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**From the Bridge: *A Message from the President***

Transitions

Every year seems to be one of transition for BCB. We grew our fleet and offerings significantly in each of our first 3 years. This year, while our fleet and offerings were relatively stable, we moved our base of operations from Mashnee Island to the Monument Beach Marina. I'm very happy to report that this transition was a success. We did have to ferry the students from the Marina to our floats and boats, which remain moored off the Mashnee shore, but this proved to be a relatively easy task. The town was very supportive in our use of the Marina from the Selectmen through the DNR Staff to the townspeople themselves. It was a relief from the strife of the past couple of summers to be welcomed in our new home. We were finally able to erect both of our sheds and our tent and were fortunate in having a summer of splendid weather which always makes for a good season. Our beginners and intermediate sailors seemed to advance faster and further than in the past and this may have been the result of better instruction as we grow wiser from year to year, as well as the great weather. All in all the season was another success.

As we start to plan next year's programs we enter into another transition. Jan Kano will be leaving us. She has been involved in BCB since the beginning and has been head instructor the past 3 years. It's no exaggeration that BCB would not exist without the guidance and participation of Jen. She is a passionate teacher whom the kids relate to and whom we will miss dearly. Her contributions to the program are incalculable. Our new Head instructor will have very large sea boots to fill!

After four years as a founder and President of BCB, I am going to step down as President. I will remain on the Board and am fully committed to furthering the mission of BCB. I think it's important to have a turnover of leadership in all organizations, particularly one that is volunteer driven. Cheryl Millikan, who is a teacher, mother of two of our

students, and volunteer coordinator for the past two years is succeeding me as President. BCB is in great hands!



Finally, I want to thank all of you who have helped us grow over the past 4 years, donors, volunteers, parents and students. We have all shown that Bourne Community Boating is indeed a Community effort. It is gratifying to see the enthusiastic support by so many people in the Community and I urge you all to continue your support as we continue to evolve and undergo further transitions.

Ken Legg, President

**From the Crow's Nest: BCB's 2011 Sailing Program**

BCB is preparing for next year's boating program. We will continue to focus on our core programs. However, *there are some significant changes*

- **All** programs will be open to seasonal and year-round Bourne Residents. There will be no advanced registration period for year-round residents as in prior years. However, scholarships will only be available to Bourne year-round residents.
- There will be two different beginner offerings: The regular 4 week program to be offered in the morning; And a two week Youth Beginner program in the afternoon Designed for older children (without Belly Biology classes.)
- The intermediate program will remain the same with minor adjustments including sailing in other types of boats.

- The Adventures in Sailing program will be reduced to a two week, 5 days per week, session
- The Adult Learn-to-Sail program and Parent program will be one day per week, to better accommodate people's schedules
- BCB, in coordination with CapeAble Adventures, will further develop the **Bourne to Sail** adaptive sailing program for sailors with disabilities. Suitable water access is the challenge to this program.
- The Junior instructor program will be expanded for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> year participants.

***Beginners – Monday-Friday, 8:30 am to 12 noon- Two 4 week sessions***

Four days a week students will receive instruction in the principles and skills of sailing in Vanguard Prams (Optis). Students will learn to row, sail, tie knots, apply the rules of the road, and do some basic chart reading.

Our goal is to have each child sailing independently The fifth day will be devoted to marine biology and shore-side ecology (Belly Biology). The program is open to seasonal and full time residents of Bourne and who will be entering grades 4-6 this fall.

***Youth Learn-to-Sail– Monday-Friday, 1 pm to 4:30 pm Two 2 week sessions***

Students will learn to the basics of rowing, sailing, and the rules of the road, children will be encouraged to sail independently.. The program is open to seasonal and full time residents of Bourne and who will be entering grades 6 and up this fall.

Students can spend 2 to 3 years in these classes before graduating to the intermediate class.

***Intermediates - Monday-Friday, 1 pm to 4:30 pm- Two 4 week sessions***



To qualify for this class the student should be able to sail single-handed on all points of sail.

This program builds on the beginner/advanced beginner foundation

skills in all areas: rowing and boat handling, sailing skills, navigation, and rules of the road. It will also introduce basic racing, and provide some experience in other types of sailboats and windsurfers. All instruction will be with one student per boat. Sailing instruction will be 4 days a week with advanced Belly Biology one day per week. Students may spend from one to three years in this class.



