



Northeast Nordic Tug Owners' Association

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Tuggies, unite!

Photo by David Fasulo

A passing boater yelled “Tuggies, unite!” to 29 tuggers rafted up in 12 dinghies in Three Mile Harbor on the Saturday after the rendezvous. We think you’ll agree it should be our official mantra.

This year’s annual Northeast Nordic Tug Owners’ Association rendezvous was the biggest one yet, with crews from 32 boats attending, representing CT, MA,

NJ, NY, RI, SC, and FL. There were 29 tugs in Essex harbor—we were quite a presence!

One by one, the boats arrived, followed by greetings and registration. After the hoses and buckets were put away, it was time for a dip in the pool before the rum party began at 5:00.

The secret rum mix concocted by Bar-

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5th Annual NENTOA Rendezvous

*It just keeps
getting bigger
and better!*

Rendezvous at a glance • July 27-29, 2005

Day 1, Wednesday — Welcome and registration. Rum party. Potluck supper. Annual owners’ meeting. Cruising presentations.

Day 2, Thursday — Continental breakfast. Welcome from Ben Wilde; Ric Reid, Nordic Tugs President; and Rusty Graham from Cummins. Roundtable discussions. Lunch. Boat hopping. Voluntary Vessel Safety Checks performed by NENTOA members who are authorized examiners from USCG Auxiliary or US Power Squadrons. Cocktail party, steak/sword/lobster fest, and raffle.

Day 3, Friday — Buffet breakfast. Captains’ parade meeting. Noon parade through Essex Harbor. Raftup, photo-op, and mooring in Hamburg Cove. Relaxed afternoon. BYO cocktail party on Ben’s 42.

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tender Ben was a great success, setting the stage for greeting old and new friends alike. Boat talk flowed freely—a sure sign of good times.

Shortly after 6 the tasty potluck dishes appeared; Bill Boyer continued to cook hamburgers and hot dogs under the increasingly threatening skies.

The tuggers who had come from the

east experienced a rough day traveling with limited visibility in morning fog and lumpy seas for most of the day.

During dinner the predicted severe T-storms hit. Bill & Judy Anderson received a standing ovation as they arrived in the midst of a wild storm with pitch-black skies, cloud-to-ground lightning, and heavy downpours.

As the storm let up and normal darkness fell, last year's elected Board of Governors held the brief annual meet-

ing. The membership ratified our new bylaws, elected a Commodore and Vice Commodore for the coming year, learned about the state of our funds, including our burgee sales and revenues from our popular new ship's store. Cruising presentations followed.

Many tuggers were already sporting their gift from Nordic Tugs in Washington: rendezvous tee shirts with a great graphic design on the back (see below, left). Thank you, Nordic Tugs!

Day 2—Thursday

After a continental breakfast, Ben Wilde, our northeast dealer, offered greetings to all and introduced Nordic Tugs President Ric Reid and Sales & Marketing Director Tracy Prescott. Ric gave us an update of what's going on at the factory and elaborated on the popularity of the new flybridge models. Cummins' Connecticut Branch Manager Rusty Graham discussed the new electronic engines and introduced Connecticut Marine Business Development Manager Paul McAllistair. The Cummins' Metropower Training Manager Jim Brown invited us to take one of several diesel classes offered to recreational boaters (see page 11 for details).

At 10 o'clock, we all headed for the first Roundtable Discussion Group session, followed by the second session at 11:15. We made our discussion group choices when we mailed in our registration, so everyone had a good idea of what to expect. All the groups were lively and well attended.

After lunch, the Nordic Tugs and Cummins reps made the rounds of individual boats while many tuggers enjoyed a leisurely afternoon of boat-hopping, having Vessel Safety Checks performed, swimming, or visiting quaint shops in Essex, resting up for the evening's lively activities at the Essex Yacht Club.

During the cocktail hour at EYC tuggers bought strings of raffle tickets in hopes of winning their favorite items. There were many prizes, including an in-

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and live from Burlington, WA . . .



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Ric Reid

Ric Reid, President of Nordic Tugs, Inc., and Tracy Prescott, Sales & Marketing Director, spent three days with us in Essex. They ran two Roundtable Discussion Groups on Thursday and visited many tugs addressing individual issues and concerns during the rendezvous. Easy-going and personable, both Ric and Tracy are eager and willing to share their expertise and help owners learn about their tugs.

