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THE HELM

At long last the north property is completed except for lighting. By the time of this printing the lighting may be completed. I have gotten permission to use it for parking without the lighting. The drive-in gate is open until it is wired. Once it is wired you will need a remote to open and close the gate. There is a sheet at the bar to order a remote. The cost is \$25.00, and when you sign up for one you will have to leave a deposit of \$10.00. the walk through gate at the club's front entrance is keyed to your club key.

As summer approaches May 24th will be our opening day ceremonies at 12 noon. There will be food and beverages available and also a good time. Bring down family and friends, and meet your fellow members.

See you May 24th!
Bill Lynk, Commodore

P.S. I have had some complaints about abusive language at the bar when women were present, Please watch yourselves.

◆ ◆ ◆ Ward Room

I wish to thank everyone who helped on Good Friday, the bar and kitchen look great. An update on the Lottery Machine is that I am waiting for the federal permit and as I have said in the past any day now. We have an interesting dinner special for May 29, 1997 Mexican Nite and with every dinner purchased you get a \$2.00 frozen Margarita. Upcoming events are May 17 the Marine Tag Sale, details are on the bulletin board. And Sunday May 11th the Annual Mother's Day Brunch for \$13.00

Calendar of Events April 97

May 2

Hunky Turkey 7:00 pm
Fishing Committee 8:00 pm

May 4

Flounder Tourney 5am - 1:00pm

May 11

Mother's Day Brunch
11:00 am - 3:00

May 14

Auxiliary Meeting 7:30
Board Meeting 6:30

May 17

Marine Tag Sale

May 24

Opening Day

please make your reservations as early as possible last years brunch was a sell-out. We will start the Wednesday nite cookout the first week of June and we are planning to have the kitchen hours expanded on Sat and Sun. watch for postings.

Hope to see you at the club for Opening Day May 24th.

Thank You
Ted Felix, Vice Commodore

From the Rear Commodore

Well I hope your ready! The weather is getting warmer and it's time to plan all the outdoor events for this year. This month all the officers will be working together to plan opening day on May 24th and I'm sure it will be one not to forget. Want to help out?, just let Bill Lynk, Ted Felix, or myself know so we can make our plans.

Before closing I want to thank everyone that pitched in to run our last Racenite in my absence. I was told everyone had a great time (which I expected) . Great job guys thanks!

Mark Ostrofsky
Rear Commodore

FYC Women's Auxiliary

Hi there!

It used to be that once we got through the months of March/April, with freezing temperatures and leftover winter storms, etc., we could count on Spring weather--but not so this year!! Let's hope Mother Nature will give us plenty of warm, sunny days for May 1997 for all of the exciting activities planned at our Club this month.

In preparation for Opening Day on Saturday, May 24th, the Women's Auxiliary will again do the planting of flowers in the upper deck pots, as well as other areas, and volunteers and donations to help are very welcome--please call me if you are interested (333-7480). Also, we will again sponsor a Cake/Cookie Sale on Opening Day, and ladies....donations would be appreciated.

Our next regular meeting will be Wednesday, May 14th at 7:30 pm (Board meets at 6:30 pm) and we will be discussing our annual Pot Luck Dinner on June 11th, so mark your calendars now! This has always been one of our best events of the year. At our May meeting, I also hope to welcome and introduce our four newest Auxiliary members: Nancy Ann Tallon, Laurie Johnstone, Kim Ruggiero, and Linda Palmgren. So now that we're hopefully enjoying nicer weather, I hope to see more of you members at this month's meeting.

See you then,
Kathy Zadrovicz, President

Financial Secretary

Most waiting lists for the use of club facilities have been assigned. As of now there are some dink racks available. If you would like to place your name on any list please contact me. The waiting lists are as follows, lockers, dink, racks, dinks behind the dock and the South yard.

