



## MARCH 2014

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

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| <b>3/3,<br/>Monday</b>    | <b>STP registration<br/>begins<br/>5:00 pm</b> |
| <b>3/15,<br/>Thursday</b> | <b>Wine Pairing Dinner<br/>7:00pm</b>          |
| <b>4/13,<br/>Sunday</b>   | <b>Family Brunch and<br/>Egg Hunt</b>          |

**FOR MORE EVENTS, PLEASE  
VISIT THE [BYC WEBSITE](http://BYCWEBSITE.COM)**



### FROM THE COMMODORE

BOB MANCHESTER

My plan for this letter was to reminisce a bit about a winter that I assumed would be ending shortly after the March issue of the Line went to press. Maybe that will still be the case. However, as I prepare to write, the forecasted low temperature for tonight is 10<sup>o</sup> F and expectations for the next several days show daily highs only occasionally reaching even 30<sup>o</sup> F. It seems to me that a new topic is in order.

In recent weeks, I have talked to several members who had just returned from a Caribbean sailing vacation and others who were anxiously anticipating one. Shirley and I just returned from a trip to the Virgin Islands and so I can heartily recommend such an excursion. Whether chartering from one of the numerous companies or being land based, the islands provide so many great spots to explore or, if one prefers, to simply enjoy a good book while sitting in the shade of a generous umbrella. Based on one of the smaller islands, we explored by power boat, found some lovely snorkeling sites, tore around in a Hobie Cat, got a bit of exercise using a standup paddleboard (a SUP according to some locals) and generally had a great time visiting with our son, Geoff, and doing the one thing at which I excel, being on or near the water and messing about with boats. The one thing we failed at, however, was running into Bob and Sheila Mattaliano who were in the North Sound of Virgin Gorda for two days while we were also there. To make matters worse, Bob reported that they were flying the Club burgee, ouch.

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**FROM THE COMMODORE, CONT.**

With STP enrollment about to commence, I know that spring and warmer weather are not too far away. Please, consult the online calendar for other activities scheduled during the month. In particular the Wine and Food Pairing event scheduled for March 6th. Tony Demers does a terrific job leading the wine tasting and, together with his team, provides a wonderful dinner.

I want to remember a member who passed away during the month of February, Barbara Primiano. Please, join me in expressing condolences to Past Commodore Steve Primiano and his family.

Looking forward to spring, until next month...

**SOCIAL**

TONY DEMERS, CHAIR



On Thursday March 6, 2014, the committee is hosting a wine and food pairing. We are planning on serving 3 small to medium dinner courses paired with two wines per course. A short description of the wines selected and food served will accompany each course. Dessert will also be served. Whether you are a wine novice or geek, there will be something for everyone. We hope to continue to introduce, discuss and taste wines that are outstanding values, highly rated, eclectic, from emerging regions, and made by interesting personalities.

Cost is \$40 per person. Reservations can be made online at <https://byc.wufoo.com/forms/2014-wine-pairing-dinner/> or by calling the club. Cost is \$40 per person. No shows will be charged. Dinner begins at 7 pm. The menu includes: Baked Scrod topped with fresh tomato, roasted garlic, caramelized onions, panko and parmesan; Mushroom and Gruyere Tart on a bed of dressed micro greens; duck confit; and dessert. If you are planning on attending, we hope you have made reservations. At the time of the article, the event had only a few seats remaining.

There will also be two guest chef nights in March. Join us March 14th and March 21st as our members show off some their culinary skills.

In February the social committee hosted the Blizzard Brunch on the 9th. We had an excellent turnout of members and guests. Once again the staff did a great job. Thank you to all of our fantastic committee volunteers.

## CRUISE

BOB MATTALIANO, CHAIR

“It won’t be long” At least that’s what an old friend and neighbor from when we lived in California would say from time to time. I must admit to having some doubts about when spring will come, especially this winter. Just when we thought it was over, wham, more snow! OK, some of us had planned escapes; something to break up the cold and dreary days. That’s right, a sailing adventure in the Virgin Islands. Sheila, her sister Sharon and I flew to St. Thomas literally between snow storms a few weeks ago. Short taxi ride to American Yacht Harbor in Redhook to pick up a rented Island Packet Estero (36.5’ LOA) for a week’s worth of fun and yes, escape from the cold and snow! Of course, you never know who you will (or will not) run into on holiday. Since we arrived on a Friday afternoon, it seemed quite logical to meander over to the Island Time Bar for libations (heavy on the rum punch). Lo and behold there were several BYC members doing their best to keep up with the local strategies to stay hydrated. Not that we needed any pointers. Seriously, it was a treat to run into Bob Read, Richard Martin and friends. From Redhook, it was a quick sail over to Jost Van Dyke. Foxy’s is still going strong for those who keep track of such things. From Jost, we sailed around the BVI in sort of a clockwise fashion. Jost to

