

Four *winds*

Spring 2026

WINDJAMMERS SAILING CLUB
CEDAR CREEK SAILING CENTER
BAYVILLE, NJ

Commodore's Letter

Richard Barker

I think this is the hardest thing the Commodore has to do: write the inspirational spring letter for the newsletter. Last time I got Gary Jobson to do it for me. He wrote a great letter, for free! I thought of using AI but that feels like cheating. So,
here goes....

You Meet the Nicest People in the Windjammers



Most new sailors to Cedar Creek don't know about the Windjammers, they come for sailing lessons or because they want to be in an all sailboat marina, or because we are located in the middle of the Bay and have more room and better access anchorages and the inlet. But many stay because of the Windjammers. I initially came to CC after 2 seasons between sportfishing boats at a marina on Tom's River. They were going out to the canyon in those days, which required an early start, so they started their loud motors at 5/6am and yelled to each other asking if they had remembered the f---ing bait, beer, etc. Not pleasant when you have company. Someone told me about CC and I've now been in the same slip for 27 years.

Others have told me they didn't come to CC to meet people but just to be in a sailboat marina, not to hang around a lot. When they started meeting people, though, they decided it was that it was a very unique and comfortable environment.

On several levels, the first impression most people get is that everyone at CC is very friendly and inclusive... Especially the Windjammers. An invitation to join us is usually offered as soon as we meet you. And if you come to an event or two you will feel comfortable in a new environment of former strangers.

It is a wonderful thing to have so many friends with the same hobby as you. There is always someone to help you fix something on your boat that you are not familiar with. It might take you years to figure out a mechanical problem or sailing technique on your own, but there will be someone who has already struggled with it who can show you in an afternoon. You can learn so much, so much faster, in the company of your fellow sailors. Traveling with the Windjammers is a topic on its own. If you haven't done an overnight, or a weekend, anchored somewhere on the Bay, or a week or two on Long Island Sound or the Chesapeake, I recommend you go with a Windjammer cruise the first several times. You'll learn where to go and how to get there and it is so much more fun, and so much safer, to go with friends. You will never stop learning. There is always a new anchorage to discover or a maintenance or sailing technique to acquire.



I have a little room left, so I'll make a few specific recommendations:

1. For a great general introduction to cruising follow Ron Minchin around Long Island Sound for a couple seasons. You'll learn the spots that aren't in the guide books, and you'll learn how to do it on your own the next time.
2. Have Frank cook you chicken on his boat in the Great Salt pond or Nancy cook you fettuccine alfredo w/ crab & shrimp in Mattituck.

So that is my inspirational letter, I hope you find some encouragement in it at this,
the Most Wonderful Time of the Year!

Footnote:

We once had a boat in the marina named Second Unit. The owner was a big-time film maker and claimed to have taught Michael J Fox how to sail while they were filming in Europe. But most importantly, with his expert knowledge of cameras and lenses, he KNEW that the films of the moon landing in 69 were fake and tried to educate us.

Notable Windjammer Sailing Achievements

One of our senior Windjammers, Ed Donnelly, once sailed to Block Island with his wife, three small children, and two dogs in a Catalina 25. He wouldn't use the motor so it took him 72 hours. Later he singlehanded his Island Packet 28 up and down from NJ to Fla for years.

Another fellow Windjammer, Ivan Lopez, after four seasons of learning how to sail on the Bay and a few brief trips on the east coast, decided it was time to sail to Spain, where he was from. He thoroughly outfitted his 37 Catalina and with Frank Schaffer, Don Kozak and another crew sailed 14 days to the Azores and after a brief rest, 7 on to Spain.

Introducing The New Girl in the Office!

For those who haven't had the pleasure of an introduction, the new girl in the office is, in fact, Dottie Wright, wife of Tom Wright! Yes, that Tom Wright! She retired from her job with the township in the fall and will be helping at the marina for the foreseeable future. She is a lovely lady but still learning the accounting and general marina business, so be patient. Also, no more swearing in the office...





