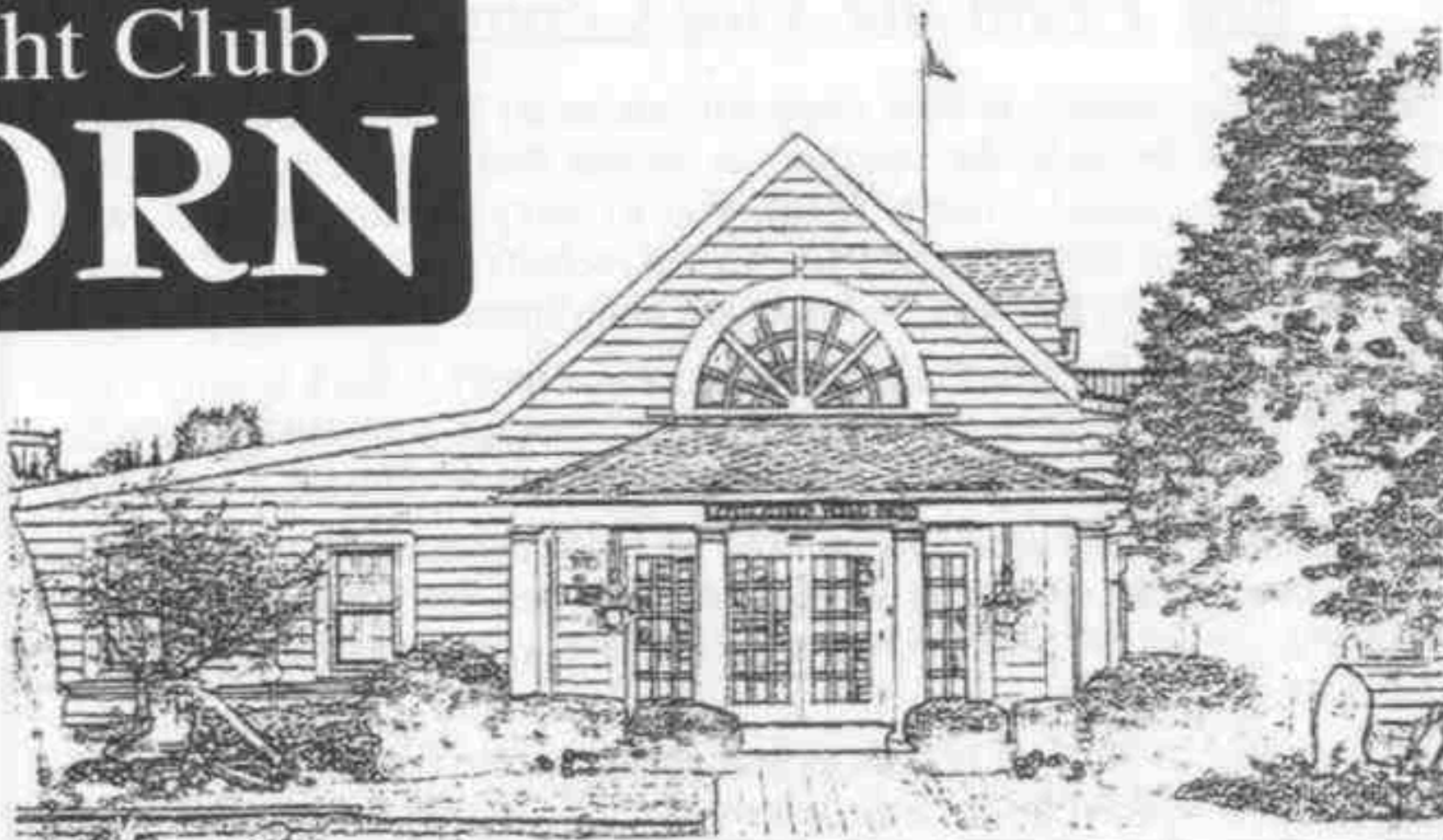


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From the Helm

It seems Mother Nature has gone to the Caribbean for the winter! How many of us have taken advantage of this wannabe winter to tackle those projects and repairs that were noted as we stowed our vessels for the off season? Usually our New England climate offers only a very small window when winter bids farewell until the launch is upon us. There are always projects that we put off in the hope of a warmer, more accommodating work day. Well stop procrastinating and get to work, spring is approaching and boating season is just around the corner.

