

Beacon Sloop Club Broadside



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Serving Hudson River with Pride for 37 Years

A Message from Our President:

Many Thank You's to everyone, both long-standing and newly minted volunteers, who came together to make the Strawberry Festival a success. We had many compliments on the local berries, fresh cream, and hot biscuits. Some folks even braved the line twice, a true testimonial to our shortcakes and smoothies !!

Thanks also to the BSC volunteers who participated in Clearwater's Revival – some helped Clearwater directly, others staffed sloop club activities. Special mention goes to the Woody Captains and crew who transported the sloop to and from Croton and who made free Woody sails possible at the Revival. Well done !!

Now it's time to refocus attention on our beloved clubhouse. The building committee is planning work parties. See meeting minutes for more information. You can also contact the building committee chair (and vice president), Claudine Craig, directly.

Bonnie Champion is coordinating the Aug 15th Corn Festival and seeking volunteers. Look for Bonnie at the August meeting or call her directly.

Our friends at RiverPool are looking for volunteers to help with the 7th Annual Newburgh-Beacon Swim on July 31st.

Did you notice the membership table which our Treasurer, Sarah Elizabeth, set up at the July meeting? This should make renewals easier and provide a place for those asking questions.

Hopefully everyone, especially those in Beacon, are aware by now of the proposed TOD (Transit Oriented Development) plan for the Beacon Metro North Station. The City of Beacon is holding hearings for public feedback and, as always, there are multiple opinions. Now is the time to get the facts, form your opinion, and be heard.

Rosemary

Inside this issue:

All things strawberry, distinguished guests and big fish, getting ready for corn, and much more...



NEXT EXEC. COM. MEETING IS Tuesday, July 27th, 7:00 p.m.

NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING IS FRIDAY, August 6th, 7:30 p.m., Potluck at 6:30 p.m.

Name _____ Street Address _____

City _____ State ____ ZIP _____ - _____ Phone _____ - _____ - _____ Email _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____ . _____ Renewal _____ New Member _____ How did you hear of us? _____

Are you a Clearwater member? _____ Would you like information regarding a Clearwater membership? _____

Newsletter format(check one): Printed E-mail Please include your e-mail address if you want your newsletter e-mailed to you.

Membership suggested donation \$25.00. Minimum of \$10.00. Please give more if you can afford it!
If you can't afford the minimum, the fee may be waived.

Mail to: Beacon Sloop Club P.O. Box 527 Beacon, NY 12508

The **Beacon Sloop Club Broadside** is the official monthly newsletter of the **Beacon Sloop Club, Inc.**

The **Beacon Sloop Club, Inc.** is a non-profit, volunteer environmental education/action and sailing organization dedicated to cleaning up the **Hudson River** and its environs. Our main focus is the **Beacon, Fishkill** and **Newburgh** area.

Members meet the first Friday of every month at the **Sloop Club Building** located just across from the Beacon train station. Look for the building with the Norway spruce tree growing out of the roof! A potluck dinner starts at 6:30 p.m.; bring a covered dish to share and your own place setting. The general meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. and lasts about an hour or so. The meeting is followed by a sing-along.

The Beacon Sloop Club and newsletter are accessible from the web: www.beaconsloopclub.org.

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Please submit articles for the Beacon Sloop Club Broadside by the 1st Monday after the Friday general meeting each month (early submissions are much appreciated) to acthoma@yahoo.com

Input requiring scanning must be in 1 week in advance To: Alan Thomas PO Box 430, Hughsonville, NY 12537

Beacon Sloop Club General Meeting Minutes, July 2, 2010

Call to Order: On a beautiful, warm evening in the sunset alongside the Beacon Sloop Club, **Pete Seeger, RJ Storm, Dan Einbender, David Bernz, Michael Scolnich** and a host of others led the membership in a rendition of "This Land is Your Land ...". Pete then introduced Club President **Rosemary Thomas** who welcomed newcomers from New Paltz, Manhattan, Brooklyn and Bloomingburg to Beacon and their first Sloop Club meeting. The first order of business was to sing "Happy Birthday" to **Toshi Seeger** who graciously thanked everyone for the surprise wishes while **Ron Bell** presented her a cake that was shared by everyone.

