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Duck Island Yacht Club

Founded in 1932

Happy mid-November and Happy Thanksgiving

Congratulations to all the winners Saturday evening! More on that in the Dec 23rd newsletter!

2025 Flag Officers – Term begins December 1st

We are grateful for your willingness to give your time, energy & talents!

Commodore Anne Edgley
Rear Commodore Race Ruth Emblin
Rear Commodore Cruise Lauren Weinstein
Secretary Renee Carlisle
Director of Publicity Robin Konrad
Vice Commodore Mike DeNamur
Rear Commodore Social VACANT
Treasurer Evan Cooper
Fleet Captain Roger Bauman
*Webmaster Dick Saunders

Commodore's Corner

Our Annual Party is such a wonderful and joyful event each year and I had the honor to present many of the 2024 awards which made it extra special for me.

Congratulations to all!

Next Officer's Meeting: Tuesday, December 3rd at 5:30p

Thank you, Anne diyc.commodore@gmail.com

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Member Spotlight
2024 Treasurer Evan Cooper & One Design Members
Sheridan Bauman of Premier Gear

Evan Cooper, Treasurer

Evan grew up in Old Saybrook, CT and now resides in East Lyme with his wife Amy and children Josh (17) and Molly (16). Evan first learned to sail in the late 1980's at DIYC on the Capri 14's. At 13 he started racing with the Mudheads on a J-35 named Zorro. After Zorro was sold, he started racing at Duck Island. Currently, Evan races Thursday nights at DIYC with his Etchells boat partners Doug Carlisle and Mark Kondracky, Wednesday nights on Details with John Fries and the Mystic Mudheads, a few weekend races with Mark Salerno on Fusion in ECSA races and about 15-16 weekend races up in Narragansett Bay and Rhode Island Sound on a Lyman Morse 40 Mischief with David Schwartz and the GMT Composites team. Evan is also Vice Commodore at Frostbite Yacht Club. Outside of sailing, Evan is a recovering CPA who has worked at Pfizer in Groton CT for the past 16 years in varying positions, Global R&D Controller, Business Development for Vaccines and Oncology Research Units and now Business Operations for Medicine Design and Anti-Infectives. In the winter Evan stays busy playing ice hockey and pickleball.

Evan's goal as treasurer is to ensure the long-term financial viability of the club!

Treasurer's Report

a) Monthly bills paid
(Eversource, Yachtscoring, Clubhouse cleaning & webhosting)
b) Finalizing Annual Party w/awards fees
c) Filed 2023 Tax returns
d) Renewed our CT Public Charity Certificate
e) Helping Robin w/Winter Shirt sales and use of PayPal

Thank you, Evan *diyc.treasurer@gmail.com*

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Etchells 1203/1262
Mark Kondracki/Evan Cooper/Doug Carlisle

On average it takes three people to race an Etchells - one person to work the bow, one to work the middle and one to drive.

On 1203 we have Doug on bow. His job is to trim the jib, and get the chute up and down. He was the key to winning some of our heavy air races. Long Island sound is not known for heavy air, but sometimes it kicks up. With his experience, and the fact that the three of us sail together, we were able to put the chute up in conditions that other boats were unable to do so. Also Doug loves to tweak the boat and its rig. After one night racing, we just couldn't seem to get the boat moving. We seemed to have the boat in the right places on the race course, but the results were disappointing. It was a long quiet sail back to the dock. Doug did some tuning on the rig and our results were much improved. A tape measure is a wonderful thing!

Evan does middle. The basic job is to control the main, but things get pretty busy. When the chute goes up, he controls the pole, the sheet and the guy. Things have to happen pretty fast to make the transition between chute up and down. Hey we're close to the leeward mark, we need the chute down fast. Evan also calls the laylines and often calls the tactics... Well we all kind of chip in.

Mark drives which means he concentrate on the tell tales and the feel of the boat. At the start, he always tries to figure out how many seconds it will take to get to the line, and try to hit it going full speed.

We try to sail fast, and have fun!

