

Spring 2014



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For a Few Good Days

Richard Gard, Commodore

In looking back at the projects done over the years, I began to think of how short the sailing season really is relative to the amount of time put into making Arpeggio that much more enjoyable, and what it is we get out of a season on the water. Every year I work on 5, 10, or 15 projects, and in doing so, time between sailing seasons melts away quickly. My over-ambition tends to allow some of those projects to spill over into the heart of the season. Yikes, I've lost another few weeks! Let's get to it!

It has been really tough this year to work on any of the exterior projects because of the cold, wind, and rain. Waxing, bottom -paint, exterior bright work, and topside cleaning have had to wait for warmer weather. Boat splashes have been delayed and now everyone wants to launch this coming weekend – a challenge for Tom (our marina master) and James. But somehow, all the boats will be floating soon. The fun and relaxation begins.

Through it all, we persevere through projects and preparations just for a few good days – in the marina, on the bay, or on a cruise. These few days can be almost magical. But

the magic is different for every member of the club. To some it is healing the boat to 30 degrees in a fresh breeze doing their best to be first around the next mark. To others, it's sailing on a beam reach in 12 knots of wind and good friends or family on board to share it with. It might be laying on anchor in Meyers Hole with a setting sun causing Old Barney to glow a deep red and orange, exploring a new port with your cruising comrades, getting together for dock parties with your fellow Windjammers, a potluck in Beach Haven, or a raft-up with a few sailing friends. There are many ways to find those magical moments.

Those magical moments, when everything seems just right, do not happen that often. But I know from experience, unless you show up and sail or gather with your friends at a dock party, the magic is lost.

2014 has the promise of providing the opportunity to experience more than a few of those magical moments. The officers and chairs have included activities for our club to gather at dock parties, sail in races, cruise to exciting locations, and experience some of the best anchorages in our



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For a Few Good Days, continued

area. But you need to show up to have a chance with the magic. Make plans to participate. Meet and greet new members and include them in your plans. If you do, you will find a few of those magical moments this year.

Fair Winds and a Following Sea,

Captain Rich

Commodore

Windjammers Sailing Club



Newsletter Submissions

Jen Hitchens, 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





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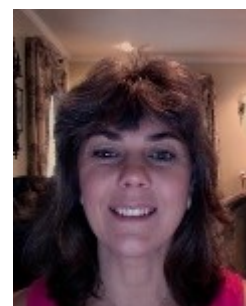
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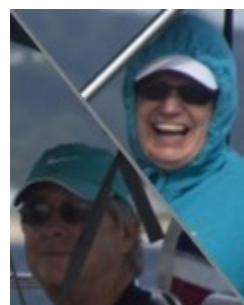
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Cruising 2014

Bob Fahey, Cruising Chair

We have an action-packed cruise schedule for you this year, with six planned cruises on our calendar! (I'm sure there will be plenty of other impromptu destinations throughout the season as well, so be sure to keep an ear open around Cedar Creek to hear what our fellow sailors have in mind.) Kelley and I will be planning on attending as many as we can, but you'll know us by a different boat name this year: "Elenora", our Freedom 35. We'll be easy to spot – just look for the boat without stays.

Our traditional first trip of the year is a Memorial Day cruise to Beach Haven Yacht Club Marina, leaving on Saturday, May 24. I had an opportunity a few weeks ago to catch up with Marlene at Beach Haven, and the crew at BHYCM is thrilled to have the Windjammers return again this year. They must be, because their website (<http://www.beachhavenyachtclubmarina.com>) has us Windjammers prominently displayed on their front page from last year's Memorial Day Cruise! If you plan on going on this cruise, please be sure to make your arrangements with BHYCM (609-492-9101) as soon as possible so you have a slip, as they do tend to fill up quickly. Also, please drop me an email (cruising@windjammersailing.com) to let me know you're planning on going. We will be holding a Captains' Meeting on Sunday, May 18 at 10am at Cedar Creek Sailing Center to cover the details of the trip.