Treasurer's Report, Sarah Elizabeth: Strawberry Festival income from sales was \$10,969.05; from vendors, \$3,995; expenses were \$6,913.32, netting the Club, \$8,050.53. Expenses for the Woody left us with a negative balance for the month, leaving a closing of \$56,729.96.

Woody Report, Jim Birmingham: The Woody sailed this year at the Cornwall RiverFest (6/5), at the Strawberry Festival (6/13) and at Clearwater (6/19-20). All repairs completed during the winter are holding up well. **Alice Vaughan**, master binder by profession, rebound the Woody log. The Woody needs volunteers for upcoming festivals. To volunteer as crew or for a free sail, see the Facebook page, visit <http://beaconsloopclub.org> or call 845-297-7697 for reservations.

Building Committee, Claudine Craig: **Saul Rozinsky** found some unexpected rot in the building trim and needs some help to clear and repair it. The shed needs some work to make it rodent-proof. The sound system will require some upgrades but is performing better than ever now. A big project coming up is interior painting of the Clubhouse along with the addition of some drawers and shelves. Claudine passed a sign up sheet.

Strawberry Festival follow-up: Rosemary thanked the over 100 volunteers who helped make this year's Strawberry Festival the best yet. Though we ran out of strawberries, there were bags of shortcake mix that were sold to those present for \$5 each.

Corn Festival [Sunday, August 15] Bonnie Champion, coordinator of the Corn Festival: Many signed up for volunteer positions, but please call Bonnie if you didn't get the sign up sheet. At the last meeting **David Cohen** volunteered to pick up the 1000 ears of corn with some help. He will also chef the non-vegetarian chili. A volunteer will prepare vegetarian chili as well. The road signs are not in the clubhouse. If you know where they are, call Bonnie. Flyers are ready, so please post them liberally.

City of Beacon/MTA Transit Oriented Development (TOD), Tom LaBarr with guest speaker, Jim Korn. of BeaconDeservesBetter. Jim presented several renderings of the waterfront and potential design prototypes for TOD to show what the future might hold. Though no designs have been put forward, Beacon Deserves Better feels that the City should be very cautious in its consideration of MTA plans and any re-zoning to be considered by the City Council.

There are implications for "viewsheds" from the waterfront to the heights above the station and from the heights to the waterfront. Many issues were raised, including the primal one ... that tracks were laid close along the banks of the Hudson. Its construction followed two hundred years of commercial and financial interests that had matured along the River to exploit its bounty for the exploding population in the region. If it hadn't been for that exploitation, Beacon and the Sloop Club probably wouldn't exist in the first place. Oy. Progress.

Clubhouse and Woody Alarm Systems' False Alarms, Tom LaBarr: When triggered the alarm systems alert the Beacon Police and Tom LaBarr. The police charge the Club a fee for false alarms. Several incidents have been declared false alarms as the result of no evident perpetrator being at the scene. Most of the cases, however, are the result of improper disarming of the alarm systems. If we have the responsibility of opening or closing the Clubhouse, we have to understand how the alarms work. This will save money and the untoward disturbance of the LaBarr household.

River Pool at Beacon and the Great Newburgh to Beacon Hudson River Swim, Alan Zollner: River Pool is open for the season. Last year the Pool was used by over 1600 visitors, free of charge. It is open Tuesday through Sunday from noon till 6pm. Expenses for insurance, lifeguards, replacement and refurbishment of parts –the next pool – are paid for by the Great Newburgh to Beacon Hudson River Swim. 250 swimmers each raise at least \$140. They are supported by volunteer kayakers. Splash-in for this year's Swim is at 11am, July 31. Check-in begins at 8:30. Volunteers are welcome to help with check-in in Newburgh or landing in Beacon. For more information, please visit

<http://riverpoolatbeacon.org>. Alan also showed one of the posters prepared by Cindy Cowden and Betty Harkins based on a photograph of River Front Park, including River Pool, by Linda Hubbard and signed by Pete Seeger. They are being sold to raise money for trees planted in River Front Park.

