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From The Helm

Dear Members,

I first must address a letter that was sent out to Life Members regarding a possible monetary contribution to the Club. In light of the recent special assessment that regular members paid, a significant number of life members expressed an interest in contributing to the Club. According to our by-laws, life members are under no obligation to do so. The Board thought that perhaps other life members may also be interested and, a couple of weeks ago, we sent a letter to all life members inviting them to do just that. On behalf of the Club, I sincerely thank all of you who voluntarily contributed.

In the interest of keeping everyone up-to-date, the most pressing issue the Board is now facing is the situation with the kitchen. After speaking with some members, it became apparent that it was unclear as to how the kitchen has been running for the last couple of years and so, an explanation is in order. For years, Fayerweather employees ran the kitchen. As with most other yacht clubs, the kitchen has always lost some amount of money – and was budgeted to do so. About a year and a half ago, a catering outfit was hired to run the kitchen and, in return, they ran their catering business out of our building. It appeared to be a great deal for both parties – the Club would break even and still be able to offer food services to the members, and

the caterers had a place of business with no rent or utility expenses.

We were given notice at our July Board Meeting that the catering business had been dissolved. As a temporary measure, we hired an employee to run the kitchen so as to continue having food service for the members – an emergency measure that was necessary, especially at the height of the summer season. The Board had numerous lengthy discussions regarding a short-term and a long-term plan for the kitchen. The quandary that we face entails the importance of providing food service versus a possible significant monetary loss. The Board recognizes that members want food service, even if it is at a cost to the Club. In fact, food service itself has been identified as an essential element of the Club.

So, where are we now? The Board is diligently working towards a long-term solution. In the interim, Julio and a helper are running the lunches, and a professional chef was hired to work with the staff for the dinners. The **kitchen employees** deserve a “**thank you**” for continuing to stick with us during this transition period.

On another topic, a **Fall Work Day** is scheduled for **October 20th at 9 a.m.** As the warm season ends, there is some clean up around the Club that needs to get done. This should only take a few hours, but the more people that show up, the less time it will take!

Lastly, there was discussion at the recent Board meeting about the overall cleanliness of the Club. I can't impress upon the

membership enough that the more we do of our own volition, the lower we can keep our dues and enjoy the Club. For example, if you see garbage on the ground or in the parking lot, please pick it up and dispose of it properly or report it to an employee. Whether you're on the deck, in the Penfield Room, at an outer table in the bar, or elsewhere, please return the glasses to the bar. Please return the ashtrays to the bar, as well. Let's show some pride in our Club and help keep it clean.

Hopefully everyone is having a safe and enjoyable summer...

Respectfully,
Catherine Wall - *Commodore*

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Calendar of Events

Saturday, September 8th

Registration for Bluefish Tournament
Ends at 1:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 9th

FYC Bluefish Tournament 5:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 12th

Auxiliary Meeting
Board: 7:00 p.m.; Membership: 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 13th

Fishing Committee Meeting 7:30 p.m.

Friday, September 14th

General Membership Meeting 8:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 16th

Last Day to Buy Tickets for the
Cape Cod Clam Bake

Saturday, September 22nd

Cape Cod Clam Bake 4:00 p.m. –
The Mill River Band entertains

Monday, September 24th

BOG Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 29th

Auxiliary's 50th Anniversary Dinner Dance

Save the Dates:

Friday, October 19th

Fish Fry Dinner 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 20th

Fall Work Day 9:00 a.m.

Friday, October 27th

Race Night and Roast Beef Dinner 6:30 p.m.

Check out the Website for Thursday night dinners and
Sunday Brunch menus.

Information for the October 2007 Foghorn must be submitted **no later than September 20th by 4:00 p.m.** to be included in the next issue of *The Fayerweather Foghorn*. Please include **COMPLETE information**, including **starting time of events**. Please send it in Microsoft Word format only by email to: sandye.mann@sbcglobal.net Questions? Call 259-4106. Please contact Sandye about placing ads.

From the Vice Commodore

BIG Kitchen Changes Coming

As some of you already know, Catering 2 the 9's (our kitchen service provider) recently dissolved their partnership, thus effectively ending their contract with FYC. Todd graciously agreed to stay as an employee for a few weeks while the Board of Governors developed a plan for the future. He has now accepted a position elsewhere, and we wish him the best.

During this interim period, Julio will provide lunch service as usual and will assist with Thursday night dinners, which will be provided by committees.