Etchells - Lionheart: Scott Beckwith
Etchells - 1042: Toby Doyle
Etchells - 673: Dennis Carriere
(Note: Dennis had knee surgery and had hoped he would be able to race his Etchells. Turned out he couldn't so he kindly donated his registration fee to DIYC! Thank you!!

Laser: Roger Bauman
Laser: Terry Munster
Laser/ILCA 7: Ben Russell

JY15 - Seafire: T. J. Buckley
JY15 - 1979: John Amendola
JY15 - Karma: Jameson McCarthy

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Sheridan Bauman is not only an active DIYC member and DIYCA owner she is also a local business woman who operates Premier Gear. Premier Gear does work for various local businesses and surrounding schools' athletic teams!

DIYC has used Premier Gear for years to be the key creator/maker for our Thundermug Shirts! This year we were lucky to have her also create/make our ILCA Regatta shirts!

Contact Sheridan
Premiergear3333@gmail.com

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Winter Shirt Sale

Thundermug 2024	Thundermug 2023	Thundermug 2022	Thundermug 2021
NEW	Was $20	Was $15	Was $5
$25.75 PayPal	$15.50 PayPal	$10.50 PayPal	Free **w/purchase**
$25 cash	**$15 cash**	**$10 cash**	
Royal Blue Shirt Color	Light Blue Shirt Color	Navy Blue Shirt Color	White (Cotton) Shirt Color
Sizes	Sizes	Sizes	Sizes
Check inventory S, M, L, XL,XXL	Check inventory S, M, L, XL	Check inventory S, M, L	Check inventory M, L

Also available:

NEW 2024 ILCA Regatta
(Navy blue shirt color)
$25.75 PayPal ($25 cash)
Sizes S,M,L,XL

PAY via PayPal HERE

Email Robin diyc.pub@gmail.com pick-ups (& cash payments)

While supplies last! Sale ends Jan 15th

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SOCIAL CENTRAL

Saturday was a night of Celebration & Achievements!
Congratulations to all!

I just want to take a moment to express my sincere gratitude to my amazing cohosts for our Annual Party - Commodore Anne & Chris Morano for their endless hours of calls, texts and emails! Also a shout out of thanks to Evan Cooper for handling the cash flow, our presenters Anne Edgley & David Nauber, Mike DeNamur for handling the photo slideshow for me and to Kathy Nauber & Ruth Emblin for arranging all the awards!

Winter Social - TBD

I appreciate all the help that was given to me while I held this second position.
Thank you, Robin social.chairman@diyc.com

We are seeking someone to fill our Rear Commodore Social position for 2025
Please reach out to any officer or BOG member if interested.

FLEET NEWS

Thanks for a great season…see you spring 2025!

Thank you, Roger fleet.captain@diyc.com

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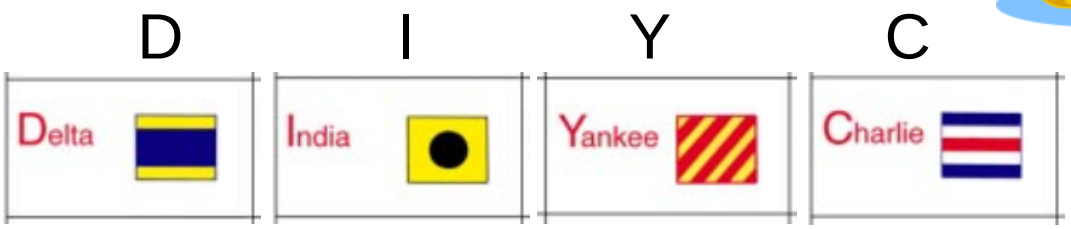
Fun w/Flags



That's Funny

[Team One Newport (DIYC SWAG)]

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Not a racer? But want to be in the action?
Consider joining race committee!

Plan ahead to join in 2025!