Thank you for all the information and help you gave us. We look forward to seeing you again next year.



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Tracy Prescott

A busy year

The Interim Governing Board elected at our 2004 rendezvous had a productive year.

Bylaws. We were asked to construct a framework for our organization that would allow us to be as informal as possible yet be a bonafide organization with specific goals. We believe our new bylaws reflect our association's wishes.

Dues. We decided that there was no need at this time to assess dues, thereby eliminating a significant bookkeeping chore and keeping with an air of informality.

Ship's Store. We opened a Ship's Store on our popular website, inviting all Nordic Tuggers, not just those in the northeast, to buy shirts and other items handsomely embroidered with their own Nordic Tug model and ship's colors and name at an attractive price from an established vendor who has been selling yachting items to Power Squadrons and yacht clubs for many years. NENTOA makes \$3 on each item sold. All purchases are made directly on our vendor's secure website.

Burgee. Following up on a request from several owners, we designed a burgee and had them crafted at Prestige Flags, a well-known flag company with an excellent reputation. We sell them at cost, even picking up the postage we incur when they are mailed to us.

Website. Our website is very popular nationwide with owners and prospective owners alike. We've had more than 9,000 hits since it was first posted on October 18, 2002. If you've done anything to customize your boat that you'd like to share with others, please send a description along with a digital picture to our webmaster at nentoa@aol.com

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flatable kayak! With raffle selections made, we queued up outside for dinner, which was complete with all the trimmings of a real New England lobster-bake!

The raffle, with many nautical offerings, is always a lot of fun. It was a huge success, bringing in \$670 for our association!

When the wonderful evening concluded shortly after 9, we left the yacht club in small groups, sauntering along the narrow streets in Essex alongside white picket fences and waist-high stone walls on our way back to the marina. A few decided to stop in at the 1776 Griswold Inn for a nightcap and some dixieland jazz in the Tap Room, referred to by *New York* magazine as "the best-looking drinking room anywhere in America."

Sated and tired, we all slept well in our cozy tugs at our island marina.

Day 3—Friday

Breakfast was fabulous—a full buffet with coffee, eggs, bacon, sausage, pota-

toes, and all the trimmings. Just what we needed to start another full day.

Jim McCrea held a Captains' Parade Meeting, outlining the parade and raft-up procedures and the optional cruise on Saturday morning to the anchorage at Three Mile Harbor on the south fork of Long Island.

Many crews decorated their tugs with signal flags for the parade.

We began leaving the marina at 11:30, heading out into the harbor for the annual Parade of Tugs in Essex Harbor and north on the Connecticut River.

The raftup in Hamburg Cove was quite a spectacle with 22 boats

rafted up! The people already in the cove had grins and quizzical looks on their faces as they watched us file in through the narrow channel. Once again, we were quite a presence.

The tugs spent the afternoon in twos and threes on different moorings as their crews swam, kayaked, and rested up for the 5 pm cocktail party on the Wilde Team's host 42.

As the sun set in the cove, dinghies returned to their vessels. One by one the lights went out.

It was a magnificent rendezvous.



Photos by David Fasulo



2005-06 Officers Elected

Commodore
Ruth Jansson

Vice Commodore
Jim McCrea

A message from your commodore *Ruth Jansson*

The Wilde Yacht Sales team, the voluntary and appointed leaders from past years, and the members of last year's Governing Board all deserve our deep gratitude for laying the foundation for our association. Thank you for a job well done.

I am pleased to announce the new members of our Executive Committee:

Finance/Records Chair

—Bette Conner

Rendezvous/Cruise Co-Chairs

—Connie Connor

—Bill Russell

Membership/Communications Chair

—George Bevad

Along with Jim McCrea as Vice Commodore, we have a fine group of dedicated individuals who will work to fulfill our goals: To plan a great 2006 rendezvous, to handle our funds wisely, and to communicate with our members.

We would like to have many people involved in planning and executing Rendezvous 2006. The Wilde Yacht team gives us awesome support and we want them to continue to do all they want to do.

Several people have already volunteered to help with the rendezvous. We will be sending out an all-call shortly for volunteers to handle specific tasks. We're hoping to get an overwhelmingly favorable response from you—our fellow tuggers and friends. Thank you for your continued support and enthusiasm.

