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## From the Helm

Summer has regaled us with beautiful weather at last! Long days and summer sunsets have brought us all to the waterfront to enjoy Fayerweather. The **Park City Regatta** weekend presented sailors from many points on the Sound with steady breeze and excellent sailing. Steel drums were the musical backdrop for a picnic enjoyed by the sailing crews and their guests. Fayerweather sailors, cooks and members were largely responsible for the success of this wonderful endeavor. Thank you also to our sister clubs, **Housatonic** and **Black Rock** for their participation and support. While not wanting to be redundant because Rear Commodore Jim Sorensen will be thanking many of those involved, I want to especially thank **Betsy Sorensen** for throwing one heck of a Regatta!

If you have been at the Club recently you will see pleasing foliage around the clubhouse and waterfront. This is the result of the dedicated work of **Eric Wuerfele** and his lovely **Cathy** along with the ubiquitous **Russell Dunleavy**. The plants are from Greenfield Hills Nursery owned by Fayerweather member **Billy Hines**.

Thanks are also sent to **Mike Roberts Sr.** and **Nancy Roberts** for their thoughtful donation of steps for the dock. Now we can board our boats and alight on the dock more gracefully. Thank you also to **Brendan Wilson** for the striking Rosenfeld print that graces our entrance hall.

This is the height of the season and in the interest of your limited time of fair weather at Fayerweather - go out and enjoy Summer

on the water! See you at the Club!

Ed Manes

*Commodore*

## From the Vice Commodore

The lazy days of summer are in full swing. So far, the weather has been pretty mild which makes me think we will get a very long Indian summer (fingers crossed). For those deck loungers, that is great news. We will keep our Friday happy hours rolling with both the raw bar and the live acoustic music. Our thoughts are with **Gary and Sue Swanson's family** as they rebuild from the fire ... they never missed a beat to keep us going!

Many have complained about the attack of the bugs so far this summer. We all know how wet June was, and that is only making July and August one of the worse in years. FYC is in full combat mode! We bought a few extra bug-zappers. We have set up tiki torches on the deck and on the lower lever. And finally, we have provided spray for flies. We are trying....

Just a reminder to **ALL MEMBERS**, both old and new ... please remember the house rules. Many, many people are not bringing their glasses back to the bar either from the deck or during Thursday night dinner. I cannot begin to tell you how many glasses the wait staff and I clear from tables. The next time you get plastic, there is a good chance that the table next to you got up and walked away without bringing their glasses back to the bar. Here is a simple way to think of it: if you get it in your hand, return it. If you get it brought to you, leave it. Thanks.

## From the Vice Commodore (continued)

As always, please check out the website or find us on *Facebook*. It makes it so simple to keep our members informed about the month's events. Our Foghorn articles are due on the 20th of each month and the next month might not be finalized quite yet, so our online resources are a great way to see what events are going on that week or were added because the weather is great.

I am in a car, driving to Newport, and am feeling the lazy, hazy days of summer. Lori is going to slap me if I do not put this laptop away.

George signing off with my well-being intact.



Cheers,  
George E. O'Connell-Vice Commodore

## From the Rear Commodore

What a great month July has been at FYC. The **Park City Regatta** was bigger and better than ever. I thank all of the board members of the PCR who donated so much time and effort to make this event a huge success. Please read the article on the Regatta where names of our volunteers are mentioned. The day of the Regatta I had a couple of volunteers who stepped up and offered to help. Thanks to **Bob Schley** who helped move and setup the stage, **Mark McGinty** who checked wrist

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bands, **Lorraine Delvechio**, **Lynn Sullivan**, and **JoAnn Manes** for picking up food for the spectator and photo boat, **Chris Szepessy** and hopefully the rest were mentioned in the Regatta overview. There's still time to make a donation up until August 1st when the *Swim Across the Sound* is held at Captains Cove.

We are having a race between power boats and sailboats all around the walls in the bar. At the end of July, we will count the flags to see who wins, the blue flags of the sailors or the yellow flags of the power boaters. The winner will have a plaque mounted in the bar till next year. While I'm talking about powerboats, there were two that really came through for FYC in a big way. **Denny Donahue** donated "*Lil Zip*" to take out our spectators and entertain them, and **Eugenio Maldonado** offered his boat to take out the photographers. Not to forget two sailors who did the work of ten sailors: **Betsy Sorensen** and Vice Commodore **George O'Connell**.

August



has a tough act to follow this year. On **August 8th** we will have an "**oldies night**", hopefully, with the band outdoors and a barbecue also outdoors. The cost will be just \$12 for the band and a burger. Additional burgers will be sold for a

minimal cost.

I hope to see you all out on the water or back at the Club. Keep plenty of fuel in your tanks and wind in your sails.

Jim Sorensen-Rear Commodore

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