

## WHYC CRUISE COMMITTEE 2019 Annual Report

The WHYC Cruise Committee planned for two cruises this summer, with an emphasis on flexible itineraries.

In early July, we headed east for several of the best cruising destinations on Narragansett Bay and Cuttyhunk Island, and in September travelled west to Essex, CT and Greenport/Shelter Island, NY.



### **East Cruise**

**Saturday July 6th through Sunday July 14th**

This year's itinerary offered an open-flexible schedule with "meet-up" ports-of-call. Our first meet-up was on Monday, July 8<sup>th</sup>, when we gathered in Narragansett Bay at the **Bristol Yacht Club**. Despite the recent fire that had badly damaged their clubhouse, we enjoyed a warm welcome and a delicious dinner served under-the-tent on the lawn. The next day, Tuesday, some remained in Bristol, touring the town or renting bicycles for a ride along the East Bay Bike Path. Wednesday was a transit day with some staying in Bristol before departing for Cuttyhunk Island. Another option was grabbing a mooring in Sachuest Cove, with its beautiful crescent beach and **National Wildlife Refuge**, or stopping in Newport, RI for an overnight.

On Thursday, we headed for a meet-up on **Cuttyhunk Island** to repeat our wonderful “shore dinner” (lobster boil) at the Cuttyhunk Fishing Club, with its magnificent view out over Vineyard Sound and Martha’s Vineyard. This “annual” has become a highlight of recent cruises.

On Friday, we ran back to Narragansett Bay for our last meet-up in **Jamestown**, where a Club Member hosted a BYOB cocktail party at their residence. Saturday was an open day with options to stop in in Point Judith or Block Island on our way back home. Sunday evening, July 14th, we gathered at WHYC for “wash down” and swapping sea stories.



### **West Cruise**

**Thursday September 12th through Sunday September 15th**

We gathered in **Essex, CT**, with plans to have a cruise dinner at the Essex Yacht Club. EYC has a well-earned reputation for hospitality and is in walking distance to shops, restaurants, and the historic Griswold Inn and Tap Room dating back to 1776, when they first opened their doors for business. Friday was a flex-day with options to either stay in Essex, visit **Hamburg Cove**, head direct to Dering Harbor, or scoot into Coecles or Sag Harbors. On Saturday September 14th, we met in **Dering Harbor** for dinner at the **Shelter Island Yacht Club** or a local restaurant. Sunday was our quick run back to Watch Hill.

Please be in touch with any Cruise Committee member with any questions, or send an e-mail to [WHYCCruisers@gmail.com](mailto:WHYCCruisers@gmail.com).

### **2019 WHYC Cruise Committee**

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