



CDSOA Northeast Fleet Buzzards Bay Float-In

Bassetts Island, Pocasset, MA

August 20-21, 2005

Questions? Contact Event Organizer: Catherine Monaghan Ph: 732-381-3549.
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Event Information:

Please monitor **VHF Ch. 16** and **72** for fleet communications -- call "**Cape Dory Fleet**".

The **Buzzards Bay Float-in**, hosted by the Northeast Fleet, will take place Saturday and Sunday, **August 20-21, 2005** at Bassetts Island, Pocasset, MA. Try to arrive as soon as possible to ensure that you'll find room to anchor.

Located on the eastern shore of Buzzards Bay and just east of the western entrance to the Cape Cod Canal (**G"1" QG**) and nestled between Wings and Scraggy Necks you'll find Bassetts Island standing as sentinel and affording protection to Pocasset Harbor to the north, Hen Cove and Red Brook Harbor to the east, and Hospital Cove to the south.

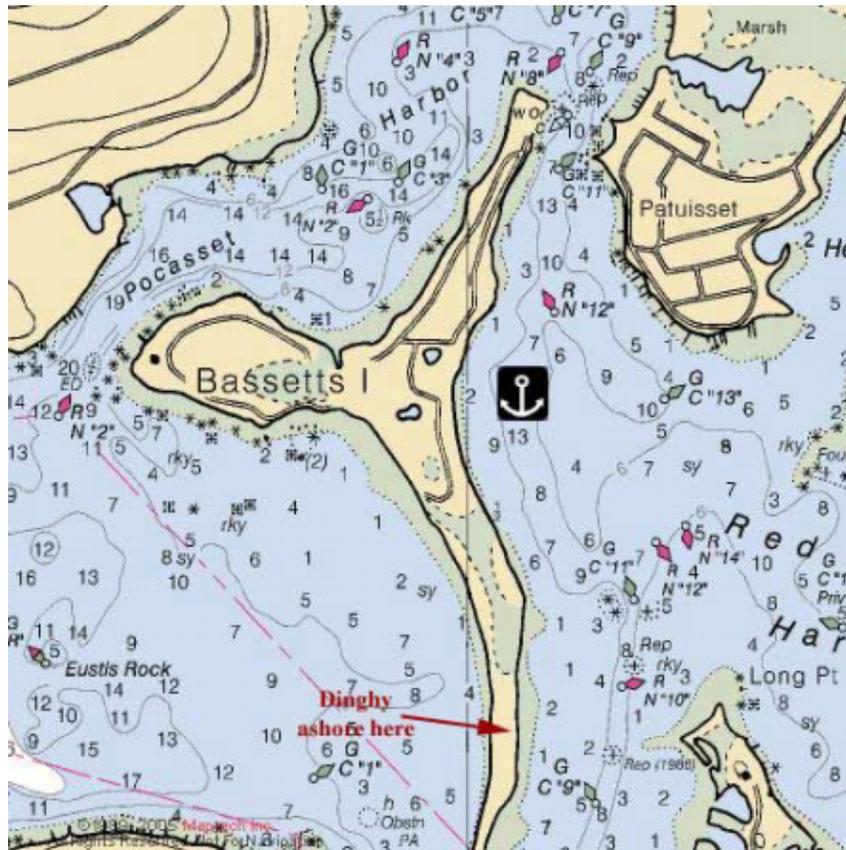


Photo courtesy of Kingman Yacht Center

Anchor in the bight east of the island between the channels into Red Brook Harbor. Follow the north channel through Pocasset Harbor to **RN"12"** before leaving the channel and heading southward along Bassetts Island. Or follow the south channel past Hospital Cove to **RN"14"** then cross over to the north channel's **GC"13"** and head west; this route will help you avoid a 4-foot spot. Though it carries less water, the south channel is easier to follow. Then anchor **100 yards offshore** in 7-13 feet of water. If conditions permit, we can try a raft-up. Rafting is optional and up to the discretion of each captain.

