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CLUB NEWS

July 24, 2020

Note from the Commodore

Dear membership,

With the first race of the July Atlantic series coming up this Saturday things are a little more normal in my KYC Universe. I know it will feel GREAT to be in a sailboat on the water. Last Sunday 12 lasers participated in the Spencer Evans True Blue Regatta and there were at least 7 spectator boats cheering them on.

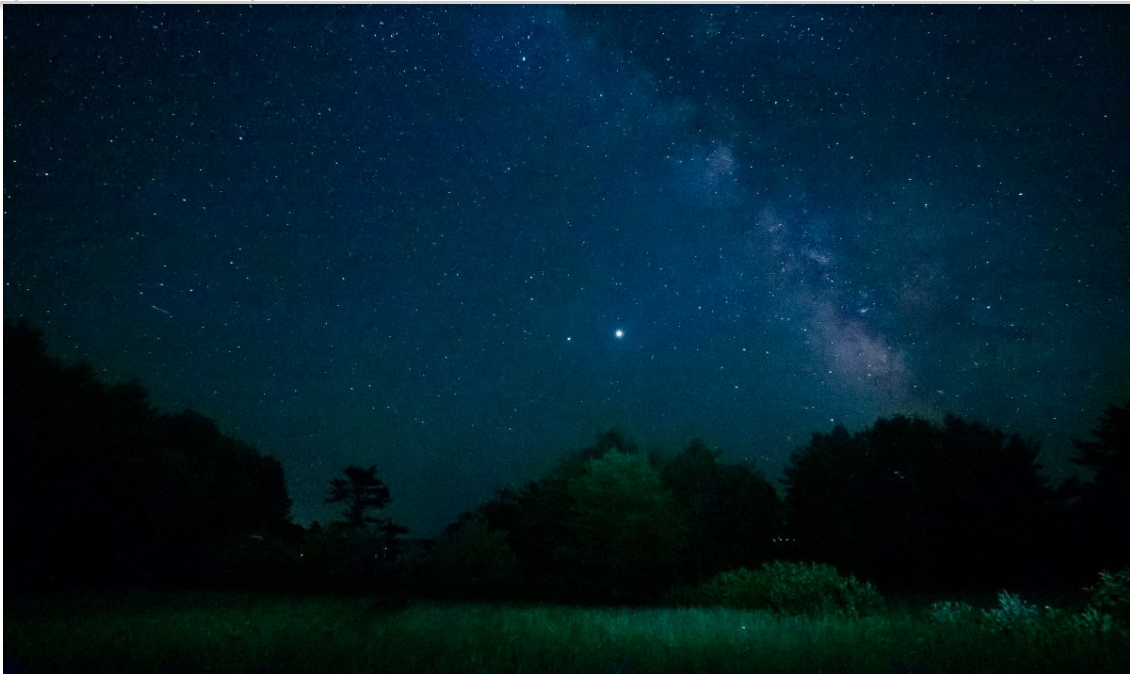
This summer boat life and cruising seem especially appealing. Earlier this week Jordi St. John from The Maine Island Trail Association, contacted me to let me

and a 375-mile water trail for boaters which extends from New Hampshire to Canada. Membership is fee based. To get a 10% discount on membership use this code PRODEAL2020. Caveat: neither KYC nor I are promoting the guide or App. Simply sharing the information because it may be useful for some of our members. The water trail sounds fun to me.

And because sailors love the night sky...how about C/2020 F3, the comet NEOWISE! Have you seen it yet? It is visible to the naked eye. This 4.6 billion year old comet is 64 million miles away from Blue Hill Bay. It was closest to earth on July 22 nd . Unfortunately, the Wednesday evening sky was cloud covered, so my plans for a photo of the comet over KYC were foiled. Luckily KYC member Jennifer Panepinto captured this one a few nights ago.



Tim and Dana Rooney, KSEA parents, sent this photo of The Milky Way, Jupiter (to the right) and Saturn over Peter's Cove.



I look forward to seeing you all on the water.

