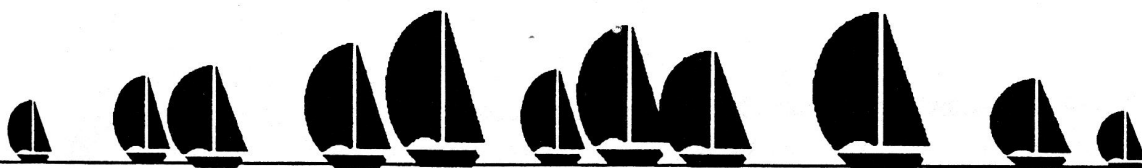


JULY, 1993

# FOUR WINDS



## WindJammers Sailing Club, Inc.

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### 17 TAKE SHAKE-DOWN CRUISE TO BEACH HAVEN

In what is shaping up to be a most popular Windjammers tradition, 17 sailboats wended their way through the inland waterway (some more successfully than others) to Beach Haven for the Memorial Day Weekend. The Beach Haven Yacht Club found nooks and crannies for all of us, and welcomed us warmly. Alas, the Saturday evening songfest at the end of the dock was impossible due to a BRISK wind, but a large crew shared stories and food on the tiny entrance to the yacht club, then a few hardy souls sang some songs led by George Henkle and friends. On Sunday morning, following a huge buffet breakfast where our crowd took over a new room at the Engleside Inn, we ventured onto the beach.

Connie and Steve Borgianini report: "Once again as part of the Windjammers Memorial Day Weekend Bash in Beach Haven, a Sunday morning beach walk abounded. For some of us, it was the extent of our exercise for the weekend, for others it was a time to relax and reflect on some of the marine marvels of Mother Nature. After last year's walk along the dunes and waves, it was discovered that not only do Windjammers know a lot about sailing, but they are also very knowledgeable regarding their marine flora and fauna.

"With this in mind, and us as quasi-leaders, we decided that they would be better off if they found out exactly where they stand relative to the marine knowledge of their fellow Windjammers, especially since they know where they stood after their "landing" Friday night relative to channel marker knowledge of their fellow Windjammers. (one can save face only so many times!) (editor's note: Steve and Connie are a sure thing for the Running Aground Trophy this year, they spent the whole night on a sandbar with a towing company!!) Consequently, a scavenger hunt was in order. With a list of approximately 20 organisms from various aquatic phyla, the participating beachcombers set off to search for creatures including common finds such as sea weed, shells and crabs; and some not so common finds such as Mermaids purses and toenails and Dead Man's Fingers. Within half an hour, all returned to the designated meeting place laden with just about all the requested items.

"When all was said and done, it was obvious that the Windjammers are as good sports on the sands as they are on the bay. And everyone will agree that it wasn't so much the hunt for the shells, but rather getting better acquainted with some very nice people that was the true pleasure of our walk on the beach that morning."

## —RACING NEWS—

by Dom Venditto, Race Committee Chair

### First Series

The 1993 racing season started out in fine shape on June 12th, with 16 boats in the two classes. The winds were light to moderate, up to 10 to 12 knots. *Gentle Persuasion* skippered by Chuck Hamilton took line honors, but finished second to Don Rock's *Tara*, in Class B. Third place went to another Lippincott 30, *Sashay*, captained by Jim Nowicki. Jim is new to Windjammer Racing, however he made his presence known with a strong finish. Fourth place went to Bob and Janet Wexler's *Bittersweet*. In Class A, Randy Laks' *Callisto* took line honors and first place. Second place went to newcomers, Donald and Jeanette Kozak in *Day Job*, who had a great race. *Laurentide* took third, with Charlie Weidanz in *Will-O-The-Wind* taking a close fourth.

If there was a prize for the prettiest boat to finish, it would go to Ed Donnelly in his Island Packet 29, *Serenity*.

