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FROM THE HELM

Hello again,

As we enter the month of May, some of you boat owners have got the “Boat Bottom Blues”(or blacks or reds or whatever color you choose). But it’s a good kind of blues, as we are soooooo close to

getting those boats in the water to enjoy!

Things at the club are looking good. Thanks to the efforts of the 65+ volunteers who showed up for our two cleanup days. New trim and shingles outside, painting inside and out, cleaning, landscaping the grounds and getting the decks and docks ready for the season plus more.

Thank you and great job!!!

Various projects are afoot at the club. New concrete pad under the hoist is being priced. Upper “Sun” deck is still being designed. Investigating replacing POS, Accounting System and new Website to name a few. Will keep you posted as things develop.

The month of May also brings the opening of the club for the season. Opening Day ceremonies and party will be on May 27th starting at noon. Flyer is on the next page.

In case you didn’t already know, Fayerweather Yacht Club will be celebrating its 100th anniversary as a yacht club in 2019. Please, if you have any pictures or memorabilia, contact the Co-chairs of the Centennial Committee, Tom Lee and Donna Demattia or myself. This committee is in the planning stages for a great year of events.

On April 30th the club will be presenting the “Jazz Trio” featuring Ed Chervansky at a Jazz Brunch. The Lighthouse Grill will be providing a special brunch menu for that Sunday. There is no charge for the music so come down and enjoy Sunday Brunch at FYC. Band will be playing from 11 - 2. See the ad on page 7.

Our Vice and Rear Commodores and Fishing Committee have some excellent events planned, but I will let them tell you about those. All I can add is come to the club and enjoy!

That’s enough for now.

See you at the club,
Bob Schley
Commodore



**FAYERWEATHER YACHT CLUB
OPENING DAY**

*Commodore Bob Schley & Flag Officers
Are Pleased to Invite
All Members, Family and Friends
To Join Us for Our
OPENING DAY CEREMONIES
on
MAY 27TH, 2017
Commencing at 12 noon*

*You are then invited to stay for lunch and enjoy live music at our
wonderful club.*

*We hope to see you all there for a fun tradition and a great way to
kick off the 2017 summer season!*



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Calendar of Events

April 28

Dart League
Championship

April 30

Jazz At Brunch
Ed Chervansky Jazz Trio

April 30

Frostbiting
Championship Race

May 2

General Membership
Meeting - 7:00PM

May 5

Cinco de Mayo Party

May 10

Auxiliary General
Meeting - 7:00PM

May 10

Wednesday night
Sailing Series begins

May 14

Mother's Day
Brunch

May 22

Board of Governors
Meeting

May 27

OPENING DAY!

Weekly Events

Thursday Night:

Table Service Dinner

Friday Night:

Raw Bar

Lobster Rolls, Chowder,
Lobster Bisque, Chili,
Stuffed Clams, Shrimp
Clams & Oysters



FROM THE VICE COMMODORE

I can't say how happy I am to have Lighthouse Grill at FYC! The lunches and dinners have been amazing as well as the all day breakfast on Saturday and Sunday. I look forward to many great events they will cook with us as well as expanded hours in the summer.

Ship's Store has new lighter shell pull over's in stock for spring see the pictured below.

We held out first of many tastings as Asylum Distillers of Bridgeport joined in April to sample their spirits. Look for Wine and Beer tastings in the upcoming months.

Thanks to all that made it out on both Work Days to get our bar and deck ready for spring and summer. We had a tremendous turn out! It is wonderful to see our members some out not one but two days to clean, do carpentry work, paint, scrub, all to make our club shine!

Monthly reminders

..... Please bring all the glassware back to the bar in a timely manner as to not over burden the bar staff or our little glass washer.

..... When signing the book, please actually print your name in the last column so that it is legible. Also, no "" "" or Mr. and Mrs. on one line - each individual gets his or her own line and all info is to be filled out.

Thanks and see you at the club!

David J. Nemeth - vice@fycct.org



Lighthouse Grill at Fayerweather

Lunch: Tuesday - Friday 11 - 2

Lunch or Brunch: Saturday & Sunday 11 - 3

Dinner: Thursday table service - 5 - 9 PM Friday grill - 5 - 9 PM

Expanded Hours: On May 10 and Every Wednesday Race Night:
grill will be open from 5:30 - 9PM



From the Rear Commodore

We hope everyone is enjoying spring so far! We would like to thank all of the families who joined us at our Easter party! We had a wonderful turnout and hope that all the children had a great day enjoying the festivities! We want to thank the Auxiliary for their kind donation to help with the expenses for the Easter party.

Our next event is Cinco de Mayo Fiesta on May 5th beginning at 6PM. We have a tasty and fun night lined up!

Listed below is our schedule of dates for parties with others to be announced in future editions of the Foghorn.

- Friday, May 5th at 6pm - Cinco de Mayo Party (Bands: 6:30 Orquesta Afinke; 8:30 Pocket Hotties)
- Saturday, May 27th at 12pm- Opening Day and Summer Kick Off Party
- Saturday, June 17th - Caribbean Party
- Saturday, July 15th - Luau Party
- Saturday, August 12th -
- Sunday, September 3rd - Summer Send Off Party
- Saturday, October 28th Halloween Costume Party
- Saturday, November - Harvest Dance
- Sunday, December 17th - Children's Christmas Party

My goal is to have at least one event per month if not more. I am always open to suggestions and ideas from our members. Feel free to e-mail me at rear@fycct.org.

Bob Cote - Rear Commodore



Join us for a fiesta full of nachos, tacos, guacamole and churros!!

