

Blue Water Sailing Club

2009 in Review

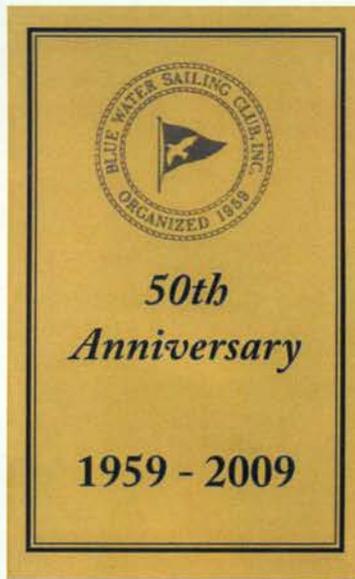
# BLUE WATER LOG



2009 Board of Governors



Treacy Weiner  
and Patti Cohen



Herb and Ruth Weiss



Past Commodores



## Commodore's Corner

*By Fred Kern*

I want to welcome all members to the second half century of activities of the Blue Water Sailing Club. Last year, 2009, was very successful under the direction of our Past Commodore Pat Dieselman. I want to thank her for her guidance over the past years, as well as her support this year, as I continue to learn about the operation of the club. In addition to our regular club activities, last year included our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration. David Kettner, our LOG editor, has taken on the task to document all of the activities of the past year, as you will read in later sections of this issue of the LOG. I want to take a moment before getting to the activities we have planned for the upcoming year, to remind you that the success we have achieved over our first 50 years is the direct result of the efforts of many dedicated members. I want to thank them for carrying out the objective of the Blue Water Sailing Club, which is to promote good fellowship among individuals actively interested in sailing and to extend the opportunities and experiences available to cruising yachts, thereby enhancing the capabilities of their owners.

We have planned a busy year of activities on land and sea. Members have organized 10 land based programs under the direction of Rear commodore Cathryn Griffith. The first of two Splicing Seminars and the Sail Trim & Maritime Law Seminar have already taken place. The traditional Ski Weekend was held for the second year at Sugarbush, Vermont. The remaining Winter activities to be held in March include the Advanced Splicing Seminar, CPR and First Aid Training, a Galley Session Seminar to exchange recipes for Quick Healthy meals (and sample some of them), and a South End Art Walk. Activities in April include an Offshore Presentation by sailors who have experienced extreme weather conditions (one BWSC member), and the Racing Trim and Tactics seminar. The spring season will be capped off by our Spring Meeting, during which we expect to have BWSC Scarves and Ties available through the efforts of Pat Dieselman. These events will complete our pre-sailing activities. You can check out all of these activities on the BWSC website to determine their locations, get event details and to see who has volunteered to host these events

We are also planning an active sailing season under the direction of our Vice Commodore Mark Devine, start-

ing with the Memorial Day weekend Cruise, the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Women's cruise, two July 4<sup>th</sup> cruises, an offshore overnight race event, as well as Southern and Maine Cruises. Our Race Committee Chairman, Peter Dragonas, has taken the initiative to approach the PHRF New England organization that sanctions New England performance handicap racing and has established a Blue Water Sailing Fleet, that I encourage all members to consider joining. This will make for more equitable ratings between our yachts during our club races, and for the first year BWSC will pay for the membership costs as a member benefit! Labor Day weekend Cruises and a Columbus Day weekend cruise will complete our summer sailing activities for the 2010 year.

The Annual meeting will be held in early November at which time we will elect officers and Governors for the following year. I encourage all of our members to participate in as many of our events as they can fit into their busy schedules. I want to thank all of the members who have planned the events for this year, and to encourage everyone to consider volunteering to support our many activities in this and the coming years. I also want to thank Bill Knuff who is leading the effort to develop a truly needed and useful "Operations Manual" to provide continuity and guidance for "How it has been done" for all officers, board members and event chairs. Remember, a good year does not just happen. We have a wonderful group of members who make it so. I also want to express my appreciation for the work of the members of the current Board of Governors and event chairs that will result in another year of shared camaraderie this year to keep Blue Water Sailing Club a living, vibrant organization. It has been an honor to have worked with so many of you in past years and I am looking forward to continuing sharing this experience with you during the rest of the year.

