# BOW WATCH BEAUFORT YACHT & SAILING CLUB





Dear Members-

We are gearing up for Spring at the club and I want to take this opportunity to highlight some upcoming March events. The Spring Meeting / Oyster Roast is currently scheduled for 17-March at 6:00pm and in the spirit of Saint Patricks Day will take on an Irish theme. Our Spring Sailing series will kick off 25-March with Dinghy Races. If you haven't raced in a while and are interested in participating please let Richard Beasley know. We have club boats available for use. For those that are new to the club there will be a New Member Orientation at the club on 28-March at 4:30pm. Finally, coinciding with the Santa Elena Regatta, we will conduct our annual Flag Raising and Ceremonial Sock Burning on March 31st.

You may have noticed the work recently performed to the Sail Shed which looks much better. I want to thank Mike Rousseau for all of his efforts in whipping it into shape. That said we will be having a Volunteer Work Day March 18th to repaint it to match the clubhouse and complete the rehab of the storage racks. We can use all the help we can get in this effort so please let Kelly Lesesne know if you are available to sling a brush in this effort.

In other news, I am disappointed to report that despite the tremendous success of our regional participation in the Pluff Mud Regatta, SAYRA voted at their annual meeting to remove it from their calendar citing lack of race participation on the part of our club's Jr Sailors. This came as quite a shock considering how amazing an event it was. We have had numerous discussions with the leadership at our sister organization Beaufort Community Sailing & Boating and are looking at this as a wakeup call. While it is not the only benchmark of a successful program, it is an important one. We are in agreement that we need to work together more closely to develop a strategic plan that puts a renewed focus on sailing and the development of our next generation of sailors. Thanks to Noah Kipar, Richard Beesley, and Read Clarke for your best efforts representing BYSC and BCSB at the annual SAYRA summit on Hilton Head. If you are a parent that is interested in getting your child into sailing and racing BCSB's Learn to Sail Summer Camp, registration opens 7-March at 10am for members and 9-March at 10am for non-members. Please see the flyer for registration details.

Regards,

Jason Ruhf Commodore - BYSC



# **RC Chair Richard Beesley**

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Saturday, Feb 25, 2023 10 am to Noon BYSC Clubhouse

INTRODUCTORY SESSION FOR ALL OF YOU THAT ARE NOT YET MEMBERS OF THE RC VOLUNTEER TEAM AND TO ALL RC TEAM MEMBERS WHO WANT TO REFRESH THEIR SKILLS.





For those of you who are not on the team, this is a great way to give back to your club, and gain dues credit hours.

Contact: Richard Beesley - RC Chairman – beesley.richard@gmail.com

# **2023**SPRING RACING SERIES

MARCH 25TH -JUNE 17TH

The Spring Racing Series is an annual event that is open to both junior and adult sailors. The event is open to all one design-dinghy sailboats with a length of 20' or less and Catboats with a minimum LOA of 15'. Keelboats are welcome and will race with Catboats using PHRF scoring. Race start times and courses will be spaced to avoid the overlapping of junior dinghies and larger boats. Single and multi-handed crews are welcome, as are BYSC member and non-member sailors. Races are held on most Saturdays from March 25 to June 17. Come join the fun!

Scan here to register!



RACING STARTS MARCH 25TH.



LET'S GOIII



Allan Acres



# STEAK NIGHT

Steak Night has grown in reputation to be known as the best place for dinner in Beaufort on the second Wednesday of each month. Steak night is a volunteer driven event that results in\_spectacular food and socialization.

Please note this is a member event.

Reservations are required, this event fills up quickly.





THE MENU:

STEAK FILET: WITH OUR SIGNATURE MUSHROOM AND ONION TOPPING, SALAD, STARCH & DESSERT.

GRILLED CHICKEN: WITH OUR SIGNATURE MUSHROOM AND ONION TOPPING, SALAD, STARCH & DESSERT.

VEGETARIAN MEAL: SALAD, STARCH & DESSERT.

PLEASE SEE THAT OUR PRICES HAVE CHANGED

**PLEASE NOTE:** 

# You must be logged in to register.

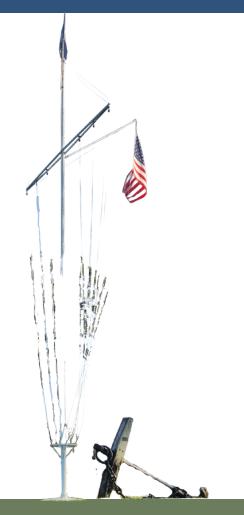
PLEASE KNOW YOUR WEBSITE LOGIN

**CLICK HERE TO REGISTER** 











By E.B. Furgurson III • Capital Gazette • Mar 20, 2019

Why do boaters burn their socks in the spring?

An Annapolis origin story



FLAG RAISING



Final Friday: Tradition, Fun, Food & Fellowship



Sock burning Ceremony

"Coming out of the brutal winter of 1977, Bob Turner decided he'd had enough."

Turner was a South Carolina transplant to chillier Chesapeake country that year and looking back said the impetus for torching his winter socks was three-pronged.

"We were coming out of one of the worst winters. It was the equinox, it was a gorgeous sunny day," he said in a phone interview from his current roost in Pawleys Island, S.C. "And I was really tired of peeling off my socks to pick aluminum shavings out of them."

