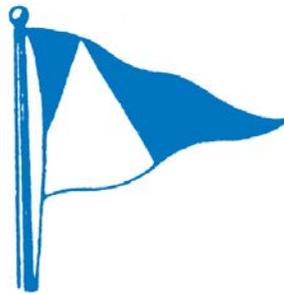


Welcome
to
The Catboat Association's
56th Annual Meeting

Friday Evening, January 26th, 2018
through
Sunday Morning, January 28th, 2018
at the

Mystic Marriott Hotel & Spa
Groton, Connecticut; Route I-95; Exit 88



Feature Presentation

The Story of Sea Rover
A 20th Century Catboat
for the 22nd Century

Reservation Form for the CBA's 56th Annual Meeting

The ticket price of **\$60 per adult** for this extraordinary meeting includes:

- Friday access to Mystic Seaport (group rate, mention Catboats)
- Friday 3:00-4:00 tour of *Mayflower* at historic Mystic Seaport Shipyard
- Welcoming reception event (Friday evening) with Cash Bar
- Access to all Seminars, Workshops & Sideshows
- Admission to the All-Catboat Vendor Boat & Resources Show
- CBA Bookstore, CBA Gift Shop & on-premises Starbucks
- Guaranteed seating for Feature Presentation
- Book signings by your favorite CBA Authors
- A gourmet, three-course lunch (precedes the Feature Presentation)
- Sociability Gam (Saturday evening) with Cash Bar

(Children 15 years old and younger are only \$10 each)

Reservations must be received no later than January 5th, 2018

(Reservations made after that will cost \$75;

The CBA cannot guarantee availability due to limited seating)

To secure a reservation, either **register online at catboats.org** or fill in the form below, clip it out and send it and your check to:

**Catboat Association
c/o John Greene
4 Anne Circle
Sandwich, MA 02563-2523**

Make your check payable to: **Catboat Association, Inc;** PLEASE! No telephone reservations.

Note: Do not use the envelope supplied with this mailing for reservations. It is for your Annual Dues.



Your Name:	_____
Street Address:	_____
City, State and Zip:	_____
Phone:	()
Number of Tickets	() @ \$60 each = _____
Children (15 & Under)	() @ \$10 each = _____
Dietary restrictions:	_____

CBA 56th Annual Meeting Agenda

Friday, January 26th

- 10:00am to 4:00pm Mystic Seaport – Experience the entire Seaport with group rates.
3:00pm to 4:00pm Mystic Seaport – Shipyard visit including *Mayflower II* (meet at South Entrance).
6:00pm to 8:00pm **Welcoming Reception & Members' Slide Show**; Nibbles and Cash Bar
8:00pm to Whenever Free to explore local restaurants (the hotel can provide a list of local places)

Saturday, January 27th

8:30am **Registration**

8:30am to 5:00pm **All Catboat Vendor and Member Boat & Resource Show**

Come enjoy a terrific Boat & Resource Show and encourage all members to exhibit. All exhibitors must register directly with Anne Smith, Exhibit Coordinator. If you have questions or wish to have a form mailed to you, please contact her directly at anne.smith@catboats.org or 617-308-6628.

8:30am to 11:30am Sideshows - Located here and there in the main corridors

& 3:30pm to 5:00pm CBA Experts of all stripes stand ready to advise on a number of topics.

- *Book Signings (Publications Table)*
- *Race/Rendezvous Scheduling*
- *Use of the Marriott's swimming pool; Great for kids of all ages.... And more!*
- **Special discount at the Red Door Spa for Catboaters (All Weekend)**

8:45am to 10:00am **AIS with Past CBA President Frank Cassidy (Salon E)**

GPS + VHF = AIS. There is more to it of course and some choices to be made: Do you need it? Do you need to transmit your position or just receive other positions? Do you need another antenna? What equipment do you need and what does it cost? This and plenty more will be covered at this seminar.

8:45am to 10:00am **Catboating for Beginners (Salon F)**

The Peterson Brothers will demonstrate the basic elements of sailing a catboat. This workshop is geared to those who are *truly* new to catboating and wish to learn the ropes.

10:15am to 11:30am **Buying a Used Catboat (Salon E)**

Three experts in buying and selling sailboats—Paul Haley, Geoff Marshall, and Spencer Day—share their thoughts and recommendations. Bring your questions and comments for a lively discussion.

10:15am to 11:30am **Design Elements and Construction of Gaff-Rigged Sails (Salon F)**

Forty years of making sails, a retrospective on how it was, how it is and how it might be, presented by Mar Daniels and Julia Doyle Kingsbury of Squeteague Sailmakers.

Noon **Annual Meeting Lunch and Business Session**

1:30pm to 2:30pm

Feature Presentation

Sea Rover: A 20th Century Catboat for the 22nd Century

With a hull profile suitable for the 22nd Century, the Brewer-built *Sea Rover* not only broke every design rule for catboats built when launched in 1916 but holds her own as a truly unique specimen of the craft. Join her restorers, past and present owners and historians for a fascinating, interactive presentation on this remarkable 26-footer including her restoration, sailing adventures (and misadventures) and extraordinary handling characteristics.

3:15pm to 4:30pm

3rd Annual Storyteller's Workshop (Salon E)

Your CBA Editorial Board hosts this lively discussion about bulletin contributions. Come meet the CBA Editorial Board and learn how to write, photograph and illustrate your catboat story or adventure. The annual CBA Editorial Board Award winner will also be honored at this meeting.

3:15pm to 4:30pm

Catboating with Kids (Salon F)

John Conway, author of *Catboat Summers* and *Buckrammer's Tales*, considered by critics as two of the best books on family boating, hosts an interactive presentation on the who's, what's, when's, where's, why's and how's of safe, fun adventuring with children and grandchildren on catboats. John requests that participants bring suggestions, tales and lessons learned of how they deal with youngsters on the water for what promises to be a lively session.

5:30pm to 7:00pm

Sociability Event (More Nibbles and Cash Bar)

Sunday, January 28th

8:30am to 10:00am

Mayflower II – Dylan Perry of Plimoth Plantation explains the work being completed on the *Mayflower II*, currently on the hard at Mystic Seaport. (Donuts and coffee served)

10:30am to 1:00pm

CBA Steering Committee Meeting

Lodging

Many catboaters arrive Friday afternoon and stay until Sunday noon

Join us and take full advantage of the weekend's activities.

The Mystic Marriott Hotel & Spa guarantees us a block of rooms at the INCREDIBLY LOW, GROUP RATE OF \$114/ROOM/NIGHT. The Mystic Marriott is a beautiful facility with regular room rates around \$350/night. Please take advantage of this great value and spend a night or two. Great shopping and dining are just a short ride away in downtown Mystic, CT to the East and in New London, CT to the West. If you have interest, reservations **MUST** be made before 4:00pm on Monday, January 6th, 2018: Call (866) 449-7390 and identify yourself as a participant in the Catboat Association's Annual Meeting to qualify for the discounted rate. Or, book online to get the CBA rate at – <https://aws.passkey.com/go/Catboat2018>