Trellis Bay near Beef Island for dinner at the Last Resort, and then on to Saba Rock in Virgin Gorda Sound. The picture of Saba Rock on page 2 was taken from our mooring. What’s not to like about that? To make things even more interesting, we were just in time to see some of the RC44 BVI Cup 2014 races which had been organized by the RC44 Class Association and the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda. Great timing! Speaking of timing, it also turns out we overlapped a few days with Bob and Shirley Manchester, who were visiting very close by. Their son Geoff is working on the island of Eustatia, which is next to Saba. While out for a dinghy ride one afternoon, Bob tells me he and Geoff went by, didn’t see our BYC burgee properly hoisted in the rigging (!), and missed an impromptu rendezvous, never mind a cold drink! We won’t let that happen again with better





**CRUISE, CONT.**

planning. From Saba, we had a great downwind sail in the Sir Francis Drake Channel to Soper's Hole. One of the highlights Sheila really enjoys is freshly baked croissants in the morning from the Harbour Market! Nothing lasts forever though, so we made our way back via Caneel Bay on St. John, Christmas Cove, and finally back into Redhook. BTW, the barbeque chicken at Candi's in Cruz Bay is amazing. We even decided to stay an extra day on St. Thomas as Boston was getting hammered with snow once again! That's all for this month; please start thinking about the upcoming cruises in our local waters. Also, if anyone is interested in going sailing in the Virgin Islands as a group next year, please let us know. In the meantime, be safe and stay warm.

**BYC Cruise Updates -**

Please mark your calendars - The Cruise Committee will be sponsoring a dinner on Friday May 16<sup>th</sup>. Steak tips with all of the fixings.

Don't forget to make 4<sup>th</sup> of July Mooring Reservations in Edgartown

For our Summer cruise, we will spend the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday in Edgartown. The fleet will arrive on Wednesday July 3<sup>rd</sup> and depart for Vineyard Haven on Monday July 7<sup>th</sup>. Since this is a very popular venue and a busy holiday, advance mooring reservations are a really good idea. Probably not something left to chance. There are also "first come, first served moorings" but it's anyone's guess if even a few of these might be available. For this reason, advance mooring reservations are highly recommended.

Mooring reservations must be made for Edgartown using the online system or by telephone. This year, we have learned that the online system opens for reservations on Monday March 3 at 8 AM. For those planning to come with the group, it is strongly advised to make reservations at the system opening. An alternative is to try by telephone. A few have had success in years past taking this approach. Please see <http://www.edgartownharbor.com/> for additional information.

We have already reserved a block of moorings for Vinyard Haven on July 7 and 8 (Monday, Tuesday nights).

**On behalf of the Cruise Committee - Robin and Mark Amaral, Cecily and Jonathan Banks, Sue and Chip Hawkins, Anne and Lou Massa, Sheila and Bob Mattaliano, Pattie and Leeds Mitchel, Joop Nagtegaal, Mark Nugent, Pat and Walter Rok, Debbie and Steve Thurston, Dick Waterman.**



**RACE**

LEO BERENDES, CHAIR

The 2014 season is taking shape. Dates are in the calendar. The Notices of Race are posted on the web site for the Pret Gladding – Bud Humphrey Races and the Cox series. Please read them there. The entry forms are also on the web.

I want to encourage everyone to review these documents and consider participating. The Pret Gladding Race is a non-spinnaker pursuit race around Prudence Island. This is the first event of the year. The goal of this race is to be a Sunday afternoon sailing with family and friends. For those who have not been involved recently, a pursuit race has staggered starts based upon handicap. The boats with the larger handicap start first and the ones with the lower handicap (faster) start later. The order of finish is the order in which the finish line is crossed. This is not a race with tight jockeying for position on starts and at marks. So, please join us to start the season and have a fun day on the bay.