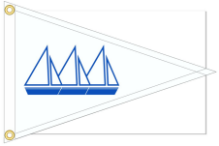
Contact Ruth at diyc.race@gmail.com

BOG Chair Update

Nothing at this time

Regards, David Nauber

Condo Happenings



1. We have signed a contract with a new company to do the dock repairs & upgrades. We are planning to have these taken care of before the beginning of next season.
2. Dredging project is in full swing. Core samples were taken by ACOE, and sent to lab for analysis.
3. Condo power poles on docks will be upgraded/replaced over the next season.

Thank you, Mark Salerno DIYCA Secretary

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RACE INFO

Thank you, Ruth diyc.race@gmail.com

Cruise Highlights

BOOK YOUR 2025
Mystic Seaport/Labor Day Weekend spot NOW!
(Type in "DIYC" into the memo section of Dockwa)

MOORING REGULATION REMINDER

1) Moorings are available on a "first come, first served" basis, subject to the following priorities
   A) DIYC Active members
   B) Where permitted, guests of DIYC members when cruising with a member yacht
   C) Where permitted members of yacht clubs which grant reciprocal privileges to DIYC

DIYC members may not offer the use of the Club moorings to other individuals

For full mooring locations & regulations

See our DIYC website and click on "Member Only" section

Thank you, Lauren cruise.chairman@diyc.com

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Secretary's Summaries

Wishing everyone a wonderful Holiday Season filled with friends & family, laughter & love!

- ✓ October 12th Officer Meeting minutes – to be available in December newsletter
- ✓ Always welcoming new members! See application below and email me w/questions.

Find our minutes and rosters on our website → **Members Only** Requires userid & pswd

Thank you, Renee diyc.secretary32@gmail.com

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Vice Commodore's Comments

Thank You, Mike Vice.commodore@diyc.com

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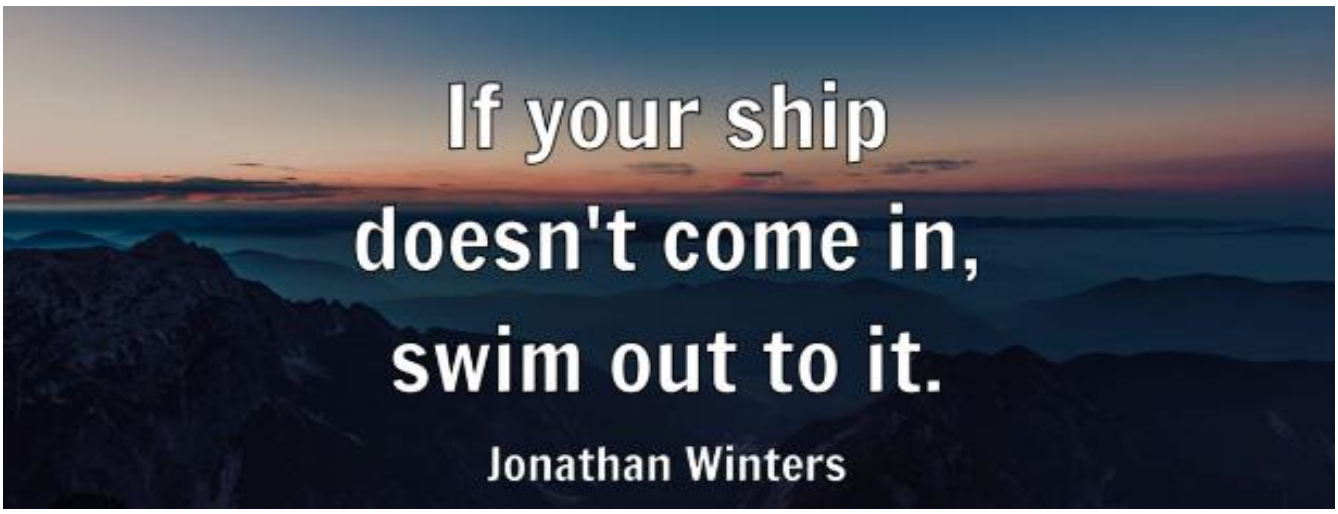
"When will you admit the boating season is over?"



