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From the Helm

Summer days are here – hope all members are enjoying the long, hot days on and near the water at our club! In keeping with the spirit of the summer, this month's article will be brief.

Fayerweather's **Youth Sailing Program** has been started! This feat has come to fruition largely due to the efforts of **Mark McGinty** and **Jim and Betsy Sorensen**. The Lasers were donated by the McGinty and Sorensen families and members **Mike Andre**, **Pat Dower** and **Ed Rickard**. *Thanks, guys!!* I enjoyed getting out there in the chase boat to watch the kids in action. Never one to refuse a sail, I readily volunteered to relieve **AJ Sorenson**, one of the instructors, on the Laser. Once aboard, however, I learned that the kids were anxious to practice capsizing and righting the boat. I'm not sure whether they enjoyed getting wet or getting to dunk the Commodore.... Yes, I got wet... The kids were ecstatic! Thanks, Betsy....I am still not sure if that was all planned. Stop in and check out the pictures of our adventurous young sailors on the upper deck. Congratulations to the planners, instructors and sailors on their great accomplishment!

Having just returned from Fayerweather's **Shelter Island Cruise**, I have to say it should be a must-do event if you have a boat, sail or power. "**Father Goose**" **Bob Butler** made sure everyone got through Plum Gut before the tide turned and arrived safely at Coeckles

Harbor. The weather was beautiful and the water even grander. I am already placing the date on the calendar for next year.

Vice Commodore George has kept the club hopping on Friday nights throughout the summer, while **Rear Commodore Jim** hosted a great "Oldies Night" on the weekend. Hopefully you were able to make it.

See you down at Fayerweather - on the docks, decks or boats- summer is to be celebrated!

Ed Manes
Commodore

From the Vice Commodore

September, eh? Fall? No way! Still feels like summer to me. I guess that is because I am writing this on August 20th and there still is a month left. I have decided to take in the last few weeks and relax a little bit more (my friends are chuckling.) Things are just going smooth. The bar is going great. Carol's Thursday nights are packed. Wednesday Nights' racing is still going strong. Marty Monday's will still be going on. What could be better? FYC is THE club to belong to!

For news-wise, August was pretty quiet. However, there are a few things I would like the members to know. We now have **gift cards available** to buy at the bar. We started with the cards as an incentive to give to sponsoring members during our membership

From the Vice Commodore (continued)

drive and decided to test the waters on how they would be as gift cards and/or chit cards for 2010. So far we have had great response and now we need to tweak a few things and train the staff to make them readily available. Along with these cards, I am looking (only looking) into getting a POS system for our bar registers and inventory control. That is where I need our members' help. If you are someone or know someone who might be able to set-up a system, please drop me a line. These systems will help our bar manager and BOG to evaluate what is going on at FYC on a weekly/monthly basis. It may work, it may not. My job is to look into our options.

With the fall season comes the fall classic and football. Why not come down to FYC and head upstairs with some friends and watch the games? If the kitchen is closed, we have *Zupardi's Pizza* behind the bar or call one of our many local restaurants and pick up some wings on your way in. Use the Library--it is a great room with a great TV!

Finally, just another reminder to sign up for emails on the FYC website and/or *Facebook*. We are sending out all our events and all our menus so that our members know what is going on that week. For me, it is just another reminder for my forgetful mind.

Pray for a warm September. We deserve it.

Cheers!

George E. O'Connell
Vice Commodore

A Note to Our Readers and Advertisers

The August issue of *The Foghorn* was not printed because personal vacation schedules interfered with articles being submitted on time. As a result, all ads have been extended for one month. If you are thinking of placing an ad, please contact 259-4106 ahead of the monthly timeline of the 20th to finalize details. Thanks.

Calendar of Events

Tuesday, September 1st

Auxiliary Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 9th

Auxiliary Meeting 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 10th

Fishing Committee Meeting 7:30 p.m.

Friday, September 11th

General Membership Meeting 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 12th

Registrations due for Bluefish
Tournament by 1 p.m.

Sunday, September 13th

Bluefish Tournament 6 a.m.-1 p.m.
Picnic to follow

Monday, September 28th

BOG Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 26th

Clambake - Details at the Club

Weekly Events:

Every Monday: "Marty Mondays"
11:00-3:00

Every Wednesday Night:

♦Grill Open 5:30-10:30 p.m.

♦Wednesday Night Sailing Series

First Gun 6:50 p.m.

