

Spring 2010

Dear members and friends,

Welcome to summer 2010! As spring warmth creeps into the air, we have several updates as we look forward to another terrific season.

First, **THANK YOU** for your past membership and support, **NOW IS THE TIME TO SIGN UP FOR 2010**. If your membership has lapsed over the years, we want you back! Please look at the membership categories on the Club's website ([www.blockislandclub.org](http://www.blockislandclub.org)) and join again this season. If your kids have outgrown the programs, the Club offers much for adults including tennis and sailing as well as many social opportunities to see old friends and make new ones. Continued membership ensures that the Club will be around for this generation and the next!

We have added a new membership feature this year: you can now sign up and pay with your credit card on-line using Google Check Out. While you may still sign up in person at the Club, we ask you to sign up on-line as this gives us a better idea of who is coming and helps us plan better for your summer.

Second, **WE ARE PLEASED AND DELIGHTED TO INTRODUCE OUR NEW MANAGER, TERRY STEIMER**. From Darien, CT, Terry comes to us with years of experience in sail program management at clubs throughout New England and New York and is an avid sailor herself. She is a member of the Cedar Point and New York Yacht Clubs and was even the private yacht captain for Jimmy Buffet's boat "Fancy." We are fortunate to have found Terry at a time she was looking for a new opportunity and are very excited about all she will bring to our club. She will be joined by a terrific staff that mixes continuity and new faces. Visit the website for more information on the 2010 staff.

Third, **WE NEED YOUR HELP IN REACHING THE CLUB'S ANNUAL FUND GOAL OF \$15,000**. The Club is a not-for-profit and our membership and program fees cover only 84% of expenses. Consistent with our mission, the Board intentionally sets fees below cost so the Club can be affordable to all members of our Block Island community. To make this possible, we need able members to help by making tax-deductible gifts. On the membership application you will find a line item for Annual Fund donations and we encourage you to be as generous as possible. Also, please consider joining the Club at our new Sustaining level. This membership category is anonymous but can be your own private way of recognizing the Club as part of the true fabric of your family's summer experience.

The Board and staff have been hard at work for months to bring you an excellent program this summer. Please help us by joining today!

Warmly,

Pam Dickinson  
President



## 2010 Application for Membership

Please print out and complete this form and mail it along with your check to:

**The Block Island Club, P.O. Box 147, Block Island, RI 02807-0147**

Last name of applicant ..... First name .....

Last name of spouse (if different) ..... First name .....

BI phone number ..... BI P.O. Box .....

Off season address .....

Off season phone number .....

Mother's Email\* ..... Father's Email\* .....

Mother's Cell phone\*\* ..... Father's Cell phone\*\* .....

\* Providing your email assures that you will receive all future communication. \*\* Cell phones are for emergency contact only.

### Membership Category

*(see following pages for descriptions)*

- Family, Sustaining Full Season Rate: \$1000
- Family, Regular Full Season Rate: \$700
- Family, Four Weeks \$575 Dates: ..... to .....
- Family, Two Weeks \$475 Dates: ..... to .....
- Island Package \$250
- Individual Adult Membership \$450
- Social Membership (Clubhouse only) \$150

### Children's names and dates of birth

- 1. ....
- 2. ....
- 3. ....
- 4. ....
- 5. ....

For any child, is there any medical issue, allergy or medication of which we should be aware?

### Membership Fees

Membership Fee \$ .....

Annual Fund Contribution \$ .....

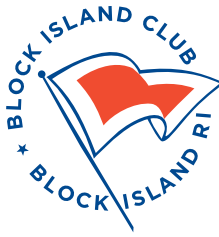
Boat Storage Fee \$ .....

**Total Due** \$ .....\*

### Please include me in the following directories:

- Tennis Name: .....
- Thursday Races Name: .....

*\*Please include a check for this amount along with the completed application form.*



## Membership Categories

There are four categories of membership: Family, Individual, Social, and Island. In addition, there are specific rules that govern guests and grandchildren of Family or Island Members.

### Family Membership

Covers a full household including parents and any children under 22 years of age in that household.

### Individual Adult Membership

Covers one person over the age of 22. Guest privileges are included with Adult Individual Memberships.

### Social Membership

Available to anyone over 22 and includes clubhouse privileges only. Tennis, waterfront, and lesson activities are excluded.