Next up on the cruise itinerary is a weeklong cruise up the Hudson River, departing on Saturday, June 28. This trip has a little bit of everything: running the Point Pleasant canal and Manasquan Inlet, a 30 mile run in the ocean, passing by the Statue of Liberty in New York Harbor (and dodging ferries, freighters and other vessels), a beautiful run up the entire length of the west side of Manhattan, passing under many famous bridges (Verrazano, GWB and the Tap), gorgeous views of the Palisades, Lake Haverstraw sailing, and of course the wonderful fresh water anchorage at the base of Bear Mountain, which looms nearly a quarter of a mile above you. Don't worry, the 200+ car freight trains won't run into you although they do look like they're heading right for your boat in the middle of the night (just ask others who have made the trip). There could even be a day trip up to Cold Spring. This is a quite different kind of cruise in which you get to experience mountains, cliffs, cities, ocean, bays and more, and if you haven't done it before I encourage you to consider it. The Captains' Meeting is planned for Sunday, June 22. Be on the lookout for future emails from me about this cruise.

Do you have ideas for other cruises? I'd love to hear them!! Please send me an email at:

cruising@windjammersailing.com

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Cruising Schedule

May 24: Beach Haven

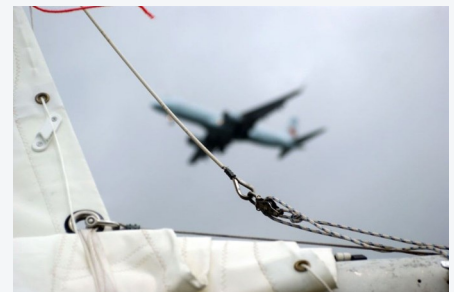
June 28: Hudson River

July 12: Moonlight Cruise

August 24: TBD (Long Island Sound?)

August 30 Myers Hole

September 28: Cattus Island





Windjammer Racing for 2014

Jim Nowicki, Racing Chair

The sailing season has begun and soon our club's racing season will follow. Our first race is scheduled for June 14th and, as in most years, we will start with an instructional race. This is a great opportunity for sailors new to racing to give this aspect of the sport a try. It is also a great way for experienced racers to get some well needed practice early in the year. Nothing makes a boat sail faster than when its crew instinctively makes the moves and adjustments that need to be made.

We provide a tutorial in the morning about the rules of racing where all are encouraged to ask questions in order to get a full understanding of what to expect out on the race course. In the afternoon we go out on the bay to practice the skills discussed in the morning tutorial. Anyone who has done a fair bit of sailboat racing will tell you that this is by far the best way to improve your ability to sail a boat well. When you race a sailboat, you improve skills in maneuvering the craft, and in trimming and optimizing the sails.

This year we are going to try something different for the instructional race day. We are going to run the race starts in a pursuit race format. In this format the slowest boat starts first, with each next faster boat to follow. Start times are calculated ahead of time based on each boat's handicap. There are several advantages to running the instructional race this way. First off, the race start doesn't have all the sailboats bunched up at the start. This can be a bit intimidating for someone new to racing, so the pursuit format eliminates this issue at the start. The second advantage is that by staggering the start based on handicap, the boats gradually come together as the race proceeds, making the race more exciting up to the finish. This helps add excitement and interest to the race for everyone participating, including the committee boat.

This leads me to another important topic of racing; the committee boat. I will be collecting names at the wine and cheese party for those boats and boaters who would be willing to serve as committee boat during the six races for this season. Even if you are not keen about the idea of racing your boat, you should consider serving the club as a committee boat for one of the races. I will provide any instruction you need in how to serve as a committee boat. The club (and I) need your help in this regard, and it is a great way to have some fun for an afternoon out on the water. Please consider being a race committee boat this year, even if you've never done it before.

Most of all, Windjammer racing is a low key way to learn about racing, and at the same time, significantly build some sailing skills. Please consider joining us this year on the race course!

Windjammers Win 2013

Tall Oaks Yacht Club Challenge Race!

After a string of three consecutive victories for the Tall Oaks Yacht Club, the Windjammers Sailing club reclaimed the Challenge Cup in 2013.

Congratulations Windjammers!





Thoughts from Elizabeth Schaffer

Island Breeze

Have you ever smelled something that transported you back in time to a familiar place or event?

This past weekend, when we washed, waxed, and bottom painted Island Breeze in anticipation of summer 2014, I had a wave of nostalgia wash over me. My husband took our swing set down this weekend as well, so maybe I'm just a bit emotional these days. The smells of the marina brought back memories of my two sun kissed little girls running the docks, crabbing, and packing up for a day on the bay. As Tom was launching boats, I almost looked to make sure that they weren't in the way. I could almost hear them laughing, when a gull flew overhead. My babies are 23 and 21 now. They had the best childhood you could give a person, growing up weekends at Cedar Creek Marina. The time spent together on the water and with Windjammers was probably more valuable than any college education. Our Windjammer family has grown and changed over the years. It may sound corny, but I really missed you all this winter, and the smells of the marina made me realize that. I'm looking forward to another great season of sailing with all of you!

