



CDSOA Northeast Fleet Independence Days Float-In

Cockenoe Harbor & Oyster Bay

July 3-4, 2017

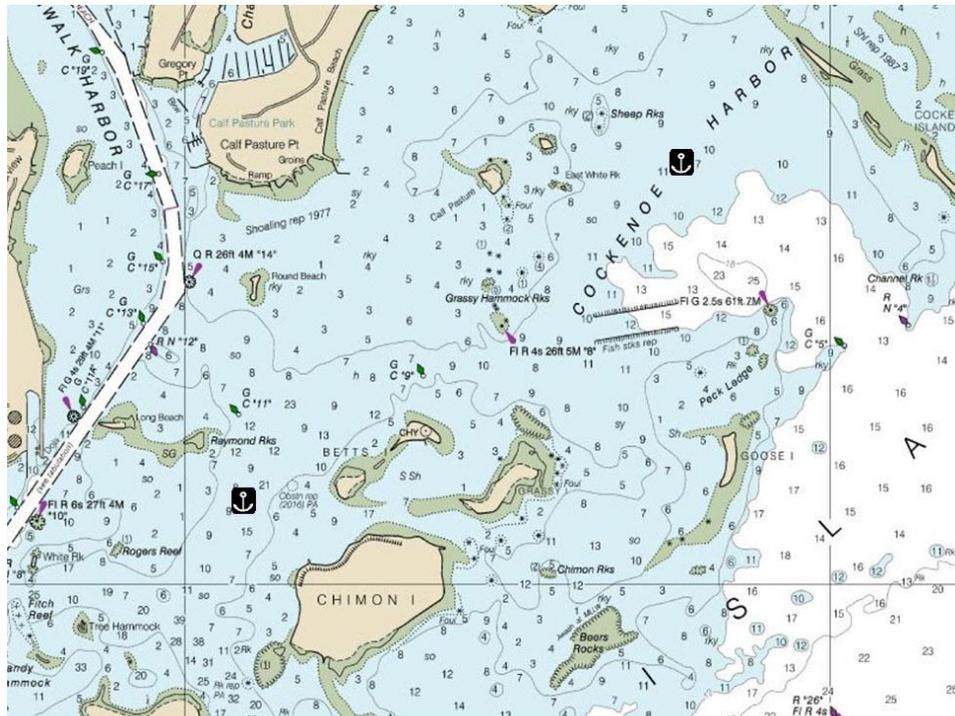
Please register online by June 27th!

Questions? Contact Event Organizer: **Catherine Monaghan** (S/V *Realization*). Ph: 732-381-3549:
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Please join us for one or both days to celebrate our nation's independence, see old friends and make some new ones.

Monday, 7/3—Cockenoe Harbor, Norwalk Islands, CT

Plan on meeting in the afternoon on Monday, July 3rd, in **Cockenoe Harbor** which is located at the northeastern end of the Norwalk Islands, Norwalk, CT. I've selected two different possible locations for anchoring. (See **Figure 1** below and your charts.) Which site will depend on weather conditions and the number of boats attending but either location should give us good viewing of the fireworks which will be shot off from Calf Pasture Point.



Cockenoe Harbor & the Norwalk Islands.
Not to be used for navigation. Use NOAA Chart 12368.

Figure 1.

If conditions are settled, we ask that you please contemplate allowing another CD to raft-up with your boat; this decision is entirely up to you, and the captain of each vessel. If it's crowded, a raft-up may not be possible or safe but we can put together a "dinghy float" instead.

Don't forget to bring your dinghy!