### 2009 in Review

The 2009 season for Blue Water Sailing Club was full of the usual roster of activities. The following table lists the events as published on the web site.



Month	Event
February	Splicing Seminar Ski Weekend
March	Satellite Communications and On-Board Electric Power Seminar
April	Galley Cuisine Seminar
	50th Anniversary Gala
May	Memorial Day Cruise / Spring Regatta
June	12th Annual Women's Cruise
July	July 4th Weekend Cruise – North and South
	Southern Cruise
August	Maine Cruise
September	Labor Day Cruise / Fall Regatta – North and South
October	Columbus Day Weekend Cruise
November	BWSC Annual Meeting

The splicing seminar and ski weekend in February were organized by Ed Stott and Craig Spear, respectively. The Satellite Communications and On-Board Electric Power seminar in March was organized by Barry Steinberg. Kem Vassallo organized and presented the Galley Cuisine seminar in April. The BIG event was, of course, the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala at the Seaport Hotel in Boston, organized by Patti and Harvey Cohen, and Treacy and Mark Weiner. The summer cruises are recapped in this LOG by the organizers of each. The Columbus Day weekend cruise was organized by Henry and Marsha Bornhofft. The Annual Meeting was organized by Cynthia Devine and Betsy Gabrielson.

## 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala

*Treacy Weiner and Patti Cohen*

Friends, food, and formal attire. This could well have been the theme for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala, held at the Seaport Hotel in Boston on April 25<sup>th</sup>. There were 176 members and 4 guests attending. We arrived at the Seaport Hotel function area atop the World Trade center and found a busy reception table area, a huge layout of

appetizers, a bar, a roving photographer, and lots of friends. It was very clear that much thought, energy, and time had gone into making this a world-class event for Blue Water Sailing Club members. Inside, tables for 10 were prepared, and the decor was bright and welcoming. The Johnny Ray Band was preparing for the evening, and a slide show, created by Sue Patton, was running with



Commodore Pat Dieselman and Harriet Goldman

memories of Blue Water Sailing Club events past.

Among the highlights were a presentation by Harriet Goldman, a Founder and Life Member of BWSC, reminiscing on the creation and progress of the club. A history booklet, describing the origin of the club and the activities through the years had been prepared by David Kettner and Wally Feldman, and was given to every member. A new burgee commemorating the 50th anniversary and a mug was also given out. The food was wonderful, and the dancing was quite contagious. A special highlight for the Editor was to visit with Past Commodore Duane Marshall.

We asked Treacy Weiner if there were any special people she'd like to acknowledge, and received the following:



“Thanks first to Paul Goldberg who got us into this mess! Thanks to Herbert and Ruth Weiss, and Phil and Mary DiDominico for staffing the registration table. Thanks to all who helped decorate -- some who had signed up and many more who stopped in and pitched in where needed! Who'd think we'd go through three helium tanks! Thanks to Sue Patton for turning the picture CD into a fabulous PowerPoint presentation that ran all night. Thanks to the Board for supporting us over the past two years of planning, especially Sue Patton and Pat Dieselman. The Seaport staff was terrific. And thanks to whoever ordered the best weekend weather we have seen all year! And especially thanks to all that attended to make it a fabulous, successful, special event!”



It's official!

Space limitations preclude our all the pictures of the event in this LOG. The CD containing 186 pictures is still available from Garabrant Photography.

### Memorial Day Cruise / Spring Regatta

*Phil and Mary DiDomenico, Len Thibodeau, Chris Aubin*

The Blue Water Sailing Club Memorial Day event was held May 23 to 25 in Marblehead, and was hosted by the Boston Yacht Club. The weather cooperated well with attendance up to 49 people and 17 boats. In the morning we enjoyed the scenery while having a picnic breakfast at Crocker Park overlooking the harbor. Saturday afternoon was highlighted by a walking tour of Marblehead lead by the official town historian Betty Hunt. It was perfect day for a walk and was enjoyed by all. Sunday morning featured a visit by the USCG from station Gloucester who spoke about safety requirements and expectations regard-

ing boarding inspections, and who took questions from the audience. The afternoon featured a round-the-buoy race with five boats participating. In finishing order, they were *Eagle*, *Free Spirit*, *Starfire*, *No Se'*, and *Arabella*. The capstone event was a wonderful dinner at the Boston Yacht Club.