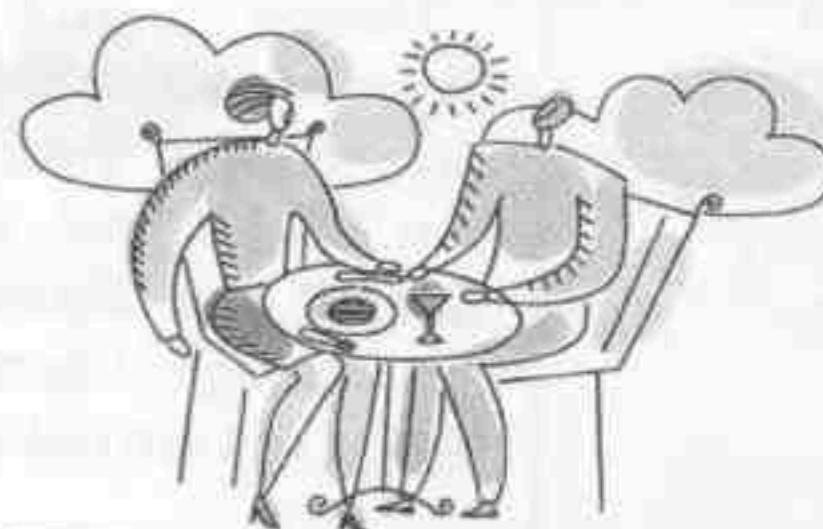
Every Thursday Night: Special Dinner

Seatings at 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Every Friday Night: Happy Hour

Adventure and Raw Seafood Bar

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



From the Rear Commodore

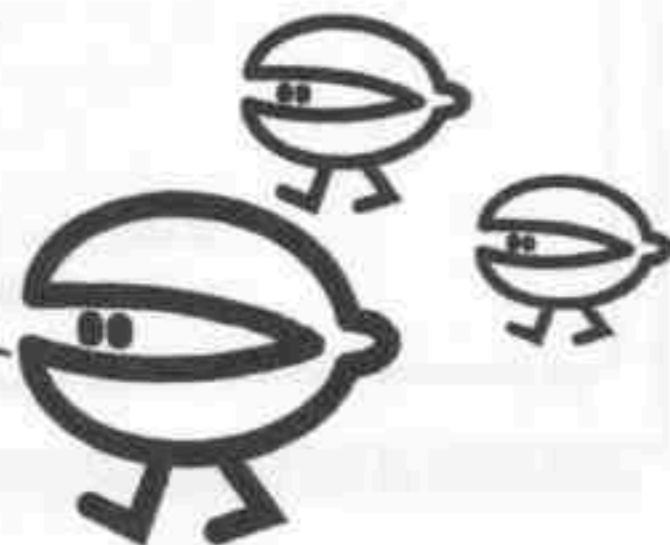
So far it's been a great summer at FYC. We hosted the **Park City Regatta** in July and raised over \$13,000.00 for the fight against cancer. **40 sailboats** came to race and, thanks to **Lee Henchman**, who is a certified pro, **his crew**, and **Andy Wolf**, sailors were treated to 2 outstanding races. I sailed aboard *Blue Angel* and, although we had a 1st and a 2nd, our Commodore **Ed Manes** on *Allouette* managed to win the overall by 2 seconds. This was pretty much the way all three divisions competed. After the race, thanks to the hard work of our Vice Commodore, **George O'Connell**, the sailors and general public were treated to a fantastic barbecue. Thanks to **Mike Andre** we had awesome T shirts, embroidered golf shirts, and a great Reggae Band supplying the music. The shirts are still available at the club and the profit goes to St. Vincent's Swim Across the Sound. I have to thank my lovely wife, **Betsy**, for picking up the ball and running with it as Head Regatta Chairperson. FYC has been hosting this regatta for over 10 years, but three years ago we had a summer with no regatta. Betsy took on the challenge of making it happen again, and with the help of numerous volunteers who generously donate endless hours of their time, the Regatta is back and here to stay. Thank you to all who helped, and special thanks to *Special Sauce*, **Tom and Catherine**, **Denny "Lil Zip"**, **Bob, Brendan, Bob and Carol**, **JoAnne**, **Chris**, **Eugene**, **Holly**, **Mark**, **Lorraine**, **Lynn**, the **Ladies Auxiliary**, and all the people who helped.

We had an oldies night in August that provided a fun evening outdoors. Thanks to **Geza**, **Anthony**, **Lindsay**, and **Duly**, we had a great barbecue.