Margaritas (frozen and shaken) will be available at the bar!

Live music to follow later in the evening

Hope to see you all there!

Tickets \$20 – Sold at the bar



BANDS
6:30 - Latin Band Orquesta Afinke
8:30 – Pocket Hotties

**A wonderful Children's Easter Party on April 15th, fun for all!
Special thanks to Bob and Christina the Auxiliary for all their work making the day so special!**



Auxiliary Corner

May madness begins at the Fayerweather, with many events to welcome the summer season.

The regular Auxiliary meeting will be held on Wednesday May 10th at 7PM in the Penfield Room.

Our May meeting is a busy one, as we are requesting donations of wine related items for the annual Opening Day Wine Basket Raffles. Yes, Opening Day is almost here.

There will be sign up lists for the Opening Day Bake Sale on May 27th and for the June 14th Pot Luck Dinner which is open to Auxiliary members and their significant others.

Last but not least a Chinese Auction will be the special event at May's meeting. So come join us for the fun!

Claire L Mikan – Recording Secretary



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Sailing Corner

Ideal 18 Frostbiting:

Frostbiting season is sadly coming to a close soon... This Sunday is the last race for the series, and then the top five teams will compete in the Championship Race on Sunday, April 30th. Don't miss the opportunity to come on down to FYC to watch the last few races.

Top 5 Teams to-date: Kirkpatrick/Kirkpatrick (1.1), Worcester/Hermann (1.5), Henry/Raymond (2.1), Stephan/Brown (2.2), Redwood/Donavan (2.8).



Wednesday Night Series:

Registration is now OPEN - please go online to register today.

Regatta Network Link:

<http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/14644>

April & May Dates:

Wednesday, April 26th –
Skippers Meeting @ FYC - 1930hrs

Sunday, April 30th - Ideal 18 Frostbiting Championship Race

Wednesday Series:

- Wednesday, May 10th - Race 1
- Wednesday, May 17th - Race 2
- Wednesday, May 24th - Race 3
- Wednesday, May 31st - Race 4

Michael Cooleen

FYC Sailing Chair

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FYC
Presents
"Jazz Trio"
with
Ed Chervansky

Date April 30th
Time 11:00 til 2:00

**Vazzys providing "Special"
Brunch Menu**

No Charge for the Music

**Come to FYC and enjoy the
view and music
while also enjoying
a delicious brunch**

Fleet Captain's Corner:

In our first three chapters, we covered shackles, anchor rodes, and anchors per se. As we recognize that one of the basic tenets in teaching anything is review, review and review, we'll go over quickly some of the items covered thus far.

SHACKLES: Their purpose and use in our anchoring procedures.

ANCHORS: Size matters as does design and the bottom where we fish and cruise.

ANCHORING TECHNIQUES: Here is the substance of what we are trying to do here in our boating world.

SHACKLES: Do not skimp on the cost here...buy American...buy locally...buy as often as necessary to keep your equipment in top shape.

ANCHORS: Remember the rule: At least one pound of anchor for every foot of vessel that you are trying to protect.

ANCHORING TECHNIQUES: Circle the area of planned anchorage to determine depth all 'round...pick your spot...lower anchor slowly until the bottom is "felt"...let rode out slowly as you back down...stop boat and pull rode to ensure anchor is digging in...back down again, while letting rode out slowly...speed is not a factor here...after enough rode is out, cleat off and back down **HARD** to really set the hook. When you see rode start to rise to the surface, you know that the anchor is well set. In our areas of cruising and fishing, we most often anchor in (plus or minus) twenty-foot depth. A working length of rode (on average) is seventy-five feet from bow to anchor.

Next month we hopefully will concentrate on **RAFTING OF BOATS** in company of friends.

Bob Butler, Fleet Captain

Fishing Corner



Obviously the fish must not read the Foghorn! As I warned in previous additions, the FYC fishing fleet will be back at it pretty soon, and Larry Palaia is the first one on the board with a nice blackfish to kick off the season. Congrats and good luck to all. The FYC Fishing contest is open to all members, runs all season, and is only \$25 to participate. There are great prizes and even better stories!

The Fishing Committee is hosting the Mothers Day's brunch. We hope to see good weather and great turn out. Jerry and the crew will be in the kitchen and hugs are free (...for all the Moms)!

Keep an eye on the fishing board for recent updates.

I don't usually tell people where I fish, but when I do it's usually a lie and that's the truth.

Keith Jamaitis ~ FYC Fishing Committee



*Sunday, May 14th
11AM-2PM*

*Complimentary Mimosa or Bloody Mary for
Mother's*

*\$20 ~ Adults
\$10 ~ Children*

*Hosted by the Fishing Committee
Carving Station, Create your Own Omelette, Pancakes, Scrambled
Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Fruit, etc.*

Tickets are available at the Bar

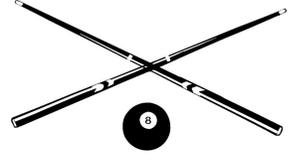


Dart League:

The Annual FYC Dart League Championship is on **Friday April 28** so come down for the fun. Then look for photos in the June edition of the Foghorn!

Pool Table:

The FYC pool table has been a staple in our upper deck at the club for many years. The games are only \$.50 to play. We have a large selection of pool sticks to fit the needs of any player. Cabinets near the pool table store members' sticks, so if you are interested in leaving your own stick at the club in a locked cabinet, see the bartender on duty for more information. Please remember our table is for adult use only and keep drinks and food off the table.



Ben Thrush

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