Racing on *Free Spirit*

### 12th Annual Women's Cruise

*Cecily Grable and Toni Shaw*

The 12th Annual Women's cruise gathered at Peddocks Island in Boston Harbor on Saturday, June 13th, just in time for cocktails. We started with five boats, four from the North Shore and one from Buzzards Bay, and 21 participants. After dark, we were treated by spectacular fireworks and a band concert from Quincy in celebration of Flag Day.



Half the Women's Cruise



On Sunday, in cool damp weather, we boarded No Se for a short ride to Georges Island. Our group enjoyed walking around Fort Warren and a most entertaining and informative tour with a National Park Ranger.



The other half

On Monday, everyone boarded Quintessence for a trip to Spectacle Island. We set off on a course that the captain set herself (What was she thinking?!!) and within minutes we were stuck on a reef at dead low tide. Tow Boat US was called, a competing towing company, and the Coast Guard arrived, and we had a seminar on towing versus salvage on the spot, in real time. Ultimately, we made it to Spectacle Island, a most interesting place in terms of its past history as well as its modern green technology ... and Jasper White's clam chowder at the snack bar hit the spot!

Tuesday dawned with an ideal sailing forecast. Our fleet, of four boats now, set off for Provincetown, featuring a race from Minot's Light to Wood End! There has not been an opportunity for racing on the women's cruise for a number of years, and everyone enjoyed putting those seminars on sail trim and racing techniques to good use. After that exciting 30-mile sail we gathered at the Lobster Pot Restaurant for a great dinner, complete with sunset. Vicki Pasquale entertained us and everyone else at the bar with her extensive repertoire of songs, old and new.

Wednesday was a lay day in dazzling sunshine; boat maintenance, hiking, shopping swimming, and touring were enjoyed by all. That evening was our final, fabulous potluck dinner as the weather forecast indicated the start of a stormy period. The North Shore boats arrived home just in time on Thursday. Quintessence enjoyed another

great sail across Cape Cod Bay to the canal, spent the stormy night in Onset, and arrived in Buzzards Bay in time to see the start of the Marion-Bermuda Race.

Overall, it was another wonderful cruise; full of challenges, new experiences, learning from each other, great food, new and renewed friendships and a lot of laughing.

## July 4th Weekend – North

*Gail and Larry Handler*

Gail and I were happy to host the July 4th Weekend North for the second year in a row. Participation doubled from last year with over 20 boats and almost 60 people joining the fun. Festivities started on Friday, July 3rd as the fleet started arriving during the day. Friday night we had Clam Bake (complete with clam chowder, steamers, lobsters and desert), and a pizza party for the kids inside the tent at our summer house on Nantasket Beach.

Saturday afternoon people made their way back to the house for a relaxing afternoon on the beach. KidSail had a highly competitive kick ball game and were presented Gold Medals by Commodore Pat Dieselman at the awards ceremony Saturday evening. For dinner Saturday night we had a BBQ with hamburgers, hot dogs and all the fixin's.

Sunday morning we had a continental breakfast on the dock, and people started the trip to their home ports.

Once again a good time was had by all.



KidSail at work



## July 4th Weekend – South

*Dwight Geha and Bonnell Glass*

The July 4<sup>th</sup> cruise convened at Edgartown on Martha's Vineyard. Martin Owens joined Fred Kern aboard *Sea Hawk*; Anne Kern was away in Mexico. We were joined by Eric and Jaci Pierce, who were on *Coatue* with their son, David, and his girlfriend. Dwight Geha and Bonnell Glass arrived on *Carousel*, Larry and Antoinette Shaw arrived on *Gemini*, and Barry and Meg Steinberg arrived aboard *Glory*. We took our dinghies south in Katama Bay to look at the cut in the beach made by a storm a few years ago. The parade in town was very nice, and we ate at the Town Hall outdoor lunch with hosts Dwight Geha and Bonnell Glass. We enjoyed the town, did some window shopping, and walked out to the lighthouse near the harbor entrance. *Coatue* and *Sea Hawk* were rafted together in the harbor, and we all met aboard the two boats to enjoy the fireworks in the evening. All sailed away Monday morning.



