



BYC Summer Cruise

July 12 - 21, 2024



Day	Port	Distance NM
Friday, July 12	Third Beach	14.9
Saturday, July 13	Quissett	29
Sunday, July 14	Hyannis	27
Monday, July 15	Hyannis	N/A
Tuesday, July 16	Vineyard Haven	18.8
Wednesday, July 17	Vineyard Haven	N/A
Thursday, July 18	Padanaram	19
Friday, July 19	Cuttyhunk	10
Saturday, July 20	Newport	24.7
Sunday, July 21	Bristol	12

General Information

Communication

The Fleet and Day Captains will monitor VHF channel 72 for official cruise business throughout the cruise, from sunrise to sunset. You may call Fleet Captain, Barbara Petrocelli, by mobile phone at (516)313-0263 if you need immediate assistance. There will be a daily check-in, initiated the day captain of that port at 0800 on Channel 72 to review current conditions, any last-minute sailing and evening activity updates and to answer questions. If the departure time is earlier than 800 due to tides, etc. the new call time will be announced the evening prior.

If you decide to not go to a port that you signed up for, please make sure you notify either the Fleet Captain or the Day Captain for that port.

Flags

Please fly your Bristol Yacht Club burgee night and day so that other boats in the cruise can recognize you. Other signals may be flown at each skipper's discretion.

Navigation Meetups

Skippers interested in discussion of the next day's course options inform the day captain for that port and they will review with you or ask someone else to assist. There will be a brief review of the course and any special conditions to be aware of on the daily 8:00am call.

Allergies

Several people in our group are allergic to peanuts and anything from the allium family (onions, garlic, etc). If you bring things to the potluck containing these ingredients and feel inclined to label them as such that might be appreciated by these fellow cruisers.

Introducing DinghyDash

New this year, BYC Cruisers can enjoy concierge service on essential services from the comfort of their own boats courtesy of *SISU's* junior crew, aka the Petaja grandkids.

DinghyDash (like DoorDash but for boats) will offer boat side deliver of ice, trash pick-up, and dog walking from Sunday to Sunday during the BYC 2024 Annual Summer Cruise. To request services call or text Alana Aroy at (239)286-2825. She will plan with you to schedule the services based on the specifics of your itinerary and the harbor. Payments can be made via cash or Venmo.

Services and fees are:

Ice delivery (Price of the ice + \$4)

Trash pick-up (\$3 up to three bags)

Dog walking (\$10 per walk)



Evening Activities

Highlights of evening activities are listed below.

Port	Gathering Spot	Time	Libations & Food	What to Bring & Info
Third Beach Fri. 7/12	Beach – Look for the BYC burgee	1800	DOTD (Gin & Tonic) and potluck dinner	Bring potluck item to share
Quissett Sat. 7/13	Beach – Look for the BYC burgee	1800	DOTD (Sangria) and potluck apps or dinner	Bring potluck item to share
Hyannis Sun. 7/14	Hyannis Yacht Club's Captain's Table	1800	Dinner Menu	Prior RSVP for dinner is required.
Hyannis Mon. 7/15	Tugboats at the Hyannis Marina	1300	Lunch Menu	Prior RSVP for lunch is required.
Vineyard Haven Tue. 7/16	Gazebo in Owens Park (Behind the Dockmaster's Bldg.)	1800	DOTD (Sea Breeze) and potluck appetizers	Bring chairs if you have them a something to share
Vineyard Haven Wed. 7/17	On-Your-Own			
Padanaram Thu. 7/18	New Bedford Yacht Club	1700 - 2200	Pizza and movies on the lawn or dinner in the NBYC Clubhouse	Prior reservations are required for dinner in the Clubhouse, but not for the pizza and movie.
Cuttyhunk Fri. 7/19	Lawn next to the docks.	1700	DOTD (Dark and Stormy). Cuttyhunk Shellfish Company Lobster Boil	Cups, water, & ice are provided. Otherwise BYOB.
Newport Sat. 7/20	Ida Lewis Yacht Club	1730	Dinner menu	

Important Extra Things to Bring

1. Bring your BYC Membership card to share with other yacht clubs we are visiting in the unlikely event they ask to see your card.
2. Bring folding chairs for use at the various potluck meals and movie night in Padanaram.
3. Bring cash, as some places offer a discount for cash (over credit cards) or only accept cash.
4. If you are joining the dinner at the Hyannis Yacht Club, you may also need to bring some nicer clothes, like a sports coat, non-denim men's pants, and something nicer for the women. You can review their dress code [here](#).

