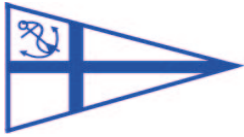


April 2012

# Jamestown Yacht Club

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## Spring Newsletter 2012

**Calendar 2012**

### Upcoming Dates

#### Commissioning Brunch

Kick off JYC's 35th Season

May 6, 2012

Officers Club

Newport Naval Station

Time: 11:00am

Reservations are required for access to the Navy Base.

#### Spring Racing

May 8 first race

#### Cruising

Block Island July 13-15

Annual Cruise July 28-Aug 5



- May 6 Commissioning
- May 8 1st Spring Race
- June 12 1st Summer Race
- June 23– July 1 America's Cup
- July 6-9 Tall Ships
- July 7 Jamestown Fireworks
- July 13-15 Block Island Cruise
- July 28– Aug 5 Annual Cruise
- July 31 Crew Rotation Race
- Aug 11 Fools Rules
- Aug 12 JYC CYC Challenge
- Aug 28 1st Fall Race
- Sept 2 CYC Round Island Race
- Sept 30 Final Fall Race
- Oct 12 Annual Meeting
- Nov 16 Awards Dinner



### Officers 2012

Commodore: Chris Brown  
 Vice Commodore: Larry Shuhy  
 Rear Commodore: Rob Bestoso  
 Secretary: Mary Berthelot  
 Treasurer: Jack Rienzo  
 Fleet Captain, RC: Cheryl Rienzo  
 Membership Chair: Jean Lambert  
 Member at Large: Mary Moody  
 Member at Large: Rich Moody  
 Social Chair: Fred Bartlett  
 Cruising Chair: Jim Heagney

### Welcome New Members

Rod and Kathy Bennett

## Social Committee News

A mild winter has certainly helped bring our social events together this winter/spring season! There appears to be some nice momentum as members head into a very busy 2012 boating season; one that promises to be filled with special area events as well as our traditional racing and cruising activity.

**DARK & STORMY-** January brought our folks out for a night at the "Ganny". John and Cathy provided an excellent buffet and music for our members and about 40 folks turned out to enjoy a nice event.

**WINTER DINNER-** Traditionally an anticipated event in the JYC social calendar, a beautiful calm, clear, moonlit "Jamestown Night" in February welcomed 65 members to the new Jamestown FISH restaurant for our Winter Dinner. A complimentary glass of "bubbly" for everyone as they entered FISH set the stage for a great evening of fine dining and renewing friendships. Thanks to all the staff at FISH for a great evening!

**POT LUCK SUPPER-** Our plans for March took us to the new Jamestown Tavern and a variety of home-made dinner and dessert treats for all to enjoy. Those

who attended discovered that "Saddle up the Chicken" was: a). not a kid's amusement ride, or b). not your mom's special chicken dish! Instead we were treated to a group of 8 very talented musicians including Jamestown Don Minto, who brought their "A game" to JYC. Guitars, mandolins, a banjo, flute and accordion blended with voices to create a wide range of great tunes from blues to bluegrass and beyond. The folks at the newly renovated Tavern were wonderful hosts who were always there when needed. Thanks guys!

**SPRING FLING,** our April event once again brought 45+ folks back to the "Ganny" for an evening of music, food and fun. Talk about boat projects and the upcoming season was a constant theme. Cathy and John were excited to bring us back for this get-together and delivered an excellent buffet and their classic blend of fun and hospitality.

The JYC COMMISSIONING BRUNCH is May 6<sup>th</sup> and with that, the start of summer activity.

For event info visit [jyc.org](http://jyc.org)

## Crew Finder

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

## Racing News

The JYC Winter/Spring Social events and the mild weather have put us in the mood for sailing and the **2012 Racing Season** is about to begin. Our first Spring race is scheduled for **Tuesday, 8 May**. Please be aware of the on-going Newport Bridge construction, although less restrictive and as always, be safe out there.

Many thanks in advance to our race committee volunteers for yet another season .



Without these folks, we wouldn't have racing. Anyone interested in helping out, may contact me or any one on the board.

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). Hope to see you out there.

Cheryl

Sept 30

Final JYC race of 2012

## JYC—CYC Challenge

The 2012 JYC—CYC Challenge is on again after several years hiatus. Come out and sail for JYC on August 12, 2012.

## Bristol Overnight Race

Want to try distance racing, check out the Bristol overnight race. We had several JYC members compete the last few years. Info at <http://www.bristolyc.com/racing/overnight.php>





