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To: Waquoit Bay Yacht Club Membership Committee

Robert J. Kowalewski, Jr

Age: 68

Marital Status: Widower

Family: 3 children (Ages 42, 40, 37), 4 grandchildren (Ages 2, 4, 17, 23) Employment: Granite Appraisers – Real Estate Appraiser – Sole Proprietor

Retired from Blue Cross 2008

Boat: Flying Scot #4455

I wish to join WBYC so that I will have club to sail with locally. I've been a member of Massapoag Yacht Club in Sharon which I've enjoyed over the last ten years, but I'm leaving MYC this year because it's too far a commute on weekends and evenings during the week to attend races and social events. I have been on the mooring wait list on Eel River since 2013, so I keep my sailboat on a trailer in the yard. I would enjoy sharing my sailing experience and gaining local knowledge from other sailors at WBYC.

I purchased my home in Seacoast Shores in 2013 and moved to Falmouth full time in 2016 from Quincy, MA. I previously lived in Walpole, MA and before that in Bridgewater, MA where I brought up my 3 children and they all graduated from BRHS. While growing up, my folks owned a summer home in Pocasset.

I own a Flying Scot sailboat (<a href="https://flyingscot.com/">https://flyingscot.com/</a> ) which I previously moored at Massapoag Yacht Club (<a href="https://sailmyc.org/">http://sailmyc.org/</a> ) in Sharon. I've been a member of MYC for 10 plus years where I served on several committees and supported their weekly racing program and regattas. MYC is very similar to WBYC in that it is an all-volunteer club run by the members. They have a spring opening day where

they put out the docks and moorings and clean up the grounds and a fall closing where they remove all the docks and moorings to the beach and close the club for the winter. I supported the racing program by manning the rescue boat, setting the course markers and providing assistance to the racing boats during the races. I have taken several of the US Sailing Association Powerboating and Safety Rescue and Support courses.

I previously sailed at Community Boating on the Charles River in Boston, where I also volunteered as a sailing instructor for their Mercury sailing program. Community Boating is where I originally learned to sail.

I am also a veteran of the US Navy (Vietnam and 27 years in the Navy Reserves) and a Mason (affiliated with Marine Lodge in Falmouth). Golf is my other hobby, in addition to riding motorcycles and sailing. I'm a member of the Tour of Greater Boston, I'm a Mass Golf Association Volunteer Rules Official and my family runs a charity tournament and casino night each year in Bridgewater to benefit the BR Citizens Scholarship (<a href="http://thepjk.com/">http://thepjk.com/</a>).

Thanks for your consideration, Bob Kowalewski

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