***Adventures in Sailing – Monday-Friday, 1 pm to 4:30 pm -Two 2 week sessions***

To qualify for this class the student should have strong basic single-handed pram sailing skills including the ability to sail up-wind efficiently. In general the student should be entering the 7th or 8th grades. Students entering the 6th grade with very strong skills may be eligible for this

class. Students will strengthen their single-handed sailing skills in Lasers, learn sloop sailing skills in Capri 14s, and wind surfing skills on Techno 293s. There will also be more exposure to racing, and seamanship skills. Big boat sailing will be part of the program and will include an all-day sail during the last week of the session.

***Junior Instructor Program***

To qualify for this program the student must have excellent pram and sloop sailing skills, and a strong desire to continue to expand his/her sailing skills and experience. Students will be expected to assist in teaching 3-4 class sessions per week, attend a weekly class in which they will learn how to teach sailing effectively; and sail independently during open sailing or join in with the Adventurers 1-3 times per week. (Total time commitment = 5 sessions per week minimum.)

***Adult Group Sailing Instruction – Schedule to be determined***

Learn-to-sail for adults is taught in Capri 14's or wind surfers. Classes will include shore school and on-the-water instruction.

***Open Sailing – Schedule to be determined***

This summer, qualified members may use Opti's, Capris, windsurfers, and the Hobie 17. Members can qualify by attending a course (Intermediate Sailing, Adult Sailing, etc.) or by passing a test that includes rigging, sailing skills, and a swim check. As our fleet expands, so will the offerings for open sailing. This means that for an individual the \$50 membership fee or \$75 for a family membership provides 8 weeks of sailing—a huge bargain!! So, please plan on taking advantage of this program during the summer of 2011.

***Bourne to Sail - Adaptive sailing- Schedule under development***

BCB, in partnership with CapeAble Adventures, will expand the the *Bourne to Sail* program for sailors with disabilities. There will be at least two scheduled clinics. These clinics will be offered to allow people to come for a trial sail with or without an experienced partner. Depending on disability, sailing will be offered in our two Access Dingies and Capris 14's. The extent of offerings will depend on available facilities, suitable boats and the availability of experienced care givers. Please volunteer your skills.



**Fleet expansion** In support of our growing programs, we will be seeking to acquire 7-9 additional Vanguard Prams , another Laser, and windsurfer.

All programs are subject to change as we tailor our resources to the Bourne community's needs and interests. Complete program descriptions and a schedule of fees and scholarships will be posted on our web site.

Paul Bushueff, Vice President

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### **From the Purser: *Financial Update***

in advance for your support.

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### **Taffrail Log: *BCB Summer 2009 Program***

You know what they say about lemons... if that's what you get handed—make lemonade! And we got handed a basket of big fat ones early in 2010 when we lost our base of operations on Mashnee Island. It was a severe blow to all of us but it hit me especially hard. I had grand visions of the facility we could have there someday in that perfect location. Not to mention the three great seasons we had already had there. It was like losing the family homestead and facing living out of your car.

A lot of scrambling went on as we searched for the new 'perfect' location. Nothing seemed to totally fit the bill, and time was getting short. We finally settled on having our land-base at the Bourne Marina in Monument Beach (thanks to the generosity of the Town of Bourne and Tim Mullen and the Department of Natural Resources) and leaving our water-base in the same location off Mashnee Island. This presented some logistical challenges. We need another power boat, and we needed Coast Guard licensed

drivers in order to transport the kids across the harbor from Mo Beach to Mashnee. More scrambling ensued as the staff and I went through the long process of training, background checks, physical exams and drug testing necessary to get our licenses. And the whole time, I also tried to envision how we were going to do all the transporting and still have time to run a good class. Eventually I realized that it was not going to work, and we decided to extend the class time by half an hour from three to thee and a half hours.

With much trepidation, we launched our 4<sup>th</sup> season in the field next to the parking lot at the marina. Decked out with our trusty tent and storage sheds, our new location started to feel like home right away. And indeed, things went beautifully right from the start. The extra half-hour proved to be perfect—we had enough time to run a good class, and it wasn't so long that the kids ran out of steam by the end. Best of all, our new neighbors were actually glad we were there. Loads of people completely unrelated to the program stopped by to say “hi” and tell us how nice it was to have us there and how happy they were that we were still operating. The town DNR folks were extremely supportive of us and we co-existed splendidly though out the summer. The beach there worked out beautifully for our picnics, and the open space in the field was great for active games and sailing land-drills.