Last month I spoke of the year's Project Kitchen planned at Fayerweather. In case you haven't observed the work in progress, I am pleased to keep you abreast of what is happening on the home front. The renovated kitchen looks simply marvelous. Thank you Vice Commodore Rich Parker! Thanks to the hard work of a small band of members that got the job done under budget and ahead of schedule. A round of applause and our extreme gratitude goes out to the band leader Jerry Hogarth and his dedicated merry men: Steve Wargo, Steve Catalano, Ricky Phillips, Jose Columba, PC Jim Haskak, Chris Gill, Tim Casey, Jim Hogarth, Scott Orschler, Russell Dunleavy and Mark Barrish. Once again, our members have risen to the occasion and provided their skills and expertise in order to make our club a wonderful home away from home.

With a new kitchen comes a new caterer. Lasse's is no longer with us, but Lori (Lasse's' chef) will be staying at Fayerweather. Lou will be opening her own place called LuLu's Pad at Fayerweather. So please support Lori in her new endeavor and enjoy some of the delectable fare that she will continue to offer. Check our Fayerweather website for current menus.

The other scheduled project of replacing the railroad rail, which currently secures our docks, with new metal pilings coated to prevent rust, should be under way by the time you receive your March Foghorn. Once again thank you Mother Nature!

March brings the Vernal Equinox and the arrival of Spring. Hopefully, the weather will continue to cooperate as we approach this preparatory season. In the spirit of readying our club for the boating season ahead, please take note of April 6, Good Friday. This day is set aside for Fayerweather and its member/volunteers to do our annual Spring Cleanup. A majority of small projects and cleaning will be scheduled to primp up the club as we prepare to look GREAT for opening day. A wonderful lunch will be served to sustain us through our efforts!

An important order of business is the selection of a new member for our Board of Governors. Look for postings from the Nominating Committee to enter your name as a candidate for this important position. As a member of the Board you will take an active role in directing our club. Bring your ideas and talents to advance our club and support its members – we welcome your input and commitment.

Hope to see many of you at FYC as the cold winds of March bring in the longer days of spring!

Commodore Ed Manes



From the Vice Commodore

Hurray! The kitchen is now open for business! Your Project Manager Jerry and crew brought the upgrade in sooner than projected and under budget. Please extend a hardy thank you to Jerry's team for a job well done. LuLu's Pad menu is available on the website. You will find several new items on the menu. Join us for lunch and dinner on Thursday nights.

The Ship Store has several new items in inventory (check it out). Fayerweather pride! Further if you would like to order something specific, please e-mail me and we will see if we can accommodate your requests.

Your membership cards should now be replenished with the payment of your dues. Your card may also be replenished by adding additional funds through the bar staff. Remember to keep your card from one year to the next.

You should have received an e-mail copy of the foghorn. This electronic version should be in your hands several days earlier in the paper version. If you did not receive the electronic version, then I do not have your correct e-mail address. Please contact me so we can have this corrected and allow you greater access to all the club events. We will have a drawing on Opening Day for those who participate in our Going Green initiative. Receiving the Foghorn via email will enter you into the drawing. I will be happy to place you on the list if you need assistance.

We will have a meeting of the FYC Holding Company Tuesday March 13th 7PM. All shareholders are encouraged to attend that evening.

Looking to April - April 6th is Good Friday and our annual workday. Jerry will coordinate the day's activities, although if you have a special skill or area that you feel needs special attention please let me know and I'll be happy to share this with the committee.

If interest develops - we may attempt a Comedy Night on Saturday Evenings watching DVD's of Carol Burnett, Johnny Carson, Dean Martin, Red Skelton, etc. Anyone willing to share these classics with the club? Online coupons for discounts on dinners, drinks, and FYC apparel will also show up.

I can be reached via e-mail at rich@Fayerweatheryachtclub.com.

See you at the Club!