### Sailfest 93

On July 19, the Wexlers' *Bittersweet*, Larry Conforti's *Lunasea*, and Bill and Olwen Jarvis' *Piccolo* sailed in the Toms River Rotary Club's Sailfest '93. *Lunasea* had the best finish amongst the Windjammers, and was awarded the club trophy at the evening dock party. Congratulations *Lunasea*!

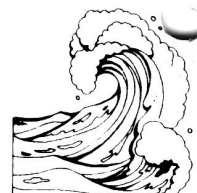
### Second Series

The Second Series race on June 26 was one many people may not forget, with winds over 20 knots, and a punishing windward-leeward course. Broken stays and ripped sails weeded out the field, leaving 10 boats to finish the race. Once again Don Rock's *Tara* took first, with Al Carlson's *Yacht-C*, a strong second. I always thought O'Days liked heavy air. Barry Bistis in *Impatiens* took third with a good showing. Mega-yacht *Wavelength*, owned by Steve and Connie Borgianini was fourth. *Wavelength*, a Catalina 36, is the club's largest racer.

In class A, new Windjammers I.J. Fisher took first in his Catalina 27, *Escape*. I.J. may be new to the club but not to Windjammer Racing, being a formidable opponent in the Tall Oaks- Windjammers Race. I wonder who's side he'll be on this year? Hmm. *Callisto* took second place with the ever-present *Will-O-The-Wind* in third.

### Ladies Helm

The Ladies Helm Race on July 10th was very well attended despite the oppressive heat. Temperatures hovered in the mid to upper 90's. Unfortunately the 10 kn. breeze out of the west was not refreshing. However, this did not stop the ladies from a fine display of sailboat racing. Olwen Jarvis on *Piccolo*, took line honors and a first once again. Lori Bistis on *Impatiens* took second place, showing there is a lot of depth to the *Impatiens* crew. Great Race! Third place went to Geannine Ciunowicz on *Obsession*. Looks like it was a good day for the Catalina 30's. *Laurentide* had the honor of having 2 ladies at the helm. (at separate times of course). Britt Woodruff, an ex-Newport, RI., sailor, showed her stuff taking *Laurentide* through the start, while Karen Shoenfeld, *Laurentide's* mainstay helmsperson took the reaching legs. *Laurentide* finished fourth.



Kathy Minchin piloted *Stormy Petrel* to a fifth, incidentally, *Stormy Petrel* had an excellent start and sailed a beautiful race, crossing the finish line third. Not bad for a twenty five year old boat! *Yacht-C* driven by Laura Carlson was sixth. *Wavelength*, sailed by Cindy Caterson had second place line honors, but calculated in at seventh. *Wendy-Sea*, helmed by Wendy Crook, screamed through the line to capture eighth place. Ninth place was a tie. Carol Weidanz on *Will-O-The-Wind* and Linda Laks aboard *Callisto* finished, almost. A misunderstanding caused both racers to finish through the line incorrectly. Tough break for two good racers.

### Windjammers Race Series

#### First Series

##### Class A

	Corr. Time
1) <i>Callisto</i>	94.84
2) <i>Day Job</i>	95.92
3) <i>Laurentide</i>	100.19
4) <i>Will-O-The-Wind</i>	100.56
5) <i>Serenity</i>	112.27
6) <i>P-Sloop</i>	125.58

##### Class B

1) <i>Tara</i>	89.70
2) <i>Gentle Persuasion</i>	91.90
3) <i>Sashay</i>	93.90
4) <i>Bittersweet</i>	95.14
5) <i>Escapade</i>	98.54
6) <i>Yacht-C</i>	101.49
7) <i>Impatiens</i>	102.74
8) <i>Obsession</i>	102.80
9) <i>Wavelength</i>	105.88