A "Kitchen Committee" has been formed with the task of providing three options for the future kitchen operations. One of the options under consideration is finding an established caterer to take on the full operation of the kitchen, but with an agreement that gives the Club more critical control than we had with the Catering 2 the 9's contract. This is where some of you might be of considerable help with suggestions and /or recommendations of a chef or caterers for us to consider. The **Kitchen Committee** consists of the following members: **Ed Manes, Bob Schley, Gail Smith, George O'Connell, Jim Anderson, Earl DeWitt and Ed Lambertson.** Please contact any of the above with your thoughts.

See you at the Club!

Ed Lambertson – *Vice Commodore*

Auxiliary

Meeting, September 12, 2007

Board Members 7:00 p.m./Member Meeting 7:30 p.m.

Welcome back everyone! Hope you had a nice summer. Our first meeting of the new season will be **September 12th** at 7:30 p.m. Please try to attend.

The hot dog special at South Norwalk Boat Club was very nice and great fun. I want to thank all those members who attended -- we had a good showing for our Club.

Don't forget our **50th Anniversary Party** scheduled for **September 29th**. It will be a marvelous dinner and dancing to a DJ. Tickets will be on sale through the Auxiliary. Keep that date open. It will be a fun night for all! See you soon.

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From the Rear Commodore

Upcoming events in September:

- **9/22 – Cape Cod Clam Bake** festival bids an end to the summer. As you know the club has an "official closing" after Labor Day, so we'll toast a fond farewell to the summer of 2007. The event will be catered again by **Swanson's** and begins on Saturday afternoon at **4:00 p.m.** with appetizers that I know you will enjoy: shrimp and steamers. Then, the music starts with a new band for Fayerweather Yacht Club, but a well-known and very popular band in the area, **The Mill River Band**. When we get to dinner about 5:30 p.m., the choices are steak or lobster with all the "fixin's" that you have come to expect: potatoes, cole slaw, corn on the cob, dinner rolls, and, of course, watermelon. There will also be clams on the half shell this year donated to us by our new member, **Ed Stilwagen**, owner of **Atlantic Clam Farms**. Come out and enjoy this great party with us! The price is \$25 per person, and tickets are available at the bar. Swanson's must have a ticket count a week prior to the event, so to ensure your seat, please **purchase your tickets by Sunday, September 16th**.

Upcoming events in October:

- **10/27 - "Race night" dinner**, always a night of fun. Come on down and bring a friend to enjoy the evening with you. The ticket price will again be \$8.00 for a roast beef dinner and racing. See you then!

Gary Pole – *Rear Commodore*



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Fishing Committee

Although we didn't come in first place for the Interclub tournament, I would like to congratulate **Joe Palmer** who came in "heaviest boat" and "**heaviest fish**" for the tournament. Fayerweather had 11 boats registered, a total of 30 anglers fished and weighed in **165.23 pounds** of bluefish. Thanks to all who participated!

We are holding the annual **FYC Bluefish Tournament** on **Sunday, September 9th** from 5:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. This tournament is open to members and friends. There is a \$15 registration fee which includes a picnic lunch at 1:00 p.m. following the tournament. Weigh in is from noon to 1:00 p.m. Details and registration forms are available in the bar. Please **register** prior to 1:00 p.m. **Saturday, September 8th**. Good luck!

Annual Fishing Contest Standings thus far:

Striped Bass :

1st Place:	Bob Karosy	34.87 lbs.
2nd Place:	Steve Ehrens	33.98 lbs.
3rd Place:	Geoff Cornwall	32.62 lbs.

Bluefish :

1st Place:	John Ellis -	12.80 lbs.
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Porgy :

1st Place:	Dave Farrington	1.89 lbs.
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Seabass :

1st Place:	Dave Farrington	3.91 lbs.
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Fluke :

1st place:	Geoff Cornwall	6.05 lbs.
2nd place:	John Todisco	5.84 lbs.
3rd place:	Bob Karosy	5.05 lbs.

