

# America's Boating Club

***SNE District 34***

***Fall Conference***

October 25-27, 2024

***DoubleTree by Hilton***

Cape Cod

Hyannis, MA



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SNE D34 Cdr Valentina Bisunok, JN

## Welcome

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October 25-27, 2024 - for reservations contact:

**Cdr Valentina Bizunok, JN** - SNE District 34 Commander

Phone: 617-417-5009 or Email: v6174175009@gmail.com

Make check payable to: **“USPS District 34”** (PayPal available)

**Registration Fee: \$75/per person**

**Friday Night Dinner at Yarmouth House: \$48/per person**

Send registration form and check to **Alex Bizunok**

88 Wilfin Rd, South Yarmouth, MA 02664

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

District: \_\_\_\_\_ Squadron: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ : *Pay online at the SNE D34 website or at the Conference*

**DoubleTree by Hilton - Hyannis**

287 Iyannough Rd, Hyannis, MA 02601



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## Southeastern New England District 34 Fall Conference Agenda

**Friday, October 25, 2024**

Spend the day touring, shopping, and dining – The Anne Hutchinson Tour of Provincetown (adults only) or Day trip to Nantucket or just Visit Maritime Museum in Hyannis... Make your choice during registration!

**17:00 - Cocktails downstairs in the Lewis Bay Room.** Meet your friends as you join us for choice of beverages and nibbles courtesy of District 34.

**18:30 – We will depart for Group Dinner at the Yarmouth House restaurant** - favorite place of CCSPS for special meetings.

**Saturday, October 26, 2024**

**Lewis Bay Room** (downstairs)

**8:00 - 8:45 - Continental Breakfast; Check-in and Registration.** Raffle items on display.

**Cape Cod Room**

**9:00 - 9:45 – Welcome - D/C Valentina Bizunok, JN**

**Chief Commander’s Message - Stf/C John Crawford, SN**

**10:00 - 10:45 - “Boating & Navigating with Electronics” -**

**P/V/C Bob Sweet, SN**

**11:00 - 11:45 - “Rough Weather Ahead: How Climate Change Is Making Our Weather More Extreme” -**



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## Cape Cod Room

11:00 - 11:45 - “Rough Weather Ahead: How Climate Change Is Making Our Weather More Extreme” -

Jennifer Francis, PhD, Senior Scientist at the Woodwell Climate Research Center in Falmouth, MA

Dr. Jennifer Francis has served 24 years as a Research Professor at Rutgers University’s Department of Marine and Coastal Sciences. Her research focuses on the Arctic climate system and its wider effects, particularly on extreme weather in the Northern Hemisphere and includes global sailing expeditions. Presently, she dedicates eight months each year to sailing destinations such as the Caribbean, Central America, and the South Pacific on her catamaran.

## Ivy Room

12:00 - 13:45 - Buffet lunch.

After lunch embark on a thrilling journey with **Adam Cove** as he recounts his solo voyage in the 2024 Race to Alaska, a grueling test of endurance and skill. This unparalleled race, powered by human and wind energy, offers a blend of danger and beauty, where sailors face the raw forces of nature. Adam’s expertise as a naval architect and his passion for sailing shine through as he shares his experiences. Adam is a SAIL Magazine Technical Editor, Marine engineer, the CEO of Edson Marine, and the director of Cove Marine Consulting.



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## Cape Cod Room

14:00 - 14:45 - "America's Boating Club On-Line Learning Program".

How the on-line courses and seminars offered via the National Education Department's Outreach Committee can further the educational success of squadrons and clubs."

**R/C Barbara Herrmann, SN-IN**

## Oyster Harbor Room

14:00 - 14:45 - "SEO and Instructor Training Update"

An overview of the HQ800 program, how to register courses and students and manage the examination process for the ABC course and member courses/seminars. There will be an opportunity for Instructors to ask questions.

**Asst DEO Dick Moore, SN-IN and Stf/C Wayne Lambert, AP**

## Cape Cod Room

15:00 - 15:45 - "Seamanship is out, Piloting is going. What is new and up coming the ABC/USPS Classroom Curriculum" - An overview of the status and upcoming changes in America's Boating Club courses.

**Asst DEO Dick Moore, SN-IN and Stf/C Wayne Lambert, AP**

16:00 - 16:50 - SNE District D34 Council Meeting

**D/C Valentina Bizunok, JN**



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**Lewis Bay Room** (downstairs)

17:00 - 18:30 - Free Social hour and Silent Auction

**Ivy Room**

18:30 - 21:00 - Dinner

After dinner **Samantha Gray**, an Interpretive Park Ranger with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at the Cape Cod Canal, will deliver the presentation “Insight into the Rich History, Fascinating Features, & Navigation Operations of the Cape Cod Canal”. Samantha Gray has worked at the Canal for 25 years, where she manages the Canal’s Interpretive Services and Outreach Programs, as well as the Cape Cod Canal Visitor Center in Sandwich, MA. For her work, she has been selected by USACE for multiple awards including regional Interpreter of the Year and the American Recreation Coalition’s Legends Award. Ms. Gray earned her degree in Conservation of Natural Resources from Long Island University.

