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## 6th Annual NENTOA Rendezvous

**T**here were a record number of Nordic Tugs at Essex Island Marina for this—our 6th annual—rendezvous. Of this marina's many attractive features, the best one for us is that they can accommodate us all in one yacht basin. With such an ideal arrangement we are all together, bow to stern and hip to hip, making it easy to visit boats, get to know each other, and share stories.

By the time the rum party was about to start at 5 pm, 20 tugs and their crews were nestled in the marina, and 10 others were close by on moorings or at other facilities. Nine crews came by land this year.

In all, 39 tug crews were present. That's our highest number yet! And some folks cruised a long way to come to our rendezvous: Lee & Dee Barber and their tug *Aerie* came from South Carolina; Bob Calves aboard *Diamond Sea* arrived from his home port in Virginia.

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# 2006 Rendezvous

## 6th annual rendezvous

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The Pusser's Rum Party on the marina deck, sponsored by—who else!—Pusser's, was a raging success. Their rum and Painkiller and Old Grog mixers slid down real easy accompanied by delicious hors d'oeuvres supplied by tuggers. The island music from the Bose was soon drowned out as everyone met old friends and made new ones, talking tugs and swapping stories.

The pot-luck supper brought out the best from our galleys, and Wilde Yacht team member Bill Boyer cooked up scads of hamburgers on the barbeque.

The brief business meeting was followed by a slide show of photos and a cruising presentation. Exhausted from travel and a full evening of activity, the deck was quiet by 9 pm and the tugs were dark shortly thereafter.

Wednesday morning's continental breakfast brought people together once again. After welcome and introductions, the first seminar session was held at 10,

followed by another session at 11:15.

Our caterers served a lunch of sandwiches and salads, and tuggers spent the unscheduled afternoon doing whatever suited their fancy—lounging poolside, visiting the shops in town, boat-hopping, consulting with the many experts available to us, having Vessel Safety Checks, getting to know each other better. It was a perfect prelude to the evening's activities at the elegant Essex Yacht Club, a short stroll from the island marina.

The evening's festivities began in grand style. The cocktail party hors d'oeuvres aplenty preceded the lobster/steak/sword fest, accompanied by steamers and mussels, boiled potatoes and corn. As dinner plates were cleared, the raffle began. Across the indoor/outdoor dining area, folks were pulling out their share of the 696 raffle tickets sold, and attention was focussed on Sue Wilde and Connie Connor who were displaying and delivering the prizes, one at a time, as numbers were selected and called. In all, the very successful raffle distributed prized gifts to just about all of our mem-

bers, bringing in a total of \$580 for our association!

After Friday morning's full buffet breakfast, Vice Commodore Jim McCrea held a captain's briefing to explain the parade and raftup procedures. As the meeting drew to a close, tuggers signed up for the 1st Annual Dinghy Poker Run to be held later in the day at Hamburg Cove.

With the raftup and photo-op complete, crews headed toward moorings around the cove and the poker run began. Fortunately, the thunderstorm and heavy rains held off until just before 5 pm. Our BYO cocktail party on the Wilde Team's host boat had to be postponed by about an hour and a half.

Saturday morning brought sunshine and blue skies as tuggers left Hamburg Cove. Several boats headed off to Three Mile Harbor, a few began their solo summer cruises, and others returned home. The weather was perfect for boating.

Our 6th annual NENTOA rendezvous had come to a close. It was proclaimed a grand success by all!



Photo by Paul Tortora



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### Rendezvous at a glance

July 26-28+, 2006

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

*Day 2, Thursday — Continental breakfast. Welcome & Introductions. Seminars. Lunch. Boat hopping. Voluntary Vessel Safety Checks. Leisure activities. 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 Dinghy Poker Run in Hamburg Cove. BYO cocktail party on Wilde Team's host boat.*

*Day 4, Saturday—Optional cruise to Three Mile Harbor on LI and dinghy raftup with drinks & hors d'oeuvres.*

# 2006 Rendezvous

## SENTOA co-presidents attend NENTOA rendezvous

We were honored to have Chip & Louise Worster, co-presidents of the Southeast Nordic Tug Owners' Association, attend our rendezvous. They enjoyed a full three days with us in Essex, attending seminars and events and making lots of new friends.