Here is a favorite recipe from "Ship to Shore" to get the season started. It's going to be another great summer!

Recipe for a Happy Day

Michelle Sutic, *Harp*

Preparation time: none

Cooking time: none

Serves: lots

Ingredients:

1 Cup friendly words

2 Heaping cups understanding

4 Heaping tsp. time and patience

Pinch of warm personality

Dash of humour

Measure words carefully. Add heaping cups of understanding. Use generous amounts of time and patience. Cook with gas on front burner. Keep temperature low - do not boil. Add dash of humour and pinch of warm personality. Season to taste with the spice of life. Serve in individual molds.

Note: Recipe does not call for it, but I always add red wine (optional)



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Chicken and Ribs Barbecue

June 21, 6:00pm

\$15 per adult, \$7 per child under 12

with RSVP by June 7

\$20 per adult, \$10 per child after June 7

To RSVP, please call or email Elizabeth Schaffer at
vice-commodore@windjammersailing.com

Come and enjoy some chicken, ribs, corn, side dishes, and desserts!

Water & soda provided, BYOB

Please bring an appetizer to share!

Signup sheet will be posted for those who would like to help or bring sides





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Sabre 28 For Sale

Offering a 1973 Sabre 28. Easily single handed. Newer diesel, lots of new equipment: running and standing rigging, dodger and bimini, roller furler, halyard clutches, lazy jacks, auto pilot, GPS, etc.

We've sailed this boat from Mid-town Manhattan to Cape May and everywhere in between over the last several years, and are hoping to move up.

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Course Offerings

ASA 101 – Basic Keelboat Sailing Certification

This 2 day, on the water introduction to sailing course is designed to give the beginner the skills and confidence needed to sail a 22-24 foot sailboat on your own.

Instruction includes nomenclature, rules of the road, points of sail, rigging, sail trim, and docking.

ASA 101 – Ladies Sailing Certification

This 2-day, For women/By women sailing certification course is designed for any woman who prefers to learn to sail under the guidance of an ASA certified female instructor and all women crew. Build up your confidence and knowledge to be able to take the helm and crew on a 22-24 foot sailboat. This ladies sailing course covers the same material and achieves the same level of certification as the ASA 101 Basic Keelboat Course.

ASA 103 – Basic Coastal Cruising Sailing Certification

This more advanced course is designed to take the confident basic keelboat sailor and make them a competent skipper able to handle a 30 foot sailboat in coastal waters.

Instruction includes sail boat handling, seamanship, reefing, navigation, and anchoring.



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ASA Sailing School

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Bareboat Rental

At Barnegat Bay Sailing School we feel the best way to become a confident and competent sailor is through practice. After the lessons end, the learning continues thru sailing experiences and BBSS will be by your side the entire process. Our NJ sailboat rentals are professionally maintained and coast guard approved for a safe and stable sailing experience.

With two styles of rental sailboats to choose from (racing and cruising), rental packages, and a sailing buddy club, sailboat rentals with Barnegat Bay Sailing School are both affordable and enjoyable.

Island Time

A stable 23 foot O'Day sailboat. This sloop rigged cruiser with her shoal draft keel, 8 foot beam, tiller steering, roller furling jib, mercury 8 HP outboard, and a generous cabin is a great choice for a day sail on Barnegat Bay.

Retro

A classic 1964 Pearson Ensign. This fractional rig racer with her full keel, 7 foot beam, tiller steering, roller furling jib, 8 HP Johnson outboard, and spacious cockpit is a great family day sailor as well as a one design racing machine.

Requirements

- A NJ Safe Boating Certificate or equivalent
- An ASA 101 Certification of equiv.
- Drivers License and Credit Card
- Boat, Engine, Area Orientation



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Spring Commissioning Questions? Ask Cedar Creek

Remember the pros at Cedar Creek Sailing Center's Marina Store for all of your spring commissioning, routine maintenance, and project needs.

If you need it, Tom and Liz can get it.



The Windjammers sincerely thank CCSC for the use of the clubhouse and all you do!

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