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Dedication: *Elinor Ripley*



We wish to dedicate this issue of our newsletter to the memory of our former Board member, Elinor Ripley.

Elinor was a lifelong sailor and spent nearly 60 years enjoying sailing around the Bourne waters in her Bigelow kitten, Oracle II (which is moving to a happy new home in Onset). Occasionally, in her early years she participated in the Wenaumet and Mashnee races. In later years she enjoyed just going out and trolling for bluefish while sailing which was not always an expected sight. There were always interesting things happening on the water including one day when a young group

in a power boat cut across her stern and cut her line and favorite lure. They were very apologetic and promised to replace them. The following Monday when she returned to her Boston banking job there was a surprise when she was introduced to her summer intern who happened to be the same person driving the boat.

Her love of the new England waters included many years cruising from Rye NY to Mt Desert ME in the family's 3 boats *Duchess, Oracle II* (which she allowed use of her boat's name) and *Oracle III* with many exciting experiences including losing power and falling overboard in Woods Hole when picking up Duchess and, again, losing power in the 14 ft wide drawbridge channel in *Oracle II* while transiting the Annisquam on Cape Ann.

Elinor also had a great love of the environment and was a supporter of many forms of local conservation efforts.

Elinor provided great support and advice to BCB and we know she was proud to serve as a board member. She enjoyed looking out her back yard and seeing the kids learning to sail, or participating in Belly Biology, understanding they were being given life-long skills.

Her contributions to BCB were significant and we will miss our good friend and giver of sage advice.

- Ken Legg, on behalf of the BCB Board

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From the Bridge: *Message from the President*

Each year seems to be better than the last. Led by Amy Wright, our executive director, and our outstanding instructor staff lead by Sarah Bouchie and David Fallon, we continued to improve and expand out offerings one small step at a time. As a US Sailing sanctioned community sailing center and power boating center, we take great pride in the quality of our programs. Not that we never make mistakes, but we learn from them and continue to improve.

Things like our level 1 certification requirements, US Sailing Powerboat training for all instructors, our Instructor In Training (IIT) program, and our pre-season CPR and First Aid program taught by Bourne Fire Department, all contribute to program excellence. Our goal is to continue to improve.

Fund raising continues to be a strong requirement. Our goal is to have tuition cover 70 - 75% of costs. However, the expenses of a high quality program and the short season make this an on-going challenge. Thanks to the large number of volunteers, and our fundraising efforts, our budget is balanced. A special thanks goes to the volunteers of Phinney's Harbor Day, an event growing in popularity that reflects the community nature of our program.

There are a number of foundations and individuals who continue to be the main stay of our financial stability. A special thanks for your continued support.

A major on-going initiative continues to be to find a permanent home for BCB, which will assure its future. Your continued support in this regard will be a defining moment for the program.

This year we dedicate the Newsletter to one of Bourne's most dedicated and caring citizens, Elinor Ripley. Your guidance and leadership will be an inspiration for the future.

- Thank you all, Paul Bushueff, Chairman

As a footnote: I would like to thank Amy and staff for allowing Ken Legg and myself to venture to the far northern regions of Eastern Canada to sail among the Inuit villages of Hudson Strait. Our confidence in their abilities permitted this to happen. We will share some highlights of this adventure at a BCB winter event.



$Honor\ Roll\ 2013\ \textit{BCB couldn't operate without the support of these individuals and organizations.}\ \textit{Thank you!}$

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Special Phinney's Harbor DayThanks to:

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Phinney's Harbor Day Entertainment: Bourne Dept of Natural Resources Bourne Selectmen and town offices Ministers Glenn Stone & Bob Murphy Dave Doherty- designing a fabulous

parking lot.

Pat & Paula Healey- their work at the

finish line.

Henry Milliken, Ian Meli, & Brian An-

drews- work on the race route.

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Daniel Warncke, John Thompson & Rich Libin of the Bourne

DNR for shellfish instruction at Belly Biology.

Rob Reynolds- marine science cruise on Vineyard Sound with Zephyr Marine.

Paul Nitschke and Anne Richards from NOAA Fisheries for providing the fish for Belly Biology dissections.

