

JYC Courier

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Message from the Commodore

Hello boaters! Its hard to believe only a few short months ago we were enjoying the waters of Narragansett Bay. Now, with a fresh coat of snow covering our beloved boat, we are thinking about the next season and what can be done to make it the best ever! Of course the work we do now will contribute to the success of the coming season.

This is the first of many newsletters I will write documenting the club's activities and accomplishments over the next two years. On behalf of all our members, I would like to thank Julio for his work during his tenure. His solid leadership guided our club over the past two years. Our outgoing officers, Bucky Brennan and Rich Boes provided inspiration and perspiration when needed. Thank you for your time and dedication to the club.

Also, I would like to thank our officers and committee chairs (and their families) for volunteering their time to the club and commitment to keep JYC the best yacht club on the bay.

While only a few hardy souls sail over the winter here on the bay, you can still keep your sailing skills sharp for the upcoming season. Our Winter Lecture series will cover weather, a universal topic to all boaters. We have a great speaker, R.J. Heim, meteorologist at NewsChannel 10. It will be held on Wednesday January 15th at 7pm at the Jamestown Library. For more details see the article later in the newsletter. The first lecture, a Racing Rules Clinic was attended by 40-50 people.

Our Installation and Awards banquet was held at the Atlantic Beach Club in Middletown. What a beautiful location! Even with the chilly temperature a few people ventured outside to enjoy the view overlooking Easton's Beach (First Beach) in Newport. About 120 people attended the event. I noticed so many members wearing their JYC pins; it was great to see people showing their spirit. The food was excellent (I couldn't get enough of the fish) and the DJ kept the floor full of dancers. The only thing we were short on was

time to enjoy more of the evening. I did not get a chance to sample the desserts that night, however many told me that they were outstanding and as many were "just going to get some coffee", they walked back with a treat or two.

Steve McInnis presented the racing awards. Congratulations to all the winners, your hard work paid off. Of course now you have become the boat everyone wants to beat this season. Additionally, Bucky Brennan recognized our cruisers with canvas totes; you can never own enough of these.

JYC is an INCLUSIVE club and it's your club. Any help you can give will be appreciated. Many hands make light work and your talent or skill might be the difference.

If there is anything I can do for you, please don't hesitate to ask

Fair Winds and Following Seas,



Introducing our 2003 Officers and Committee Chairs

We are very fortunate to have so many hard working members volunteer their time and talents to the club. This year is no different as we have a diverse and experienced group leading our club. Ed Doherty will take the reigns from Julio as our Commodore. Julio will continue to assist the board in the Past Commodore position. Samira Hakki has become the Vice Commodore and Mary Brennan joins the

board as the Rear Commodore and House Chair. Winston Knight and Maureen Rotondo anchor us with their experience in vital roles as Treasurer and Secretary, respectively.

Andrew Kalflez is our Member-At-Large responsible for membership. Anne Lane will do double duty at Junior Advisor and Member-At-Large. Steve McInnis will stay on as our

Fleet Captain and Race Committee Chair.

Lastly, no one would be foolish to volunteer for the Fools Rules Committee position, except of course Chris Powell and Larry Buckley.

We have openings for a Cruising and Social Committee Chair. No experience required, just a willingness to help.

JYC YACHT PERSON AWARD for 2002

Steven Brin



JYC Award Winners

During the Awards Banquet the winners of JYC special awards were announced.

THE SYDNEY L. WRIGHT MEMORIAL AWARD goes to the JYC boat that has the best overall score over the Spring, Summer, and Fall Racing Series. This year was unique as there was a tie between **Harry Lane of Fast Lane and Fauss Hull of Skeleton Crew**. Of course, being J/24 sailors they wanted to settle it out in the parking lot. Before bets could be taken it was decided they could *share* the award, one to hold the perpetual trophy and the other the engraved bowl.

MARSTON W. KEELER JR. SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

The Nominee must be a Junior Member who exemplifies the highest

ideals of sportsmanship, including fairplay and team spirit.

Congratulations to **Alex Sakovits** for being this year's recipient.

JYC OUTSTANDING JR. ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

This award is given to a Junior Member in recognition of his/her water-related Activities performed throughout the year. This year **Julia McInnis** best exemplified the qualities of this award.

KIT WRIGHT COMMUNITY SERVICE MEMORIAL AWARD

The Nominee must be an Active Member in Good Standing of the JYC, involved in Community service, and must promote and project the Ideas of the JYC. **Julio DiGiando** won for his work outside the yacht club, representing boater's interests in Jamestown.

U.S. SAILING SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

The Nominee must be an active member in good standing of the JYC, who has shown the true spirit of Corinthian Sailing throughout the season. This year **Patrick Muldoon** was chosen as the recipient for his actions on the water.

JYC YACHT PERSON AWARD

This award is given to an active member in good standing of the JYC in recognition of his/her Service to the Club. This award is voted on at the Installation and Awards Banquet. Many great nominations were received and the voting close. **Steven Brin** (Dr. Oreo) was voted our JYC Yacht Person of the Year.

