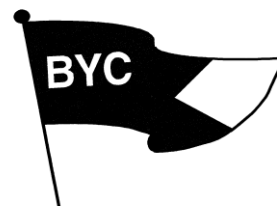




Brigantine Yacht Club Newsletter

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From the Commodore ☆☆☆ Jim Burns

All welcome our new Rear Commodore Dave Demarco and returning officer Paul Murray to his new position as Vice Commodore. I am sure we will all be very impressed with their creativity and contributions for the coming 2012 summer season. I personally would like to thank all those who gave so much of their time and energy over the last two years to produce great events for our members to enjoy. BYC's active membership made my job as Vice Commodore easy and fun! I am honored to serve the BYC as Commodore this year. Thank you all for this opportunity and extraordinary experience.

Please also welcome our new Trustees Carolyn Braithwaite and Maria Miller. Look forward to a great season for the juniors thanks to their new Junior Advisors Kelly Cordasco and Carolyn Braithwaite. And again we welcome our new Membership Committee headed up by Ed and Alicia O'Connor. Most of all, take stock in the fact that the more you get involved in planning and producing the remarkable summers we all share at the BYC, the more your family will all get out of this incredible little dinghy club. Just an old gas station plopped down on a bay front lot? Well, we all know it is so much more than that!

We know that the BYC is your kid steering an Opti for the very first time. It is the sailing instructor who towed you in when your main sheet broke. It's that guy who planted all of the pretty flowers out front just because he wanted to, or the woman you see water them every week. It is the junior who served you dinner and the guy who repaired the soffit. The BYC is the member who hosted that great party and the member who recommended the best restaurant in AC, or the best place to find the right alternator for your boat. The BYC is the place many of us learned how to sail. It's where you watched your child, grow in an extraordinary sport that offers a lifetime of limitless opportunity. The BYC is all of us; it is the members and our camaraderie, our mutual love of our families, the water and sailing.

If you are new to the BYC I welcome you. There is so much this club has to offer your family. I look forward to sharing tales of BYC past with you, peeled from a lifetime of experiences, and hope that many of you will find yourselves in a position to pass on your own BYC experiences many years from now.

P.S.

Katie and I really enjoyed the Bass Off. So many members participated in this outstanding autumn event. It really was a beautiful day in spite of the wind and the low country boil was incredible. We look forward to seeing everyone at the Holiday Party and on the Ski Trip!

From the Vice Commodore ☆☆☆ Paul Murray

Now that fall is in full swing, 2011's events are winding down to one last event. The Annual Holiday will be held on Saturday night December 3rd at the lovely home of Judy and Joe Courter in Absecon NJ at 630pm! RSVP to Deb Schlesinger at Debra.Schlesinger@gmail.com.

Our first event of 2012 will be the BYC Ski Trip. This will be January 6,7, and 8 at CamelBack Mountain. If you haven't experienced it yet, you are really missing out on a great BYC tradition. If you have questions about the event, please let me know. You can contact me at pmurray444@mac.com.

As we start thinking about 2012, please let me know if you want to host a Saturday night party. I will start the scheduling for the summer after the new year. I would love to hear any ideas that you have.

From the Rear Commodore ☆ Dave DeMarco

As my first order of business and on behalf of the Flag Officers and the Trustees, I would like to thank everyone who supported the Fall work day 2011. Nearly 40 members came out and they include (apologize in advance if I missed anyone):

Bud Eitner
 Dave Miller
 John Keating, Sr.
 John Keating, Jr.
 Stan Cwiklinski
 "Scuba" Steve Donohue
 Dick Ford
 Jack and Martha Fisher
 George Albaugh
 Tim Jefferson
 Alex Deitz
 Ken and Beth Deitz
 Sean Ford
 Joe Courter
 John Bilotta
 Marc Siedenber
 Denis Faherty

John Goetz
 Kevin Kearns
 Joanne Kearns
 Doug Corbett
 Hugh Braithwaite
 Norb Chehak
 Jim Burns
 Paul Murray
 Moss Jackson
 Maria Miller
 Joe Tedeschi
 Fred Dohn
 Harry chaikin
 Ed O'Connor
 John Rozsa

Those that are storing their boat(s) at BYC for the winter please be sure to remind Norb Chehak so he can collect the appropriate fees. norbsails@aol.com

A look ahead:

The 2012 sailing season will be here before we know it and I intend to build on the success of last summer.

I will continue to focus on bridging the gap between "Learn to Sail" and "Travel Team" with weekly

recognition to those who are ready to move into “Club Level Racing”. Events will be held Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday night, with weekly recognition of those participants learning to race. Sailors are encouraged to take advantage of the knowledge and experience of the Travel Team sailors who will be mentoring them in Club Racing.