Fri., July 12: Third Beach, Middletown

Day Captains

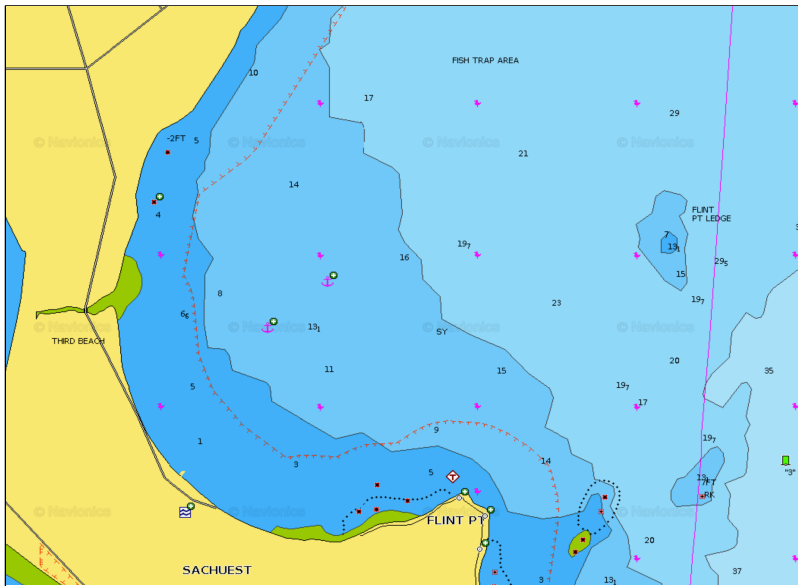
Barbara and Bill Petrocelli

Description

Third Beach is located on the west side of southern end of the Sakonnet River. Moorings can be reserved through Dockwa. Anchoring is allowed with permission upon approval from the Harbormaster, who can be hailed on VHF Channel 9.

Distance and Navigation

From the Bristol Yacht Club, Third Beach is 14.9 NM. Third Beach is hard to miss – a big wide-open harbor - and there is nothing to hit on approach. It does get shallow pretty far from the beach so keep an eye on your depth.



Tides and Currents

The ebb tide begins as 1216 at the RR bridge in the Sakonnet River, after which time the current in the Sakonnet should flow south towards the ocean, giving boats going in that direction a nice little boost.

Moorings and Anchorage

Specific mooring ball assignments will be emails to those who reserved a mooring around July 9. All rental balls are white with red bottom

paint and a number painted on them. You can anchor anywhere outside the mooring field and the channel. The best holding ground is in the north and west end of the harbor.

Facilities

You can bring a dinghy ashore anywhere south of the boat launch. Dogs must be leashed and should be walked up to the parking lot area to do their business – i.e. not on the beach please. As always clean up after your pets. There is no water, fuel, trash receptacles or ice.