### Island Membership

This category is intended to encourage membership by families who are year-round residents of Block Island as evidenced by a current Rhode Island driver's license with a Block Island address. Proof of residency/school attendance is a requirement to verify eligibility.

### Guest Privileges and Restrictions

Guests of members are welcome to use Club facilities for up to five (5) days. Guests taking group lessons are charged two tickets per lesson. Anyone wishing to use the Club for longer than five days should join as a member themselves.

### Grandparent Rule

Visiting grandchildren of members may use Club facilities and take classes as described in Guest Privileges and Restrictions, i.e. each grandchild may use the Club facilities for a maximum of five (5) days and pay two tickets for each group lesson.

Parents of visiting grandchildren of members are required to join the Club themselves if they and/or their children plan to use the Club for more than five (5) days.

Adult children of members may use the club facilities for "Occasional Use", i.e. up to two (2) weekends or one (1) week per season per guest. Those wishing to make more frequent use of the Club are required to join themselves.

Family memberships purchased in conjunction with a Grandparent Membership receive a 50% discount from the regular rate. This discount applies only to a parent/child relationship, not a sibling relationship.

### Lessons

Lessons are an additional cost to the membership fee. Scheduled group lessons are one ticket for swimming, tennis and arts & crafts and 1 1/2 tickets for sailing. Private lessons for one individual are five tickets with two additional tickets charged for each additional participant. Tickets are sold in books of ten for \$100 and may be purchased at the front desk during Club operating hours. No one shall be permitted in a class without a ticket.



## Application for Summer Boat Storage

Fee for summer boat or trailer storage is \$50 for kayaks, \$100 for other boats or trailers, plus a \$50 refundable deposit for each. The deposit is returned when the equipment is picked up from the Club lawn (which must be by Labor Day, 2010).

Member name: .....

Off Island address: .....

Island Address: .....

Island Phone: .....

Cell Phone: .....

Email: .....

Type of Membership: .....

Type of Boat or Trailer: .....

Name of Boat: .....

Make/Model/Year and Description .....

Color/Length over all: .....

I, \_\_\_\_\_, am a member in good standing for the 2010 summer season at the Block Island Club. I certify that all of the above information on this contract is accurate and current. I understand that the care and maintenance of my boat or trailer is my sole responsibility and that the Block Island Club, its Board of Governors, agents and employees are not responsible for any loss, theft or damage to the boat or trailer or its parts or accessories. My boat hull, trailer and any large, removable parts have been marked with my last name. My boat and/or trailer will be removed from the Block Island Club property by Labor Day, 2010. If I do not remove my personal property, I acknowledge that the Block Island Club has the right to confiscate or dispose of said property and I forfeit my deposit. By completing this form and responding electronically, I acknowledge the above rules and guidelines.



## 2010 Calendar

### June 20 – 26

#### Sunday 6.20

#### Monday 6.21

Club opens  
Lessons, see schedule

#### Tuesday 6.22

Lessons, see schedule

#### Wednesday 6.23

8-12 Women's doubles  
10-12 Advanced racing clinic

#### Thursday 6.24

Lessons, see schedule  
5:30pm race night

#### Friday 6.25

Lessons, see schedule

#### Saturday 6.26

9-11 Men's doubles  
10:30-12 Kids' races  
6:30pm opening party

### June 27 – July 3

#### Sunday 6.27

10 Board meeting  
10-12 Mixed doubles  
12-2 Kids' tennis ladder

#### Monday 6.28

Lessons, see schedule  
6-8pm women's tennis  
potluck drinks & snacks

#### Tuesday 6.29

Lessons, see schedule

#### Wednesday 6.30

8-12 Women's doubles &  
potluck brunch  
10-12 Advanced racing clinic

#### Thursday 7.1

Lessons, see schedule  
5:30pm Race night

#### Friday 7.2

Lessons, see schedule

#### Saturday 7.3

9-11 Men's doubles  
10:30-12 Kids' races

### July 4 – 10

#### Sunday 7.4

4th of July parade bic float  
10-12 mixed doubles

#### Monday 7.5

Lessons, see schedule  
6-8pm Kids' bbq (6+)