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Calendar of Events

Tuesday, Mar. 6th
General Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, Mar. 17th
St. Patrick's Day Dinner & Craic

Monday, Mar. 26th
B.O.G. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Friday, Mar. 30th
Fish Fry! 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, Mar. 31st
Sinatra Night 6:30 p.m.

Weekly Events

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From the Rear Commadore

Well we've had a couple of great nights over the last month at the FYC. The Super Bowl party was terrific and very well attended. Of course it was a great game, (sorry Pats fans), which helped out the atmosphere, but with the Penfield Room, the bar and the upper deck all packed, I think we could have had a housefly race and everybody would still have had a great night. Also, we had 18 high quality entries for the Chili Cook-off, so many congrats to Tom Savard for taking 1st prize with his "Pumkin Chili" recipe.

The Texas Hold 'Em night had all the drama of a shoot-out at the O.K. Corral. Over four hours of tense poker elapsed before the final table of 8 players materialized, and the fun didn't end there, with big pot after big pot continuing to change hands. Eventually, Bob Schley emerged as a worthy winner. For a \$20 entry fee with a fine meal throw-in, this has to be one of the best bargains in town. Look out for another "deal" in May.

March 17th - St. Patrick's Day Dinner & Craic:

Fun, dinner, music and dancing with a Celtic flair. Summer Wind live band, (check them out on YouTube), corned beef, cabbage and potatoes. Music starts at 6:00, but fun will start earlier. Tickets \$20 at the bar.

March 31st - Sinatra Night :

Consistently the number 1 sell-out event at the FYC. Make sure you come to see and hear Las Vegas entertainer Steve D'Agostino sing the favorite tunes from the Great American Songbook. Do not miss. Dinner starts at 6.30 pm. Tickets available at the bar.

April 7th - Children's Easter Party:

Bring the kids down to FYC and enjoy a full day of Easter festivities. Easter egg hunt, raffle, ham shoot, and visit from the Easter Bunny will help make this a great event for the whole family. 12 pm to 3 pm; Tickets available soon at the bar.

April 21st - Karaoke Night:

In Japanese, Karaoke means empty orchestra, in American, it means a great night of entertainment for all. Come on down and show-off your latent musical talents - surprise and impress your fellow members, or maybe just give them a good laugh. Either way, it is sure to be a great night. Tickets available at the bar soon.

Finally, I'd like to say a big thank you to all those who helped out with this month's events and made them a big success, particularly Gavin MacNamara and Jose Columna for their work on the video system on Super Bowl Sunday, and Emily Hyde, John Bond, Steve Catalano and Bob Meeker for all their help with the poker night. As always, if you have any ideas, specific events, or fun times that you would like to see at the FYC, let me know, and we will try to make them happen. See me at the bar, or contact me by email.

Slan agus Ceol, (Safety and Music to You)

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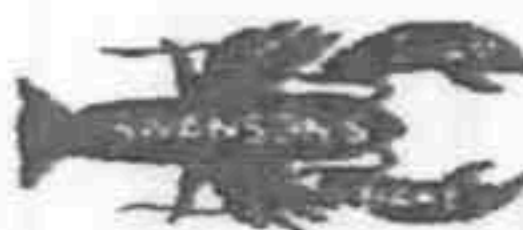
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Congratulations to Jack Starkey on becoming a life member this past November. We apologize for the delay in recognizing his new status.

Get well wishes for a speedy recovery go out to Donna and Larry Palaia, Denis Rickard and Don Worth.

The Officers, Members and Auxiliary mourn the loss of life members Donald Schroeder and David Ney. We send our condolences to their families and friends.

I appreciate information regarding this column.

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Auxiliary News

Thanks to Donna and Carrie for the cake at our February meeting. We didn't have the cook come due to no kitchen, so she is coming in April. Our March meeting is a Chinese Auction. We are in need of the bunnies and chicks for the Easter Bunny Raffle in April. Please bring them to the March meeting. We were asked to save the date of June 14th by the East End Yacht Club, so please mark your calendar. For those of you who don't know, our meetings are on the second Wednesday of each month at 7p.m. (no meetings July and August). If you have any questions feel free to call me.