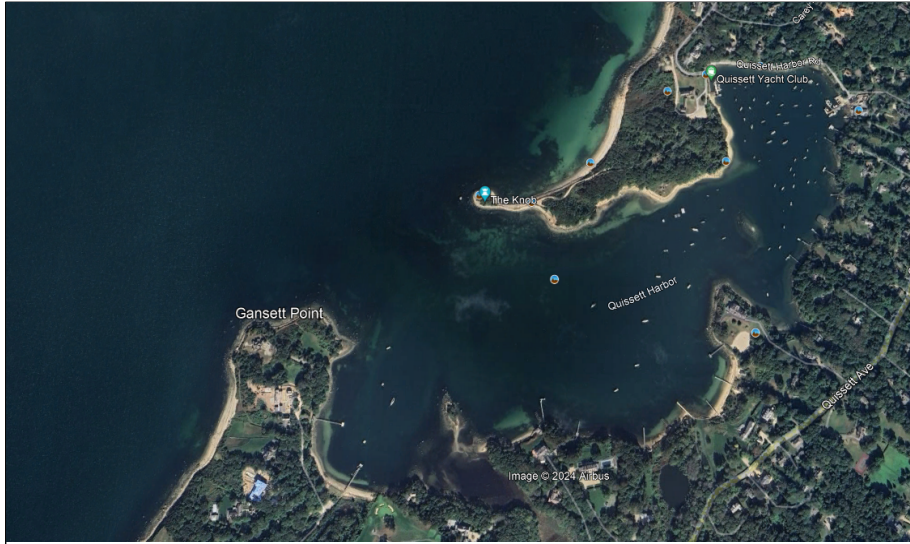
Activity

We will gather by dinghy on the beach at 1800 for a potluck dinner. If possible, we will use the local beach club's picnic tables. If not, we will provide tables. Bring your folding chairs. The Drink of the Day is Gin and Tonic. Look for the large BYC burgee.

Other Fun Stuff

Third Beach is adjacent to a really nice piece of sanctuary land with lots of great birds and views. You can go for a walk. <https://www.fws.gov/refuge/sachuest-point>

Sat., July 13: Quissett



Day Captains

Mike and Joyce
Sullivan

Description

Quissett Harbor, MA. Quissett, shortened from the name Quamquissett, was the Indian equivalent for "Star of the Sea," relating to five points of indentation on the shore of the harbor.

Distance and Navigation

From the prior night's port of call, Third Beach, Quissett is about 29 NM. Quissett is located at latitude 41.543 and longitude -70.649. Once you leave the Sakonnet River and pass the R2 bell just south of Schuylers Ledge, a course of 80 degrees for approximately 7.9 NM will bring you C1 just south of Wildcat Ledge off of Gooseberry Neck in Dartmouth. There turn to a course of 72 degrees for another 17 NM. This will bring you to a point just west of the entrance to Quisset Harbor.

The entrance to Quisset Harbor hides in plain sight. During the War of 1812, residents of the village of Quissett went to great lengths to obscure the presence of their lovely, protected cove from British warships sailing past on Buzzards Bay. According to the Woods Hole Historical Society, foliage was used to camouflage ships, and treetops were lashed to masts to disguise the existence of the harbor and its shipbuilding and saltworks operations. The entrance to Quisset Harbor is "marked" by two (substantial) rocks that look like sand dunes upon your approach just to the south of the two visible cupolas at Hamlin Pt, and north of the standpipe at Woods Hole. Follow the entry marks carefully as it's pretty shallow on either side. You will have 8 or more feet of water once inside the entrance.

Navigation is straight forward but due to the narrow and winding entrance channel be sure you have reviewed your charts and they are at hand upon your entrance. Look for R"2" FI R 4s lighted sea buoy at the entrance. Upon entering, favor the right side between C"3" and N"4", then cut across to the second can C"5", then on to N"6", then leaving C"7" to port.

Tides and Currents:

On July 13, the flood tide in Buzzard's Bay begins at 0912. Thus there should be a moderate favorable current carrying BYC cruisers from Third Beach towards Quissett from 0912 until around just after 1554 when the ebb tide begins.

Mooring and Anchorage

There is an "inner harbor" and an "outer harbor" within the overall Quissett Harbor, with the inner harbor being the area roughly beyond N"8" and the point of land to its south. The transition

to the inner harbor is marked with privately maintained nun and can buoys which you must respect, Pick up any empty mooring labeled QBY. Most of the available moorings will be in the outer harbor. The moorings are white with a blue stripe and are first come, first served (No reservations. Don't call or radio the marina!) Depending on the day, we may need to raft up 2-3 boats to a mooring (permitted only in the outer harbor). Cost of a mooring in the outer harbor is \$40 and the Harbormaster will come by to collect. Moorings in the inner harbor are \$50 and you will need to inquire with the harbormaster if there are any available. Please bring CASH as credit cards are not accepted. It's my understanding that the moorings are lines shackled to several cable runs on the bottom. For this reason, do not anchor in the mooring area! If you prefer to anchor, the area to do so is in the southwest corner of the outer harbor.

