



# THE WESTERLY CURRENT

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## BINNACLE LIST

David Lanphear, Keeper of the Binnacle

At this time, the following crew member has been posted to our Binnacle List:

Joe Voislow.

If you know of any member who is ill and would like to receive one of our big "Hello" cards, please let us know via note, phone call or e-mail, or dropping by the clubhouse and informing the steward on duty.

Also, if there has been a death of an out of town member, we'd appreciate hearing about this as soon as possible so we can make our arrangements.

### IN MEMORIAM

Robert E. "Bob" Twigley, LM  
 Westerly, RI

### REQUIESCANT IN PACE

### HAM SHOOT Friday—March 18th

Remember last Fall when we went on a Turkey Shoot? And some folks won an edible centerpiece for their Thanksgiving table?

Well, we're at it again, only this time we're gonna' get us some **hams!**



Come on down to the clubhouse and get your name on one or more of our "**Ham Pies**" to get in on the fun! The "shooting" will be held on Friday night, March 18th, so amble on down sometime after dinner and see if you, too, could be a big **HAM** winner!

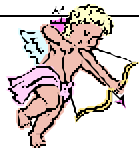
### POOL TOURNAMENT SATURDAY, 02/19/05

Event:  
 8-Ball Pool Tournament  
 Date: February 19th  
 Time: 7:00 PM

Participants will seeded by random drawing.  
 Cash Prizes!  
 Food!  
 Drinks!  
 Lots of Laughs!

Sign-up in the main lounge  
 Contact:  
 Fred Koury  
 596-7556

## Sweetheart Ball



SATURDAY— FEBRUARY 12, 2005

COCKTAILS & HORS D'OEUVRES 6:30—7:30 P.M.

DINNER 7:30 P.M.

Surf & Turf or Chicken Zingard

Garden Salad, Seasonal Vegetable, Twice-baked Potato

Chocolate Sabayon Surprise

Music by: **BANDSTAND REVIEW**

Tickets: \$40.00 per person.

On sale January 28 (members only) & February 4 (open to guests).



## Television Committee

The House Committee and Board of Directors are exploring the prospect of adding a large screen television to our lounge. Today's electronics offer a variety of choices and prices. What we need is your expertise! If any of you video-

philes out there would like to be a member of our committee, or are an electronics retailer, we would certainly like to hear from you!

Contact Bill Casey at the club, or Alex Houston at 401-322-1798.

## Shuffleboard Banquet—February 5th

This years Shuffleboard banquet is scheduled for Saturday, February 5th.

Appetizers will begin at 6:30 with dinner served at 7:30. The dinner menu will consist of Salad, Chicken Françoise, Pasta Primavera, and dinner rolls. Warm apple pie will be offered for dessert. Please let us know if you have any dietary concerns that we should know about.

The price for the dinner will be \$12.50 per person. Please make checks out to the Westerly Yacht Club. Come

down, support your team, have a nice dinner and enjoy some good company. You can cheer and jeer your favorite (or not so favorite) teams. Let's hope there'll be no need for "bullet-proof vests" this year!

If you have any questions, please see or call Larry of Cherie Harland.

*Registration slips are in the lounge.*

### WYC - West Marine Night!!!

**A**ttention All Boaters!!!

The annual West Marine Night is scheduled for Wednesday evening, March 23rd, from 1800 to 2100. This is a chance to purchase many needed supplies and equipment necessary for us to get our boats prepared for the boating season.

As in the past, there will be a discount offered on most items. Munchies and drinks will also be served to make our shopping experience a pleasant one.

Please keep in mind that this event is for WYC *members only* and let's thank the West Marine management and staff for allowing us once again to participate in this generous event.

Joe Reis, Commodore-Elect

### SUPER BOWL XXXIX PARTY SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6th 1300 until there is a winner!

This year's annual Super Bowl Party is fast approaching. We'll be having all you can eat "party style" munchies day and night. *The Cool & Easy Band* will perform from 1:00 p.m. until kickoff.