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Windjammers Sailing Club 2026 Calendar of Events

- May 16, 2026 5:00 pm: [Safety Seminar- Flares and Fire extinguishers](#)
- May 16, 2026 6:00 pm: [Wine and Cheese Party](#)
- May 22, 2026 1:00 pm: [Memorial Day Cruise to Myers Hole](#)
- May 31, 2026 9:00 am: [Breakfast on the Docks](#)
- May 31, 2026 10:00 am: [Racing Seminar](#)
- June 5, 2026 6:30 pm: [Friday Night Race Series- Race 1](#)
- June 13, 2026 3:00 pm: [Blindfolded Dingy Race](#)
- June 13, 2026 5:30 pm: [Chicken and Ribs](#)
- June 14, 2026 12:00 pm: [Friday Night Race Series- Race 2 Sunday Edition](#)
- June 19, 2026 6:30 pm: [Friday Night Race Series- Race 3](#)
- June 20, 2026 3:00 pm: [Safety Seminar- MOB drill/ Pizza](#)
- June 26, 2026 6:30 am: [Friday Night Race Series- Race 4](#)
- June 26, 2026 4:00 pm: [Ocean Cruise](#)
- July 3, 2026 1:00 pm: [4th of July at Myers](#)
- July 11, 2026 1:00 pm: [Pre Hangover Race](#)
- July 11, 2026 6:00 pm: [Docktails](#)
- July 12, 2026 10:00 am: [Cape May trip Captains Meeting](#)
- July 17, 2026 7:30 pm: [1 Week Trip to Cape May](#)
- August 1, 2026 6:00 pm: [Game Night and Pot Luck Dinner](#)
- August 9, 2026 9:00 am: [Breakfast on the Dock](#)
- August 15, 2026 4:00 pm: [Raft up at Berkley Island Cove](#)
- August 22, 2026 12:00 pm: [Tall Oaks Challenge- Practice Race](#)
- August 29, 2026 4:00 pm: [Paddle Board Races](#)
- August 29, 2026 6:00 pm: [Burgers and Dogs](#)
- September 4, 2026 9:00 am: [Labor Day at Myers Hole](#)
- September 11, 2026 4:00 pm: [Cruise to Toms River](#)
- September 19, 2026 9:00 am: [Tall Oaks Challenge Race and Post Race Party](#)
- September 25, 2026 4:00 pm: [Cruise to Cattus Island](#)
- October 3, 2026 12:00 pm: [Frostbite Race](#)
- October 3, 2026 5:00 pm: [Chili Cook off](#)
- October 10, 2026 2:00 pm: [Overnight to Captains Inn](#)

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Windjammer 2025 Season's Winter Luncheon

Nancy Onffroy

2025 Windjammers Sailing Club Awards announced at Winter Luncheon

Every year at the WJSC Winter Luncheon the outgoing Commodore announces the winners of the 6 yearly awards. These awards have been a club tradition for more than 50 years. Here are the 2025 Award winners:

Walt Spratford Award:

This is awarded to the club member (or members) who best exemplify the ideas of the club through the devotion of their time and energy. Basically, who has done the most to help the club this past year. It turns out that two Windjammers won this award for working together.

The winners of the Walt Spratford Award are Alan Morris and Joe DiGaetano.

For years, Alan and Joe kept us informed on the progress of the Cedar Creek dredging project. They were a great team: Joe was strategic about what needed to be done, and Alan was the "boots on the ground" getting things accomplished.

It was decided that we needed petitions to show just how many people were affected by Cedar Creek not being dredged. Alan talked to every marina on the creek to get them and their boaters involved. He even went house to house, knocking on doors along the water, and was able to get over 230 signatures to support our push.

Joe and Alan continued to communicate with the many organizations involved, including the NJ DOT, the Coast Guard, Ocean County Commissioners, the Bayville Council, and the contractor finally awarded the job.

We are thrilled to report that the dredging of Cedar Creek is finished! Thank you, Alan and Joe, for your help in getting this done. This is the biggest and best thing to happen for our creek in years. Imagine: no more having to time the tides!



Charles and Ruth Rocknak Award:

This award is for the club member who has done the most to advance their sailing skills and seamanship.



The Charles and Ruth Rocknak Award Winner is John Germann.