Spirit Journey Gloria Waslyn & Cameron Williams: On June 5 Tony Angel began a walk of the Appalachian Trail to raise money for the homeless, to bring focus on the environment and in the spirit of Granny Dee. (see <http://spiritjourney25.wordpress.com> and <http://www.familyofwoodstockinc.org>). Cameron has been supporting Tony's needs during the journey. On July 2, he had run out of money for food. A hat pass raised \$159.45.

Announcements

Hudson River Ramble, Mary Shmaltz: The Woody will be participating on September 17. The Ramble goes on all over the Hudson Valley and is in its 11th year. For more info: <http://hudsonrivervalleyramble.com>.

Willa Skinner will be at the Beacon Institute on July 18 to talk about her book, *Remembering Fishkill* (<http://bire.org>).

Donna Stein, VP of the NYC Friends of Clearwater, announced the recent celebration of NYC F of C Water Festival. (<http://nycfriendsofclearwater.org>). Representatives of waterpathways.org announced its intent to become an aggregator of organizations and to celebrate creative activism around sustainable civilization.

Joyce Hansen announced a talk "9 billion people, one planet" by **Andy Revkin**, 7pm, Thursday, July 15 at Beacon Institute in Beacon.

David Cohen announced that once again, the Woody crews are **selling raffle tickets** for a dinner cruise on the Woody. Tickets are \$5 each, available from captains and crews.

John Ebert of the Newburgh Rowing Club invited the Sloop Club to work with it to draw attention to the waterfront on the Newburgh side. Its boat house is a large blue building down by the Newburgh sewage plant. Over the years the Club has developed a program on Wednesday nights to teach rowing in sculls, 8-man shells and other boats.

The meeting was adjourned to the Circle of Song in the Clubhouse at 9:23pm.

A great time was had by all – the 2010 Strawberry Festival

More than 100 volunteers for two days, dozens of great musicians, nearly a hundred vendors, 1200 lbs of berries, hundreds of smoothies, 2000 compostable plates and utensils, 70 guests on the Woody, thousands of people at the waterfront..it all adds up to another great Strawberry Festival.

A large crowd braved the threatening weather for a taste of the best shortcake in the Hudson Valley. Thank you again to all who made our biggest event of the year possible.



A Warning and a Message of Hope

This year's environmental program featured Pace Academy for Applied Environmental Studies senior fellow Andy Revkin and DEC education coordinator Steve Stanne. They joined Pete Seeger on the stage for some great music and each spoke briefly on environmental issues.



Andy spoke about our dependence on fossil fuels and the fact that we all share some responsibility for the mess in the gulf. Using his attempts to find an affordable green energy solution for his own house as an example he pointed out the need for strategy to break our addiction. You can find Andy's thoughts on the festival and a link to his song *Liberated Carbon* at:

<http://dotearth.blogs.nytimes.com/2010/06/25/songs-on-this-fossil-age/>

Steve brought some good news, announcing that there are big fish swimming in the River. Commercial fishing to satisfy demand for caviar drove down the numbers of large female sturgeon in the 1990s. With the eggs being served up to gourmets, baby sturgeon nearly disappeared from the Hudson. The Hudson stock appears to be recovering since NYSDEC closed the fishery in 1996 and the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission extended that closure to the entire coast in 1998.