NOTE: Local CDSOA sailor Mary Beth Taylor writes "*Our homeport is Kingman Marine so we're very familiar with Bassetts. I think the rendezvous should take advantage of the island and cookout on the beach. You may want to pass along a bit of local knowledge to those coming...when approaching using the south channel, tell all boats to stay as close*"

to mid channel as possible by green can #3. There is an abandoned mooring block (or something) that has snagged many a keel, especially when the tide's low. When using the North channel, same thing. Be sure to stay in the channel and don't try to cut any markers. There's been a lot of shoaling over the Winter, and you don't have to stray very far at all before you come up short on water. The other advice that I can offer is to keep the party towards the South side of the Island. There are private residences on the North side."



Not to be used for navigation. Use NOAA Charts# 13236, 13229SC and 13230.

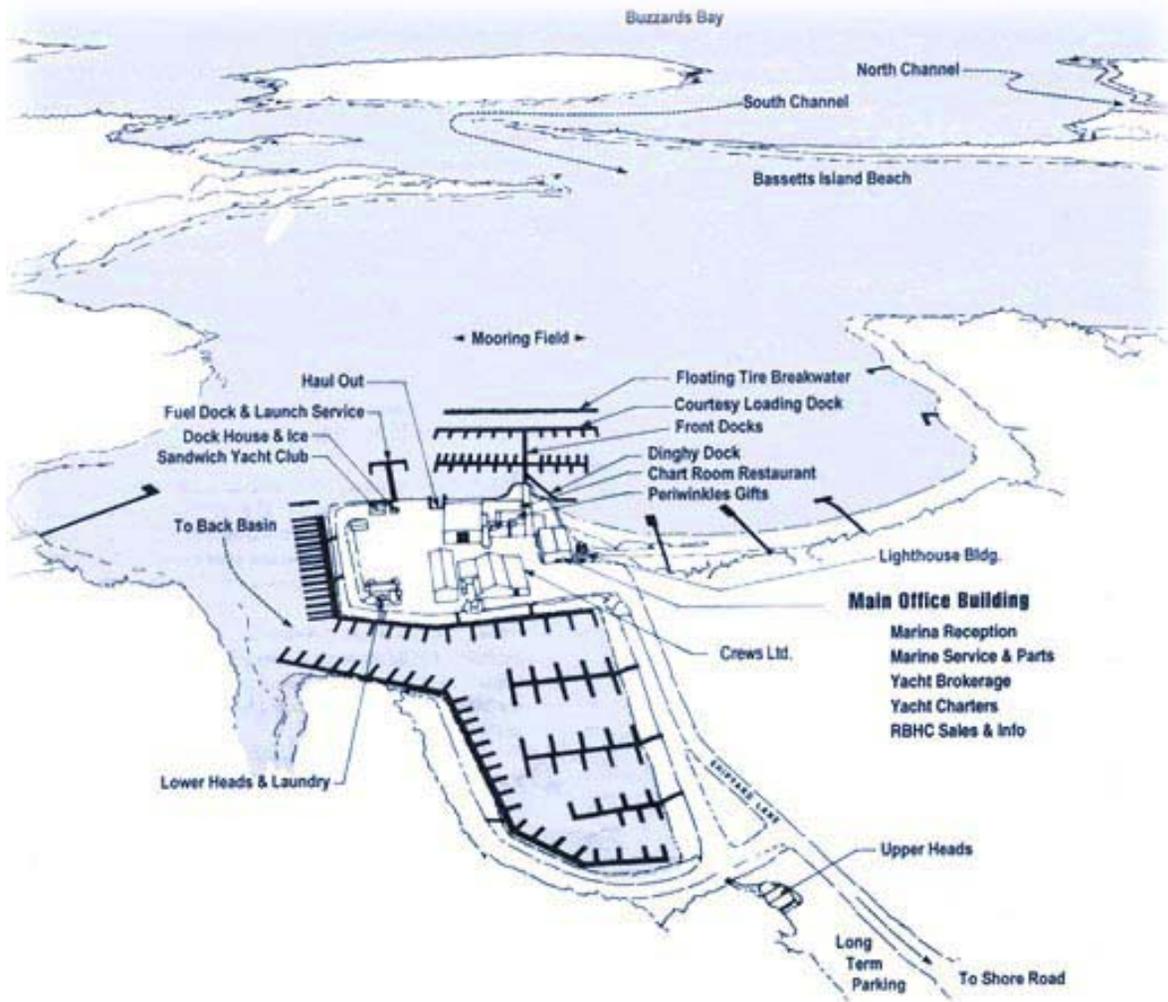
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Use the tide tables for Newport. High tide at Barlows Landing in Pocasset Harbor is 24 minutes later; low tide is 18 minutes later. Mean tidal range is 4.5 feet. The town of Bourne has two **pump-out boats** which can be reached by contacting the Bourne harbormaster (**VHF. Ch. 9**).

