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FROM THE HELM

I'm truly honored to take the role of Commodore in 2018 for our great club and look forward to working with a great group of Officers and Board of Governors.

The club is in great shape going into this season. Please reach out to me or attend any of the upcoming meetings as we are putting together all the Committees for 2018. Joining one is a great way to meet other members and to get involved at FYC. Our club runs on our great volunteers and is always looking for more.

Our Annual Commodores Dinner Dance is set for Saturday February the 24th and we should have extra tickets available at the bar in the upcoming weeks.

Thanks and see you at the club!

David J. Nemeth

All members, new and “seasoned”

- Bus your own tables:
 - Kitchen plates (when there is no waitress service)
 - Bar glasses (all the time)
 - Keep an eye on your children as they enjoy the club
 - Running in the clubhouse is **not** allowed
 - No smoking, vaping, e-cigarettes, etc. on the decks between the hours of 10am to 10pm
 - Be considerate of your fellow members.
 - Sign in your guests **correctly** in the guest book This is a ***State Law*** and our liquor permit depends on this being done correctly
- These simple and easy rules make it pleasant for everyone.

Calendar of Events

February 4

Super Bowl
5:30 p.m.

February 6

General Membership
Meeting 7:00 p.m.

February 7

Auxiliary Board
meeting 7:00 p.m.

February 14

Auxiliary General
Membership 7:00 p.m.
installation of officers

February 17

Fishing Committee
Pasta Dinner 6:00 p.m.

February 20

Power Squadron
6:00 p.m.

February 24

Commodore's Dinner
Dance 6:00 p.m.

February 26

Board of Governors
meeting 7:00 p.m.

February 28

Membership
Committee meeting
7:00 p.m.

Every Sunday

Frostbiting Series
January 28 – April 29

Weekly Events

Thursday Night:

Table Service Dinner

Friday Night:

Grill is Open plus
Raw Bar, shrimp,
chowder, & lobster rolls



FROM THE VICE COMMODORE

Greetings to All FYC members and life members. I look forward to serving you as the 2018 Vice Commodore. I plan on continuing the great work of recent VCs David, Pat and Bob. We'll be offering most of the same events that they started, plus some new events inside the bar and kitchen that I think members will enjoy.

We've already done our first inventory, and I want to thank in advance the great crew of Jerry Hogarth, George Nemeth, Mark Berish, Pat Gombos, Christine Filep, Ricky Filep, Andrew Cross and Jose Columna.

I would also like to thank Dave Nemeth and Pat Gombos for their advice in navigating the early days of the VC position. There is a lot to learn and I appreciate their guidance. Club Manager Dan Conroy has also been a great source of information in navigating the day-to-day small details of the club.

We are always looking for suggestions from members on lots of things, on tap beer suggestions, wine suggestions, what to stock in the haberdashery, etc. Please write down your suggestion and ask the bartender on duty to put it in my box. You can be anonymous if you wish, but if you want to leave contact information I will get back to you to discuss what is on your mind. We will do inventory on the haberdashery soon and will have many new items for opening day to show our club pride.

I am looking forward to a great 2018 and I hope you are too!

See you at the club!

Dan Wisneski - vice@fycct.org



Lighthouse Grill at Fayerweather

Lunch: Tuesday - Friday 11 - 2

Lunch or Brunch: Saturday & Sunday 10 – 3

Dinner:

Thursday table service: 5 – 9 p.m.

Friday grill: 5 - 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 & 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.

Please contact Chris Gill via e-mail at chris@windcheckmagazine.com, or by phone at (203) 895-0083.

The Centennial committee is looking for recipes! A limited edition cookbook will be published full of our members favorite's. Please send your submission to 203donnad@gmail.com along with a short history/story. Please include your name and contact information.



From the Rear Commodore

Happy New Year to all of our members and their family & friends!

I am honored to be your 2018 Rear Commodore and look forward to hosting fun parties and events this coming year.