The recovery will not be quick. Male Atlantic sturgeon don't reach maturity until they are 12-15 years old; females not until at least age 15 and often not until age 18-20. Thus males born in 1996 were not likely to appear on the spawning grounds till 2008, while females would not be expected to return until at least 2011. Abundance of juveniles increased in the late 1990s, although it is still well below levels seen in the late 1980s. DEC's Hudson River Fisheries Unit has been sampling adults for six or seven years and is seeing a lot of fish, easily over a hundred a year. While we don't have enough data to declare with scientific certainty that the Hudson's Atlantic sturgeon population is increasing, there are encouraging signs.

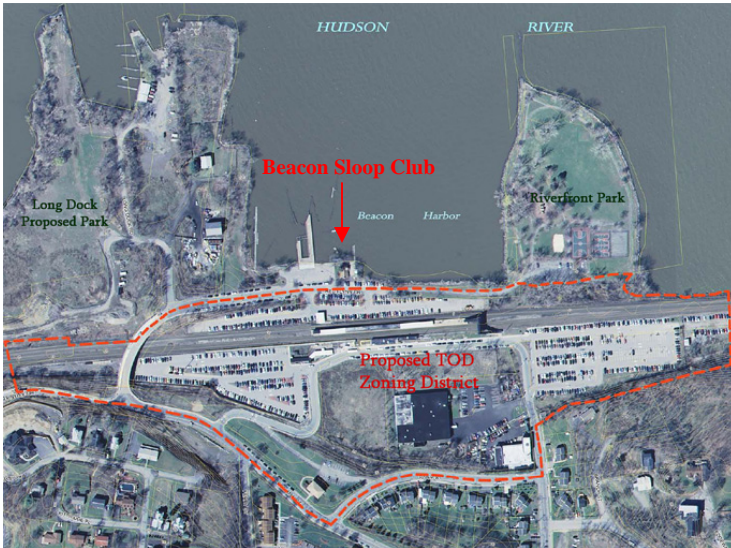
In 2008, the year that the first males born under protection in 1996 were expected to return, 105 fish were netted. So many were the same size (5.5-6 feet long), as would be expected for a given year class (a group of fish born in the same year), that the researchers took to calling them cookie-cutter fish. For more information:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/animals/37121.html>



The photo was taken last week by Amanda Higgs; it shows (from left to right) Steve Stanne, Estuary Program biologist Kris McShane, Andy Revkin holding a 120 pound Atlantic sturgeon 6' 8" long.

Proposed Transit-oriented-development for Beacon



The proposed rezoning of the area surrounding the Beacon train station to create a transit-oriented-development (TOD) district has the potential to fundamentally change the Beacon waterfront and the city itself. The proposed scale of this project suggests that significant changes to the surrounding community are unavoidable. Plans include more than 600 units of housing, more than 100,000 sq. ft. of commercial space and multi-story buildings.

The Beacon Sloop Club has not taken a formal position on the TOD. We do advocate that any plan reflect our core values of free access to the river and environmentally sound practices. While it is extremely gratifying that the waterfront and river that we have worked so hard to restore and protect is now considered an attraction for residents and businesses, careful consideration of the impacts of this plan is required before making any commitment.

We urge our members and all citizens of Beacon to educate yourselves on this critical issue and make your views known to city officials. It is vitally important that all constituencies be heard in order to do what is best for the community, the waterfront, and future generations.

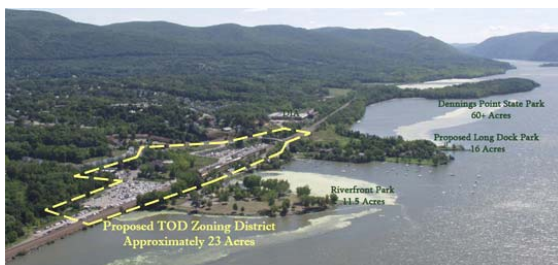
For further information:

<http://www.cityofbeacon.org/factsheets/proposed-transit-oriented-development-tod-district>

<http://www.poughkeepsiejournal.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/201007060600/NEWS01/7060321>

<http://beacondeservesbetter.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/01/TOD-LL-11-13-09.pdf>

<http://beacondeservesbetter.org/>



Sound Bites by Gigi Fris



You might know Chris and his wife, Jesse, from their popular Beacon eatery, Homespun, which features delectable goods for vegan, vegetarian and meat eaters alike.

