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IOD Celebrity Invitational Dinner

The Great Harbor Yacht Club Wednesday August 17, 2011



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6:00 PM Registration and Cocktails on the Lawn

6:30 PM Teams Meet Their Celebrity Pro Tacticians Chris Gould - IOD Pro Am Regatta Chair

7:00 PM Team Photographs

7:15 PM Welcome Peter Barrett, \ Co-Chair

Peter Barrett, Vice Commodore GHYC & Co-Chair of IOD Pro Am Regatta
Diana Brown & Roger Vandenberg,
Nantucket Community Sailing

7:30 PM Dinner
Introduction of Celebrity Pros and Video,
Gary Jobson and Tom Whidden

Honorary Chairpersons

Honorary Chairman of Nantucket Race Week, Gary Jobson

Gary Jobson is a world-class sailor, television commentator and author. He has won many championships in one-design classes, the America's Cup with Ted Turner in 1977, the infamous Fastnet Race and many of the world's ocean races. He was a college All American three times and a two-time College Sailor of the Year. Gary was inducted by the Herreshoff Marine Museum into the America's Cup Hall of Fame in 2003. He is a winner of the Nathanael G. Herreshoff Trophy, in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the sport of sailing. He has been ESPN's sailing commentator since 1985.

In 1988 Gary won an Emmy for his coverage of yachting at the Olympic Games in South Korea. Author of 17 sailing books, Editor at Large of Sailing World and Cruising World magazines, Gary has also given nearly 2000 lectures worldwide in the past 25 years. He started his career as a sailing coach at the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy and the U.S. Naval Academy. Gary is



also an active cruising sailor. He has led ambitious expeditions to the Arctic, Antarctica and Cape Horn. He currently races his Swan42 – Mustang and an Etchells.

Gary and his wife, Janice, have three daughters, Kristi who graduated from

Harvard University in 2006, Ashleigh who attends the University of Maryland, and Brooke who attends New York University. Gary

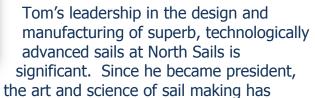
has been involved with every Nantucket Race Week as honorary chairman except the year he was at the Olympics. Gary's latest honor is to be elected to the National Sailing Hall of Fame.

Honorary Chairman of NRW International One Design Celebrity Invitational Regatta, Tom Whidden

Tom Whidden joined North Sails in 1986 and became President/CEO of North Marine Group when it was established ten years later. A graduate of Colby College in Waterville, Maine,

Whidden has earned many accolades

throughout his sailing career including the "Carl Nelson" Award (for Athletic Achievement After College) from Colby College in 1989, and the University Club "Man of the Year" award in 1987.



advanced so completely that every Volvo Ocean Race competitor in the upcoming around-the-world race are currently using North sails and eleven out of 12 America's Cup teams in 2006-07 raced with North sails.

Tom began sailing at age ten at the Cedar Point Yacht Club in Westport, Connecticut, and went on to become one of the most experienced America's Cup sailors in the world. "When I was 16, my dream was to become a sail maker and race in the America's Cup," Tom says of his years as a junior sailor on Long Island Sound. He has sailed with Dennis Conner in a total of eight America's Cup campaigns, beginning in 1979 as Conner's trial

horse skipper. He has raced as tactician in five America's Cup series races and has won the America's Cup three times (1980, 1987 and 1988). Along with Conner, he was given a key to New York City from Mayor Ed Koch in 1987 after bringing the America's Cup back to the United States from Australia. Tom was inducted into the America's Cup Hall of Fame in 2004.

We are honored to have Tom Whidden return to Nantucket Race Week as celebrity sailor and honorary chairman of the IOD Pro Am Regatta. Tom and his wife Betsy are visiting Nantucket on their boat NorthLight.

Principal Racing Officer

John Mendez

John was born in the U.K. and came to the U.S. for the company and stayed on. He started sailing dinghies, Snipes, Hornets and the like at age 8, as well as crewing on a Nicholson 36 whenever

Ensigns and Shields and keel boats for pleasure with his children.

possible. He graduated from Snipes to

After reviewing his results he became involved in Race Management at Larchmont Yacht Club, becoming the RC chairman and eventually Commodore. He has also chaired the RC for the New York Yacht Club for 6 years and remains on the RC and manages the NYYC Invitational Cup

Celebrity Tactician Biographies

Chuck Allen

Chuck Allen, accompanied by his wife Becky, is making his sixth NRW Celebrity Invitational appearance. A lifelong Rhode Island resident and graduate of the University of Rhode Island (1991),



Chuck works for North
Sails' One-Design division
and represents the
Ocean State in regattas
around the world.

