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Off Soundings Club Members

There are a couple matters which require an update as our 75th Anniversary year comes to a close.

Many of you received an Anniversary Video and participated in a number of Club sponsored activities and events this year. We hope that you found them exciting and rewarding. The Board wanted this year of our 75th Anniversary to be special and memorable; consequently we have subsidized them in order to make your participation possible. As we begin planning for the coming season, your feedback and comments on these and other activities would be appreciated. There is no better time to give us your comments than to join us for one of our winter luncheons.

The following luncheon dates have been set; the time is 12 Noon:

- 22 January: Legends, New Suffolk NY
- 12 February: Skippers Dock, Stonington CT
- 26 February: Lenny's, Branford CT.

In addition we would like to schedule similar luncheons in the Hartford area and somewhere in RI to provide greater opportunity for member participation. If someone in central CT and/or RI would like to help coordinate one of these, please contact our Long Range Planning Chairman, Frank Bohlen.

The final matter of note concerns our Spring and Fall regatta dates. Unfortunately, my last letter in October contained incorrect dates for next Fall. The problem that we have encountered concerns the independent scheduling of the Maritime Festival in Greenport. While we are committed to having our 2009 rendezvous in Greenport, we have been trying to work with the Greenport folks so as to **NOT** have a conflict with the Festival dates. Accordingly, the Board established the following dates for our **2009 Race Series**.

- Spring; Watch Hill to Block Island, Rendezvous at the OAR, **12 & 13 June 2009**
- Fall; New London to Greenport, Rendezvous at Townsend Marina, **11 & 12 September 2009**.

For **2010**, the respective dates are 11 & 12 June 2010 and 17 & 18 September 2010. Please update your calendars accordingly.

We apologize for any confusion the scheduling for 2009 may have caused, but we have tried to work the best resolution with our friends in Greenport.

I hope you have a good holiday season and we hope to see many of you at our winter luncheon meetings. See the website for additional information and other schedule details.

Best Regards
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