despite severe restrictions and many delays, racing at NSYC has returned. To the pleasure of the skippers and their one-person 'Safety Officers' they sailed competitively in the single-handed Epstein Trophy race. With 8 boats in two balanced divisions the race was held on Sunday June 14 on a beautiful spring day. The race committee consisting of Andy and Marian Weisman started the race at 1:35 from the club launch at the Worry Wart. Many thanks are due Marian and Andy for successfully running this race using our new Covid-19 RC procedures. The wind was a little light, but all boats finished the 5 mile course within 2 1/2 hours. Congratulations to George Marks (*Georgetown*) who took first place in Division 6A, and to Richard Raskin (*Osprey*) who placed first in Division 6B.

As a competitor and observer of the race, Bill Palafox (*Old Flame*) reported that four boats started immediately at the opening of the starting period, with Marc Epstein (*Vision*) and Bill Palafox (*Old Flame*) taking the lead to the first mark. Ultimately wind conditions, boat and skipper differences, some tactics and even luck, begin to show as *Vision* began to walk away from the fleet at Plum Point, with *Georgetown* making a move there too. All boats had their turn in a "hole" (no wind) and fought valiantly to maintain progress. Spinning masthead flies and power boat wakes became the flavor of the day. Finally, the boats rounded Hewlett Point and turned south fighting the variable light wind and power boat wakes with some tactics and luck.

At one point Neill Parker (*Dolcezza*) and Alan Bernstein (*Cool Fire*) went neck-and-neck "Mano-A-Mano" trading places as they raced for the finish. Meanwhile, Richard Raskin (*Osprey*), camped on the low side and kept moving. No one could count on a sprint to the finish

The final race results are here to see. Eight boats had a great time! The Cruising Start most likely makes it easier to consider entering. This is something for all NSYC boats to "Think About." On the deck following the race the satisfied faces of the sailors showed their pleasure with being on the water and racing again.

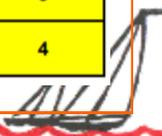
Three Guns to All !!!

2020 EPSTEIN TROPHY -- RESULTS

June 14, 2020

DIVISION: Cruising Start	6A	Nominal Starting Time:		13:35:00	Course:	PDU	Distance:	4.93	
BOAT NAME	Boat Type	SAIL #	OWNER	H'CAP	Start Time	Finish Time	Race Time	Corrected Time	Position
Georgetown	Alerion 38	9	Marks	135	13:35:00	15:10:34	1:35:34	1:24:28	1
Vision	J-105	637	Epstein	105	13:35:00	15:09:04	1:34:04	1:25:26	2
Dolcezza	Hntr. Lgnd. 37	53	Parker	141	13:35:00	15:19:20	1:44:20	1:32:45	3
Cool Fire	J37	414	Bernstein	96	13:36:24	15:22:00	1:45:36	1:37:43	4

DIVISION: Cruising Start	6B	Nominal Starting Time:		13:35:00	Course:	PDU	Distance:	4.93	
BOAT NAME	Boat Type	SAIL #	OWNER	H'CAP	Start Time	Finish Time	Race Time	Corrected Time	Position
Osprey	Alerion 28	390	Raskin	189	13:36:30	15:14:11	1:37:41	1:22:09	1
Old Flame	Sonar 23	479	Dempsey/ Palafox	180	13:35:00	15:18:39	1:43:39	1:28:52	2
Calliope Girl	S&S 34 TR	4546	Didriksen	174	13:38:11	15:23:30	1:45:19	1:31:01	3
Explorer	J-24	1358	Goldman	177	13:37:40	15:24:49	1:47:09	1:32:36	4





NSYC Dinner Dance and Awards

Sunday, November 10, 2019

The 2019 NSYC Annual Dinner Dance held at F.I. S.H. On Main restaurant was a great event. This was the third year in a row that we have been at that restaurant. Thanks to the good food and drinks, the Hocus Pocus band, the congeniality of the members and the great price it was a very successful celebration. Thank you again Alan Helman. And thank you Barbara Greenhouse for your energetic dancing; you inspired many to get up and join you.

We all enjoyed a great time!





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After dinner, Marc Epstein presented racing awards. (These were listed in the previous Blinker.) Commodore Linda Kulla then gave the Archie Bumper award to Joel Ziev for going aground in local, familiar waters while racing in the Commodore's Cup. Joel asked the crowd if there was anyone who had never gone aground. No one raised a hand.

Linda also awarded the Mathews Service Award to Robert Coles and Andy Ledins and the Dave Goldsmith Award to Marc Epstein for his unending promotion of sailing. Robert was recognized for housing Mark, our wonderful Junior Sailing Instructor for the season and his continuing support of the Junior Program. Robert truly enjoyed hosting the very competent, knowledgeable and self-starting young man from Ireland; they are still communicating regularly. Andy was recognized for his expert knowledge and unstinting hard work insuring the safety of our clubhouse and deck structures.

Veterans were asked to stand together while the band played the Star Spangled Banner and all sang along. A touching moment to end a wonderful evening.

Three guns !!!





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It's in the name—Dinner Dance—and dine and dance we did, throughout the evening, from the beginning and into the night. At times the place was jumping. The music from Hocus-Pocus was terrific. A great way to end a lovely evening. Our annual celebration was another happy event to mark the year of 2019 for NSYC!



