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FROM THE HELM

I wanted to share some optimism with all the boaters out there that the Farmers' Almanac shows good boating weather for September and October, so don't let August get you down. Regardless of the weather on the Sound, the atmosphere at the club for this month has been great with crowds down at the club

almost every night. Sadly I was out of town for the White Party but the pictures (pages 6-7) looked like it was a blast and lived up to the great parties our Rear Commodore, Christina Cote, I mean Bob, puts on for our club! Porchfest, in year three, once again shows what a great little community Black Rock is and we are glad Fayerweather is a part of it. As we set our sights on September, make sure to keep an eye on the calendar and all the things coming up. I see there will be a back-to-school party and of course our Hunky Turkey Night put on by the Fishing Committee.

These next items do kind of rush the year, but first off, a reminder that we will fill out our Nominating Committee in September. The members of this committee will be selected at our General Membership Meeting on September 4. The Board selects two, the Commodore selects two and three are taken from volunteering members in attendance on September 4.

Towards the end of September, please keep an eye out for an email notification for help in getting the club ready for winter. We will choose a Saturday morning for this. Depending on how many people we get, this is only a few hours of work putting things in the basement and under deck for storage.

Despite all the words that seem to make it sound like our year is over, that could not be any further from the truth! Get down and enjoy our club and make the most of each day regardless of what mother nature has to offer.

Sad to say the weather did ruin two events this month but I wanted to acknowledge them anyhow. Rear Commodore Bob Cote was ready to represent Fayerweather (and win) in the Bishop's Cup race but rough seas and driving rain forced a cancellation. Also, I would like to thank the owners and crews of the 17 boats that had signed up for the annual Swim Across The Sound. Here again, weather forced the cancellation of the Swim but the support of these volunteers once again makes FYC shine in our community.

Thanks and see you at the club!

Dave Nemeth commodore@fycct.org

Calendar of Events

September 4

General Membership
7 p.m.

September 5

Auxiliary Board
meeting 7 p.m.

September 12

Auxiliary General
meeting 7 p.m.

September 15

Children's Back to
School Party

September 15

Brent Donahue Cross
Sound BRYC – All Day

September 16

FYC Bluefish
Tournament – 5 a.m.

September 23

Ken Johnson Race
All Day

September 24

Board of Governor's
Meeting 7 p.m.

September 29

Hunkey Turkey
Dinner 6 p.m.

Every Wednesday

Sailing – Ends
September 19

Weekly Events

**Wednesday Sailing
nights – Grill is open**

Thursday Night:

5 – 9 p.m.

Table Service Dinner

Friday Night:

5 – 9 p.m.

Grill is Open plus

RAW BAR

**Shrimp, chowder, &
lobster rolls**



FROM THE VICE COMMODORE

Greetings from the Vice-Commodore. What a summer! Some beautiful days, some crazy evening storms, some real high temperature stretches. Lots of members and guests coming through the club, in fact, we are pretty sure we have people coming through in record numbers on Friday nights, based on long-tenured members memories and some Lighthouse Grill statistics.

We knew it would be a busy year because of the work the membership committee has done the last couple of years and we have tried to meet the new demand at the bar, kitchen and ship's store.

To that end, the old "buy someone a drink" metal slugs are history. They will no longer be honored after midnight on labor day this year. New drink chips are available and will be honored until December 30, 2020.

The featured drinks and craft beers at the bar continues to evolve. Please let bartenders know what you fancy and why, so they can pass it on to Dan Conroy and myself. We can get just about anything and are constantly mixing it up.

The kitchen continues to refine what they offer to our membership. Due largely to volume, we have parsed our Friday night menu while keeping intact the Raw Bar. Please continue to give us feedback on the kitchen either directly to them, to me, or to the bartender.

Also, in regards to the kitchen, if you have any issue with your meal, please go directly to the window you received the meal from and let them know your issue. The Lighthouse Grill crew will work to you to get you what you want. If there is no resolution then you get your money back 100 percent. We want everyone to be happy with their meal.

The Ship's Store has new ¼-zip poly shirts and licence plate frames. The plates are a cool way to support and promote the club. A sample is hanging at the service bar station if you would like to see it. A club pen will also be available in the fall.

Distressed baseball caps are also coming back! We'll be doing a blue, green and a red and we expect them to sell out quickly. We should have these by late September.

This summer we have had a couple of special events out on the deck and moving into the fall will be no exception. On September 23, we will have the Brian Butler Quartet jazz group on hand for a special FYC Auxiliary brunch. It's a Sunday afternoon and should be a blast. There is no charge to come down and enjoy the jazz. The brunch buffet will have a separate ticket but the usual window will be open so you can enjoy the music any way you want!

Thank you for being an active member. Please continue to observe the Connecticut Liquor Commission rules for signing guests in. We count on all members to make this a painless event. Please don't give us your signature, just print.

Thanks to all members and a big thanks to the Bar Committee, which does so much for the club but asks nothing. You guys rock it at the end of every month at 7 a.m., on a Sunday, for inventory. Thanks.

Look forward to meeting new members, please say Hi.

Dan Wisneski - vice@fycct.org



FROM THE REAR COMMODORE

Thank you to everyone who helped put on this amazing end of Summer White Party! We are humbled by everyone's kind words and compliments. It truly makes all the hard work worth it. We couldn't have done it without the help from some phenomenal people. We would like to thank Fayerweather's own Kitchen Committee and volunteers.

