



THE WESTERLY CURRENT

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BINNACLE LIST

David Lanphear, Keeper of the Binnacle

At this time, the following crew members have been posted to our Binnacle List:

Bob Brogle and Don Greene.

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
William J. Holliday, LM Westerly, RI
Kathleen (Coucill) Nardone, LA East Greenwich, RI
REQUIESCANT IN PACE

New Members/Snowflake Steak Fry

This year's event will take place on Saturday January 22, 2005 starting at 1830 with appetizers, then out to the barbecue pit for a juicy steak to throw on the fire. Side dishes and fixings will be served buffet style. A coffee and dessert table will also be set up.

The group **2nd Avenue** will provide music for your listening and dancing pleasure.

Tickets will be on sale Friday evenings, priced at \$15.00 each, for members on December 17th. Due to Christ-

mas & New Years Eves, a sign-up sheet will be out for members & their guests after that. And we'll again be selling tickets, if not sold out, on Friday nights January 7th and 14th.

This is always a fun event and a quick sell out so sign up early & don't miss out on some good clean fun.

Tony & Cheryl Spino
 Entertainment Committee

NEW YEARS EVE PARTY will be here soon!

Save the date, Friday, December 31, 2004 for our annual New Years Eve Bash.

Come join your friends for a great new years eve party; relax in the comfort of your familiar surroundings.

We will have delicious hors d'oeuvres and dinner catered by Rafters. The menu will consist of Prime Rib, Lobster-

stuffed Sole w/lobster sauce, Twice Baked Potato, dessert, coffee,, and a Midnight Snack. Music will be provided by a great band, ILLUSIONS.

We're looking forward to seeing you all right here in the comfort of your own yacht club.

Art & Angie Smith, co-chairs

House Committee News

Well, the holiday season has come to a close and December was a very fun and joyful month at the clubhouse. We should all count our blessings for what we have.

January is shaping up to be another fun month. The House Committee will be doing an "all you can eat" family-style Spaghetti & Meatball dinner on Friday, January 14th. Cost is only \$6.00 per person with wine specials.

The New Members/Snowflake

steak fry is on the 22nd, and the AFC/NFC Championship Sunday on the 23rd will feature, along with the football games, a Chili cook-off contest from 1400 (2:00 p.m.) onward. So, whip up your best Chili recipe and bring it down so we can all enjoy it. There will be a sign-up sheet in the lounge for both functions, Friday night Spaghetti and Sunday afternoon Football 'n' Chili.

February is also 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, February 19th there will be a benefit fund raiser for Peter Marchesi (See the article on page 2 for more information). Let's all help out in any way we can.

Bill Casey
 H/C co-chairman

A special thanks to the anonymous donor who provided the Christmas tree on the end of "G" dock for the recent Christmas Holiday Season.

(and he knows who we mean!)

Sunday Afternoon Football Follies

Come on down on Sunday afternoons for some football and munchies, etc.

See Bill Casey for more information.

PITCH LEAGUE COMING UP

Jackie Nicol is beginning to plan for the next Pitch League season which will begin on the 1st Thursday in February (02/03/2005) at 7:00 p.m.



If you want to be a regular player or a spare/substitute, call Jackie at(401) 596-1547.

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. A great live (a opposed to canned) 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. \$10 in advance \$12 day of game. Don't miss out on this day of fun!

Go Pats!

Your hosts Bucky, George, and Alex

FROM THE WETSID GANG

THE SORTA' DREDGE REPORT

I hope that every one had a great Holiday Season.

By the time you read this, the days will be getting longer and you're probably planning on upgrades for your boats (that are required, I am sure, not just toys) before your spring launching.

As of December 10, 2004 the maintenance dredging permit that we requested from CRMC has not been approved. We expect it soon, but it will

be to late to accomplish this year. The dredging will have to be accomplished in the winter of 2005.

We did get a permit from the CRMC to remove the obstruction near F-dock (the fuel dock); this obstruction has destroyed a number of propellers this past season. I am sure that this will make many captains happy.

Bob Wydler,
Dock Committee Chairman

SHUFFLEBOARD 2004/2005					
Men's					
TEAM	GMS	W	L	TTL	H
EZ 6-Packers	33	30	3	1791	48
White Star	33	16½	16½	1303	16
WYC	33	14½	18½	1424	35
J.C.s	33	12	21	1362	32
O.B.s	36	11	25	1442	25
High Single: WYC = 116 High Double: EZ 6-Packers = 205					

**Sweetheart Ball—A (semi-formal affair)
Saturday, February 12, 2005**

Tickets will be on sale Friday, January 14th & 21 (members only) and Friday, January 28th (members and guests).