There is still a **raw bar on Friday nights** and *most Fridays we will have entertainment*.

Coming up on **September 26th** we will be having our annual "**Clambake**" thanks to **Gary Swanson**. Once again we will be serving Lobster, clams, and all the trimmings. Tickets will be available soon at the bar. This is always a big event, so make your plans early.

Hurry up guys! Are you sure this is the way to FYC? All the other clams will be there ahead of us.....



In October, **Steve Dagostino** will be back for another "**Sinatra Night**". So, put the wind in your sails and get your "rears" down to FYC.

Jim Sorensen-Rear Commodore

Fishing Committee

The June 28th **Fluke Tournament** went well, and the picnic following the event had a good turnout. Out of the 18 anglers fishing, top two fish caught were:

- 1) **Joan Edwards** 3.04 lbs
- 2) **Mike Voss** 2.88 lbs

Kudos go out to **George Palmgren** who caught a **5 plus pound fluke** recently!!! George has taken **top spot on the leader board** for the annual contest thus far. Nice fish, George.

The next tournament on the agenda for FYC is the **September 13th Bluefish Tournament**. An entry form for the tournament has been included in this Foghorn issue for your convenience and applications are also available at the Club bar. The deadline for registration will be **September 12th** at 1:00 p.m. The Blues are **ACTIVELY** feeding to pack on weight for their Fall migration, so the fishing should be Awesome! Registration forms are included in this issue of the Foghorn and are available at the club bar. Please join us for some prime time fishing

Hats off to all those who fished the **Interclub Bluefish Tournament** representing Fayerweather on **August 2nd**.

Tight Lines,
Roy Edwards-Fishing Committee Chair

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Auxiliary News

Calendar: Tuesday, September 1, 2009
Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, September 9, 2009
Auxiliary Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Meetings Next Month:
Tuesday, October 6, 2009
Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 14, 2009
Auxiliary Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

By the time you read this, summer will be coming to a close, but the Auxiliary members and officers were busy this summer. We helped at the **Park City Regatta** by selling coffee, muffins and bagels to the participants of the Regatta. Proceeds from this sale were donated to the Swim Across the Sound Organization on behalf of the Auxiliary. A big thank you to **Lynn Sullivan** and her employer who donated all the baked goods we sold that day. We also sold the shirts and the tickets for the raffle and the silent auction. Thank you to **Debbi Callan** for her marketing skills and consistent dedication to the task at hand. To **everyone else** from the Auxiliary that lent a hand that day, **thank you**. Every little bit helps to make these events happen.

On August 6th we were invited to the **South Norwalk Boat Club** for their annual Auxiliary Hot Dog Roast. It was a beautiful evening. About 20 members from the Fayerweather Auxiliary attended. The food that was prepared by the Auxiliary members of SNBC was plentiful and delicious. I purchased a copy of their cookbook which has recipes for some of the food we ate that evening. If you are interested in buying a copy of their cookbook, let me know and I will give you the contact information.


We wish to extend our sincere condolences to **Judith Duva** and **Debbi Callan** on the recent loss of their husbands. **Vincent Duva** and **Ray Callan** will be missed by all those who knew them.

Sunshine

If you know of a member that is ill, in the hospital, has a new addition to the family or someone who would welcome a cheery greeting, please contact our **Sunshine Chairwoman, Lynn Sullivan** at 372-2981. She will send them a card from the Auxiliary members.

As always, I welcome your suggestions, comments or news. See you at the meeting.