Our 1st event is the Super Bowl party on Sunday, February 4th starting at 5:30 p.m. We will be broadcasting the big game on the big screen between the New England Patriots and the Philadelphia Eagles. We will have a 50/50 and feel free to bring snacks and food to watch the game!

Here is a list of the parties and events 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, e-mails, FYC website, and on Facebook. If you have any suggestions or comments, we welcome you to e-mail them to rear@fycct.org.

We look forward to seeing old and new faces at our parties this year!

- February 4th – Super Bowl Party
- March 17th – St. Patrick's Day Party
- March 31st – Children's Easter Party
- April 14th – Paint & Sip
- May 5th – Cinco de Mayo Party
- May 26th – Opening Day with Summer Kick Off Party
- June 10th – Black Rock Day After Party
- June 23rd – Clambake
- June 29th – Bridgeport Fireworks
- July 28th – Luau
- August 25th – End of Summer White Party
- September 15th – Back to School Children's Party
- October 6th – Murder Mystery Dinner
- October 27th – Halloween Party
- November 16th – Pre Harvest Wrapping Party
- November 17th – Harvest Dance
- December 16th – Children's Christmas Party
- December 31st – New Year's Eve Bash



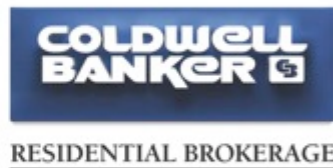
It's almost time for the BIG game!

Join us for
SUPER BOWL SUNDAY
02.04.18
5:30PM

Bring your family, friends & food!

The Game Will be Broadcasted on a Big
Screen TV in the Penfield Room.

****There will not be a chili cook off this year****



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Fleet Captain's Corner:

This month will be somewhat light in content but nonetheless important in information to our members.

The annual Coffee 'An was held and was well attended. Our next Coffee 'An will be late March or early April, this will be a prologue to what our plans are for this coming Cruising Calendar.

The very special wind vane that had been donated to the Club by Bob Kranyik and had been broken and put in our cellar has been recovered (as to its parts) and is now in process of renaissance. Joe Kristy one of our talented members is doing the reclamation work. Much progress has already been done. As soon as the task has been completed, we will again place it on the vertical from which it had fallen. Hopefully this is the last time that we will have to do this repair.

Just a word to all sailors: do not use our Club flagpole to run up your spinnakers in a "drying out ceremony"

Cruise Dates:

June 23, 2018...to Mattituck...cruise length is three or four days at your option

July 7, 2018...to Block Island ...as usual a seven or eight day trip

August 4, 2018....to Shelter Islandagain, a seven or eight day trip

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Auxiliary Corner

The temperature was in the single digits for our January meeting; that didn't deter the 40-plus auxiliary members who attended. Let's keep the enthusiasm going. The election was held, and in February, the changes are: Karen Clark, President, Debra Rosati and April Kleinman, Board of Governors, and Deb Conrad, Recording Secretary.

Aux. membership dues of \$33 are due in by January 31st. You can still join for an additional \$5 late fee after the 31st. Your check, made out to FYC Auxiliary, can be brought/mailed to the club to put in the aux. mailbox, or better yet, given to Cindy Filep, Financial Secretary Extraordinaire, at a meeting.

Thanks to Aux. members Donna Palaia, Rosemary Rembetsy, Linda Palmgren and Martha D'Arcy, who came Saturday, January 13th to say good-bye, Oh Tannenbaum. Special thanks to John Baum and Andrew Cross for donating their muscle power. The heavy 7.5 foot Christmas tree is now stored away.

From the Commodore's Dinner Dance, the Easter party, Opening Day to the Children's Christmas Party, to name a few, the FYC Auxiliary contributed money and/or volunteers for the betterment of the club in 2017, all this while enjoying fellowship, reciprocal club socials, auctions, and lectures. The new captain's chairs in the Penfield Room were purchased with the substantial help of auxiliary funds. We hope they last as long as the old ones!

Our next meeting is the 2nd Wednesday of February the 14th, at 7:00 p.m. (yes, Valentine's Day) for the installation of officers. Come on down and enjoy.

