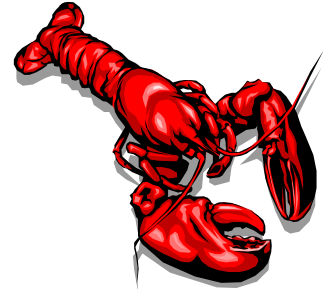
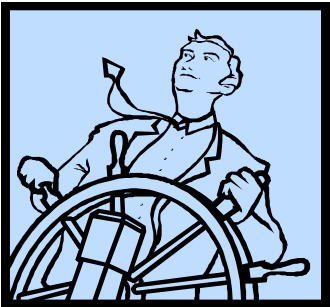


Deer Isle Yacht Club' Spring 2008



Comments from the Commodore



Greetings to all!

This year should be a great one for the Deer Isle Yacht Club. The schedule of events, which appears elsewhere in the newsletter, continues to offer something for everyone. We are excited that the Porter Family and Great Spruce Head have invited members to visit the is-

land so watch the website for more information on that. This follows last year's picnic on Bear Island which the extended Fuller family hosted. Those who made it out through the fog had a great time and I'm sure this year will be equally enjoyable.

On a more serious note, there are a few items that I need to address with the membership. Last year the cove saw five (5) moorings break loose during the summer and early fall season, including the club's Guest Mooring. Fortunately, no one was injured but it could easily have happened. There was serious (and expensive) damage to boats of all sizes and it has reminded all of us how exposed the cove really is, particularly to the West and Northwest. When it blows, it is not unusual to see whitecaps rolling

though the harbor. The Board of Governors has asked that I remind all mooring owners of their responsibility to properly maintain ground tackle. Physical inspections of the top chain and shackles should be performed at the beginning of the season and it is a good idea

to do a full inspection every two years. Only high quality chain and shackles should be used with no Chinese made shackles or other components due to documented problems with the strength and longevity of these items. More specific mooring guidelines are being developed by the Board but please have you mooring inspected.

Now, back to the **Guest Mooring**. The club had a serious incident this past fall when a non-member left a boat on the guest mooring unattended for

more than a day. The weather turned and blew from the west and the boat ended up on the bricks. The mooring's failure reminded us all for the club to have a rigorous program for inspection of all its ground tackle. New gear will be put in place this spring. As one member stated recently "The guest mooring issue is an

emotional one for many." As such, I thought it would be a good idea to remind everyone of the long established rules for use of the mooring. They are:

The Deer Isle Yacht Club maintains a guest mooring considered suitable for yachts to about 40 feet in length.

Although the Club makes every effort to ensure the optimal condition of the Guest Mooring, **the Club does not guaranty the adequacy or safety of the mooring! The Club assumes no responsibility for the use of the mooring and anyone using the mooring does so at their own risk.**

The mooring is provided primarily for the use of guests of members. Members shall not use the mooring except in an emergency.

No charge shall be made for the use of the mooring.

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Use of the mooring is on a first come, first served basis and may not be reserved in any manner.

The maximum stay shall be 24 hours. Any member may request any Officer of the Club to enforce the 24 hour limit.

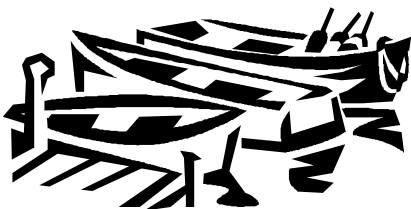
A Tenant Membership does not confer any right to the use of the guest mooring.

The biggest problems we seem to have is with tenants and guests of members using the mooring. Not to be too blunt about it, but the mooring is not to be used by members or tenants. Guests of members are limited to 24 hours.

Abuse of it will only generate resentment and the season is too short for that. The last thing an "Officer of the Club" wants to do is to have to kick someone off the mooring. The rules for use of the mooring will be posted on the bulletin board as well as the website.

Island Moorings

As part of the renewed effort of rigorous maintenance of ground tackle, the club will be making sure that there are two so-called **Island Moorings**. These are moorings for use by members who are coming in from the islands and need to temporarily tie up while running errands. The idea is to reduce the likelihood of someone having to leave their boat at the dock for an extended period. These moorings will be clearly marked and the club's dinghy can be used to get back and forth if needed. These are for members living on the islands in the bay who do not have personal moorings in the cove and are to be used for a maximum of 24 hours at one time



Tenant Charterers

The Board of Governors has established a tenant-charterer fee for non-members who rent a house or charter a boat from a member of the club and who use the club facilities and participate in the Club activities in the manner of a member.

The tenant-charterer must be sponsored by the host-member who shall be responsible for the payment of the fee. The fee shall be an amount equal to the dues of the host-member. A host-member shall be liable for one tenant-charterer fee per tenant-charterer, and he may collect the fee from his tenant or charterer.

The host-member shall be responsible for notifying the Treasurer and Vice Commodore of tenant-charterer arrangements. The host-member shall be responsible for the conduct of the sponsored tenant-charterer, and also responsible for acquainting the tenant or charterer with the Club Rules. Board of Governors shall interpret this rule or any questions which may arise from it, and shall have the power to revoke the privileges of the tenant-charterer for any cause they deem sufficient.