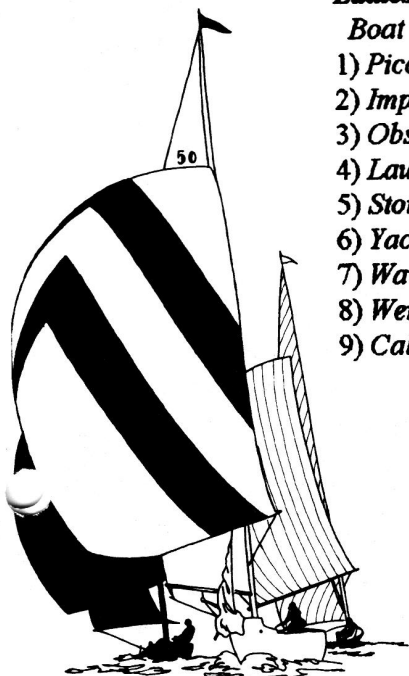
#### Second Series

	Corr. Time
1) <i>Escape</i>	158.59
2) <i>Callisto</i>	162.46
3) <i>Will-O-The-Wind</i>	180.44
1) <i>Tara</i>	145.43
2) <i>Yacht-C</i>	149.39
3) <i>Impatiens</i>	164.18
4) <i>Wavelength</i>	166.63
5) <i>Gentle Persuasion</i>	174.28
6) <i>Sashay</i>	178.41
7) <i>Escapade</i>	179.21

Three Cheers To Jim Hardy and Crew For Flawless Committee Boating!

### Ladies Helm Race

Boat	Helmsperson	Corr. Time
1) <i>Piccolo</i>	Olwen Jarvis	103.40
2) <i>Impatiens</i>	Lori Bistis	106.08
3) <i>Obsession</i>	Geannine Ciunowicz	107.02
4) <i>Laurentide</i>	Shoenfeld/Woodruff	107.14
5) <i>Stormy Petrel</i>	Kathy Minchin	107.62
6) <i>Yacht-C</i>	Laura Carlson	109.38
7) <i>Wave Length</i>	Cindy Caterson	111.88
8) <i>Wendy-Sea</i>	Wendy Crook	121.03
9) <i>Callisto</i> Linda Laks	DNF	9) <i>Will-O-The-Wind</i> Carol Weidanz DNF
<i>Escape</i> ---DNS---Broken Stay		



## WINDJAMMERS TAKE THEIR PROVISIONING SERIOUSLY

If there's one thing a new Windjammer learns quickly about the club, it's that we take our partying seriously. Almost as seriously as we take our racing and cruising and outfitting. The 1993 season is holding to that tradition, with nourishment (term used loosely) ranging from appetizers to pizza to breakfast to chicken and ribs to tacos to dead (mostly) clams. On May 8, club members turned out in force to imbibe in some well-known and some not-so-popular vintages and thus christen the new sailing season. Truth be told, they all start to taste alike after a while. And in true form, Windjammers polished off no less than 25 bottles of the fermented grape. The next morning, dazed and confused Windjammers could be seen groping for the ibuprofen up and down the bay.

The Pizza and Beer party demonstrated with finality the astonishing extent of the Windjammer appetite ... we went through 19 whole pizzas! The pizza parlor was so grateful they gave discounted season passes to the club.

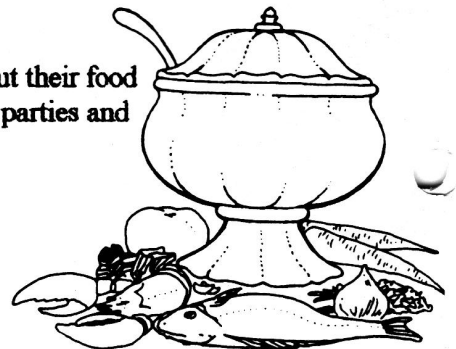
On June 6, Dottie Wright and Don Kozak surpassed our expectations with home fries and bacon and eggs to complement the various baked goodies brought by members (some even baked by other than Mama Entenmann, whose fares suspiciously often appear on our table though not a Windjammer herself). And the Chicken and Ribs Picnic the following week provided ample opportunities for gorging the gullet, with the Happy Caterer (that's the name, honest) capably dishing out pullet and pork parts to a large crowd.

Then, in a surprise switch, Tacos appeared on June 26 in place of Dead Clams. It's reported that after several cases of Corona, the imbibers would swear to any passerby that they had eaten dead clams after all, and El Don Rocko would happily attest to the fact.