The following is a brief autobiography of Chris Ancliffe, with an additional outline of a sail training program he is planning with the BSC. Chris is an outstanding sailor and Woody captain.

His continuous efforts at maintaining the harbor as Beacon Harbor Master, as well as representing our interests to the City Council, are greatly appreciated. But let me leave space for the words of the man himself!

My name is Chris Ancliffe and I am the Monday night co-captain of the Woody Guthrie with Kip Touraine. I started sailing in Seattle around 1980 and raced on mono and multi-hulls in Puget Sound before moving to the East Coast in 1999. I taught basic keelboat sailing at Manhattan Yacht Club while living in Jersey City. My wife Jessica and I moved to Beacon in 2002. Actually while Jessica was buying our house in Beacon I was in the middle of the Atlantic on a sailboat race from Southampton to Boston.

In 2006 we opened our café Homespun Foods at 232 Main Street because we were tired of commuting away from Beacon everyday to work. This year we expanded the menu and started dinner service on Friday and Saturday nights in the garden patio.

I joined BSC and the Monday crew because I need to be on the water wherever I live and it's a great way to meet people and be part of the community. During all of his sailing experience I kept a record of all of boat time and in 2008 I received a Coast Guard Inland Masters license.

That is a brief history up to now; here is a vision for the future.

I propose starting a hands-on sail-training program at the Club. It could be part of the small boat program. It is based on the American Sailing Association Beginning Keelboat class 101, which is normally taught in one weekend with a lecture on Friday night and two intensive days on the water. I taught this program at Manhattan Yacht Club and it was very successful. Beginning sailors with no experience on Saturday morning could perform a man overboard rescue under sail at the end of the class on Sunday afternoon. The ASA class has an exam and successful students (everyone passes) receive a certificate of basic competency.

What do we need to get this going at BSC? I propose soliciting donations of two J-24 (or similar) boats to be used in the program. The J-24 was used at MYC and it is a good size for 4 students and 1 teacher. They are cheap used boats, usually in the \$4000 range with sails, a trailer and sometimes an outboard. Used sails and rigs are readily available. Two identical boats are a good idea because once the students get a little experience there is nothing like a couple of short races (two sailboats going in the same direction is the definition of a race) to get them excited and teach valuable skills. At MYC we laid out some simple race courses with buoys and each student had to sail the boat around them.

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Woody Report:

The Woody's sailing season is well underway and the boat is in great shape. All the hard work by our maintenance volunteers is paying off.

June was a very busy month for captains and crews due to the Cornwall River Festival, the Strawberry Festival, and Clearwater Revival on consecutive weekends. A big thank you goes out to all who made this possible both on the water and on the shore.

As we settle in to our routine of weeknight guest sails it's not too early to look ahead to upcoming events. We need volunteers (captains, crew and shore support) in advance for the Garrison Arts and Crafts Fair, August 21-22. Please contact Jim Birmingham if you can help.

Thank you to Clearwater crew members Larissa Gaasland-Tatro & Aleythea Dolstad for going aloft to install our ratlines.



