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From The Helm

Greetings!

We have a new brick walkway! We received a very generous donation from member **John (a.k.a. "Jack") Terry** and the funds were used for the new walkway. Jack, on behalf of FYC, thank you so much for your kind and very significant donation - we're glad to know that you think so highly of the Club to donate as you did. The personalized bricks that were sold last year were incorporated and look great - thank you, **Past Commodore Bill Selski**. House Committee Chairman **Ken Sullivan** also deserves a round of applause for all of his efforts this year, including arranging the walkway replacement. For those of you who are not in the area, thanks to **Earl DeWitt**, our wonderful webmaster, there are pictures posted on the website.

On another note, many members have approached me regarding the special assessment. Specifically, members want to know how and when the funds will be spent. As I've explained before, last year's Budget Committee composed a list of necessary projects, which was approved along with the assessment. The assessment monies will be used to fund some of these projects, depending on the cost of the projects. The two most important projects, and the ones that need immediate attention, are the seawall and the Penfield Room windows.

The seawall is in serious need of repair and is a rather large, complex project. Much effort has gone into assessing the repair and, thankfully, we believe that it is not as difficult (or expensive) to repair as we originally thought. We are still waiting for a quote, but understand that it is forthcoming. Timing is important with respect to this project because the repairs cannot take place during our busy boating season. We are hoping to have the work completed before next year's Opening Day.

The Penfield Room windows obviously need replacement. The cost of the windows were well below the budgeted amount approved by the membership. The new windows are scheduled for installation beginning October 1st - so hopefully the windows are in by the time you receive this issue.

Some members seem a bit "anxious" to spend the assessment monies and questions have been asked as to a timeline for the projects. Please keep in mind that the assessment was billed in July and most of the funds were not received until August - a good chunk at the end of that month. The Financial Secretary then must process all of the checks. **Andy Wolf** was very diligent in this respect and spent much time tracking down "missing" members.

Furthermore, all of the projects cannot be done at one time. The prudent approach is to tackle a couple and then reassess

where we are as to the amount of funds left for the next projects. Clearly we only have a limited amount of money to spend and we do not want to go over that budget.

The Budget Committee has been formed. They will spend the next couple of months pouring over the Club's financials and will present the 2008 budget to the membership at the November meeting.

The Nominating Committee has also been formed. This Committee has the very important task of composing a slate of nominees for the Officer and Board positions for next year. They will be conducting interviews beginning shortly. If you are interested in getting involved, be sure to keep an eye out for the Committee's interview schedule, which will be posted at the Club.

Don't forget that **October 20th** is a quick **Clean Up Morning**... it will start at **9 a.m.** and is just a few hours to clean up the Club...

Until next month... Regards,
Catherine Wall - *Commodore*

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Calendar of Events

Monday, October 8th

Registration for 4-Club Bluefish Tournament
Ends

Wednesday, October 10th

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

Thursday, October 11th

Fishing Committee Meeting 7:30 p.m.

Friday, October 12th

General Membership Meeting 8:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 14th

Bridgeport 4-Club Bluefish Tournament

Friday, September 19th

Fish Fry Dinner 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 20th

Fall Work Day 9:00 a.m.

Saturday, October 27th

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

Monday, October 29th

BOG Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Save the Dates:

Saturday, November 3rd

Sailing Awards Night

Friday, November 16th

Preparation for the Harvest Dance

Saturday, November 17th

Harvest Dance

Sunday, November 18th

Food Drive Ends

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

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From the Rear Commodore

Upcoming events in October;

- **10/27 – “Racenight”:** These race nights are always a blast. As is tradition, we will be serving a hot roast beef dinner for you to enjoy before we get down to business. Once again this meal will be prepared by our own FYC volunteers in the kitchen (the Anderson gang). Tickets will be available for purchase at the bar and only \$8.00. Please let me know if you can spend some time at a window during a race; remember six stations are needed (these are the best seats in the house for watching the races). Jockeys are needed throughout the evening, as well as those of you that cheer and jeer. Adult race fans only, please.

Upcoming events in November;

- **11/17 – Harvest Dance:** Music and dancing are only a small part of this great party. The part about a Sheriff and Jail make this really difficult to explain to those of you that might be new club members. This is a terrific and important fund raising event for the club. Feel free to bring your own snacks to this event (I always enjoy sampling the different flavors). We will begin setting up on Friday evening and much help is needed wrapping and hanging the “harvest”. There will be more information on this in next month’s newsletter.