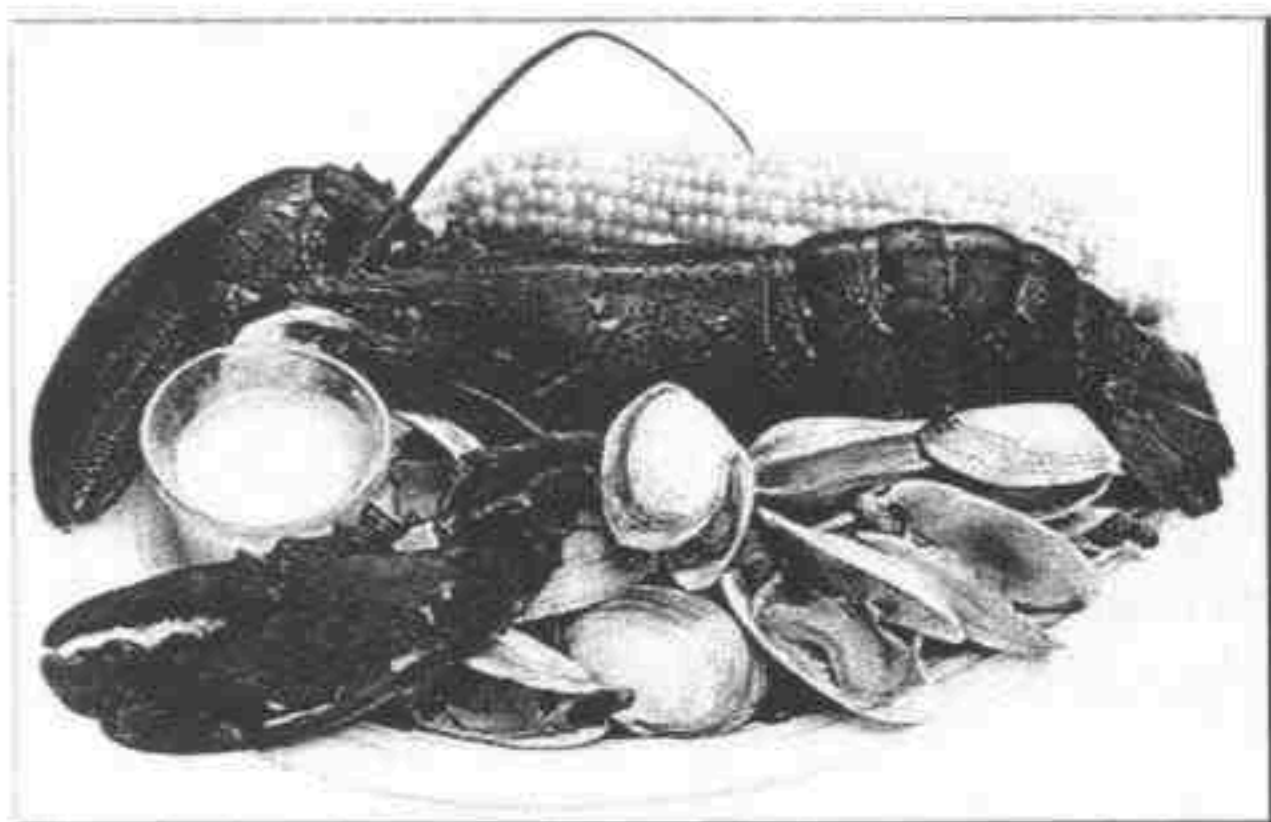
Mark your calendars.....we will be having our 2nd **Fish Fry** of 2007 on **Friday, October 19th** at 6:00 p.m.

The next fishing committee meeting will take place on **Thursday, September 13th** at 7:30 p.m.