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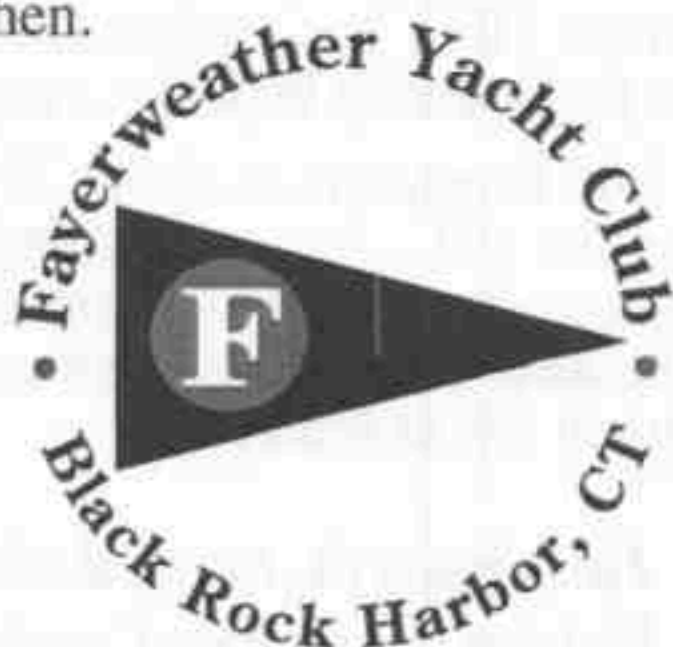
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Thanks to all members for book donations to the library, which is now at full capacity. We will be adding future storage and I will alert you then.

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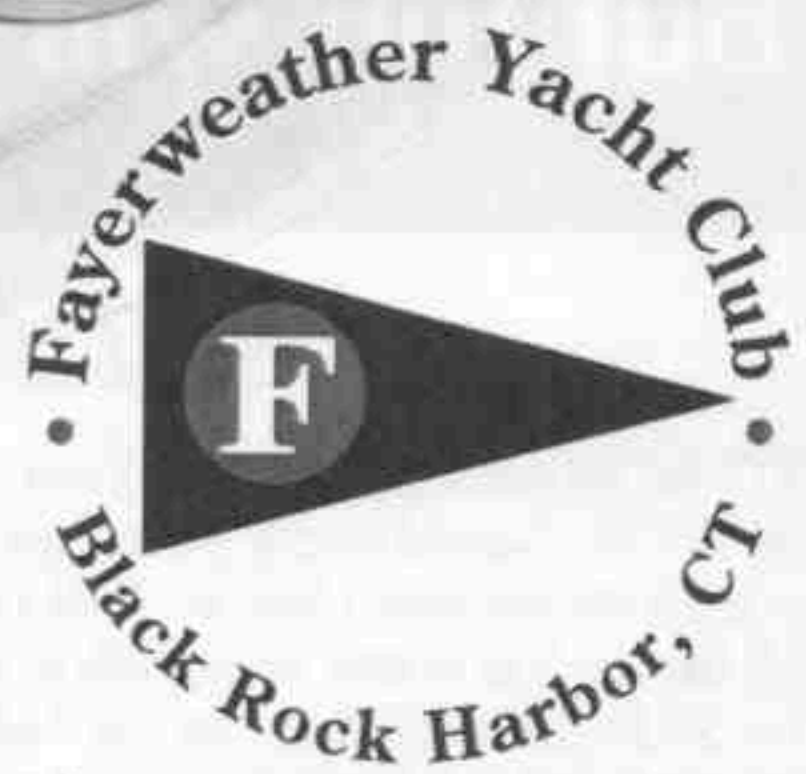
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The Fishing Line

The first *Fish Fry* of 2012 on March 30th starting at 6pm. Tickets are available at the bar for \$12 per person. And again this year we will be raffling a 32" Flat Screen HD TV ... ticket sales will start at the Fish Fry for an Opening Day Drawing.

The Tournaments Dates Fishing, Committee Events and the 2011 Annual Fishing Contest Rules are available on the Fishing Committee Board in the bar. The next Fishing Committee Meeting will be Friday March 9th at 6:30 PM

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