



MANCHESTER YACHT CLUB
2021 Summer Cruise
Southern Islands of New England and Long Island Sound
Sunday, August 8 through Friday, August 20
Cruise Itinerary Details



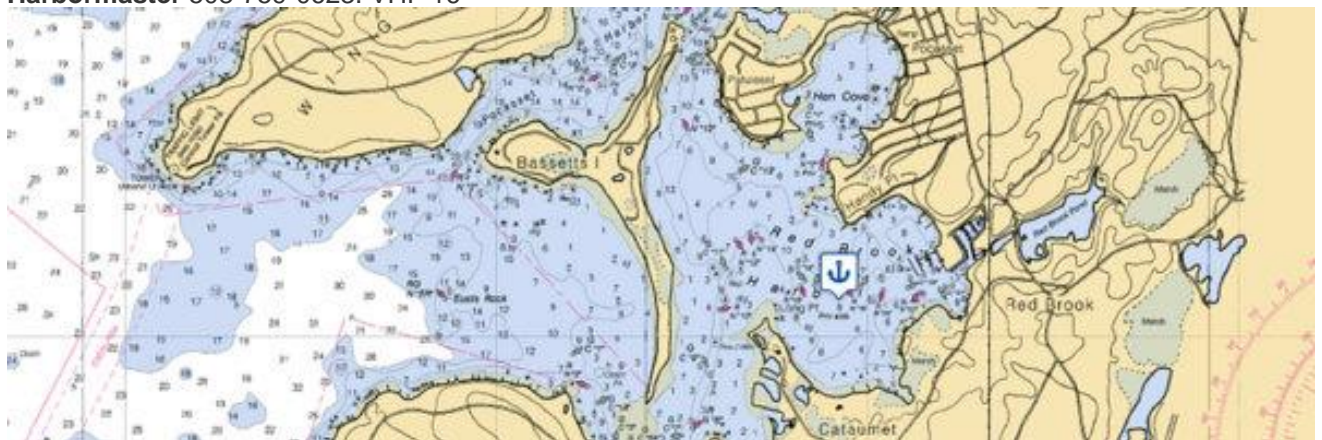
Sunday Aug 8th - Red Brook Harbor – Gam with GWC's 1800

- **Boat Reservation** opens – 4/5/2021
 - Anchor – Yes, but far out near Bassett Island
 - Moorings & Slips - [Kingman Yacht Center](#) or [Parkers Boat Yard](#)
- **Event** – GWCs @ 1800 BYO hors d'oeuvres. Should you decide to stay for dinner, you may want to reserve in the [Chart Room](#) located adjacent to the Kingman Yacht Center.

- **Harbor Summary:** The adjoining harbors of Pocasset and Red Brook Harbor in the northeastern corner of Buzzards Bay are among the most beautiful natural harbors in New England, and offer great shelter and an ideal layover for those planning transit through the Cape Cod Canal. Red Brook Harbor is well protected by Bassett's Island with its wonderful sandy beach. However, it takes approximately 25 minutes to reach it from Buzzards Bay at the required No Wake Zone speed using either the north or south access channels (both of which are well marked) around Bassett's Island.



- **Anchorage:** There is an anchorage area between the south end of Bassett's Island and Scraggy Neck. This outer anchorage is useful as a short stop before or after transiting the Canal rather than as an overnight anchorage. Small-craft Facilities Parker's Boatyard is on the east side of the small cove, about 300 yards south of the marina. Kingman Yacht Center is on the east shore of Red Brook Harbor about 500 yards southeastward of Handy Point. Both facilities have berths and moorings available for transients, electricity, gasoline, diesel fuel, water, ice, marine supplies, and storage facilities, and can make hull and engine repairs. Electronic repairs can be made at the marina. Depths of 8 feet are reported at the marina berths and at the boatyard berths.
- **Harbormaster** 508-759-0623. VHF 16



