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As I look out my window at the Barnegat Bay which is now ice free, it is a reminder that spring is around the corner. After this harsh winter, I am especially looking forward to the warm weather, sailing activities and seeing everyone for the 2011 sailing season.

I would like to thank all the officers and chairs for their time and effort in putting together another fun-filled calendar of events, that we hope will be of interest to all members. The Windjammer Sailing Club has been around for many years and its involvement by members is crucial and is the driving force that has kept our club going; so do get involved!

There are many ways to participate through our many activities; racing events are one way. Whether racing your own boat or crewing, it can be an opportunity to not only have fun, but to learn new things. If racing is not of interest to you, we are always looking for a committee boat, don't know what to do, don't worry, we will go over the procedures with you. Our first race is in June starting with a racing seminar followed by a beginner's race. Pat Pezzano, will continue to be our racing chair this coming season, so feel free to contact him or see him on the dock.

Another way to be active is in one of our upcoming dock parties. Our dock parties are a great way to get out and meet your fellow Windjammers, not to mention enjoying great food. I have found that by volunteering to do a dock party or helping out in some capacity, has helped me feel more a part of the club. Kicking off the season is the Wine and Cheese Party on May 14th, the only thing needed is your favorite bottle of wine and cheese to share. Don't be shy, do your part, and if interested contact Tom Forgarty, Dock Chair. Tom will walk you through what you have to do, and whenever possible pair you up with someone who has done that particular dock party in the past.

For those of you that like to cruise there are weekend and off shore cruising events planned. For me, these cruises are the ultimate in camaraderie, not to mention the close bonds that are created. Sailing with others, especially off shore, is not only a comfort, but a great way to share knowledge and learn new things. The best of course is when you drop anchor, especially after a long day and enjoy stories and laughter together. The first cruise up is our annual Beach Haven cruise on Memorial Day weekend. Justin Pasca who has done a fantastic job in previous years has once again agreed to be the Cruise Chair.

Ruth Ochia and John Robinson will be getting our Junior Windjammer Program up and running again. We have new members with children and teens and we are hoping that they will all come out to participate and make a successful and fun summer for our young sailors. Ruth and John have many exciting events planned for the juniors They plan on kicking off the season with a pizza party and they have many other fun things for the juniors to participate in during the season.

So remember, no matter how small, help out in some way and I will guarantee you that you will learn new things and make new friends.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you and being the Windjammer's commodore, for the 2011 sailing season. If you have any ideas, comments or concerns, please feel free to contact me via phone or e-mail or see me on the dock, slip # 11.

Remember,

“MEMORIES ARE MADE ON SAILING DAYS”,

so get out there, be safe, have fun and make memories that will last a life time.

Happy Sailing,
Cliff Simpson, Commodore



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2011 Calendar of Events





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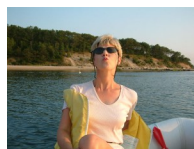
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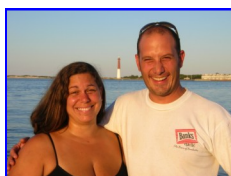
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WindJammers Special Events

Join A Lunch Cruise On The River Lady!



Get a jump-start on the season by joining your fellow Windjammers for a lunch cruise in Toms River on the River Lady. Club members will be taking the cruise on Saturday May 7th. The trip includes a 2½ hour cruise along Toms River, and a gourmet lunch with salad, choice of entree, and dessert. Boarding time is noon, and we will return to the dock around 3PM. Tickets are \$32 for adults and \$20 for children under 12. More information is available at www.riverlady.com.

Make reservations and payment by calling 732-349-8664. Be sure to tell them that you are with Windjammers Sailing Club so that you are seated at one of our lunch tables. The boat may fill up quickly, so don't delay in making a reservation or you may miss out! Let your Vice-Commodore Jim Nowicki know if you've made reservations as he is trying to keep a head count of those attending.

Join in the fun and get cruising the bay early this year!



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Memories From the Fall Dinner

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(November 2010)

By Past Commodore Kelley Fahey



The fall dinner gave us the opportunity to acknowledge the noteworthy accomplishments of the year. Some were obviously more noteworthy than others. These prestigious awards are not

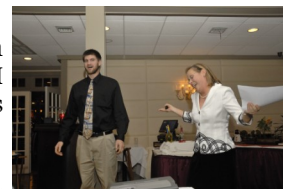
about pointing out other people's mistakes. It's more about poking fun at people who did something silly, who usually should know better. But sometimes things just happen that are out of our control, and sometimes we find ourselves in unusual circumstances. Sometimes they're funny, and sometimes they're not. These awards are more about those silly circumstances.