Facilities

Quissett Harbor Boat Yard (508-548-0506) at the northeast end of the harbor maintains a dock for short visits, as well as a dinghy tie-up area. You can radio ahead to the boat yard on Channel 9 to obtain permission to tie up at the dock (six feet MLW at the dock). The dinghy dock is to the left of the main pier. Water is available at the end of their pier. If you need water after hours, the shutoff valve is underneath the hut at the head of the pier. There is at least 6 ft of depth all the way into the pier. The marina operates a pump out boat (on request), with trash disposal and ice (honor system) at the dock. Once ashore take a short, easy hike to The Knob, offering magnificent views of Quissett Harbor and Buzzards Bay. The Knob is open to the public from dawn to dusk for bird watching, strolling, beach combing, and swimming. One can take the WHOOSH Trolley to Woods Hole, a short walk from the Marina. See the Trolley information link in "Further Reading" below.

Activity

We will gather at 1800 on the beach in the northwest corner of the harbor. Look for the BYC burgee on the beach. Arrive by dinghy. Bring appetizers or dinner stuff to share! Bring chairs and tables if you have them aboard. Drink of the day: Sangria

Further Reading:

Harbor History: <http://www.ghpt.org/quissettharbor.htm>.

WHOOSH Trolley: <http://www.capecodtransit.org/whoosh-route.htm>

The June 2018 Points East magazine discusses Quissett as their "'mystery harbor":

<https://www.pointseast.com/may2018-guess-the-harbor/>

Sun., July 14 and Mon., July 15: Hyannis

Day Captains

Carol and Brian McFarland

Distance and Navigation

It is approximately 27 NM from Quissett to Hyannis. Getting to Hyannis involves a short trip through Woods Hole which sailors will want to run at slack tide, right at the edge of the outgoing tide toward Vineyard Sound.

On July 14, BYC cruisers will have two options regarding when they pass through Wood's Hole – an early passage around 0630ish or a midday passage around 1100ish. Given that it is 27 NM



from Quissett to Hyannis, the earlier passage will give cruisers more time to get to their destination on time for the Sunday night dinner at the Hyannis Yacht Club at 1800. Then again if you are a fast boat or like to sleep in, the midday passage will work as well.

Early passage: On July 14, civil dawn is at 0448. At 0612 there will be about 1 knot of current in Wood's Hole pushing boats from Buzzards Bay towards Vineyard Sound. By 0712, there will be around 2.4 knots in the opposite direction, i.e. from Vineyard Sound

into Buzzards Bay. It is 1.4 NM from Quissett to the entry into Broadway in Woods Hole. To pass through Wood's Hole at this time BYC cruisers should plan to depart Quissett around 0600. Once in Vineyard Sound (at around 0700), there will be a very small current flowing north and east from Vineyard Sound towards Nantucket Sound. This will reverse direction by 0730 and continue to build until 1000, creating an oppositional current that BYC cruisers will have to overcome as they travel to Hyannis. The farther east you get, the weaker this current becomes.

Midday passage: On July 14 at 1136, there will be 1.1 knots of current flowing from Vineyard Sound to Buzzards Bay. By 1236, this current changes direction, creating a current of about .6 knots flowing from Buzzard's Bay into Vineyard Sound. Once in Vineyard Sound (around 1200) BYC cruisers will encounter a moderate diminishing current flowing west and south from Nantucket Sound towards Vineyard Sound. By 1300, this current will reverse directions and begin building until 1640, giving BYC cruisers traveling to Hyannis at this time a small favorable boost in their passage.

If you have never gone through Wood's Hole before and you want some help, please speak up. Any number of cruisers would be glad to share their strategy or be your "buddy boat" during that part of the passage.

The easiest passage from Woods Hole to Hyannis is through the North Channel which runs east just off the southern shore of Cape Cod. Keep an eye out for shoals, most notably the Succonneset Shoal which you will want to leave to port before turning northeast towards the Hyannis Harbor Approach Lighten Bell Buoy HH. Once you get to buoy HH (HH = Hyannis Harbor, #7 in the picture below), head north 1.2 NM to the harbor entrance buoy Red #4. As you enter Lewis Bay, to the west there is a channel just at Green #15 marked by private seasonal buoys that marks the channel to Hyannis Yacht Club. They monitor VHF Channel 69.

Moorings and Anchorage

Cruisers renting a mooring should pay for their mooring at the HYC Waterfront Office once they arrive. Cash or credit cards are excepted, although you will have to pay 3% more if paying with a credit card. The anchorage area is north of Egg Island is on the starboard side of the channel as you pass Dunbar Point on your port.

