

May 2010

# Jamestown Yacht Club

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## Spring Newsletter 2010

### Upcoming Dates

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RACING SERIES  
CELEBRATION!

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Narragansett Café

Food provided by  
Jamestown Yacht  
Club

Time: After Racing.

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### Calendar 2010

- June 8              Race Party
- June 15            1st summer race
- June 18            Bermuda Race
- July 9-11          Block Island cruise
- July 24-31        Annual cruise
- July 27            Crew Rotation Race
- August 7           3-Leg race
- August 14          Fools Rules
- August 24          Race Party
- August 31          1st Fall race
- Sept 5 CYC Round Island Race
- Oct 3              Final fall race
- Oct 15            Annual Meeting
- Nov 19            Awards dinner

### Welcome New Members

Greg and Jane Austin, Warwick,  
Antonio and Caroline Pensa, Jamestown  
Raymond and Gladys Boornazian, Jame-  
town  
Martin and Mary Keen, Jamestown



## Social Committee News

JYC has had a very busy social year so far. **January** started off the year with our first **Dark & Stormy Night** held at the Narragansett Café. We had a great turn out and a wonderful time was had by all. Tom Wright & Friends provided the music and the food was delicious. **February** was the month for our **Winter Dinner**. Trattoria Simpatico was our place of venue. The weather did not deter our full house. The meal was excellent and conversation and laughter filled the room. **March** was **Family Pot Luck Dinner** and the PAC was full of Families, Friends and Magic. Tommy James was our entertainment and he kept everyone laughing and in awe. **April** brought the return of **Dark & Stormy Night II**. Again, a great night with a big crowd, music and food. We started the month of **May** with the **JYC Commission-**

**ing Brunch** held at the Officers' Club in Newport. It was a beautiful morning and an excellent menu. We had a record turnout of Members, Family and Friends.

The social events now turn to Racing and Cruising. Everyone is welcome to come down on Tuesday nights to watch the racers and join us afterwards at either the Caddy Shack or the Narragansett Café and listen to all the stories.

There will be an **End of the Spring Series** gathering on **June 8<sup>th</sup>** at the Narragansett Café (Food provided by JYC) and **End of Summer Series** gathering on **August 24<sup>th</sup>** at the same venue.

I hope everyone has enjoyed the Social Events so far. Let me know if you have any ideas for future events. Kate



## Racing News

The JYC Social events have put us in the mood for sailing and the **2010 Racing Season** is off to a good start. The Race Committee hosted a prep meeting in February and several of our racers joined us to review the changes to the race circular and discuss other proposed changes. A lively exchange ensued! The Skippers' Meeting in April officially kicked off the racing season with a review of the changes to the JYC race circular. This led to a successful start to the Spring Series with 20 boats registered before the first

race! Many thanks to the die-hard race committee volunteers who braved the "well beyond damp conditions" of our second race to stay to finish the boats. Without these folks, we wouldn't have racing. For those who still haven't registered to race, come on out and join us! Registration forms can be found at [www.jyc.org](http://www.jyc.org). The **Summer Series** begins **June 15<sup>th</sup>**. See you out there. Cheryl



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## 2010 Bermuda Race

Mark your calendar for June 18, the start of the Bermuda Race off of Castle Hill. Start time is 1:00 pm. If not participating, get out and see the start of this exciting yacht race to cheer on your participating JYC sailors!

## Cruising Committee News

Hello Fellow Cruisers!! I am eagerly awaiting the launching of my boat and dreaming of the upcoming season. The family and I have been thinking of fun activities for all during the Block Island weekend and the 2010 Annual Cruise.

For the BI weekend, July 9, 10, and 11th we expect the usual large turnout. I will be maintaining a list of those attending so we can plan ahead and ensure we have moorings for all. The annual beach cookout will have fun and games for all. We are planning to have a nautical "Minute to Win It" challenge. Its modeled after the NBC show on Sunday nights. The challenges are done with common items around the house (or boat in this case) and must be done in one minute.

For the 2010 Annual Cruise July 24th to Aug 1st, we are heading west to the Shelter Island area. New this year will be a cruise document containing all the information on the itinerary, tides, currents, stars and fellow boats. My goal would be to ensure any member new to the cruise can pair up with an experienced member. Also my kids would love other families to join us. They are planning all sorts of kids activities from treasure hunts to dress as a pirate day.

Check you email soon for an invitation to some great JYC fun.

Ed

**Order JYC  
clothing  
online at  
[jyc.org](http://jyc.org)**



If you are planning on using the JYC mooring at Block Island, please become familiar with the guidelines for use of the mooring on the homepage of our website.

## Joshua Leonard Scholarship

Congratulations to this years sailing scholarship winner Katie Brayman!



1998 Tight Racing at the Fools Rules Regatta!

## Crew Finder

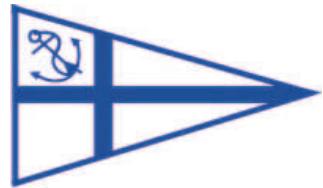
Crew finder is up and running. Check the JYC website [jyc.org](http://jyc.org) for the new crew finder tab. Find a crew member or find a boat to race on!