Dinghy space for a tenant-charterer will be assigned only if space is available, in which case the dinghy space fee shall be charged. Should a tenant-charterer have use of the host-member's dinghy, no additional fee shall be charged.

Dinghy Docks

We're going to try again to get the old float anchored out so it can be used as a sailing dinghy dock where dinghys can be stored when not being used. It will help free up some space at the regular dinghy floats. Watch for it and please give it a try.

Membership Committee

Please remember to notify the Chairman of the Membership Committee of changes in physical and email addresses. Changes can be sent to: Deer Isle Yacht Club, PO Box 128, Sunset, ME 04683. Finally, this is the same address to send your dues, if you haven't already. If you haven't, please do so as quickly as possible so your name doesn't appear on the Wall of Shame on the bulletin board!

Mooring Inspections

It was reported at the May 24, 2008 meeting of the DIYC Board of Governors that Pearl Hardie has been working on members' moorings. He's pulled 15 and all of them were bad. Contemporary materials may last for an increasingly short length of time. Gary Wenglowski again suggested



nylon hawser in lieu of top chain, though it can unravel so it is necessary to get it fully braided, and the bottom of the hawser should be buoyed. Hamilton Marine will do rigging to order; perhaps we might have one or two done as a test. David Wakelin uses rope on the island for the winter and says he's never lost one. No consensus was reached for a one-size-fits-all solution.

A Taste of the Island Survey of the Cove



Cranberry Margarita

2 oz of white tequila

1 oz triple sec

1/2 oz lime juice

3 oz cranberry juice

Combine in a tall glass with ice. Garnish with a wedge of lime. Find a porch.

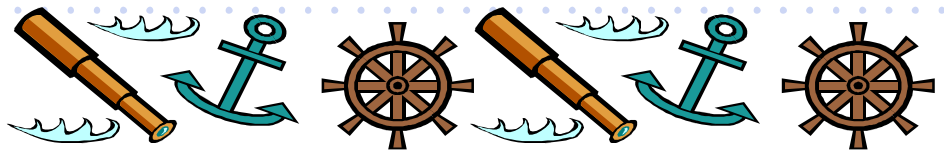
A survey of the cove is underway. Each mooring will be given a GPS location. A map of the contour of the bottom of the cove will be included. The surveyors' estimate was \$4200. The result will be a contour map with dots for the moorings, which will be labeled with owners' names. The surveyors will provide DIYC with an electronic file as well as a file of raw data. In the May 24th, 2008 meeting, the DIYC Board of Governors discussed issues related to the survey, including consideration of moorings that are not in at the time of the survey. The survey goes out to the red buoy, to the midpoint of the cove in front of the Cornings'/Harrisons' beach and over to the Mill Pond, inside Pigeon Reef. As of May 30 the editorial offices of The



Cove received an email from FP Haeni that the hydrographic survey had been completed and the surveyors are now working on the data. By summertime mere data will be converted into more controversy than a Bullseye race. You don't want to miss out on this action.

Bo Passes the Helm

The last several years have been a time of growth and change. The club purchased the Fishermen's Wharf and by doing so assumed responsibility for helping to ensure the traditional use of the cove as an access point for the islands in the eastern bay (the mortgage was paid off last year). We welcomed many new members from the islands and made new friends in the process and the



club is stronger as a result. None of this would have been possible without the tremendous generosity of the membership who donated large and small amounts to help secure the future of the cove. My thanks to those who made it happen...you know who you are!

I would be remiss in not mentioning the tremendous support from the individuals who serve not only as your Board of Governors but also all the club volunteers who make it all happen! While the list is long, Andy Fuller clearly comes to mind. Andy is stepping down as Vice Commodore in August. He has tirelessly put in countless hours to make sure that the floats go in and out, parking lot is maintained, mooring issues resolved, floats and pier replaced and repaired...the list goes on. He has helped navigate the club through some tricky waters and we are still afloat. Thank you, Andy! Scott Mischione has foolishly agreed to step into the breach and has already begun to assume responsibilities. You are a bold man, Scott.

Overall, the club is good shape. We continue to work on managing the precious resource many of us affectionately refer to simply as The Cove. The physical assets of the club are in good condition and the Finance Committee is working on a new five year plan to make sure we are looking to the future. This will be my last letter to the membership as Commodore. I will be handing the helm, so to speak, to Jeff Wakelin who will no doubt do a great job of continuing to move the club forward. I hope everyone has a great summer and I look forward to seeing you soon.



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Write for The Cove!

by Jack Carter

Okay, I'll admit it. I completely whiffed it and we had no fall of 2007 issue of The Cove. Not only were our readers disappointed, but also those who use this periodical for other purposes (lighting fires, swatting flies, wrapping fish) had to resort to real newspapers to do the job. A sad state of affairs, indeed.

Perhaps you, gentle reader, may be the one to provide a remedy. Please send any news, articles, opinions, or graphic art to me at the addresses provided above. I've admitted something here, it's time you did the same — you've wanted your own by-line in an esteemed publication. Perhaps you'll settle for your own by-line and we'll leave it at that.

2008 Schedule

July 8	Rowing Class
August 2	Great Spruce Head Island Picnic
August 4 – 8	Bullseye Races
August 9	Empty The Cove Race
August 12	Rowing Class
August 13	Butter Island Picnic
August 23	Board of Governors Meeting, and DIYC Annual Meeting & Dinner