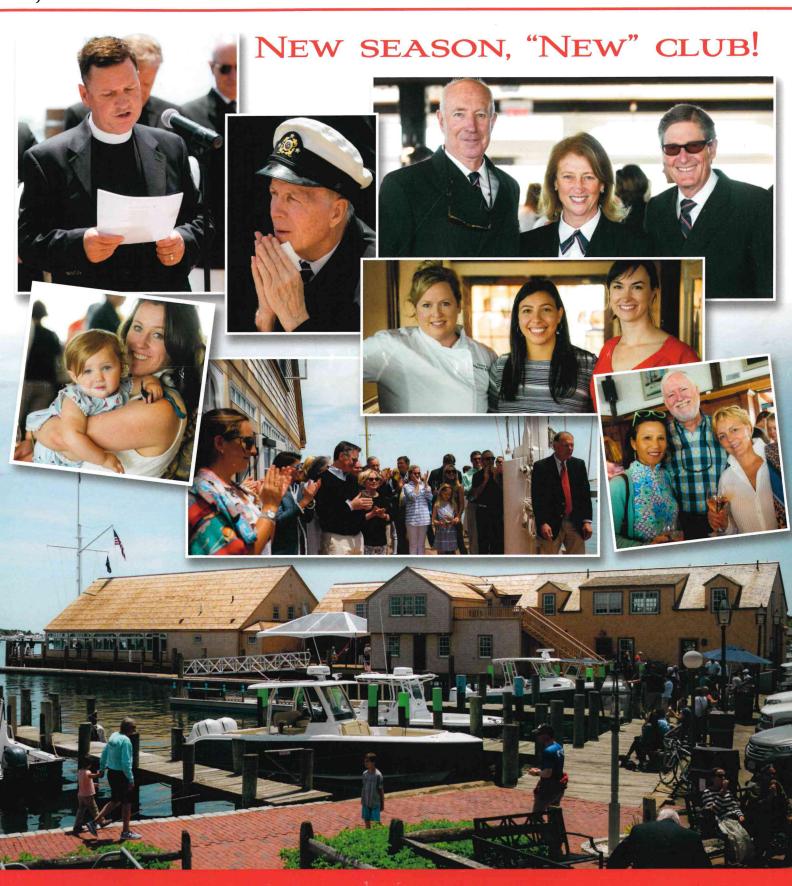
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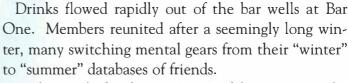
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Commissioning 2019 was such a beautiful day that no one seemed to remember when life was as good. Our new clubhouse was in Bristol condition (a word yachtsmen, including all EYC members. use to refer to something that is stunningly beautiful!), the staff was eager to show off the new facility and Chef Carolyn prepared an over-thetop assortment of hors d'ouerves that took every advantage of more space and streamlined production flow in her kitchen.



Without a doubt, the main topic of discussion was the exceptional work done by the Pier Renovation Committee as led by former Commodore Paul Mitchell, Geoff Caraboolad and his team at Metric Construction, Commodore Anthony Giordano, EYC Manager Bill Roman and many others in transforming Patrick Ahearn's design into reality on budget and on time.

The commissioning got underway at noon with a canon salute, spirited singing of the national anthem by our own Julie Rodenbaugh, and a moment of silence for members who passed away since last commissioning. Following an invocation by Reverend Chip Seadale, the Club was pronounced "in commission."

Commodore Anthony Giordano, in his first commissioning speech, gave a well crafted review of the winter's construction activities, including weekly progress calls at 0600 hrs marking the start of Geoff Caraboolad's busy day. Anthony noted, that despite some restless nights, the Club's transformation was remarkably smooth and well executed. He gave genuine appreciation and thanks to all involved.

We were fortunate to have former commodores and distinguished guests that included William Ketcham (NYYC), H. Ted Graves (IHYC), Peggy Schwier (Sail MV), James Hagerty (Edgartown Chief Executive), Art Smadbeck (Edgartown Selectman), Alex Schaefer (Chief of Edgartown Fire Department) and Bruce McNamee (Chief of Edgartown Police Department).

And thus the summer of 2019 was off the starting line and making strong progress to windward!