In 2010 Chuck was on many winning crews.
Sailing as tactician, his crew's victory at the J/24 Nationals qualified them for the J/24 World

Championships, scheduled for November 2011 in Argentina. He also placed fourth at the J/80 Worlds after a late-regatta comeback.

Chuck participates in one-design racing around Narragansett Bay such as the Viper 640, Shields and J/24, as well as frostbiting with the Wickford Sea Dogs. Last year he was the Shields season champion, and is a past Fleet Captain. In the Viper 640 class, he and partner Tom Glassie won the Sail Newport Regatta and plan a winter campaign in Florida.

Chuck's dedication is reflected not only in his own results, but also through his teaching the next generation. His infectious love of sailing creates a bond with the youth sailors of the North Kingstown High School sailing team, which he coached to two state championships. Chuck himself raced in high school for Bishop Hendricken HS, and is a graduate of University of Rhode

Island ('91) where he was twice voted an All-American. Sailing's influence on Chuck as a youth fuels his enthusiasm for helping Nantucket Community Sailing introduce the sport to young people of all backgrounds.

For the past 10 years Chuck has been a judge for Sailing World magazine's Boat of the Year, a competition recognized throughout the industry. Chuck is a lifelong member of the Wickford Yacht Club, and served as Commodore in 2007.

Becky, Chuck's wife of 13 years, started sailing even younger than Chuck, cruising with her family around Narragansett Bay, Buzzards Bay and the islands. She remains a competitive road racer with three marathons and numerous age group awards. She works for NRW sponsor Charles Schwab. Chuck and Becky own a Pilot 20 powerboat and live in Wickford, RI.

Sally Barkow

Sally has enjoyed sailing from a very young age, most recently has had the thrill of competing in the Beijing Olympic games in the women's keelboat discipline, finishing a 7th overall. Since

then she has continued her sailing career with a focus on match racing.

Sally enjoys the opportunity to travel the world as she works to pack in the most sailing experience she possibly can. Her major achievements include the



Collegiate Woman's National Championship in 2002, Women's Match Race World's in 2004-5, Rolex Women's Keelboat Champion 2003, '05 and '07 and the Rolex Yachtswoman of the Year in 2005 and 2007.

Andrew Campbell

Andrew has a long history of successful sailing starting with Lasers where he was three time US Youth Champion and 2002 Youth World Champion. His winning ways continued in college where he was four time All American at Georgetown, 2005 World University Games Gold Medalist, 2006 College Race Champion,

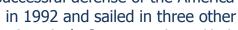
College Sailor of the Year and Laser NA Champion.

After college he sailed the Laser in the 2007 Pam Am Games and the 2008 Olympics. He is a US Sailing Team member and has been director of the CISA Clinic for young US sailors for the last three

years. He lives in Washington and his goal is to return to the Olympics in the Star Class

David Dellenbaugh

David is the publisher, editor and author of Speed & Smarts. He was the tactician and starting helmsman on America3 during her successful defense of the America's Cup





America's Cup campaigns. He is also a Lightning world champion, two-time Congressional Cup winner, seven-time Thistle national champion, two-time winner of the Canada's Cup, two-time Prince of Wales U.S. match racing champion and past winner of the U.S. team racing championships for the Hinman Trophy.

Dellenbaugh was an associate editor of Sailing World and the

original author of its popular Around The Buoys column. He is a co-author of Smallboat Sailing, published by Sports Illustrated, and author of the Quick Reference Rules card. He also wrote and narrated the Learn The Racing Rules video set. As director of marketing for North Sails, he wrote the North U. Fast, Smart, One-Design and Cruising courses. He is currently a member of the US Sailing Racing Rules Committee (and was its chairman from 2005-2008)

Robbie Doyle

Robbie is president of Doyle Sailmakers, a company he started in 1982 in Marblehead, MA. Some of his most recent projects have included sails for *Mirabella V, Maltese Falcon* and *P2*. Most

recently he raced on Maltese Falcon in the Transatlantic Race from Newport to Southampton, England.