The usual games and surprises will also be featured. Stay for the afternoon, or stay for the day.... it's your choice! Tickets will be available on Fridays and a sign-up sheet is in the lounge. \$10 in advance .... \$12 day of game.

**Go Pats!**

Your hosts Bucky, George, and Alex

# House Committee News

February is really looking good with a bunch of stuff to do. On Sunday, the 6th, we'll have our famous Super Bowl party, the Sweetheart Ball on the 12th, and a Bon Voyage/Pot Luck dinner party for Commodore Ed on the 26th.

A special note to all, and please keep this in mind, that on Saturday, March

19th there will be a benefit fund raiser for Peter Marchesi (See the article below for more information). Let's all help out in any way we can.

Bill Casey  
H/C co-chairman

SHUFFLEBOARD 2004/2005					
Men's (6 games to go)					
TEAM	GMS	W	L	TTL	H
EZ 6-Packers	42	38	4	2335	64
WYC	42	21½	20½	1857	46
White Star	42	21½	20½	1741	26
O.B.s	45	14	31	1740	31
J.C.s	42	13	29	1662	41

High Single: EZ 6-Packers = 126  
High Double: EZ 6-Packers = 225

Women's (Final)					
TEAM	GMS	W	L	TTL	H
Dick's Swingers	45	34	11	1723	37
Bob's-R-Us	45	27	18	1570	30
EZ DOLs	45	23	22	1558	27
WYC	45	19	26	1497	41
Cove Ledge	45	18	27	1259	30
Buckler's	45	11	34	1259	20

High Single: Dick's Swingers = 108  
High Double: Dick's Swingers = 188



HAPPY WINTER!! (Spring is on the way!)  
Bob Wydler,  
Dock Committee Chairman

## Junior Sailing Program preparation is getting underway.

The snow may be flying but it is time to think about the Junior Sailing program. May is only a few short months away and will be here before we know it.

The JSP is run by your Junior Sailing Committee and volunteers who have a mission of teaching our youth how to sail. The program strives to help each youth develop their skill to the highest level possible. Some will go on to enjoy sailing as a great form of boating, some will just learn the basics, some will just learn to be comfortable on a boat. but we can almost guarantee that all will have a good time.

The JSP will start on Saturday, April 30 and continue each Saturday (except Memorial Day Weekend May 28) until June 25. We start at 8:00 AM and plan on having the Junior Sailors back on land and the boats stored between 11:00 and 11:15 AM.

The program is open to the children and grandchildren of WYC members, and the limits are ages 8 through 14. Regis-

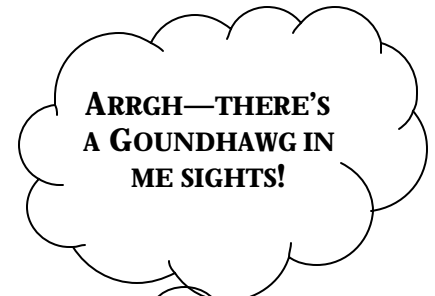
tration, Waiver of Liability and Consent for Medical Treatment forms are available at the club house. These forms should be completed and returned with a check or money order for \$40.00 as early as possible. The JSP would like to accommodate all interested youth, but will have to limit registration if the number of applicants becomes too large for the Volunteer Staff to handle safely.

Beginning in April, members of the JSP committee will be available on Friday nights to answer questions and collect forms between the hours of 7:30 and 8:30 PM. The form can also be dropped off at the bar, Please mark the envelopes clearly Junior Sailing Program.

If you wish to help, and we always can use extra hands, contact Galen Hoffman at 401-596-9380, Len Kaminski at 401-596-5608 or any member of the committee.