Facilities

HYC offers ice and water on their docks. To get pumped out while on the water, flag down the pumpout boat on the water when you see it. Or hail the “Barnstable Pumpout Boat” on VHF channel 16 or 09. You can also phone Barnstable Harbormaster Office at (508) 790-6273.

Activities

Sunday, July 14, 2024

Dinner at Hyannis Yacht Club is at 1800. The HYC dress code for dinner is as follows: *Long trousers (no denim) and collared shirts are required for men. Although sport jackets are not required, they are recommended. Stylish casual wear is appropriate for women. Dress shorts may be accepted if neat, clean and stylish and well pressed.*

Monday, July 15, 2024

Lunch will be at 1300 at Tugboats at the Hyannis Marina (11 Arlington St, West Yarmouth, MA 02673). Dinghy docking will be available at the marina.

Fun things to do in Hyannis

(Note: Some attractions in Hyannis are omitted below because they are not open on the days the BYC Cruise will in that port.)

John F Kennedy Hyannis Museum (<https://jfkhyannismuseum.org/>)

Closed on Sunday. Open on Monday from 10am – 5pm)

Todd Hall Classic Sports Car Museum (<http://www.toadhallcars.com/>)

Open daily from 1100 to 1700. (Located at 288 Scudder Avenue in Hyannis, which is 1.8 miles from the Hyannis Yacht Club)

Tue., July 16 and Wed., July 17: Vineyard Haven

Day Captains

Barbara and Bill Petrocelli

Distance and Navigation

It is approximately 18 nautical miles from Hyannis to Vineyard Haven. After leaving Hyannis Harbor through the channel, head south towards the Hyannis Harbor Approach Lighten Bell Buoy HH. From just south of the HH Buoy, you should be able to follow a course of around 232° for approximately 19



NM to “thread the needle” between several shoals on your starboard side (including the West Southwest Ledge, Wreck Shoal, Eldridge Shoal, and Hedge Fence) and Horseshoe Shoal on your port side. Once you have passed Hedge Fence on your starboard, you can turn due west for another 3.5 NM or so to pass East Chop and then south (left) towards Vineyard Haven.

Moorings and Anchorage

Anchorage is permitted outside the breakwater clear of mooring fields, channels and the causeway to Lagoon Pond Bridge. For those renting a mooring, upon entering the harbor, please hail the Vineyard Haven Harbormaster on VHF channel 9 and identify yourself as a Bristol Yacht Club cruise member. You will be instructed to switch to their working VHF channel 69. Please provide the Harbormaster with your vessel name and LOA. The Harbormaster will assign you a mooring. If you require directions to the assigned mooring, please ask.

Facilities

Water is available on the face of the town dock. We request you limit your time at the face of the dock to 15 minutes. A dinghy dock available for your use is located on the north side of the town pier and also on the north side of the Steamship Authority slip. Showers and bathrooms are also available in the Harbor Department building ashore from the town dock. During July and August there is usually a launch service available from the Black Dog Wharf. They can be hailed on VHF channel 72. Vineyard Haven is a great place to reprovision the boat as there is a full grocery store within walking distance of the dinghy dock.

Activities

On Tuesday, July 16 BYC Cruisers will gather at the Owen Park Pavilion at 1800 for shared appetizers and the Drink of the Day, a Sea Breeze. Bring chairs if you have them on board.

Fun things to do on Martha’s Vineyard:

There are too many great things to mention, but it is worth sharing that the Martha’s Vineyard Transit Authority provides bus service throughout the Island at very low fares. You can now purchase 1 Day, 3 Day, 7 Day, 31 Day, 100 Day and 365 Day travel passes from your smartphone at app.vineyardtransit.com. Purchase your pass online and store it in your Apple Wallet or Google Pay App for easy, contactless boarding. Just hold your phone up to the reader, scan and board! Passes are activated upon first use on the bus, and good for that number of consecutive days. More information, including fares, schedules, and routes is available [here](#).

Friday, July 18 – New Bedford Yacht Club at Padanaram

Day Captains

Larry and Laura Tambascio

Distance and Navigation

This quiet harbor is the home of the New Bedford Yacht Club and the Concordia Boat Company. The trip from Vineyard Haven to Padanaram is about 20 miles if you go through Wood’s Hole, and 23 by way of Quick’s Hole. Slack tide at Wood’s Hole — the best time to go through — occurs at 0848 (NW ebb) and again at 1442 (SE flood). The current is most foul, at



3.1 knots, at 1123. Slack tide at Quick's Hole occurs at 0920 and 1504, and is most foul — 1.9 knots — at 1134. Be aware that the tide in Vineyard Sound will be against you, if you head to Quick's Hole.