We started out in early summer with over 11 boats interested in our proposed NYC cruise. At the last minute, the trip ended up being cancelled for a number of reasons. One major factor was that the fancy marina we wanted to stay in informed us both on-site restaurants were



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closed on the days we were planning to stay—and finding any other food involved a long Uber drive into Jersey City. Sailing into New York Harbor is complicated, with all the commercial boats, ferries, cruise ships, and other power boats swarming around you. This was definitely not a beginner trip. However, even though John Germann and his crew had not been on any previous WJSC cruises, he decided to take on the NYC trip alone and ended up having a great time!

The Dillon Dock Meter Award

The Dillon Dock Meter Award is a wooden box containing a bell. The legend is that it is awarded to the club member who hits the dock with enough force to cause this bell (located on land) to ring.

The Dillon Dock Meter Award winner is Robert Battaglia (with crew Josh)

At first, I had a difficult time identifying any boat that managed a truly "hard docking" this year. I even consulted with Liz Barto to discuss why a winner was so hard to find. She pointed out that most of the larger boats have now installed "arresting gear" in their slips to minimize the impact of a rough arrival.

Since we couldn't find any 2025 candidates among the big boats, we turned our attention to the smaller vessels that haven't installed arresting gear just yet. We finally found a winner! I will admit this boat has improved significantly as the year has gone by; however, they did have one or two "memorable" dockings earlier this season, which we decided qualified them for the award.



The Running Aground Award:

This is awarded to the club member who has the most spectacular grounding. Extra points are awarded if this grounding is very public.

Winner of the Running Aground Award: Patrick Capriotti

I went around the marina quizzing everyone to see if they knew of a boat that deserved this award, but I didn't get any initial recommendations from our members. However, one boat owner finally confessed!

They admitted to a spectacular grounding and described the massive amount of trouble they had trying to get free. In the heat of the struggle, they even managed to rip a cleat right off their boat! With a story like that, we knew we had found our winner



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WJSC Racing Award: This is awarded to the person who most helped the WJSC Racing Team this past year.

Winner of the Racing Award: Bob Fahey (Captain of the first place boat)

Once a year WJSC and Tall Oaks Sailing club compete in a race for Club Winner of the year. This racing contest has gone on for over 50 years. This year the Windjammers lost by only a point but Bob Fahey was the first to cross the finish line.



Turkey Award: Awarded to the most humorous sailing faux pas of the year. Extra points if it is very public and very dumb. (And this one was very public and very dumb. Two boats won this "award".)

Winners of the Turkey Award: Phil and Nancy Onffroy and Patrick Capriotti

On a beautiful day in September, my husband Phil and I went out for a sail. The weather was spectacular, and what was so surprising was that there were almost no other boats out with us. I remember looking up and down the water and counting only four boats visible in the distance, far, far away from us.

We had a lovely morning of sailing and finally decided to head back to the dock in the afternoon. As we approached Cedar Creek and prepared to drop the sails, we were shocked by a loud bang at the bow. We realized we had collided with Patrick Capriotti's boat!

Bottom line: we didn't see Patrick, and he didn't see us. How could this happen on a perfect day with practically no other boats on the entire bay? There is a moral to this story: while sailing, you must always be diligent about looking ahead—and especially checking under your sails. Luckily, no one was hurt, and we are all still friends!

This story has a very happy ending, though. Since Patrick's boat couldn't be repaired, he ended up purchasing a 33-foot Pearson that is beautiful and extremely well-equipped. Be sure to stop by Patrick's slip to see the new addition to the fleet; he would love to give you a tour!





Special Guests at our Winter Luncheon

The Windjammers invited Lee Gashlin and his wife Mary to our annual winter luncheon. Lee is the Vice Chairman of the Berkeley Township Water Way Advisory Commission. Lee has been instrumental in helping our club understand what was happening with the dredging operation and what we as a club could do to ensure that Cedar Creek was completed ASAP.

I am happy to report that Cedar Creek's dredging operation was completed at the end of 2025. Lee spoke at our meeting about the whole dredging process for Cedar Creek and how it was actually started 10 years ago and required communications with many government organizations including NJ DOT, the Coast Guard, Ocean County Commissioners, the Bayville Council and the Contractor that was finally awarded the job.

