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From The Helm

Ahoy to all FYC members! I believe this summer was one of the shortest summers in recorded history... It seems that many members have already made arrangements and scheduled dates to have their pride and joy pulled from current waterfront locations and repositioned to DRY land.

Once again I must give thanks to my **Vice Commodore George O'Connell** and **Board Member Gary Swanson** for our Friday raw bar. The members aware of this FYC activity are treated to the freshest, best-tasting clams, oysters, and shrimp -- many have become regulars. I have been accepted as an apprentice oyster-shucker under the tutelage of **Master Shucker Kenny Newlands**. Though slow, I have retained all of my fingers so far.

"Oldies Night" hosted by **Rear Commodore Jim Sorensen** was held on a spectacular clear, warm evening and was held outdoors. All present were treated to an evening of fantastic live music which brought out the youth in all of us as we danced the night away under the stars. *Thank you, Jim* for a fun-filled evening!

The Bishop Cup Race, hosted by FYC and organized by **Rich Parker**, saw power boaters alongside sailors vying to retain the Cup at FYC. The course, though only 11 miles in length, proved to be challenging. The weather was sunny,

but the winds increased, causing the competitors' actual times to vary from their predictions. Unfortunately for FYC, the Cup was won by a sailor out of East End Yacht Club. Congratulations go out to the competitor for his win. **Commodore Bernie Halliburton**: display it proudly and keep it *safe* because next year we want it back.

Chairperson Mike Andre of the Sailing Committee masterminded a Fund Raiser for the up-coming 12 Meter race. The weather was less than perfect, but that did little to discourage the live band. The race, to be hosted by Milford Yacht Club this year, will be held in our home waters. The race consists of seven local Long Island Sound yacht clubs racing retired America Cup boats. Even non-boaters will be amazed by the grace and grandeur of these elegant yachts, each of which competed in the America's Cup series for the U.S. Take the family to Captain's Cove to view the boats at dock, or hop onto a spectator boat to watch a piece of history in action on **Sunday, September 28th**. Fayerweather will be racing **U.S.-19 Nefertiti**. Good luck, Crew!

Enjoy the remaining summer breezes!

I am keeping this article short because I want you to go out and enjoy every fleeting minute of our New England summer.

See you at FYC!

Commodore
Ed Manes

Calendar of Events

Monday, September 8th

Preliminary Tournament for Interclub Pool
Tournament 7:00 p.m.
Dart League Resumes 6:50 p.m.

Wednesday, September 10th

Auxiliary Meetings Resume 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 11th

Fishing Committee Meeting 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 13th

JD and the Penfield Reefers 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 14th

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

Saturday, September 20th

Clambake 4:00 p.m. --

Monday, September 22nd

BOG Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Monday, September 29th

Interclub Pool Tournament 7:00 p.m.

Weekly Events:

Monday Night: Dart League 6:50 p.m.

Wednesday Night: Sailing – Ends Sept. 10th

Every Thursday Night: Dinner Seatings at
5:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Every Friday Night: Special "Raw Bar" and Sushi Bar

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From the Vice Commodore

Where did the summer go? It seems like yesterday it was Good Friday and we were cleaning up the Club. A lot has been accomplished around the Club this summer. Recently, we had some great events organized by *Rear Commodore Jim Sorenson*. The Oldies Night was a great success – people picnicked and danced the night away. Thanks to *Chris "CD" Donahue's* band, "Tor and the Newcomers" for their great sound.

Also, this past month, *Mike Andre* and the Sailing Committee held a fundraiser for FYC's 12 Meter Challenge. This is an expensive undertaking for those members that race, and this event was to help curb the costs a little bit. FYC member *Jim Connelly's* band (along with another great band) provided the music in the Penfield Room. Mike Andre will be selling FYC sailing t-shirts for the whole month in support of the 12 Meter Challenge on Wednesday nights and Friday happy hour. Keep and eye out for him for a 50-50 raffle too!