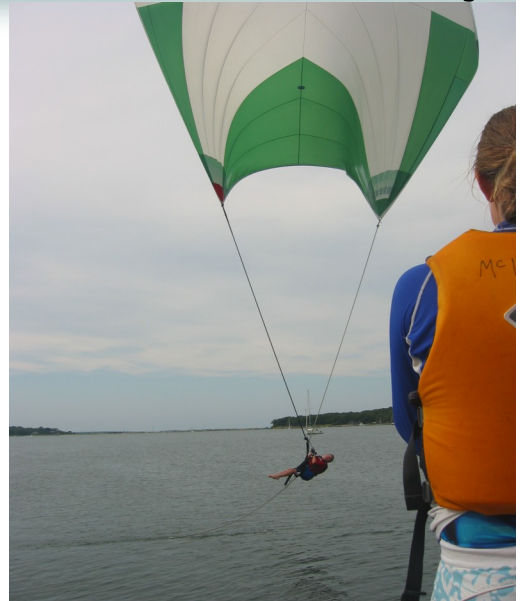
## Cruising Committee News

### 2012 Block Island Weekend Get-Away

July 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>

Are you exhausted from the America's Cup and the Tall Ships weekends? Do you need to get away? Then sail away to Block Island with the JYC on the weekend of July 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> – the week AFTER the Tall Ships visit Newport, where we plan to spend time recovering from all the noise, the crowds and the traffic. We'll meet at the Block on Saturday afternoon and raft up with friends who want to just spend some time going no-place. If anyone is lucky enough to grab a town mooring, please make plans to raft with another JYC boat.

Join us for a cocktail at 5pm – location will be announced over VHF at 4PM (channel to be determined) and will be held on a boat raft somewhere in the pond. Enjoy a leisurely sail back on Sunday, or if boats are interested – we will set up a race back to Castle Hill. Arrangements can be made for a starting line to be set up outside New Harbor entrance. A starting time will be determined once we find out there is enough interest.



### 2012 JYC Annual Club Cruise

July 28<sup>th</sup> – August 5<sup>th</sup>

This summer, come along with JYC to Shelter Island on the eastern tip of Long Island. The dates are real but the itinerary plans are still on the drawing board. There are a number of boats interested and we hope to have even more join in the fun. Please send your Shelter Island trip ideas to Jim Heagney at [jheagney@cox.net](mailto:jheagney@cox.net)

### 2012 September Club Cruise

Dates TBD

Several boats have expressed interest in a post Labor Day cruise, when marina crowds are down and the weather offers great sailing conditions. For those of you with time available, we are contemplating a 4 or 5 day sail (Wednesday thru Sunday?) to Martha's Vineyard. If you are interested, please let me know ([jheagney@cox.net](mailto:jheagney@cox.net)) and I will work on developing a plan.

**Summer Cruise Meeting:** A meeting will be held at 7:30PM on Thursday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at the Narragansett Cafe to finalize plans for the summer cruise. Please stop by for a libation and to offer your ideas for our trip to Shelter Island NY this summer.

Your cruising chair, Jim Heagney

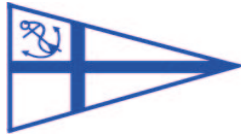
**History Corner** . . . JYC Junior Cruise Skit 2003 . . . . .



**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.**

**Need a new burgee? Available to members for \$20.**

**Call Jean @ 423 9239**



## JYC AWARDS

These are the JYC award winners from 2011 voted on at the Annual meeting and the Awards Banquet:

**Marston W. Keeler Jr. Sportsmanship Award**  
**Madeline and James Doherty**

The Nominee must be a Junior Member who exemplifies the highest ideals of sportsmanship, including fair-play and team spirit.

**JYC Outstanding Jr. Achievement Award**  
**Amina Brown**

Given to a Junior Member in recognition of his/her water-related activities performed throughout the year.

**Kit Wright Community Service Memorial Award**  
**Rita Brin**

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.

**U. S. Sailing Sportsmanship Award**  
**Ed and Melanie Doherty**

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.

**Sydney L. Wright Memorial Award**  
**Bob Salk aboard Picante**

This Award goes to the JYC boat that has the best overall score over the Spring, Summer and Fall Racing Series.

**JYC Yacht Person Award**  
**Ed Doherty**

Given to an Active Member in good standing of the JYC in recognition of his/her service to the club (voted on at the Installation Awards Banquet).

**Joshua Leonard Scholarship**  
**Shea Ewing**

Shea is 9 yrs old from North Kingstown, had lots of fun sailing with Conanicut Yacht Club last summer and might do the racing program this summer.

## NK Sailing Team Update

The team has been working really hard to fine tune their team racing skills after graduating last year's top 4 skippers. Currently the team has a 9-7 record which isn't bad given that we sail a very difficult schedule including meets with all the top private school powerhouses. If you'd like to follow the team, standings can be found at <http://www.nessa-sailing.org>. There are 27 sailors on the team this year which has been possible because of the generous donations from our community members including the Jamestown Yacht Club. Since the high school only pays a stipend for one coach, fundraising and donations must pay for the rest which includes boat maintenance, coach boat servicing and fuel, new sails and a stipend for the assistant coach.



**The Nautical Yard Sale** is our next big fundraiser which will be held on the morning of **May 5th** at the North Kingstown Town Beach. There are two ways you can support the team. The first is to **consider donating any unwanted marine related items** to the team for the sale (contact [nksailing@gmail.com](mailto:nksailing@gmail.com) or 423-3167) and the second is to **come to the sale** and do some shopping. We are also running a bake sale at the same time.



Note the dinghy at left which we believe once belonged to former commodore Julio DiGiando. Rescued from the yard sale last year, it was re-purposed as a finish boat.