It is an honor to be asked to serve as NENTOA's first Commodore.

Thank you.

—Ruth

Annual owners' meeting

Last year our association elected a 6-member Board of Governors—George Bevad, Ruth Jansson, Stan Klein, Jim McCrea, Gary Olsen, and Bill Russell. Ruth Jansson chaired this year's annual meeting.

This past year our organization has accomplished the following: published the rendezvous newsletter and a mid-year news announcement via email, drafted bylaws, designed a burgee/had them made, opened a ship's store, maintained the NENTOA website, presented a slate of officers for 2005-06 to the membership, recommended a zero dues policy for the coming year, organized the rendezvous roundtable discussion groups and presentations, and helped Con-



nie orchestrate this year's gathering.

The agenda items on the annual meeting: ratify NENTOA bylaws, approve treasurer's report, and elect 2005-06 officers.

The bylaws were ratified unanimously, the treasurer's report was approved, and the slate of officers recommended by the Governing Board was approved.

NENTOA Financial Report

By Bette Conner, Finance/Records Chair

We are doing well. Our fiscal year started on July 1, 2004, with a balance of \$464. (Note: All figures are rounded off to the nearest dollar.) Our balance on June 30, 2005, the end of our fiscal year, was \$263.

On the income side, we netted \$600 at our 2004 raffle, took in \$870 in burgee sales, and earned a little over \$2 in interest over the year.

In the expenditures column, we sent \$1,512 plus \$60 for shipping & handling to Prestige Flags for our

burgees, \$46 for stamps, a roll of raffle tickets, and a rum-party steel-drum CD; and \$54 for newsletter and historian notebook supplies.

PS: This year's raffle brought in \$670 and we have just received a check from our Ship's Store vendor for \$234. Additional burgees were bought at the rendezvous, netting another \$259, bringing our balance so far this fiscal year to \$1,426. At this time, we have 5 12x18 and 8 14x21 burgees in stock.



A get-well message . . .



Two of our regular crews were absent from this year's rendezvous because of illness.

We wish Ed Mackey (Eritad) and Jim Thorington (Thor) complete recoveries from their recent and ongoing treatments.

To Ed & Rita, Jim & Frankie: We are thinking of you and look forward to seeing you at our rendezvous next July.

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One dinghy, two dinghy, three dinghy, four . . .



Photo by Ruth Jansson



Photo by Jack Blair

It seemed a perfect day for a three-hour cruise from Hamburg Cove to Three Mile Harbor on the south fork of Long Island. During the course of the day, 13 boats came in to anchor,

including Herb and Wendy aboard *Snorri*. At the stroke of 4:55, 29 hungry and thirsty rendezvousers crawled into 12 dinghies for the short trek to the chosen venue for the 3rd

Annual Les Petites Bateaux Raftup. Balancing favorite hors d'oeuvres as well as liquid refreshments, the dinghy crews carefully made their way to the designated site—the largest mooring ball in the field!

Although miraculously no one spilled any liquid during the crossing, we did hear that the smoked salmon on crackers with cream cheese and olives slid off its plate midway. Fortunately, the food was completely encased in plastic wrap, so the delicacies were saved!

Many “Cheers!” and hearty laughs filled the air as the platters were passed from dingle to dingle. Cheeses, crackers, fruit, hot spreads and cold, veggies, and meats were shared around and around.

As the plates and glasses emptied, the sun began to disappear in the western sky. Separation anxiety set in as we realized that this was it for another year; nonetheless, one by one, we bravely said our farewells and headed back to our tugs; the last five or six holdouts let go of the mooring and drifted together for a while before regaining their independence.

Won't you join us next year? We can't guarantee the magnificent sunset, but we can assure you a memorable time.