Next the Iron Woman Feast, celebrating the strength of will and character of the women of Windjammers! Commodore Dan Crook cooked up a Freudian fare of sausages and meatballs, which along with Linda Laks' home-bred salad made a delicious meal. Even the sweltering heat did not challenge Windjammers, and the small but brave group consumed nearly 20 pounds of meat!

The Dead Clams party rounded out the first half of the eating season, with over 40 Windjammers polishing off 500 clams and 4 gallons of chowder! The raw clam contest (hands behind back, naturally) had nine courageous entrants, and was won by Josh Genereux. The dock party was followed by hayrides without the hay and a water balloon toss that ended in "Get the Commodore!!!"

When all's said and done, it will never be said that Windjammers are shy about their food and drink. The camaraderie and sea stories form the foundation for our dock parties and picnics, and the breaking of the bread serves to bind us together.



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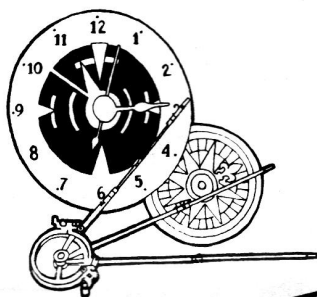
## WINDJAMMERS' DISCOUNT FOR BOAT/US MEMBERSHIP

The Windjammers Sailing Club has renewed its group membership with BOAT/US for another year. This entitles our members to a reduced membership rate with BOAT/US. We receive a 50% discount from the regular rate of \$17.00 (we pay \$8.50). When sending in your renewal bill, write our group name (Windjammers Sailing Club) and our group number: GA81245S.



## BEACH HAVEN RECIPROCITY

Commodore Dan Crook received word that the Little Egg Harbor Yacht Club is extending the courtesies and privileges of the club to Windjammers Sailing Club. Be sure to fly your Windjammers pennant and it is suggested that you call ahead for dockage.



## REMAINDER OF 1993 SEASON SCHEDULE

Series Race #4  
Dock Party: Hot Dogs  
Club Raft-Up: Berkeley Island  
Windjammers Carnival/Pig Roast/WTS Play  
Catalina Open/Covered Dish  
Windjammers/Tall Oaks Cup Race  
Series Race #5  
Dock Party: Octoberfest  
Frostbite Race

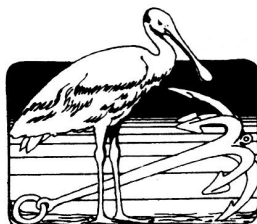
August 21  
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September 5  
September 11  
September 18  
September 25  
October 2  
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October 30

## I CAN CANOE, CAN-YOU??

Windjammers is planning a canoe trip down Cedar Creek, about a 3-hour trip, on Sunday, August 15. We'll pack lunches (bring in plastic wrapping) and meet in the marina parking lot at 9:30 am. Call Dottie Wright by August 10 to reserve a canoe and get details.

## WINDJAMMERS THESPIAN SOCIETY ANNOUNCES 1993 OFFERING

The WTS recently announced its upcoming production of Bay Side Story. We are conducting on-going auditions on, in, under and around Barnegat Bay for members of the cast and crew. No previous theatrical experience is necessary, in fact, no experience is highly desirable. The rehearsal will take place immediately preceding the Pig Roast, and the production will take place immediately following the Pig Roast.





## St. Maarten Sailing

by Dom Venditto

What in God's name could we look forward to in the end of February? Our annual trip to St. Maarten, that's what! This year we forgot the Heineken Regatta for our own sailing adventure. Maureen and I, our daughter Lauren, Maureen's brother John and his wife Lisa were able to "borrow" a Moody 44 from Sunyacht Charters for a few days. John and Lisa live in St. Maarten aboard their 50' trawler aptly named, "*Changes In Latitude*", which is moored in Oyster Pond, smack in the middle the island's charter fleet. Some of you may remember John and Lisa from the racing season as crew aboard 'old' *Laurentide*. They are good friends with Simon, the Sunyacht manager, and John has been helpful in the past to Sunyacht and the other charter companies, especially during the hurricanes. Simon loaned us the boat on one condition: we evaluate her for cruising. Since Sunyacht has mostly Centurions, which are performance cruisers, a Moody 44 was a bit of an oddity.