A Relaxing July 4<sup>th</sup> on Martha's Vineyard

## Southern Cruise

*Gail and Larry Handler, and Bob and Cindy Gould*

The southern cruise got off to a fabulous start on July 15<sup>th</sup> with fifteen boats arriving at Kingman Marine in Pocasset. A dinner was arranged at the rather noisy restaurant at the marina and was well attended, with BWSC members arriving by car, as well.

The next day the cruise then moved to Hadley Harbor, near the Wood's Hole Passage. We all anchored in the inner harbor, being careful to leave a passageway for the ferry to Naushon Island. There was some excitement

in the wee hours of the morning when one of the boats dragged anchor during a thunderstorm.

The following day we moved on to Cotuit Bay. We arrived at high tide, which helped the newcomers get into the rather shallow Seapuit River connecting Nantucket Sound to Cotuit Bay, without running aground. There were 21 boats in attendance, and a grand cocktail party and cookout was held at the home of Tom and Angela DeVesto. Despite light rain, the party went well and the DeVestos' screened deck house kept us mostly dry. The kids on the cruise enjoyed the swimming pool which was kept at a temperature of 90 degrees! It should be noted that comedy was indeed present in Cotuit as one of the boats (*Solitaire*) ignored the charts and anchored over a shoal resulting in an interesting scene that most of us have experienced at one time or another.

The following day the winds were brisk, and we sailed on to Hyannis Marina. The facilities were excellent and the kids and some adults enjoyed the pool under a blazing hot sun. The winds were even more brisk the next day as we again sailed – attempting to race – to Stage Harbor at Chatham. We were beset by some rain, but a taxi ride to town allowed many to do some shopping and exploring.

We then were scheduled to sail to Nantucket. The weather, however, was poor with high winds and seas and many of the boats wisely elected to stay in Stage Harbor for another day. Those of us who actually sailed for Nantucket had beam reaching conditions with winds to 40 knots and six foot seas pounding us. This was a rough four hour trip! Those who stayed walked in to Chatham for a light lunch and window shopping.



Crowded conditions at Nantucket



The rest of the cruise arrived the following day in Nantucket. There was a threat of rain, so the cocktail party, hosted by the Roy and Gail Greenwald, was moved to a pizza place in Madaket. A pot luck dinner was had on the beach on the second day in Nantucket. The cruise group then began to break up with some boats electing to sail to the Vineyard while others, which had seen their Nantucket time shortened by weather, chose to stay put. In addition, one boat, *Little Miss Magic*, with Mike and Marcie Handler, stayed an additional day to get an engine problem corrected.

Because of weather conditions, the planned race from Nantucket to the Vineyard was aborted. The cruise members who continued went to Edgartown, where the anchorage was calm and peaceful. Some of the cruise members enjoyed dining at the Edgartown Yacht Club, at a special seating that had been arranged for us. After Edgartown, some boats went their own way – some to Lake Tashmoo as planned, and others to Maine. It was great seeing so many good friends on this trip!

## Maine Cruise

*Peter and Janet Kingsley, Mark and Betsy Gabrielson, Bill Dobson*

The Blue Water Sailing Club's annual Maine Cruise is a highlight of the sailing season. Early August on the Maine coast offers spectacular scenery, literally hundreds of destinations, reliable afternoon breezes and (usually) clear skies and visibility to the horizon. This year we followed an itinerary that took us to some of Maine's most famous and picturesque vacation towns like Boothbay Harbor and Somesville, but also to hard-working island fishing villages like Stonington and Frenchboro. We spent a couple of days in historic Castine, but we also stopped in a number of more remote anchorages, just to enjoy the peace, the quiet, and the stars. Our plan was to see Maine at its best – friendly characters, lovely coastline, wonderful seafood and un-crowded harbors and anchorages where we can enjoy each other's easy-going company. And we weren't disappointed.

