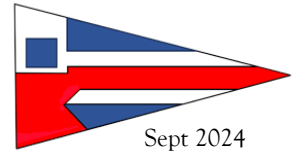


# SUFFOLK BOAT CLUB

*Established 1944*



Is it really September?? As I sit to write you, I'm taken aback by how quickly the last two months have gone by. But as I think back, it's been quite a summer. To kick things off, Scott Glover organized a fun and eventful raft up in Zach's Bay for Memorial Day. It was a great way to start the summer season.

A few weeks later in mid-June a large contingent of club members headed west to Alaska for a land tour to Denali National Park and



a cruise from Anchorage, through the famous Inside Passage into Glacier Bay and a few other ports along the way, finishing up in Vancouver. What an incredible journey full of majestic beauty, expansive landscapes, and undisturbed wildlife. Sharing these experiences with SBC members made the trip even more special. If you were there, you know. If you couldn't make it, I recommend you put it on your bucket list and try to get out there as some point. A



HUGE thank you to Susan Glover who was our point person and helped organize and plan the entire trip for all who came.

In July we gathered for our annual Summer BBQ. Turnout was great and the weather cooperated. Later in the month our first annual Tiki Boat Cruise on the Connetquot River was a big success. We sold out the entire boat and our host Kevin Biscardi made sure everyone enjoyed their time on the water.



And in the middle of all this, several members cruised out to Block Island and other points east and north as they do each year. Can't wait to hear the stories from those destinations once we start to gather again later this month.

So, as I look back on the first eight months of 2024, so much has occurred in and around the club, but there is still much coming our way. The calendar for the month of September is literally full of club events and fundraisers that will help advance the club and build the strength of our membership. I'm counting on each member to do their part to support the events that are coming through the rest of the year.

This year we set a goal to increase our membership up to 50 by year end and we've made great progress toward achieving that goal. We're currently up to 39 and have 3 open applications currently with the Bridge for review. You've heard me say that "Membership is our life blood." So please keep friends and acquaintances in mind as potential new members and bring them to a dinner meeting or club function and help us grow.

We've also made good progress getting some of the member loans repaid. By supporting our fundraisers like our monthly Trivia Night, Bingo Night and other events you help us get our members repaid and strengthen the club's financial posture as we move ahead. No payments were made during our summer hiatus but we're down to only seven members owed for a total of \$3,500 outstanding. A big thank you to everyone who supports and promotes our fundraising activities throughout the year. We can't do it without your help.

## **ELECTED OFFICERS**

Russ Kittel  
*Commodore*

Jim Lorello  
*Vice Commodore*

Jeanne Riley-Kittel  
*Rear Commodore*

Charlie Mazzaresse  
*Treasurer*

Susan Glover  
*Recording Secretary*

Kathy Lorello  
*Financial Secretary*

*Directors*  
Tom Duggan  
Mike Sawaya  
Ed Detweiler

*Bridge Meeting*  
September 4, 2024

*Member Meeting*  
September 20, 2024



# Commodore's Update

## Transom Trivia

How well do you know your fellow members or the boats they run? Take a look at these 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 Photos from the Summer





# Commodore's Update

## Upcoming Events

September			
Sept 4	Wednesday	Directors Meeting - Raffle ticket return	7:00 PM
Sept 8	Sunday	Interclub picnic - Davis Park	1:00 PM
Sept 12	Thursday	SBC Bingo Night	6:00 PM
Sept 13	Friday	Connetquot River Fall Raft Up	4:00 PM
Sept 20	Friday	Membership Meeting - Past Commodores Dinner	7:00 PM
		Sponsored by Tom & Kathy Hess	
Sept 25	Wednesday	Trivia Night	7:00 PM
October			
Oct 2	Wednesday	Directors Meeting	7:00 PM
Oct 18	Friday	Membership Meeting	7:00 PM
		Octoberfest sponsored by Ed Detweiler	
Oct 30	Wednesday	Trivia Night	7:00 PM
November			
Nov 6	Wednesday	Directors Meeting	7:00 PM
Nov 15	Friday	Membership Meeting	7:00 PM
		Turkey Dinner Sponsored by the Bridge	
Nov 20	Wednesday	Trivia Night	7:00 PM
December			
Dec 4	Wednesday	Directors Meeting	7:00 PM
Dec 14	Saturday	Suffolk Boat Club Holiday Party	7:00 PM
		Hosted by the SBC Bridge	
Dec 18	Wednesday	Trivia Night	7:00 PM



# Commodore's Update

**September Meeting** – This month's dinner is being hosted by Tom and Cathie Hess. If you haven't let us know if you are coming, please do so right away please.

## **Membership**

1. Our roster is currently at 39 members +3 new applicants on our way to a goal of 50.
2. New membership applications in review with the board.  
Mike McNamara – an old friend of many club members  
Lisa DeTroia – friend of Jeanne Kittel and rabid Trivia player  
Rob Corpac – friend of Anita and Marge
3. 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.
4. 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.

**Fundraising** – Our fundraising for 2024 will pick up again in September. We're on or ahead of our plan for 2024. Trivia Night has already raised almost \$3,000. Funds coming into the club so far this year exceeded \$17,000 before expenses.

**Trivia Night** – 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! Come solo or with a team but make plans to come out for our September Trivia Night on Wednesday the 25<sup>th</sup> and get into the fun! Be sure to check the club website for a clue and 1 free answer. Doors open at 6:00, game starts at 7:00.

**Bingo Night** – Grace DeRosa and June Reich are hosting a Bingo Night at the club on Thursday 9/12. Doors open at 6:00 and the games start at 7:00. Cost is \$10 for a set of Bingo cards. The bar will be open, and Grace and June will have tasty treats available as well. Grab some friends and come out to win prizes and support the club.

**Loan Payments** - 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 September.

**USCG Captain's Class** – We are exploring interest in running a USCG Captain's class at the club in the fall or winter with the Nautical School from Lindenhurst. If you've been considering getting your USCG 6 Pack or Masters license, 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 been working extraordinarily hard this year but we could use your help to achieve even more. We are looking for volunteers for several important roles including:



1. Membership – Lots 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. 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 through the balance 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.

## July, August, & September Anniversaries

Tom & Cathie Hess	Lee & Marylou DiClemente
Charlie & Celeste Mazzaresse	James & Patricia Romeo
Rich & Lorraine Schwinge	Paul & Jodi Massey
Rich & JoAnn Spatola	Mike & Karen Sawaya

## July, August, & September Birthdays

Anita Becker, Jean Coleman, Elenor Hachmann  
Ray Richmond, Paul Wekerle, John Sarich,  
Lee DiClemente, Mary Ferguson, Rich Spatola,  
Tom Duggan, Grace DeRosa, Bob Hachmann, Annette  
Biscardi, Jeanne Kittel, Karen Sawaya, Celeste Mazzaresse,  
Denise Vilaplana

## Commodore's Corner

Boating related stories & information

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