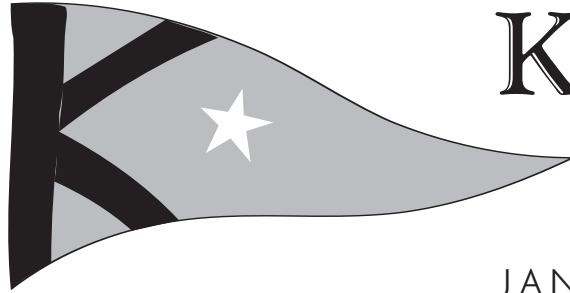


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# Kittery Point Yacht Club

JANUARY 2006 · NEWSLETTER

## Commodore's Message

Happy New Year to all! The club Christmas Party was well attended — thank you again Janet for hosting this great event. With January upon us, the board has been meeting to prepare for this year's annual meeting being held on January 21. It is important that you attend, as a quorum is required to make it official. There will be info forthcoming on the meal theme for this year's meeting.

The big ticket item for the club this year is to replace the concrete docks that have outlived their useful life in the river. As you know we had emergency repairs made last year to secure them. The roof is in the process of being replaced, as we had new leaks front and back. The roof was original; it lasted 20 years. This year's dues are projected to go up again to fund our operating budget for 2006. As you may recall, last year's increase was to bring up our asset maintenance

account — this account covers replacements such as roof, docks, etc. I look forward to seeing you at the meeting — both our seasoned members and our many new members that joined us in 2005. My thanks to all that made it successful — all the volunteers, and thanks to the new committee chairs and board members and officers. Again next year — get in touch with a committee chair, or see me or one of the flag officers to lend a hand — that's how it's done at our club!  
— Ernie

## Maine Hunter Sailing Association Marine Weather Seminar:

**F**OR MOST FOLKS THESE DAYS our experience with the weather is limited to watching the "weather guy" (or "gal") standing in front of a screen with all sorts of colorful graphics, waving his arms around and pointing to various lines and shapes while exclaiming about the expected severity of a storm. Or we might notice a chill in the air during our short walk from the front door to the car. But for the mariner, and more especially for the sailor, weather takes on added importance. How strong is the wind going to be?

And how big are the seas going to be running? Are we expecting a summer afternoon squall? For us, having an accurate prediction of the weather might make a difference in whether or not we venture out of the safe harbor and, in the extreme, whether or not we make a safe return or reach our destination. The Maine Hunter Sailing Association, an association of Hunter sailboat owners with interest in Maine coastal sailing, is sponsoring a weather seminar to help mariners and sailors better  
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# Marine Weather Seminar

understand what makes the weather we are likely to experience on the water.

The March 18, 2006, weather seminar will feature Bill Biewenga, one of America's most accomplished offshore sailors. Biewenga started his adult life in the construction business in the midwest but promptly gave up that business, relocated to Newport, R.I., and became an ocean sailor. Biewenga has accumulated over 300,000 sea miles including more than 20 trans-Atlantic crossings, several trans-Pacs, numerous record attempts, and four 'round the world races. He has worked as skipper, navigator, weather analyst, router, watch captain, helmsman, deck hand, and project manager. He is a photojournalist and has published over 210 magazine articles and numerous photographs in more than 20 magazines worldwide. In his sailing experience, Biewenga discovered a shortage of good weather predictions and weather information specifically useful to the sailor. He has taken on the job of filling that gap. Biewenga has been the instructor for many marine weather seminars and, in collaboration with Ken Campbell of Commanders' Weather Corporation, developed the "Weather for Sailors" textbook. Biewenga brings a

practical, applied approach to the "science" of meteorology.

The Maine Hunter Sailing Association's "Weather for Maine Sailors" seminar will be an all day, interactive class covering how and where to acquire useful weather information and how to interpret and use the information to the sailor's advantage. Topics covered will include basic knowledge of fundamental climatology and will develop an understanding of global weather and local conditions which affect the broad weather pattern to produce the weather you are actually going to experience on the water. The class will focus on coastal weather in the Gulf of Maine and from Eastport, Maine, to Newburyport, Massachusetts, the area most frequented by Maine Hunter Sailing Association members. We will learn about various sources of information, how to interpret weather maps, satellite imagery, and weather data from other sources. Participants will gain insight into the mechanics of weather to guide

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their own decision making processes.