A big thank you to Lee Gashlin for all his help and insights with this project. He told us that if we ran into any issue with the final dredging to contact him. We appreciate that he took the time to attend this event and talk with the club.



Dock Parties

Luci Benn

Warm breezes are just a few calendar pages away and it's time to prepare for another season of great dock parties. We hope to have a great turnout again this year for each event! Some of the traditional favorites are listed below but we can always add more.

- May 16 Wine & Cheese
- May 31 Breakfast on the Docks
- June 13 Chicken & Ribs Dinner
- June 20 Pizza Party
- July 11 Docktails
- August 1 Pot Luck Dinner
- August 9 Breakfast on the Docks
- August 29 Burgers & Dogs
- September 19 Post Tall Oaks Race Party
- October 3 Chili Cook off



If you have never had a chance to host a party, start planning now! We are looking for members interested **in hosting or co-hosting** a party. This is a fun and great way for new members to contribute and become more involved in the club activities. If you're interested in **hosting or co-hosting** (new or planned) and hopefully you are, email me. You can also call me or stop by Slip 25. Fair Winds!



Racing

Mark Zavenelli

Let's get ready for another season of Windjammer racing!! Whether you are a seasoned skipper or a newcomer looking to crew, there is a spot for you in this program.

Please reach out to me at racing@windjammersailing.com or my personal email or cell with any questions or suggestions. Also please note that planned races are posted on the Windjammers website.

This year we are kicking it off with a Racing Seminar, directly after the Breakfast on the Docks:

Sunday, May 31, 2026 10:00 am – 11:00 am

Then we have our traditional Friday night pursuit race series. I'll send out a notice of race during that week so you'll know it's happening. It's possible to jump on a boat as crew last minute, so please don't hesitate to join in if you're available!

The Friday Night Series (Plus a Saturday and Sunday!)

- Race #1: June 5 | 6:30 PM
- Race #2 (The Sunday Edition): June 14 | 12:00 PM (Starting gun at 1:00 PM)
- Race #3: June 19 | 6:30 PM
- Race #4: June 26 | 6:30 PM
- Race #5: (The Pre-Hangover Race): July 11 | 1:00 PM. Ahead of our Docktails Party

Tall Oaks Series

We have again been invited to participate in their Saturday Race Series. These are traditional start, round the mark races with a committee boat. This series starts on Saturday May 30 with their Shake Down Race. Visit toyc.org for more info or send me a message and I'll be happy to provide details.

The Tall Oaks Challenge!

Last year we lost by a single point. For those that are new, this is a team event that we do each year. The more boats we have the better our chances are.

- The Practice Race (Aug 22, 12:00 PM). Not required to participate, but I'm hoping we can get some starting practice in.
- The Challenge Cup (Sep 19, 9:00 AM Captain's Meeting, location TBD, race to follow):

Help us win back the cup! We always need boats and crew. We're typically working to set up teams in the weeks ahead of the race. This year the Windjammers are in charge of race committee, so we'll be looking for volunteers for that also. We'll celebrate (hopefully a victory!) at a joint club event at Berkeley Park after the race.

The Frostbite Race

We usually have beautiful October weather, unlike the name of this race. After the Cup we'll be excited to keep going. Tentatively scheduled for Saturday, October 3.

Let's get racing!



Cruising 2026

Contact Joe Digaetano- Cruising Chair- for more information

Beach bonfires, potluck dinners, and the perfect sunset anchorage. This year's schedule is packed with favorites and a few special returns to classic spots.

Myers Hole

Myers Hole is our home away from home. If you love the feeling of sand between your toes, spectacular sunsets and sunrises, and a community potluck on the deck, mark these dates:

Memorial Day Cruise (May 22–25): Kick off the summer with our traditional holiday anchor-out. Expect beach events, a bonfire, and plenty of shared dishes between boats.

4th of July at Myers (July 3–5): Celebrate Independence Day with appetizers on the water and evening walks to the lighthouse.

Labor Day Weekend (Sept 4–7): Close out the peak summer season with one last big beach bash and bonfire.