The annual awards this year were as follows:

Dillon Dock Meter: Typically awarded to whoever hit the dock so hard that it rang the trophy, located in the Windjammers' trophy case in the clubhouse. We had one potential candidate, but the details were a little sketchy about what actually happened. So, this year's Dillon Dock Meter is a little different. It involved a boat, hitting a dock (sort of) but there was no water involved. This year the award was given to Tom Wright, who backed into the Fahey's dock box (Tom insists it wasn't his fault! He was simply following Art's signals, who was looking up instead of down when he was guiding Tom, who was backing a boat into its winter storage spot on land).

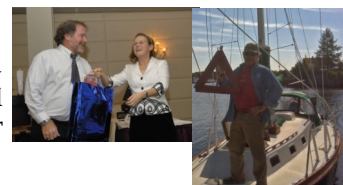


Ground Turkey Award: I thought about creating a combined award for a certain person who was deserving of both awards this year. One situation involved a race (cutting in front of another boat who had the right of way), but I didn't want the awards to be a sweep by one single person. That wouldn't be fair to the other candidates. So, this candidate won the...



Running Aground award. This year it went to Scott Minchin, who **insisted** there was enough water when it happened.

The Turkey Award is the coveted award for the sailor who made a "turkey" of themselves. This year's recipient, Richard Barker, managed to knock down three out of four channel makers on the way out of the channel in the dark. Upon anchoring over at Berkeley, he then found some of the 'evidence' hanging off of his anchor roller.



Charles & Ruth Rocknack Award: This award has typically been awarded for displaying good sailing skills while participating in Windjammers Sailing Club events. Over the last several years, this award has morphed into an award for the most improved sailor, or sailor who has pushed his or her limits.

Every time we pulled into the marina parking lot, our recipient's car was there, but this person was usually out sailing.

This past summer our recipient got to spend a lot of time on the boat and explore more of Barnegat Bay.

This person cruised with us during the week around the bay, but also went on mini cruises of his own, all by himself.

This person has done all of these things single-handed, which some people haven't even done with crew on board.

For that we recognize this year's recipient.....Michael Rasmussen



The Walt Stratford Award is awarded to the person who invested many hours of their time helping the club achieve its goals. A number of people contribute their time and efforts to the club. We are all very appreciative of all of their hard work.

This individual was one of the key people to start the Summer Sailstice Event, which has been quite successful



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He made sure that everything was covered, even when he couldn't be there, and that is what being a chairperson is all about. He put forth extraordinary efforts in helping others within the club, specifically, helping some of our newer members venture out into the ocean, leading them in and out through the inlet, demonstrating what needs to be done. He has helped others learn how to plan for a cruise, from understanding tides and currents to learning more about their destinations. He made sure that the cruises on the schedule this year that would appeal to everyone – from an overnighter, to a several day cruise, a week-long cruise, and the longer two week cruise. There was something for everyone!

When I was taking in the awards to get the new names put on this year, I was surprised that our recipient has not received this award yet, for all the time and effort he has put into the club. This year's recipient is.... Justin Pasca

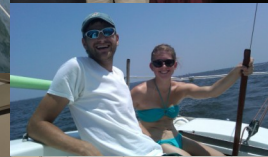


Racing Awards

*From a Sailor's Dictionary...*Racing: A popular nautical contact sport

Pat Pezzano presented the following racing awards for 2010:

Father Goose Race – Jim Nowicki
Father's Day Race – Ron Minchin
Ladies' Helm Race – Porshe Brosseau
Distance Race – Val Bernhardt
Frostbite Race – Dale Harman



A very special award was also given to our very own Ron Minchin, who will be sailing off into the sunset sometime in the near future.



To Ron Minchin

In recognition of your generous contribution of time, wisdom, and willingness to share your expertise with others. Your knowledge of all aspects of sailing and boat maintenance is truly admired by those who aspire to be better sailors.

With great admiration and appreciation from the

Windjammers Sailing Club

November 13, 2010



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WindJammers Cruising

Time to think ahead Windjammer Cruisers! It may be early Spring and waxing, polishing, painting and other boat maintenance items may be closer to the top of your priority list than sipping sundowners in the cockpit, but don't forget to take a look at our activities calendar and plan some time off this Summer to attend one or more of our cruises.