Gary Pole – *Rear Commodore*

Fishing Committee

A big congratulations goes out to all of the winners of the recent bluefish tournament! We had 23 contestants participate and the results were:

Heaviest Fish:

- 1st Place: **Gary Pole**
2nd Place: **Mike Herrington**
3rd Place: **Stephanie Stypinski**

Heaviest Boat :

- 1st Place: **Joe Palmer**
2nd Place: **Stephanie Stypinski**
3rd Place: **John Ellis and Dave Farrington**

On behalf of FYC, the fish were donated to Bridgeport Rescue Mission, which is a soup kitchen

here on Fairfield Avenue. A special thank you to **Rob Carey** and **Mike Herrington** for filleting all of those fish!

It’s time to have another fish fry! Please join us on **Friday, October 19th** to indulge again in some fabulous fish and chips. Tickets are available at the bar for \$9. If possible, please try to buy your tickets in advance, as unfortunately we did have to turn away a handful of people at the last dinner because we ran out of fish.

The final fishing event of the year.....the **Bridgeport 4-Club Bluefish Tournament** will be held on **Sunday, October 14th**. Rules and regulations are posted in the bar, as well as registration forms. This tournament is open only to FYC members. The more boats we get, the better our chances are of winning the trophy, so I’d like to encourage anyone interested to participate. Please leave registration forms with the bartender **no later than Monday, October 1st**.

Currently, the Annual Fishing Contest winners are:

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.
2nd Place: **Eugene Meldonado** 10.06 lbs.

Porgy :

- 1st Place: **Bob Cahill** 1.92 lbs.
2nd Place: **Dave Farrington** 1.89 lbs.

Seabass :

- 1st Place: **Dave Farrington** 3.91 lbs.

Fluke :

- 1st place: **Geoff Cornwall** 6.05 lbs.
2nd place: **John Todisco** 5.84 lbs.
3rd place: **Dave Farrington** 5.06 lbs.

The next fishing committee meeting will take place on **Thursday, October 11th** at **7:30 p.m.** New members are always welcome to attend.

Modesty is the only sure bait when you are fishing for praise – George Gordon Noel Byron

Best Regards,
Stephanie Stypinski – *Chairman*



“ All the Fixin’s ” Food Drive

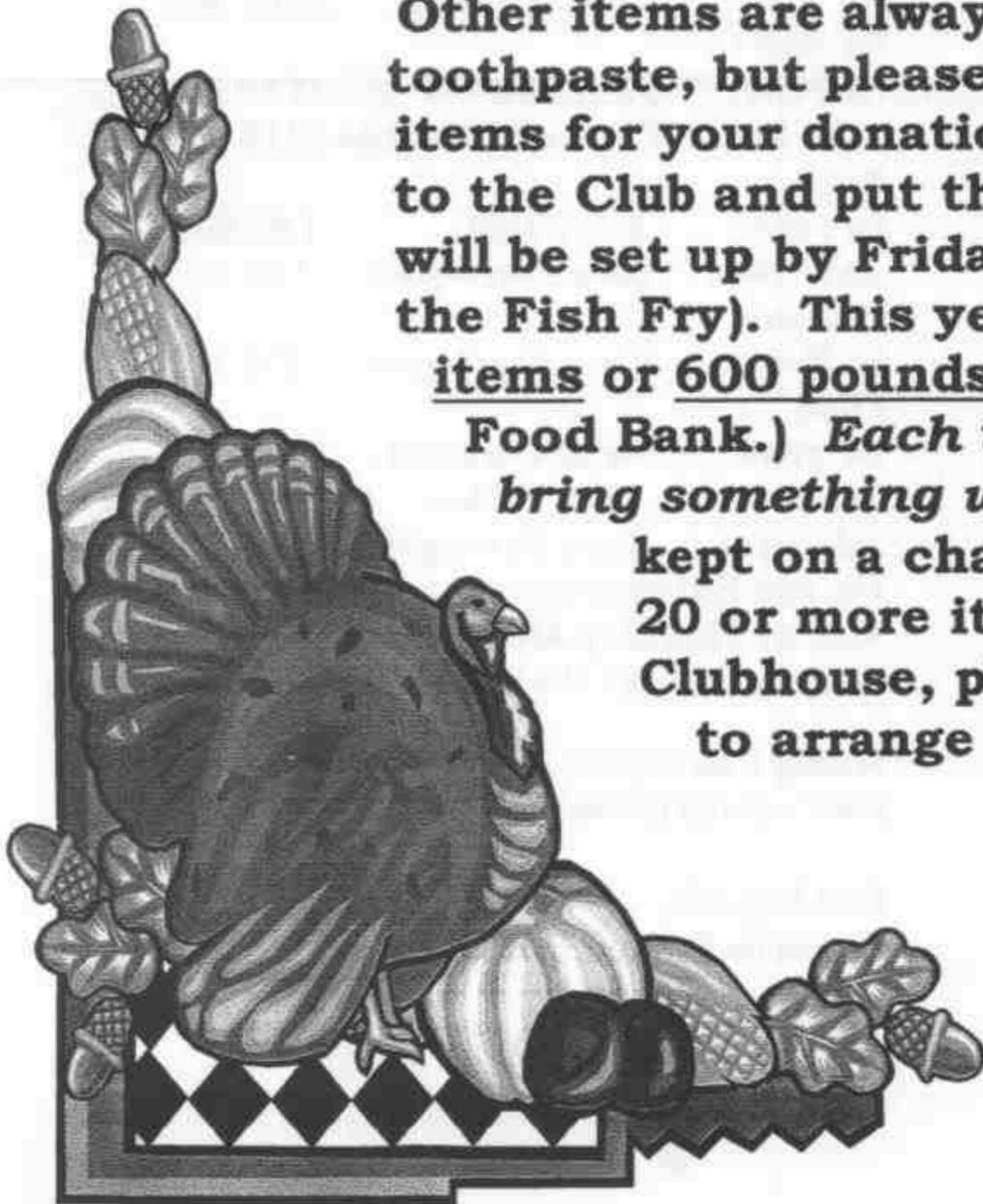
**Second Annual Benefit for the Connecticut Food Bank’s
Thanksgiving Efforts**

