



# BABYLON YACHT CLUB

## NEWSLETTER



### Admissions

**Doug Williamson & Barbara Schaefer**

Over the past few years, the Club has been fortunate to attract families who want to become members despite challenges brought on by the economy and by Super Storm Sandy. To ensure that these families understand exactly how the Club operates and the rules governing behavior, it is imperative that both sponsors for each applicant have a solid knowledge of these matters as well. Sponsors should likewise mentor the couples during the summer months so they can maximize the benefits that the Club has to offer.

**Probationary members should make sure that they have fulfilled the obligation of participating in one of the many social or construction type activities that the Club offers.** Helping at or hosting a party, planting flowers for the new season, painting or hammering nails when a repair is needed, are the types of things that will entitle you to full membership.

### Entertainment

**Phil Berdolt, Pete Capitain, and Barbara Schaefer**

We will be starting off this season with our annual spring party on **March 23<sup>rd</sup> at Sea Levels from 4p.m. until 7p.m.** It has been a long and brutal winter and no better way to end it than with some great food and a few tasty libations. Invitations will be sent out as we near the date and an RSVP is required so we can give Monty an accurate headcount. So please join us as we say goodbye to winter and hello to a prosperous summer season.

There are still a few **Happy Hours and Saturday Evening Parties that need a host**, so if you enjoyed attending these events and feel like running a party with your friends, please contact the entertainment committee. If you don't think you could host a party, but want to help, we will be compiling a list of helpers to distribute as needed. Call me at 631-774-4087(cell) or 631-321-6231(home) or e-mail me at

[pberdolt@yahoo.com](mailto:pberdolt@yahoo.com) and we will add your name to this list.

Looking forward to working with all the teams who have signed up already as Hosts and to those who will be first timers!

## **Sailing**

### **Andrew Hemingway and Doug Williamson**

The BYC Sailing Program is excited for the new upcoming season. Overall, the season is already shaping up to be a great one. We have been working closely with GSBYRA (Great South Bay Yacht Racing Association) to ensure a season that is full of fun for the team.

#### **AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT:**

The program will now be going to an 8 week schedule in an effort to better mirror the schedule of GSBYRA. We will also have more 420's at our disposal thanks to St. John's. A parent's seminar will be held in the spring. We are open to all ideas and we are looking forward to seeing the parents there. One topic we will be discussing in great length, is by parent request to help prepare them better. Meaning, we will share the GSBYRA schedule and educate parents on where to find important GSBYRA information. We will also help parents who are looking to take an active role in the program and want to volunteer.

We are also very excited about the fundraising efforts led by Dina Brandenstein. She has done a fantastic job in helping the program out. For those of you that have missed our previous communications, the BYC Sailing Program is having a fundraiser to raise money to buy a transport trailer for the kids in the program to get to and from away regattas easily and safely. Our goal is to raise \$5,000. We also have brackets for different levels of contributions made. The donation brackets are as follows: Pixel Class

(\$100-\$200), Opti Class (\$201-\$400), 420 Class (\$401+). To date we have collected \$2,000. Not quite our \$5,000 goal. But, a great start! We want to start looking at trailers as soon as possible, so please make a donation for the kids. No amount is too small!

Thank you to those of you that have already contributed. Those individuals are as follows:

#### Pixel Class

Dave and Donna Johnson  
Janet Hogan  
Dickie and Dorothy Burns  
Tom and Linda Devine  
Ian and Felicia Jones

#### Opti Class

Marty and Marceil O'Connell  
Dan and Dina Brandenstein  
Hugo and Donna Valenti  
Molly Hays and Roger Jette  
Paul and Lisa Standwill

Thank you so very much for all your generous contributions. We will be sure that each of you will receive a BYC Sailing Team 2014 t-shirt. If you would like to contribute, please email Dina directly at [dinagalante@yahoo.com](mailto:dinagalante@yahoo.com). You can also make a check out to the Babylon Yacht Club and mail it to Dina at 865 E Bay Drive, West Islip, NY 11795. All checks will then be distributed by our Club Treasurer, Brian Maher.

If any member has any questions please do not hesitate to call or email us.

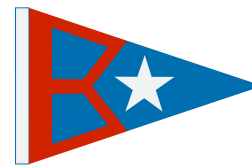
Doug Williamson  
Andrew Hemingway  
BYC Sailing Directors

**Frostbiting****Pete Captain &  
Larry Schaefer**

This has been one cold winter for Frostbiting. We managed to get in four days of racing before the bay and hoist area iced over and closed us out for the better parts of January and February. With one throw-out, the current standings are Greg Schneller with Dickie Burns and Dave Hyer in first place, Dave Hulse with John Callis in second place, Tom Davison with John Callis in third place, Joe Mülle with Hugh Larkin and Kevin O'Brien in fourth place, Andrew Hemingway with Daisy Holzmacher in fifth, Dave Johnson with Taryn Birkmire and Maria Parascandola in sixth, Rick Latorre with Barry Pittman in seventh, Larry Schaefer with Chris Siciagnano in eighth, Bob Van Tassel and Harry Manko in ninth, and Carl Galian in tenth.