## Reminders

Reminder: 2010 Membership payments were due month end February. Please remit to JYC, Attn: Jean Lambert.

The JYC Board is trying to round up all the filled award plaques to locate them in a permanent home. Please contact Rob @ 423-9239 or Larry at 423-2534 regarding your finds.

## History Corner

**North Kingstown High School Sailing Team goes to New Orleans for the Great Oaks Regatta 2009**

Regatta Wrap-Up by Dylan Vogel

Friday- We arrived in New Orleans at 11:00 in the morning. After picking up the rental car, we attempted to find our way to the southern yacht club to register and check out the facilities and the venue. After much deliberation with the GPS, we managed to find our way to the Yacht Club by 1:00, register, and go for a sail in the boat we were to use in the first race. After our quick practice, some tacks and jibes, we decided to go check out the area and get some groceries. We found a Win Dixie and got some sandwich making materials, as well as a jug of tea which was in no short supply. After our first southern grocery shopping experience, we were headed to our host's house when we spotted the southern version of a Denny's. We had to stop and check it out and had our fourth meal of the day which consisted of fried catfish, fried normal fish, fried rice, fried dough, fried shrimp, fried chicken, and red cream soda. After this afternoon snack of champions, we headed home to hook up with our host Kyle Smith. We found his house in a suburban part of town where that was only three feet below sea level. We met Kyle, ditched our bags, and headed out to see what kind of fun we could have in the city. Our coach, Alexa, brought us to the famed Bourbon Street, but for some reason only let us explore within two blocks of the car... After another dinner of exquisite Southern cuisine (fried), we were allowed to break through our two block radius and explore a little more (with the aid of Alexa of course). After our big night on the town, we decided to head home and get some sleep for racing the next day. When we got home, we found Kyle already asleep, and followed suit.

Saturday- the drive to the yacht club was unreal. Even the middle class suburban area that we had to drive through to get to the yacht club had still not recovered from the destruction of Hurricane Katrina. There were still more boarded up homes than renovated ones. As we entered the marina district, it was like entering a whole different world, it's on top, and huge storm doors that shut across the road. When we arrived, after a short skippers meeting in the massive Southern Yacht Club, where we were split into two fleets, we were soon on the water getting off races. The sailing was light, but we sailed some good races in the light shifty conditions. With a score of 5-1-4 we qualified for the gold fleet on the final day of racing and were seeded second. After racing we stopped at our southern version of Denny's for a quick afternoon snack of po-boys (fried shrimp in a fried tortilla, fried) and headed home to wash up for a dinner put on by the club. We got lost on the way to the dinner, and wound up stuck in traffic for two hours, by which time the dinner was wrapping up. So, we headed back to Bourbon street, and had another southern dinner of Jambalaya (which I am ashamed to say was far superior to the stuff we made at the fundraising dinner for those who attended). After dinner we wandered around Bourbon Street and discovered why Alexa had been hesitant about letting us out of the car. After another night of unbearable indigestion (fried food) and culture shock, we headed back to the house to get some rest for the final day of racing.

Sunday – Sunday was a scorcher. Hazy, hot and humid. We arrived at the yacht club to find absolutely no wind. It was dead. We sat in postponement until about 11:00 when a small geographical puff started to build into a little isolated sea breeze. When we got out and started racing it got really light, puffy and shifty. With a heavily pin favored line, Erica and I were feeling confident in ourselves and feeling good about the day. As it turns out, I was a little trigger happy all day and with two OCS's by the sixth race Erica and I decided that after two days of hard focusing, our brains were fried, and handed the boat over to Tommy and Honore who sailed consistently the last two races to keep us in eighth. Our final scores for the day was 1(OCS)-1-2-1-8-12-1(OCS)-8-9. Unfortunately the two OCS's killed our chances of a podium finish, but we were happy with our focus over the two days. After a quick awards ceremony, we headed back to Kyle's to watch some foot ball and eat some pizza and go to bed.

Weekend Wrap up – the weekend was a success in my eyes: we got to meet new people, experience a new culture, travel to a new place, miss some school to go sailing, and eat fabulous food. I feel like this regatta was more about the experience for me than the sailing. However after two days of the most mentally demanding sailing I have ever done, I felt confident in our team, and felt that we had done some of the best sailing we have ever done. In addition to proving to ourselves that we are a force to be reckoned with, we showed that a minimally funded public school can compete with private schools from around the nation. I have attached a video link to one of the races on the second day so that anybody can see how cool the sailing was. <http://www.davidlodgestudios.com/greatoaks2.html>

We would like to thank the Jamestown Yacht Club for their generosity and support in helping us experience this regatta.

Thanks,

Dylan Vogel, Tommy Galster, Erica Lush, Honore Johnson

(North Kingstown High School Sailing Team)

**2010 Officers**

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Social Committee :	Kate Shuhy
Junior advisor :	Anne Lane
Fools Rules Committee :	Chris Powell & Larry Buckley



**Fools Rules 2010**  
**Aug 14th**