Top row: photos submitted by Gigi Fris, Middle row: Revival goes admiring the Woody and guests taking our water taxi to the boat
Bottom row: David Eberle and Liz Nedwell provide shore support

Dutchess County residents have the opportunity to discard their unused and/or expired medications at the Resource Recovery Agency Facility in Poughkeepsie. Bring any prescription or over-the-counter pills, ointments, lotions and liquids for disposal. Liquid medications should be in their original packaging and inside sealable plastic bags. Pet medications are welcome as well. Law enforcement will be on site to control the collection of these medications as well as to witness the best means of permanent disposal of medications at the Energy-From-Waste Facility in Poughkeepsie. There is no charge for this service but registration for a time slot is required. Please call 845-463-6020 and register. check the [Collection Days Calendar](#)

Sound Bites (cont'd from page 5)

Each boat should have a small outboard because we all know it's possible to go sailing on the Hudson, have the wind die, and be taken by the current to Chelsea or Cold Spring.

Basically the class structure is a 3 hour lecture and about 12 hours of boat time. It covers identification of boat types, boat parts and sails, points of sail, tacking, jibing, rules of the road, simple knots, lights and aids to navigation identification, federal regulations on alcohol, plastic and oil spills, safety, very basic first aid, clothing, radio, and emergencies. Every student should be able to perform a man overboard recovery under sail at the end of the class. This class could also be taught weekend nights during the summer.

A program with the local High Schools or some other local youth organization would be a great introduction to the Hudson River and the Club and bring in new, younger members.

So what are the issues with this proposal?

- (1) It would need the approval of the Club membership.
- (2) Tax exemptions would need to be offered to get people to donate boats.
- (3) The program has to be at least revenue neutral. Some costs will be incurred that have to be offset. Maintenance, storage, boat and trailer registration, fuel and wear and tear have to be paid for. I estimate about \$5000 annually to maintain two boats including the required insurance. The Club would need to charge enough for the classes to cover these expenses the same way it already does for the current sailing class.

I would appreciate any and all ideas on moving this proposal forward. Contact me at chris_ancliffe@hotmail.com.



Dutchess Watershed Awareness Month (WAM) has something for you and your family! The majority of Dutchess WAM activities events are **FREE** family-friendly activities related to watersheds. All activities are aimed at increasing public awareness of watershed issues.

Wappinger Creek Week

July 5-11

Fishkill Creek Week

July 24-31

For a schedule of events: <http://dutchesswam.com/>

The Beacon Sloop Club is a WAM partner

Beacon Sloop Club Treasury Report							
Submitted by Sarah Elisabeth July 2, 2010							
BSC General Fund	Amount	Membership	Woody & Small Boats	Festival & Event	Newsletter	Harbor	Clubhouse
Membership	235.00	235.00					
Donation (Morgan Stanley and Hat Pass)	172.00			20.00			152.00
Vendor	1,630.00			2,930.00			
Festival	10,969.05			10,969.05			
Borchert & Sons Orchard (Strawberries)	(2,400.00)			(2,400.00)			
Refund (Vendor)	(75.00)			(75.00)			
Eco Products Festival Serving Ware	(634.96)			(634.96)			
Hudson Valley Fresh	-201.60			(201.60)			
Festival Smoothie (Juice, Milk, Bananas)	(18.31)			-18.31			
Festival Misc. (Hose, El. Roll, Bolt)	(21.70)			(21.70)			
Festival Misc. (Ziploc Bags, Paring Knives, etc.)	(128.33)			(128.33)			
Woody Supplies	(1,632.30)		(1,632.30)				
Rondout Woodworking (Woody Toe Rail)	(8,099.28)		(8,099.28)				
White' Marina	(331.18)		(331.18)				
Safeco Alarm Systems	(105.00)						(105.00)
Central Hudson	(55.82)						(55.82)
Staples (Rubberbands and Envelopes)	(10.35)						(10.35)
Woody Supplies	(77.36)		(77.36)				
Harbor Supplies	(383.34)					(383.34)	
City of Beacon Dept. of Recreation (Police)	(994.50)			(994.50)			
Woody Supplies (Gergen Woodworks)	(12.77)						
Total Monthly Income and Expenses	(2,175.75)	235.00	(10,140.12)	9,444.65		(383.34)	(19.17)
OPENING BALANCE	58,905.71						
CLOSING BALANCE	56,729.96						



Appalachian Trail walk for the homeless, and for the environment.