The Maine Cruise had a kick-off dinner in Boothbay Harbor at the Carousel Marina. Sixteen members and a two enthusiastic guests enjoyed a wonderful sunset and dinner on the deck overlooking the harbor. First week cruise chairs Mark and Betsy Gabrielson, as well as Commodore Pat Dieselman, welcomed the group and

outlined the cruise itinerary. On August 2 the cruise motored 20 nm in a solid downeast fog to the quaint fishing town of Port Clyde at the foot of the St. George peninsula. We had moorings held for BWSC at the Port Clyde General Store. Port Clyde is a working harbor with an active, and early rising, lobstering fleet. It's also home base for the Mohegan Island day ferry. A couple of cruisers who didn't want to sail their own vessels offshore to Monhegan took the round trip day boat trip to this spectacular island that has inspired artists and writers for over a century.



Landing at Port Clyde

We then headed up Penobscot Bay on an ambitious 35 nm sail to historic Castine, home of Maine Maritime Academy (MMA). On August 4 we had organized an afternoon of dinghy races courtesy of MMA, a highlight of the 2008 cruise. Approximately eight of MMA's Mercury 15s, skippered and crewed by BWSC members, stormed around a short course laid out by the MMA sailing team coaches in cloudy and blustery conditions. The first place trophy was claimed by Pat Marshal and her grandson Will, who used expert tactics and sheer grit over five closely fought races! Celebration was aboard *No Sé*, hosted by Pat and Duane Marshall.

From Castine, the fleet sailed down Eggemoggin Reach to Southeast Harbor on Deer Isle. This is a beautiful and well-protected bay, well in toward the center of Deer Isle. The entrance is from the southeastern corner of the island. The Gabrielson's have a home on Deer Isle, and they had arrived early to prepare for a lobster cookout for the fleet. They even brought their launch *Eastern Mark* out to each of the eight to ten boats there to pick up



the visitors. We had a great meal of lobster, chicken, corn-on-the-cob, salad, and dessert. The setting and the company were perfect.



*Eastern Mark pressed into service*

The following morning there was some scrambling aboard several vessels to untangle themselves from the lobster pots in the anchorage. *Presto*, with the Carl Kramer and the Dieselmans aboard, had the worst time, needing at least three hours to untangle a spider web of pot warps. A race in light winds to Burnt Coat Harbor on Swan's Island ensued. That evening, we walked to the Burnt Coat Harbor Odd Fellows Hall for an old-fashioned hootenanny, which was part of the Swan's Island Sweet Chariot Music Festival. It lasted well into the night, and was great fun.

Another fleet race was scheduled for the next day, from the Burnt Coat Harbor lighthouse, around the easterly side of Swan's Island to the entrance to the Western Way at the mouth of Somes Sound on Mount Desert Island. *Trinity* won the race (skipped and crewed by the Green family), *Lyra* was a close second, and *Presto* finished third. It was a gorgeous, breezy Maine day, just what the organizers and participants had hoped for. The sail up Somes Sound was eventful with a powerful Maine squall rolling in, laying several local boats over on their beam ends. All BWSC vessels came through, with a couple suffering only minor rig damage. Most ducked into Northeast Harbor for the night. The group took the ferry over to Little Cranberry Island for a day of sight-seeing and shopping. Others took advantage of the free bus service on Acadia to go to Bar Harbor.

The Gabrielson's had to leave the cruise at this point, and the Kingsley's were not available to continue leading the cruise (Peter Kingsley had sailed from Marblehead to Boothbay Harbor, only to turn back because of engine trouble). Consequently, the planned trip to Sorrento Harbor did not happen. One boat, however, made its own way there. In spite of this, it was an exciting cruise, with lots of new harbors to visit.