I have issued decal's to paid tender users which will be displayed on their boats. Tender opera-

FAYERWEATHER KITCHEN

MAY 97

Thursday Nights Menu

Mother's Day Brunch Sunday May 11th

11:00 - 3:00 \$13.00 per person
Please Make Reservations

May 1st
Eggplant Parmesan 7.95
Mussels Maranara 7.95
Chicken Teriyaki Stir-Fry 9.75

May 8th
BBQ Ribs 10.75
Stuffed Shrimp 10.95
Chicken Princess (w) brocolli, crab meat,
Hollaindaise sauce 9.75

May 11th
Mothers Day Brunch **\$13.00 per person**
Scrambled Eggs Sausage & Peppers
French Toast Chicken Stir-Fry
Sausage & Bacon Rice
Homefries Desserts
Coffee & Tea

May 15th
Lobster Night 12.95

Please reserve your Lobster!
Roast Pork Loin 11.95

May 22nd - All You Can Eat Pasta Night!
Linguine w/white clam sauce, Spagetti,
Sausage & Peppers, Salad Bar 7.95

May 29th
Taco Nite - All You Can Eat! - Chip's and Dip,
Spicy beef tacos, Rice, Refried Beans 8.75

Try our fresh and delicious desserts
Always available:
Pasta w/salad Bar 6.25
Veggie Burger w/salad Bar 5.25
Children's Menu:
Hot Dog or Hamburger
or Grilled Cheese 2.00

tors will be instructed not to pick up or discharge anyone to a boat unless it displays the FYC decal. The purpose of this new procedure is to insure that all tenders users have paid the fee and are FYC members.

I can be contacted at either 576-6796 or 372-2940 or you may leave me a note at the bar.

Vic Gracer
Financial Secretary

Fayerweather Yacht Club Sailing Committee

The racing season will be here very soon. Wednesday Night Races will start May 14 and the first of the championship series will begin on Sunday June 8. An entrant need only race in one half of the total races to qualify for an award, so send your entries in to:

Ed Lobo
60 Deer Run Lane
Shelton, Ct. 06484

Tel: 924-6589 after 6:00pm
or 336-0161 Ext. 5237 days


Entry forms are kept in the Race Committee box at the racing bulletin board, or you can call Ed Lobo at home or work and he will promptly send an entry form, schedule and race instructions to your home address.

The entry fees this year are \$75.00 for the spinnaker division and \$60.00 for the non-spinnaker division.

The entry fee includes the Single Handed Race, the Ken Johnson Memorial Race, The Port Jeff Week-end, and the Championship Series.

Don't wait!! send in your entry now!

Regards,
Ed Lobo

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A camera will be made available to gather photos for possible use in the Foghorn, the photos should record interesting events and display the club and its members at their best.

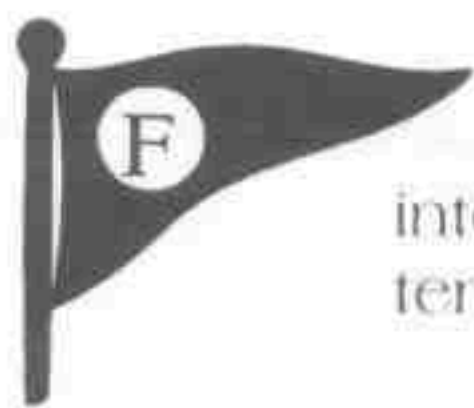


A form will be with the camera to collect data describing each individual photo and the events and the people it captures. A caption will be placed with each photo used containing this information.

The Club Officers will decide which photos if any are to be used in each issue.

This should prove to be an excellent way to increase the already rapidly growing interest in the club and its activities.

The History of Fayerweather Yacht Club



After researching all available past minutes of club meetings and interviewing veteran members, Bob Kranyik and Leonard Kunin have written a history of the Fayerweather Yacht Club.

This History will be printed in, THE FOGHORN in monthly installments starting with this issue.