Robbie was the Sears Cup winner in 1964 and 1965. Other early accomplishments include being a four time sailing collegiate All American, two time collegiate single handed champion, two time O'Day Trophy winner (NA single handed championship) and

member of the 1968 US Olympic Sailing Team. Robbie was a member of Ted Turner's crew who won the 1977 America's Cup aboard *Courageous*. Robbie has raced in the Etchells class for years with one of his most satisfying accomplishments being finishing 5th at the Worlds in England with his two sons, Tyler and Ethan.

Robbie is also the co-creator of the e33, a 33' performance daysailer being produced at Lyman Morse in Maine. Robbie has just finished his term as Commodore of the Eastern Yacht Club. He is on Nantucket this week with his wife, Janet.

Kevin Farrar

Kevin started sailing in the summer of 1955 with his parents and



continued in different boats until 1971 when he became a sailmaker with Sandy Van Zandt. He continued racing and started his winning ways with Block Island Race week in 1991. He began sailing IOD's in 1995 for Fishers Island and

won the Bermuda International Race Week and the Worlds in 2004 and in Nantucket in 2007.

Peter Holmberg

Peter began sailing in a Sunfish in the Virgin Islands and began competing internationally placing third in the Sunfish Worlds at

16. He competed in the Finn Class at the '84 Olympics. He worked as a sailmaker and returned to the Olympics to win silver in 1988.

Peter began pro match racing, ranking No 3 in the world in 1999 and No 1 in 2003. His America's Cup started with Team Dennis Connor, transitioned to Oracle BMW and finally Alinghi and successfully defending the Cup in 2007. He lives in the Virgin Islands with his wife Denise.



Mark Reynolds

Well-known as the "Star of the Star class" Mark is the four time consecutive Olympic representative in the class. Two world

championship titles ('00, '95) and



three Olympic medals (1992 Gold, 1988 Silver, 2000 Gold) amply bac k up the statement. He is also the sailmaker of the Star Class and has made sails for 13 of the last 15 Olympic champions.

Marks other accomplishments start with 2nd place finishes in the 1974 and 1975 in the North

American Dinghy Championships. He was Barcardi Cup Champion 7 times, tactician for the winner 2002 Farr 40 World's and was inducted into Sailing World's Hall of Fame in 2002

Dawn Riley

As CEO and captain of America True, Riley was the first woman to manage an America's Cup sailing team. She raced on four America's Cup and two Whitbread (now Volvo Ocean Race) teams. She is the former president of the Woman's Sports Foundation, serves on the board of US Sailing, and is an adviser to several public service organizations.

Dawn's newest challenge is creating and establishing Oakcliff Sailing Center, a completely unique training center that is raising the level of sailing and sailors in the US. The Acorn program at Oakcliff is an intensive on and off the water program whose graduates receive



training in all aspects of running a racing campaign from technical to finance to marketing and strategy. Dawn believes that this center will prove to be significant in creating leaders inside and outside of the marine industry.

Dawn considers herself 'tri coastal' with her current position in Oyster Bay New York, a home in St. Clair Shores, Michigan and a 40' sailboat in San Francisco, California.

Dee Smith

Dee's racing experience includes winner of 3 consecutive Copa

Del Rey's as tactician, and 2 consecutive Newport-Bermuda's as navigator. He has done two Volvo Races, competed and won the Admiral's Cup twice, Tour de France Yacht Race and sailed in two Volvo round the world races.

Dee's America's Cup experience includes both Team Shosholoza and America True. He has a total of five world championships. Dee





Chris lives in San Diego with his family and is a member of the San Diego Yacht Club. He has worked for 25 years in sailmaking, the last 20 helping to run North Sails One Design specializing in developing and building small boat racing sails for the North American and overseas markets.

His specialty boat is the J/24 as both skipper and tactician and has won the J/24 Nationals 6 times, the North Americans twice and finished in the top ten of J/24 Worlds five times. He also

competes and has won major events in the classes for which he makes sails, Snipes, Santana 20 and the Cal 20. In 2008 he was the winning tactician in the IOD PRO/AM.

Chris' wife Mary is a Vice President for the software company SAP and is an accomplished sailor. She was an All American at Navy in 1981 and did an Olympic campaign in



the 470 for the '88 Olympics. They have two sons Nevin (17) and Patrick (16) who are accomplished sailors. Sailing together they won "A" division in the 2011 High School Nationals

Mike Toppa

Mike has diverse sailing experience with winning the America's Cup twice over six attempts in the role of sail program coordinator and sail trimmer, raced the Whitbread Race on Chessie. He has raced and won multiple 12 Meter and Swan World Championships.