Galen Hoffman and Len Kaminski  
Co-chairmen Junior Sailing Program

**MARCH** Flyer  
Deadline  
**FEBRUARY 10th**



## PETER MARCHESI BENEFIT DINNER—MARCH 19TH

We will be holding a benefit dinner on Saturday, March 19, 2005, for Peter Marchesi, son of Henry "Hank" Marchesi and brother of Rick Marchesi. Hank and Rick are fellow members who have worked on countless committees, on our docks and around the clubhouse for more than 20 years.

Peter was critically injured in a boat explosion last winter. Medical treatment costs for his burn injuries and subsequent strokes have been astronomical, and he is uninsured; he continues to undergo treatment. Please help us raise funds for our fellow member's loved one.

We are planning a Spaghetti & Meatball supper that will include bread, salad, chicken polpetini soup, coffee and dessert. There will be a raffle of prizes donated by fellow members and friends of the Marchesi family. The meatballs will be prepared by WYC's 1st place prize winner of the recent meatball cook-off, Frank Bruno. Tickets will be \$15.00 per

adult and \$7.00 per child under 10.

If you would like to purchase tickets, please call one of the members below. Phone numbers are in your club directory, or you might see them at the club. If you cannot attend, but would like to make a contribution of money or a raffle prize, your gift would be greatly appreciated and acknowledged. All checks should be made payable to the Peter Marchesi Fund. Thank you!

- Mike or Holly Cardinal 322-7297
- Steve or Lorraine DePerry 596-2128
- Bill or Donna Casey 348-6487
- Joe or Michelle Voislow 596-4234
- Ted or Jean Smigala 596-0696
- Ed or Jane Curran 596-0067

*At this time we'd like to acknowledge, and send our appreciation to, Mr. Ted McPhee & family, and Mr. John Fogarty, for their generous donations.*

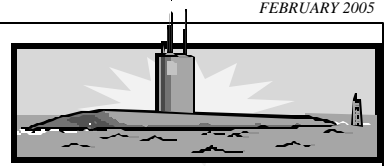
We accept only MasterCard® and Visa® cards for payment of beverages, dues, boat slips, clothing, and gasoline. Cash and checks are also welcome.

**A reminder to all smokers....**  
Smoking (cigarettes, cigars, or pipes) is **NO LONGER PERMITTED** at any time in the **clubhouse**. Please be aware of our new rule approved by the Board of Directors.  
Thank You!!



# COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

From: Ed Curran



Hello to all:

The docks have been spared so far this year as the river has yet to freeze. However, as I write this short piece, NOAA is forecasting some cold weather. This cold weather will give the new furnace a work out and hopefully all goes well with that installation.

The New Years Dinner Dance chaired by Angie and Arthur Smith was supreme. Would Angie have it any other way? I congratulate their committee for a job well done. Rafters catered the meal complimenting this First Class Affair.

Bill Casey and the House Committee put on a Friday night "spaghetti dinner" for \$6.00 and filled the dining hall. Again, I have to thank Bill and his committee for the extra effort they continuously put forth for our membership.

Tony and Cheryl Spino, with the Entertainment Committee, will be put-

ting on a Steak Fry January 22<sup>nd</sup>. I hope the cold weather has come and gone by then. Thank you Tony and Cheryl and your hard working committee for all the many successful meals throughout my year.

George Armstrong and Alex Houston will be hosting Super Bowl Sunday February 6<sup>th</sup>. The quality of the remaining teams should make this a game to remember. Don't Miss It!

Bob and Jini Wydler will be hosting The Sweet Heart Ball Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>. This will be the final event of my year and I look forward to a very enjoyable evening.

February 9<sup>th</sup> there is a General Membership Meeting. The very exciting highlights of this meeting will be budget discussions. As a reminder from the notice posted in the January Current, I will request the membership approve the transfer of money from

contingency funds to cover the incurred ice damage expense, dredging study fees, maintenance dredging and the purchase of additional ice eaters.

