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FROM THE HELM



Dear Members:

As Commodore, I have the privilege of writing to you each month with a message that I think is important. This is a very difficult year for us all and the emails, phone calls, and personal conversations I have experienced reflect that. This

month my message is about the character of the Club and the members in it.

The feedback I have received is overwhelmingly positive and filled with gratitude. I want to thank the Officers and Volunteers for all the effort they have put in of their own free will to keep Fayerweather stable during this pandemic. I would also like to thank those of you that realize how difficult a year this is for Fayerweather, and have offered your help, and resources. We hope you can find some time to participate in the workings of the club to make it your home; we could use your help.

For those of you that don't know, the Board of Governors, Flag Officers, and Committee Chairs *are members of the Club just like you*. They donate many hours of their time for the betterment of Fayerweather, the satisfaction of getting to know new people every year and knowing they did something for others. They love doing this. The other satisfaction they get is the positive feedback, so by all means keep up the accolades.

Over the past six weeks our Fishing Committee has been working heroically for Fayerweather to provide our members with food over the weekends, while we looked for a new food vendor. This past weekend several of them worked up to 40 hours from Friday to Sunday to give our members a weekend to enjoy. Did you come down for the Lobsterfest? Lots of people did. They also provided live music for your entertainment. It was a beautiful sight. The decks and lawn were filled with people socially distanced from each other at tables and on the lawn. I'm sorry you missed it if you did.

I must give very special thanks to the Fishing Committee lead by Keith Jamaitis and Jerry Hogarth, along with the rest of the crew including, Pat Gombos, Deb Larson, Ricky Filep, Jon Baum, Lee Yarosh, Steve Patalano, Mark Perdiue, Bob Meeker, Matt Zygmant, Mark Berish, Mike Delvecchio, Sean Dingwall, Maddy Filep, and all the others that helped create the festivities of the weekend. They are an inspiration to me.

I hope the information contained in the Vice Commodore and Rear Commodore reports give you all the information you need regarding the upcoming club hours, food options and events. If not, please call them or me and we will be glad to expound on the information contained herein.

Best regards to you all, Andrew Cross, Commodore



FROM THE VICE COMMODORE

A HUGE THANK YOU to the Fishing Committee and friends who worked the kitchen the past two months. They put in many hours volunteering their time and culinary talents to provide a terrific summer-time menu for us on an as needed basis. I appreciate their boundless dedication to selflessly serving the

Club. A BIG THANKS as well to the bar staff, who continue to work long hours in the summer heat tirelessly waiting tables to provide tableside food and drink to all of you who have been coming down.

Thanks also to those of you who remember to bus your own table when finished. This saves time for the bar staff who then must sanitize the table and chairs before the next seating and makes your table available that much sooner for those who may be waiting. Please also remember to provide your credit card or chit card at the time you place your order, as this also helps to expedite things. Also, thanks for respecting the social distancing guidelines while at the club, and I kindly ask that you not move chairs from another table in order to seat more than six people at your own table.

Please remember to wear a protective face covering at the Club when social distancing can't be followed. Remember that masks are always required when using the stairs to the back entrance, as well as when inside the building and on the launch.

Last month the management of Lighthouse Grill informed us that they are unable to return to the Club due to the continued Covid-19 crisis. While understandable from a business perspective, this has left us scrambling to provide our members with alternatives to the world-famous Zuppardi pizzas that can be purchased in order for you to be served from the bar. I appreciate your understanding and patience as we've tried to fill-in with volunteers (aka, the FYC Fishing Committee) and an occasional food truck. Meanwhile, we are starting the process of selecting another food service concessionaire, and I appreciate any recommendations that you may have as to who may have an interest.

Until another provider is identified, I am pleased to announce that Vicki Robinson from Lighthouse Grill has joined the Club's staff on a part-time basis, and begins Sunday brunch service on July 26, from 11:00-3:00 pm. I am also excited to announce that Carol Scharm has returned to the Club on a part-time basis to provide weekday lunch service which begins Tuesday, July 28. As many of you know,

Carol had been in the kitchen at the Club for over 20 years as either a Club employee or Lighthouse Grill staff member. Weekday lunch hours are 12:00-2:00 pm Tuesday-Friday.



FYC is a private members-only club and all events are for members and their invited guests only.

The addition of Vicki and Carol to the Club's staff allows us to expand and stabilize the Club's food service and operating hours, and over time I expect that this will expand to include the relaunch of Thursday dinner, Friday evening grill service, and Saturday brunch. Stay tuned for additional details, and thanks again for bearing with us during these extremely challenging times. As a reminder, the popular Me'stezo Food Truck returns several times so watch for it

The Ship's Store remains open dockside for your convenience, with an array of

summer clothing and merchandise. New arrivals include FYC drink cozies as well as DEET-free natural bug spray. We also continue to have a supply of the popular FYC protective face buffs. Check with a launch operator who will be glad to assist with your purchase.