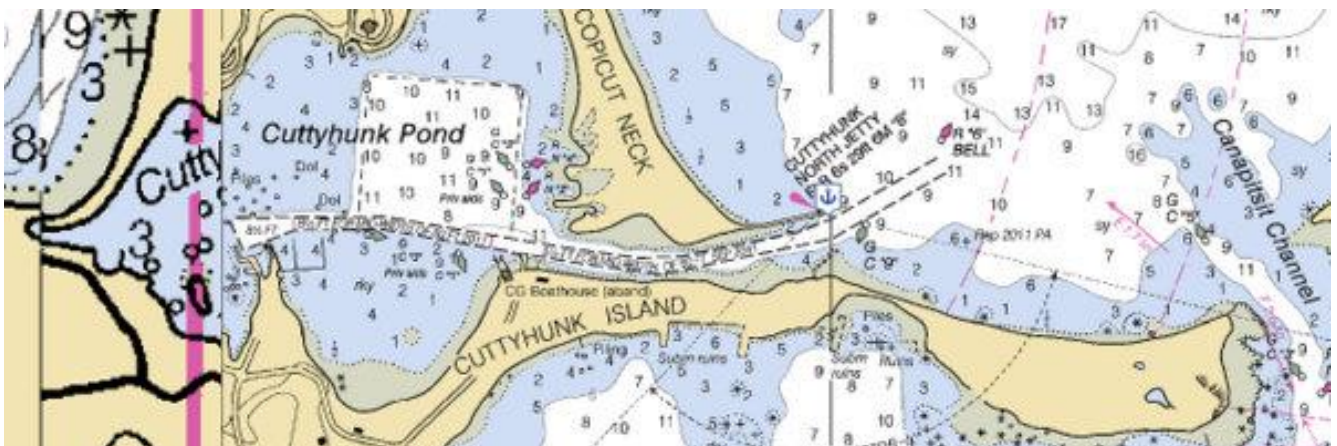


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Tuesday Aug 10th - [Cuttyhunk Island](#) – 1800 Cuttyhunk Fishing Club

- **Boat Reservation** - Inner harbor moorings are available (first-come, first-served). [Cuttyhunk Marina](#) inner harbor slips and outer harbor moorings can be reserved through [DOCKWA](#).
 - **Pump-Out** - Cuttyhunk Harbor fuel dock
- **Event** – 1800hrs on the lawn of the [Cuttyhunk Fishing Club](#) - Fisherman's Boil (Lobster, Chowder, Garden Salad, Potato Salad, Coleslaw & Watermelon)
- **Harbor Summary:** Cuttyhunk, the final island in the Elizabeth Island chain that extends to the mouth of Buzzards Bay, manages to remain welcoming without losing the feeling of remoteness that makes it so popular. The channel into Cuttyhunk's inner harbor is well marked and reports 7' controlling depth. The mooring field is a dredged square area, well buoyed. Don't go outside the dredged area clearly noted on the chart, as it shoals rapidly outside. [Video Link](#)
- **Anchorage:** The inner harbor mooring field in Cuttyhunk Pond is highly sheltered, and accessed via the channel between GC "9" and the North Jetty. Town moorings are available on a first come first serve basis. 2/3 boats rafts are permitted in good weather. **Cuttyhunk Marina** Town Wharf 508-990-7578 VHF Ch. 9/10 There is also a mooring field in Cuttyhunk Harbor, just North East of Cuttyhunk Island. Taking a mooring in the outer harbor is advisable as the holding ground is not always great if the wind picks up, especially out of the North. The two mooring fields are on opposite sides of the channel. Outer south side moorings: Frog Pond Marine Moorings 508-992-7530 VHF Ch 72. Outer north side moorings Jenkins Moorings 508-996-9294 VHF Ch 9
- **Harbormaster:** Capt. George Isabel (508) 990-7578 or VHF 0909





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Wednesday Aug 11th [Block Island RI](#) – 1800 Block Island Maritime Institute

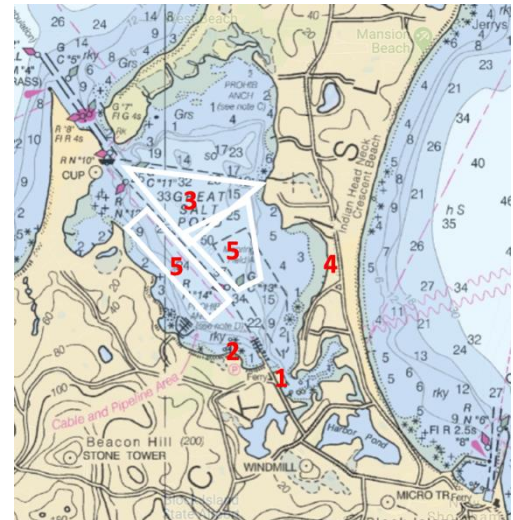
Members are welcome to join by land – Block Island Hotel [Accommodations](#)