Venturing Further: Ocean & Cape May

For those looking to stretch their sea legs and get a taste of the Atlantic, we have two fantastic opportunities:

Ocean Cruise (June 26–27): A "short jaunt" led by our Cruising Chair. We'll overnight Friday at Myers Hole and head out through the inlet on Saturday morning. It's a great way to get comfortable with ocean sailing in a supportive group.

Cape May (July 17–26): Our premier trip of the summer! We'll stage at Myers before heading south, with most vessels stopping in Atlantic City overnight.

Captains Meeting: July 12, 10:00 AM at Cedar Creek Marina. We'll cover tides, weather, and the itinerary.
(Hint: Go out the inlet and turn right!)

Unique Stops & Raft-Ups

Raft-up at Berkeley Island Cove (Aug 15): Our record stands at 14 boats tied together—let's see if we can beat it this year! It's the ultimate social event where the "dock" is made of boats.

Cruise to Toms River (Sept 11–13): A sophisticated weekend featuring local dining, a stroll along the waterfront, and a visit to the Barnegat Bay Maritime Museum.

Return to Cattus Island (Sept 25–27): We haven't visited this beautiful anchorage in years. Thanks to special permission, we'll be able to dinghy ashore to enjoy the park trails.

The Season Finale

Overnight to Captain's Inn (Oct 10–11): We wrap up the year with a cruise up the Forked River. With dockside appetizers, dinner at the restaurant, and traditionally comp'd slips, there's no better way to toast to another successful season.

Whether you're a first-timer or a veteran, cruising is better together. If you're nervous about anchoring or navigating a new spot, just ask—there's always a Windjammer nearby ready to lend a hand or a line.

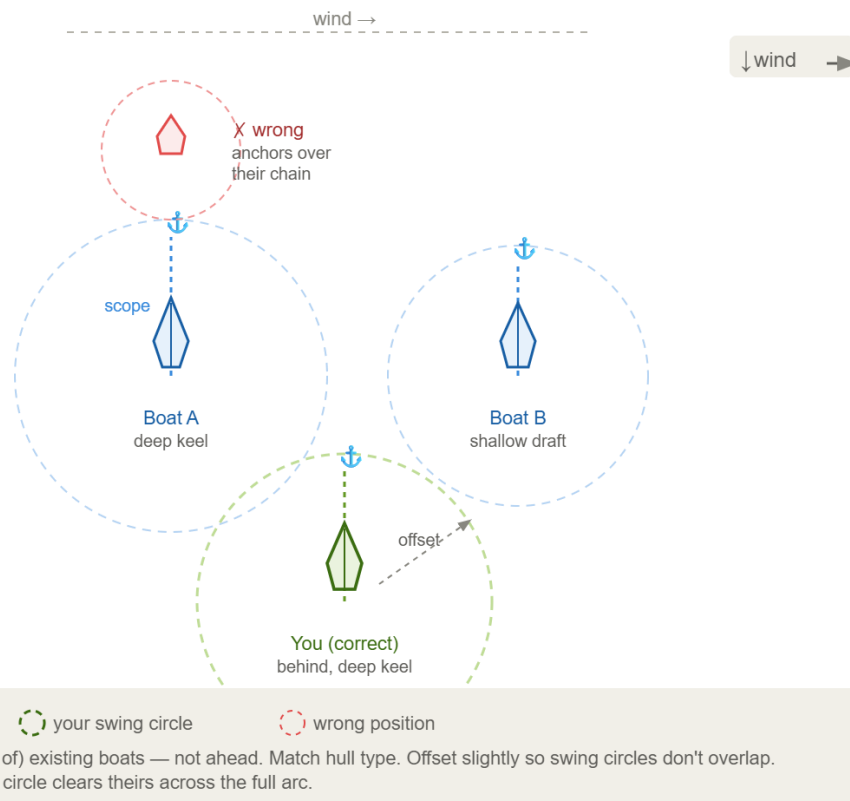




Anchoring in a Crowded Anchorage

John Germann

As a follow up to the article in the Fall 2025 newsletter on tips for anchoring here is a guide to anchoring in a **crowded** anchorage, with a visual diagram to accompany the key concepts:---



Dropping the hook in a busy anchorage demands patience, situational awareness, and a solid grasp of one foundational rule: boats already anchored have right of way. You are the newcomer, and the burden is entirely on you to ensure your vessel does not swing into any boat already in place. If you drag or your scope calculation is off, it's your problem — not theirs.

