



**JYC Courier**

# Fool's Regatta Saturday, 8/16 @ East Ferry

## Cruise Report

A total of 13 boats participated in all or parts of the 2014 Summer Cruise between July 26<sup>th</sup> and August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Destinations included Block Island, Shelter Island, Essex and Stonington. Eleven boats were owned by members of JYC. Boats started to assemble in Block Island from the Wednesday before July 26<sup>th</sup>, by which time 9 boats had arrived in New Harbor. A big surprise were the Doherty's on Patriot who had sailed overnight from New York and arrived at around 6:00 in the morning. On Sunday boats started to head to Coecles Harbor on Shelter Island, and by Tuesday most boats had reunited at the Shelter Island Yacht Club in Deering.

In Deering a mini Fool's Rules race was held. Each boat had been given a small starter kit from which to build a small sail boat, which could use other non boat items that could be found. The basic rule was that the constructed boat must fit within a two foot cube. In the end 12 entries were built and the race was set up along the bulkhead in front of the yacht club. At first the wind looked to be more or less parallel to the shore which was good for the intended course, but at the start the wind switched to more off shore and boats scattered in several directions. Bruce Underhill had built the most impressive, best engineered boat which took off for Greenport at great speed and had to be retrieved, along with others that were directionally challenged or partially sank. However, it then became apparent that a few boats were actually sailing the intended course parallel to the shore and eventually Vic

Calabretta was declared the winner. After this epic race a group dinner was held in the yacht club.



On Thursday most boats left for Essex on the Connecticut River, to moorings at Essex Yacht Club. The remainder of Thursday and Friday were spent in Essex or some took advantage of the steam rail / boat trip up the river. On Friday evening a group dinner was held at the yacht club. The club was very welcoming and has undergone some recent renovations and hired a new chef, who produced an impressive menu.

On Saturday most of the remaining boats left for Stonington. This was the most unpleasant day of the cruise with winds from the East, with heavy rain, so everyone motored all the way to Stonington. After drying off everyone assembled at the Dog Watch Café for dinner. Sunday morning everyone was up early to take advantage of the tide out of Fisher's Island Sound for the sail home to Jamestown.

## Fool's Rules Regatta



This year's Fool's Rules Regatta will take place this Saturday August 16<sup>th</sup> at the East Ferry Beach. Boat Building begins at 9:00 followed by the first race at 11:00. You are all encouraged to race, however, if you're not up to the building and sailing bit there are other opportunities to participate. **We need volunteers** to help make this event take place. If you're new to the club it's a fun way to meet other members and see what we're all about, .. sailing and other fun, on and around the water. Please contact Chris Powell, the chief fool, at 423-1492 or 524-1714 to find out how you can help and when you should be there. Students in need of community service hours are also encouraged to call.

## 2014 Calendar

- **16 Aug** - Fool's Rules Regatta
- **30 Aug** - CYC Around The Island Race
- **7 Sep** - 1st Fall Race
- **7 Sep** - Ft. Getty Cookout / Family Day
- **10-13 Oct** - Mitchell Columbus Day Regatta
- **17 Oct** - JYC Annual Meeting @ Firehouse 7pm
- **22 Nov** - JYC Awards & Installation Banquet

## Family Day

**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual JYC Chowder Cookoff**  
\$5 entrance fee, winner takes all.

**Date:** Sept 7th  
**Venue:** Ft Getty Pavilion  
**Time:** 4-7 pm, after racing



Bring your crew, family, friends, new members and potential members to sample and vote on all entries. If you're not making a chowder, bring a side dish (last names A-M) or dessert (N-Z) to complement the chowders. JYC will provide hamburgers, saugys, soft drinks, bowls, plates and utensils. We will have a couple of propane burners to heat up chowders. Anyone who has an additional burner, please bring it. BYOB.

Please RSVP to [14Buoy@gmail.com](mailto:14Buoy@gmail.com) with number of guests and if you're entering a chowder. Will anyone be able to unseat reigning champion, Mathew Cox??

## Officers

**Commodore:** Samira Hakki  
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