**Lewis Bay Room** (downstairs)

Social Gathering following dinner

**Sunday, October 27, 2024**

**Lewis Bay Room** (downstairs)

9:00 – 11:00 – Additional discussions, Pastries and Coffee & Tea





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Make your Hotel Reservations Online or by Phone:

**DoubleTree by Hilton - Hyannis**

287 Iyannough Rd, Hyannis, MA 02601

(508) 771-1700

[www.capecod.doubletree.com](http://www.capecod.doubletree.com)

## Make it a long Weekend on Cape Cod

Room rate **\$147/night** use **Group Code “918”**

or mention United States Power Squadrons (expired on 10/11)

Special rate applies to Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights

Breakfast is *NOT* included in the room rate

There is a block of rooms reserved for each night

Use of the Lewis Bay hospitality room for Social Gatherings

**Free WiFi**

Free use of Indoor Pool and Health Club



# Fall Conference Agenda Summary

**Morning Seminars** - Cape Cod Room: Instructor **P/V/C Bob Sweet, SN** 1000 - 1045

Will teach his class on *Boating & Navigating with Electronics*

Cape Cod Room: Instructor **Jennifer Francis** 1100 - 1145

Will present *Rough weather Ahead: How Climate Change is Making Our Weather More Extrem*

**Buffet Luncheon** (Ivy Room) & Luncheon Speaker: **Adam Cove** 1200 - 1345

Will present *His Solo Voyage - 2024 Race to Alaska*

**Afternoon Seminars** – Cape Cod Room: **R/C Barbara Herrmann, SN-IN** 1400 - 1445

Barbara will present America's Boating Club On-Line Learning Program

Cape Cod Room: **ADEO Dick Moore, SN-IN & Stf/C Wayne Lambert, AP** 1500 - 1545

Will present *Seamanship is Out, Piloting is going. What is new and upcoming in ABC/USPS Curriculum*

Oyster Harbor Room: **ADEO Dick Moore, SN-IN & Stf/C Wayne Lambert, AP** 1400 - 1445

Will present *An Overview of the HQ800 program for SEO's and ASEO's*

**SNE District 34 Council Meeting** - Cape Cod Room: 1600 - 1650

Lead by Cdr Valentina Bizunok, JN

**Dinner** (Ivy Room) & Dinner Speaker: **Samantha Gray** 1830 - 2100

Interpretive Park Ranger with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Will deliver a presentation on *Insight into the rich History, Fascinating Features & Navigation Operations of the Cape Cod Canal*

Lewis Bay Room for **Social Gathering** following Dinner – Lower Level



# Friday Dinner at Yarmouth House

**Louis Bay Room** (downstairs)

1700 - 1830 – Cocktails

Depart for Yarmouth House at 18:30

## Dinner Menu

New England Clam Chowder

Entrées (served with Fresh Vegetables and Garlic Mashed Potatoes):

10 oz Slow-Roasted Certified Black Angus Boneless Prime Rib of Beef  
Grilled Salmon with Lemon Butter Sauce

Chicken Risotto: Sautéed Tenderloins, Sweet Peas, and Parmesan Risotto

Dessert:

Warm Homemade Apple Crisp with Ice Cream

Beverages:

Coffee

Tea

Decaf

# *Delicatessen Lunch Buffet*

## **Ivy Room**

1200 - 1345 – Lunch Buffet with Guest Speaker: Adam Cove

*“Solo voyage – race to Alaska”*

Mixed Greens Garden Salad with Creamy Dressing and House Vinaigrette

Pasta Salad

Soup of the Day

Sliced Roast Beef, Tomato, Lettuce and Horseradish Mayo on a Baguette

Smoked Ham, Baby Swiss, Tomato, Red Onion, Leaf Lettuce and Dijon Aioli on Marble Rye

Oven Roasted Turkey, Cheddar Cheese, Tomato, Onion, Lettuce and Herb Mayo on a Bulkie Roll