The Foghorn at Fayerweather Yacht Club is once again sponsoring a Food Drive to help our neighbors serviced by the Connecticut Food Bank. The Food Bank is in need of “all the fixin’s” that go along with Thanksgiving Dinner. The following items would be greatly appreciated for our collection:

**Cranberry Sauce
Canned vegetables
Canned sweet potatoes**

**Boxes of Stuffing Mix
Canned gravy
Boxes of Mashed Potatoes**

Other items are always needed, too, like shampoo and toothpaste, but please select only non-perishable items for your donation. Please bring your donations to the Club and put them in the donation boxes which will be set up by Friday, October 19th (just in time for the Fish Fry). This year our goal is to raise at least 600 items or 600 pounds. (All items are weighed in by the Food Bank.) *Each time you come to the Club, please bring something with you.* Our progress will be kept on a chart in the Clubhouse. If you have 20 or more items and cannot get to the Clubhouse, please call Sandye at 259-4106 to arrange for a pick up. Our collection will continue until Noon on Sunday, November 18th. Help make this collection a great success!!





Black Rock Harbor Sunday Series

Series Summary

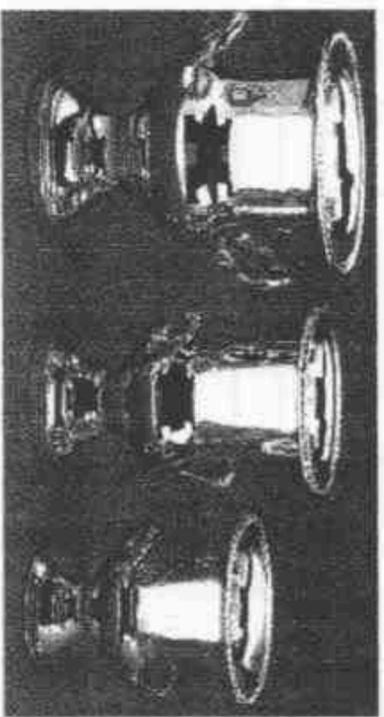
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Division I																
8	Deedicated	Olson 29	Deedicated Syndicate	FYC	105	125	Y	1	(2)	(3)	2	1	2	1	7	
46	Blue Devil	J-100	Tim Anto	FYC	84	106	NO	(2)	1	1	(3)	2	1	2	7	
143	Quality Time	Pearson Flyer	Dave Riordan	FYC	138	152	NO			2	1	3	3			
52526	Moondance	Swan 44-2	Cliff Crowley	BRYC	78	0	NO	4	3			5				
42023	Fianna	Saber 34	Ray Hannan	FYC	141	0	NO	3	4							
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52505	Rambunctious	Beneteau 36.7	Bob McHugh	BRYC	87	105	NO							3		
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22486	Renegade	Tartan 10	Chris McNeil	FYC	0	136	Y	1	(3)	1	1	1	(2)	(2)	1	5
30252	Defender	J-30	Barry Butler	FYC/BRYC	0	164	Y	(3)	1	(3)	2	2	3	3	(4)	11
31	Ma Cherie II	Beneteau 32s5	Ed Manes	FYC	158	172	Y		2	2			4	4	2	14
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142	Vivace	Beneteau 361	Alen Zell	FYC	0	171	NO	7								