Sandra-Ann G. Nolfo-Auxiliary President
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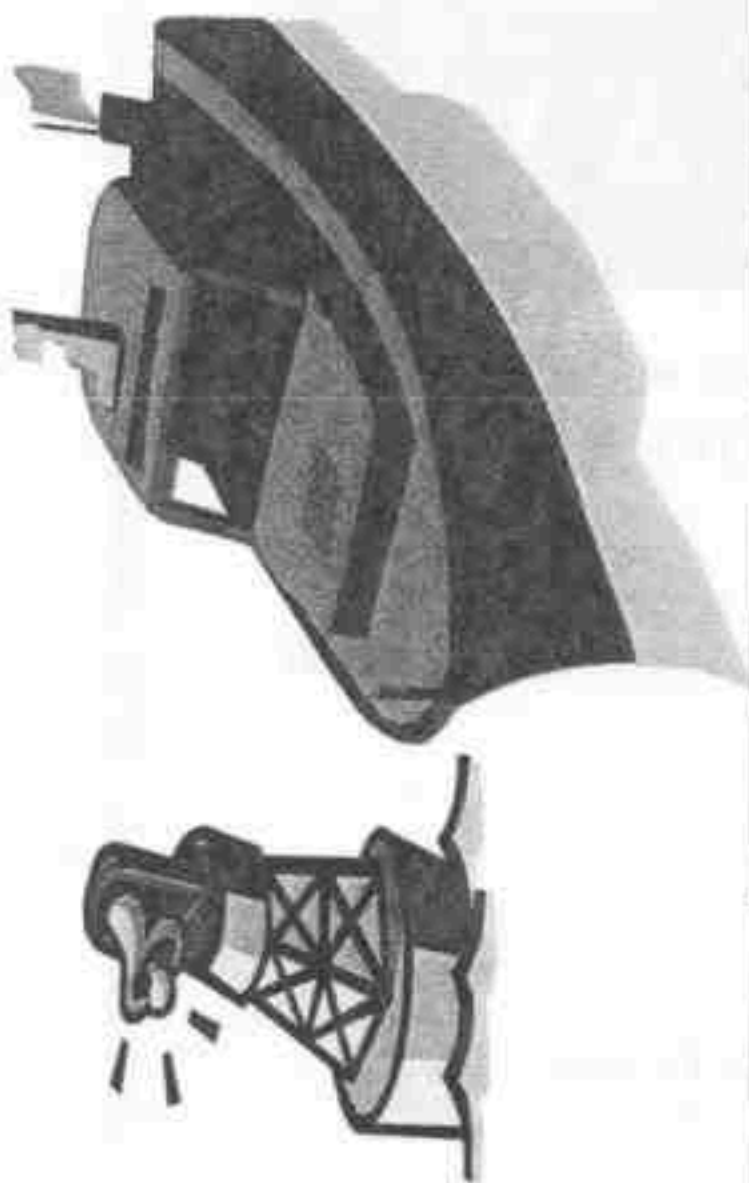
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Fayerweather Yacht Club

Calendar of Club Events

September 2009



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 11:00-2:00 Lunch 7:30 Auxiliary Board Mtg.	2 11:00-2:00 Lunch 6:00 Wednesday Night Sailing Series *	3 11:00-2:00 Lunch	4 11:00-2:00 Lunch Happy Hour	5 11:00-3:00 Lunch
6 11:00-3:00 Lunch 1:00 Sailing	7 Labor Day 11:00-3:00 "Marty Mondays"*	8 11:00-2:00 Lunch	9 11:00-2:00 Lunch 6:00 Wednesday Night Sailing Series * 7:30 Auxiliary Mtg.	10 11:00-2:00 Lunch 5:30-8:30 Dinner Special Menu 7:30 Fishing Comm.	11 11:00-2:00 Lunch Happy Hour 8:00 Gen'l Member ship Mtg.	12 11:00-3:00 Lunch 1:00 Deadline for Bluefish Tournament
13 6-1 Bluefish Tournament & Picnic 11:00-3:00 Lunch 1:00 Sailing	14 11:00-3:00 "Marty Mondays"*	15 11:00-2:00 Lunch	16 11:00-2:00 Lunch 6:00 Wednesday Night Sailing Series *	17 11:00-2:00 Lunch 5:30-8:30 Dinner Special Menu	18 11:00-2:00 Lunch Happy Hour Rosh Hashanah	19 11:00-3:00 Lunch
20 11:00-3:00 Lunch 1:00 Sailing	21 11:00-3:00 "Marty Mondays"*** 7:00 BOG Meeting **	22 Autumn Begins 11:00-2:00 Lunch	23 11:00-2:00 Lunch 6:00 Wednesday Night Sailing Series *	24 11:00-2:00 Lunch 5:30-8:30 Dinner Special Menu	25 11:00-2:00 Lunch Happy Hour	26 11:00-3:00 Lunch ♦Clambake
27 11:00-3:00 Lunch 1:00 Sailing Yom Kippur	28 11:00-3:00 "Marty Mondays"*** 7:00 BOG Meeting	29 11:00-2:00 Lunch	30 11:00-2:00 Lunch 6:00 Wednesday Night Sailing Series *			

* Please check Sailing Schedule

** Changed due to Yom Kippur observance

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We are looking to connect with volunteer Captains and crew (and sailboats) who are looking for a chance to donate their time to our organization. We need extra hearts and hands.