Harpoon Brewery has sponsored our Wednesday Night Races this past summer. Dan and I have brought in their Indian Pale Ale into our beer selection. Grab one if you so desire; it is a darn tasty beer. I am also looking for some red wine selections for the fall and winter. If you have a suggestion and it is in FYC's price point range, I'll take a sniff, swoosh it around and give it a taste. We may just add it to our ever-expanding wine list. Finally, I would like to extend FYC's heartfelt condolences to the Polson and Boland families. Bob and Tom were valued life members at FYC and their presence around the Club will be greatly missed.

George O'Connell – *Vice Commodore*

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From the Rear Commodore

Hope everyone is having as much fun as I am this summer!

Our Oldies Night was a huge success, and our Friday nights with the raw bar and live music have never been better!

Coming up this month, we will be having a **Clambake** on **September 20th** starting at 4:00 p.m., thanks to Gary Swanson. Tickets will be available at the bar for \$28.00 per person. On **September 13th**, JD and the Penfield Reefers are playing at 7:00 p.m. on. Tickets are \$10.00 BYOF.

We will be hosting an **interclub pool tournament** the end of September. We need our four best players to represent our Club. We will have a preliminary tournament on **Monday, September 8th**. If you play pool, come down and show us your stuff! We will host the interclub tournament on **Monday, the 29th of September** at 7:00 p.m.

I would really like to see more of our new members coming down to the Club, so coming from the Rear Commodore, "get your rears down here."

Jim Sorensen – *Rear Commodore*

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Sailing Committee

Racing News

Thanks to everyone that came out and supported the **FYC 12-Meter Crew Fundraiser**, which was held on August 15th. A good time was had by all, and we even raised a little dough to put towards FYC's efforts to bring the **12-Meter Challenge Cup** back where it belongs! Special "thank you's" to **Martha Dixon, Patrick O'Donnell, Julia Flemma**, and **Pat Dower** for all their hard work throughout the evening. FYC was rockin' with two great bands...**Tri-Axel and the Jackbrakes** started the night off in fine form, followed by **Dark Matter** lead by FYC's own **Jim Connelly**. We can't thank both bands enough...truly awesome!...and I'm looking forward to getting them both back to FYC asap.

Be sure and come down to the Club on **Sunday, September 28th** to see the largest fleet of **America's Cup winning yachts** in the world, while rooting for **Team FYC**!

We still have a few 2008 **FYC Sailing t-shirts** left. They will be available for purchase on Wednesday nights and Friday Happy Hours until we run out.

I am pleased to announce that our **Black Rock Harbor Wednesday Night Series** will now be sponsored by **Harpoon Brewery**. The successful Wednesday Night Series has grown significantly in the past few years and is one of very few series on all of Long Island Sound that offers competitive spinnaker and non-spinnaker racing. We are honored our friends at Harpoon recognize this and we welcome them aboard. So come on down on Wednesday nights and drink a lot of Harpoon Ale! www.harpoonbrewery.com

Finally, I want to give a distinguished "thank you" to our **Vice Commodore, George O'Connell**. His tireless hard work and support towards every aspect of the sailing program throughout this whole year has been monumental. He is a true asset as an Officer of our Club and continuously goes above and beyond with his time and efforts for all of us. We each owe him our sincere gratitude. Next time you see George, give him a big bear hug!

Dates to remember:

Wednesday, September 10th, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday Night Series Final

Lets have a party!!

Sunday, September 14th, 11:00 a.m.

FYC/BRYC Championship Series- Final 2 races

Sunday, September 28th, 10:00 a.m.

The 2008 12-Meter Challenge

FYC will be racing U.S. 19-Nefertiti

www.americascupcharters.com

Saturday, October 4th, 11:00 a.m.