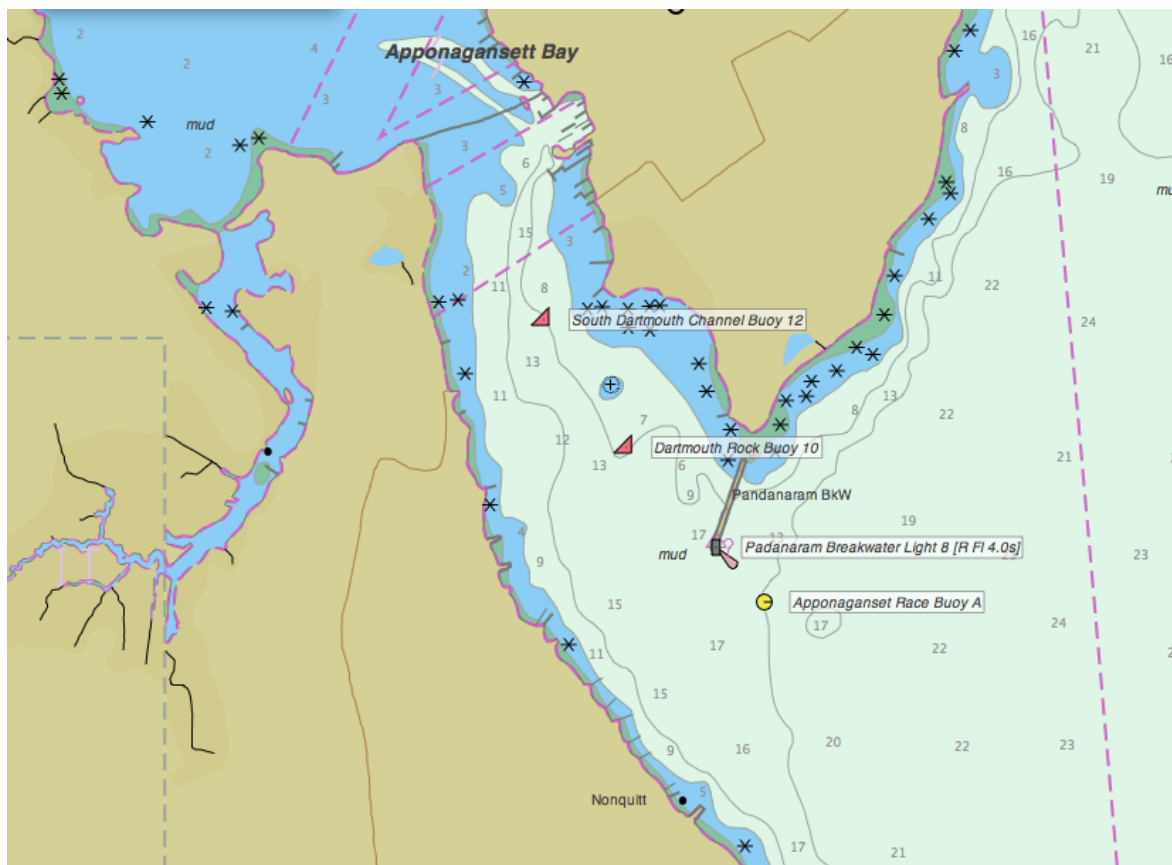
Moorings and Anchorage

Moorings have been reserved for all boats indicating they're going to NBYC. As you pass the breakwater, hail them on VHF channel 68, and say that you're

with the Bristol Yacht Club cruise. They'll show you where your mooring is.

Facilities

The mooring fee includes launch service and access to the clubhouse, including showers, dining room, and bars. Blocks and cubed ice can be purchased from the launch drivers. Fuel and water are also available from the club dock. If you are a deeper draft boat, choose the time you go to the dock. One time (low tide during a new moon) Cetus (draws 7' 2") did get briefly stuck in the main channel. One of the launches was easily able to pull us out. The moon will be pretty close to full on the 18th. Low tide is at 1118, and high tide will be at 1840.



