## SUFFOLK BOAT CLUB

Established 1944



June 1 has arrived and with it the boating season is in full swing. This will be our last formal newsletter for the summer, and we'll pick it back up again in September. But that doesn't mean there isn't a lot planned for us as

the summer unfolds. Be sure to mark your calendars for all the upcoming events including our June Trivia Night, Connetquot River Raft-up, the Annual Happy Hour BBQ, and the Tiki Cruise coming in the next few weeks.

Would like to thank Scott Glover for navigating the Zach's Bay raft up event over Memorial Day weekend. The weather held up and the conditions were perfect for a

seasonal kick-off party. From the adjacent photo, it looks like everyone had a great time watching the Blue Angels do their thing over Jones Beach.



The next new event coming up in July is the Long Island Tiki Boat Cruise on the



Connetquot River, hosted by our one and only Kevin Biscardi. This is a first-time event for the club and an opportunity for those without a boat to join in on some cruising fun. The cruise departs from The Wharf in Oakdale at 6:00 and returns at 8:00 pm. We'll have food and a cash bar, along with music and dancing. This will also be a fundraiser for the club so make plans to be there. More to come on that shortly.

Our last trivia night for the Summer will be June 26. The SBC Trivia Night has been a great addition to our calendar of events. Would love to see more participation from our own membership so if you have a suggestion about perhaps a different weeknight or time, I'm open to ways to improve the club participation. Fortunately, we have a growing number of players from outside the club who come out regularly and we'll be working on increasing outside participation going forward. Trivia has already raised over \$2,500 through May and has allowed us to accelerate our loan repayments. It deserves your support.

Our loan repayment progress continues. Our open balance is down to just \$3,500 with seven members remaining to be repaid. Noone is owed more than \$500 at this point. Would love to have this behind us before the year is over. Your support of club events and fundraising activities is greatly appreciated!!

#### **ELECTED OFFICERS**

Russ Kittel
Commodore

Jim Lorello *Vice Commodore* 

Jeanne Riley-Kittel *Rear Commodore* 

Charlie Mazzarese *Treasurer* 

Susan Glover Recording Secretary

Kathy Lorello Financial Secretary

#### **Directors**

Tom Duggan Mike Sawaya Ed Detweiler

Bridge Meeting
June 4, 2024

Member Meeting
June 7, 2024

And finally this month, your Bridge thought it would be fun to introduce something new for some member engagement. As you know, we have many transom plates from previous and current members of the club. We thought that most folks don't know whose plate is who's. So, over the next several issues of the newsletter we'll have a new section called "Transom Trivia" to see who can identify the club members with their transom plates.

With that, I wish you all a safe and enjoyable boating season. I hope to see everyone somewhere along the way this summer. We're working hard to make things inviting and fun. All we need is you to make it complete!

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## Commodore's Update

### Transom Trivia

How well do you know your fellow members or the boats they run? Take a look at theses six transom plates and see if you can guess who's who from the club, both past and present. We're looking for the member, the boat manufacturer and length for all our displayed club plates. As we gather the information, we'll add it to the web site so you can refer to it as you desire. Have some fun with this and let us know if you know.













## More from Zach's Bay











## Commodore's Update

# Upcoming Events

June			
June 4	Tuesday	Directors Meeting	6:30 PM
June 7	Friday	Membership Meeting	7:00 PM
		Steak Dinner BBQ – Sponsored by your Bridge	
June 26	Wednesday	Trivia Night	7:00 PM
June 28	Friday	Connetquot River Spring Raft Up	4:00 PM
July - Happy Boating			
July 10	Wednesday	Annual Happy Hour BBQ	7:00
July 24	Wednesday	Tiki Boat Cruise - @ The Wharf, Oakdale	6:00
August - Happy Boating			
TBD	Wednesday	Tiki Boat Cruise - @ The Wharf, Oakdale	6:00





<u>June Meeting</u> – This month's dinner is being hosted by the Bridge on June 7. It will be our traditional Steak dinner cookout with all the fixins. If you haven't let us know if you are coming, please do so right away please.

Our next formal dinner meeting will be in September, hosted by Tom and Cathy Hess. Stay tuned for more details on their plans for this dinner meeting.

#### Membership

- Steve Langenbach and Al Haber were sworn in at the May meeting. We're looking forward to what they will add to our club. Welcome to the club fellas!!
- 2. Our roster is currently at 39 members +2 new applicants on our way to a goal of 50.
- New membership applications in review with the board.
   Kathy & Rob Andersen Kathy and Rob will be sworn in at the June meeting.
   Mike McNamara application in review with the bridge



- 4. Guest invitations for the membership to use for prospective members are printed and will be available at all meetings. The invitations are a great way to break the ice when inviting guests.
- 5. Please continue to invite friends and acquaintances to be a part of the club as we celebrate our 80th anniversary year. Feel free to share our web site link to help tell our story to future members. https://suffolkboatclub.com The site is always being updated with fresh content.

<u>Fundraising</u> – Our fundraising for 2024 continues to roll on. We're still on or ahead of our plan for 2024. Our new monthly Trivia Night has already raised over \$2,500. Funds coming into the club so far this year exceeded \$13,000 before expenses.

<u>Trivia Night</u> – If you missed it, you missed a great evening and a lot of laughs. Thanks to everyone for your participation and please continue to invite outside guests & friends to upcoming events, it really helps. And it's a lot of fun! Just ask anyone who has come out already. Come solo or with a team but make plans to come out for our June Trivia Night on Wednesday the 26<sup>th</sup> and get into the fun!

<u>Mah Jong & Bingo</u> - Working on a schedule for Mah Jong night at the club. More details will be forthcoming.

<u>Loan Payments -</u> Our outstanding loan balance is \$3,500 owed to 7 members. 10 payments were distributed from February through May. Your participation in club events helps us maintain our momentum on repayments. We will do our best to make additional payments in June.

<u>USCG Captain's Class</u> — We are exploring interest in running a USCG Captain's class at the club in the fall with the Nautical School from Lindenhurst. If you've been considering getting your USCG 6 Pack silence, this would be a great opportunity to take the class with club members. Let us know if you're interested.



## Commodore's Update

#### **Committee Volunteers**

The Bridge has big plans for this year and we need your help to achieve success. We are looking for volunteers for several important roles including:



- 1. Membership Lot's going on with membership. We could use someone to help coordinate and do follow ups
- 2. Fundraising Looking for some fun ideas and ways to raise funds
- 3. Events Open to more special events. We have ideas but need hands to help.
- 4. Fleet Captain Thank you Scott Glover for stepping up!
- 5. Flag Officer



Please give some thought to how you can bring your skills and talents to the club and volunteer to put your hands to the oars and row with us into 2024 and beyond.

Wishing you all calm winds and smooth seas,

Russ Kittel, Commodore Suffolk Boat Club https://suffolkboatclub.com

#### Club Rentals

Please contact Kathy Lorello @ 631-758-0327 if you or a guest is interested in renting the club for a special event.

#### **June Anniversaries**

Robert & Grace DeRosa John & Joanne Celauro Dan & Judi Lifavi Scott & Susan Glover Kevin & Annette Biscardi Russ & Jeanne Kittel



#### June Birthdays

Joanne Celauro, Jim Lorello, June Reich, Jim Romeo Russ Kittel, Mike Sawaya, Susan Glover, Kathleen Vollmuth, June Roslak, Tom Hess

Hope your day is the best yet!!

#### Commodore's Corner

Boating related stories & information Hope you enjoy the content!

PFD Safety

2024 Hurricane Season Forecast

Zuckerberg's Yacht Goes Dark