Mike started his sail making career as a sail designer with North Sails in Annapolis where his designs were chosen by several America's Cup winners and was the sail coordinator for both Stars & Stripes AC campaigns in New Zealand.

Mike has competed in 4 Trans-Atlantic Races and multiple Bermuda and Sydney-Hobart races in addition to campaigns in Shields, Melges 24's and Etchells 22's. He is an Opti/420 Dad and is the Manager of North Sails, Florida.

Dave Ullman

Ullman Sails was founded in 1968 by David Ullman, one of the world's greatest competitive sailors. Dave was named Rolex Yachtsman of the Year in 1996, was nominated again for 2007, and is a three-time 470 World

Champion. He is also the 2007
Melges 24 World Champion, a fivetime Lipton Cup Champion (19921996), a ten-time Lido 14 National
Champion, and a National Champion
in the Snipe, Thistle, Sabot and
Coronado 15 racing classes.



Dave is an S.O.R.C. class-winning skipper, a U.S. Team Racing Champion, a U.S. Men's National Champion (Mallory Cup) and a former coach of the U.S. Olympic Sailing Team.

Team Biographies

Team Kerry- John Kerry

John Kerry started sailing early on Herreshoff 12 Footers on Buzzards Bay. In high school and college he crewed extensively off shore cruising for his father and family members on various size boats. In addition he has raced Halifax, Monhegan, Block Island and other races as well as several J Boat Challenge Matches. In recent years he has sailed various craft in Nantucket waters and enjoyed an occasional race.

Michael Clayton grew up on the waters of Islesboro, Maine sailing Dark Harbor 20's. He has since gone on to captain such yachts as HIYA Swan 59, TATOOSH Swan 51, Whitehawk 105'. He's been skipper of four Newport-Bermuda races, and has thousands of offshore delivery miles. Michael also spent many years racing in the Caribbean Regattas - the Antigua Classics and

St. Barths Bucket. He has also raced in the Long Island Sound Series, the Newport Bucket Regatta, the Shipyard Cup in Boothbay, Maine, and all the classic regattas. Michael has sailed everything from CR 914 RCs to 180' Ketches, and is now a Nantucket IOD sailor.

Ginnie Hess has been sailing since she was a young girl, her passion starting on a Mercury in the Charles River. As a student at St. Mary's College in Maryland, she was extremely active on the offshore racing team. Ginnie is also a familiar face racing among the 12 meter fleet and within the classics in Newport. During the past decade, she has competed in distance

races as well as
Around the
Buoys'. With a
couple trips to
Bermuda, eight
trips from New
England to the
Caribbean and
three transatlantic
trips - two on
catamarans and one



as

far as South Africa to Norfolk - under her belt, Ginnie is wellversed in offshore life.

Dan Barbiero began sailing while in college and joined the Yale Sailing Team. Since that time, he has crewed in Bermuda Cup, Block Island, and the Opera House Cup. He has also raced one design Atlantics extensively on Long Island Sound and has been a member of the Race Committee of the Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club in Oyster Bay, NY since 1990. In addition, Dan has extensive bareboat charter experience over a lifetime.

American Yacht Club – Jim Bishop Jr.

Jim Bishop Jr. is a past president of the IOD World Class Association and has been sailing IOD's since the age of seven when he began by crewing on his father's IOD on Long Island Sound. Jim crewed in his first World Championship in San Francisco at age 13 and has skippered or crewed in more than a dozen since.

Jim's crew includes Elliott Wislar, the winning skipper of the 2010 and 2011 IOD World Championships, Chris Leary on the main and jib and Steve Roney on the bow. Chris' wife Jenn is

also a regular member of team Nefarius and was on the bow for Elliott's two successful World Championship regattas. Jim and his team have been sailing together on his IOD "Nefarius" for many years and have won 17 of the last 19 season

championships in their home Long Island Sound fleet as well as winning the Nantucket Celebrity Invitational Regatta in 2007, 2009 and 2010.

When he was not racing IODs, Jim serves as tactician aboard his father's J44 "Gold Digger."