• **Boat Reservation**

- **3** Anchor – Best anchorage is in the northeast corner of Great Salt Pond
- **5** Moorings - Moorings can be rented for \$45 per night and can accommodate vessels up to 50 feet. Reservations *are not taken* as they are first come first serve through the harbormaster VHF CH12
- Slips – Reserve early!
 - **2** [New Harbor Boat Basin](#) (401) 480-1429 - VHF 09
 - [Payne's Dock](#) (401) 466-5572 - VHF
 - [Champlin's Marina](#) (401) 466-7777 - VHF 68
- **Pump-Out - New Harbor pump-out boat on VHF Ch 73**
- **1 & 2 Dinghy Landing** - is located between Payne's Dock and Dead Eye Dick's restaurant at New Harbor.

- **Event** –@ 1800hrs cocktails appetizers and oyster gathering on the porch at the **1** [Block Island Maritime Institute](#) located within walking distance of the town with a variety of restaurants including [The Oar](#), [Dead Eye Dick's](#), [Atlantic Inn](#) and [Spring House Inn](#).

- **Harbor Summary:** Block Island's Great Salt Pond (New Harbor), on the west side of Block Island, has 3 large marinas, 90 town moorings and a 75 acre anchorage for vessels. The Harbormaster's Office is located at the Block Island Boat Basin during the summer season. The Harbormaster can be contacted on VHF CH 12 once you arrive in New Harbor. It is a 3 minute taxi ride or 15 minute walk from New Harbor to town or to Crescent Beach. ([Video Clip](#))





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- **Lay day** – Thursday August 12 will be a free day with organized tours available for those who wish to visit the lighthouses at the south and/or the north ends of the island. The Southeast Lighthouse is a National Historic Landmark built in 1873 and moved in 1993. Other options include beaching, bike riding for touring the island, kayaking and general sight-seeing.
- **Block Island Harbor Master – Kate McConville** VHF - Ch12 (401) 466-3204





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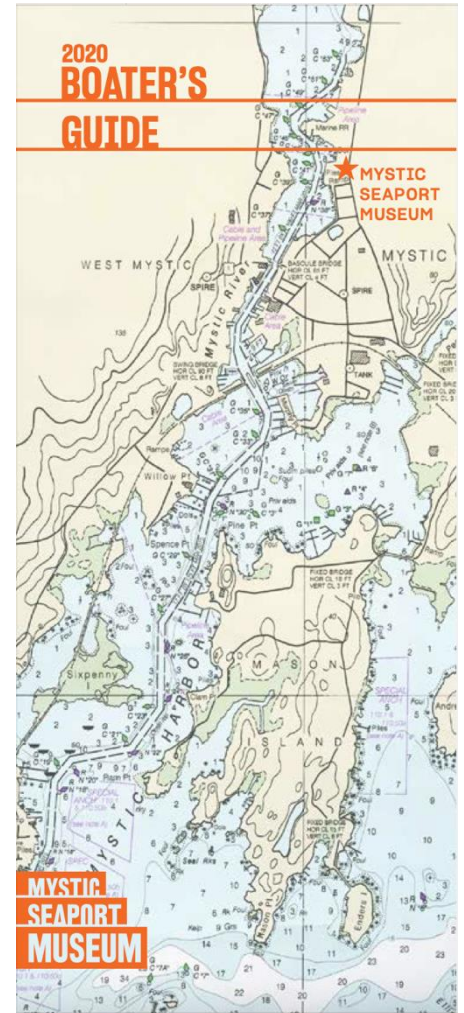


Fri, Aug 13 & Sat, Aug 14th - Mystic CT, [Mystic Seaport Museum](#)
Members are welcome to join by land - Mystic Hotel [Accommodations](#)