They've extended an invitation to all northeast tuggers to come to St. Augustine, FL, in April for their annual rendezvous.

For details and registration information, visit the SENTOA website at [www.sentoa.org](http://www.sentoa.org) or send Chip & Louise an email at:

[olesalte@earthlink.net](mailto:olesalte@earthlink.net)



SENTOA Co-Presidents Chip & Louise Worster at NENTOA rendezvous.

Photo by Ruth Jansson

## Down by 13, but wait til next year!

Thirteen of our "regulars" couldn't make it this year. But the majority of them said they'd be back for the 2007 gathering.

We extend to those with surgeries or illnesses our best wishes for speedy and complete recoveries.

Several tug crews were attending family gatherings here and abroad and two crews were off cruising. Lest you think Nordic tuggers are not a special bunch, one crew was off to a foreign country as the guest of its king!

When we combine these missing crews with those in attendance this year, next year should be quite a whopper!



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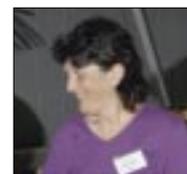


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## The Pusser's Rum connection

Like the sailors in Great Britain's Royal Navy of yore, we were served our daily ration of rum on the deck late Wednesday afternoon by ambassadors of the Ship's "Pusser" (corruption of the word "purser"), the person onboard responsible for all ship's stores. And, like the British pursers of yore who watered down the rum, ours, too, was diluted—but nicely.

You ask how this watered-down issue of rum began? Well, it seems back in 1740, British Admiral Vernon, who always wore a program cloak while on the quarterdeck, was fed up with the daily drunkenness and resulting bad behavior among his men. He ordered that all issues of rum be diluted with water; those men who exhibited good behavior would also receive lime juice and sugar to improve

the taste. This mixture became known as "Vernon's Grog."

Pusser's Rum, one of our Official Sponsors, sent us their rum along with two kinds of mixers: Grog and Painkiller. Grog is the identical stuff Admiral Vernon gave his men—a mixture of lime juice, water, and dark cane sugar. The Painkiller mix is a combination of cream-of-coconut, orange and pineapple juices.

Mixed in our own "scuttlebutts" (the jugs into which the ingredients are poured and served) by our own ambassadors, the drinks went down oh so smoothly.

We are pleased to report that, as Admiral Vernon would have predicted, not a single one of our sailors became drunken and unruly. It was truly a delightful rum party.

Thank you, Pusser's!



## Minutes of annual meeting

The agenda for the evening was short, lasting only about 15 minutes. Commodore Ruth Jansson welcomed everyone and introduced SENTOA copresidents Chip & Louise Worster and gave special mention to Dee & Lee Barber, and to Bob Calves, tuggers who brought their longest distances to join us.



Ruth Jansson

Photo by Paul Tortora

During the past year, we've regularly updated our website and registered our new web address: [www.nentoa.org](http://www.nentoa.org). We published two newsletters that were distributed via email and posted on our website, sold several burgees, monitored our Ship's Store, approved the purchase of a projector and case and a NENTOA rendezvous banner. We also worked closely with Connie Connor of Wilde Yachts to orchestrate the 2006 rendezvous.

Finance/Records Chair Bette Conner gave the financial report, reviewing the income and expenses during the past year (see right).

Elections followed. The slate of officers presented to the membership was approved and the current officers were elected to serve for another year. The commodore will ask the current chairpeople to continue in their positions for another year.

Vice Commodore Jim McCrea reviewed the rendezvous schedule and introduced the First Annual Dinghy Poker Run Card Shark Judge, Ed Mackey, knighting him with a s p l e n d i d shark hat.