Maine Cruisers after dinner

## Labor Day Cruise / Fall Regatta

*Karen Horsch and Scott Harris*

After a relatively wet summer, the Labor Day Cruise couldn't have been better favored by Mother Nature (well, okay, a little warmer on Sunday would have been even better, but who can complain?). Anyway, Friday opened with blue skies and temperatures in the 80's. The wind was generally from the North-Northeast, so the ride to Gloucester was, for the most part, a beat for those coming from the Boston area -- namely, most of the cruise participants.

We arrived in Southeast Harbor near Tenpound Island at around 4:00 p.m., ready to hook up to mooring number 7-T. We then spent about a half hour running the three lines of mooring balls looking for number 7 at the head of the second line of mooring balls nearest Tenpound Island, and wondering just how inept we could be. Turns out there were at least two nines, two sevens, and, from our survey, more than one five. The Harbormaster's staff explained that during most of the summer Southeast Harbor is largely unused, so the numbers aren't all that important. Transients are told just to pick a mooring and



hook-up. Although there aren't many cruising amenities in this working harbor, the Harbormaster and his staff couldn't be nicer or more accommodating.



Rafted up and waiting for action

Jacob's Landing makes for a convenient stopping off place for most of downtown, and there are a number of restaurants with tie-ups. The cruise had its inaugural cocktail and dinner party at the Gloucester House, starting at around 6:00 p.m. Wally and Cecile Feldmen were the first to arrive, followed by John Westerbeke and (fiancé) Cil Stamos. All told, there were around forty who gathered for dinner and drinks in a semi-private room the Gloucester House set up for us.

Mike Handler started Saturday off with the day's weather and activity report and a roll call of the fleet. There were at least a dozen boats in the Gloucester harbors flying the Blue Water burgee. At 10:30 a.m., the dinghy parade to Wingaersheek Beach assembled off Tenpound Island. Four dinghies, with a handful of kids and eight adults set off on the trip down the Annisquam River. For those who haven't made the trip, by dinghy or otherwise, it is one to put on the "to do" list. It winds through some really charming territory: marshes, nice homes, quiet docks, marinas, mooring fields and anchorages, between an old and narrow railroad trestle bridge (hug the east side of the opening so your mast clears the tracks overhead) and under Route 128, arriving at the mouth of the river and Wingaersheek Beach, with Ipswich Bay on the Atlantic Ocean beyond.

The Handlers had an enormous orange kiddie pool, lounge, bounce pad thing that trailed behind them. It was no small feat to keep it from turning into a parasail and sweeping the whole family into the air. I had visions of a different kind of Chitty-Chitty Bang-Bang running through my head. Lucky for all concerned, I didn't burst

into song (when my daughter was five, with the candor of the young, she suggested I not sing out loud---carrying a tune is not, shall we say, a strong point).

Those who remained behind in Gloucester to see the sites had much to occupy them. The schooners participating in race on Sunday were docked and open for inspection. Local mariners were set up to sell their wares, and the Rocky Neck art colony provided a haven of interesting options for gallery-hopping. Along the waterfront are several good watering holes and eateries. In short, there was something for everyone.

At 5:00 p.m. the fleet finished heating appetizers, uncovering dips and uncorking bottles, boarded their dinghies and prepared to tie up around Little Miss Magic. By 5:30 p.m., there were at least fifteen dinghies rafted together and tied off to the Handlers' boat. By six, Dan and Mary Power and the kids pulled into port, having sailed (not motored) into the wind all day. Since they were rafting with the Handlers, they tied up and joined in. Remarkably, despite the evening chill, Conor and Brendan Power delighted in spending the next hour swimming between and among the rafts.

As it started to get dark, folks untied their dinghies and drifted off in various combinations to cook out or get together at the local establishments for dinner. The Di-Domenico's hosted a dozen or so aboard their catamaran *Arabella* moored in the center of the inner harbor.

The Parade of Lights materialized a little later than expected. The consensus favorite was the space shuttle with the propane flame that burst out behind it at regular intervals. No disaster resulted, so the shuttle must have been engineered by a professional. Fireworks punctuated a truly fine day as all returned to their boats.