National Marine Life Center- Programs for Belly Biology **Scholarship Committee**- reviewing scholarship applications. Scott Okun- Donation of a large portable shed to BCB

David O'Hara, Kent Nichols and Dave Arnold- assembling BCB storage shed on a VERY hot day.

Ron and Toby Way- use of Baxter Crane and Rigging's crane to move our hurricane blocks.

Kiki Tura-photography

Toby Baker - Donation of mooring gear.

Alex Walsh – bottom paint donation from ePaint Phil Field- coordinating purchases at West Marine.

Bill Martin, Don Packard, Don McPhee, Dick Cudmore- Varnishing tillers and blades.

Phil Tura - CPR & First Aid training & assistance on many other projects.

Don MacPhee- building pontoon storage box- AGAIN!

Jan Hughgill, Nathan Medeiros & Ezra Jones – Scrubbing a skiff David O'Hara- providing trailer for the fourth of July Parade.

Tim & Dave Fallon – Thanks for allowing BCB staff and students to sail Kathleen.

Tura Family- Thanks for allowing BCB staff and students to use your Bullseye this summer.

Field Trip Drivers-Jen Donovan, Cheryl Milliken and Deidre Doucette.

Lisa Greene- help with Merchandise.

Patty & Bruce Parker & Parker's Boat Yard- continued support.

Scott Way- mooring services. Larry Frawley- mooring services

David Crane- engine repair and maintenance.

Marc Daniels of Squeteague Sailmakers- sail repair & storage.

Cataumet Boats- Discount marine services.

David O'Hara- great job maintaining and preparing and retrieving the fleet, with help from Phil Way.

Charles Rose – Outboard repairs.

Mike Phillips- providing boat lettering.

Party Cape Cod – setting up, taking down, and storing our tent. Barlow's Boat Yard- Brenda, Rachel and Scott, for storing our fleet and helping in so many ways. Their contribution is immense.

Thanks to all the PARENTS who helped make BCB a Success in 2013! We would not be able to function without the help of our volunteers. Thank you to all parents and friends who donated time to assist with all the jobs big and little that make our program work.

From the Purser: Financial Update

This year BCB applied for and won its two first significant grant awards; \$7000.00 from the 11th Hour Racing to support our Belly Biology Program and \$10,000 through US Sailing, funded by the US Coast Guard, towards equipment upgrades and scholarships for our Powerboat courses. These two awards have helped to greatly improve and ensure the sustainability of these two programs into the future. However, our core program, the Summer Sailing School still depends heavily on the generous donations of Bourne Community Boating supporters to ensure that our tuition rates remain below ALL of our local competitors, and to ensure that the Scholarship fund remains full to assist families with residency and need-based scholarship funds. We need YOUR help to keep our prices low as our overhead costs in insurance, staffing, and more continue to rise. Your gift in any amount this holiday season helps to ensure that every Bourne kid who wants a chance to learn to sail gets it. Please send your tax-deductible donation to BCB, PO Box 3157, Bourne MA 02532. Thank You!

Taffrail Log: BCB Summer 2013 Programs

BCB's seventh year was a big success, with over 150 youth and adults participating in our Sailing School, Powerboating, Private Lessons, and the new Mummichogs program for our youngest sailors! The addition of Fall programs stretched our sailing season all the way to October: Endless Summer in the week between BCB's end of classes and the start of Bourne Schools, and Afterschool Sailing in September and October.

The Summer Sailing School, with its core groups of Beginner, Advanced Beginner, Intermediate and Adventures in Sailing had a great summer, led by the 2013 Sailing Instructors: Sarah Bouchie, Dave Fallon, Cam Juric, Caroline Neighbors and Patrick Holmes. The Beginners learned the basics of sailing a Pram by themselves, the Advanced Beginners took it a step further, and developed their sailing skills to the point that they performed a simultaneous tacking-on-whistle drill for the parents at the end of session Sail Expo. Intermediates added to their skills by learning to sail upwind, tacking, gybing, and touching on some basics of racing. Adventures in Sailing got to try the largest selection of boats yet: Capris, Bullseyes, Lasers, Hobie Cat, and even taking a ride in the spectacular wooden racing Catboat *Kathleen*. The Sailing Instructors were assisted by 2013 Instructors in Training (IITs): Tyler Lomasney, Trevor Milliken, Rachel Walman, Caton Medieros, Aly Hickey, and Danielle Gavin.