Boat Reservation - MYC has reserved 800 feet of dock space for those coming by boat. Reservations need to be made through [DOCKWA](#), and mention **"Manchester Yacht Club"**. Boaters and their guests receive complimentary museum admission while docked at Mystic Seaport. We invite you to stroll through our 19th-century seafaring village, climb aboard historic vessels, and explore exhibit halls. After visitors are gone for the day, our guests have the unique opportunity to enjoy the beauty of our grounds in the evening, an experience reported by many to be the most magical part of their stay. Dockage also includes free wireless internet, power, water, and additional amenities. Downtown Mystic, located just a short walk from Mystic Seaport, offers a variety of dining and shopping options. We look forward to your visit and will do whatever possible to make your stay with us an enjoyable and memorable one. Mystic Seaport monitors VHF 68 (860-572-5391). [Marina Video](#) (Call 860.572.5339 for [Member Discount on dockage](#))

- **Friday Event** – @ 1800hrs on Friday evening, MYC will gather at the Boat Shed – a waterfront, open-air venue for a casual, traditional New England dinner. Following the event, we will be free to wander around the grounds of the Museum. [Museum Video](#)
- **Saturday Event** – @ 0900hrs MYC will get a tour of Watercraft Hall, which is the biggest historical boat collection in the world. More than 400 boats and 500 motors. It is not open to the general public.

Mystic River Approach: Use U.S. chart #13214 and pay strict attention to the buoys. The channel is narrow and twisting; shoals abound just outside the channel. The Mystic River Railroad Bridge opens on call, unless a train is expected. The Mystic River Highway Bridge (Route 1) opens on request at 20 minutes before each hour from 7:40 a.m. until 6:40 p.m. and opens on call prior to 7:40 a.m. and after 6:40 p.m. Both bridges monitor radio channels 9 and 13.





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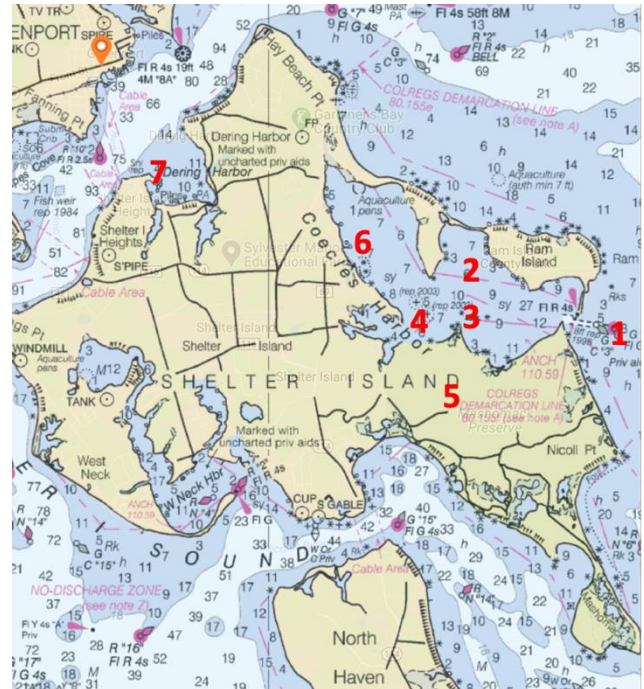
Monday Lunch Aug 16 - Coecles Harbor, Shelter Island in Gardner's Bay, Long Island NY

2 Event: 1200 Lunchtime raft-up with picnic lunch in Coecles Harbor on Shelter Island.

Gardiner Bay harbor recommendations from Chris Abbott who spend seven summers cruising the Sound.

1 Coecles Harbor Approach: To enter, follow the buoys outside the entrance. Cut close to Real Point at entrance for deepest water. Watch for other boats exiting. Channel outside averages about 6-8 feet. The north side of the outer harbor is legally restricted but refuge can be taken there in strong northerlies with minimal interference from authorities. Hurricane Sandy took off a piece of Real Point and put it in the center of the channel. A nun has been deployed at the point to mark it. Stay between the nun and can.

Coecles Harbor Summary: Once inside there are many things to explore: **3 Cedar Island** is open to explore to the general public. You can take you dinghy to the shore and explore the beautiful grounds and home. Please leave the island the way you found it so that others can continue to enjoy it. **4 Congdon's Creek** is located in the south west corner of the harbor, just beyond Taylor Island. The creek is full of wildlife and is great for the curious explorers. It also is the home of many of the local fishing boats for Shelter Island. Clarks Marine and a town landing are also located in this creek. **5 Mashomack Preserve** is located in the anchorage area (south east section of the harbor). Visiting boaters are welcome to explore the beaches and hike the local trails. **6 Coecles Harbor Marina & Boatyard** offers moorings and slips.