The wind started to pick up just after midnight and brought with it some chilly temperatures. By morning, it was evident that another ride up the Annisquam, or anywhere else of any distance, would not be enjoyable experience, and so the day's events were changed so that a trip to nearby Good Harbor beach took the place of another dinghy parade. During the morning roll call a couple of the boats in the fleet adhered to the mariner's rule of taking advantage of fair winds to return home. The winds were greater than fifteen knots out of the northeast, so those who decided to leave Sunday morning for Boston and other points south had an easy and quick ride home.

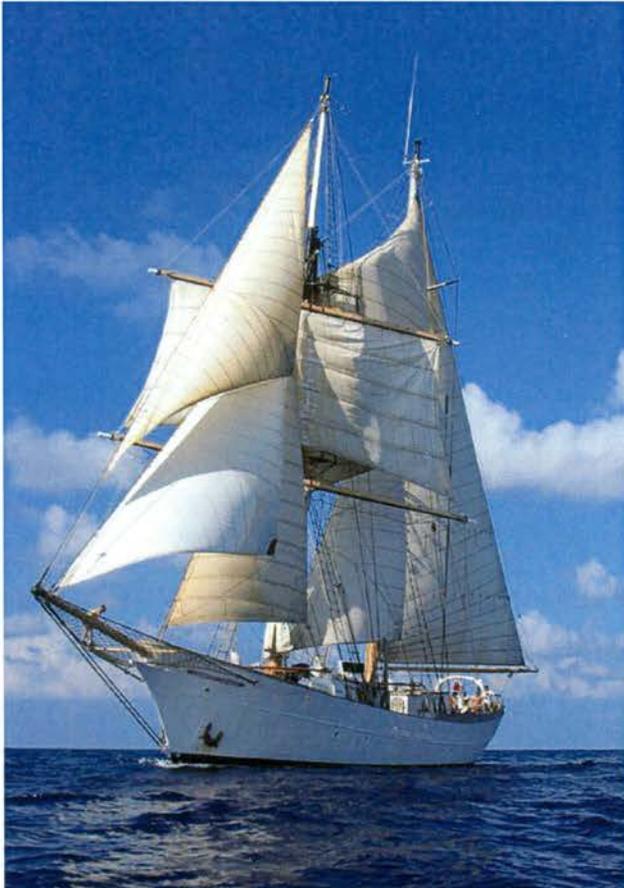


The capstone of the weekend was the now annual trip to the Studio Restaurant. Those moored or anchored in the harbor were joined by a number of others who decided to make the trip by land, among them our Commodore Pat Dieselman and her husband John. Apropos of the "official" ending of summer, the temperatures dipped and had everyone digging for whatever warm things they could find.

## Columbus Day Weekend

*Hank Bornhoff*

The event was well attended, if not by boat, by car. We had three vessels at Woods Hole and four at Mattapoisett. Saturday we were treated to a private tour of the Sea Education Association (SEA) education program sailing vessel *Corwith Cramer*. Founded in 1971, and located in Woods Hole since 1975, the SEA has been a leader in marine education, developing an understanding of the importance of the ocean and of its powerful role in seemingly every aspect of our lives—whether we live on, near, or at great distances from the shore. The idea is to give students the opportunity to study the ocean from a multi-



*Corwith Kramer*

tude of academic perspectives and to do it from the platform of a traditional sailing vessel, therefore combining a rare blend of theoretical learning and the application of such knowledge. Coursework for students from any academic discipline involves the studying of maritime policy, history, and literature in addition to ship navigation and oceanography. They learn about the ocean's power and mystery, use scientific technology to study it, and design research projects that will be the focus of their work at sea.

The SEA sailing vessels—134-foot brigantines—operate year-round. The SSV *Corwith Cramer* sails the waters of the North Atlantic and the Caribbean Sea, while the SSV *Robert C. Seamans* sails the waters of the Northern and Tropical Pacific. Bill Duggan arranged this interesting and informative time before dinner, where we had 18 at the Landfall Restaurant. Sunday there was a pick-up race to Mattapoisett where about 18 of us again enjoyed dinner, at the Kinsale Inn. I recommended that we might change the club name to the "Blue Water Sailing and Dining Club"!