**Frostbiting, January 2014**

As winter weather clears away, and Spring warms up the bay, we expect to run at least five more Saturday race days. If you aren't doing anything, this is a great time to come down and enjoy the après-race gathering, around one or two in the afternoon.

**Regatta****Joe Mülle & Carl Galian**

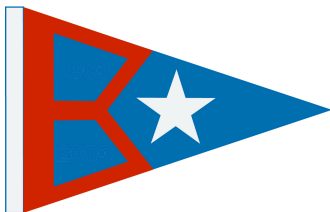
While Regatta may seem quiet this time of the year, the Regatta Committee has been very busy keeping the program moving forward. We have been working with neighboring clubs and organizations developing schedules and planning events to ensure another excellent season at the BYC. In addition to our Corinthian series there will be a lot of racing events at the BYC:

- o The BYC will be hosting Great South Bay Yacht Racing Association's Men's & Women's Bay Championships early June.
- o Beginning a One Design summer series in June.
- o Our July 4<sup>th</sup> Invitational will be a one-day event on Saturday July 5<sup>th</sup>.
- o After a 7-year hiatus, GSBYRA's annual Raceweek will be returning to the BYC.

We have numerous events within a short time span and will be asking the membership's support/backup/help to make the season a success! Additional details about Regatta events will be in future newsletters. If you have any comments or ideas on how to improve our program, please get in touch with Carl or me!

**From The Secretary****Kathy O'Brien**

Welcome back to a new year at the BYC. The Board has been busy working on the 2014 Schedule and we have a great season lined up. Please make sure to volunteer for one of the many functions that take place at the club over the year. Without your help, we could not keep the club running so efficiently. Please send any changes to personal information or Yacht Registry to [secretary@babylonyachtclub.org](mailto:secretary@babylonyachtclub.org). If you have any pictures of events at the club, please send them to me, and I will try to use them in the BYC 2014 Yearbook or in the monthly Newsletters.



**BABYLON YACHT CLUB  
JUNIOR SAILING PROGRAM  
FUNDRAISER**

The BYC in conjunction with West Marine's Grand Opening of their new flagship store will be holding a charity event **Thursday, March 20<sup>th</sup> from 6-9pm** at their West Islip location on Sunrise Highway. There will be:

**FOOD**

**DRINKS**

**LIVE MUSIC**

**FUN & FESTIVITIES**

**RAFFLES & GREAT PRIZES ALL EVENING**

**SILENT AUCTIONS**

**GRAND OPENING DISCOUNTS & SPECIALS**

TICKETS TO THIS EVENT ARE \$10 per person –

Friends & Family event, open to all.

**100% OF THE TICKET SALES GOES DIRECTLY TO BENEFIT THE BYC JUNIOR SAILING PROGRAM! ADVANCED PURCHASE or RESERVED TICKET IS REQUIRED.**

When you show up, West Marine will donate an additional \$2.00 to the BYC plus all raffle proceeds will be split among the participating charities!

Please come and join us on March 20<sup>th</sup> for a fun filled evening of food, music and prizes.....and most importantly, support the BYC Junior Sailing Program!

Please contact Doug Williamson at the Babylon Bike Shop, 218 E. Main St. (587-2424) or at [douglaswilliamson@gmail.com](mailto:douglaswilliamson@gmail.com) to purchase or reserve your tickets to this wonderful charity event!

