

# Rounding the Marks

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*First customers at the new EYC Bar,  
Sharon & Tom Johnson, capably served by  
Alleyn Hughes & Deb Davis*

## Cheers!

## EYC Clubhouse Renovations Hit the Mark!

(No penalty turns required.)

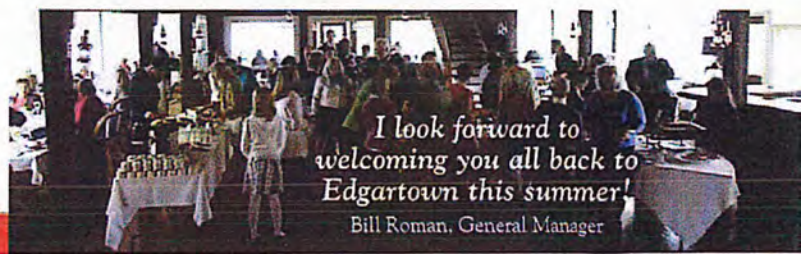
The results of nearly a year and a half of planning and subsequent construction will be gloriously apparent to the membership when returning to the EYC this spring. The improvements to your clubhouse are certain to please and enhance your enjoyment of the EYC facilities this summer!

When you first enter the Clubhouse you will immediately see the generous use of varnished mahogany in the entryway and throughout the room. Windows that line the perimeter of the porch are all new. Whereas it was important to incorporate some of the distinctive features of the old windows (corner braces and upper transom windows), they were thoughtfully and specifically designed to enhance views out towards the harbor. Some intermediate walls that separate the porch from the center of the hall have been eliminated. This, in combination with the new windows, dramatically increase the amount of light that fills the center of the room. The overall result is spectacular!

All structural posts around the porch perimeter were also replaced during the renovation. In the effort to locate the strongest and most rot resistant material possible, reclaimed yellow longleaf pine, salvaged from a dismantled old warehouse in Fall River, Massachusetts, was found to be the most suitable.

Certain to add to the enjoyment of the Clubhouse is the new Bar! We have extended the Bar along the west side of the porch to accommodate more bartenders, and more importantly, more members. Where the old Bar barely accommodated two bartenders and a hand full of stools, the new Bar can accommodate three bartenders and twelve stools. Starting opening night on June 18th, a new Bar Menu will be offered, providing some exciting casual and lighter fare options. The EYC Bar will definitely be the place to meet and eat this summer!

The club is deeply indebted to two members who very generously donated their time and were instrumental throughout the planning, design and build processes. Patrick Ahearn, AIA, donated his exceptional architecture and design services. Geoff Caraboolad provided expert oversight and consultation on the project. Gazaille & Ward, who rebuilt our Galley Grill building several years ago, provided General Contracting services.



*I look forward to  
welcoming you all back to  
Edgartown this summer!*

Bill Roman, General Manager



# Commodore's Corner

Dear Fellow Members,

The 2011 Edgartown Yacht Club summer season is upon us! It promises to be an action packed and fun filled time for all of our member families.

The winter season was very busy at your Club with another very successful winter activities program. But perhaps the most exciting news is the major renovation to the Clubhouse. The dining room now features new view-enhancing windows, beautiful mahogany finishes, new carpeting, new accoustical ceilings and new nautical lighting. The beautiful expanded bar will insure that our members will be served in a stylish and timely fashion and will provide for lunch and dinner service. Please see the full story elsewhere in this issue of Rounding the Marks.

I would be remiss in not letting you all know the extraordinary efforts two of our members have made to these renovations. Architect Patrick Ahearn and Contractor Geoff Caraboolad volunteered their time and energy to steering this necessary improvement project from the beginning to it's successful completion. I hope all of our members will thank them for their service to the Club.

Commissioning kicks off the summer season at noon on Saturday, May 28. I invite you to join in with your fellow members and to welcome our many new members to the Club. This event will be closely followed by the ever popular Adult Tennis Camp, the Nantucket Rendezvous, 'Round the Island Race, Annual Regatta for Juniors and Seniors, the Cruise to Boston Harbor and the 12 Metre Regatta to mention just a few. And, of course, there will be the usual full schedule including the very active tennis, sailing, racing and social events sponsored by the Club. Please check the calendar elsewhere in this issue of Rounding the Marks and the complete calendar mailed to your home for a listing of dates and times.

None of this would be possible without the volunteer and financial support of support of our members. Thank you.

Ned, Clare and I look forward to seeing you all very soon! Please let us know if you have any questions, comments or concerns about your Club.

Bob Snyder  
Commodore

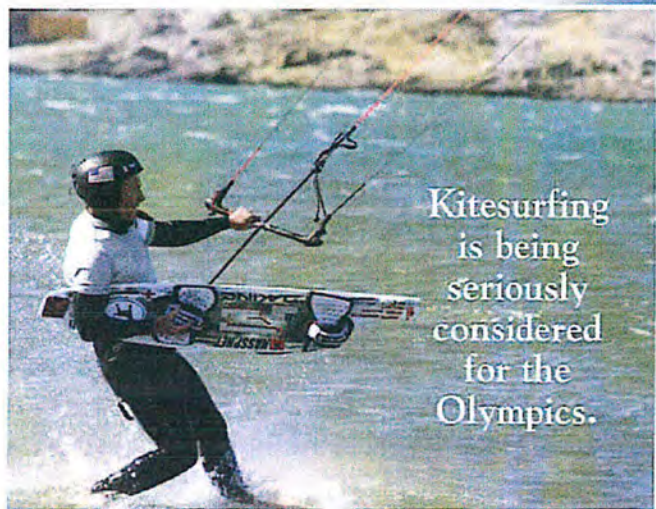
# Bill Lynch becomes



Team USA, Bill and team members Rob Jamie and Morgan Douglas

On October 25, 13:29 local time 2nd Lagoon, Luderitz, Namibia, EYC was represented by Bill Lynch #52. Bill, a rookie to the kitesurfing speed circuit, posted an average speed over the 500 meter run of 42.32 kts with a top speed of 44.5kts. This run places Bill as the 6th fastest sailor in US history.

In winds of 35 kts Bill chose a 10 meter Cabrinha Switchblade Kite and a Rob Douglas-designed Swallow Tail Speed Board built by Mike Zajicek. The course was a trench dug 4 meters wide and angled 140 degrees off the wind to maximize speed for the prevailing southerly winds. The winds are generated in the deserts of South Africa and blast out to the ocean mid-afternoon making 2nd Lagoon one of the most consistent and record breaking locations in the world. Bill was one of four Vinyarders representing the



Kitesurfing is being seriously considered for the Olympics.