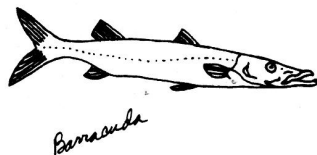
We arrived in St. Maarten on Saturday and boarded the boat that evening. The first night we slept aboard at the dock. The Moody was a center cockpit, and the aft stateroom provided me with the most comfortable night's sleep I have ever had on a boat. The next morning we set sail for Il Fourche, an island near St. Barts. As you have read in previous editions of Four Winds, Il Fourche is a rocky horseshoe-shaped island of former volcanoes. The only inhabitants are lizards and goats. However, Il Fourche has one of the loveliest harbors in the Caribbean.

The sail over was a close reach in 15 knots of wind. The Moody sailed like a champ doing close to 7 knots, and since Il Fourche is only 10 miles from St. Maarten, our sail only lasted an hour and a half. We anchored in the harbor only 100 feet from shore in 25 feet of clear blue water. The rest of the day was spent snorkeling and exploring the island. Maureen, Lisa and John were scuba diving along the craggy shore line when they spotted the biggest barracuda they ever saw, over six feet long. The coral reefs around the harbor were breathtaking with schools of every tropical fish imaginable. That night we grilled steak on the barbecue and after a nightcap, turned in.

The next morning we were greeted by the St. Barts Marine Police. Their French-only communication posed a problem at first, but a little hand waving and pointing along with a heavy dose of broken English revealed their interest in our safety equipment. It seems our Moody did not look like a typical charter boat so they checked us out. After they left, four huge sailboats entered the harbor, each one at least 90 feet long. John said they were charter boats from St. Barts. However even charter captains have problems handling their boats. The captain of the closest boat had trouble hoisting his anchor, which was the size of a Buick on all chain rode. The wind had blown his bow right into our direction, missing our stern by only a few feet. All I could remember was this humongous stainless steel bowsprit coming right for me. And you thought the best anchoring faux pas were perpetrated in Tices Shoal? After the excitement had faded, we resumed our snorkeling, diving and exploring. That harbor was so pretty, we did not leave until it was time to bring the boat back.

So how about the boat? Being a 44 foot center cockpit, it was very roomy below, with large forward and aft staterooms. She sailed well with a 135% and loose footed furling main. Her galley was complete with 4 burner cng stove, refrigeration and tons of storage, but what else would you expect in a 44 footer? With the ease of the furling main and the furling jib, and large winches, this boat could be handled easily by one couple. If we charter next year we will not hesitate to look this boat up.

Upon our arrival at the Charter Base, Simon was eager to hear our findings. It was unanimous by our whole party ... she was perfect!





## TEN BOATS PARTICIPATE IN INSTRUCTIONAL RACE

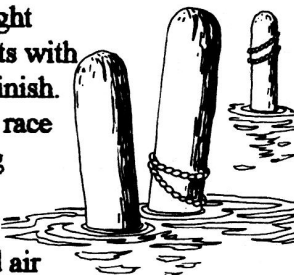
By Dom Venditto

On May 22, ten boats, including members of Tall Oaks Yacht Club, sailed in our annual instructional race. Two races were run, emphasizing on the start. These races immediately followed an excellent seminar on race starts taught by Bill Jarvis. *Yacht-C* and *Sashay* took line honors respectively. Both races were short windward-leeward legs, however the light and shifty air created a "text book" situation in maneuvering in wind shifts.

The first race had winds of up to ten knots, but on the first leg a detectable shift had occurred which sent the back half of the fleet almost 20 degrees off course! This was very noticeable from *Piccolo*, the start line committee boat, where it was all caught on video. The last leg was a classic example of light boats accelerating past heavier boats with some exciting drag races near the finish.