**2013****BYC SCHEDULE**

DATE	TIME	EVENT	ATTENDEES
<b>MAY</b>			
<b>"MARCH" 23</b>	<b>4PM-7PM</b>	<b>SPRING PARTY AT SEA LEVELS</b>	<b>Members Only</b>
7	8:00PM	Board Meeting	
21	8:00PM	Board Meeting	
<b>24</b>	<b>12:30 PM</b>	<b>BYC Commissioning Day</b>	<b>Members &amp; Guests</b>
24	6:00-7:00 PM	New Members Welcome	New Members Only
<b>24</b>	<b>7:00-11:00 PM</b>	<b>Opening Day Party</b>	<b>Members Only</b>
26	11:00 AM-4:00 PM	SBCC Commissioning Day	
<b>28</b>	<b>7:00-8:00PM</b>	<b>Sail/Swim Registration</b>	<b>Members Only</b>
30	7:00PM	Corinthian Race #1	<b>Regatta</b>
<b>31</b>	<b>10:00AM-Noon</b>	<b>Sail/Swim Registration</b>	<b>Members Only</b>
31	10:00AM	GSBYRA M&W's Bay Championship	Regatta
<b>JUNE</b>			
4	8:00 PM	Board Meeting	
6	7:00PM	Corinthian Race #2	Regatta
11	6:30-8:30PM	Happy Hour	Members Only
13	7:00PM	Babylon Cup Regatta	SBCC/BYC
14	10:00-11:00AM	Swim Test for Sailing	New Sailors
15	9:00 AM-Noon	Father's Day Brunch	Members & Guests
18	8:00 PM	Spring Membership Meeting	Members Only
18	8:00 PM	Board Meeting	
20	7:00PM	Frostbiting in Summer	Regatta
24	12:00 Noon	Women's Luncheon	Members & Guests
25	6:30-8:30PM	Happy Hour	Members Only
28	7:00-11:00 PM	Margaritaville Beef & Reef	Members & Guests
28	7:00 PM	Frostbiting in Summer	Regatta
30	8:00-10:00AM	Sailing/Swim Team/Swim Lessons	Members Only
<b>JULY</b>			
2	8:00 PM	Board Meeting	
5	10:00 AM	4th of July Regatta	Regatta
5	5:00 PM	Independence Day BBQ	Members & Guests
7	7:00-9:00PM	Jr./Jr. Pool Party	Members & Guests
8	12:00 Noon	Women's Luncheon	Members & Guests
9	6:30-8:30 PM	Happy Hour	Members Only
11	8:00 PM	Candlelight Sail	Juniors/Members&Guest
12	7:00-11:00 PM	70's Party	Members & Guests
16	6:00PM	One Design Racing	Regatta
16	8:00 PM	Board Meeting	
18	7:00PM	Corinthian Race #3	Regatta
20	1:00PM	Governor's Cup	Regatta
23	6:30-8:30PM	Happy Hour	Members Only



24	10:00AM-Noon	Jr. Regatta @ Babylon YC	Jr. Sailing
26	7:00-11:00 PM	Asian Fusion-Karaoke Party	Members & Guests
25/26/27		GSBYRA Race Week @ BYC	Regatta
27	7:00-9:00 PM	Talent Show	Talented Members
<b>AUGUST</b>			
1	7:00 PM	Corinthian #4 & Landwog Race	Regatta
4	7:00-9:00PM	Jr./Jr. Pool Party	Members & Guests
6	8:00PM	Board Meeting	
7	7:00PM	Swim Team Dinner	
8		Swim Team/Lessons End	
9	7:00-11:00 PM	Clam Bake	Members & Guests
12	12:00 Noon	Women's Luncheon	Members & Guests
13	6:30-8:30PM	Happy Hour	Members Only
17	12:00 Noon	One Design Racing	Regatta
17	4:00-7:00PM	Afterguard Party	Members & Guests
18/19/20/21	10:00AM	Sail Fun Week	
20	8:00PM	Board Meeting	
21	7:00PM	Sailing Dinner	
22	TBD	Last Jr. Regatta - Location TBD	
24	9:00AM	Snapper Derby Brunch	Members & Guests
24	10:30AM	Snapper Fishing Derby	Members & Guests
24	1:00PM	Huck Finn/Raft Race	Members & Guests
27	6:30-8:30PM	Happy Hour	Members Only
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>			
3	8:00 PM	Board Meeting	
6	7:00-11:00 PM	Beefsteak Dinner	Members & Guests
7	1:00PM	Commodore's Cup	Regatta
8	8:30PM	Monday Night Football	Members & Guests
10	8:00PM	Membership Meeting	Members Only
15	8:30PM	Monday Night Football	Members & Guests
17	6:30-8:30PM	Happy Hour	Members Only
20	7:00-11:00 PM	International Party	Members & Guests
22	8:30 PM	Monday Night Football	Members & Guests
27		BYC Overnighter	Members & Guests
28	11:00AM	Corinthian Race #5 & #6	Regatta
29	8:30 PM	Monday Night Football	Members & Guests
30	8:00PM	Board Meeting	
TBD	10:00AM	BYC Men's & Women's Championship	Regatta
<b>OCTOBER</b>			
1	6:30-8:30 PM	Happy Hour	Members Only
5	10:00 AM-1:00 PM	Fireside Brunch	Members & Guests
5	12:00 Noon	Louis H Orr Jr. Invitational	Regatta
6	8:30 PM	Monday Night Football	Members & Guests

8	8:00 PM	Annual Meeting	Members Only
15	6:30-8:30 PM	Happy Hour	Members Only
19	4:00-7:00 PM	Appreciation Party	By Invitation Only
20	8:30 PM	Captain's Meeting Bass - Monday Night Football	Members & Guests
22	8:00 PM	Board Meeting	
26	6:00 AM-4:00 PM	Bass Tournament	Members & Guests
26	12:00-2:00 PM	Jr. Halloween Party	Juniors
27	8:30 PM	Monday Night Football	Members & Guests
<b>NOVEMBER</b>			
30	8:30 PM	Monday Night Football	Members & Guests
4- Election Day		Club Closes	Sad Members