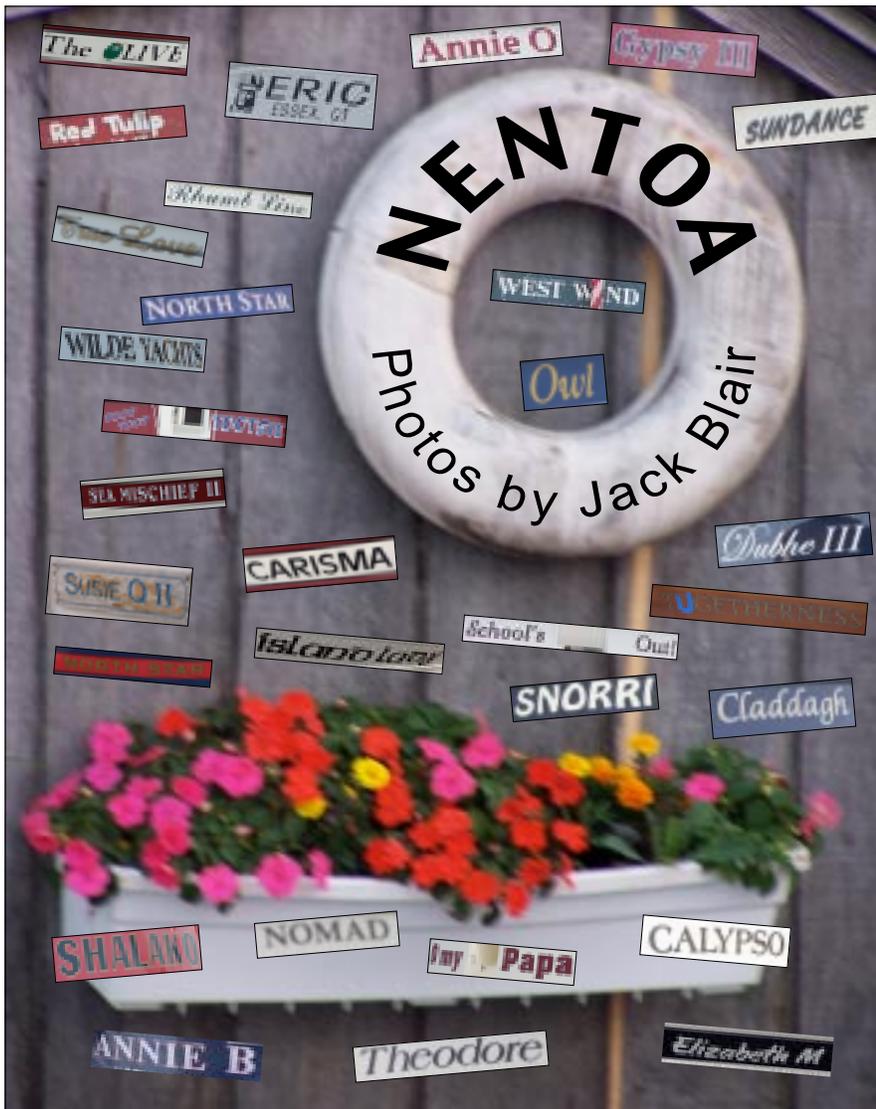


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Roundtable Discussion Groups

- Basic Radar Techniques**—Jim McCrea
- Nordic Tugs Discussion**—Ric Reid & Tracy Prescott
- Is It Smarter To Finance Your Boat?**—George Bevad
- The Well-Fed Crew: Healthy Menus for Cruising**—Mable Seymour
- Cummins Discussion**—Rusty Graham, Jim Brown, & Paul McAllister
- 75 Tips & Tricks for Your Nordic Tug**—Jim McCrea
- Preparing Your Tug for Winter Layup**—Ben Wilde
- Marine AC/DC & Electronics**—Peter James

Photos by Ruth Jansson unless otherwise noted.



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Outside vendors also attend

We have the start of our own NENTOA Boat Show in the works with our first two vendors. Ben Grant of U.S. Alarm Company's Marine Division displayed a marine alarm system and demonstrated it to interested tuggers. Kay Bagwell of Kay Bagwell Photography had an artistic rendering of one of our tugs on the Connecticut River on display.



Photo by Paul Tortora

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Cruising presentations



Photo by Jack Blair

Between the Forks of Long Island

Jim McCrea presented "Between the Forks of Long Island," an animated slide-show look at the various harbors and towns in this beautiful, sandy cruising ground. Stretching from East Hampton to Greenport to Riverhead, this area of bays, quiet gunk holes, and harbors filled with mega yachts offers much to see and do. It would be easy to spend a week or more circling Shelter Island, stopping here and there along the way to explore by dinghy, kayak, or on foot; browse in interesting shops; or sample some tasty fare from one of many fine eateries. The presentation included tips on anchorages, an explanation of the tidal mechanics of Plum Gut, and photos of all of the major harbors.