In 2012 we will continue to support other water sports in addition to sailing. Many of our members enjoy such activities as kayaking, fishing, swimming and surfing. This summer I will continue to organize, promote and recognize these activities while bringing more value to the membership of BYC.

Although BYC does provide club boats, I highly encourage parents to look into the option of buying an opti or laser (radial, 4.7 or full rig options) for their sailors. Having your own boat provides a much greater opportunity to learn, and expand into club racing.

Sailing Instructors:

Most of the 2011 sailing instructors have expressed interest in returning for 2012. If anyone else is interested please be sure to contact me. Those who have not completed the US Sailing Level One Instructor course please be sure to sign up ASAP. BYC will reimburse your course fees. Level 2 is also available and is recommended for those interested in coaching.

<http://training.ussailing.org/Teaching.htm>

Avalon Yacht Club will be holding US Sailing Instructor Certification week of June 18th. If there is enough interest the level 2 course will be included during the same week 2012. Both certifications should be posted on the web site above by January 2012.

I would prefer and push each of you to take the course over the winter months so your not waiting to the last minute, but I understand school and other sports/activities take precedent. Please keep me informed.

Sailing Committee:

I am taking names and offering praises for those interested in being part of the Sailing Committee. Please contact me if interested.

Thank you Debbie Carchidi for being the first to officially volunteer your services.

Calendar of Proposed Sailing / Racing Events for 2012:

Sunday May 27th

Memorial Day Regatta. Open for Opti/ Laser/ Sunfish /420 / Day Sailors and any class of two or more boats are welcome

Saturday June 16th

Annual Moth Regatta

Sunday June 17th

Fathers Day Regatta. Opti/ Laser/ Sunfish /420 / Day Sailors and any class of two or more boats are welcome

Monday June 25th

Summer Junior Sailing program will begin.

The sailing program will take the same look and feel as that of the 2011 Junior Sailing program. Goals will be identifiable and allow instruction to follow a program path. We will offer three programs: Learn to Sail, Intro to Racing/Club Racing, and Travel Team.

Friday June 29th

Sunset grill Friday Night Series begins

Saturday June 30th

Moorhouse MacCausland Sailing will be at BYC starting at 9 AM with their trailer full of Opti, Laser and 420 gear among other sailing gear. This is the day to make sure you have everything you need for the season.

Thursday July 5th

BYC to host MAYRA invitational Midweek Regatta.

LBIYRA

Host date still to be determined

Tuesday July 10th

South Jersey Opti Championship

Race'n to the Basin

Date to be determined

Kayaking from the Cove

Date to be determined

Surf Contest

Of course!!!!!!! Dates to be determined. Will Sean and James be able to defend their titles!

Saturday September 1st

Labor Day Regatta. Open for Opti/ Laser/ Sunfish /420 / Day Sailors and any class of two or more boats are welcome

Fall Laser Regatta

Proposed for late September early October 2012

Additional events to be scheduled for the 2012 season include the following:

- Ocean water safety seminar
- Wednesday Women sailing series
- Friday to be reserved for private and semi private sailing lessons for all ages

Below please find one of our best sources for boats, boat parts and sailing gear.

[Moorhouse MacCausland Sailing:](#)

John MacCausland Sr. and John MacCausland Jr. of Marine Spars are pleased to announce the

acquisition of Moorhouse Sailmakers.

Effective October 1, 2011 they are doing business as Moorhouse MacCausland Sailing providing quality parts and service to the Star Class Lasers, Optimist, Sunfish, and 420's

- *Sail repair and Washing,*
- *Boat covers*
- *Transportation and Maintenance for all boats*
- *Indoor Boat Storage*
- *2012 "Event" lasers in stock*
- *McLaughlin "Event" Optimist in stock.*
- *Custom Rigging shop for all boats*

Thank you for your support and patronage. We look forward to working with you in the future.

Contact: MandMsailing@gmail.com

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Sales: Rob Seidelmann 856-770-4198

52 Stacey Haines Rd, Lumberton, NJ 08048

Office: 609-518-0100 Fax: 609-518-0010

I appreciate the honor and trust bestowed upon me as Rear Commodore and I look forward to serving the club for many years to come. Everyone is welcome to email me at drtdemarco@comcast.net with any questions or suggestions.

Summer will be here before we know it!



We're All in the Boat

BYC Annual Holiday Party

The Annual Holiday Party will be held on Saturday night December 3rd at the lovely home of Judy and Joe Courter in Absecon NJ at 630pm!

RSVP to Deb Schlesinger at Debra.Schlesinger@gmail.com. This will be a festive, fun evening. Please bring a dessert or appetizer AND your singing voice!

Also, if you would like, bring an unwrapped toy. The BYC will make another contribution to the Ronald McDonald House in Camden NJ. They have appreciated our contributions over the last several years.

Thank you again to Judy and Joe Courter for providing a beautiful venue for the BYC party. We are looking forward to a warm winter reunion!

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