Team Blondie - Bob Constable

Dumb blondes. Sassy blondes. Strawberry Blondes. Bottle blondes. Platinum Blondes...

These guys are the Rocket Blondes. Unguided, blinding speed. One way or another... You may not see them – just listen for the sonic boom. There's just no telling where they're going; the Rockets just want to get somewhere. Anywhere. Before you. Courses are for horses, rules are for fools, gates are for good girls. While the rest of the competition is carving neat ovals in the Nantucket Sound, expect to see the Rocket's wake recede over the horizon as they jet off to Gustavia for lunch. Back for the party tonight, fellas!

Don't mistake Constable's hair for gray...that's Blond in B&W; Cagney-style. The Allsopps: the family that sails together; better known as Air Annapolis—why float when you can fly? Can you make an IOD plane?

In the end, they'll just tell you: Doncha Go 'Way Mad.

Team Dane - John Dane

John Dane graduated from Tulane where he was a three time All-American Sailor. He has continued his winning ways with numerous National and International sailing championships in the Star, Soling, L-16, Flying Scot, Flying Dutchman, Windmill and recently represented the United States with his son-in-law, Austin Sperry, in the 2008 China Olympic Games in the Star class sailboat finishing 11th place and at 58 years old became the oldest person to represent the United States at the Olympic games in the last 50 years. He currently races in the Melges 32, Star, J22, Flying Scot and Finn class.

Mr. Dane and his oldest son John F. Dane were the first father and son to both win the Sears Cup. Another sailing highlight is when Mr. Dane, sailing with his wife Leslie and son Schaeffer won a National Sailing Championships. He is a Current Member of the Board of US Sailing, on the Board of Directors for the Olympic Sailing Association of New Orleans, a Past Commodore of the

Pass Christian Yacht Club and is Chairman of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Sports Commission. John and his wife Leslie have seven children and three grandchildren.



His crew includes wife Leslie
Dane whose credentials include
being a 4 time Women's Sunfish
NA Champion, 2 time Women's
Flying Scot National Champion,
and Flying Scot National
Champion-crew member. Kyle
Smith is a marine surveyor in
Louisiana with experience as the
Start Olympic trial crew in 1996,
a three time Maxi-World Crew on
various boats and a three time
America's Cup crew with Denis
Conners, winning, losing and

winning the cup back in Australia.

Team Denton – Peter Denton

Pete Denton has been racing "small" sailboats for over 20 years in and around Newport and the Philadelphia area. While he has been an active Lightning sailor for years, he has been most successful racing Shields, winning the national championship in 2007. He recently bought a Viper and is enjoying the planing hull and excitement of "sport boat" racing. Pete is a firm believer that racing is all about the team, and is excited about the talent that will be joining him for the "not quite small" IOD racing during Nantucket Race Week.

Team Falcone - Carlo Falcone

Team Falcone will is comprised of Carlo Falcone, of Italy, an avid Watch Collector: 7 Rolex & 2 Panerai Yachting Timepieces.

Mike Toppa, of the USA, is a US All-Star Sailing Dad. Shirley Falcone, of Antiqua, is a Kite Scoop Bikini Model and Adventure/Lifestyle photo-journalistic reporter. Fabrizio Ottoni Limena, of Brasil, an Improv Saxophone Jazz Musician. Our final sailor is still to be confirmed - probably a local waitress

Team Cape Cod – Heather Gregg-Earl

Heather Gregg-Earl grew up sailing on Cape Cod at Stone Horse Yacht Club. She sailed for Tufts University women's team, is a two time college nationals winner and member of the Collegiate Sailing Hall of Fame.

Other members of the team are Richard Werdiger a partner in NIODFA Alpha and a 30 year member of the Conspiracy syndicate campaigning J34's, Etchells, Mumm 36, Farr 40 and Swan 42's. Miles Cameraon is another member of Alpha, a world class windsurfer and kiteboarder and a longtime Nantucket summer resident. The team rounds out with Will Christenson a member of the UVM Sailing team, the NYYC team racing and now in the Star class having competed in multiple North Americans and Worlds

Team Hutcheson – Zenas Hutcheson

Zenas Hutcheson grew up in West Texas hunting blue quail and killing rattlesnakes and never raced a sailboat until he and Arthur Gosnell formed the HOTEL syndicate--one of the original six syndicates in the NIODFA—in 1997. Ian McNeice began racing with HOTEL in 2003 and joined the syndicate in 2004 and has consistently coached and skippered HOTEL since that time. Zenas will be working the mainsheet.