—Jim McCrea



Photo by Jim McCrea



Photo by David Fasulo

The Island of Maui, Hawaii

Dick & Mable Seymour enjoy Hawaiian vistas in real life each winter. This most entertaining slide show of selected scenes from the island of Maui in Hawaii included close-up photos of many beautiful flowers and wildlife, action photos of kite-boarding along with some rather beautiful "kite-tenders," views of the West Maui mountains, several photos of rather ostentatious gates in the upscale community of Weilea (some probably cost more than our boats), and several gorgeous sunsets looking out over the waters of South Kihei. For our entertainment, Dick also included some photos of pretty "beach bunnies" along with some pictures of "real dogs"! Yes, they were really dogs (the animal kind)!

—Dick Seymour



Photo by Dick Seymour



Photos by Jack Blair

Lake Champlain & the Champlain Canal

We had a great trip on our cruise to Burlington, VT, with Jeff Gordon and Tom Davis on *Nomad* and the whole Wilde Yacht group on *Wilde One*. We cruised westward on L.I. Sound, around the Battery, up the Hudson River, through the Champlain Canal, and across half of Lake Champlain to Burlington. The cruise began with a delicious cookout at Marge and George Bevad's (*True Love*) gracious home in Sea Cliff. The highlights of our trip: seeing the Manhattan skyline and pausing at the Statue of Liberty, seeing West Point and Ft. Ticonderoga, stopping at historic Schuylerville, visiting the side-wheel ferry *Ticonderoga* at the Shelburne Museum (a must see). We were impressed with the historic significance of the Hudson, its lighthouses, and beautiful scenery.

—Phil & Bette Clorite



Photo by Mich Clorite



Photo by Jack Blair

The Rideau Canal

The inland waterways of the northeast hold a special fascination for many. In June we traveled 1,118 nm from Long Island Sound to the Hudson River and the Erie and Oswego Canals to Lake Ontario and the Thousand Islands, up the Rideau Canal to Ottawa, down the Ottawa River to Montreal, then down the St. Lawrence Seaway to the Richelieu River/Chambly Canal to Lake Champlain and back home. This 20-minute movie covers the Rideau Canal and its 24 locks, hand-operated much as they were when the canal first opened in 1832. Covering 126 miles, the Rideau Canal meanders through some of the most beautiful areas and historic towns in the northeast, connecting Kingston with Ottawa, Canada's boater-friendly capital.

—Ruth Jansson & Bette Conner

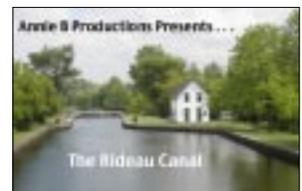


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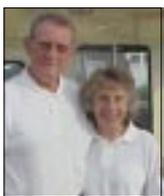


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Cruising NY State's Finger Lakes—June 2005

Two gems in New York's interior, Cayuga and Seneca Lakes, are accessible via the Erie Canal east of Lock 25 and four locks on the C&S Canal. Cayuga Lake provided reasonable dockage, a tour of historic Aurora and dinner at the inn. We cruised south to Ithaca and Allen Treman State Marina Park. Seneca Lake, the deepest at 632 feet, boasts Seneca Falls, home of the Women's Rights movement, several museums, restaurants, and free tie-up along its 1000-foot waterfront. Watkins Glen Gorge, at the lake's southern tip, is within walking distance of Village Marina. Every foot of the 800 steps to the summit abounds with breathtaking views. Having explored only a small part of this region, we will definitely return.

—Don & MaryLou Schulz



Photo provided by D. & ML. Schulz

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Raftup in Hamburg Cove



Photo by David Fasulo

... and a parade of colorful tugs

Calypso



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West Wind



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Wilde Yachts



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Red Tulip



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Nomad



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Owl



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True Love



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North Star 32



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Toot Toot Tootsie



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Claddagh



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School's Out!



Photo by Jack Blair

Sundance



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Seminar sparks idea

At Mable Seymour's Roundtable Discussion Group "The Well-Fed Crew: Healthy Menus for Cruising," a number of easy-to-prepare and tasty recipes were shared.

SO... a NENTOA Cruising Cookbook is in the works.