Mummichogs, BCB's new class in 2013 for students ages 6-8 was a big success. Led by fabulous Instructor Melissa Meara, we had two completely full sessions of kids ages 6-8 who spent half their time learning about the animals and habitats of our bay, catching and identifying creatures, and taking care of the fish tanks. Then, they got to play with boats: going for a ride in the powerboats, rowing a pram, and taking a short sail. The kids had a blast, and we are hoping to continue and even expand this program in 2014.

BCB's Powerboating program is now in its second year, and thanks to a grant from US Sailing and the US Coast Guard, we were able to make significant equipment upgrades and also offer partial scholarships for students taking the course. These scholarships were very helpful in assisting BCB more than double the number of students taking the Safe Powerboating Course.

This spring BCB hosted our first-ever US Sailing Level 1 Instructor training course, taught by Dave Fallon. This is quite an accomplishment for a small organization such as ours, and something that we hope to continue to offer.

At the end of our regular sailing season, BCB added two new programs as a trial to take advantage of the great fall weather on Buzzards Bay, and both worked out very well. Endless Summer was a day-long Adventure sail to a destination outside of Phinney's Harbor aboard the Bullseye sailboats. The group sailed around Wings Neck and into Red Brook Harbor for a stop at Bassett's Island for some lunch and great snorkeling. The kids really enjoyed sailing to new places and exploring the island. The other new program for fall is an Afterschool Sailing Program. This program again uses the Bullseye sailboats because they allow us to sail in windier conditions, and keep the students drier and more comfortable than our smaller boats. This program was a success, too, and we hope to expand.

BCB's increased ability to offer a variety of programming is helping us reach more and more people in the Bourne area who are interested in getting out on the water. 2013 was a success, and we hope to continue to diversify our programming in 2014!

- Amy Wright, Executive Director









Phinney's Harbor Day 2013

Well our Third Annual Phinney's Harbor Day on Saturday, July 6th, 2013 was another great community event! Our army of volunteers worked together to pull of what has now become an anticipated summer tradition her in Bourne. Whether it is our 5K Fun Run through the streets and woods of Monument Beach or our great entertainment by local artists young and old, Phinney's Harbor Day is a great way to celebrate the "community" in *Bourne Community Boating*.

The day began with 168 runners, ages 7-92, braving the heat and humidity to run the "toughest 5K around". True to tradition, Monument Beach's own Fred Trezise, age 92, joined his daughter Sue Peckham and family as they came down the final stretch and through the chute. We want to thank our wonderful neighbors along Midway Rd and Hersey Lane for providing much needed hosing showers along the course. Congratulations to Conrad Saan who took first place overall with a time of 20:19!

Next was the breakdown of the race and the set-up of the food, entertainment, raffles/ auction, volleyball, and sailing. Pizza, burgers, hotdogs, and lobster rolls were the fare of the day while many took refuge from the sun under the beer and wine tent. It provided a great vantage point to watch the sailing, paddleboarding, and kayaking while listening to the entertainment.

Lou Gallo and his Hot Soup Band, along with guitarist Andrew Lowenstein, returned again to be part of this great tradition. They were joined by Monument Beach Marina's Rob Shain and his band Over Time. And then if you were lucky enough to stay until the end, you were treated to the talent of our own young performers Jacob Tobey, Liam Prendergast, and Emma Kristoffy.

The Boat Parade was a hit with some of the highlights being the *Miss Paige* (a 28' Stuart Knockabout built by local Ballentine Boats), the Friendship sloop *Apogee* joining us from Wickford, RI and the patriotic spirited *Hen Frigate* with the BCB Member Sexton Family. Thank you to our ministers Glenn Stone and Bob Murphy.

There were plenty of activities for everyone! Our own BCB sailing staff helped well over 200 plus individuals try out our boats including Prams, Catalina Capris, and SUP boards. We were joined this year by the Bourne High School Spike Club. The volleyball tournament was a new addition and we hope to make it even a bigger part of the day next year.