Ken Johnson Memorial Race


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FYC Sailing Committee

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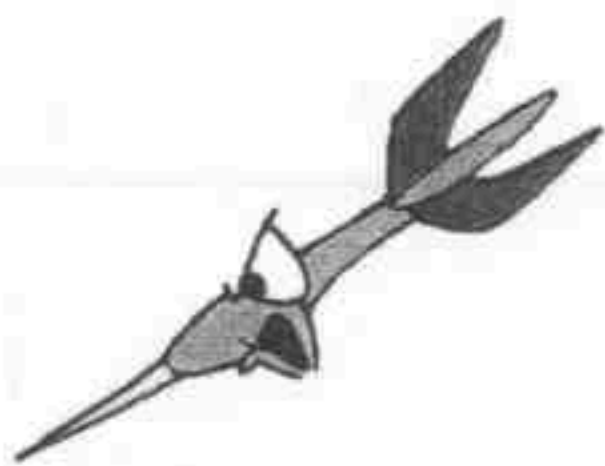
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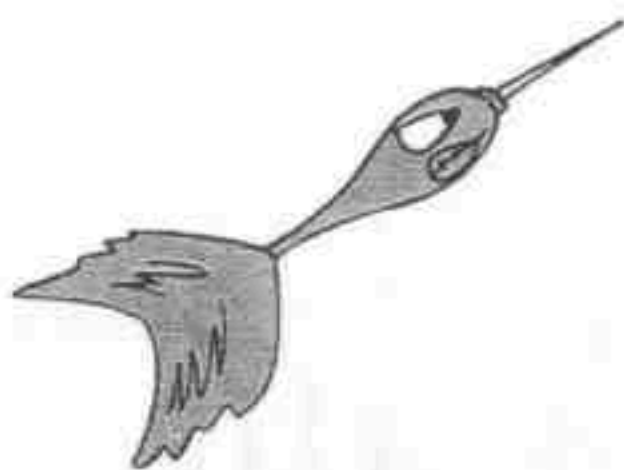


FYC Dart League

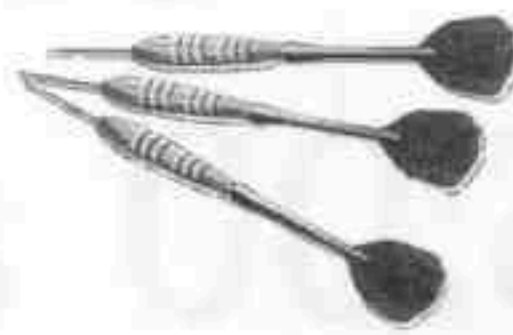
Season 6 is starting Monday, September 8, 2008