Special thank-yous were given to the Wilde Team—Ben, Connie, Don and Bill; historian Dick Seymour; our in-house seminar presenters Jim McCrea and Mable Seymour, and Nordic Tug's Bob Shamek.

Presentations followed the meeting.



Card Shark Judge Ed Mackey being knighted by Jim McCrea

Photo by Ruth Jansson

### 2006-07 Officers

**Commodore**  
Ruth Jansson  
**Vice Commodore**  
Jim McCrea

## NENTOA financial report

By Bette Conner,  
Finance/Records Chair

Our fiscal year took in the period from July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006. On July 1 of last year, we had a balance of \$263.81.



Bette Conner

Photo by Bob Sanders

Over the year our income included: 2005 raffle, \$670; burgees sales, \$284.50; Ship's Store proceeds, \$234; bank interest, \$6.14; and a contribution from Cummins Northwest of \$1,000—for a total income of \$2,194.64.

During the same period, our expenses included: stamps & envelopes, \$13.10; historian supplies, \$124.32; [www.nentoa.org](http://www.nentoa.org) registration fee, \$75; projector, \$890.12; projector case, \$56.63; NENTOA banner, \$114.48—for total expenses of \$1,273.65.

Our current balance: \$1,184.80

At this time, we have 2 12x18 and 7 14x21 burgees in stock.

## Did you know . . .

*In 1994, there were only 11 Nordic Tugs in the entire northeast.*

*Today there are 94!*



Bob Calves left his home port in Virginia aboard *Diamond Sea* to cruise the Erie, Oswego, and Canada's Rideau and Chamblay Canals, returning south via Lake Champlain and the Champlain Canal.

Carol and John Sloan from the westernmost part of the Erie Canal had planned a cruise to the NENTOA rendezvous aboard *Buffalo Wings*.

## Erie Canal closing foils tuggers

But in late June, a no-name tropical depression sped northward from the Gulf of Mexico through New York State, dumping record amounts of rainfall, causing disastrous flooding of the Champlain and Oswego Canals and the western portion of the Erie Canal.

Although most of the canal system was able to open within two weeks, heavy rainfall in July thwarted the canal personnel's attempt to open the Erie Canal between Lock 8 and Lock 16.

Bob changed his destination and decided to head to Essex for the July 26 gathering of the northeast tuggers and from there to points east; John and Carol, however, couldn't get through.

We were happy to see Bob again, but we were disappointed that John and Carol couldn't make it. Hopefully next year.

Lock 10 on the Erie Canal, the last holdout, finally opened August 19, 2006.\*

\*For further information, go to <http://www.canals.state.ny.us>

## Dinghy poker run

Three rowers, five paddlers, and one swimmer participated in the first-ever Dinghy Poker Run in Hamburg Cove on Friday afternoon.

Spirits were high as the card sharks sought a winning card from each of the 5 station-boats scattered in the cove identified with a red balloon.



Photo by Elliott Kocen

Our swimmer-entrant, Joan Kocen of Solomons, MD, was the first to collect all her cards. It was a casual event with visits prompting good conversation at



Photo by Elliott Kocen

each station. We heard on good authority that Susie Q offered sustenance and water to every participant who stopped by for a card.

The late afternoon thunderstorm interfered with the start of the party on the host boat and the last launch back to Essex



Photo by Elliott Kocen

was forced to leave

before the party began. Ed Mackey, our official Card Shark Judge, had to hop that launch and missed the opening of the envelopes and the announcement of the winner. Steve Raye graciously stepped in to perform the duties. He proclaimed Bette Conner as the winner of the poker run with three threes.



Photo by Mim McCrea



Photo by Ruth Jansson

## The Wave Noise Preventer



Photo by Ruth Jansson

Many tuggers are kept awake at night by the wave slap at the bow resounding in the forward stateroom. Dick Seymour tried several things before coming up with this workable solution to help ensure a quiet night.

Dick had his canvas man make up two panels of sailcloth, each with integrated pockets for two swim noodles.