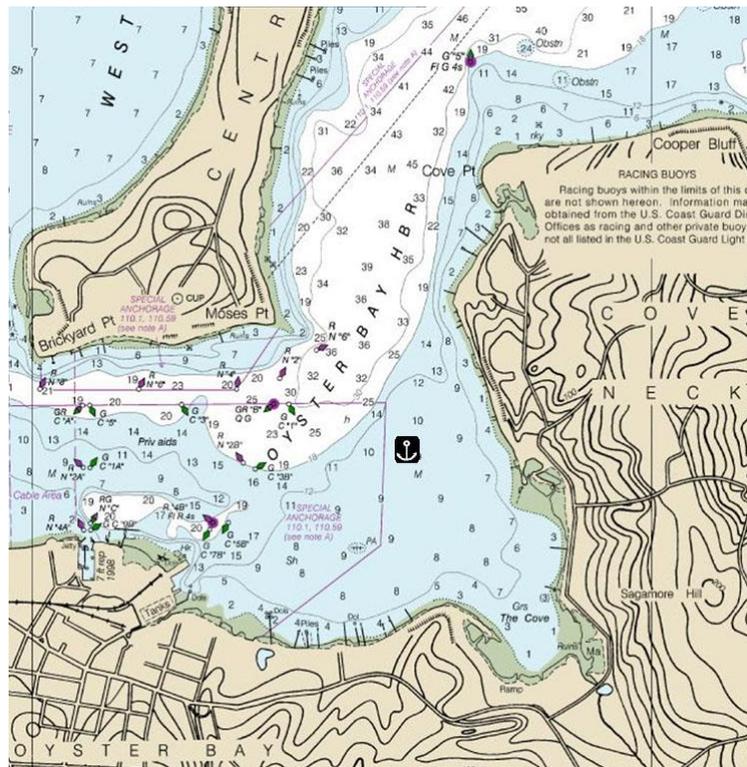
We will be having a potluck cocktail and dinner get-together aboard one of the boats or, preferably, a raft of boats. Your potluck entrée or side should be enough to feed about 6 people, so keep that in mind when provisioning. Don't worry, with all the crews contributing, we will have plenty of food. Please bring your own beverages and a snack to share during cocktail hour. We will provide the plates, cups and utensils.

Try to arrive in Cokenoe Harbor as early as possible because it'll probably get crowded in there for the fireworks.

If yours is the first boat to get to Cokenoe Harbor, please hail the "**Cape Dory Fleet**" (VHF Ch. 16 then 69) and let the others know that you're there and in which anchorage – Cokenoe Harbor or northwest of Chimon Island. We want to make sure that all the boats end up in the same anchorage. The following morning we'll have a fleet sail across the Sound to Oyster Bay.

Tuesday, 7/4—Oyster Bay, NY

If you weren't with us on Monday, plan on meeting in the afternoon on Tuesday, July 4th, in **The Cove** of Oyster Bay which is located west of Cove Neck (See **Figure 2** below and your charts.). Don't venture too far into The Cove or you may not get a good view of the fireworks. Stay north of the moorings in The Cove and east of the large Oyster Bay Marine Center mooring field.



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Figure 2. Oyster Bay – The Cove

If conditions are settled, we ask that you once again contemplate allowing another CD to raft-up with your boat; this decision is entirely up to you and the other captains. If it's crowded, a raft-up may not

be possible or safe but we can put together a “dinghy float” instead, so be sure to bring your dinghy.

Once again, we will be having a potluck cocktail and dinner get-together aboard one of the boats or, preferably, a raft of boats. Your potluck entrée or side should be enough to feed about 6 people, so keep that in mind when provisioning. Please bring your own beverages and a snack to share during cocktail hour. We will provide the plates, cups and utensils.

If The Cove is too crowded or has been designated as off-limits by the Coast Guard, please anchor on the Cold Spring Harbor side of Cove Neck to the east.

Try to arrive in Oyster Bay as early as possible because it’s gonna get real crowded in there for the fireworks and the Coast Guard will close off the channel into the harbor by 8:00 p.m.

The fireworks will be shot off from a barge anchored just north of Cove Neck. There’s a Security Zone around the barge, so please give it an extra-wide berth when entering the harbor.

If you are the first boat to get to Oyster Bay, please hail the “**Cape Dory Fleet**” (VHF Ch. 16 then 69) and let the others know that you’re there and in which anchorage – The Cove or the Cold Spring Harbor side of Cove Neck. If you’re on the Cold Spring Harbor side, please provide GPS coordinates if possible. We want to make sure that all the boats end up in the same place.

If you’re a late arrival and the channel into the harbor has been closed, anchor on the Cold Spring Harbor side of Cove Neck and contact the “**Cape Dory Fleet**” via VHF Ch. 16/69 and let us know where you are. Make your way into The Cove after the fireworks or in the morning and join the rest of the group for breakfast.

***Fleet communications will be on VHF Ch. 16 and 69.
Please monitor these channels during the event.
Hail the “Cape Dory Fleet”.***

Please register online by June 27th!

Just click on the link below:

http://www.capedory.org/fleetevents/NE-2017-IndependenceDaysFloatin_regform.php

Questions concerning the float-in? Please contact Event Organizer

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NOTE: All captains are responsible for their own navigation and the safety of their vessels and crew. All Cape Dory and Robinhood boat owners, CDSOA members and non-members, are welcome to attend this FREE event.
