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# Spring Newsletter



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#### Our Spring Seminar goes virtual!

Saturday May 8th at 11am on Zoom

**RSVP** to the Spring Seminar

Julian and Tony will go over what's new at Arey's Pond and what to expect for the summer ahead. We will hear from three guest speakers about important issues impacting Pleasant Bay and Cape Cod. Learn more below.

Meet Our Guest Speakers



#### Sipson Island

Trust will tell us how we can responsibly access the island this summer, which recently opened to the public for the first time in three hundred years. They'll also give us an update us on their accomplishments and plans for Sipson Island.

View the Lower Cape TV video on reclaiming Sipson Island (above).

Support Sipson Island Trust



**Ted Keon**, Director of Coastal Resources for the Town of Chatham

Ted will update us on this winter's impact on the barrier beaches, and how we can expect these changes to affect boating in the bay.

Read the Cape Cod Times article below about barrier beach erosion in Chatham.

> Cape Cod Times Article



**Dan Schrag**, Professor of Environmental Science and Engineering at Harvard University

Dan will update us on the world wide efforts to slow down global warming, and how those efforts affect us on Pleasant Bay.

### A Busy Spring - Boat Yard Update

Spring is here and the team at APBY has been working hard, averaging six days a week preparing boats, moorings, spars and working on the APBY infrastructure. We expect our waterfront bulkhead work to start this spring. We have also purchased a 2019 Ford 150 to update our vehicle fleet, installed a new dust collection system to improve the environment for employees in our boatbuilding shop, and replaced an old section of our dock system.



Tommy Kimler (left) and Julian Davis drop moorings in Arey's Pond this spring.

Click Here: Spring Commissioning Form

In a normal year, we would have hired more team members to keep up with the busy winter work schedule. This year, we opted to keep the team small for everyone's safety and we are thankful that all have remained in good health. We have very much appreciated our customers' patience and cooperation in complying with our <u>Covid-19 policies</u>.

We're working hard to launch boats on their scheduled dates and to finish up our winter new builds and custom projects. If you have any questions, please contact our service department by <u>phone</u> or <u>email</u>.

#### From the Boatbuilding Shop



We are grateful to have plenty of work to keep us busy for the next two years.

Our current boatbuilding projects include a new model of the 22' APBY Cat. Bill Nash and Tony started from scratch and drew a new lines-plan and innovative rig for a customer who requested a catboat that would be light and very fast.

Our previously built <u>22' Cruising Catboat</u> and <u>24' Custom Catboat</u> are more traditional cruising catboats with spacious interiors and all the comforts above and below deck. The 22' we are building now will have a very simple interior with everything above deck designed for racing, featuring a traditional look, but with minimal trim.

We are also finishing up two 16' Cabin Lynx catboats, one will call Chatham home, the other is off to Maine. We are installing our first Torqeedo Cruise 2.0 pod drive in a catboat. We have been installing electric inboards from OceanVolt for five years, but this will be our first Torqeedo and we're excited to offer another electric option to our customers. Soon we will also start production on a 16' Open Cockpit Lynx with an OceanVolt engine.

Our long term goal, as the electric motor and battery technology becomes more reliable and longer lasting, is to have all boats under 2200 lbs powered by electric energy. Within a couple of years we plan to add a charging station for customer batteries that runs off of our waterfront solar panels. The hope is that people will not have to transport batteries home to charge them.

Also on our build list are three new  $\underline{14' \text{ cats}}$  one going to upstate New York this spring, one to the Great Lakes, and one staying in the waters of Pleasant Bay. The future is busy and bright for out boatbuilding team. Once these projects are out the door, we will roll into two new  $\underline{19' \text{ Caracals}}$  and a 23' Cruising Cat.

#### AP Worlds Registration is Open!



Production of AP Cat 14s is approaching 300 hulls, which are sailing worldwide. This August we are hosting the first AP Worlds regatta. This just for fun regatta will bring together 14' Arey's Pond catboats from far and wide and registration is open now!

