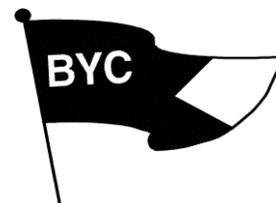




Brigantine Yacht Club Newsletter

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From the Commodore ☆☆☆ Dave DeMarco

Spring is here and the new BYC Club House is really taking shape!

Our target date is still May for a members-only opening followed by an official grand opening in June. Grand Opening Committee, led by Jack Fisher, is hard at work planning a very fun and memorable grand opening.

Please view the attached video link for a quick tour of our New BYC. If you have not yet seen your hard investment dollars at work it is well worth the trip down Bayshore Avenue.

http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCr_dvVa9C1u2re0HldHM4uA/videos

Along with your membership dues is a reminder that we are still accepting loans and donations. On behalf of the Flag Officers and Trustees we are asking again of all members that have not contributed the first time asked to think again about donating or loaning the BYC the needed funds. If you have already pledged a donation or loan, we would be most pleased to accept additional support. The terms of the loan remain the same: 10 year, non-interest bearing and non-collateralized except that loan repayment will commence in June 2015. If you have not yet contributed, I hope you will consider making your first contribution by loaning or donating as much as you feel you can.

To those that have already made a contribution or loan we thank you and ask if you could support us even more. If you would like to convert a portion or all of your prior support into a donation, we would be happy to make this adjustment.

It is our goal for the BYC membership to support 100% of the financial needs required to build the new BYC Club House and to provide specific capital funds to offset the loan repayments each year.

Please let us know how you can help with your financial support by contacting Norb Chehak, Treasurer, norbsails@aol.com or by phone at 856.424.0091 or myself, Dave DeMarco, Commodore, at drtdeMarco@comcast.net or by phone at 609.914.0518. The sooner you can contribute the better.

I look forward to seeing everyone real soon in the New BYC.

Please also check out the BYC website, www.BYCsail.com for information, updates, and news.

From the Vice Commodore ☆ ☆ Dan Hoffmann

Hello friends,

Spring is upon us, and the opening of the new club is coming. I'm excited to let you all know that Andrew Schlesinger will be back this summer as the official "barmador". We are planning the Friday night grill to have burgers, dogs, and chicken on the grill with guest platters (from local favorites), as well as salads, sides and drink specials. You will be seeing a menu that will be added to the calendar soon.

Last summer my wife convinced many of you to commit to hosting a Saturday Night Party. Please check the calendar and make sure I have the dates correct. Also please let me know if you are interested in hosting a Saturday night party and are not on the calendar.

The new club looks amazing. I hope we all feel a great sense of pride and come out in full support on Friday and Saturday nights. Please pass the word to others you know who may be looking to join or hold an event. The new club will be an amazing place to experience our little island.

From the Rear Commodore ☆ Mike Herrmann

After a lot of thought and communication, I'm happy to say that this summer's sailing program is rounding into shape. The majority of last year's phenomenal staff is returning and this continuity should benefit us all. We will be offering beginner and intermediate instruction Monday through Thursday from 9:30 to 3:00, and the travel team will be training on Monday and Tuesday afternoons from 1:00- 4:00. In addition, we are planning some awesome "Friday Fun Days" that are not to be missed!

I will be sending out more detailed information on the junior sailing program in the next few weeks. One thing we are discussing is possibly offering weekend group sailing classes to accommodate those who are unable to be in Brigantine during the week. I would love to hear from anyone who is interested so that I can plan the staffing schedule accordingly. (mcherrmann@verizon.net)

The invitational regatta dates are set:

Wednesday July 9th - LBIYRA

Thursday July 24th - MAYRA weekday

Friday July 25th - Junior Leukemia Cup/South Jersey Opti Championship

Saturday July 26th - MAYRA weekend

As always, we are looking for volunteers to help with everything from directing traffic to working the registration tables, preparing lunches and manning the start and finish boats. Please let me know if you are available to assist us on any (or all!) of these dates. The more the merrier!

Finally, Work Day is upon us! This year we are going to have not one, but TWO Spring Work Days. (I picked the wrong year to be Rear Commodore!) The first will be on Saturday, May 3rd (9am), and we will concentrate on the outdoors - getting the hoist operational, lowering the ramps, repairs to the docks, uncovering the club boats, etc. The second Work Day will be on Saturday, May 17th (9am), where we will concentrate on emptying the trailer. We will definitely need folks who have strong muscles and strong

organizational skills, because not only do we need to get our stuff in the building, we need to figure out where everything goes! This should be an interesting day.... The rain dates are the immediately following Sundays. Hope to see everyone at both days!



We're All in the Boat

If you are trying to find updated information on the BYC, check our website at www.bycsail.com. It is updated weekly.

The 2013 BYC directory has been uploaded on the website. Please take a few minutes and do the following:

1. Log On to the website members only page.
 - A. Go to www.bycsail.com
 - B. Go to the drop box that says "Members Only" and click on "directory page"
 - C. At username: Put in your last name in **lower case letters only**, it is case sensitive
 - D. At password: Put in your last name and 08203 (no spaces) in **lower case letters only**, it is case sensitive
 - E. Please check all your personal information and please email me if changes are needed at gcdonohue13@gmail.com.
 - F. I am making a **final update on membership** this week which will be posted on the website and I will also send all members a PDF copy. **You can print your own directory from either place.**
2. Please email me **if**:
 - A. You need changes to the directory
 - B. You can't log onto the member's only page
 - C. You want me to send you a printed copy of the directory

Thanks! Gale

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