Finally, thanks to those of you who completed our online survey last month. Many of you also included comments about the Club's operations, which my fellow Flag Officers and the Board of Governors take seriously. We appreciate your feedback, especially during these challenging and unprecedented days. Stay healthy.

Bob Ellwanger, Vice Commodore





From the Rear Commodore

I am excited to share with you that we have acoustic entertainment scheduled in August. Ryan Collins will be playing outside at the club on August 1st from 5-8pm, Dan Carlucci August 8th from 6-9pm and Ryan Collins will be back playing on August 15th 5-8pm. We are working on the details for an event on August 22nd, please look for an email and posting on our Facebook page shortly. Thank you for your patience

as we continue to figure how to safely have events at Fayerweather. We look forward to seeing you at the club to enjoy each other's company.

I can be reached at rear@fycct.org. Stay safe – Kim Pugh

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Auxiliary Corner

We miss you all – and truly hope to have a September meeting.

In the meantime, I hope to see you at the Club enjoying it with the new rules as they re-open.

Enjoy your summer! And stay healthy!

Debbi Rosati
President



Just another beautiful morning at FYC



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Sailing Corner

Wednesday Night Racing series has started. There were 22 boats on the starting line. Spectators are welcome, there were a few out there the last two Wednesdays. Thank you for the pictures!

All are welcome to sail WNR. It is a great way to improve your boat handling and meet other sailors at the club.

Beginners are welcome

and encouraged. To be scored in WNR you must have a YRALIS PHRF certificate.

Ladies Sailing

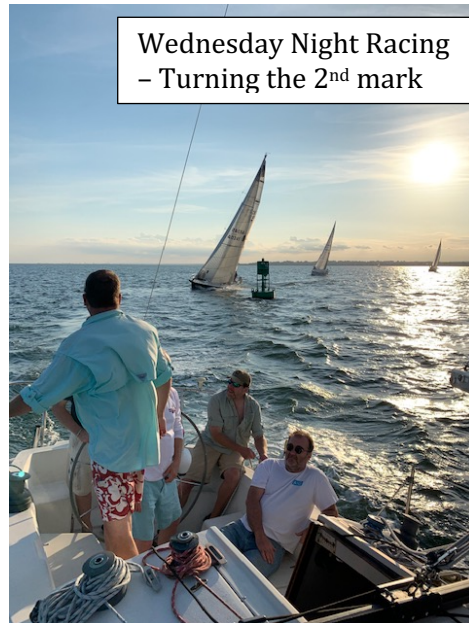
We are putting Women at the wheel (or tiller!) for this friendly race. - Friday July 24th, Race starts at 7PM.

Women sailors (or non-sailors) will be given the opportunity to skipper during this Chowder race. Captains will be there to guide, and coach as needed. It will be a fun non-stressful time to drive in a friendly non-competitive setting.

Crewing opportunities (with coaching if needed) will be available as well.

No prior notice is needed. All are welcome. This is a noncompetitive event so New sailors are welcome.

If you have any questions please contact Michael Mears at Sailing@fycct.org



Calendar of Events: The 2020 schedule:

June 10 th – Sep 9 th	Wednesday Night Series
July 24 th	BRYC Women's Skipper Event
July 25 th	RUM Runners Race – Essex CT (ECSA)
Sept. 4 – 6 th	2020 Vineyard Race – Stamford Yacht Club
Sept 11 th	PYC Annual Falkner Island Overnight Race
Sept 13 th	FYC Ken Johnson Memorial Race
Sept 13 th	Women @ the Helm – Old Saybrook (ECSA)
Sept 19 th	Brent C. Donahue Cross Sound Race
Oct 24 th	BRYC/FYC Halloween Race
Nov 27 th	Wild Turkey Regatta



Attention Boaters - Important:

Cleaning up the Moorings and Dink(s) Racks in the Hoist area.

Moorings If you have a mooring in the hoist area you have until August 1st, 2020 to claim it. After that, those moorings which can't be identified will be removed from FYC property and disposed of as per House Rules pertaining to: ***Yards and Dinghy Dock; Boats stored On Club Property item 2:*** 2. Any items left on Club property (including boats, moorings, gear or personal effects) after the storage period shall be assumed abandoned.

Dinks/kayaks: If you have a dink(s) in the storage area you have until August 1st, 2020 to claim your dink/kayak. You must also be in your spot and put your sticker on dink/kayak. There are a handful of dinks/kayaks that have been there for a few years with no sticker or name. If not claimed, they will be removed of FYC property per House Rules.