## KidSail Report

*Mike Handler*

What a GREAT summer we had! Lots of incredible adventures, dinghy rides, swimming, and s'mores!! We started with a trip to Marblehead for the Memorial Day Cruise where we enjoyed our time at Crocker Park. July 4th had mini-golf, kickball on the beach, and lots of swimming. The Southern Cruise was full of KidSail fun -- swimming in the DeVesto's pool, dinghy rides in Hadley Harbor, the pool at Hyannis Marina, the incredible beaches of Nantucket, flying horses in Oak Bluffs, Bassett's Island in Red Brook Harbor, and much more.

The Labor Day Cruise had dinghy rides to Wingaersheek Beach, jumping off the bridge at Good Harbor Beach, a fun dinghy raft cocktail hour, and the parade of lights through Gloucester Harbor. We also mixed in rendezvous in Boston Harbor and Salem.

We look forward to seeing our friends over the long winter and to many more adventures next summer!



## Annual Meeting

*Mark and Cynthia Devine, Mark and Betsy Gabrielson*

The 2009 Annual Meeting was held at the Danversport Yacht Club on November 8. The following are the Blue Water Sailing Club officers for the 2010 season.

Commodore	Fred Kern
Vice Commodore	Mark Devine
Rear Commodore	Cathryn Griffith
Secretary	Robert Kessler
Treasurer	Trish Katz
Clerk	JoAnn Pinkowitz
Offshore Cruise Committee Chair	Jose Venegas
Race Committee Chair	Peter Dragonas
Membership Chair	Michael Handler
Communications Officer	Bill Knuff
Webmaster	Jeff Kenyon

## 2009 Race Results

*Peter Dragonas*

### Memorial Day 2009

<i>Eagle</i>	Allan McLean
<i>Free Spirit</i>	Bob Gould
<i>Starfire</i>	John Dieselman
<i>No Se'</i>	Duane Marshall

*Arabella* Phil DiDomenico

### Women's Cruise 2009

<i>No Se'</i>	Pat Marshall
<i>Quintessence</i>	Cecily Grable
<i>Jem N Us</i>	Janet Brown
<i>Devine Wind</i>	Cynthia Devine

### Maine Cruise 2009

<i>Trinty</i>	Tom Green
<i>Lyra</i>	Mark Gabrielson
<i>Presto</i>	Carl Kramer
<i>Lazy Jacks</i>	Wilson Dobson
<i>Tantrum</i>	Richard Pinkowitz

### Maine Cruise 2009 One Design Regatta

<i>Black Pearl</i>	Pat Marshall & Will Valiancourt
<i>Fast Frog</i>	Fred Kern & Will Sirois
<i>Formidable</i>	Mark & Lisa Gabrielson
<i>Wait Till Next Year</i>	Bill Dobson & Nick Green
<i>P &amp; J</i>	John & Pat Dieselman
<i>Easy Street</i>	Paul & Annette Hodess
<i>Green Machine</i>	Tom & Jonathan Green
<i>O'Lay</i>	Ruth & Herb Weiss, Clark Wry
<i>Jolly Roger</i>	Jules & Carol Seigel

### Labor Day South

<i>Sea Hawk</i>	Fred Kern
<i>Lambay</i>	Aeden Gleason
<i>Quintessence</i>	Cecily Grable
<i>Romona</i>	Roland Levesque

## In Memorium

We received notice of the deaths of the following Blue Water Sailing Club members:

Ron Davy, member since 2002. Ron is survived by his wife, Pauline.

Gordon McKenney, member since 2003. Gordon is survived by his wife, Marilyn.

Carole P. Swinehart, member since 2001. She is survived by Leland L. Swinehart

## Editor's Comments

Some of the material presented here was issued previously in *Waypoints*, prepared and edited by Mike Handler. Full credit is due him, for I have plagiarized freely.

Dave Kettner...



A few more pictures of the Gala...

