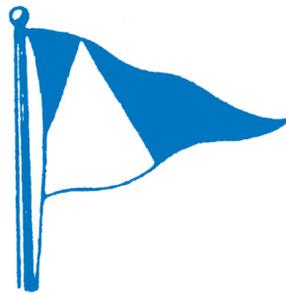


Welcome
to
The Catboat Association's
58th Annual Meeting

Friday Evening, January 24th, 2020
through
Sunday Morning, January 26th, 2020
at the

Mystic Marriott Hotel & Spa
Groton, Connecticut; Route I-95; Exit 88



Feature Presentation

The Catboats of Herreshoff
featuring Halsey Herreshoff

Reservation Form for the CBA's 58th Annual Meeting

The ticket price of **\$60 per adult** for this extraordinary meeting includes:

- Friday 3:00-4:00 tour of *Coast Guard Museum* in New London
- Welcoming reception at Mystic Marriott (Friday eve) with goodies & Cash Bar
- Access to all Seminars, Workshops & Sideshows
- Admission to the All-Catboat Vendor Boat & Resources Show
- CBA Bookstore, CBA Gift Shop & on-premises Starbucks
- Guaranteed seating for Feature Presentation
- Book signings by your favorite CBA Authors
- A gourmet, three-course lunch (precedes the Feature Presentation)
- Sociability Gam (Saturday evening) with Cash Bar

(Children 15 years old and younger are only \$10 each)

Event Reservations must be received no later than January 3th, 2020

(Reservations made after that will cost \$75;

The CBA cannot guarantee availability due to limited seating)

To secure a reservation, either **register online at catboats.org** or fill in the form below, clip it out and send it and your check to:

**Catboat Association
c/o Paul Cook
25 Woronoco Rd
Weymouth, MA 02191-1146**

Make your check payable to: **Catboat Association, Inc;** PLEASE! No telephone reservations.

Note: Do not use the envelope supplied with this mailing for reservations. It is for your Annual Dues.



Your Name:	_____
Street Address:	_____
City, State and Zip:	_____
Phone:	()
Number of Tickets	() @ \$60 each = _____
Children (15 & Under)	() @ \$10 each = _____
Dietary restrictions:	_____

CBA 58th Annual Meeting Agenda

Friday, January 24th

- 3:00pm to 4:00pm Coast Guard Museum – visit the Coast Guard Museum in New London
6:00pm to 8:00pm **Welcoming Reception & Members' Slide Show**; Nibbles and Cash Bar
8:00pm to whenever Explore local restaurants (the hotel can provide a list of local spots)

Saturday, January 25th

- 8:00am **Registration (for new arrivals and Will-Call)**
- 8:00am to 5:00pm **All Catboat Vendor and Member Boat & Resource Show**
Come enjoy a terrific Boat & Resource Show and encourage all members to exhibit. All exhibitors must register directly with Anne Smith, Exhibit Coordinator. If you have questions or wish to have a form mailed to you, please contact her directly at anne.smith@catboats.org or 617-308-6628.
- 8:30am to 5:00pm **CBA Experts** of all stripes stand ready to advise on a number of topics.
 - *Book Signings (Publications Table)*
 - *Race/Rendezvous Scheduling*
 - *Use of the Marriott's swimming pool; Great for kids of all ages.... And more!*
 - **Special discount at the Red Door Spa for Catboaters (All Weekend)**
- 8:45am to 10:00am **Yoga for All Levels (Conference Room 7)**
Join us for this gentle yoga practice focusing on the joy of breath, movement and meditation led by our CBA members Doug and Sharon Goldhirsch owners of Crow Point Yoga in Boothbay Harbor, ME and sail the 1898 catboat *Grayling*. Please bring your own mat and wear loose fitting clothes for this yoga journey.
- 8:45am to 10:00am **Catboating for Beginners (Salon E)**
The Peterson Brothers will demonstrate the basic elements of sailing a catboat. This workshop is geared to those who are *truly* new to catboating and wish to learn the ropes.
- 8:45am to 10:00am **May the best (sailed) Catboat win (Salon F)**
A Cheetah, a Lion and a house cat line up for a race. What if the outcome were not a foregone conclusion? A simple formula can help to give a chance to all catboats at a rendezvous. Nate Titcomb of US Sailing will discuss the history of catboat racing, rating rules, and a simple formula to help level the playing field.
- 10:15am to 11:30am **Calming Seas for the Reluctant First Mate (Salon E)**
Catboat owners are proud and enthusiastic skippers who sail regularly with what might be called "reluctant first mates." This course is for the latter and, by design, relates basic sailing nomenclature, safety and sailing tips with the goal of creating personal comfort on the boat, and fostering good relations with the skipper. John Clarke & Ned Hitchcock share their experiences from both sides.
- 10:15am to 11:30am **Beetlecat Restoration and Long Distance Sailing with Athena Aicher (Salon F)**
Athena Aicher will share her experiences in and around Beetlecats, from restoration to long distance. Join her for this exciting presentation.
- Noon **Annual Meeting Lunch and Business Session**