If you'd like to explore Bassett's Island, row your dinghy to the southeast side of the island and enjoy a walk or swim at Bassett's Island Beach. The northern portion of the island is private and off limits. Whatever you take with you to the island make sure you take it back as well.

This is an informal event so we can either go ashore at Bassett's Island or climb aboard the largest Cape Dory in attendance, or whichever crews offer the use of their boats, for snacks, cocktails and a potluck dinner shared amongst the crews. If we are a small group, we also have the option of going ashore at Kingman's and dining at the **Chart Room Restaurant**. So be prepared for any of the above-mentioned scenarios and please bring snack/meal items to be shared. And don't forget to bring your preferred beverages! Please help the "host" crews to clean-up afterwards and offer to row the trash ashore for them at Kingman Yachting Center in Red Brook Harbor.

How about a potluck breakfast together on Sunday morning as well before departing?



Map courtesy of Kingman Yacht Center

Can't sail to the float-in? Why not drive? Bring your handheld VHF so that you can contact the "**Cape Dory Fleet**" via **Ch. 16 or 72** and let them know you're there and meet up with one of the crews at Kingman's. Hail us using your boat's name followed by "mobile", for example, I would use "Realization mobile" while using our handheld VHF from shore.

There are no registration fees associated with this event. But please **REGISTER ONLINE** or contact Cathy Monaghan via e-mail at c_m_monaghan@comcast.net or call on 732-381-3549 and let her know that you'll be there.

Register: http://www.capedory.org/fleetevents/NE-2005-BuzzardsBay_regform.html

All owners of both Cape Dory and Robinhood power and sailboats are welcome to attend.

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NOTE: All captains are responsible for their own navigation and for the safety of their crew and vessel.

Driving Directions:

Kingman Yacht Center
1 Shipyard Lane, P.O. Box 408
Cataumet, MA 02534
(508)-563-7136

From Boston (approximately 67 miles):

Take Route 93 South (Southeast Expressway).

At Exit 7, bear left and proceed on Route 3 South to the Sagamore Bridge.

Cross over the bridge and take the first exit right.

Turn left at the traffic light.

Follow Sandwich Road along the Cape Cod Canal to the end at the Bourne Bridge Rotary.

From the rotary, exit at Route 28 South to Falmouth.

Proceed 3.3 miles, then exit right at Pocasset/Wings Neck.

Follow Barlows Landing Road 1.7 miles to Pocasset Center.

At the stop sign, turn left and proceed onto Shore Road 1.0 mile.

Turn right at the Kingman Yacht Center entrance.

Park then walk down towards the Chart Room Restaurant near the docks and give us a call on the VHF.

From Providence (approximately 62 miles):

Take Interstate 195 East to Route 495 South to Route 25 South.

Continue over the Bourne Bridge.

From the Bourne Bridge rotary, exit at Route 28 South to Falmouth.

Proceed 3.3 miles, then exit right at Pocasset/Wings Neck.

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