#### Tuesday 7.6

Lessons, see schedule

#### Wednesday 7.7

8-12 Women's doubles  
10-12 Advanced racing clinic  
10-12 Open house

#### Thursday 7.8

Lessons, see schedule  
5:30pm Race night

#### Friday 7.9

Lessons, see schedule  
6-8pm Couples' tennis  
potluck drinks & snacks

#### Saturday 7.10

9-11 Men's doubles  
10:30-12 Kids' races

### July 11 – 17

#### Sunday 7.11

10-12 Mixed doubles  
12-2 Kids' tennis ladder

#### Monday 7.12

Lessons, see schedule  
6-8pm Women's tennis  
potluck drinks & snacks

#### Tuesday 7.13

Lessons, see schedule  
6-8:30pm Ruling Passion  
sunset cruise ages 14+

#### Wednesday 7.14

8-12 Women's doubles  
9-3 Legler advanced team  
racing clinic

#### Thursday 7.15

Lessons, see schedule  
5:30pm Race night

#### Friday 7.16

Lessons, see schedule

#### Saturday 7.17

9-11 Men's doubles  
10:30-12 Kids' races  
7pm Adult Summer Social

### July 18 – 24

#### Sunday 7.18

10-12 Mixed doubles  
12-2 Kids' tennis ladder

#### Monday 7.19

Lessons, see schedule  
6-8pm Kids' bbq (6+)

#### Tuesday 7.20

Lessons, see schedule

#### Wednesday 7.21

8-12 Women's doubles  
10-12 Advanced racing clinic

#### Thursday 7.22

Lessons, see schedule  
5:30pm Race night

#### Friday 7.23

Lessons, see schedule

#### Saturday 7.24

9-11 Yard sale  
9-11 Men's doubles  
10:30-12 Kids' races

### July 25 – 31

#### Sunday 7.25

10-12 Mixed doubles  
12-2 Kids' tennis ladder

#### Monday 7.26

Lessons, see schedule  
Staff appreciation day  
12:30 Ice cream party

#### Tuesday 7.27

Lessons, see schedule

#### Wednesday 7.28

8-12 Women's doubles  
12 Kids tennis tournament

#### Thursday 7.29

Lessons, see schedule  
5:30pm Race night

#### Friday 7.30

Lessons, see schedule  
6-9pm Kids' dance (10+)

#### Saturday 7.31

9-11 Men's doubles  
10-12 Kaufmann Cup

### August 1 – 7

#### Sunday 8.1

10-12 Mixed doubles  
10-12 open house  
12-2 kids' tennis ladder

#### Monday 8.2

Lessons, see schedule  
6-8pm kids' bbq (6+)

#### Tuesday 8.3

Lessons, see schedule

#### Wednesday 8.4

8-12 Women's doubles  
Regatta at SHYC

#### Thursday 8.5

Pirate day  
Lessons, see schedule  
5:30pm race night

#### Friday 8.6

Lessons, see schedule

#### Saturday 8.7

9-11 Men's doubles  
Hal Madison regatta (10am  
skippers' mtg/12noon first  
gun)

### August 8 – 14

#### Sunday 8.8

10-12 Mixed doubles  
12-2 Kids' tennis ladder

#### Monday 8.9

Lessons, see schedule  
6-8pm Women's tennis  
potluck drinks & snacks

#### Tuesday 8.10

Lessons, see schedule

#### Wednesday 8.11

8-12 Women's doubles  
Home regatta with SHYA

#### Thursday 8.12

Lessons, see schedule  
5:30pm Race night

#### Friday 8.13

Lessons, see schedule

#### Saturday 8.14

9-11 Men's doubles  
12 Annual meeting and  
election  
6:30pm Summer  
Celebration Party

### August 15 – 21

#### Sunday 8.15

10-12 Mixed doubles tour-  
nament

#### Monday 8.16

Lessons, see schedule

#### Tuesday 8.17

Lessons, see schedule

#### Wednesday 8.18

8-12 Women's doubles &  
potluck brunch  
10-12 Advanced racing clinic

#### Thursday 8.19

10-12 Kids' olympics,  
No lessons  
5:30pm Race night

#### Friday 8.20

Last day of lessons

#### Saturday 8.21

9-11 Men's doubles  
tournament

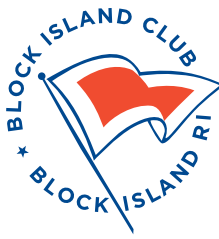
**Club open on a limited  
basis until official closing  
on September 5, 2010**