The place, Black Rock, an historic seaside area of Bridgeport, Connecticut.

The time was June 1919. the Armistice ending WWI was only seven months past when a group of men who had been meeting informally next to the rock pile at the foot of Seabright Avenue decided the time had come to found a yacht club.

It was decided to name the club in honor of Captain Fayerweather, a seafarer in Colonial times, who had been one of the early settlers of Black Rock.

The charter members, Dick Terbeck, O. Bloomer, R. True, Paul Lang, John W. Bast, and William J. Newton held their meetings by candlelight. When the candle burned down the meeting was adjourned.

An old shed near the rock pile served as the first club house. The rent, fifteen dollars a month, soon made it evident that more members were required to share the financial burden. the charter was reopened and new members were solicited at the charter rate.

More next month.

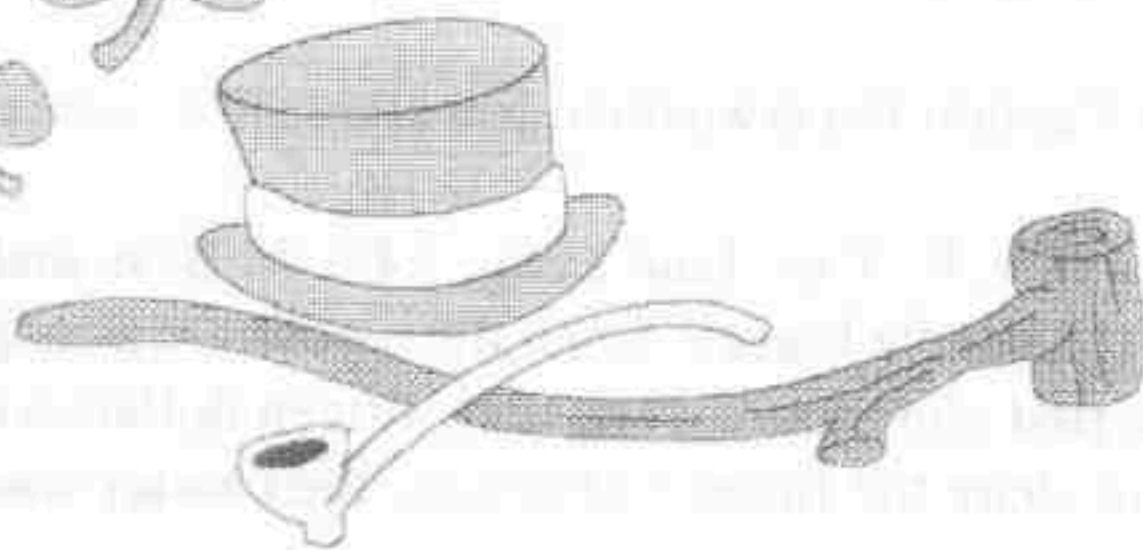
A Special Note of Thanks

We would like to thank Bill Link and Fayerweather Yacht Club for selling M.D.A. Shamrocks at the club this year. It was a new project for the club, and your support was greatly appreciated.

We would also like to thank all of you who purchased shamrocks. The Muscular Dystrophy Association is a worthy organization striding ahead with their research everyday. Your support means alot to our family and all of the M.D.A.

Thank you for caring,
Gus, Kim,
and the entire
Ruggiero family

Gus & Kim Ruggiero
3 Jonathan Lane
Shelton, CT 06484



F Y C F I S H I N G C O M M I T T E E - M A Y

We're kicking off a new fishing season with our bi-annual Hunky Turkey Night followed by our Season Opening "Winter Flounder Tournament". Hunky Turkey is scheduled for Friday evening May 2nd featuring our famous Chutney Selena, Kielbasa sandwiches and Budweiser on Tap. The Flounder Tourney starts at 5:00 a.m. and ends with a great lunch, bottled Bud and awards presentations at 1:00 p.m. on May 4th. Mark your calendars !!!