Please contact Linda Johnson (Heart of Sailing) 631-901-7151 or Jim DeNicola (FYC) 203-426-1687....
You'll be blessed.

HURRICANE CHECKLIST



Stores fill quickly with panicked shoppers when a storm approaches, so stockpile gradually, picking up one or two extra items each time you shop. Keep this checklist on your refrigerator, as a reminder. The following are important supplies to have on hand in the event of a hurricane. You may want to keep at least a three day supply of emergency items on hand throughout the season.

VITAL SUPPLIES

- Battery-operated radio with extra batteries
- Flashlights with extra batteries and bulbs
- Clock (wind-up/battery-operated)
- Paper cups, plates, and plastic utensils
- Cash or traveler's checks, change
- Non-electric can opener and utility knife
- Fire extinguisher: small canister, ABC type
- Matches in a waterproof container
- Shut-off wrench, to turn off household gas/ water
- Lumber/tape for windows
- Ice chests
- Repair kit of small tools
- Ordinary bleach
- Deodorizer/Disinfectant
- Supplies for infants and elderly adults

MEDICAL NEEDS

- First Aid kit
- Prescription medications
- Adhesive tape
- Cotton swabs
- Antiseptic solution
- Aspirin
- Sterile rolls, bandages
- Diarrhea medication
- Toilet paper and/or pre-moistened towelettes
- Soap, liquid detergent
- Thermometer
- Tweezers
- Feminine Supplies
- Plastic garbage bags
- Other personal hygiene items

GROCERY ITEMS

WATER!!! (store at least one gallon of water per person per day, keeping at least a three-day supply)

- Ready-to-eat canned meats, fruits, and vegetables
- Canned juices, milk, and soups (if powdered, store extra water)
- Staples - sugar, salt, and pepper
- High energy foods - peanut butter, jelly, crackers, granola bars, trail mix
- Vitamins
- Foods for infants, elderly persons, or persons on special diets
- Comfort/stress foods - cookies, hard candy, sweetened cereals, lollipops, instant coffee, tea bags

SPECIAL ITEMS

- Entertainment items - cards, books, games
- Important Family Documents - keep in a waterproof, portable container
- Clothing and footwear for each family member
- Bedding - blankets, sleeping bags, pillows

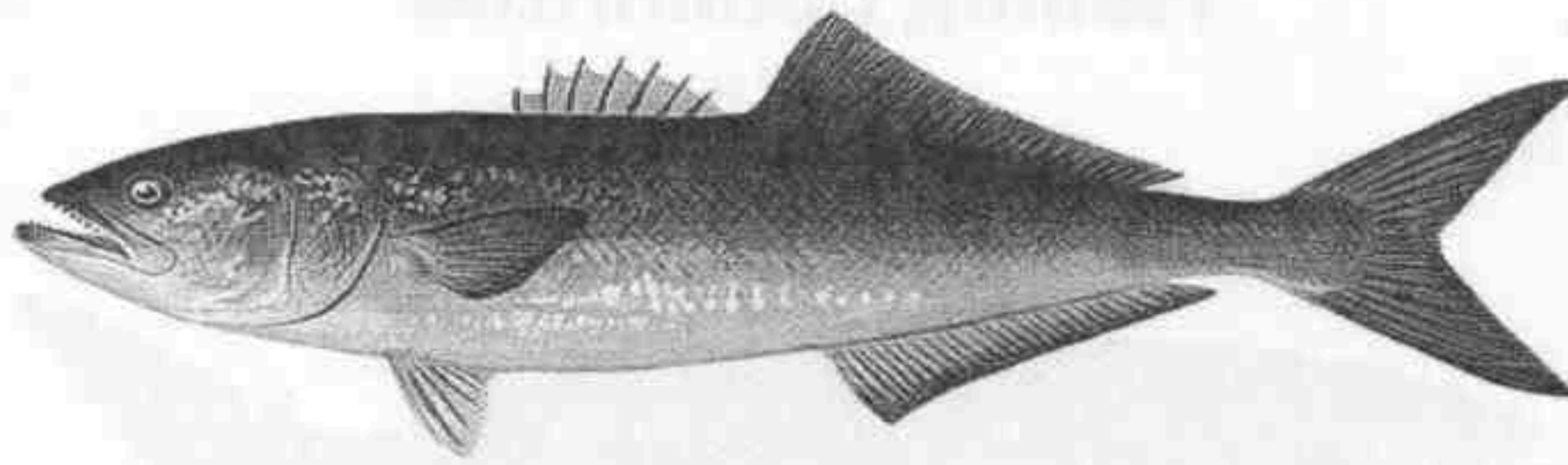
HELPFUL HURRICANE HINTS

Hurricane season is here until November 30th. With most storms occurring during the months of August, September, and October, it is important to be prepared. You should begin planning your own emergency preparedness now. The following are some tips for personal preparation in the event of an evacuation and/or a hurricane.