The cruising season kicks off with what has become a Windjammer tradition, our annual Memorial day weekend trip to Beach Haven on LBI. This is a good "shakedown cruise" as we never leave the comfort of the protected waters of both Barnegat and Manahawkin bays. The destination offers something for everyone. Weather it's taking the kids to the beach or amusement parks, mini golf, wandering the many shops, dining out, hitting the bars for some night life, or just relaxing on your boat you'll find something to your liking in Beach Haven.

Last year we tried something new, running two cruises at once and had great success. Since this worked out so well we decided to expand on it to offer more options to cruise in a group to more people with varying work schedules and limits to time off. We will host two one week cruises and two two week cruises this year! On July 2nd two trips will cast off from Cedar Creek. A two week trip to the Chesapeake Bay and a one week trip tentatively scheduled to head north to New York Harbor hitting Tom's River for the fireworks as well as Atlantic Highlands along the way. On July 30th another set of cruises will embark one for a week and one for two weeks with destinations TBA. Hopefully this allows everybody who wants to the ability to get out and cruise with a group for a week or more. The two week cruises allow for a much more extended area to be covered and to test your provisioning skills as well as see just how much "living aboard" you or your family is capable of. The one week cruises will of course keep us close to home but still offer the experience of navigating the Point Pleasant Canal, several inlets, ocean sailing, anchoring or docking in new locations, discovering much about both yourself and your boat and lots of fun.

Of course we have our moonlight cruise, a lighthouse trip on Labor day weekend and the overnighter at Cattus Island in the fall which are perennial favorites that are not to be missed!

I don't want to forget to point out another new little overnighter I had the opportunity to do with a few Windjammers last year that was a lot of fun and merited addition to the cruising calendar. August 27 - 28 is listed as "Boardwalk Cruise". There is a pretty cool spot to anchor on the south side of the rt 37 bridges near Pelican Island. You need to bring a dinghy and from there it is a short trip to a spot where you can land and follow a trail out to the street. From there you just walk straight ahead directly across the island (not far) and you are at the Seaside boardwalk! This is a great family trip with the beach and boards for both day and night fun. My favorite thing to do is eat my way down the boardwalk feasting on fried delights such as funnel cake, fried oreos, fried twinkies, etc.. (please consult your physician before following me down the boardwalk!) You also have the beach, rides, games, restaurants, bars etc., so no fear of boredom here. Hey, you could just relax on your boat and never set foot on land! Take your pick!

My public service announcement: Cruisers should also race! That's right and if at all possible race Your boat. You don't have to win, just learn your boat better. Being able to squeeze an extra half a knot of boat speed out on a day long passage may mean the difference between watching a thunderstorm from a slip or participating in it.

Hope to see you all soon on the dock. Questions, comments or suggestions about upcoming cruises? Please don't hesitate to email me at cruising@windjammersailing.com





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WindJammer Treasurers Report

Over the 2010 season we have seen an increase of just over \$2,000 to our bank balance. This has been due to the fact we did not make any large purchases as we had in previous years, ie picnic tables, air-conditioning unit, burgees etc. All parties and picnics satisfactorily covered their costs. It was felt that there was no need to increase the membership fees or what we currently charge per person to attend our parties. We agreed to spend up to \$500 towards the cost of replacing windows in the upstairs room at Cedar Creek Sailing Center.

Opening Balance Jan 1, 2010	3,101
Income	8,497
Expenses	(6,231)
Closing Balance Dec 31, 2010	5,367



If anyone would like a more detailed copy of the report, please do not hesitate to contact myself at treasurer@windjammersailing.com.

Jeanette

SUMMER SAILSTICE

The money collected for the 2010 Summer Sailstice is awarded to "Save the Barnegat Bay" in the amount of \$765.00. Thank you to everyone who participated and donated money to this wonderful cause.

Commodore Cliff Simpson,



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WindJammers Dock Parties

Welcome to the 2011 Windjammers sailing season. We are all looking forward to it. Attending our Windjammer Dock Parties is a great way to meet, reconnect, and share what we've learned and experienced about sailing with our fellow members.

This season's parties include some old favorites like the Wine and Cheese, as well as some new additions.

We are looking for members interested in hosting or co-hosting a party. This is a fun and good way for new members to contribute to the club.

If you are interested, and hopefully you are, you can contact me at dock-parties@windjammersailing.com or look for me at Cedar Creek Sailing Center, Slip 50.