Anchor behind, never ahead

Every anchored boat lies to its rode, with its anchor somewhere upwind or up current. If you drop your hook ahead (upwind) of a neighboring boat, your chain runs directly over theirs. In any wind shift or tide change, the rodes can tangle, potentially dragging both boats. Always position yourself downwind or down current of existing boats so your anchor is clear of their ground tackle.



Anchor next to similar hull types

A deep-keel sloop and a shallow-draft powerboat respond very differently to wind and current. In shifting conditions, a deep-keel boat follows current while a high-sided powerboat chases the wind — they'll swing in opposite directions and close on each other even if they were perfectly separated when you arrived. Pick a spot among boats that look like yours. If the anchorage has a section of similar vessels, aim for it.

Calculate your swing circle carefully

Your swing circle is the full radius your boat can reach in any direction, and it equals your scope (the length of rode you've paid out) plus the length of your vessel. Mark that circle mentally and make sure it doesn't overlap with your neighbors' circles. Remember the circle is just that — a full 360 degrees. A boat that's clear of you now may be directly in your path after a 180-degree wind shift overnight.

Read your neighbors' scope and rode type

Before you set your anchor, take a moment to assess how much rode the boats around you have out. A boat with eight-to-one scope will swing in a much larger arc than one on four-to-one. Also note whether they're on chain, nylon, or a combination — chain catenary lies low and keeps a boat close in; an all-rope rode lets a boat range farther and more actively. These differences affect how a boat lies and how quickly it responds to gusts. Matching scope ratios where possible makes the whole anchorage behave more predictably.

Offset your position slightly fore or aft

Don't anchor dead abeam of a neighbor at the same distance from their anchor. If you're perfectly aligned and equally scoped, your bows will swing to meet one another in every direction change. Instead, drop your hook a boat length or two ahead of or behind the adjacent boat. This small offset staggers your swings so that when you're pointing one way, they're pointing slightly differently — and your hulls stay clear.

When in doubt, ask

If you can't tell how much scope a neighboring boat has out, what their draft is, or whether they're planning to leave soon, just ask. A quick hail or a friendly wave to get attention costs nothing. Most cruisers are happy to share what they have out and will appreciate that you're being considerate. That brief conversation can save everyone a stressful night.

A crowded anchorage rewards the skipper who arrives slowly, thinks before dropping the hook, and treats the boats already there with the same respect they'd want for their own vessel.





Spring/De-winterization Checklist

John Germann

With the sailing season approaching its time to get started on Spring maintenance and inspections. The following is a checklist to make sure your boat is ready, safe and reliable when launched.

- If lead acid batteries, check/ top off batteries with distilled water.
- Check, clean and tighten electrical connections, especially terminals of battery cables.
- Open and close all seacocks to ensure smooth operation and proper function.
- Inspect raw water intake strainer to ensure not cracked, clogged or leaking.
- Inspect all hoses to ensure good condition, no leaks, and snugly fitted with double clamps.
- Replace raw water impeller if more than one year old.
- Replace fuel filter if not done in Fall.
- Change engine oil if not done in Fall.
- Inspect and replace sacrificial zincs/anodes as necessary.
- Inspect engine belts for wear and proper tension.
- Check both electric bilge pump and manual bilge pump for proper operation.
- Visually inspect all standing rigging for signs of damage, wear and or corrosion, paying particular attention to swages, and turnbuckles. Additionally, to the extent possible, run a rag over the standing rigging looking for fishhooks. Fishhooks are individual strands which have broken and curled outward. The presence of fishhooks indicates that the shroud is failing and must be replaced.
- Inspect chain plates for signs of leakage or corrosion.
- Check tension of standing rigging and tune as necessary.
- Inspect all running rigging (sheets and halyards) for chafe.
- Check flares (expiration date).
- Check fire extinguishers (for charge and or corrosion).
- Check life vests, if inflatable, and service as required.