Dinghy Dock/Rack Regulations: 7. Any member shall only be entitled to **one dinghy dock and one dinghy rack position.**

If you have any questions, please contact me on my cell or email
Cell# 914-489-4708
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Mike Roberts Jr.
Hauling & Yard Chair



Fishing Corner:



August '20 - Fishing Report

Well, here to another month of social distancing and a little bit of cooking to help get FYC back online. We were back in the kitchen for a couple days. I have to send a big thank you out to all the crew that helped, Jerry, Mark, Pat, Mark P., Bob, Ricky, Mike D. and many more. Also a big thanks to Dan and the bar staff they kept the front of the house safe and serving. I hope everyone who came down to see Elle Sera Music enjoyed it. The weather was perfect and we had a great afternoon.

FYC Fishing Annual fishing contest has been open and there are a bunch of fish being weighed in. WE have a 50" striper in the trophy class which was safely released, and a 36" striper on the board for the kids division, also safely released. Once the bar is open for inside access anyone who signed up via email can pay the entry fee, then going forward sign-ups and pins will be available.

THIS YEAR WE HAVE A KIDS CONTEST TOO! Sign up is \$10 for 16yrs and under. Kids can weight in ANY type of species, please take a pic of the angler with their catch and a picture of the scale ~ and of course there will be prizes! The virtual fishing board is slowly filling up too with some of the usual suspects posting nice fish. This is posted at the scale and on the announcements board until the bar is open.

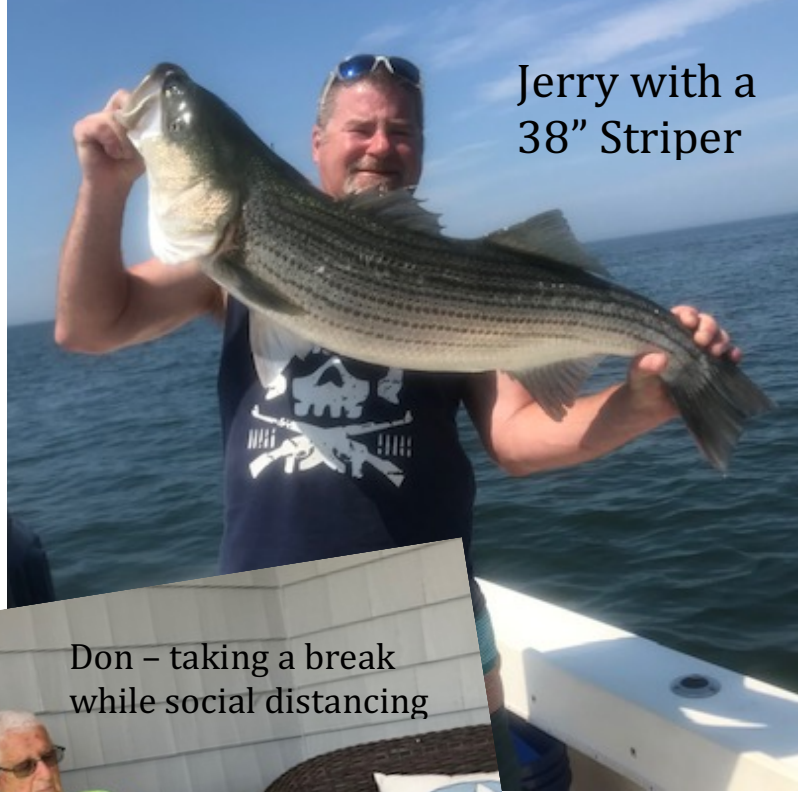
Species	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Blackfish	6.87 Mike V.	4.51 Keith J.	4.08 Larry P.
Black Sea bass	4.32 Mike V.	3.71 Matt Z.	2.86 Keith J.
Striper	16.01 Steve E.		
Fluke	2.77 Topher S.		
Porgy	2.31 Larry P.	2.22 Jerry H.	1.66 Mike V.
Striper (Trophy Class)	50" Xander W.		
Striper (Trophy Class) -Kids Division	36" - Aiden C.		

To enter send an email to fycfishing@fycct.org and include your name and "I'm in!". I will reply as acceptance. With your entry you agree to the \$25 entry fee payable at the bar when the club is open and will receive the 2020 pin. While the club is closed you can weight in fish at any tackle shop with a digital scale, take a picture of your fish and the scale and that is an acceptable entry. Please tell all our fellow member fisherman. Attached are some pictures of our fishing adventures during the quarantine all with social distancing and the new rules. Send any of your pics you would like to share to fycfishing@fycct.org and we'll share in the Foghorn and some of our social channels too. Stay safe and see you all soon!

All fisherman are liars, expect you and me. And I'm not so sure about you!

Keith Jamaitis ~ FYC Fishing Committee
fycfishing@fycct.org

Fishing Cmte Menu – Gone Fishing!



“Hogies Hero’s” – the fishing committee/ kitchen crew and the man