Cape Cod Potato Chips

Assortment of Freshly Baked Cookies and Brownies

Iced Tea, Lemonade and Water



# *DoubleTree Signature Dinner Buffet*

## **Ivy Room**

**1830 - 2000 – Dinner Buffet with Guest Speaker: Samantha Gray**

***“Insight into the Rich History , Fascinating Features and  
Navigation Operations of the Cape Cod Canal”***

**Mixed Greens**

**Garden Salad with Creamy Dressing and House Vinaigrette**

**Clam Chowder**

**Baskets of Freshly Baked Rolls and Butter**

**New England Baked Haddock with cracker crumb topping**

**Steak Tips with Peppers and Onions**

**Seasonal Vegetable**

**Rosemary Garlic Roasted New Potatoes**

**Warm Apple Crisp with Whipped Cream**

**Freshly Brewed Regular and Decaf Coffee and Assorted Teas**

**Iced Tea, Lemonade and Water**



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Spend Friday, October 25th with the group on Nantucket

Price: \$TBD per person

Nantucket Whaling Museum



Lunch  
Shopping



Sightseeing



HyLine Fast Ferry – Hyannis to Nantucket

Fare \$TBD

Friday, October 25, 2024

Depart Hyannis 9:05am - Return: Depart Nantucket 4:35pm



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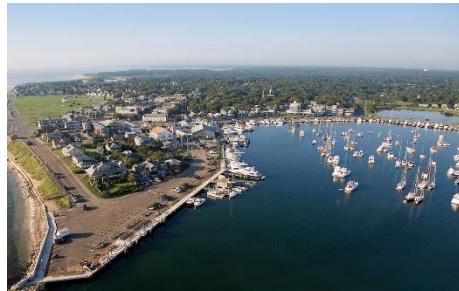
Other Weekend Cape Cod Sightseeing Possibilities



Sandwich Glass Museum and Dunbar Tea Room



Whydah Pirate Museum



Martha's Vineyard



Chatham Shopping



JFK Museum - Hyannis



Provincetown



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## Other Weekend Cape Cod Sightseeing Possibilities



ARTfull Thursdays!

The Museum is open and Gallery Admission is FREE every Thursday from 5-8pm

[See Programming](#)

Claudia DeMonte

A World View

August 30 – October 28



[Learn More](#)



Cape Cod Museum of Art

Coast Guard Heritage Museum



Cape Cod Maritime Museum



Cape Cod Potato Chips



Hyannis or PTown Whale Watcher Cruise



Cape Cod Beer

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# Visit the Whydah Pirate Museum

## Pirates!

Commanded by the pirate Sam Bellamy, the Whydah was wrecked off Wellfleet in 1717, taking with her the treasure of fifty plundered ships. According to Cape folklore, Bellamy was returning to his love, Maria Hallett, the “The Witch of Wellfleet”, when his ship met disaster in one of the worst storms to strike the eastern seaboard. Only two men of 146 made it to the beach alive, making the Whydah the worst wreck ever on the shores of the Cape. Bellamy’s loss was history’s gain, however, as the contents of his flagship represent a unique look into the lives of the pirates, and an unprecedented cross-cultural sampling of treasures from the world of the 18th century.

## Treasure!

Discovered by underwater explorer Barry Clifford, this archaeological shipwreck recovery project is a National Geographic Society “Special Event”, and our museum is our headquarters for our ongoing archaeological mission. Here you can see the *world’s only* pirate treasure—together with personal remains as weapons, jewelry and clothing—and decipher the untold secrets of the pirates! Help us interpret x-rays of mysterious heavily encrusted objects and discover the painstaking and fascinating scientific work that preserves these time capsules of the past. Geared for ages “6 to 106” the Whydah Pirate Museum is a “must-see” historical attraction on Cape Cod, our exhibition is a once-in-a-lifetime experience for the entire family—whether you have just a half hour, or an entire afternoon!

<https://www.discoverpirates.com>

Whydah Pirate Museum

Admission: From \$18

674 MA-28

West Yarmouth, MA 02673

Tel: (508) 534-9571

3.5 miles from DoubleTree



# Whydah Pirate Museum



Open everyday from 1000 to 1600

# Visitor/Spouse Opportunities (Friday, Saturday & Sunday)

Venues, Hours and fees are out-of-date – need to be verified

## Whydah Museum

Open everyday from 1000 to 1700  
Discounted Ticket for Power Squadron members: \$12.50  
Available Friday, Saturday, or Sunday  
Visit on Friday and Sunday

## Nantucket Day Trip – Friday 0900

Whaling Museum  
Art Galleries  
Shopping  
Island Tour  
Cruise to/from Island  
Restaurants

## Martha's Vineyard Day Trip

Island Tour  
Shopping  
Restaurants  
Oak Bluff Campground Gingerbread Cottages

## Chatham

Shopping  
Restaurants



## Provincetown

Restaurants  
Art Galleries  
Shopping  
Pilgrim Monument

## Guided Tour

## Hyannis

John F. Kennedy Hyannis Museum  
Shopping  
Restaurants  
Cape Cod Beer Tour/Tasting  
Cape Cod Potato Chips  
Hyannis Whale Watcher Cruise

## Other Sightseeing Options

Cape Cod Museum of Art  
Coast Guard Heritage Museum  
Cape Cod Maritime Museum  
Cape Cod Canal Visitors Center  
Sandwich Glass Museum  
Truo Vinyards



# Morning Seminar Instructor – P/V/C Bob Sweet, SN

Bob is an active member of the Buzzard Bay Sail and Power Squadron and past National Educational Officer.