We are always looking for volunteers to help with preparation, sponsorship and raffles, boat parade, site preparation and more.

Join us next year for our 4th Annual Phinney's Harbor Day on Saturday, July 12th, 2014!!!

- Monice Maurice, Vice-President & Phinney's Harbor Day Chair

A Big Thank You to all our Phinney's Harbor Day Supporters!

Please see our full list of PHD 2013 donors, sponsors and supporters in the Honor Roll on page 2.

Belly Biology 2013

Life is full of changes, and BCB is no exception. The belly biology program had been run through a partnership with Briarwood, but their program did not run this summer with the pending sale of their property. Fortunately, BCB secured an 11th Hour Racing Foundation Grant for \$7000 to pay for supplies, program development, and staffing for our belly biology program. We were able to purchase so many cool supplies to support our program, including a compound light and hand-held microscopes, plankton net, seine net, field guides, binoculars, an LCD video projector, and a class set of masks and snorkels. Students had a great time using the new equipment and exploring Phinney's Harbor!

Beginners kept busy first setting up and maintaining their aquaria. Then, they collected specimens with the scallop dredge and plankton nets. Students learned from Bourne Natural Resources officers how to legally harvest shellfish and had a special view of the upwellers that are holding baby clams and oysters. The most exciting morning was spent dissecting black sea

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Intermediates got to explore a variety of habitats and opportunities for marine research on Cape Cod. Their first session was spent examining the rocky intertidal and salt pond areas on Tobey Island. Next, we took a trip out of Falmouth Harbor with Rob Reynolds of Zephyr Education Foundation to use an underwater camera and dredge in Vineyard Sound, followed by an oceanside view of Woods Hole. Interns and educators at the National Marine Life Center in Buzzards Bay taught us about their extensive rehabilitation program for marine animals, including 3 seals that were being treated at their facility. Students also played a sea turtle game, simulating the dangers of being a hatchling. Our last and hottest session was perfectly paired with an afternoon of learning how to use a mask and snorkel, followed by exploring the cove on the other side of the bridge to Tobey Island.

bass and monkfish, learning both internal and external anatomy of the fish, including taking out their ear bones and stomach contents.

All class groups improved their understanding and appreciation of the amazing sea life that we have here in Phinney's Harbor and around Cape Cod. Special thanks to IITs Tyler, Trevor, Rachel, Aly, and Caton and to Sarah, Cam, Caroline, Patrick and Dave for your enthusiasm with the belly biology activities. All groups participated in some beach cleanup activities, learning that trash can really accumulate in our oceans, and that we can make a difference by cleaning it up! Next year we may be able to expand the marine science program further, now that we have the resources to be better coastal explorers.

- Cheryl Milliken, BCB Board Member and Belly Biology Instructor







From the Crow's Nest: The 2014 Program

In 2014, BCB will continue to improve on and expand our program offerings to better fit with what the community is looking for. Below is the highlights of our core programming for 2014. In addition to these courses, we will continue to offer Private lessons for adult and youth, Adaptive sailing, Powerboating, and more. Contact us for more information on any of our courses!

Mummichogs: Mummichogs, for our youngest students, focuses on water safety, marine science, and fun. Students will be introduced to safe boating practices, learn about the animals that live in the water around them, and do traditional camp activities. One week long course in the mornings. *Suggested Ages:* 6-8.

Beginner Sailing: Four week-long session introducing the principals of sailing. Students will have 4 mornings per week of sailing instruction in Opti Prams, and 1 morning of our marine biology themed Belly Biology program. Each student will learn to sail their own boat from the earliest time possible, which affords the steepest learning curve and best results. *Suggested Ages:* 9-12.

Advanced Beginner Sailing: Continuing from Beginner Sailing, this four week-long course expands on the basics of sailing. Students will have 4 mornings per week of sailing instruction in Prams, and 1 morning of Belly Biology. This course is designed for students who have sailed before, but are not yet ready for the more advanced techniques taught in Intermediate sailing. Four week long course in the afternoons. *Prerequisite*: Completed Beginner Sailing or instructor recommendation.