This is my last contribution to the "Current" as Commodore and thus I would like to thank all my Committee Chairs. I could not have gotten through this year without them. I cannot say enough thanks for the time they gave up from their personal lives so that the membership could enjoy the events.

Last, but certainly not least, many thanks to the staff. Pat, Bobby, Rick, George and Freddy's crew have helped make this establishment what it is today. THE BEST.

Thank you all for a good year,  
Your Commodore,  
Ed

## SPORTS ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

Our incoming commodore Joe Reis has come up with another great idea to help minimize the load for any one particular committee. He has formed a new committee that will be responsible for drawing people to the club when there is a major sporting event on TV.

This committee will be responsible for setting out food and planning the events so the membership will come to the club and have a good time with their friends. I have already asked some people to be on the committee. If you feel this is something you are interested in, call me at home or see me at the club and we can discuss what you can do to help. My home number is 401-377-9064. We will get started with the NCAA finals in March and then NASCAR, Baseball, Football and maybe even water polo. There is a chance that maybe the moat will be completed this year and we can watch submarine races. I will try to keep you informed as far in advance as possible, but will be relying on the WYC e-mail database and internet to get info out on a short term basis.

Committee chairman  
Skip Hoffman, PC

## Comments from Children's Christmas Party Chairman

Fair Winds and Following Seas to our departing co-Chairs Bill and Nina Kelley and their committee! What a great experience for Trish and I to work with such wonderful people. Bill and Nina guided us through the entire process, which for Trish and I started in August. I'm sure I speak for the entire club when we offer our appreciation and gratitude for Bill and Nina's many years of service in chairing the Children's Christmas Party committee.

With that said, what can I say about this year's committee? The words team and machine come to mind after witnessing two full days of non-stop action. Commitment and dedication from this committee started in September and ended on December 18th at the Eggnog Party.

Thank you to committee and club members Nina and Bill Kelley,

Heather and Michael Cardente, Bill Casey (Santa), Janet Johnson (Mrs. Santa), Pat and Ron Cook, Patty Hurley, Lauren and Francis Herbert, Julie and John Bettencourt, Ann and Jim Murphy, Ruth and Michael Walker, Frank Toole III, Bob Headly, Christine Fish, Joe LaPere, Zan Miller, Ed Melvin, Bob Raby, Skip Hoffman, Santa's elves, ladies shuffleboard (stuffing envelopes), Costumes (Susan Shakeshaft), admin/gifts (Pat Gibbens), donations by members and local businesses.

Regards,  
Peter and Trish DiCarlo

## DIRECTORY NEWS !!!

Your Directory Committee is back to work! We are starting to mail advertisement renewal contracts, and we are asking for advertising support from any vendors, companies, or individuals who would like to place an advertisement in our 2005 Directory. New advertisements need to be camera-ready. Black and white works best.

We offer very reasonable prices for this service as some directories charge \$1,000 per page! Our Directory reaches the readership of all our members, their associates, and many more. You will find attached to this mailing, a copy of a contract to use to place an advertisement. Please make checks payable to the Westerly Yacht Club, or indicate credit card information as shown. Mail to: Dale Reis, Directory Committee Chair, at the Club address.

Secondly, the committee needs to be notified directly if corrections or

membership changes are needed in the Directory. Your Directory Committee cannot be expected to know if your phone number has changed, if names are spelled incorrectly, or something is missing! So please help us to include accurate information for every one by providing us your corrections or updates! This can be done by e-mailing what needs to be changed to: [office.manager@westerlyyachtclub.org](mailto:office.manager@westerlyyachtclub.org), or by calling Pat Gibbens at (401) 596-7556.

Also, the Directory Committee is requesting that all 2005-2006 Committee Chairs provide a list of their committee members. The lists can be forwarded prior to, or on the day photos are taken at the Club for the Directory. It would be very helpful if each committee chair lists their committee in alphabetical order.