## 2010 Class Schedule

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Sailing</b>	9-10:30 Level 1 11-12:30 Level 2 1:30-4 Level 3	9-10:30 Level 1 11-12:30 Level 2	10:00-12 Advanced Sailing Clinic	9-10:30 Level 1 11-12:30 Level 2	9-10:30 Level 1 11-12:30 Level 2 1:30-4 Level 3
<b>Tennis</b>	9-10 Beginner (5-7) 10-11 Advanced (10+) 11-12 Advanced Beginner (7-9) 1-2 Intermediate (9+)	9-10 Beginner (5-7) 10-11 Advanced (10+) 11-12 Advanced Beginner (7-9) 1-2 Competitive* Instructors' Discretion	8-12 Women's Round Robin, sign up required in the Clubhouse.	9-10 Beginner (5-7) 10-11 Advanced (10+) 11-12 Advanced Beginner (7-9) 1-2 Competitive* Instructors' Discretion	9-10 Beginner (5-7) 10-11 Advanced (10+) 11-12 Advanced Beginner (7-9) 1-2 Intermediate (9+)
<b>Swimming</b>	9-10 Stokes (9+) 10-11 Intermediate (6-9) 11-12 Beginner (4-6) 12-12:30 Supervised Swim	9-10 Stokes (9+) 10-11 Intermediate (6-9) 11-12 Beginner (4-6) 12-12:30 Supervised Swim 1-2 Intermediate (8+)		9-10 Stokes (9+) 10-11 Intermediate (6-9) 11-12 Beginner (4-6) 12-12:30 Supervised Swim 1-2 Intermediate (8+)	9-10 Stokes (9+) 10-11 Intermediate (6-9) 11-12 Beginner (4-6) 12-12:30 Supervised Swim
<b>Arts + Crafts</b>	9-10 A&C II (6-8) 10-11 A&C I (4-6) 11-12 A&C III (8+)	9-10 A&C II (6-8) 10-11 A&C I (4-6) 11-12 A&C III (8+)	9-12 Fun and Games 2 Tickets Parent must be attending Women's Tennis or Advanced Sailing Clinic	9-10 A&C II (6-8) 10-11 A&C I (4-6) 11-12 A&C III (8+)	9-10 A&C II (6-8) 10-11 A&C I (4-6) 11-12 A&C III (8+)

If rain on any Monday, Tuesday, Thursday or Friday: Rainy Day Program  
9-12 Games or Movie, 2 Tickets



## Class Descriptions

### Sailing

*(Lessons are limited to 24 students per class. Must be 8 years of age and pass a swimming test to attend the program. Placement will be determined by the sailing staff with the student's skills, interest and safety as the primary factors.)*

**Level 1 Classes, *Beginner Opti*:** for students who have little or no experience using a sailboat. The goal of the class is for the students to become comfortable in the Optimist ("Opti") and to gain confidence in the basics of sailing. This class covers: how to rig and de-rig the boat, capsize recovery, understanding tacking and gibing, introduction to the different points of sail and basic "rules of the road." Participants will generally sail with a partner. Note this class runs concurrently with Intermediate Opti.

**Level 1 Classes, *Intermediate Opti*:** for students who have demonstrated a good understanding of those concepts learned in the Level 1 Class. The goal of this class is to learn to sail an Opti comfortably on one's own. Students will work on the finer points of boat handling and will be introduced to racing through class drills and games. Points of emphasis will be correct upwind sailing and navigation around a course. Note this class runs concurrently with Beginner Opti.

**Level 2 Classes, *Racing Opti*:** for students who are skilled at boat handling, sailing a boat upwind proficiently and are now ready to race Opti's. The goal of this class is to help students continue to refine and develop their sailing skills as well as to become confident Opti racers. Students will spend time doing sailing drills as well as learning and practicing racing tactics and strategies. Note this class runs concurrently with Beginner 420.

**Level 2 Classes, *Beginner 420*:** Older students will be introduced to the Club's 420's with the goal of becoming comfortable sailing this boat. This process will include on-board teaching by sailing instructors until participants develop confidence and demonstrate the ability to sail with a partner on their own boat. This class does not require Level 1 experience. Note this class runs concurrently with Racing Opti.