Smooth Sailing,
Tom Fogarty Party Chairman



Junior WindJammers Schedule 2011

Junior Windjammers holds events aimed at the younger members of the sailing club. These events allow our younger sailors to meet and have fun with other children while, hopefully, learning something about sailing and the bay.

May 14 – Pizza party and movie night (4 pm)

June 11 – Movie night (after Chicken & Ribs)

June 25 or June 26 – Crabbing at Berkeley Island (1pm) (A fine opportunity to learn crab biology and maybe catch dinner)

July 23 – Sailing day with sunfishes

August 27 – Make 'led' lines and chart water depths during Sea-side Hgts. Cruise

September 10 – Boating Olympics/treasure hunt

TBA – Ice cream social and knot tying

Ruth Ochia

Jr Coordinator





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Spring Commissioning Questions ~ Ask CCSC


When it comes to spring commissioning, routine maintenance, sail care or this years' project, ask the pros @ Cedar Creek Sailing Centers' Marina Store.

If you need it, Tom can get it.

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Check out this interesting site . . .

. . . jigsaw puzzles of lighthouses that you do on the internet.

<http://www.cyberlights.com/lh/games/puzzles.htm>



*WJSC sincerely thanks CCSC for the use of the clubhouse
& all you do for us !!! See you @ Dock Days !!!*



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Tips & Reviews

That brings us to another feature in *FourWinds* that we call “Tips & Reviews”. In this section, anyone can offer their solutions for problems onboard, in the slip or when underway. Have you done all the research and purchased a new piece of equipment lately? Why not share your research and let everyone know if you love it or hate it? Please, everyone help out and contribute.

In the past we’ve had tips on everything from ‘Simple Refrigeration’ to ‘how to get more mileage out of that tube of marine caulk’. This edition of FourWinds has some simple sail care ideas from The Ship’s Tailor.

Let’s all thank all our past & present contributors for sharing their great ideas .



Tips to make your sails last longer

Learn how to adjust your foot lines and leech lines! Especially the leech lines! Tighten till the leech stops fluttering when going to windward!

Do not use wood battens! Use fiberglass or resin battens! Wood holds moisture and will tear a hole in batten pocket if it breaks. If you must use wood run duct tape down the length on both sides before installing in the batten pocket.

If you have a problem with battens coming out of pocket, use a small piece of sail tape (not duct tape) over edge of pocket opening at leech.

Use a soft spun Dacron or a vinyl covered wire for the topping lift! Uncovered wire will chafe the leech and end of batten pockets.

Temporally repair cuts or tears with sail tape (not duct tape) using a minimum amount to make repair.

Hose sails often with fresh water at the dock especially after receiving a lot of salt water spray on a rough day! Be sure to thoroughly dry before furling or covering with sail cover.

Lubricate sail slides or slugs with silicone or “Mc Lube”! Never use petroleum base oil!

Use reef point ties only when reefing for a long length of time and be sure to release them before shaking out the reef!

In the past the WindJammers Sailing Club has offered a wide range of seminars on weekend mornings on everything from small engine maintenance to racing. We will continue these exchanges of helpful information because it builds lasting relationships between members. If you have an expertise and would like to give a seminar, or have an idea for a topic or know a willing speaker, please contact Frank Schaffer our Seminar Chairs or Cliff our Commodore.



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For some the winter means the end of sailing season. But not for Corbett & Robin, they escaped our winter by following the wind to where the sun and sand makes one think it's summer. Along the way they've written about the adventure. The follow is an excerpt from the Cookie Monster Blog:

Hey All,
Came into Emerald Bay Marina yesterday, along with Bill and Margee on Tortuga, from Little Darby Island. A 5hr motor sail in some pretty choppy conditions, however we did catch a small Blackfin Tuna and a Mahi-Mahi. Nice being back here again. Our first time this year. It really spoils you with FREE washing machines/dryers, a well stocked supermarket (by Bahama standards) and a great liquor store nearby with free transportation. Of course the showers are phenomenal and there is a beautiful lounge complete with pool table, TV and sitting area. All this for \$1/ft per night.



After leaving Lee Stocking Island we went to Black Point and visited the school which we delivered all the supplies to from home. They were very happy to see us and could not thank us enough. We had dropped them off during the Christmas break so we did not get to see them in action. Needless to say Robin was "summoned" to teach the following day. Corbett took some pictures of the teachers and kids. We were invited to Rev Kevin Rolle's, also the Police Chief, surprise birthday party. A real feast! This is still one of our very favorite places. The next day Robin went over showing the Math teacher, Mr. Musgrove, how to make copies of the overhead transparencies and a few more teaching tips.