- Organize and evaluate your emergency supplies now. A Hurricane Checklist is attached to serve as a guideline.
- Obtain a Hurricane Tracking Map to follow the course of the storm.
- Prepare an adequate supply of reserve drinking water. Plan on one gallon of water per person per day. When a storm approaches, fill your bathtub, sinks, and extra pots and pans with tap water for washing and cooking.
- Obtain fuel such as Sterno canned heat or gas for your barbecue if you plan to cook. **NEVER USE A CHARCOAL GRILL INDOORS!**
- Trim trees and shrubbery of branches and limbs that could damage your house or utility lines now. Do not wait until a storm approaches.
- If you own a boat, make arrangements now for its safekeeping during a storm.
- Determine your evacuation level and zone. Decide where you will go if you must evacuate. Know an alternate shelter in case you cannot go to your first choice.
- Make arrangements for pets. They are not allowed in most refuge centers.
- Keep your gas tank at least half full during hurricane season. Make sure that the windshield wipers are in good working order and that brakes are securely set.
- Have sufficient cash on hand. If electricity is lost, banks and ATM's will not operate and few stores will be able to accept credit cards.

FAMILY DISASTER PLAN

- Discuss the type of hazards that could affect your family. Know your home's vulnerability to storm surge, flooding and wind.
- Locate a safe room or the safest areas in your home for each hurricane hazard. In certain circumstances the safest areas may not be your home but within your community.
- Determine escape routes from your home and places to meet. These should be measured in tens of miles, rather than hundreds of miles.
- Have an out-of-state friend as a family contact, so all your family members have a single point of contact.
- Make a plan now for what to do with your pets if you need to evacuate.
- Post emergency telephone numbers by your phones and make sure all children know how and when to call 911.
- Check your insurance coverage. Flood damage is not usually covered by homeowners insurance.
- Stock non-perishable emergency supplies and a Disaster Supply Kit. Make sure that every member of your family knows where to find these items in your home. Place them together in a location convenient to a major exit point in your home.
- Use a NOAA weather radio. Remember to replace its battery every 6 months.
- Take a First Aid, CPR and disaster preparedness class.