Finally, our Patrons' Page table will

"appear" on occasional evenings at the Club. This is a great way to personalize your support of the Directory. CAPTAIN will be \$15, MATE will be \$10, and CREW will be \$5. The limit is 32 letters and spaces each. You will also find a form attached for that. Make checks payable to the Westerly Yacht Club, and mail them to the attention of Dale Reis at the Club address.

**All changes, contracts, and Patrons' participation need to be in by March 31, 2005** for the committee to complete its work in a timely manner. We already have had a GREAT start on the Directory this year!

Sincerely,  
Dale Reis  
[directory@westerlyyachtclub.org](mailto:directory@westerlyyachtclub.org)

# February 2005

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRI DAY	SATURDAY
January 30	31	1	2 Groundhog Day	3 Pitch League	4	5 Shuffleboard Banquet 1830
6 Super Bowl XXXIX Party 1300-???? COOL & EASY	7	8	9 General Member-ship Meeting 2000	10 Pitch League	11	12 Sweetheart Ball 1830 BANDSTAND REVIEW
13	14 BoD Meeting 1930	15	16	17 Pitch League	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 Pitch League	25 Sayonara to Ed COOL & EASY	26
27	28	March 1	2	3 Pitch League	4	5

**COMING SOON!!**  
**WYC Children's**  
**Easter Egg Hunt**  
**Sunday, March 20th.**



Age limit: 8 years old and under.  
 Details in March flyer.  
 Wayne & Karen Vogel  
 401-397-5117



**ST. PATRICK'S DAY DANCE & FEAST**  
**Saturday, March 12th**



Cocktails & Hors d'oeuvres 6:30  
 A Grand Presentation of Corned Beef & Cabbage  
 w/ Boiled Potatoes, Carrots, Onions & Irish Soda Bread, Dessert & Coffee.

Kitchen slaves: Jack Robertson & his Merry Leprechauns  
 Band: **HIDDEN DRIVE**

Tickets (\$15.00 per person) On Sale Friday Nights  
 February 18th & 25th (Members Only)

March 4th (Guests)  
 Bill & Nina Kelley

St. Patrick's Day Dance co-chairs



**Friday Night Dinner**

Our first Friday Night Dinner is scheduled for Good Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. Tickets will be sold on the Friday evenings of: March 4<sup>th</sup> and March 11<sup>th</sup> for members only and March 18<sup>th</sup> for members and non-members.

Meal details will be provided in the March newsletter. As in the past, we will provide a meal consistent with this religious holiday.

Tony and Cheryl Spino  
 2005-2006

Social Entertainment Committee co-Chairs

Advertiser  
Contract 05/06

**PATRON'S PAGE ORDER FORM**

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name of Patron(s)	Cap'n	Mate	Crew	Fee

(Help us with clear instructions. Limit of 32 characters per line, includes spaces & punctuation. Check boxes for category)

**Costs: Captain \$15.00 Mate \$10.00 Crew \$5.00**

Amount enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Circle payment method: Check Visa Mastercard (Please be sure amount enclosed matches order)

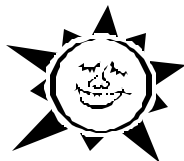
If charged, Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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 Westerly, RI 02891

	<b>February 2005</b>	
3	Pitch League season starts	1900
5	Shuffleboard Banquet	1830
6	Super Bowl XXXIX party	1300
9	<b>General Membership Meeting</b>	2000
12	Sweetheart Ball	1830
25	Bon Voyage to Commodore Ed	TBA
	<b>March 2005</b>	
12	St. Patrick's Day Dinner	1830
19	Benefit Spaghetti & Meatball Supper	1830
20	Children's Easter Egg Hunt	TBA
25	Good Friday night dinner	1830
31	Directory Advertisement deadline	



**Spring will arrive on  
 20 March 2005 at 1233 UTC  
 [0733 EST\*],  
 bringing to a close the official  
 winter season.**

**\*(Source: U.S. Naval Observatory)**

<http://aa.usno.navy.mil>