7 Shelter Island Yacht Club in Dering Harbor: is very nice and is welcoming to yachtsmen in my experience. They will extend guest privileges to MYC members for their restaurant and bar. Be sure to bring your MYC membership card. Check their [Club Etiquette](#) for appropriate attire. I have been in Dering in a northerly or northwest breeze and it can get lumpy over 10 – 15 knots. On the short street along the waterfront, you can get groceries, beach supplies, and marine hardware. The [Dory Restaurant](#) doesn't look like much from the street, but has good seafood and a lovely view of a sylvan setting out back. [The Island Boatyard](#) and [Dering Harbor Marina](#) has fuel, ice, showers, and a laundromat.

Sag Harbor was a major whaling port in the 19th century, Sag Harbor is the “non-Hamptons Hampton” today with all of the conveniences a visiting yachtsmen (women) will need without the Starbucks, movie stars and celebrities of East and South Hamptons. The inner harbor occasionally has moorings but the anchorage outside the breakwater is comfortable in up to 20 – 30 knots of breeze with good holding ground. There is a cut in the breakwater to allow easy access from the outer harbor to the shore in a dingy. There is also a public launch for ~\$5.00 each way can take people ashore. [Sag Harbor Yacht Yard](#) and Louis Grignon, the owner and manager, is beyond hospitable. He runs a full service yard of modest proportion with mechanics for diesel and gas, as well as outboards. There is also a ships store adjacent to the main yard building that has a good collection of hardware and parts. There's the legendary



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American Hotel for dining and accommodations on Main Street, a great market, liquor store and a great many good restaurants serving everything from sushi to Mexican food all in a low key and casual setting. There are also some of the finest ice cream stands in the Hamptons! The “other Hamptons” are a 15 – 20 minute taxi/Uber from Sag and there one will find a new level of chic sophistication I seek to avoid whilst cruising! ([Link to a video clip](#))

Three Mile Harbor is less than a 10 mile run from Sag Harbor and while it is technically part of the Town of the East Hampton, it's wonderfully protected and easy anchorable harbor with as much onshore activities as one would like. The harbor is easily entered by a narrow channel and the mud and eel grass anchoring off to the right side upon entry is delightful. Ashore are some modest restaurants but in general one best stays on the boat unless you crave live music and the “Hamptons crowd!” This harbor could easily accommodate an entire yacht club fleet and there are a series of marinas that dot the shore and cater to locals and visiting yachtsmen.

Great and Little Peconic Bays - The first time I entered this significant body of water I was struck by the size and beauty of this part of Long Island. There are small harbors and plenty water to explore. The charts will direct you to the smaller harbors best visited during the day and “The Cruising Guide to the New England Coast” has a very thorough write-up on these bodies of water despite their non-New England location! They are beautiful, largely unspoiled and offer visiting yachtsmen a break from the madding crowds of much of the Eastern End of Long Island.

West Neck Harbor - This was my favorite day and occasional over-night harbor in the area. Once the sun sets and the day boats disappear it is a lovely harbor with great beaches, swimming and vistas. Again, the Cruising Guide will inform your entry and the holding ground is exceptional. I have been in there in a 40+ knot squall and lay comfortably. There is a magnificent beach that makes out into the harbor entrance that is wonderful if there are beach goers aboard. It is generally not crowded and the motorized watercraft, so prevalent in this part of the world, are minimal. This is a bit more remote in terms of facilities ashore and I would suggest a night aboard and the enjoyment of the sunset with a touch of the ship's grog!

Montauk Harbor is at the north end of Lake Montauk, which, until 1926, when the channel from Block Island Sound was dredged, was the largest freshwater lake in New York State. Today, the inlet is safe and easy to transit in almost all weather, making it one of the best on the East Coast. In 2015, a survey measured at least 10 feet of water in the channel at mean low water—about as low as it gets. Range of tide averages a little over 2 feet. Anchor as close to South Lake Beach as possible.