The panels are connected with three small lines that slip under the bow when it's deployed.

Dick and Mable showed the Wave Noise Preventer to our members, demonstrating how to deploy it, keep it in place, and retrieve it. They also had it deployed at the

dock so we could all see how it fit on the tug.

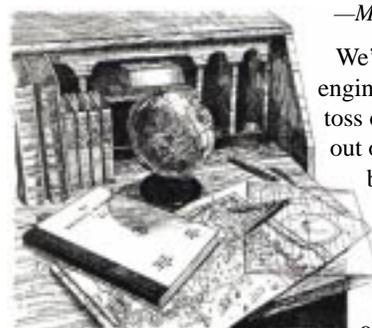
It does take two people to rig the noise preventer and we all enjoyed the banter between Dick and Mable as they talked their way through their make-believe deployment and retrieval.

Dick had several Wave Noise Preventers made and he has already sold all but one to fellow tuggers, who are very pleased with how well they work.

If you're interested in knowing more, visit the Great Ideas page of the NENTOA website at [www.nentoa.org](http://www.nentoa.org) or contact Dick and Mable directly at [reelmagic@worldnet.att.net](mailto:reelmagic@worldnet.att.net)

## ... and we're still having fun!

—Musings by Ruth Jansson



We'd start up the little engine, stow the sailcover, toss off the lines and back out of our slip. Outside the breakwater we'd turn into the wind and hoist sails, shut down the engine, check the chart, and head out on a compass course to

our destination. With a compass, a knot stick, and a radar reflector, we did fine—and had a lot of fun!

Today while the engine is warming up, we fire up the Tri-Data, the VHF, the GPS, the radar, the computer's nav software, and the autopilot—and head out on a compass course to our destination.

Today's instruments can pinpoint our exact location at any given time, tell us how fast we're going, determine to the minute when we'll arrive at our next waypoint or even at our final destination.

Isn't it amazing that so many of us did all this without a blink—or any instruments?

What's more amazing is how we all managed to learn how to use all these complicated electronic instruments. We didn't take courses and we certainly didn't learn much from the poorly written manuals.

Perhaps the secret lies in having a solid understanding of how to navigate with paper charts, dividers, rulers, and a sharp pencil. Somehow the old and the new all came together for us.

And you know what? It's still a lot of fun!

# 2006 Rendezvous

## Seminars

Eight seminars were offered in two hour-long sessions on Thursday morning.

Six Cummins reps came to share their knowledge with both the traditional and the newer electronic engines, answering individual questions and concerns.

Many owners attended Bob Shamek's discussion on Nordic Tugs. He gave maintenance and preventive maintenance tips and answered a myriad of questions on our tugs' various systems.

Peter James (Jack Rabbit Energy Systems) offered advice on maintaining energy independence while afloat, reviewing battery- and inverter-related concerns.

Erik Klockars, certified outboard mechanic and technical consultant for *Power Boat Reports* and *Soundings*



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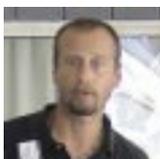


Photo by Dick Seymour

magazine, talked about what the average boater can do to keep his/her outboard in good running condition.

Raymarine's Bill Jones brought along a chart plotter,

demonstrating how to master its various features. Bill also addressed many questions and visited several boats to troubleshoot issues.

Tug owner Mable Seymour

brought people together to discuss how to provision for tasty hors d'oeuvres; many brought recipes to share.

Tug owner Jim McCrea did two separate seminars: One repeated from last year included 75 tips and tricks for your tug. In his second seminar, entitled "Fire Aboard," he related the story told to him by an acquaintance who had a serious fire aboard his new boat and reviewed the safety equipment that should be on board.

In all, our seminars were well attended and received very favorable feedback. The professionals who came and shared their expertise with our owners also made onboard visits to help owners with particular issues they were having.