Fayerweather Yacht Club

Bluefish Tournament

Sunday, September 13

6am to 1pm

Open to members and friends

Weigh in is from 12 to 1pm

Picnic lunch immediately following

\$15 per angler to enter

Register at the bar by 1pm Saturday September 12

**1st, 2nd (and 3rd) place cash prizes for heaviest fish
(Depending upon the number of Entries)**

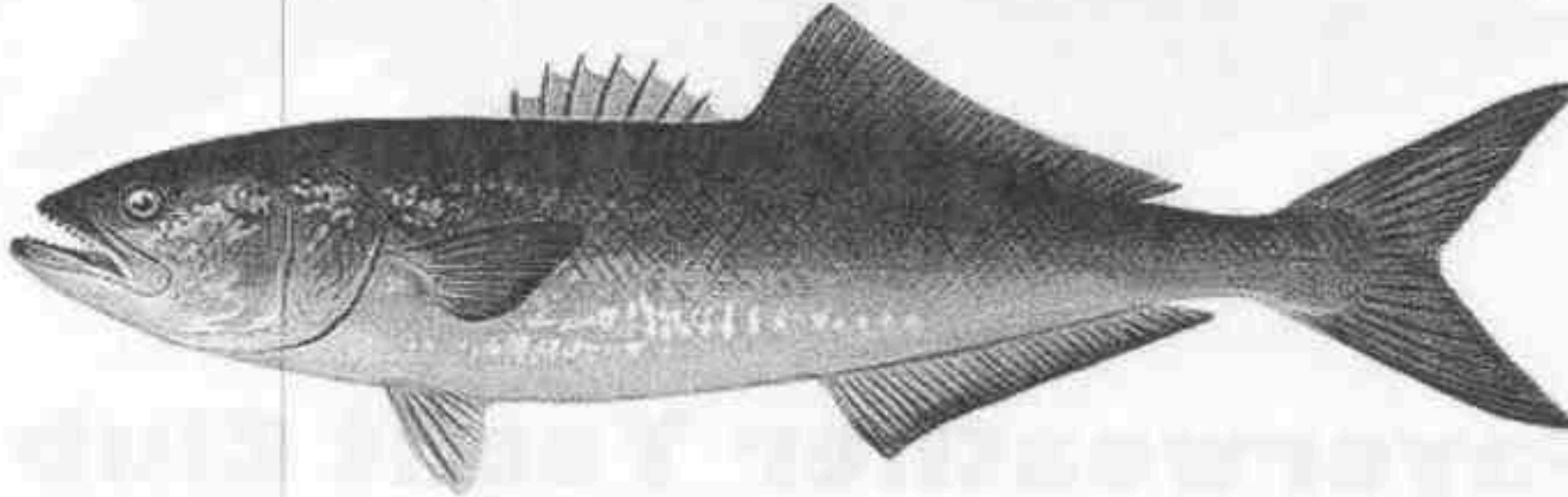
One prize per angler

**All fish weighed in shall be of legal CT length
Annual fishing contest rules apply**

No ties, first fish weighed in has preference

Good Luck to All

Fayerweather Yacht Club Fishing Committee



Bluefish Tournament
Sunday, September 13
6 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Entry Form

Boat Name: _____

Crew: _____ **Phone:** _____

Crew: _____ **Phone:** _____

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Crew: _____ **Phone:** _____

Please fill out this entry form and the attached envelope. The entry fee is \$15 per angle and is cash only. Return your entry form and fees in an envelope to an FYC bartender.

The entry fee includes a picnic lunch on the FYC grounds immediately following the tournament. Weigh in is from 12 to 1 p.m.

Good Luck!

Heaviest Fish _____ **lbs** **Caught by** _____

Heaviest Fish _____ **lbs** **Caught by** _____

Heaviest Fish _____ **lbs** **Caught by** _____

Heaviest Fish _____ **lbs** **Caught by** _____

Sailing Committee

Wow, what a month [July], as the wet and calm June came to a close, the wind piped up and the sun came out. The **Regatta weekend** was absolutely spectacular. Kudos to **Lee Henchmen** and his allstar race committee crew for flawless officiating of the **Park City Regatta**. Congrats to the crews of *Partnership* in the Spinnaker Division and *Allouette* for Non Spinnaker.

The following Invitational also went along without a hitch. Congrats to the crews of *Secret* in Spinnaker Division and *Dream Weaver* in Non Spinnaker.

August continues on with more of our two separate Sunday Series, as well as another Port Jeff Overnight. More detail of our events can be found on the sailing page of the web site, as well as the sailing board in the main hall of the Club.

Andy Wolf-Sailing Committee Chair

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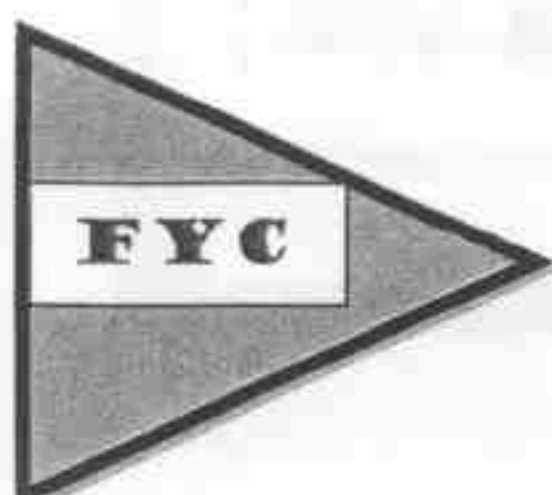
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Get well and good health wishes for **Geoffrey Miller** and **Tom Bottillo**.

The officers, auxiliary, and members of FYC mourn the untimely passing of **Ray Callan** while sailing on Long Island Sound and send our prayers and thoughts to his wife Deborah, family and friends.

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Tom Bobbins and Catherine Wall maneuver *Special Sauce* through the pack at the SWIM Across the Sound Regatta. There's never a dull moment in racing.....The white hull is Pat Collin's Pearson Flyer *Kari*.