May the holes in your net be no larger than the fish in it ~~~ Irish Blessing

Best Regards,
Stephanie Stypinski – *Chairman*





CAPE COD CLAM BAKE

SEPTEMBER 22, 2007

**Clams, Steamers, Shrimp,
Lobster, Steak, Potatoes,
Corn on the Cob,**

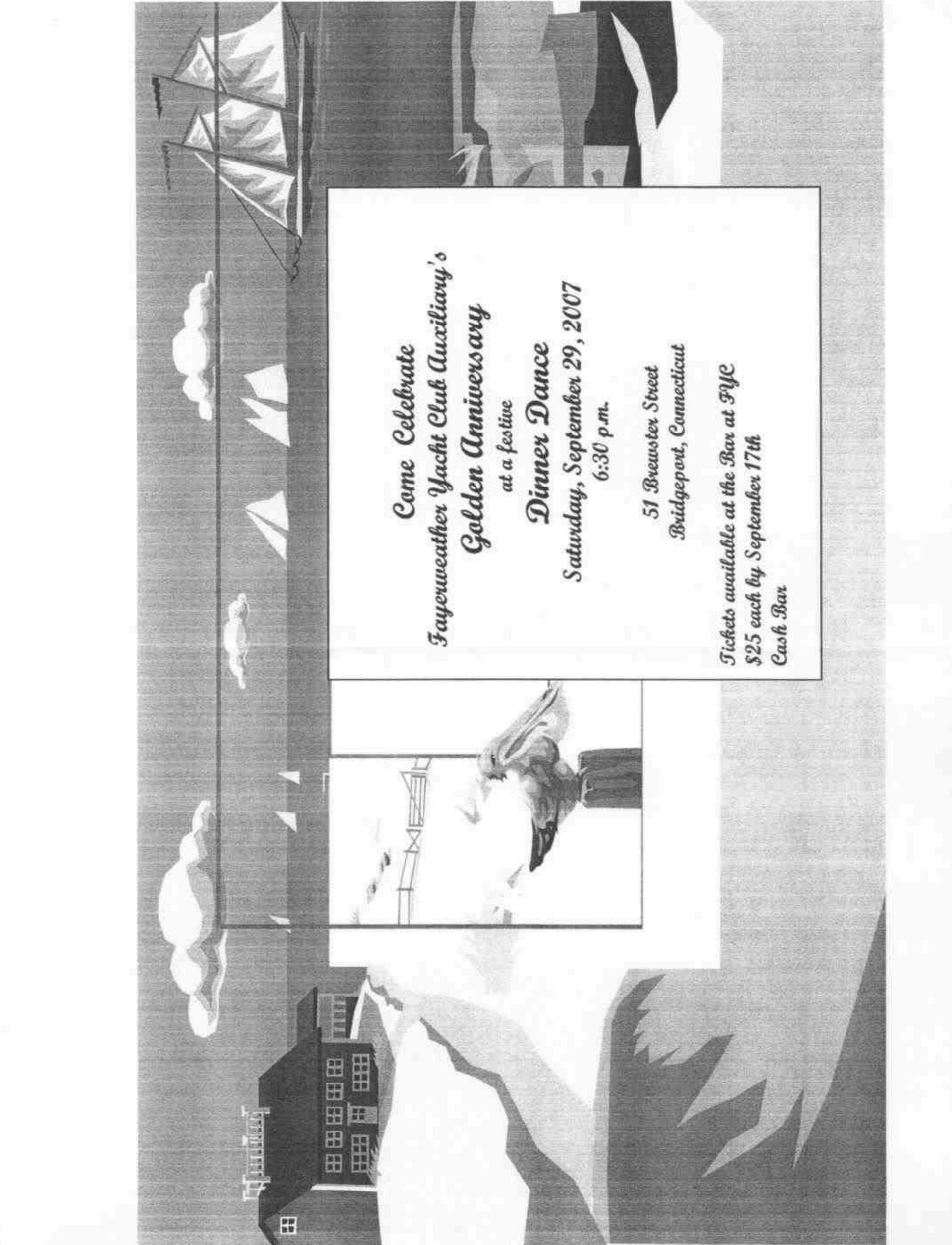
**Catered by Swanson's Fish Market
Raw Clams donated by Atlantic Clam Farms**

Music by: Mill River Band

Appetizers begin at 4:00pm

Tickets Available at Bar

\$25.00 per person



*Come Celebrate
Fayerweather Yacht Club Auxiliary's
Golden Anniversary*

at a festive

Dinner Dance

*Saturday, September 29, 2007
6:30 p.m.*

*51 Brewster Street
Bridgeport, Connecticut*

*Tickets available at the Bar at FYC
\$25 each by September 17th
Cash Bar*

Fayerweather Yacht Club

September 2007

Calendar of Club Events



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 11:00-3:00 Lunch
2 11:00-3:00 Lunch	Labor Day Kitchen Closed 7:00 Dart League	4 11:00-2:00 Lunch	5 11:00-2:00 Lunch 6:00 Race Series 6:00-9:00 Kitchen Open	6 11:00-2:00 Lunch 5:30-8:30 Dinner Special Menu 7:30 Fishing Comm.	7 11:00-2:00 Lunch 6:00-9:00 Dinner	8 11:00-3:00 Lunch 1:00 Registration for Bluefish Tournament ends
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23 11:00-3:00 Lunch	24 Kitchen Closed 7:00 Dart League 7:00 BOG Meeting	25 11:00-2:00 Lunch	26 11:00-2:00 Lunch 6:00 Race Series 6:00-9:00 Kitchen Open	27 11:00-2:00 Lunch 5:30-8:30 Dinner Special Menu	28 11:00-2:00 Lunch 6:00-9:00 Dinner	29 6:30 Auxiliary 50th Anniversary Dinner Dance
30 11:00-3:00 Lunch	<p><i>Save the Dates of these Upcoming Events:</i></p> <p>Friday, October 19th Fish Fry Dinner 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>Saturday, October 20th Fall Work Day 9:00 a.m.</p> <p>Friday, October 27th Race Night 6:30 p.m.</p>					