## Cruising presentations

### Photographic slide shows of people and places



Photo by Ruth Jansson

Over the past couple of years, Dick has continued to work seriously on his photography hobby. His photographic slide show at this year's rendezvous included music synchronized with photos from Hawaii, Maine, New York, and other places he and Mable have traveled. Several photos caught young children and teenagers in sports or interacting with each other. His closeups of priceless and beautiful facial expressions, flowers, and scenes of nature are wonderful.

Dick also showed a slide show of photos he took at glass artist Dale Chihuly's latest exhibition at New York's Botanical Gardens. Dick captured several of Chihuly's majestic and unrivaled glass sculptures along with and among the beautiful flora of the Botanical Gardens. Dick displayed some of his best prints, including two prints which are over four feet long, each comprised of several individual photos that were "stitched" together on the computer. Thanks to Dick for the time and effort he put into these slide shows for us.

—Dick Seymour

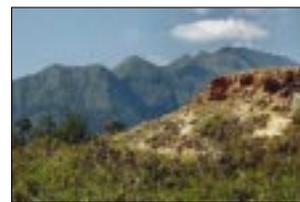


Photo by Dick Seymour

### From Norwalk, CT, to Kingston, Ont.

—Ruth Jansson & Bette Conner



Photo by Jack Blair

With film, music, and commentary, Ruth and Bette invited the audience to join them in their travels from Norwalk, CT, to Kingston, Ontario, taking in scenes of New York City from both the East and Hudson Rivers, and the entire length of the Hudson River to Albany before turning west on the Erie Canal, north on the Oswego Canal, and through the beautiful Thousand Islands region, including a tour of Boldt's Castle on Hart Island near Alexandria Bay, NY.

The lighthouse pictured at right is at the western end of the 12-mile long Batteau Channel just before Kingston, Ontario. At this point on their 7-week cruise they have traveled 458 nautical miles from home in their little tug. What a grand adventure!

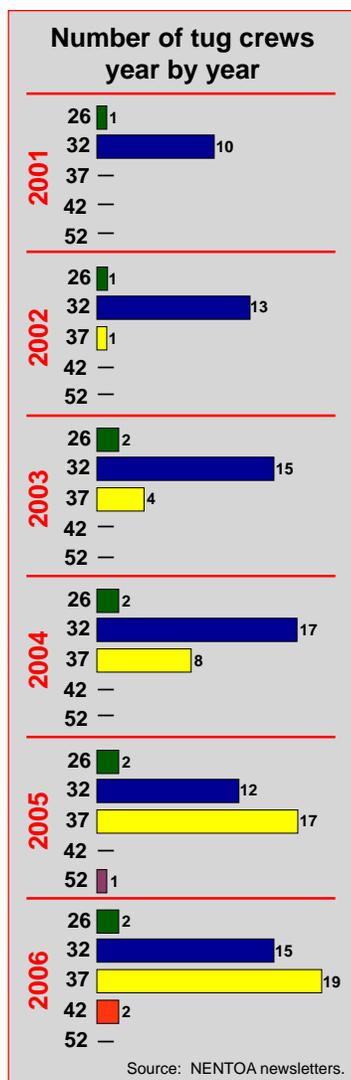


Along the Batteau Channel

Photo by Ruth Jansson

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## The changing faces of tugs at our rendezvous



It's interesting to note that the number of Nordic Tugs coming to our rendezvous has increased dramatically over the past six years. It's even more interesting to note that the tugs our crews are in are getting larger.

At our first rendezvous, 11 crews came, representing 1 26 and 10 32s. From 2001 to 2004, the number of 32s grew steadily albeit in small increments. But from July of 2004 to July of 2005, there was a dramatic change. That's the year the 37 became the most popular boat among our attending crews. It was during that interval that several 32 owners traded their boats in for 37s.

In 2004 we had 8 37s. At last year's rendezvous we had 17; this year we had 19. Also this year for the first time the 42 tug was represented—2 42 crews came. The flybridge models now available are also very popular among our members.