The starting line for the second race was reset for the constantly shifting breeze. That race was a lesson in frustration as the wind had died in places. Those lucky enough to find air were driven off the mark as it shifted. The finish had some exciting moments as boats converged from different angles.

Those participating from the Windjammers were *Yacht-C*, *Sashay*, *Obsession*, *Will-O-The-Wind*, *Knot Yet*, and the beautiful *Serenity*. Those racing from Tall Oaks were *Boondoggle*, *Icarus*, *Galeb*, and a surprise performer, *Interlude*. Many thanks to the crews of *Piccolo* and *Bittersweet* for officiating the races. And thanks to all the racers and crews for their participation in what was a fun afternoon on the bay.



## BOAT/US WEATHER WATCH ANNOUNCED

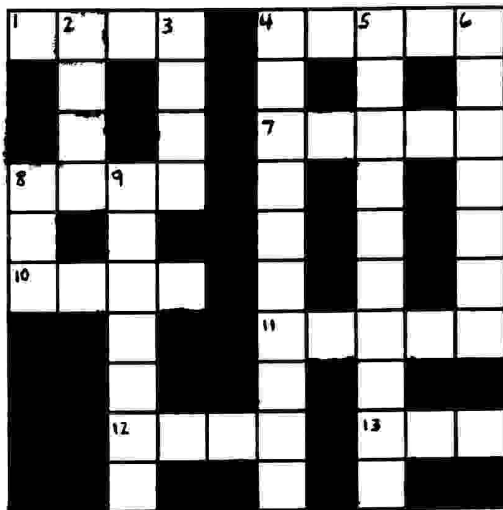
The Boat Owners Association of the US is offering a free pocket guide to using its new marine weather information service, BOAT/US Weather Watch. The service offers boaters access to official NOAA weather radio broadcasts for any port in the nation by touchtone telephone. The pocket guide lists the dialing codes needed to connect callers to the NOAA broadcasts from 70 National Weather Service marine coverage stations. For a copy of the guide, write: Weather Watch, BOAT/US Public Affairs, 880 S. Pickett St., Alexandria, VA 22304. (Asbury Park Press)



## NEW OCEAN RACING CONFERENCE FORMED

The New Jersey Ocean Racing Conference (NJORC) was recently formed by a coalition of eight yacht clubs. Participating clubs are: Keyport, Raritan, Atlantic Highlands, Ocean City, Toms River, Bay Head, Manasquan and Metedeconk River. The NJORC will consist of a series of seven existing offshore races, in some of which Windjammers members compete. Races are scheduled from June through August, and culminate in the Ocean City to Cape May Race. Trophies will be awarded to yachts with the best combined scores of the series. Scoring will be on the low-point system and entrants must compete in at least four of the seven races to qualify for the year-end championship. For more information about next year's NJORC (entry deadline for 1993 was June 12) call Ron LaNeve at 908-528-8899 or Drew Seibert at 908-929-9613.

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### Sailor's Quest, by Wendy Crook

This is a puzzle that will test your knowledge of sailing and matters of the sea (not to mention your spelling skills!). Enjoy!!

#### Across:

1. Expensive Rag
4. Newsletter, "The Four ..."
7. Manasquan relative to Barnegat
8. Reduce sail area
10. Change course with wind on the stern
11. Can't live without 'em, first .....
12. Small fish (look it up)
13. ... rail

#### Down:

2. Helms ....
3. Forward edge of the sail
4. Member of the club
5. Fierce storm
6. Groups of fish
8. Arrangement of sails and masts
9. The ocean's state of decline

## JUNIOR WINDJAMMERS by Michael Wright

The Junior Windjammers are starting to take off, but we need new members. So, if you're under 15 or want to help out, join today. We are a small club for the little kids that are missing out on all the fun. We are going to have boat rides in the bay, scavenger hunts on the beach, nature walks, sailing lessons and much much more. Call Michael Wright or Ron Minchin to join. Membership is only \$1.



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