The Cox series is a 14 week Tuesday evening series with a 4 week fall addition. This is an around the buoys race with handicap applied to the elapsed time after the race. There will be both spinnaker and non-spinnaker racing. Courses will be of various shapes using both drop marks and government marks. There will be one race each evening of between 1 ½ and 2 hours. If there is sufficient interest from a one design fleet to add a second shorter race, there will be one.

If you are interested in racing the Cox series, but are not sure, please call me and we can arrange a one race trial without fee. We are also looking for people, including power boaters, to join the Race Committee. This is a fun evening on the water, and RC is a great place to watch the racing.

Any question, comments or suggestions on racing, Race Committee, etc., please contact me at [racing@barringtonyc.com](mailto:racing@barringtonyc.com).

**STP**

MICHAEL REUTER, CHAIR

Ok, so it's still cold out there, and with snow banks wherever you go it's hard to get motivated for sailing. But, the Frostbiters are back on the river, so that means it's time to think summer school. That's right, STP style summer school! Registration kicks off on March 3 at 5:00 PM. Access the sign up thru the club website. Sign up early with preferred sign up offered until March 17 for those signing up for the entire 8 weeks! As in the past, sign up is 1st come 1st served. So plan ahead now, and review our registration catalog and dates now posted on the club website.

This year you will notice a few changes from last year. The biggest change is in the new boats we have for Sharks and Snappers. The Visions are sure to excite, and we look forward to the fleet! In the coming months, look for information on our Women Teaching Women Program for 2014 and some new exciting events aimed at getting you and your family out on the water.

The STP Committee is still busy planning the 2014 season. I am happy to report that many of our favorite instructors have decided to return to BYC for 2014, and we are actively filling our last open positions. Additionally, NBYA is actively planning a new and exciting format for Junior Race Week in conjunction with US Sailing. Look for more details as they emerge.

In the meantime, think warm thoughts!

**JUNIORS**

LEAH VALENTINE, CHAIR

Think Spring!! Please mark your calendars for the annual Family Brunch and Egg Hunt. It will be held on Sunday, April 13th from 11:30am - 1:00pm. Look for details and an invitation to come in email blasts.

## MEMBERSHIP

BECKY CHWALK, CHAIR

**Committee Members:** John Calitri, Ned and Alysia Curry, Chip and Susan Hawkins, Chris Kirk, Kristen Kreuzkamp, Melissa Lawrence, Andrew Macaulay, Andrew Macken, Lou and Anne Massa, David Materne, Beverly Migliori, Matthew Mitchell, Zeth Morgan, John Ratcliffe, Oliver Tutt, Mark Wilson and Martha Richardson

The Membership Committee is considering the candidate(s) listed below for membership in the Barrington Yacht Club. Please communicate your comments on these listed candidates, favorable or unfavorable. Letters may be mailed to the Chairperson of the Membership Committee, c/o Barrington Yacht Club, or emailed to [membership@barringtonyc.com](mailto:membership@barringtonyc.com). Phone calls should be directed to the Chairperson or to any Committee Member. You may be assured that all communications will be held in the strictest confidence. We look forward to hearing from you.

### POSTING LIST

CANDIDATE POSTED	BOARD SIGNATURE	SPONSOR	DATE
Andrea Arena and William Fairbrother 141 Alfred Drown Rd. Barrington, RI 02806	Mike Reuter Rachelle Cambria	Dr. Alice Kim	2/5/14
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## MANAGER'S CORNER

SCOTT NICHOLS, GENERAL MANAGER

### Club Business Hours

Winter hours are in effect for the BYC. The clubhouse offices are open Monday – Friday 8:00am to 4:30pm, unless otherwise posted. For more information regarding club hours or to contact us, see Club Services and Hours under “About” on the club website.

### Club Nights

The bar is open and food available, every Friday from 6pm to close. Be sure to check the online calendar for the weekly Friday night menu. Tom's Market has some great ideas to bring to our club this winter and will prepare most of our Friday night meals. We are also excited to have several club members volunteer to be guest chefs.

### Marina Info

If you are looking to possibly berth a new vessel at the Club this upcoming season, please contact management to see what slips are currently available. If you are interested in being added to the “Waiting List” for future slip openings, please go to Office Information under “About” on the website for an application.

### Comments

I appreciate everyone's ongoing support. If you have any questions or concerns, please stop by.

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