## Wilde One leads tugs to points east



Photo by Jean Dejewski

Tugs began arriving at Block Island a couple of days before the official start of the 2006 Nordic Tug Cruise on June 23, taking advantage of sunny skies and calm waters.

Ben & Sue Wilde aboard their 37 *Wilde One* lead the caravan of tugs to ports in Connecticut, Rhode Island, and Massachusetts. Over the course of the two-week cruise, tugs joined in and dropped out as their vacation plans permitted. The photo above was taken in Cuttyhunk.

Ports of call included Block Island, Cuttyhunk, Edgartown, Nantucket, Chatham, Hyannis, the Woods Hole area, Westport, Dutch Harbor/Jamestown, and Watch Hill. Although the weather could have been better, the tuggers had a good time and are eager to join in next year as well.

## Bill Owel relinquishes helm of Nordic Tug News

Bill Owel is stepping down as editor of the Nordic Tug News after 13 years of dedicated service.

Bill became editor of the Nordic Tug News with the Spring/Summer 1993 issue. He included upcoming tug cruises, maintenance tips, factory news, and, for the first time, a Nordic Tug Fleet List.

When he became editor, there were 200 Nordic Tugs. Today there are about 700. Over the years, Bill has painstakingly kept track of all the owners, following up with emails, phone calls, and snail mails as tugs have been sold and re-sold.

Bill, thank you for all you've done to keep our Nordic family together.

## WANTED: 2 or 3 volunteers to help with next year's raffle

**What?** Take charge of collecting/displaying raffle gifts

**When?** Thursday afternoon

**Time?** 12:15 to 1:15 and 4:00 to 5:00 (Total: 2 hours)

**To do what?**

- Write down raffle gifts & donors' names as items are dropped off in cart on deck at lunch.
- Wheel cart to Connie's car in the Lighthouse parking lot; load car
- Unload car and place gifts on tables at Essex Yacht Club

Contact Ruth at [nentoa1@aol.com](mailto:nentoa1@aol.com). Thank you!

## BONUS offer

Are you planning to head south soon along the IntraCoastal Waterway? If you are, you'll want to take advantage of a special offer to Nordic Tuggers from the authors of a comprehensive cruising guide, *Managing the Waterway*.



Nordic Tuggers are eligible to receive 20% off all purchases of guide books and digital charts.

[www.managingthewaterway.com](http://www.managingthewaterway.com)

Enter code 07NORDIC7026687

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## Raftup in Hamburg Cove



Photo by Randel Osborne

*The starboard end of the raftup*



**Aerie**

Photo by Ruth Jansson



**Susie Q II**

Photo by Randel Osborne



**Balou**

Photo by Randel Osborne



**North Star**

Photo by Paul Tortora



**Calypso**

Photo by Elliot Kocen



**Charlie Noble**

Photo by Randel Osborne



**Ad Hock**

Photo by Elliot Kocen



**O'Tug**

Photo by Paul Tortora



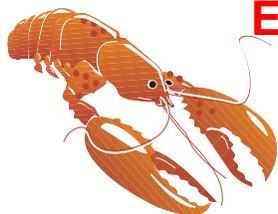
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## Cocktails, lobster, & raffle at Essex Yacht Club



Photos by Paul Tortora



### Raffle Prizes & Donations - Grand List

Nordic Tug shirts & hats  
Soft coolers for all  
Apron  
2 nights' dockage at Brewer Dauntless  
Electronic ice bucket  
Tug model  
Free night's dockage at Essex Island Marina  
Stained glass sailboat  
Small jewel case  
Framed picture of tug  
Rigger's tool bag & wine  
Hand-made NT pillow  
West Marine playing cards  
10 subscriptions to *Soundings*

3 baskets of goodies with tickets to local boat shows  
2 Cummins windbreakers  
2 Cummins shirts  
Low-carb cookbook  
*Long Island Sound Embassy Guides*  
*Chesapeake Bay to Florida Embassy Guides*  
*Waterproof Chartbooks*  
*Block Island-Canada ChartKits*  
Cummins tote bags & hats  
Free night's dockage at Norwalk Cove Marina  
Subscriptions to *Offshore*  
Homemade brandied cherries  
*Guide to Cruising Chesapeake Bay*