The following people have already shared their ideas with Mable: Dee Barber, Marge Bevad, Joan Clarkson, Claire Maresca, Mim McCrea, Theresa Murphy, Gary Olsen, Claire Philips, Joan Prater, Dorothy Renehan, Marilyn Sly, Lyn Stanley, Jackie Stone, & Judy Tubbs.



If you have a favorite recipe that's healthy, easy, and tasty, please send it to Mable at:

reelmagic@worldnet.att.net

SENTOA on the internet

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To date 254 Nordic Tug owners, dealers, factory personnel, and invited professional guests are online. Open to owners and serious prospective owners. SENTOA is a private bulletin board for sharing information.

Ask questions ?
anything & everything Nordic Tug
Get answers !

To subscribe, go to
<http://lists.samurai.com/mailman/listinfo/sentoa>
and follow the on-screen directions

Each boat crew at the rendezvous received a "Rendezvous 2005" bookmark from Annie B

Happy Reading!



Ship's Store is on the web



A fine selection of fleece & denim for autumn cruising as well as shirts, Ts, and other items are available at reasonable prices.

Your boat's name & colors embroidered at no extra cost.



<http://www.ct-shoreline.com/nentoa>

OPEN TO ALL NORDIC TUGGERS



Lobster dinner & raffle at EYC

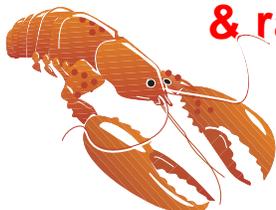


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Thank you to these businesses for donating raffle prizes

Brewers Dauntless	Rex Store at Norwalk
Cummins Metropower	Cove Marina
Essex Coffee & Tea	Soundings
Nordic Tugs	Publications
Norwalk Cove Marina	West Marine
Ocean Navigator	Wilde Yacht Sales

Raffle Prizes - Grand List -

Cooler
Boat wax
2 nights' dockage at Brewer Dauntless
Mystery bag
3 folding chairs
Salt & pepper lighthouses
New Yorker cartoon napkins
Framed picture of tug
Tug tie
Rigger's bag

Herb cookbook
6 subscriptions to *Soundings*
Champagne
Wine & trivets
Schrade Tough Chip Compact Tool
2 fire extinguishers
1 night dockage at Norwalk Cove Marina
Homemade branded cherries
Teak towel rack
Inflatable kayak
Divided nautical snack tray
3 cases of 15-40 oil with oil filters

2 Cummins mats
Huahine 7x50 water-resistant binoculars
Compact Rules of the Road Lifesling
Ocean Navigator hats
Duckpond jigsaw puzzle
2 red trivets
Gibson photo album
Dolphinite cleaning kit
Candles
Women's tee shirt
Squeegie

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Participating Tugs & Crews

*Boats in Essex

Connecticut

*Annie B**—Ruth Jansson & Bette Conner.
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*Calypso**—Jim Goodrich & Luisa Francoeur.
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*Claddagh**—Barry & Joan Clarkson.
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*Dubhe III**—Ron & Jean Dejewski.
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*Elizabeth M**—Phil & Bette Clorite.
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*Nomad**—Jeff & Mindy Gordon.
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Spray—Norman & Claire Philips.
*Sundance**—Peter & Jenny Holland.
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*Toot Toot Tootsie²**—Carol Julian.
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*O My Papa**—Jack & Kay Oates.
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Massachusetts

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New Jersey

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*True Love**—George & Marge Bevad.
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*Sea Mischief II**—Dick & Mabel Seymour.
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*Rhumb Line**—Bill & Judy Anderson.
rhumbline@verizon.net
Sea Wolf—Richard Tomlinson & Norma
LaSalle. RchTomlinson@aol.com

South Carolina

Aerial—Lee & Dee Barber.
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Tug enthusiasts

Thom Billadeau & Ron Rubin, NY
Tim Gaffney & Theresa Murphy, GA
Brian Kelly & Vicky Natham, NY
Burt & Jean Prader, GA
... and guests

Diesel school news

By Jim Brown

Cummins Metropower Training Manager

The four-hour Engine Familiarization Class covers basic diesel theory and a review of the engine systems, operation maintenance, and basic troubleshooting. Be sure to bring your O&M book to the class.