With gratitude, Ann

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For those interested in signing up for sailing classes, please check out our [class offerings](#).

Thanks so much, Springer



Power Boaters

The 2 vessel Power Squadron Fleet of Red Eye, skippered by Jim and Susan Noyes, and Foxy II, run by Bitsy and Denny Bacon, embarked on the July cruise Monday after joining up for lunch at Pumpkin Island lighthouse off Little Deer Isle. The duo traveled down to the east side of Vinalhaven and went up Seal Bay to a protected anchorage and a lovely dinner of oysters followed by grilled salmon provided by Susan Noyes.

The next day, calm seas and light winds led us through the Fox Island Thorofare and then southwest to Monhegan where we picked up moorings and took the dinghy into town for a look see and a terrific waterside lunch. What a treat! Then we ran over to the mainland to Boothbay Harbor where we spent two nights and enjoyed a round of golf and two terrific dinners shoreside. Thursday we got an early start with patchy fog, calm seas, and very light winds and returned to the Reach for lunch at the Deer Isle Bridge. At that time, Red Eye went to her mooring in the Benjamin River and Foxy ran up to Blue Hill for a bath and some time off. We look forward to another adventure in August,



RACES

Hello laser sailors there will be a three day clinic next week. Starting Monday afternoon and running through Wednesday. We will start at 1300hrs each day. We will be practicing all the things one needs to know to get around a race course from starts to mark roundings and how to sail fast. If your interested please call Sean 305-773-0661.

Thanks. Sean.

July 23, 2020 Racing Report

The racing season is off to a great start at KYC, thanks to enthusiastic sailors, reasonably fair winds, and excellent Principal Race Officers (PROs—the PRO is the race committee member in charge of race management for a race). Many thanks to Deborah Evans, Scott Miller, and Chris Guyette for some terrific racecourse layouts and other management, along with great support from Dede Johnson, Chris Guinness and the dock staff.

In addition to the six Spencer Evans True Blue Laser Regatta races, Deborah, Dede and Curran have managed eleven Laser races on the two other Sundays in July. While participation is understandably a bit lower this year, the competition appears to be fierce.

The 12 ½ – Bullseye fleet is showing great participation this year. Scott has managed a dozen of those races over the last three Wednesdays. In an impressive display of

creativity of the three courses that they sent the fleet around on Saturday.

The cruising fleet has experienced two ends of the wind spectrum. There was a gusty Danforth and Gitana race two weekends ago when the course was clockwise around Long Island. The pursuit race on Tuesday was a drifter to Jim's Point and back, with the first three boats finishing within seconds of each other—which always makes the handicappers' hearts swell. In a pursuit race, boats are started at a time appropriate to their handicap rating, so that the faster boats are chasing down the ones that started before them on a boat-for-boat basis once everyone has started. It was great to see John Manderson (on Christiana) and Guy and Sara Becton Ardrey (on Thistledown with their young children) join the cruising fleet regulars on the pursuit. Once again, Chris Guyette managed the race perfectly.

Three Atlantics began the season by racing the pursuit course in their own boat-for-boat class. They, as well as all of the cruising class boats, sailed without spinnakers, which the fleet has dropped (so to speak) for the season to encourage the crewing of boats from within a single household—thereby observing COVID-19 guidelines.

We are looking forward to the start of the Atlantic July Series this weekend, along with continuation of those of the 12 ½ – Bullseye and Laser fleets.

You can now keep track of all race results and season standings on the racing pages of the website.

To see results please visit the page links below or visit our Racing pages on the [website](#) for results.

[12 1/2 – Bullseye Results](#)

[Danforth Cup Results](#)

[Gitana Cup Results](#)

[Laser Class Results including Spencer Evans True Blue Regatta](#)

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Pursuit Race Photos complements of Christine



Spencer Evans True Blue Regatta Photos compliments of Christine

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Flynn Hill



Huseby Family



Oliver Larder & Huseby Family



The start of the True Blue Regatta



Sean & Eliza Guinness, Flynn Hill, Hal Clews



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