Dinner will be provided by: Rafter's Restaurant

We have outstanding Entertainment: Bandstand Review

This is always a great evening with the theme of being romantic, there will be an excellent dinner and a band that

will entertain you and keep you dancing all night.

This is the Commodore's last function, please join us and make it memorable for Ed and Jane.

Jini and Bob Wydler
Sweetheart Ball Committee Chairs

Women's					
TEAM	GMS	W	L	TTL	H
Dick's Swingers	39	28	11	1487	33
Bob's-R-Us	39	24	15	1378	30
EZ DOLs	39	21	18	1344	24
WYC	39	18	21	1274	33
Cove Ledge	39	12	27	1004	22
Buckler's	39	11	28	1077	17
High Single: Dick's Swingers = 108 High Double: Dick's Swingers = 188					

FAMILY STYLE (all you can eat) Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner



Friday Night
January 14th
1830 (6:30 p.m.)
\$6.00 per person
Wine Specials



Tickets on sale Friday January 7th
Sign-up sheet in the lounge

**FEBRUARY Flyer
Deadline
JANUARY 10th**

BENEFIT DINNER—FEBRUARY 19TH

We will be holding a benefit dinner on Saturday, February 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 and lives with his father or brother until he can be on his own once again. 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

P.S. Henry and Rick have chaired or co-chaired most of our Venetian Nights over the past 20 years, which is why we have chosen an Italian theme for this event. Please show your support.



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

At this writing, December 10th, Christmas and New Years Eve have not yet arrived. By the time you receive the January Current, it will all be over and we'll be in the year 2005. I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays and that the year 2005 will be a happy and prosperous one for the WYC and all its members.

November's Western Steak Fry was a huge success thanks to the hard working Entertainment Committee. They served up a feast.

I found out that decorating the club was not as easy as it may appear to be. Thanks to at least 20 busy elves that gave up their Sunday, the club now looks quite festive. An interesting point came up when stringing the lights and only half of them work: do not attempt to fix the broken lights but go buy some new ones!!! From 9:00 a.m. until late one Sunday afternoon, the decorators worked steadily. A real *big*

thank you to all who helped. Your efforts are highly appreciated by the entire club.

On Dec. 3rd Dave Rizzuto entertained in the lounge with his usual lively Karaoke performance. Thanks again Dave! It was a very good night.

Again this past Saturday (Dec.11) evening Dave and the members entertained us all with Karaoke. A small pool tournament was held with six teams. The winners were George Armstrong and Kevin Agostino. Again thank you to all of you that helped put on this event.

Upcoming events for January: Friday Night Dinner, Jan. 14th. New Members Steak Fry Saturday January 22nd. (Karaoke, which had been planned for the 22nd, is being delayed until further notice.) NFC/AFC Football, Sunday Jan 23rd with a Chili Cook-Off sounds like a big winner.

February Events: The infamous

Super Bowl Sunday, Feb. 6th is being hosted by George Armstrong and Alex Houston. Don't Miss This One! And last but not least, The Sweetheart Ball, Sat. February 12th. This is your chance to shine guys. Make it happen.

Note:

At the February General Membership Meeting the Board of Directors, in accordance with the WYC By-Laws Section XVI, will request the approval from the General Membership for the transfer of approximately \$50K from dock contingency. The noted transfer is required to cover the cost of ice damage repairs, additional ice eaters, dredging testing/ permit fees and removal of the obstacle at the south end of the fuel dock.

Your Commodore,
Ed



January 2005

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
December 26 Inventory	27	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve ILLUSIONS	1
2	3	4	5 Finance Meeting	6	7	8
9	10 BoD Meeting <i>Flyer Deadline</i>	11	12	13	14 Friday Night Dinner MONDELLOS	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22 New Members Steak Fry 2nd AVENUE
23 NFC/AFC Championships Chili Cook-off	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	February 1 <small>HU, Tracy!</small>	2 Groundhawg Day	3	4 STRAIGHT UP	5 Shuffleboard Banquet

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December 2004		
24	Christmas Eve - club closes at 1700	
25	Christmas Day - clubhouse closed	
31	New Years Eve party	1830
January 2005		
14	Friday Night Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner	1830
22	New Members/Snowflake Steak Fry	1830
23	AFC/NFC Championships/Chili Cook-off	1230
February 2005		
3	Pitch League season starts	1900
5	Shuffleboard Banquet	1830
6	Super Bowl XXXIX party	1300
12	Sweetheart Ball	1830
16	General Membership Meeting	2000
19	Benefit Spaghetti & Meatball Supper	tba
25	Bon Voyage to Commodore Ed	tba