Black Rock Harbor Wednesday Night Series

Series Summary

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Racing News

It's hard to believe that September is already here; however, the racing season is far from over. The following are some upcoming local/area events:

September 2nd – FYC Championship Series-Races 7 & 8 (fayerweatheryachtclub.com)

September 5th – Wednesday Night Series-Final Race (fayerweatheryachtclub.com)

September 8th – HBC Invitational Regatta (housatonicboatclub.org)

September 8th and 9th – Larchmont NOOD Regatta (sailingworld.com/nood)

September 16th – FYC Championship Series-Races 9 & 10 (fayerweatheryachtclub.com)

September 22nd – Brent C. Donahue Cross Sound Race (blackrockyc.com)

September 22nd – Milford YC Last Chance Regatta (milfordyachtclub.com)

September 23rd – Windjammers Sailing Club Last Chance Regatta (windjammers.org)

October 13th – FYC Ken Johnson Memorial Race (fayerweatheryachtclub.com)

As the Wednesday Night Series draws to a close, the competition is heating up. Sailors are duking it out for their final positions of the season. We are seeing some real tight racing in each of the three divisions, and in most cases, the top three finisher's will not be determined until the final race on September 5th!

On August 4th, a 3-boat team representing FYC headed east to compete in the Milford Yacht Club Invitational Regatta. **Team FYC** finished **2nd overall** for the **Boardmans Cup**. The Boardman Cup is awarded to the Club whose top three finishing spinnaker entries total the lowest score based on their class finishes. Representing FYC were **Dave Tortorello/Partnership**, **Linc Schoenberger/One Up**, and **Deadicated**. (milfordyachtclub.com)

On August 8th, **Mike Sullivan** and his crew on **Orion** traveled to Riverside Yacht Club in Greenwich to compete in the YRA of LIS PHRF Championship Regatta. *Orion* sailed well in difficult conditions to take home **2nd place** in the **Navigator Division**.

Coming up on the weekend of September 8th and 9th, **John McArthur** and his crew on the J30 *Smiles* will travel to Larchmont, NY to compete in the LYC Sailing World NOOD Regatta. *Smiles* will be defending their title, having won 1st overall in 2006 and 2005. The crew on *Smiles* is made up primarily of FYC sailors.

It's cool to see Fayerweather Yacht Club being represented well in various area events! If anyone is interested and needs more information on any of the above listed events, please feel free to contact me.

Thanks! See you on the water–

Mike
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Fayerweather Wins Back the Bishop Cup !

On Saturday, August 11, 2007, Ed Abendschein (AKA "Steady Eddie") successfully brought home the Bishop Cup. Frank P. Thompson came in a close second, while both John Fiddler and Bill Gilhuly made excellent showings.

You may remember from earlier issues, this is a "Predicted Log Contest". It's a race of skill, not speed. It is also the oldest race of its kind in New England. We have not had the CUP returned to our Club for several years now, and we have been the butt of many jokes because of it.



The Sweet Taste of Victory



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Pride in the accomplishment

Unfortunately, Hank couldn't participate in the Celebrations – we are still in negotiations for his release! I expect his return for our next general meeting in September.

Fayerweather will host the Celebration on the evening of November 10th

Space will be limited, so I would ask that you reserve early.

Special thanks to Tom Bottillo and Denis Rickart for making this event a huge success!

Thank you,
Rich Parker

Congratulations to

Ed Abendschein	1st Place
Frank P. Thompson	2nd Place
John Fiddler	5th Place
Bill Gilhuly	7th Place

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Membership Commitee

The Membership Committee met on August 14, 2007, to interview 18 applicants. There had been 6 interviewed and ready to be admitted before that meeting. There are 23 new applications filed.

Respectfully,
Tamra Evans



Save the Date:
Saturday, October 20th
Fall Work Day at FYC
9:00 a.m.

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