- 1:30pm to 2:30pm **Feature Presentation**
The Catboats of Herreshoff:
The Herreshoff name is associated with some of the most innovative watercraft of all time ... from America's Cup champions to historic pleasure craft. Yet, few may think to add catboats to the Herreshoff pantheon. Think again. The CBA is proud to present Halsey Herreshoff, naval architect, America's Cup sailor and scion of this incredible nautical family.
- 3:15pm to 5:00ish **A History of Communications at Sea (Salon E)**
Ever wonder what flags you can and should fly – and when? Are you confused about the difference between AIS, VHF and MMSI? This seminar will review the history and use – past and present – of communications at sea, from flags to radio and everything in between.
- 3:15pm to 5:00ish **Catboat Adventures (Salon F)**
Join Jim Andersen, creator of YouTube videos 2019 Padanaram Catboat Rendezvous and his Sailing Skinny Water series as he talks about this new venture and view some of his videos, including some stunning aerial footage of Catboats and awesome Buzzards Bay scenery.
- 3:15pm to 5:00ish **Storyteller's Workshop (Conference Room 7)**
Your CBA Editorial Board hosts this lively discussion about bulletin contributions. Come meet the CBA Editorial Board and learn how to write, photograph and illustrate your catboat story or adventure.
- 3:15pm to 5:00ish **Mystic Walk (Lobby) – weather permitting**
Join fellow catboaters for a self-guided 3 mile walk in Bluff Point State Park. The trail has amazing vistas overlooking Long Island Sound. Meet in the Lobby for a short van ride to a scenic locale. Dress appropriately.
- 5:00pm to 7:00pm **Sociability Event (More Nibbles and Cash Bar)**

Sunday, January 26th

- 8:30am to 10:00am **Connecticut River Museum** – our Sunday morning seminar will feature a presentation by the Gaior B. Davis, Ph.D., Executive Director of the Connecticut River Museum. (Donuts and coffee served)
- 10:30am to 1:00pm **CBA Steering Committee Meeting**

Lodging

Many catboaters arrive Friday afternoon and stay until Sunday noon

Join us and take full advantage of the weekend's activities.

The Mystic Marriott Hotel & Spa guarantees us a block of rooms at the INCREDIBLY LOW, GROUP RATE OF \$119/ROOM/NIGHT. The Mystic Marriott is a beautiful facility with regular room rates around \$350/night. Please take advantage of this great value and spend a night or two. Great shopping and dining are just a short ride away in downtown Mystic, CT to the East and in New London, CT to the West. To obtain the CBA reduced rate, reservations **MUST** be made before 4:00pm on Friday, January 10th, 2020: Call (877) 901-6632 and identify yourself as a participant in the Catboat Association's Annual Meeting to qualify for the discounted rate. Or, book online to get the CBA rate at: <https://book.passkey.com/go/Catboat58thAnnualConference>