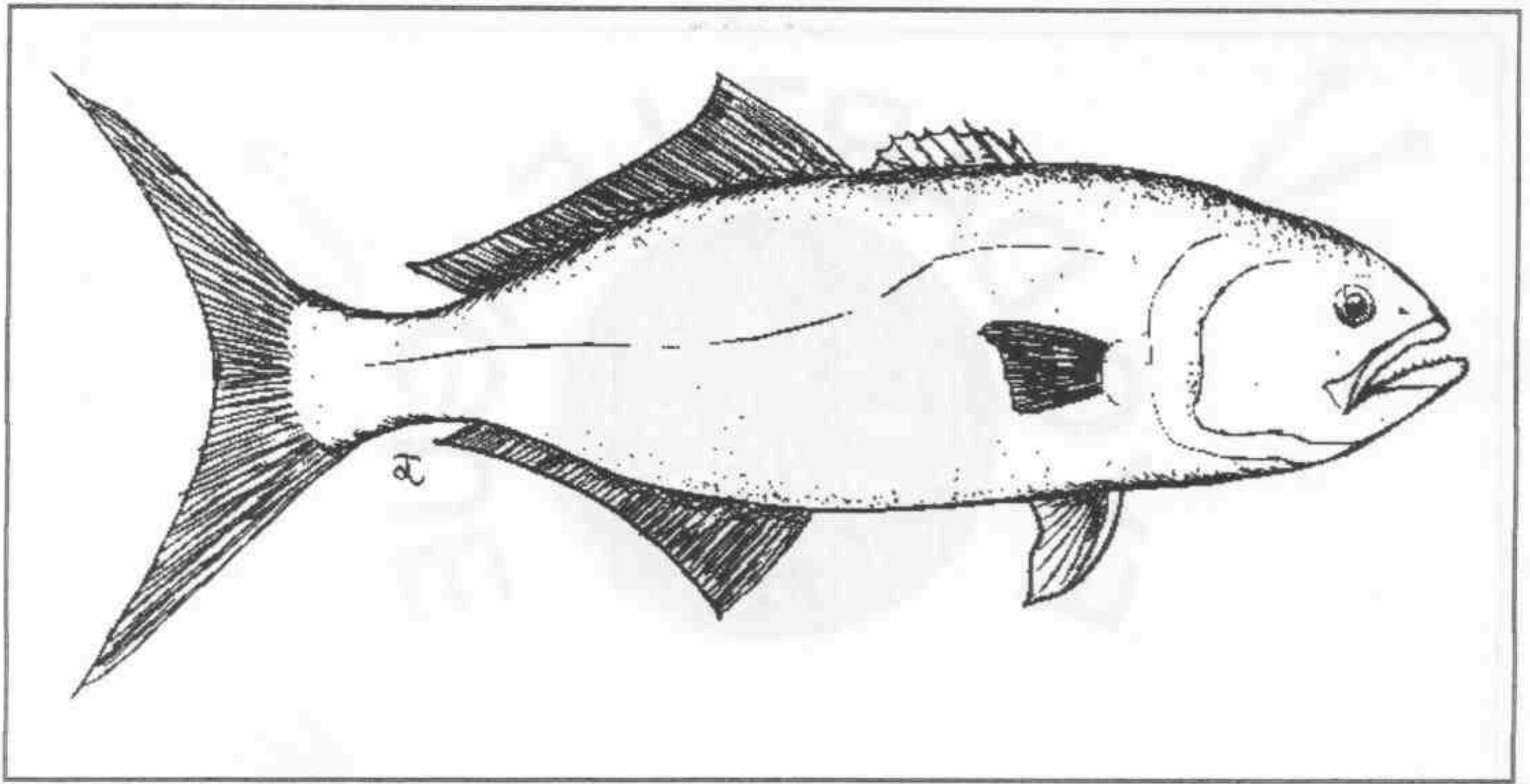
First Game Starts at 7:00pm

(Please arrive by 6:50 for picking teams)



**Any questions, please contact
Jim Hogarth Jr. at 203-259-0127**





FYC
Bluefish
Tournament

Sunday
September 14th
5:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Fayerweather Yacht Club

September 2008

Calendar of Club Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Labor Day Kitchen Closed	2 11:00-2:00 Lunch	3 11:00-2:00 Lunch	4 11:00-2:00 Lunch 5:30-8:30 Dinner Special Menu	5 11:00-2:00 Lunch 6:00 Raw Bar and Sushi	6 11:00-2:00 Lunch
7 11:00-2:00 Lunch	8 Kitchen Closed 7:00 Preliminary Tournament for Interclub Pool Tournament 6:50 Dart League begins	9 11:00-2:00 Lunch	10 11:00-2:00 Lunch 5:30-10:00 Kitchen open for Race Night 6:30 Wednesday Night Series Final for Season	11 11:00-2:00 Lunch 5:30-8:30 Dinner Special Menu 7:30 Fishing Comm. Meeting	12 11:00-2:00 Lunch 8:00 Gen'l Membership Meeting	13 11:00-2:00 Lunch 7:00 JD and the Penfield Reefers
14 5:00-1:00 FYC Bluefish Tournament 11:00 FYC/BRYC Championship Series 11:00-2:00 Lunch	15 Kitchen Closed 7:00 Dart League	16 11:00-2:00 Lunch	17 11:00-2:00 Lunch	18 11:00-2:00 Lunch 5:30-8:30 Dinner Special Menu	19 11:00-2:00 Lunch 6:00 Raw Bar and Sushi	20 11:00-2:00 Lunch 4:00 Clambake
21 11:00-2:00 Lunch	22 Kitchen Closed 7:00 Dart League 7:00 BOG Meeting	23 11:00-2:00 Lunch	24 11:00-2:00 Lunch	25 11:00-2:00 Lunch 5:30-8:30 Dinner Special Menu	26 11:00-2:00 Lunch 6:00 Raw Bar and Sushi Bar	27 11:00-2:00 Lunch
28 10:00 America's Cup vessel viewing and 12-Meter Challenge 11:00-2:00 Lunch	29 Kitchen Closed 7:00 Dart League 7:00 Interclub Pool Tournament	30 11:00-2:00 Lunch				