Activities

It's movie night at New Bedford Yacht Club!! The movie they've selected is "Blue Miracle" and it will be shown on their front lawn. The bar and a concession stand open at 1830, and the movie starts at dusk. Bring your own chairs or blankets (and bug spray??). They'll be making pizza in their outdoor brick ovens, and you can get drinks from the bar.

If the weather should not cooperate, they will not be making pizzas, but their restaurant will gladly serve us. Please refer to <https://www.nbyc.com/dining> for information on getting a reservation. There are also a number of nice restaurants a short walk from the club, including Sail Loft, Black Bass Grille, and others, and don't forget Docksider Ice Cream (so good).

Fri., July 19 – Cuttyhunk



Day Captain

Paul Norton

Description

Located at the bottom of the chain of the Elizabeth Island between Buzzards Bay and Vineyard Sound, Cuttyhunk has long been known as a quiet fishing destination. Many families have long summered on Cutty with the original families going back several generations. Today Cuttyhunk offers a spacious marina, moorings for rent both inside and outside the harbor, a few stores for basic provisions, US Post Office, and a stretch of fish mongers located on the town dock. This dock is a great place for a traditional fish dinner, oysters, clams, lobster, chowder among other

delicacies. Ice cream is also available for a few short hours in the later afternoon and early evening. Key to a fun trip to Cutty is be bring what you need but don't miss the Raw Bar and dockside eateries. Church's Beach is a short walk out of the harbor which on the way brings you past the Cuttyhunk Yacht Club.

Distance and Navigation

The distance from the New Bedford Yacht Club to Cuttyhunk is 13.3 NM. The estimated time of travel at 5 knots, is approximately 2.5 hours with a favorable outgoing tide until 1322. High tide at Round Hill Point is 0645am. Mooring at Cuttyhunk are first come first served so an early departure is advised for those who wish to be on an inside mooring.

Follow the channel out of Padanaram to G"1" to the SSE as your first mark. From G"1" you have a clear crossing of 7NM to the Cuttyhunk East Entrance Buoy [RW MO (A) 8S Bell]. The next marks will be the Cuttyhunk Harbor Entrance marked by 1E and 2E. Once you have entered Cuttyhunk Harbor there are outside moorings along the east beach outside of the channel entrance. Additional moorings are along the south beach.

To enter Cuttyhunk Pond from the Outer Harbor, keep R N "4" to Starboard before rounding. The R "6" Bell. The dredged channel opens between G C "9" and Cuttyhunk North Jetty Light FL R 6s 29ft 6M "8" and is dredged to 6.5 feet for a width of 60 feet. Stay to the side, but don't slip out of the channel: you'll run aground in the mud.

Cuttyhunk Pond is well protected. Coming inside, you'll pass the ferry dock and the abandoned Coast Guard Boat House to port. Just past the Coast Guard dock, the cove to port is rocky and shallow (sometimes bare at low tide); don't attempt to cross it. Follow the white buoys marking the square main basin, which has been dredged to anywhere between 8 and 11 feet. In the northern portion of the dredged basin, you'll find 50 town owned moorings which are available on a first-come, first served basis and can hold up to three boats per mooring. Its shallow outside the dredged areas so pay careful attention.

Moorings and Anchorage

There are 50 town owned moorings inside the harbor, which are available on a first come first serve basis. There is no launch service. Rafting up to 3 vessels is permitted. Fee is \$60 per vessel, not per mooring. There are moorings outside harbor first come first serve as well as plenty of anchorage space. Inside the harbor is a small area in the NE corner for anchoring. SMALL being the operative word. Be sure to leave enough swing room and get there early if you want to anchor as it fills up quickly. Avoid anchoring too close to boats already anchored or moored, and stay 60-100 feet from shore.

There is also dock space available from DOCKWA. Limited Slips are available, at \$4.50/ft, thru DOCKWA at Dockwa | Marina dock, slip, and mooring reservations made simple.

Contact harbormaster on Channel 9 or (508)990-7578 for further information. Either George Isobel or Angus Garfield can help you.

Typically, Outer Harbor Moorings are available, and more often than not, you're sheltered in the lee of the island(s) from prevailing south/southwests winds. Anchoring is also an acceptable

option.