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Wednesday Aug 18th Newport RI – [New York Yacht Club Harbour Court](#)

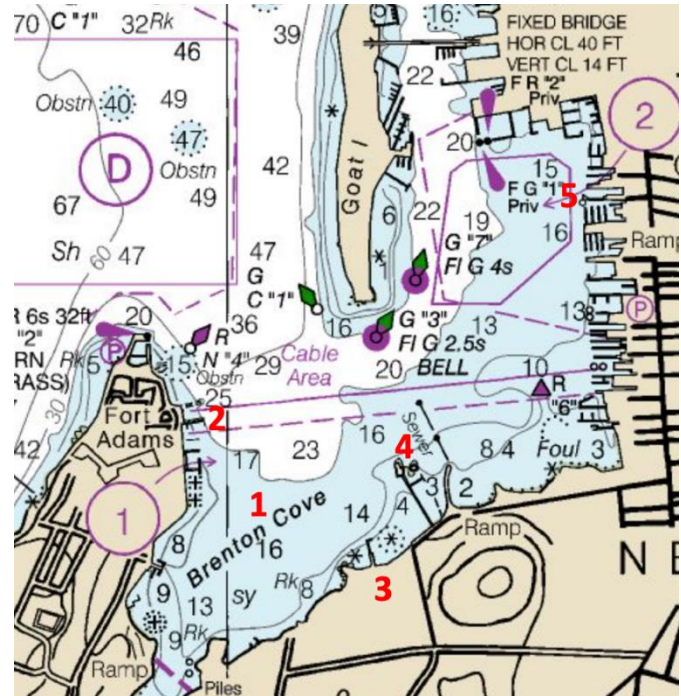
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• **Boat Reservation**

- **1 Anchor** – Brenton Cove
- **1 Moorings**
 - **3 NYYC** VHF-74
 - **4 Ida Lewis YC** VHF-78A
 - **5 Old Port Marine** VHF-68
- **Slips**
 - **2 Sail Newport at Fort Adams** VHF-9 ([Dockwa](#))
 - **5 Old Port Marine** VHF-68
 - **5 Newport Yacht Club** VHF-78
 - **5 Bowens Wharf** VHF-9
- **Launch Service**
 - NYYC launch VHF-74
 - Ida Lewis VHF-78A
 - Old Port Marine VHF-68

3 Event – @ 1830 hrs NYYC Cocktails, Colors @ 1941 hrs and a Sit-down Dinner @ 2000. Drinks will be on the Upper Lawn of Harbour Court, the waterfront clubhouse of the New York Yacht Club. A three-course dinner will be served indoors in the Main Dining Room, just off the Terrace. The dinner will be formal and requires a jacket and tie for men. Colors will be observed at 1941hrs.

([Virtual Tour](#) - scroll down the page and click on the Harbour Court)





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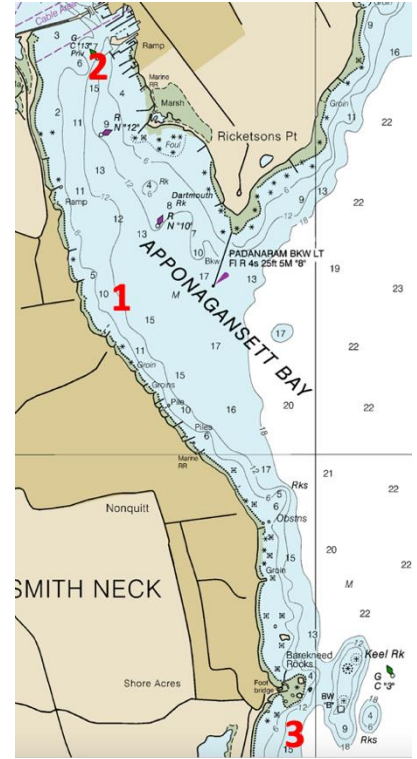
Friday Aug 20th – [Nonquitt Beach](#) - [Padanaram](#) - Scott Fabyan's Family Cottage –

- **Boat Reservation**

- **1 Anchorage** - in the Southwest corner across from the breakwater, Harbormaster 508-999-0759 or VHF Channel 9 and 16
- **2 Moorings & Slips** – [New Bedford Yacht Club \(DOCKWA\)](#) - VHF 68
- **Pump-Out** - Harbormaster 508-999-0759 or VHF Channel 9 and 16

3 Event – @1700 Beach Party with GWCs. Anchor off Scott's Family Place

Nonquitt Beach Approach – ([video link](#))



PADANARAM

Friday – August 20
Scott Fabyan's Family House

New Bedford Yacht Club
(508) 997-0762
www.nbyc.com