Intermediate Sailing: Continuing from Advanced Beginner Sailing, students move to the windier conditions in the afternoon to learn more advanced sailing techniques. Students will have 4 afternoons per week of sailing and 1 of Belly Biology. This class will primarily sail Prams, and may experiment with other boats. Four week long course in the afternoons. *Prerequisite:* Instructor recommendation following completion of Beginner or Advanced beginner sailing, or equivalent.

Adventures in Sailing: Designed for students who have a solid background of sailing skills, and are ready for new challenges. Students will sail a variety of boats including Prams, windsurfers, Lasers, Hobie cats and Bullseyes. Adventurers will experiment with new boats and new destinations, with a focus on fun. Three week long course in the afternoons. *Prerequisite:* Completion of Intermediates or equivalent.

Learn to Race: This course is designed for students who have completed Intermediate sailing, and want to learn the basics of doublehanded sailboat racing. One week long course in the afternoons. *Prerequisite:* Completion of Intermediates or equivalent, plus a desire to learn racing.

Sailapalooza: Open to all comers, regardless of their ability. Instruction will take place on Capris, Bullseyes, Hobie Cats or Windsurfers. Classes will focus on fun and will accommodate students of varying skills. *Prerequisite:* Open to all youth ages 10 and up.

Look for our 2014 program guide with dates, pricing and registration instructions.

Coming in January 2014!







Ship's Carpenter

Indeed, it is the sense of adventure and self-reliance that we try to instill in our young people through Bourne Community Boating! As our fleet evolves and we learn better to teach our students I become prouder of what BCB has become but hope that said evolution will continue.

Thanks to the Tura Family and Rob Reynolds we added two Bulls Eyes to the fleet this year and the instructors made good use of them. Next season we will have at least 3 of these 16 foot keel boats available not only for the kids to use but also us old folk! They are very easy to sail and are exceptionally stable with 700 pounds of lead holding them upright in vigorous conditions. These boats certainly allowed for more sailing time as they are capable of handling much heavier wind conditions than the Capri 14s that we also use.

BCB received grant support from US Powerboating, funded by the Coast Guard, to make improvements to our powerboat fleet including upgrading the engine on our largest boat and purchase and refurbishing a 13' Boston Whaler. These additions will greatly improve our Powerboating classes.

Fleet maintenance is an ongoing process essential to our program's success, and there is always work to be done. This summer had few breakdowns, thanks to last winter's maintenance. So this winter there are a fair amount of small repairs to be completed. Some of the projects we are looking for help with include: bottom painting and some varnishing on the Bulls Eyes, minor repairs to our floats and putting the end panels in the hoop building at Monument Beach. This list is constantly evolving, and a good way to stay connected to BCB and learn how to help is to subscribe to our enewsletter by contacting amy@bournecommunityboating.org.

Many of these jobs can be done on your schedule, and BCB will train you and provide all materials. So, anyone with some time to spare time feel free to contact Amy or me and we can talk about how you might be able to help us help others.

Make it your New Year's resolution to get out on the water in (or on) one of our boats next summer!!

- David O, Fleet Captain, (508 759 4081) email: oharda@gmail.com

He rose at dawn and, fired with hope, Shot o'er the seething harbour-bar, And reach'd the ship and caught the rope, And whistled to the morning star.

And while he whistled long and loud He heard a fierce mermaiden cry, "O boy, tho' thou are young and proud, I see the place where thou wilt lie.

"The sands and yeasty surges mix In caves about the dreary bay, And on thy ribs the limpet sticks, And in thy heart the scrawl shall play."

"Fool," he answer'd, "death is sure To those that stay and those that roam, But I will nevermore endure To sit with empty hands at home.

"My mother clings about my neck, My sisters crying, 'Stay for shame;' My father raves of death and wreck,-They are all to blame, they are all to blame.

"God help me! save I take my part Of danger on the roaring sea, A devil rises in my heart, Far worse than any death to me."

Alfred, Lord Tennyson

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Curmudgeon's Observation:

"To reach a port we must set sail –
Sail, not tie at anchor
Sail, not drift."

— Franklin D. Roosevelt



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