We also met up with Solitaire, another Morgan Classic, and had a happy hour. The next evening's happy hour was on First Edition, they are from Roseland, NJ, along with Wind Dust and Solitaire.

Finally we moved on down to Musha Cay. We anchored behind this very private island. Google it. After some exploring the surrounding cays we moved down to Little Darby Island to meet up with Totuga who was already anchored there. This was only two miles away but, a whole different place. This island and Big Darby are also private but you can go onshore with permission. It also houses a small marine research center for the Univ. of Miami. The islands are separated by a 100ft wide cut. Big Darby was, so the stories go, once the home of a WW2 Nazi sympathizer. He built this fortress like mansion on the top of the hill and supposedly sent secret messages from there. In the 70's and early 80's it was taken over by drug smugglers and the two islands had three airstrips between them. Now only the remnants and stories remain, save for the research center, and a few private homes on Little Darby.

The following day SunCat and Two Of A Kind showed up and we had a great happy hour catching up. We have not seen them since Margee's sister and boyfriend, Jan and Larry left some 10 days prior. There was some really nice snorkeling and beach combing to be had.

That evening we were all invited to a reception on the research vessel Coral Reef, which was at the dock. They were on a two week cruise of the Exumas along with grad students and professors. What a great bunch of "way underpaid people". The amounts of work they do in the name of science and humanity is nothing short of exhausting.

The next day Two Of A Kind headed north and we stayed a couple more days before leaving SunCat there as we needed some serious restocking of fresh produce.

All for now,

Be sure to follow them . . .

<http://cruisinwithcookiemonster.blogspot.com/>

<http://share.findmespot.com/shared/faces/viewspots.jsp?glId=0ltQqq7rpv3FOA9VTpu7a3vqgfBjFApSk>



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Windjammers Online !

During these past cold, snowy months, we have built a new and better Windjammers website. The new site has all events listed with dates, times and details, as well as a “calendar” view to quickly see when each Windjammers event will be. You can see a listing of all of our club officers and chairs, view current and past issues of the newsletters (such as this one), and view the more than 2,700 club pictures we’ve collected over the years. There are also many useful links to local weather and marine forecasts, and tide predictions for our local waters. We encourage you to visit it periodically to get the most up-to-date information about events and other information about our club. A special “thank you” to Chip Hitchens who was a tremendous help in setting up and building this new site!!
<http://www.windjammersailing.com>



See you when it's warmer!
~Bob

If you have any sailing pictures or stories from Windjammer events that you would like to see included on the WJSC website, or the next issue of “FOURWINDS” please send them to web@windjammersailing.com.

If you have any “NEWS” or information for the next “FOURWINDS” the official news letter of the WJSC, please forward it to newsletter@windjammersailing.com.



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So What's the Plan???

Windjammers Tentative Calendar of Events 2011

May

- 7 Cruise On the River Lady
- 14 Wine and Cheese Party
- 21 Chili Festival at Huddy Park Tom River
- 29 MemorialDay weekend cruise to Beach Haven

June

- 4 Racing Seminar Pot Luck at Berkeley Island
- 11 Father Goose race and Chicken and Ribs Party
- 12 Vessel Safety check day
- 19 Breakfast and Father's Day race



July

- 1-3 Cruise to Barnegat Light and July 4th fireworks in Beachwood.
- 2-16 Two week cruise to the Chesapeake.
- 4-9 One week trip to Atlantic Highlands & New York Harbor. (cont. of Barnegat Light cruise)
- 16 Ladies' Helm Race & Iron Women's Feast
- 23 St. Patrick's Day in July & Sunfishes Races

August

- 1-13 Two week cruise leaves T B D
- 13 Hotdog & Hamburger dock party & Moonlight cruise to Tom River
- 20 Distance Race Mardi Gras party
- 27 Seaside Park cruise



September

- 3-5 Labor day weekend at Barnegat Light
- 10 Pig roast
- 11 Canoe trip
- 24 Tall Oaks Challenge

October

- 1-2 Cattus Island cruise
- 8 Annapolis Boat Show
- 15 Frostbite race and Chili cook off

November

- 5 Fall Dinner - Latitude's in Forked River