**Level 3 Classes, *Racing 420*:** for students who are skilled 420 sailors. The goal of this class is to prepare students for regattas and to learn more advanced techniques using spinnakers and trapezes. Team racing will be a focus of the class. Instructors will sail alongside with the students.

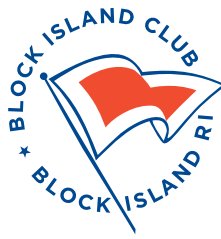
**Advanced Sailing Clinic (Wednesday mornings):** for students of all ages (including adults) who are skilled 420 sailors. The goal of this class is to prepare students for regattas and to learn more advanced racing techniques such as starting, roll tacking, and mark roundings. Team racing will be a focus of the class. Instructors will sail alongside with the students.

**Thursday Night Racing** takes place on the Great Salt Pond every Thursday night. Club members may use the Club's boats to compete in the races, which start at 6:00 pm. Members must possess the skills to handle the Club's boats and one member of the sail team must be at least 15 years old unless an exception is made by the Head Sailing Instructor. Members are encouraged to come to the Club to view the races from land.

Two or more sailing regattas at the Block Island Club and on the Mainland will be held this summer. Please check the website or contact the Club if you are interested.

*Sailing clinics or special sailing classes may be available during the summer. Watch for details.*

*Private sailing lessons are also available and can be arranged with individual instructors.*



## Class Descriptions (Continued)

### Tennis

*Lessons are limited to 24 students per class. Must be at least 5 years of age to participate. Parents, please do not place your child in classes that are inappropriate for their skill level.*

**Beginner Classes** will introduce forehand and backhand strokes as well as volleys at the net. Warm up and coordination exercises are included in the lesson. Ages 5-7

**Advanced Beginner Classes** continue on beginner fundamentals while adding the fundamentals of game play. Ages 7-9

**Intermediate Classes** will work on the techniques of singles and doubles play as well as perfecting strokes. Movement around the court will be stressed along with developing accuracy of strokes. Ages 9+ or at the discretion of the instructor.

**Advanced Classes** will focus on perfecting techniques of singles and doubles play, teamwork and sportsmanship. Ages 10+ or at the discretion of the instructor.

**Competitive Classes** are for our most experienced players. At the discretion of the instructor.

*These are general guidelines for age and skill level.*

*Please equip your child with a tennis racquet and tennis shoes. A hat and sunscreen are also recommended. The head tennis instructors can assist in determining the appropriate level for a child.*

*Private tennis lessons are available and can be arranged directly with the instructors.*

### Swimming

*Lessons are limited to 24 students per class. Parents, please do not place your child in classes that are inappropriate for their skill level.*

**Beginner Classes** will address getting children comfortable in the water, submerging their face in the water for several seconds, blowing bubbles, demonstrating supported kicking on front and back and bobbing to chin level. Water games will be played to make this class fun. Ages 4-6

**Intermediate Classes** will work on floating independently, swimming on front and back, submerging the head for several seconds, jumping in the water, kicking and the use of arm action for the front and back crawl. Ages 6-9

**Strokes Classes** will work on front and back crawl, rhythmic breathing, elementary backstroke, diving from kneeling or compact position, treading water for endurance, distance swimming and stroke refinement. Ages 9+

**Supervised Swim** will provide lifeguard supervision of children while in the water.

*Children are not supervised at any other time but during classes or during Supervised Swim.*

*Private lessons are available and can be arranged directly with the instructor.*

### Arts & Crafts

**Beginner Classes** are geared primarily to younger children between the ages of four and six. The children will work on a variety of arts and crafts projects.

**Intermediate Classes** are geared to children between the ages of six and eight.

**Advanced Classes** are geared toward children eight years of age and older. They will work on a variety of projects that require a higher level of skill and dexterity.

### Fun and Games

This program is offered every Wednesday for children whose parents are participating in the Ladies Round Robin or Advanced Sailing Clinic. The children will participate in a variety of games and activities.

### Rainy Day Program

In the case of rain, the Club may declare a Rainy Day Program in the place of lessons. All aged children will meet in the Clubhouse for board games and movies. Parents may call the Club or check the website to determine if a Rainy Day has been declared.

*Varied special programs will be offered throughout the summer. Watch for posting of information on the website and at the Clubhouse.*