We also would like to thank the U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps for the impeccable service serving our guests. They were a special touch to our evening! We wish them the best of luck in their future in our military! DJ Peter G kept the dance floor busy until after midnight! Our guests also enjoyed cigars rolled by Connecticut Cigar Company and the weather held out for people to enjoy them.

Last but not least, thank you to our members and their guests for your continued support making our parties such a success!

September is reserved for the kids! Join us for a Back to School Party on Saturday, September 15, starting at 1 p.m. We will have lunch and treats, face painting, a balloon artist and much more. Tickets are \$20 per child and will be available at the bar soon.

We will be hosting an Oktoberfest on Saturday, October 6, starting at 4:30 p.m. We will have live music, German food and beer. We hope you can join us for the fun event. Tickets will be available for purchase in the near future.

Here is a list of the parties and events that we have projected for this year. Please note that dates and party themes are subject to change. You can always find information and updates about our events in the Foghorn, emails and on Facebook. If you have any suggestions or comments, we welcome you to email them to rear@fycct.org

September 15 – Back to School Children's Party 1 p.m.

October 6 – Oktoberfest 4:30 p.m.

October 27 – Halloween Party 7 p.m.

November 16 – Pre Harvest Wrapping Party

November 17 – Harvest Dance 6:30 p.m.

December 16 – Children's Christmas Party Noon

December 31 – Roaring 20's New Year's Eve Party 7:30 p.m.

We look forward to seeing old and new faces at our parties this year! – Bob Cote, Rear Commodore



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Auxiliary Corner

Dear Auxiliary Members,

I hope you are enjoying these long hot days of late summer. August was a quiet month since the Auxiliary did not meet. In the meantime, the Bylaws Committee has been hard at work. Also, the South Norwalk Boat Club hotdog roast was a great success as usual. They always do a bang up job and what a view!

I have been working on a vineyard trip to Stonington, Ct, for late September. Unfortunately, it turns out it is cost prohibitive. The cost for a bus is outrageous and would make the cost of the trip almost \$100 per member! So, back to the drawing board. We can discuss ideas and problem solve at our first member meeting on Wednesday September 12, 7 p.m.


Auxiliary Meetings are always the second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. so mark your calendars now for the rest of the year.

The next upcoming event is the Port 5 Auxiliary Meet & Greet on Tuesday, September 25. We are also working on an Auxiliary Jazz Brunch on Sunday, September 23. More details to be coming soon. I am looking forward to seeing you all soon.

If you have questions feel free to contact me at FYCAUX@gmail.com.

Sincerely,


Karen Clark Auxiliary President



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Fishing Corner - August '18



Say hello to my little friend, "Routatoulle."

Tight Lines,

Keith Jamaitis - FYC Fishing fycfishing@fycct.org

A note from the Financial Secretary

Attention all boat owners who use the launch:

I need your help to maintain accurate records of boat owners and boat names. Please notify me via email if you sell your boat, buy a new one, or change the name of your boat. I need to update the system and supply the correct information to the dock house. Please be sure your personal information is up to date on the website.

For in-water dink owners: Please put your stickers that were issued to you in May on your dink. This helps us ensure that you are in the correct assigned space. I have requested the dock to replace the numbers that are affixed to the dock, as they are not very clear.

Please email me with any questions or concerns at Christin Ritzo, Financial Secretary
(chrisrFYC@outlook.com)



Wildfire

Who's on board?

Kevin Curtis, captain;
Dani Curtis, wife, super first mate;
crewmen Rob Wendin, Doug Hamm, Drew Jamaitis, Kevin Duffy, Jerry Hogarth (Give Jerry a hug); Keith Jamaitis (a.k.a., 'the captain')



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Tuesday - Friday 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Lunch or Brunch

Saturday, Sunday 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Dinner

Wednesday Grill: 5:30 - 9 p.m. through the summer

Thursday table service: 5:30- 9 p.m.

Friday Grill and Raw Bar: 5:30 - 9 p.m.

You may bring your own food when Grill is closed...or the Bar has Pizza!

The Long Range Planning Committee is looking for any information available from members that have worked on, or have knowledge of capital projects (e.g. replacement of the docks, roof repair) that have taken place at FYC.

We are working on a database that houses project start and completion dates, costs associated, companies/contractors/ members used, etc.

This database will help us better plan for future maintenance and other projects that will be needed at FYC. Contact Chris Gill at chris@windcheckmagazine.com, or by phone at (203) 895-0083.



**Happy Summer
Fayerweather!**

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When the dark of night gave way to white

Scenes from August's Summer White Party.





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Dartboard rules, league play to begin

Anyone interested in playing a game of darts is welcome to use the two boards located in the upper deck.

A light switch located between the two boards turns on the stadium lighting and lets you get a perfect view to throw a bull's-eye. Lines on the floor are in place to mark the throwing point and set you up in position for each board.

Please remember these boards are for adult use only.

The 2018-2019 Fayerweather dart league starts on September 10, night of the first Monday Night Football broadcast and takes place each Monday starting at 7 p.m.

Want to practice but don't have your own darts? That's OK. Just ask the bartender. There are a couple of sets available behind the bar.

Ben Thrush

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