The classes themselves also went really well. But that was no surprise to me. With three highly successful summers under our belts, and three veteran instructors returning, we really couldn't go too far wrong. Hats off to Dan Montt, one of our original instructors 4 years ago, and Heather Valeri for their exceptionally strong performances as our senior instructors. I'm so proud of both of them and how far they have come as instructors. Not only are they great teachers, the kids love them so much that some were crying in their arms on the last day! They are both moving on to new challenges in life, and we wish them well. Fortunately, both Matt Phillips and Sarah Bouchie will be returning for 2011 to provide the staff some continuity. The kids love them, and they both have the potential to become great lead instructors. I hope they will be with BCB for several years to come.

And last but certainly not least—some sailing highlights! For me, the intermediate's circumnavigation of Toby Island always stands out, and this summer was no exception. It's a big adventure for small boats and takes solid sailing skills to get all the way around the island, under the bridge, and back to the pram float in less that 3 hours. Both sessions of this year's intermediates had a lot of fun and got a great feeling of accomplishment, and it made my heart sing to watch over them while they did it. The other event that stands out in my mind was seeing the B session beginners on the last day, sail upwind from the pram float out to the

spectator float in a pretty darn stiff breeze (a little stiffer than we would have liked), do their demonstrations for their parents, and sail back to the float with obvious skill, confidence and style. Remember that just 4 weeks before most of them didn't know the first thing about sailing. It still give me goosebumps when I think about it!

So there you have it. The best darn batch of lemonade you ever tasted, whipped up from a pretty gnarly looking basket of lemons!!

#### Personal Note from Jen Kano

My four years with BCB have been very rewarding and loads of fun! Being involved with a start-up and helping to plan a new program from scratch was exhilarating and satisfying on so many levels. After years of coaching from the sidelines, it was great to get back into the game for a while. I loved being out there with the kids and working side by side with the instructors. And I finally got to teach in Optis and see the magic of beginners learning to sail without instructors in the boats first hand. It's been a great ride and it makes me very sad to say good-bye, but I feel good knowing the program has a stable new home and plenty of good people to keep her going. Thanks to ALL of you that have made the program possible, but mostly thanks to the kids and their parents for participating... you are a wonderful community of people, and with out you there would be no Bourne Community Boating.

by Jen Kano, Executive Director



#### Most Improved:

A Beginner – *Baruch Candleoro*

A Intermediate – *Bailey Murphy*

B Beginner – *Kyle Valeri*

B Intermediate – *Skye McCarthy*

#### Sportsmanship:

A Beginner – *Caton Medeiros*

A Intermediate – *Madison Pellow*

B Beginner – *Steven Prevett*

B Intermediate – *Cameron Patton*

Jen Kano, Executive Director

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#### From the Ship's Carpenter: Fleet status

A message from the Fleet Captain:

Passions come from all kinds of places and encompass all kinds of activities. Here in the winter months we think, possibly, of schussing down the slopes or swimming in the Caribbean Sea. Where do these passions come from? I don't really have a definitive answer but certainly our

individual experiences lend a hand but it can't be just exposure to something. There has to be something, or perhaps more likely, someone else that makes that fleeting contact into something lasting and fine. For me my passion for sailing came from shared experiences with close friends and family support. I remember well the days of sailing on Lake Pymatuning in Ohio when my still and good friend Kurt and I would have vivid and memorable adventures.

If you have never read John Masefield you have to spend at least a couple of minutes with "Sea Fever", a poem I memorized as a junior high student, and you will begin to get a glimpse of the passion I am talking about:

#### "Sea-Fever"

**I must down to the seas again,  
to the lonely sea and the sky,  
And all I ask is a tall ship and  
a star to steer her by,  
And the wheel's kick and the wind's song and the white  
sail's shaking,  
And a grey mist on the sea's face, and a grey dawn  
breaking.**

**I must down to the seas again, for the call of the  
running tide  
Is a wild call and a clear call that may not be denied;  
And all I ask is a windy day with the white clouds  
flying,  
And the flung spray and the blown spume, and the sea-  
gulls crying.**

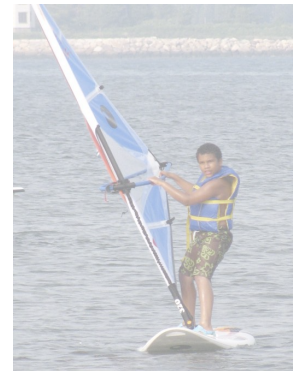
**I must down to the seas again, to the vagrant gypsy life,  
To the gull's way and the whale's way where the wind's  
like a whetted knife;  
And all I ask is a merry yarn from a laughing fellow-  
rover  
And quiet sleep and a sweet dream when the long  
trick's over.**

**By John Masefield (1878-1967).**

Bourne Community Boating is working hard to give you and your children an opportunity to find passion in your lives. As I said, this doesn't come from simple exposure but rather engaging with others. To that end, I invite you all to find ways to share experiences with others.