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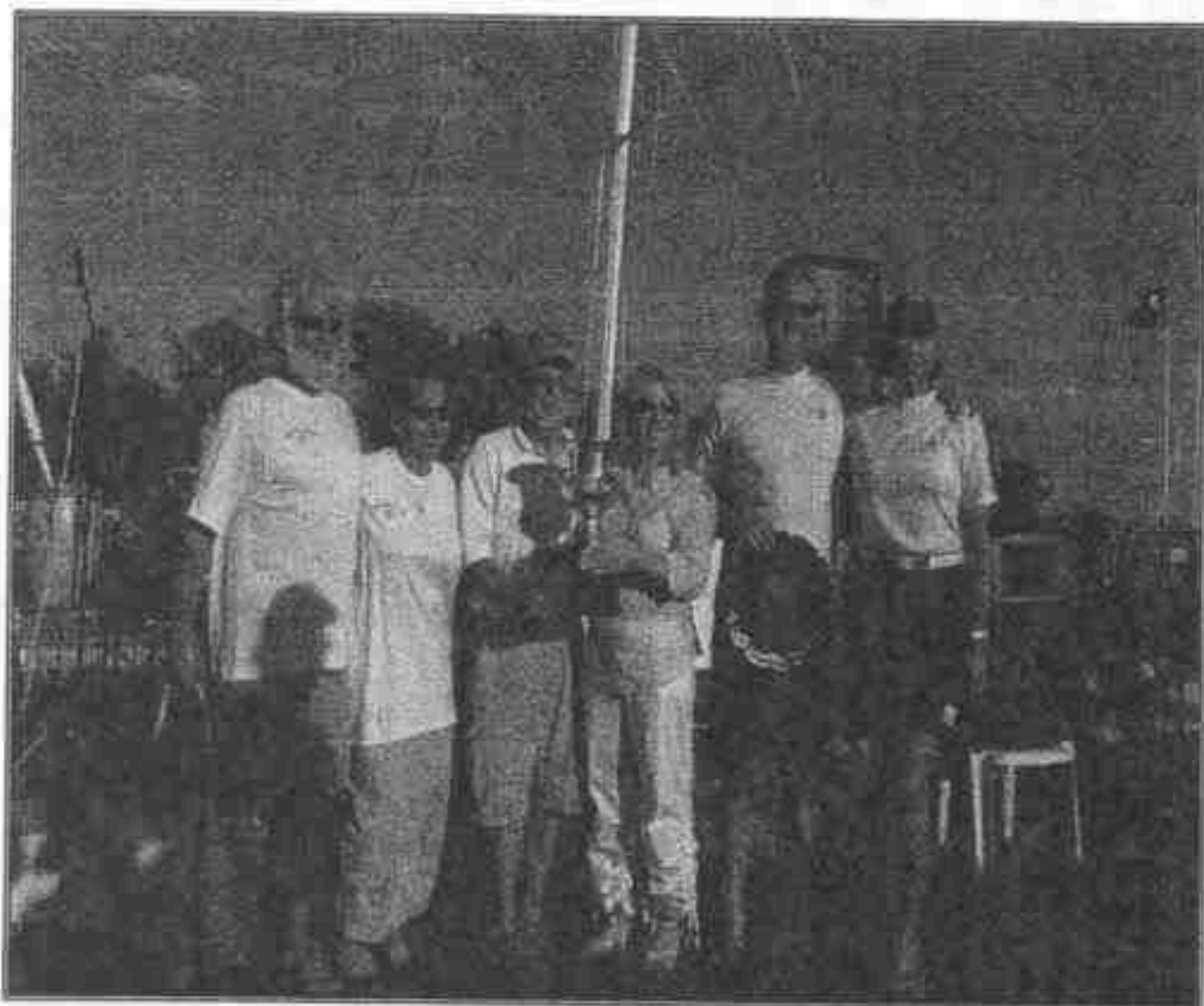
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The Jan Williams Memorial Trophy, dedicated to a woman who truly made the SWIM Across the Sound what is today, was presented to the skippers of the winning boats in the Park City Regatta on July 18. (l - r) **Ed and Joanne Manes** (*Allouette*; First Place, Non-Spinnaker Division), Race Committee Chair **Lee Henchman**, Regatta Chair **Betsy Sorensen**, **Dave** and **MaryEllen Tortorello** (*Partnership*; First Place, Spinnaker Division).



Mike Andre's crew on *Deadicated* had lots of fun.

Special thanks go to **Chris Szepessy** for sharing his wonderful photos with us!!

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