Ian McNeice: A native of New Zeland, Ian started sailing at the age of five. However, in his early years, Ian was an equestrian and engaged in show jumping and fox hunting. Ian received a degree in Veterinary Medicine from New Zeland's Massey University where he was also a member of the sailing team. Ian campaigned J-24s nationally and internationally in the 1990's and won the J-24 class in the Figawi race 5 times between 1990 and 1998. Ian is an internationally certified J-24 class Measurer.

Ian raced in the NYC big boat series from 1989 to 1996 and won the Gifford Bowl in 1992 and 1994. Additionally, Ian won the Reiner-Halstead trophy on 4 occasions. Ian sailed in the first race of the Nantucket IOD fleet and skippered the late Curt Ivey's syndicate. Ian then took a break from Nantucket sailing to race in



the Wianno Seniors

where he won the Scudder Cup twice. Ian returned to IOD sailing participating in Hotel Syndicate in 2003. Under Ian's leadership, Hotel has represented the NYC in two world

IOD World

Championships and in the Bermuda Race Week. Finally, Ian has enjoyed racing Indians for the past several summers and recently won the prestigious Constable Cup. Ian will be helmsman.

Karl Anderson: Karl has been active in international sailing competition since 1980. Karl has won three Etchells North American titles and two J/24 European and Italian championships. As crew, Karl's wins include five J24 World titles, three Etchells New England Championships, a Melges 24 National

title, and four Wianno Senior Scudder Cups. Karl will be trimming the jib and spinnaker.

Z Hutcheson: Z has grown up racing at the 420's and Indians in Nantucket and started IOD racing at the age of 13. Z will be dancing on the foredeck.

Team Maryland Club Yacht Squadron - Courtenay Jenkins

In the 1980s Courtenay Jenkins crewed extensively on some of the era's legendary maxi's including Bill Koch's *Matador*, George Coumantauros' *Boomerang*, Ted Turner's *Tenacious* and Bill Johnson's *Windward Passage*. He has competed in numerous SORC's, Annapolis-Newport and Bermuda Races, as well as the Miami-Jamaica Race. In 1979 he was aboard Ted Turner's *Tenacious* when they won The Fastnet Race. In 1983 Jenkins crewed in the America's Cup trials aboard *Courageous*.

For the Celebrity Invitational, Courtenay is again representing the upstart Maryland Club Yacht Squadron—a drinking club with a sailing problem. Without any waterfront presence or fleet activities they are clamoring for their first victory in a sailing venue ever. To accomplish this unlikely feat an all-star crew has been assembled which includes local legends Jay Wilson and Jim Constable. Handling the bow and just in from Scotland where he has started his own yacht racing club will be Ned "the" Horneffer.

The crew will again strive to be the best dressed team on and off the water. This year they will be featuring a new racing wardrobe designed by their Commodore Ben Lucas with input from El McPherson which they hope will land them once more on the cover of the local Nantucket tabloids.

Team Golf - Peter McCausland

Winner of the 2006 IOD Celebrity Invitational, third place in the 2007 regatta, and consistent top finisher, Peter McCausland is a

force to be reckoned with! He sailed an impressive series to victory in 2006, with North Sail's Geoff Moore serving as tactician. Peter is the founding father of Nantucket's IOD Fleet, continues to serve as its guiding light, and owns the appropriately-named Golf Syndicate—a testimony to where his real talents lay.

Peter began sailing IODs in Bermuda in the early 1990's, an experience that led him to introduce the boat to Nantucket. In addition to his IOD credentials, he has raced a Nantucket Indian for twenty years, and is twice winner of the venerable Constable Cup, the Indian Fleet's equivalent of a world championship.