Last year the BCB fleet grew with the addition of 2 Lasers, each with 3 different sized sailing rigs. Also we added a 19 foot Carolina Skiff to help us transport students from Monument Beach to the Mashnee site.

The fleet is growing again this year. In an effort to get beginners and intermediates sailing solo more often we needed to increase the number of prams from 16 to 24 so everyone can have her or his own boat. The prams we have are no longer in production and because we didn't want to have a mixed fleet a lot of effort has been put into



finding used prams for sale. Although they aren't as rare as hen's teeth it was pretty darned close! We have managed to find 9 more which is the good news. The not-so-good news is that 8 of them are in the midwest. These will be picked up and brought back to Bourne once the weather is a little more kindly (hopefully in March).

A big thank you goes to Barlow's Boat Yard who has been more than generous, giving us a whole corner of their yard for storing boats which now number 38 before our new additions roll in! A second big thank you goes to Marty Starr who helped get the fleet ready to go. Lots of others

helped along the way during the launching and hauling which is fast and furious for 6 hours or so each way.

So this May or June when the call goes out for help, share the experience with a friend, a sibling, an offspring or perhaps someone you don't really know yet and help us get the BCB fleet in the water!

Yours for a fair wind, David O'Hara, Fleet Director

--David O'Hara

### BCB Honor Role

The following people and organizations have foresight and generosity, and played an important part in the pivotal third year of the Bourne Community Boating program.

#### Town of Bourne thanks

#### recognition plaques

#### BCB organization

BCB Directors and Officers:

Kenneth Legg, Director, President  
Paul Bushueff, Director, Vice President & Clerk  
David Foynes, Director, Vice President  
Craig Bautz, Director  
Cheryl Milliken, Director  
Elinor Ripley, Director  
Michele Ford, Treasurer

**Gene Curry** for Legal Services -  
**Joe Murphy** for Accounting Services - A Special thanks to Joe for continued critical services.

*Advisors: Toby Baker, Susan Baracchini, Erik Bevans, Paul Callahan, Jason Cassista, Tina Canterbury, David Crane, Kelly Mastria, Sydney McCabe, Mark T. Mahoney, Stephen Mealy, David O'Hara, Cheryl Milliken, Patty and Bruce Parker.*

*Executive Director: Jennifer Kano who managed the day to day sailing program; Fleet director, Dave O'Hara,*

*Supporting the Belly Biology Program:*

**Jason Cassista** and the team from **Briarwood Marine Science Center**, Beginner Belly Biology program.

**Daniel Warncke** and **John Thompson** of the **Bourne DNR** for shellfish instruction.

**Stuart Parsons** for providing the "walk the shores - a nature hike."

**Mark Rasmussen**, Buzzards Bay Coalition, water quality testing in Buzzards Bay

**Ed Enos**, MBL for providing tours of the Experience Center at the MBL, Woods Hole

**Rob Reynolds**, dredge and tow in Vineyard Sound

**David Crane** and **Judd Poole** for conducting the Marine Engine Seminar

**Masa Bearse** of **Totally Mobile**, and **Mark DeCicco** for donating disabled lift equipment.

**The Scholarship Committee** for reviewing scholarship applications.

**Boats** (Boats donated to the fleet)

*A Carolina Skiff, motor and trailer donated by **Chris Kent***

*A Hobie 15' and trailer donated by **Rick Olsen***

*Lasers donated by **Liz Davies, Josh Legg and Peter***

***Robbins.***

#### Other materials and services donated:

**Town of Bourne DNR and DPW** for launching and hauling, and storing floats for the winter.

**Phil Field** for donating Opti supplies and coordinating our purchases from West Marine.

**Town of Falmouth DNR** for mooring gear - a special thanks to **Bill Palm** who continues to look for opportunities to help out the kids of Bourne.