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SAILING

AWARDS NIGHT



Saturday,
Nov 3rd,
7 pm

Opened to everyone!



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October 2007

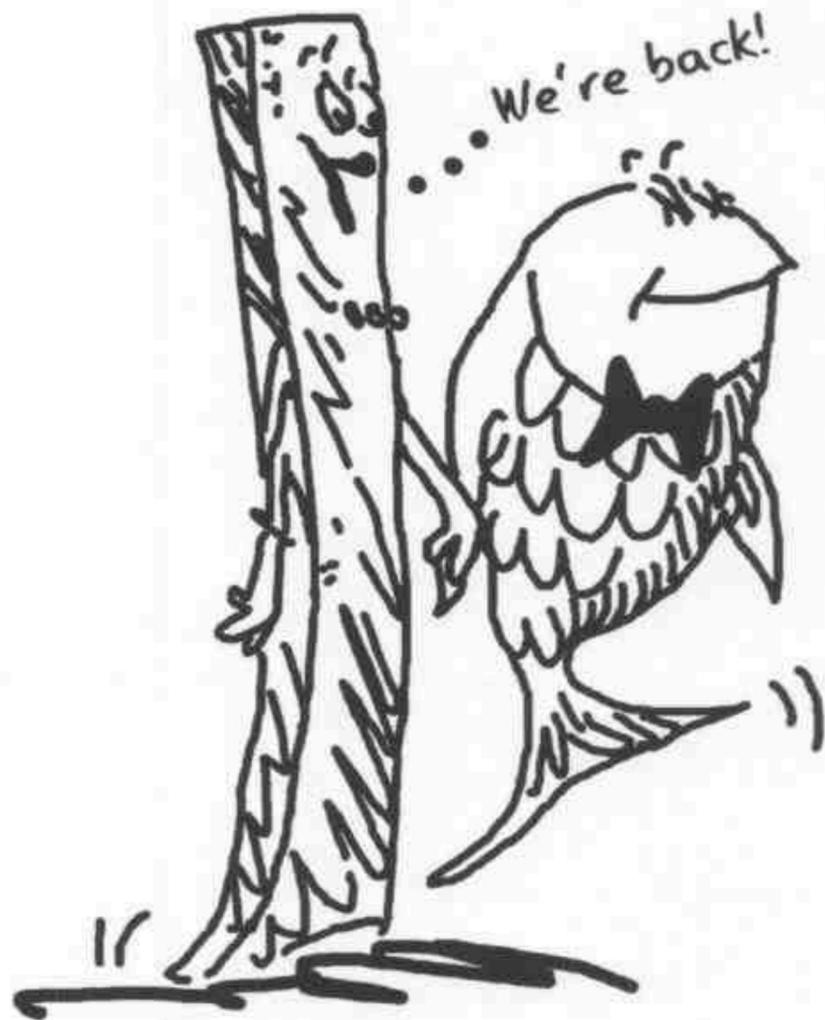
Calendar of Club Events



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Kitchen Closed 7:00 Dart League	2 11:00-2:00 Lunch	3 11:00-2:00 Lunch 6:00 Race Series 6:00-9:00 Kitchen Open	4 11:00-2:00 Lunch 5:30-8:30 Dinner Special Menu	5 11:00-2:00 Lunch 6:00-9:00 Dinner	6 11:00-3:00 Lunch
7 11:00-3:00 Lunch	8 Kitchen Closed 7:00 Dart League Registration for 4-Club Fish Tournament ends	9 11:00-2:00 Lunch	10 11:00-2:00 Lunch 7:00 Auxiliary Board 7:30 Auxiliary Meeting	11 11:00-2:00 Lunch 5:30-8:30 Dinner Special Menu 7:30 Fishing Comm.	12 11:00-2:00 Lunch 6:00-9:00 Dinner 8:00 General Membership Meeting	13 11:00-3:00 Lunch
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Fish Fry