Now is also the time to purchase spare replacement parts, particularly if you will be engaging in any coastal cruising. At a minimum, a spare fuel filter, raw water impeller and belts, as well as extra oil and antifreeze, should be carried on the boat, as these are common failure points which can be easily remedied with the spare parts on hand, even while underway.

Fair Winds.

Windjammer's Swag

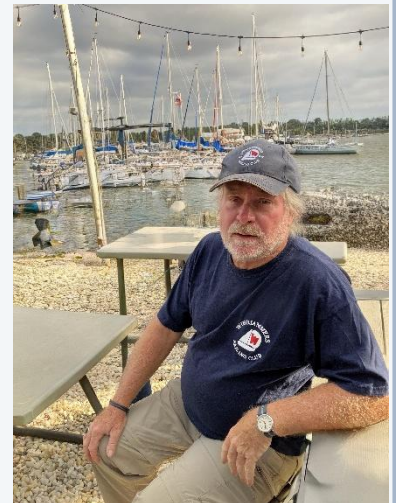
New Easier Ordering

There is now a page on our website to order Windjammers clothing. The prices are much more reasonable as we have changed suppliers, and are now sourcing the gear locally. Take a look at the new convenient order form on the website where you can order burgees, t-shirts, sweatshirts, and more. Standard items are listed, but we can get (almost) whatever you would like, upon request.

To order go here: [Swag](#)

Or see Richard Barker on the dock

Show your support by flying our colors!





The Bridges of Ocean County

(Print this pocket size version to keep for reference)

**Bridges of Barnegat Bay, North to South
Call on Channel 13 Using These Names:**

Brielle Railroad Bridge (do not call)

Rt. 35 Bridge (732-899-2992)

Rt. 88 Bridge (732-899-9341)

Rt. 13/Loveland Bridge (732-899-1520)

Mantoloking Bridge (732-477-1430)

Rt.37/Mathis Bridge (732-929-1606)

Did you know...

That if you go to the Activities section of our Website you can click on each event for more information.

One of the best ways to see the activities is to select "List View". And from there you can easily select the events for more detail.

Try it here: [2026 Windjammer Activities](#)

Pat's Punchlines

A massive battleship had been at sea on maneuvers in heavy weather for several days. The captain, a stern man of the old school, was staying on the bridge to keep an eye on all activities.

Late at night, the lookout on the wing of the bridge called out, "Light! Bearing on the starboard bow!" "Is it steady or moving astern?" the captain called out. The lookout replied, "Steady, Captain," which meant the battleship was on a dangerous collision course with whatever was out there.

The captain told the signalman, "Hail them and tell them that we are on a collision course, advise them to alter course 20 degrees."

A signal came back: "Advisable for **you** to alter course 20 degrees."

The captain was fuming. He signaled back: "I am the captain of a battleship...Alter course 20 degrees now!"

The reply came back fast: "I am a seaman second class. You had better alter **your** course 20 degrees."

By this time, the captain was livid. He spat out his next command: "I am a battleship! Alter course 20 degrees or I will be forced to take measures to ensure the safety of my ship!"

The signal came back: "I am a lighthouse. Your call, sir."





Newsletter Submissions

Frank Schaffer
Newsletter Chair

Please share your cruising stories, maintenance tips, general sailing news, great boat recipes, boat related classifieds, Barnegat Bay news, etc. I'm also looking for people who are interested in writing regular features – I'd love to hear your ideas! Please send your suggestions and original submissions to:

newsletter@windjammersailing.com



Yacht Club Crab & Artichoke Dip

If you need an appetizer for a club social, this "dump and bake" recipe is a consistent crowd pleaser that can be prepped ahead of time.



Ingredients

- 1 can artichoke hearts (chopped)
- 1 lb lump crab meat
- 1 cup shredded Parmesan
- A dash of Old Bay seasoning
- 1 cup mayo
- 3 to 4 medium scallions

Directions

Slice the scallions and separate the green and white. Chop the white finely and set the green scallion aside. Mix everything in a bowl (except the green scallion), spread it into a baking dish, and bake at **190°C (375°F)** for about 20 minutes until the top is golden and bubbly. Add the green scallions as garnish to the top. Serve with pita chips or sliced cucumber for a lighter crunch