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***Classified Alert! Classified Alert! Classified Alert! Classified Alert! ***

- **Winter Shirt Sale** - Going on now until Jan 15th
- ***Rent our Clubhouse*** - $100/day, see our rental agreement link in the "Members Only" section of our website – questions ask Vice Commodore Mike (BOOKING FOR 2025)
- **Need Swag?** – DIYC Magnets $5 and stickers $3! *For questions ask Vice Commodore Mike*

***Classified Alert! Classified Alert! Classified Alert! Classified Alert! ***

Got News?

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Our NEXT "The Mainsheet Newsletter" will be Monday, December 23rd

Spotlight on our Emeritus & Social Members (see separate email to you all)

Submission deadline: Monday, Dec 16th

This is my last of my yearlong Member Spotlights on everyone in OUR Club!
It was great to get to know many members and appreciate those who participated!

Thank you for reading & hope you enjoyed!

Thank you, Robin diyc.pub@gmail.com

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DIYC Website News & Updates

Finishing up my 20th year as Webmaster!

Thank you for checking in often…and be sure to check back in late winter/ early spring!

Thank you, Dick diyc.webmaster@gmail.comp

Previous Month **December** Next Month

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Officers Meeting 5:30 PM	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23 Mainsheet Newsletter eBlast	24	25	26	27	28
20	30	31				

Other Happenings:

- CT River Bridge Project started (completion slated in 2031)

That's all for now Duckies ☺…..Cheers Thank you, Robin diyc.pub@gmail.com

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DUCK ISLAND YACHT CLUB Inc.

Membership Application

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP (check one) Active ___Social ____
Children under Age 26 by 4/1? Yes____ No____
A Social member may not own a boat greater than 20 feet

Name_____
Last First Spouse/Significant other

Address_____
Street City State Zip

Applicant:

Cell Phone_____Home phone_____E-mail_____

Spouse/Significant other:

Cell Phone_____Home phone_____E-mail_____

Children (names and ages) _____

Occupation (Applicant) _____ Company_____

Work Address_____
Street City State Zip Phone

Occupation (Spouse) _____Company_____

Work Address_____
Street City State Zip Phone

Boat Name: _____ Make_____ Type_____ Sail #_____

Boat Location: (Where is it docked?) _____

Proposals: Applicant must be proposed by current Active (not Social) Members of Duck Island Yacht Club

Proposed By: _____

Seconded By: _____ Seconded By: _____

Applicant & Member Responsibility: I understand the success of Duck Island Yacht Club requires 100% involvement of its members. I agree to do my part as an active contributor to the work responsibilities of the club.
The applicant understands and agrees to all the requirements of Active/Social Membership and agrees to comply with all DIYC rules and bylaws.

Applicant's Signature_____Date_____

***Proposer/Seconds must recommend the applicant for membership by completing the New Member Recommendation Form. They must be Active (not Social) Members in good standing and must know the Applicant.**
****All completed forms are *to be submitted to the Proposer* of this member.**
The *proposer* will then mail all completed forms with the appropriate fees (see Membership Options) to the DIYC Secretary.

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Duck Island Yacht Club - New Member Recommendation Form

DUCK ISLAND YACHT CLUB Inc.
PO BOX 593 * WESTBROOK, CONNECTICUT 06498

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP (check one) _____ Active _____ Social

Name of Applicant (s) _____
Last First Spouse

How long have you known applicant? _____ In what capacity do you know the applicant?
_____
_____
_____

Describe the contributions this applicant could make to the club as a member:
_____
_____
_____
_____
_____
_____

Recommender's Signature _____ Date _____

(check one) _____ Proposer _____ Second #1 _____ Second #2

This completed form is to given to the *Proposer* to be submitted with the completed application and appropriate fees to:

Secretary, Duck Island Yacht Club, P.O. Box 593, Westbrook, CT 06498

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Duck Island Yacht Club a premier social and racing club since 1932 because of volunteers like you…

Thank you….

Board of Governors

Flag Officers

Webmaster

Race Committees

Social Committees

Facebook Admins

Grillers

Racers ~ Cruisers

….AND EVERYONE ELSE WHO HAD A HAND IN OUR SUCCESS!