The seminar will be presented at the University of Southern Maine's Abromson Conference Center on Bedford Street in Portland and is open to non-members as well as members of the Maine Hunter Sailing Association. A continental breakfast and lunch is included in the \$175 registration fee. Enrollment will be open first to members and remaining seats will be available to non-members. Mariners interested in more information about this weather seminar or about the Maine Hunter Sailing Association may contact Peter Poulin, commodore, by E-mail to: [p.poulin@verizon.net](mailto:p.poulin@verizon.net) or by telephone at (207) 782-5433. Or you may contact Jerry Homer, vice commodore, at [j\\_homer@compuserve.com](mailto:j_homer@compuserve.com) or (207) 633-2083.



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## With Many Fond Memories

**S**INCE I AM NOW COMPELLED TO LIVE FULL TIME IN ST. JOHN, I can no longer afford to support two yacht clubs, KPYC and SJYC. So it is with many fond memories I must retire from KPYC. I would like to share some of these memories with the rest of the club.

In 1957 I found myself managing a ski lodge in Vermont. Being a lifetime sailor, when spring arrived I began to long for the sea...but how? I had heard of Wentworth By The Sea. Being a clever fellow, I wrote to Jim Smith, suggesting that I become a resident artist. Jim liked the idea and off I went to Wentworth for the next twenty-five years.

Friday night at the Wentworth was square dancing. On one of these occasions I met the Horner family of New Castle. It seemed that Henry Horner was looking for a crew for his O boat. I told him I had done a little sailing and would like to crew for him. He told me to be at Horner's Dock (whatever the hell that is) at 9:00 the next morning. I found the dock and the boat but no Henry. At 9:30 he came out of the house and began to work on the boat. Meanwhile, I could see many boats milling around the starting line off Pepperal Cove. I became concerned about getting there in time. As the first gun sounded, Henry said "Let's go!" With a good breeze we reached across the river, came about on a starboard tack and crossed the starting line as the gun went off. With the fleet behind us, it was a perfect start. I later learned that this was Henry's normal procedure for starting a race. At Henry's suggestion I joined KPYC which at that time was meeting in a downstairs room at Captain Simeon's Restaurant. This was my entree into the local sailing world.

In the Saturday KPYC races it was Henry's goal to beat George Pitts. The rest of the fleet didn't matter as long as we beat Pitts, which we managed to do about half the time. During this time, George Pitts was also remodeling his home on the river. A beautiful new bathroom had been installed and the old tub stood proudly in the front yard... for months. Finally Mrs Pitt began to complain. George, who was in need of a new mooring, decided to kill two birds with one stone. He hauled the old tub down to the shore and at high tide he launched it, got in and paddled it out into the river until it capsized and that became George's new mooring.

Being stuck here in St. John, I shall especially miss my Friday night O.F. group.

**WITH FOND MEMORIES, ROBERT M. CHACE**

### Junior Racing Night WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2006

Open to junior sailors  
(all experience levels), parents, and interested  
volunteer organizers and supporters.

We will be discussing the competitive  
opportunities for junior sailors on a local,  
regional, and national level, as well as  
the direction of our youth racing program  
for 2006. Potluck.



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## Member Classifieds

Classifieds are **FREE** to members.

Please send these and other newsletter submissions to:

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## Crew Members Needed

We are preparing to enter our Farr 50' Pilothouse sloop Tenho in the '06 Newport-Bermuda Race. We would be interested in a couple of experienced crew members. I think we have a navigator lined up, but anyone else with Bermuda race experience would be welcome. Please contact me if you or someone you know is interested.

**DEAN HOWELLS · HHI@IX.NETCOM.COM**

From the  
Social Committee:

## Annual Meeting

**POTLUCK ITALIAN DINNER**

Saturday, January 21st

5:00 Cocktails

6:00 Annual Meeting

Dinner following meeting

We'll provide the bread, salad, red wine and dessert! You bring an entree or appetizer with an Italian flair! (*Don't worry, anything is fine... this is KPYP after all!*)

Questions? Timm 617-548-0449