*Soundings* hats  
2 oil filters  
*IntraCoast Waterway Facilities Guide*  
Xenon compact flashlight  
2 ceramic ships' coffee mugs  
2 Cummins mats  
Yacht ensign  
Shell serving dish & spreaders  
Lifesling  
Pelican Versabright flashlight  
Basket & 4 thermal glasses  
Basket with galley implements & treats  
Ben Franklin statue  
Nantucket basket & wine

### Thank you to our sponsors and contributors

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Brewer Dauntless	Offshore
Cummins Metropower	Pusser's Rum
Cummins Northwest	Raymarine
Essex Island Marina	Rex Store at Norwalk Cove Marina
Fitzpatrick Agency	Soundings Publications
Jack Rabbit Energy	West Marine
Maptech	Wilde Yacht Sales
Nordic Tugs	

Thank you, Pat



Pat Waskowich made handsome pins and keychains in a variety of tug colors for each rendezvous-er.



# <http://www.NENTOA.org>

BY NORDIC TUGGERS, FOR NORDIC TUGGERS

Your website contains information on:

- past events
- upcoming events
- links to anything Nordic Tugs
- cruising destinations and logs
- your ship's store for clothing, burgees, & more
- great ideas/custom changes/improvements with how-to text & pictures

More than 12,000 hits in less than 4 yrs

If you'd like to share any changes you've made to your tug, contact our webmaster at

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## Tugs & Crews \*Boats in Essex

### Connecticut

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*Annie B*\* 32-172—Ruth Jansson & Bette Conner. JansCon@aol.com  
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*Calypso*\* 37-132—Jim Goodrich & Luisa Francoeur. jngood@optonline.net  
*Dubhe III*\* 37-118—Ron & Jean Dejewski. mariner6@aol.com  
*Eric*\* 32-158—Al & Lyn Stanley. lyn-al@sbcglobal.net  
*Felicity*\* 37-053—Hans & Barbara Ullstein. buhu1@aol.com  
*Grand Adventure*\* 37-142—Jim & Pat Waskowich. gybetalk@yahoo.com  
*Nomad* 37-103—Jeff & Mindy Gordon. jbg2@yahoo.com  
*North Star*\* 37-134—Jim & Mim McCrea. mcc272@aol.com  
*Owl*\* 32-175—John & Dorothy Renehan. dorothyrenehan@yahoo.com  
*Sage*\* 37-138—Newell & Marilyn Sly. newmar@comcast.net  
*School's Out!*\* 32-248—Paul & Debra Tortora. ptortora@mac.com  
*Spray*\* 37-139—Norman & Claire Philips. normclaire@sbcglobal.net  
*Strathclyde*\* 32-272—Gus & Davina Porter. wfporter@connecticutsteel.com  
*Susie Q II*\* 32-021—Stan & Sue Klein. sjklein@optonline.net  
*Toot Toot Tootsie* 32-247—Carol Julian. cjstootsie@sbc.global.net  
*Tugger*\* 37-152—Paul Browne & Franzanne Vreeland. Paul9341@sbcglobal.net  
*Water Witch*\* 42-080—Steve & Jane Raye. spraye77@aol.com  
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### Florida

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**Dick Seymour**

*His Historian Notebooks are kept at the Wilde Yachts Lighthouse office for tuggers and future tuggers to peruse and enjoy. By the time you are reading this, his journal will have been updated to include our 2006 rendezvous.*

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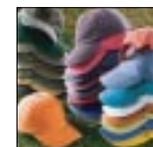
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## IMPORTANT DATES

*Next year's rendezvous will be held during the same time slot during the last week of July—Wednesday-Saturday, July 25, 26, 27, & 28, 2007.*

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