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Fishing Committee

Greetings! The **FYC Bluefish Tournament** will be taking place on **Sunday, September 14th** from 5:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Please register by 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, the 13th. A picnic lunch is included and will take place immediately following the tournament. There will be cash awards for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place, and one award per person will apply. This is an open tournament, *so friends and family are welcome.* More details are posted in the clubhouse.

Our 2nd Fish Fry of the year will be taking place on **Friday, October 17th.** Mark your calendars!

The standings for the annual fishing contest, as of this date, are:

Striped Bass

1st Place: **Tom Audino** – 38.10
2nd Place: **Ed Wargo** – 37.69
3rd Place: **Steve Ehrens** – 32.21

Bluefish

1st Place: **Bob Polson** – 9.68

Porgy

1st Place: **Bob Polson** – 1.89
2nd Place: **Mike Herrington** – 1.22

Winter Flounder

1st Place: **Bob Polson** – 1.62
2nd Place: **Don Levasseur** – 1.59

Fluke

1st Place – Ed Kasper – 8.83
2nd Place – Wally Kimball – 7.10
3rd Place – Allan Popp – 6.53

The committee would like to send their well wishes to **Don Levasseur.** We hope you are feeling better, Don.....our thoughts are with you.

The next committee meeting takes place on **Thursday, September 11th,** at 7:30 p.m.

A Fisherman's Prayer

*God grant that I may fish until my dying day.
And when it comes to my last cast,*

I then most humbly pray,

*When in the Lord's safe landing net I'm peacefully
asleep,*

*That in His mercy I be judged
as big enough to keep.*

In Loving Memory of

Robert Polson

May 20, 1933 to August 8, 2008

Best Regards,

Stephanie Stypinski – *Chairman*

Good and Welfare

It is with sorrow that we announce the recent passing of two Life Members: **Robert Polson** and **Thomas Boland.** They will be missed and will be remembered by many.

We hope that **Don Lavasseur** is doing better by the time this reaches him.

Good wishes go to **Sue Kiely.** We hope you will be feeling better and up and around soon.

Congratulations to **Past Commodore Catherine Wall** and **Past Board of Governors' member Tom Bobbins** who were married Saturday, August 23rd!

It's Boat Show time again. The Newport International Boat Show will be held in Newport, Rhode Island from September 11th through the 14th. The **Norwalk In-Water Boat Show** takes place the following weekend, September 18th to 21st, in Norwalk.

Please remember to call **Sandye** with Good and Welfare information at **259-4106.** If you set up a card in the bar for someone, please let me know with a phone call! Thanks!

Auxiliary

Hi Everyone! Hope you are enjoying your summer. Just a bit of news----

Our first meeting of the Auxiliary will take place on **Wednesday, September 10th at 7:30 p.m.** It will be a Chinese Auction.

And, I became a 1st time Grandma on July 1st to a baby granddaughter, Morgan Elizabeth.

See you soon. Be Safe and Well.

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