Tides and Currents

Low tide at Cuttyhunk on Friday, July 19 is at 1322. High is at 2028. Current in and out of harbor is 1 to 2 knots. The entrance channel to the pond was dredged in 2023 and has a depth of 7' at low tide.

Facilities

There are restrooms but NO showers available in the harbor. Fuel is available. There is water and self-serve pump out on the fuel dock. There are shoppes on the dock selling fresh seafood, ice, ice cream, and bait.

The Raw Bar Boat comes around every evening at 1700 to both inner and outer harbor mooring and anchorage fields. There is one small grocery up the hill and a few t shirt and souvenir vendors on island. Cuttyhunk is a great island for walking but respect islander's homes. Walking up the big hill to the lookout tower is a must on Cutty. The panoramic views of the South Coast of MA, Buzzards Bay, Martha's Vineyard all the way to Block Island and Newport are available from this elevation. There are also walking trails accessible from this location. Bring your bug spray if you decide to go hike on one of the trails. See website for more information: <https://www.savebuzzardsbay.org/places-to-go/lookout-park/>

Activities

BYC will have a group dinner catered by the Cuttyhunk Shellfish Farms in their space near the town docks. Cruise should arrive at 1700 to enjoy a cocktail hour with the Drink of the Day (Dark and Stormy) along with BYOB drinks and BYO snacks. The Cuttyhunk Shellfish Farms will serve the raw bar at 1800 and dinner at 1830. Cuttyhunk Shellfish Farms will supply cups, ice and water. All drinks including soft drinks are BYOB. You can bring your own food and we are told grills are available.

As a reminder, there are three dinner choices:

- Cuttyhunk Lobster Bake: Lobster, Chowder, Raw Bar, Corn, Potato, Steamers, Linguica and Watermelon
- Grilled Chicken Breast Dinner: Chicken Breast, Red Bliss Potato, Sweet Potato, Garden salad, corn and watermelon
- Kid's Menu: Hot Dogs or Burgers, Chips, Pickles, Corn on the Cob

Cruisers were asked to sign up for this dinner as part of the registration process but if you have subsequently changed your mind – to join, or not join or what you want to eat – contact Paul Norton who will try to accommodate you. No changes to reservations can be made after July 6th.

In the event of inclement weather Cuttyhunk Shellfish Farms may cancel the event and refund for the dinners. You might want to have your go to rations aboard given limited choices on Cuttyhunk.

Sat., July 20 - Newport

Day Captain

Marina Pascucci

Distance and Navigation

It is approximately 25 NM from Cuttyhunk to Newport. Often most of this passage can be accomplished in a single long close hauled port tack in the prevailing southwesterlies from the north end of Cutty to just off Bretton Reef light. Sometimes a few smaller tacks are needed, but either way it can be a near perfect sailing day – fingers crossed!!

Tides and Currents

On July 20 the ebb tide starts at 0936 at Cuttyhunk, flowing west from Buzzard's Bay into Rhode Island Sound. The flood current, carrying water from Rhode Island Sound up the east passage towards Newport, should start around 1300ish (Per Eldridge, low tide is at 1254 on July 20 in Newport and the flood starts west of Rose Island at 1438). This should allow cruisers leaving Cutty after 0936 to be carried on a favorable current all the way to Newport.

Facilities

BYC Cruisers are making their own mooring reservations (through Dockwa at Oldport or at the Ida Lewis Yacht Club) or anchorage plans in Newport. Those reserving through Dockwa will get an email from Dockwa with details on their mooring prior to arrival. Those with moorings from Ida Lewis Yacht Club will get an email from Barbara Petrocelli with their mooring details a couple days before your arrival.

Activities

We are meeting at the Ida Lewis Yacht Club at 1730 for cocktails. Please bring your BYC membership card to enable them to welcome us as a yacht club with reciprocal privileges. We will have dinner at their clubhouse at 1800. For those who are not on an Ida Lewis mooring, please "carpool" in your dinghies to the Ida Lewis dinghy dock or take the Oldport launch so that we do not overwhelm their dock space. There is also a public dock immediately north/east of the Ida Lewis Yacht Club which you can also park your dinghy.

Sunday, July 21 - Bristol

Welcome home! (Time to do laundry, revel in the glory of the refrigerator, take a long bath, and then a nap. 😊)