Bob is the author of *GPS for Mariners*, *The Weekend Navigator*, *Powerboat Handling Illustrated* and other nautical themed books. He is a former radar and communications systems engineer and executive manager of a corporate business unit that helped develop GPS for the U.S. Air Force. He is a navigation instructor and an avid boater with many years' of experience on the water.

Bob will present his seminar on *Boating & Navigating Electronics* that he has presented to boating organizations across the country.



# Morning Seminar Presenter: Jennifer Francis



## Extreme Weather and the Climate Crisis

My interest in Arctic weather and climate was sparked by a summer of sailing to the Norwegian archipelago of Svalbard while in my twenties. Through much of my career, I pioneered the use of satellite data to understand the dramatic changes taking place in the Arctic atmosphere and sea ice, and how amplified warming there is affecting temperate regions on Earth where billions of people live.

My groundbreaking work suggests that rapid Arctic warming is linked to shifting weather patterns in the Northern Hemisphere, driving more persistent weather regimes that can lead to periods of extreme temperature and/or precipitation.

Sailing has been an enduring source of inspiration for my work. I circumnavigated the globe with my husband in the 1980s—a course that included the Arctic and Southern Ocean—and we currently live aboard our sailboat, Saphira, eight months of the year.



# Luncheon Speaker: Adam Cove



## How A Small Catboat Won Its Biggest Adventure Race

Adam Cove took on the 2024 Race to Alaska with a Marshall Sanderling Catboat and found it was the perfect craft for an imperfect race.



As the white blades of his sculling oars dipped and swept the pristine waters of the Strait of Georgia, Adam Cove was having fleeting second thoughts. He was barely a day into the adventure—no-engine-and-no-support 750-mile Race to Alaska. His plan to row his 2,800-pound 18-foot Marshall Sanderling cat boat *Wildcat* through a set of islands and farther offshore search of wind had backfired.....

<https://www.sailingworld.com/racing/small-catboat-won-adventure-race/>

## Afternoon Seminar Presenters: R/C Barbara Herrmann SN-IN, ADEO Dick Moore, SN-IN and Stf/C Wayne Lambert, AP

SNE District 34 Asst Treasurer: Barbara Herrmann, SN-IN  
R/C National Educational Outreach Committee  
Treasurer Charles River Sail & Power Squadron

SNE District 34 Education Officer: Wayne Lambert, AP  
Stf/C National Membership Committee  
ASEO Charles River Sail & Power Squadron

SNE District 34 Asst Education Officer: Dick Moore, SN-IN  
SEO Buzzards Bay Sail & Power Squadron

Some of the SNE D34 Fall conference seminars will focus on Education. There will be a lot of useful information presented about updates on both classroom and on-line courses and seminars. This information should be of interest to all SEO's and ASEOs and for your instructors as well. We are hoping that many of you will attend these seminars at the conference.



# Keynote Dinner Speaker: Samantha Gray

## Cape Cod Canal History

The Cape Cod Canal first opened to vessel traffic more than 100 years ago. The story of how the Cape Cod Canal became the engineering marvel you see today is rich in history and ingenuity. Offering economic, life-saving and military benefits, the idea of a canal through this isthmus had been explored since the 1600s. Finally becoming a reality under private ownership in 1914, it was redesigned and reconstructed under federal ownership in the 1930s to become the basic infrastructure of today's modern Cape Cod Canal.

Congress directed the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on March 31, 1928, under authority of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1927, to operate and improve the foundering Canal. The Corps of Engineers learned of navigational problems by distributing a detailed questionnaire to shipping companies to find out why various vessel types were avoiding the Canal. One concern was the moveable bridge spans. Normally kept in the lowered position, were causing difficulty for mariners, who were often faced with stemming a swift current in a narrow channel while waiting for the bridges to open. As such, the Corps selected two land areas that were naturally elevated, and erected fixed highway bridges. With a vertical clearance of 135 feet above mean high water and a center span of 616 feet, they were designed to accommodate large ocean going vessels passing through the Canal below.





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## See You in Hyannis

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