Carrie Parker

Vice President Oboeone74@yahoo.com



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Fishing Corner:

And will you look at that! The FYC Fishing Committee is back and looking forward to another fun year of fishing and our annual calendar of events. Our first fishy event will FYC Fishing Committee Pasta Night, Saturday 2/17, tickets and details will be available at the bar. Here is a listing of the rest of the events we are hosting for 2018, as usual we keep try to keep the price right and everything is always fresh and homemade by the crew. Put this on your refrigerator now and save the date for your favorites, this is good all year ~ not like that fish in your freezer from last season!

Saturday 2/17/18
FYC Fishing Committee Pasta Dinner

Friday 3/23/18
FYC Fishing Committee Fish Fry

Sunday 5/13/18
Mother's Day Brunch
Saturday 9/29/18
FYC Fishing Committee Hunky Turkey

Friday 10/19/18
FYC Fishing Committee Fish Fry

Saturday 12/1/18
FYC Fishing Committee Awards
Steak & Chicken Dinner

Check the Fishing Committee board for additional updates. Stay warm and see you soon.
Keith Jamaitis ~ FYC Fishing Committee
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Dart League:



Darts: If you are interested in playing a game of darts on any of our two boards located in the upper deck, ask the bartender for a pair of house darts to use. The light switch located between the two boards will turn on the stadium lighting and let you get a perfect view to throw a bullseye. The 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.

REMINDER: The FYC dart league has started, but all members are welcome to join at any time no matter what experience or ability and the dart games begin each Monday at 7pm.

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

Sailing Corner

Greetings Sailors

It is not too late to get involved with Frostbite Sailing. This sport has a place for all skill and commitment levels, from the friendly atmosphere with our Fayerweather Dinghies up to the highly competitive One Design Ideal 18 Boats that will help you keep tuned up for summer Big Boat Regattas. You are also welcome aboard the Race Committee Boat or the Safety Chase Boat to observe and learn how the process of running races unfolds.

Frostbite Series

January 28, 2018 – April 29, 2018

Every Sunday with make up races on the following
Saturday

Organized by Black Rock Y.C. and Fayerweather Y.C.

For Information and Registration visit the Sailing link on our website.

In March Fayerweather Yacht Club will Host a US Sailing Race Officer Training / Certification Class this comprehensive seminar is a powerful tool for any skipper as it covers all aspects of race management from understanding code flags, horn signals and their meaning all the way to your responsibilities after crossing the finish line. All are welcome to register to attend if you want to brush up on or soak up this valuable information for the first time but anyone interested in certification must register and fill out the prerequisite form.

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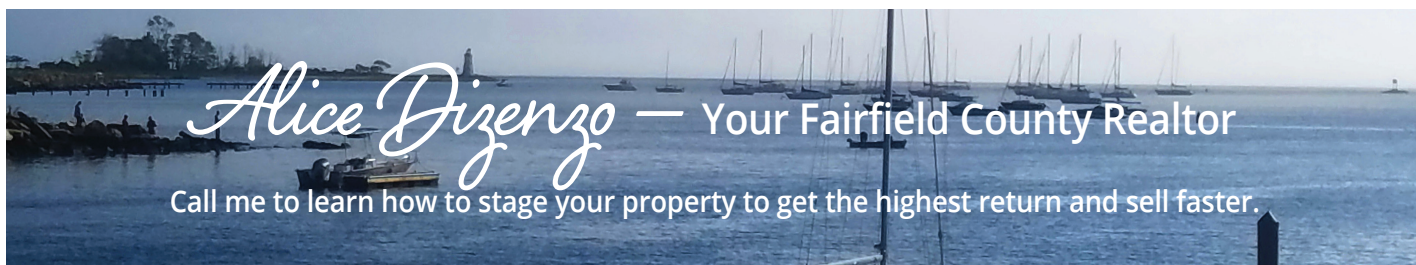
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Letters of condolence were sent to:

Rick Filep on the death of his mother
The family of Bill Olender

A get-well message was sent to:

Charlie Noel



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