Friday
Oct. 19th
6-8pm

TICKETS AVAILABLE
AT THE BAR
\$9.00 IN ADVANCE
\$10.00 AT THE DOOR

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Racing News

Upcoming events:

Sat-Oct 13th – **FYC Ken Johnson Memorial Race**
(fayerweatheryachtclub.com)

Sat-Nov 3rd – **Sailing Awards Night**
(fayerweatheryachtclub.com)

Fri-Nov 23rd – **Wild Turkey Regatta**
(blackrockyc.com)

Thanks to everyone who made the Wednesday Night Racing Series a success. The first, second, and third place winners of the Series in each Division will be awarded overall "Black Rock Harbor Wednesday Night Series" trophies at the *Sailing Awards Night* held at Fayerweather on **November 3, 2007**. This year we will also be presenting awards to 1st Place in all 3 Divisions for each individual Wednesday Night Race. Final Overall Series results for all Wednesday Night and Weekend Series Racing are posted at the Club and on the website. Mark November 3rd on your calendars, gather all your crew, and join us for one of the premier parties of the year!

On Sept 15th and 16th, **Mike Sullivan** and his crew on *Orion* finished 3rd overall in 9 boat PHRF Navigator division for "the Greenwich Cup" out of Indian Harbor Yacht Club.

Earlier in the month on Sept 9th, *Orion* was joined by **Ed Manes** and his crew on *Ma Cherie II* and traveled to Stamford, CT to compete in the "Stamford Denmark Friendship Race". *Orion* and *Ma Cherie II* finish 2nd and 6th respectively in the 15-boat PHRF 3-Non-Spinnaker division.

On Sept 8th, FYC members **Linc Schoenberger/One Up** and **Ray Hannan/Fianna** competed in the Housatonic Boat Club Invitational off of Stratford. Both took home silver in Class C-Spinnaker division, finishing 1st and a 3rd respectively.

The PYC Faulkner Island Overnight Race took place on Friday, Sept 7th. FYC members took home top honors in both Division I and II. **Dave Tortorello/Partnership** and **Christian McNeil/First Edition** each placed 1st, while **Barry Butler** and his crew on *Defender* finished 3rd in Division II.

That same weekend **John McArthur** and *Smiles* completed 7 races in 2 days, taking 1st overall in the Larchmont Sailing World NOOD Regatta J30 class. The regatta was also the J30 Long Island Sound District Championship.

Congratulations to all, and thanks for helping to put FYC on the map!

Cheers,
Mike
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From the Vice Commodore

Greetings,

Alas another summer has passed. On a more optimistic note, we will have some great boating days between now and Thanksgiving.

Our "interim" kitchen arrangement is working so well that we may just stay with it!! I've heard nothing but rave reviews about Gail's dishes. Hope you can drop in some Thursday and sample some of her delectables.

See you at the Club!

Ed Lambertson – *Vice Commodore*

Auxiliary

Meeting, October 10, 2007

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

Happy fall everyone and welcome back!! At our last meeting we decided to establish a membership committee to promote new members. Those who want to help can contact me.

We also would like to do another Getting to Know you with the other clubs again this term. Any ideas?

Just a little reminder that it's time to start bringing in your wine donations for the Holidays basket raffle. If we start early, it will help get them done early; then we have more time to sell tickets.

Our next meeting is **October 10th** at 7:30 p.m. and is going to be a Chinese auction--come on down and bring something to raffle. It's really great fun. Remember, you can always bring a current member or a potential new member with you.

See you Soon!

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Pursuant to Article IV Section 6 of the By laws, the Nominating Committee will interview candidates for one Board of Governor position for the remainder of this year extending from the end of November to the date of the general elections held in January. The Nominating Committee will post sign up sheets indicating the dates, times and places for interviews. Anyone wishing to be considered by the Nominating Committee for this position is invited to sign up for an interview. Sign up sheets will be posted on the Bulletin Board on or before the second week in October. Applicants are also invited to run from the floor as provided in Sections 2, 3, 4 and 5 of Article VI.



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

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