This event will take place on Friday August 20th, 2021 (Sunday 8/22 rain date). Our annual Cat Gathering is the next day (August 21st); we encourage all participants to sail in both events.

Register for AP Worlds today!

## Sailing School Looks Towards Summer



We're looking forward to a great summer of sailing on Pleasant Bay. We have a few new things happening at our sailing school. First off, we're excited to announce the addition of a new instructor, Catherine Sawyer.

Catherine grew up sailing on Cape Cod Bay and taught for years at Cape Cod Sea Camps. After finishing up her degree in Physics at Colgate University, she crewed on yachts in Florida and taught private lessons. Catherine has been working at Arey's Pond as a finish technician since last summer, and we're excited to see her position expand to include teaching sailing! Catherine and Harrison Ellis will head up our sailing school this summer.



We're also adding a new type of lesson — Catboat Orientations. This offering blends a traditional rental and a private lesson and is designed for sailors who have experience sailing other types of sailboats, but are looking for an introduction to catboats. The orientation takes place over two hours. The first half hour includes a brief lesson with an instructor, followed by 90 minutes of independent sail time on Little Pleasant Bay.

**Book Your Summer Lessons & Rentals Now** 

#### From the Sail & Canvas Shop



Clean sails hang to dry on the deck of our Sail & Canvas Shop.

Canvas Shop Manager, Geoff Cabral, has been busy washing and repairing sails for the upcoming season, as well as sewing new cushions and covers for our long list of new builds to be launched this summer.

He is also the best sail cleaner on the Cape! He has a 'secret sauce' that gets the toughest stains out. Thank you very much for everyone's support to make the Canvas Shop a great addition to Arey's Pond.

#### Finish Shop: Flora's Before & After



Flora before... and after.

Flora, a 1995 Arey's Pond 14, was one of the many boats that got a fresh look for this season. Work done to Flora included new teak toe rails, fresh AwlGrip topside and boot stripe, sand blasted bottom and fresh anti-fouling paint, new gudgeons, and new name and number decals. Ready to get your older cat looking this fabulous for next season? Contact our service department now to reserve your spot in the shop.

#### **Employee Spotlight: Travis Block**

Service Technician & Transportation Officer



Travis sails 'Haven', his Catalina 22, in Little Pleasant Bay.

Travis grew up in Needham, MA and moved to Cape Cod in 2017. He's previously worked

at Cape Cod Sea Camps in the summer as a sailing instructor. At the boat yard, Travis does a little bit of everything including boat maintenance, canvas work, and launching and hauling. His main responsibility is operating our hydraulic trailer (which we made a significant investment in in 2019) as well as overseeing the Rayber yard. He is a face the customers see a lot and we are happy to have his cheery demeanor representing the yard!

He loves to sail, hike, rock climb, or do anything else that gets him outdoors. He is also restoring a 1963 Shasta Airflyte trailer and is looking forward to camping in it this summer.

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**Spring Seminar - RSVP HERE** 

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**Wednesday Night Sails** 

Wednesdays & 5:30pm in July & August weather permitting (Pleasant Bay)

**Namequoit Sailing Association Races** 

Sundays at high tide in July & August Learn more by visiting the <u>NSA</u> <u>website</u> (Pleasant Bay)

Leo J. Telesmanick Championship (Beetle 100th Anniversary)

July 31 - August 1 (Chatham Yacht Club)

**Chatham Yacht Club Regatta** 

Honoring 100 years of CYC and Baybirds August 7-8 (Chatham Yacht Club)

2021 AP Worlds - REGISTER HERE

Friday August 20th (Pleasant Bay)

29th Arey's Pond Cat Gathering

Saturday August 21st, visit <u>the website</u> for more information (Pleasant Bay)

**Newport International Boat Show** 

September 16-19 (Newport, RI)

**Annapolis Sailboat Show** 









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