At our last meeting, we assigned a Scale Committee to investigate the purchase of a new digital scale for weigh-in's. A day after that was done, a gentleman named Mike Roberts donated a Hobart Digital Scale to the committee !!! I know somehow our Commodore, Bill Lynk was involved....Thanks Bill. and....Thank you Mike, that was very generous !! Bill Nyiri immediately set his sights on building a case for the scale to keep the elements away based on an initial plan popping out of Fred Friedrich's head. Dave Popp, also asked if he could help with designing and building a Stainless version, but the wood model came out so well from the Bill Nyiri Remodeling Team (which includes Steve) we may just have to have Dave work on a different project for us. I can't thank each and every one of you enough for all your donations of time & materials. You guys really make my job easy.

Our Scale Committee will now look into a Scale for Total Weight Tournaments. The donated Hobart is very accurate (1/100 of an ounce) to 30 lbs. For our Total Weight contests we may need something that easily holds quantity and provides higher accuracy. There are instructions for using the new scale on the Committee Board and at the scale location. Please follow the instructions closely during any weigh-in. The first fish weighed in and up on our Committee Board is a Winter Flounder of 1.90 pounds caught by Eddie Wargo III. How to get us out of the winter doldrums Ed.....maybe this will fire up the rest of us.

Also at the April meeting, Chris Bilyard was nominated and elected a Co-Chairman of our committee to assist me with General Meeting Raffles, Meeting Chairs (when I'm out of town) et al. I really appreciate the help!! Nominated and voted into the committee was Bill Nyiri.....Bill, Welcome Aboard!! We'll have your name up in brass in no time.

The Annual Contest Awards are up over the bar and everyone seems to appreciate the quality and nautical flair they add to the overall bar atmosphere. The Annual Contest Buttons are up for sale at the bar...get yours now.....you must have purchased the button a minimum of 72 hours before you catch that big one !! Also in the news...the Chinese auction for our # 1 Button was won by yours truly beating out Bill Lynk's bid by one penny!! Now that you're #2 Bill, you'll just have to try harder.

Wally Kimball, a committee member, is currently recovering from Hip surgery. He showed up for our April meeting in good spirits and was getting around very well. Please wish him well for a speedy and complete recovery.

Best Regards, Ed Kasper & Chris Bilyard Co-Chairs, FYC Fishing Committee

FROM THE WARM AND SUNNY SOUTH

Now that Bob Kranyik and I have started a war, the north against South, I want to mention that Bob was only kidding and I was serious! At least during the Easter season the Easter Bunny down here in the South was able to see his shadow and didn't have to dig his way out of wet sloppy snow.

Well enough of that. Bob when I arrive up North and you don't speak to me I'll understand as I'm never speaking to you again. And for everyone's information I just happened to bump into 3 converts that must have realized that the South was the place to be during the winter months. They were Ted Andre, Bob Fitzpatrick and Ed Morrison (skipper of the BIMBO) they were getting ready to take Bob's boat (Erin) to the Bahamas and Bob Kranyik was to meet them there. (He isn't allowed in Florida, I said so.) It was great seeing members of Fayerweather Yacht Club and it kind of made me a little home sick. But they looked strange with their bleached out complexions. (better known as pinkys)

Well now that spring is arriving and the warm airs are following from the South towards the North, yours truly will be migrating back to CT. and look forward to seeing all my friends at Fayerweather (excluding Bob Kranyik) and I am especially looking forward to the boating and social activities the club has to offer. For the new and not so new members, get involved! its your club and only you can make it Fayerweather a success. The worst is behind us. Lets stop looking back and pointing fingers. Yesterday is like a canceled check. (done, finished, gone.) So here's hoping everyone up North wasn't disappointed with the lack of snow and cold weather and I look forward to returning.

Ya all stay well,
Don Worth

P.S. especially to B.K. "Love and kisses."

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