Congratulations to every winner, all of you are very deserving

2002 Installation and Awards Banquet

Our Installation and Awards banquet was held on November 22, 2002 at the Atlantic Beach Club in Middletown. They had just completed a major renovation of their facility adding a second floor. Not having been there in a while it was a small challenge to find the elevator, but the hostesses were very friendly and helpful. Once outside the elevator you entered a small room. You were able to see the large ballroom awaiting us, but not until the socializing was done. On the wall a slide show of JYC events was being shown. This room contained a bar that quickly filled up with customers and conversation. It wasn't long until the room became packed with guests. It seemed almost every one had their JYC pin on. While most of the men had the traditional tie and blazer, the women stopped the traffic. Many stunning dresses and

outfits were worn. Clearly this was a high-class event. It seemed that all 120 guests had shown up and once the waiting room could hold no more, the doors to the ballroom swung open revealing a spacious and grand room. Tables weren't crowded together and no one was next to the speakers. The club only paid for half of the room, but since the other half was not rented they gave us the whole room at no additional cost.

A grand buffet dinner was served and the waiting was minimal. Once dinner was over, the ceremonies began. Julio started things off by swearing in our new commodore, Ed Doherty. After that Ed, swore in the 2003 club officers.

The microphone was handed over to our Fleet Captain Steve McInnis. Steve presented the awards and acknowledged all boats that participated in racing this year.

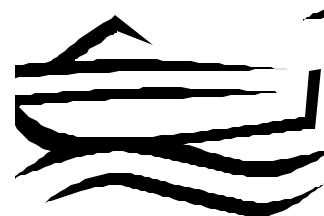
Ed announced the perpetual awards and then nominations and voting took place for the JYC Yacht Person of the Year Award. Steve Brin was this year's winner.

Bucky Brennan recognized our cruisers and informed the racers that there is more fun to sailing than just going around the buoys.

The awards ceremony was closed out and the dance floor opened up. The music covered all ranges of taste, but it didn't seem to matter as the floor stayed occupied until the clock struck midnight. The night and season had come to an end.

A good time was had by all and now we can look forward to the opening of next year's season.

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About Our Organization

The purpose of the Club is to enhance the freedom its members seek through boating. We promote boating, encourage the exchange of ideas and information among boaters, and seek to provide an atmosphere for camaraderie among people who believe that time upon the water is an essential part of a free life. To that end, it shall be the intent of the Club to use the waters and shores wisely

Advanced Cruising Boat Course

Coasters Harbor Naval Yacht Club, CHNYC will be holding an Advanced Cruising Boat Course. JYC members are invited to participate and the cost is only \$35. Classes will begin on Wednesday, January 22nd and run for 6 sessions, 7-9PM at Building 18. For non-military, this is through Gate One (near Newport Nautical), left past the

marina, at the end; you will need a picture I.D., and state you are on the access list for the Navy Yacht Club.

Please contact Capt, Ben Riggs, USNR (ret) at 401-846-2540 or email rmcriggs@earthlink.net

The reading assignments will be from The Annapolis Book of Seamanship. You may also use Chapman's

Piloting Book.



**Jamestown Yacht
Club**

UPCOMING

**WINTER LECTURE
WED JAN 15
7-9PM
LIBRARY**

SPEAKER

**RJ HEIM
METEROLOGIST**

We're on the Web!

See us at:

www.jyc.org

Winter Lecture Series

The JYC Winter Lecture Series was kicked off November 13, 2002 at the Jamestown Library. 40-50 people attended an interactive Racing Rules Clinic. Through the benefit of technology 10 common racing scenarios were shown in the safety and comfort of the library meeting room. Each scenario was shown and discussed, prior to the official answer being given. The biggest lesson learned was you can never know too much about the racing rules.

For those who did not get a chance to attend the

lecture (and why not?) the scenarios were taken from UK Sailmakers web site: <http://uksailmakers.com/RulesQuiz/index.html>

You can go to this site and test your knowledge of the racing rules. It's free and very well done. Of course they make you register to use it.

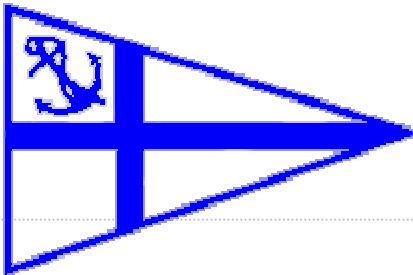
Our next lecture will be held at the Jamestown Library on January 15, from 7-9pm. Our lecturer is R.J. Heim, meteorologist at NewsChannel 10. R.J. is a dynamic speaker and presenter. He is sure to

entertain and educate. He will review the weather and its impact on the local wind.

Our lectures are free and open to the public. We expect a large turnout, so please show up early to ensure yourself a spot. Seating is limited to 100 people.

Our final winter lecture will be held on Wed March 12, from 7-9pm at the Library

If you have a suggestion for a lecture topic or know a good lecturer please contact Ed at 423-3196



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