Tony Angel last reported in from Bingham Maine on July 3rd. Tony is walking the Appalachian trail to raise funds for the homeless and to raise awareness of environmental issues throughout Appalachia. You can follow Tony's Progress on:

<http://spiritjourney25.wordpress.com/>

Donations can be made to the Tony Angel Homeless Fund through;

Family of Woodstock
Attn: Tony Angel Homeless Fund
16 Rock City Road
Woodstock, NY 12498

Corn Festival Volunteer Opportunities

Once Again We Need Volunteers

Sunday, August 15th, all day

- Set-up
- Corn cooking and sales
- Shuckers
- Chili cooking
- Servers
- Trash and Recycling
- Sailors and shore support
- Clean-up and Breakdown

We especially need help at the end of the festival for clean-up and return of equipment to the clubhouse.

Contact: Bonnie Champion

Every Sunday Farmers Market
 at the Beacon Waterfront 10-4pm
Simply Valley
All Local Hudson Valley Products
 Sprout Creek Farm Cheeses
 (Toussaint and Ouray Cheese)
 Fresh made Lamb, Mushroom Spring Rolls
 Fresh Made Pasta
 Mario's Brick Oven Bread
 Mary Finger Organic Free Range Eggs
 Special Large Quantity orders call 845-562-0192



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the beacon sloop
club invites you
to..

Come Join us at the Corn Festival



August 15, 2010

Noon to 5pm

at the

Beacon Waterfront



**Live
Music**

**..where fresh boiled corn
is still just a
“buck an ear”!!**

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Rain or Shine

Current Calendar

Executive Committee meeting, Tues. July 27th
7:00 p.m., at the BSC clubhouse

Beacon Sloop Club meeting every 1st Friday of the month: next meeting August 6th– potluck 6:30 p.m., general meeting 7:30 p.m.

Farmers Market every Sunday, 10-4 p.m.,
At the Ferry Dock , Beacon , NY

Hudson Valley Climate Change Network Meeting, Wednesday July 14th, 1:30 pm to 4 pm,
Norrie Point Environmental Center, Staatsburg, NY

<http://hrnerr.org/public/training/climate/workshop.htm>

Andy Revkin, 9 Billion People + 1 Planet =?,
Thursday, July 15th, 7pm at the Beacon Institute
CEIE, Denning's Point

ADK BEACON RIVERSIDE/DENNINGS POINT MODERATE HIKE, Sat., July 24, 10 a.m. Bring lunch and water. Meet in front of the Beacon Sloop Club

Denning's Point Walk and Talk w/ Jim Heron,
Saturday, July 24, 12pm – 2pm, Denning's Point
Pre-registration required

Fishkill Watershed Rain Barrel Building Workshop, Saturday, July 24, 3:30PM
Hudson River Sloop Clearwater, Inc. 724 Wolcott Avenue, Beacon, NY Spaces are limited – please RSVP by emailing Vicky Buono at vcb4@cornell.edu or calling (845) 677-8223 x153



Free Sails on the Woody Guthrie, weeknights beginning in June, 6:00pm , at the clubhouse.

The Great Newburgh to Beacon 7th Annual Hudson River Swim, JULY 31st, 2010, at the Beacon and Newburgh waterfronts
Rain Date: August 1st.

Beacon Sloop Club Corn Festival, Sunday, August 15th, Noon – 5:00 pm, at the Beacon Waterfront

Garrison Fine Arts and Crafts Fair, Saturday August 21st- Sunday August 22nd, at the Garrison Waterfront

Vigil for Peace every Saturday from 12-2 p.m. at the intersection of Rts. 9 and 9D opposite Staples and at the corner of the South Hills Mall.

Details of calendar events may be found elsewhere in the newsletter.
For more info about the BSC: www.beaconsloop.org, or www.beaconsloopclub.org