Photo by Ruth Jansson

For those who want a more in-depth class and hands-on training, we offer a full-day class. This course covers an overview of basic electricity including how to read a digital multimeter and its usage on marine engines. We will also discuss the operation of rotary and inline fuel systems, injector removal and overhead set. For those with C marine engines, we will cover the use and testing of the DCA and how to read wiring diagrams for the 480 C-E electronic engine.

New this year is the addition of a Familiarization Class on the new QSB and QSC engines in Rocky Hill.

These classes have proven to be very popular and offer the boat owner a great value. They fill up fast and I urge you not to wait to submit your reservation. Upon receipt of payment (check, postal money order, or credit card), all requests will be confirmed by email, fax, or letter.

Schedule of classes

Nov 14—B or C Familiarization Class
8 am - 12 pm or 1 pm - 5 pm
\$125 per person (4 hour class)
Nov 15 or Nov 16—B engine. Hands-on, starting at 8 am. \$200 per person (full-day class)
Nov 17—C engine. Hands-on. \$200
Nov 18—QSB/QSC Familiarization (morning only). \$125 per person
Note: For all classes, please add 6% sales tax.

Download the Registration form at
<http://www.ct-shoreline.com/nentoa/media/dieselsclass05.doc>

For additional information, send email to

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NENTOA Website can be found at

<http://www.ct-shoreline.com/nentoa>

More than
9,000 hits in
less than 3 yrs

By Nordic Tuggers, for Nordic Tuggers

Your website contains information on:

- your ship's store
- past events
- latest events
- upcoming events
- cruising destinations and logs
- links to anything Nordic Tugs
- custom changes/improvements with pictures

If you'd like to share any changes you've made to your tug, contact our webmaster at
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Finance/Records
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Rendezvous/Cruise
Connie Connor/
Bill Russell

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Communications**
George Bevad

Historian
Dick Seymour

Webmaster
Ruth Jansson

Newsletter Editors
Ruth Jansson
Bette Conner

Thank you . . .

Ben Wilde for hosting the rum party and for all the support and dedication to our organization—and to his wife **Sue Wilde** for all her help and enthusiasm.

Connie Connor for the countless hours she put in orchestrating our rendezvous and without whose help the rendezvous would not be such a success.

Don Connor for all his support.

Bill Boyer for all his enthusiastic help and the delicious BBQ.

Jack Blair for following us around and being our Official Photographer.

Jim Desnoyers of Beacon Marine Credit for the buffet lunch AND for the cocktail party at the Essex Yacht Club.

Nordic Tugs for Friday's buffet breakfast.

Ric Reid and **Tracy Prescott** for taking such an active role at our gathering.

Paul Fitzpatrick of the Fitzpatrick Agency and **Essex Coffee & Tea** for Thursday morning's coffee and breakfast.

Jim McCrea for organizing the parade, raft-up, and the cruise.

Ron Dejewski, **Bill Russell**, **Bette Conner**, and **Ruth Jansson** for performing VSCs.

MaryLou Schulz, **Mim McCrea**, **Susie Klein**, **Margie Bevad**, **Bette Conner**, and **Ruth Jansson** for their help in setting up the raffle, and **Sue Wilde** and **Connie Connor** for conducting the raffle.

Bette Conner and **Ruth Jansson** for all their tasks, large and small, as Rendezvous Coordinators.

IMPORTANT NOTES

Next year's rendezvous will be held during the same time slot—Wednesday-Saturday, July 26, 27, 28, & 29, 2006.

Cummins is offering classes in November: half-day introductory classes and full-day hands-on advanced classes. See page 11 for details.

There are two Nordic Tug newslines you might like to join:

— *Nordic Tug Newsletter* • Bill Owel, Editor • 844 Main Sail Lane, Gig Harbor, WA 98335-5102 • (253) 858-6164 • ldybump@juno.com • Cost: \$10

— *SENTOA* • See information on page 10. Cost: \$15

Boat shows this fall: Newport, September 15-18. Norwalk, September 22-25. NY-NJ at Liberty Landing, September 29-October 2. Boston, September 29-October 2. TrawlerFest, Solomons, MD—TrawlerFest University, September 27-28 & TrawlerFest, September 30-October 1. Exclusively trawlers with lots of workshops and people who love our kind of boat and boating. Go by land or sea. For more information, visit www.trawlerfest.com

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