He was building aluminum masts and spars in a shop in Eastport. The process created shavings that would "for some reason get in your shoes and gather in the toes of your socks," he said.

So at the end of the day, he grabbed an old paint rolling pan out of a pile, added some flammable naphtha and lit up his socks. There was, of course, beer involved. And a gaggle of his employees, who also peeled off their socks to add to the pyre. And had a beer — Budweiser longnecks, to be precise."

MARCH STEAK NIGHT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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#### Save the Dates

# "Trivia Night"

3.10.2023 @ 6:30pm in the Clubhouse

#### "Bocce"

Friday night practice:
February 3rd, 17th, 24th
March 3rd, 17th, 24th
Watch, Learn & Play
BYSC Bocce Tournament
March 3.26.2023 @ 3-6pm

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# From the Crow's Nest





# **BEAUFORT YACHT**& SAILING CLUB

#### **Donations:**

Of any kind require approval from the General Manager.

#### **Alterations:**

Clubhouse facilities and/or property must be presented to the BYSC board of directors for approval.

We have recently completed some maintenance on a couple of our mooring balls, so we have two available for lease. Each of them can hold up to a 40' length and 35,000-pound vessel. Please contact Paul to discuss annual lease if you are interested. gm@byscnet.com

843-522-8216 Ext:101



# From the Crow's Nest



#### **SUMMER SAILING CAMP 2023**

WITH BEAUFORT COMMUNITY SAILING AND BOATING

AT THE BEAUFORT YACHT AND SAILING CLUB

**-JUNE 5-9** 

--JUNE 12-16

---JUNE 19-23

----JUNE 26-30

----JULY 10-14

----JULY 17-21

----JULY 24-28

**REGISTRATION OPENS:** 

BYSC MEMBERS - MARCH 7TH, AT 10AM **NON-MEMBERS - MARCH 9TH AT 10AM** 

**9AM - 5PM** 

**AGES 8-16** 

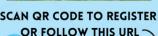
\$375/WEEK NON-BYSC MEMBERS \$335/WEEK BYSC MEMBERS













HTTPS://THECLUBSPOT.COM/REGISTER/CAMP/HZZQJNRBWE/CLASS **CONTACT NOAH KIPAR AT** 

SAILINGDIRECTOR@BEAUFORTSAILING.COM WITH ANY QUESTIONS.

#### DO YOU WANT TO BE A **BEAUFORT YACHT & SAILING CLUB**



- Learn Leadership skills.
- Great Summer hours
- Learn Team work
- Gain experience for your resume or collage application.
- · Work outdoors!
- Guard Classes and re-certification classes will be available.
- Interviewing now (don't need a certification to interview)
- Please stop by the office Monday-Friday 9am-4pm to pick up your application.

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# MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Pamela Jefsen



**Contributed by Jean Story** 

Socializing on the back porch with a cocktail at sunset is one of the many pleasures that we enjoy as members of BYSC. From this exquisite perch we are privy to that perfect time of day when the sun lingers just above the horizon in all of her fiery red and orange glory. Here we raise our cups to friendship, the start of the weekend and a mutual appreciation of this beautiful town that we call home. This simple pleasure that most of us take for granted is actually the result of constant planning and organizing of volunteers, and we're lucky to have Pam Jefsen at the helm as manager of the bar.

A member since 2021, Pam grew up in Chicago and spent most summers in Michigan. She received a BFA from Maine College of Art in Ceramics, a BS from University of Maine in Art Education, and, later on, a Master's Degree in Business and Public Administration from Husson University. Pam was a bartender throughout her college years, and went on to a career working with volunteers, so she is uniquely qualified to manage the bar at BYSC! After early jobs in media, advertising, and Fundraising Consulting, she joined the American Red Cross as Chapter Manager in Bangor, ME in 1985. Pam traveled extensively while teaching both domestically and internationally, and fulfilled interim CEO roles in Silver Spring, MD and Pittsburgh, PA. Pam then spent 4 years in Cleveland as American Red Cross COO before signing on as CEO in Charlotte; she retired while in Charlotte after 25 years in the organization. She spent the last 10 years of her career as CEO of Supportive Housing Communities, providing assistance to homeless men, women and families before retiring in 2020 and moving to Beaufort in 2021. After essentially being on call 24 hours a day for 35 years, Pam is enjoying retirement and can now focus on the many things that she loves most.

Pam loves being on the water and at the beach; sailing, kayaking, walking and swimming. She has returned to her love of pottery and most recently has been working out of the studio at USCB, and chairing the artisan's sale at BYSC. Pam also loves yoga, exercise, travel, singing and playing saxophone, and both indoor and outdoor gardening. She has one son, Spencer, daughter-in-law Kerry, and 2 grandsons aged 5 and 10, Gus and Blair. Pam is very close to her sister and brother-in-law; they spend 3 months here with her in the winter (they live in Michigan) and she spends 3 months with them in the summer. Pam is lucky enough to still have her Mother, who will turn 95 next month. Rounding out the family is a 2-year old Australian labradoodle named Bailey.

Thank you to Pam and the cast of volunteers who play such an important role in our enjoyment of

the club!