Personally and through his employer, Airgas, Inc., Peter has supported Dennis Connor in 2 attempts to win the America's Cup in New Zealand. Peter's crew will include Steve Mead, Fritz McClure, Woody Cullen and Graham Kilvert – all experienced IOD sailors who know Nantucket's waters well

Team Venter - Craig Venter

We are "Team Sorcerer" here in Nantucket after almost 100,000 miles at sea logged during our global ocean scientific expedition. The team is led by J. Craig Venter, 64, a lifelong sailor of boats ranging from a Hobie 18 to Sorcerer II, a 95' Frers/Cookson performance cruiser. Venter is an occasional racer who won the Contemporary Class in the 1997 New York Yacht Club Transatlantic Race on Sorcerer I, an 82 foot Frers sloop. Since science is our specialty we are hoping all of us have sailing in our DNA (along with the favor of Neptune) to help us hold our own in the NRW. Charlie Howard and John Henke, the Captain and first mate of Sorcerer II, will be onboard to lend support along with David Kiernan who has sailed with Venter since 1997 when he was part of the crew for the NYYC Transatlantic race. Until this week none of Team Sorcerer has sailed an IOD.

Team Peoples - Geoff Verney

PAPA Syndicate known as the People's syndicate due to its rather robust number of increasingly less able bodied shareholders is also known as the "peeps", reminiscent of the sickeningly sticky sweet, disgusting acid yellow chicks that appear magically each Easter and are found melted under one sofa or another at some inopportune time.

The People's Syndicate is a simultaneously loose/tight confederation of souls, a bi-coastal clutch of sailors united in diversity. However, some qualities unite the Corps. Regrettably all are experts at identifying when the helmsman is sailing "light". They speak the word frequently assuming the driver has turned off his hearing aid. Although most claim to see or "know" what is happening on the race course, visual acuity is not a strength,

making crossings and ducks exhilarating experiences the equal of any amusement park anxiety. However, what truly unites this band of rugged and diverse individuals is a deep and abiding



love of the Boston Red Sox and all that is Red Sox Nation. Foul a fellow at the windward mark; well that's just the People "being Manny". No Derek Jeter he, Manny would enjoy his Dark and Stormies and stay out late at night like a proper sailor. We often speculate about what kind of skipper Manny might be, how he would interpret the nuances of the rules. What would he say to Ken Legler in a protest meeting? We wonder- can you get thrown out of a sailing race while it is still underway? Is being t-boned

equivalent to getting served a bean ball? Important questions for another time.

No matter what or who the People root for, they always enjoy the sandwiches and the game, especially the IOD Pro-Am. We express our thanks to the professionals and organizers who make this event fun, educational and above all beneficial to NCS.

Team Richardson – Jim Richardson

Linda Lindquist-Bishop sails on Barking Mad doing pit. She is a two time Farr 40 World Champion and a true champion in sailing and in life. She was a crew member aboard America Cubed, the first all women America's Cup crew. She is married to Brian Bishop, a two-star Air Force General, currently serving in Korea.



Linda currently resides in Leland, Michigan. Paul Savoie is married to Elizabeth and they have four children. He is an options and future trader and lives in Chicago. He was a defensive back at Arizona State
University. He has sailed with Barking Mad over a number of years.

Tony Rankin lives in Maryland with his wife and two children. Tony is a fire department Captain. He has won two Farr 40 World Championships, one with Steve Phillips' Le Renard in 2002 and the other with Barking Mad in 2004.

Jim Richardson lives in Boston and Newport, RI. He is a retired Boston attorney. He is a 3 time winner of the Rolex Farr 40 World Championship (1998, 2004 and 2009). He is a two time finalist for the Rolex Yachtsman of the Year and a winner of the

Mosbacher Trophy as the outstanding sailor of the year at the New York Yacht Club.

Team Whiskey – Whitey Willauer

The WHISKEY Syndicate has a long and illustrious history in the Nantucket IOD Fleet Association. In the 2008 Pro-AM we led off with two bullets, and then fell back due to uncontrollable circumstances. We were one of the original six Nantucket IOD syndicates dating from 1998. We were awarded the 2002 Charles G.H. Berry Memorial Cup at the Royal Bermuda Yacht Club International Race Week for having four separate helmsmen during the regatta.

Team Whiskey skippered the San Francisco boat at the 2003 Bermuda Race Week after there was a threatened mutiny on board. We won the Arthur Knapp trophy at the 2003 Northeast Harbor World Championships by establishing a new World Record of 117 points. At the 2005 Marblehead North American Championships, we managed to have a 1st place and a DFL on the same day.

When not racing in Bermuda, we man the IOD crash boat Crocodile and enjoy the social events. We have participated in approximately 385 IOD races over the past 12 years and are proud to say that we have had 5 bullets. Often we sail fast, but more often we make big mistakes. We look forward to having a professional tactician on board. With good leadership, we know we can win.