**Patty and Bruce Parker and Parker's Boat Yard** for continued support.

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**Peter Noonan** for providing a mooring.

**Larry Frawley**, for mooring services and **David Crane** for repairing used mooring tackle.

**Tina Canterbury**, who set up our school visits and helped coordinate with the schools, and organized the first Bourne teacher's sailing group.

**Marc Daniels, Squeteague Sailmakers** for sail logos, hot knife, sail repairs, and loaning a trailer for the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade.

**Jen Kano** for expanding our web site, including setting up a student database.

**David O'Hara** did a fabulous job maintaining and preparing the fleet, with help from **Maddie Smith** in January.

**Mike Phillips**, for providing boat lettering.

**Larry Frawley** for donating a mooring and the labor of installing and moving moorings.

**David Arch** for storing the big float for the winter. Camp registration fees donated by **members and attendees** at the **Board of Health** meeting.

#### **Events benefiting the BCB:**

Race for the Rock, **Peter Libish**  
Beach Party, **David Foynes**

**Parents step up to make BCB a success**  
**Again, many parents stepped forward to help to make sure we were successful.**

**Cheryl Milliken** for being BCB's Volunteer Coordinator. We are excited that she has accepted a position on the Board.

**Volunteers 2009** - Our non-profit program would not be able to function without the volunteer efforts of our members. Volunteering will be mandatory for all scholarship applicants. Many parents, aunts, uncles, and grandparents assisted with the daily check-in, beach duty, and pickup  
Beach duty is always a great opportunity for families to observe their sailors mastering new skills.  
Special thanks go out to **Suzy Brooks, Trish McPherson, and Cheryl Milliken** for taking and sharing photographs of students in the program throughout the summer (go to <http://bournecommunityboating.shutterfly.com/>).

BCB would like to acknowledge **Ken Legg, Mary Meli, Trish McPherson, Belinda Rubinstein, Rick Rheinhardt, and Cheryl Milliken** for driving the Intermediates to their field trips in Woods Hole.

Although this summer was fairly storm-free, we did need help from the Hurricane Response Team to move boats over to Barlow's Boat Yard.

**Susan Baracchini**, for helping at every opportunity.  
**Belinda Rubinstein and Merrick** who cared for our Belly Biology lab to make sure the fish and crabs survived.  
Hurricane volunteers, beach parent, and sign-in parents.  
**The Trepaniers, the Fulps, the Baracchinis, the Millikens, the Macphersons, and the Melis** were instrumental in moving our Optis and Capris to winter storage. Thanks also to all the families who helped out after the end-of-the-year potluck in mid-August. We had lots of fun moving, washing, and stacking the fleet!

As we plan for this year's program, we seek a volunteer for a critical position, Fleet Captain, who is responsible for coordination (along with Jen Kano and David O'Hara) and volunteer staffing, for launching of floats and boats and assembly of our fleet on the water and at the site; and the similar activity in decommissioning of the fleet and floats at the end of the season. We need to get a responsible committed parent to volunteer for this position ASAP. Please contact Cheryl Milliken if you are able to volunteer for either of these positions, [cgmilliken@verizon.net](mailto:cgmilliken@verizon.net).

**Thank you!**

#### **Our corporate sponsors and benefactors:**

**Barlow's Boat Yard, Brenda, Rachel and Scott**, for storing our fleet, and loaning haul-out straps.

**Trowbridge Tavern, Mary Ellen McCarthy**, food and facilities for Board Meetings, Beach Party, holiday party, and seminars.

**The Shed Place** for storing our sheds.

**Cataumet Boats** for big discount on a new outboard.

**West Marine** for misc materials and Opti rig supplies.

#### **Contributors (Jan 2, 2010- January 30, 2011)**

##### **Unrestricted Donations**

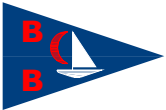
##### **Foundations**

Kingsley Durant Family Foundation,  
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We thank all our volunteers, sponsors, and donors for their generous support; as we strive to improve our programs .

*Congratulations to  
our graduates!*



**BCB 2009**

**Heard in the Rigging:**

Did you Know? "Pipe Down". *"Means to stop talking and be quiet. The Pipe Down was the last signal from the Bosun's pipe each night which meant lights out and silence."*

*"The difference between the impossible and the possible lies in a person's determination." - Tommy Lasorda.*