

Island writer tells how to survive a storm at sea

If you are looking for a great Christmas present for that sailor on your gift list, Roger Marshall's latest book might be the answer.

"Rough Weather Seamanship for Sail and Power," recently published by McGraw-Hill, is filled with practical information on cop-

ing with heavy weather for both the coastal cruiser and the offshore boater.

Marshall, who has lived in Jamestown for 26 years and is a gardening and boating columnist for the Jamestown Press, presents the information in a logical style, starting with the basics: understanding weather and the waves it creates.

Then Marshall, a naval architect, discusses how to select the proper boat and choose the right equipment to improve your odds of surviving a storm at sea. He outlines what to do before heavy weather arrives and tactics for handling the vessel in extreme conditions. There is more to be done than just battening the hatches.

He details how to keep your crew safe, and then addresses damage control and what to do when you need help at sea.

He also shares advice on how to protect your boat from stormy seas while it is moored or dockside.

A native of England, Marshall is the U.S. editor of the Yacht Report, the leading super-yacht magazine. He is also the editor of Boat Builder magazine, and currently serves as president of Boating Writers International. He has written 11 books on marine topics.

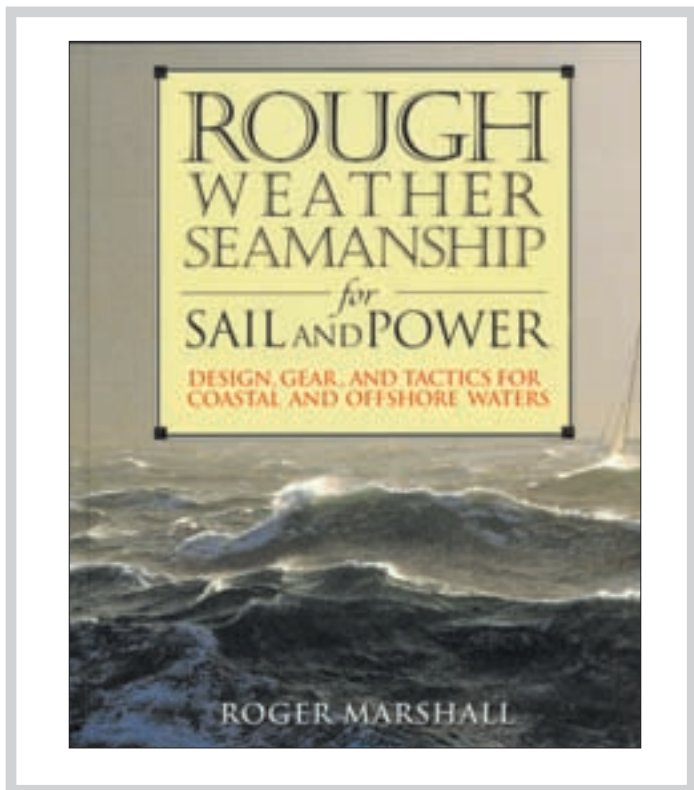
Marshall worked for more than five years as a yacht designer at Sparkman & Stephens before opening his own office in Jamestown. His latest design is a 24-foot production bass boat for Avid Yachts.

A veteran sailor, Marshall was involved with Courageous American Cup challenge from 1983 to 1987. He has sailed in five Fastnets and 11 Bermuda races, and the Admiral's Cup.

He and his wife Mary have two sons, David and Michael. Marshall says he can usually be found at East Ferry Deli on most days at 6 a.m. when he is not traveling the globe.

He is currently at work on a book about greenhouses.

— Jeff McDonough



Band releases CD of holiday music

The Jamestown Community Band capped off its rehearsal season with a sold-out concert on Tuesday night.

Among its accomplishments this year, the band recorded a CD of holiday music that is now available at area retail locations.

The seven-song CD, called "I'll Be Home For Christmas," includes Christmas favorites like "Sleigh Ride," "We Need a Little Christmas," and a holiday medley featuring Al Brunner on piano.

The CD is dedicated to band member Bethany Busch, U.S.Navy., who was recently deployed overseas, and "to all our active and veteran military who, while in service protecting our freedoms around the world throughout the years, could only wish . . . 'I'll be home for Christmas, if only in my dreams.'"

Buy the CD at Baker's Pharmacy, Slice of Heaven, Grapes & Gourmet, and other local outlets.



Events

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Sunday, Dec. 10

Santa Claus and his elves make the rounds of the south end of the island on board a firetruck. Anyone who pops out of his or her house to meet Santa will be greeted with a holiday treat. Look for him between 9 and noon.

Holiday events yet to come!

Friday, Dec. 15

Teen Holiday Party:

A festive and alcohol-free event for Jamestown's teens will be held at the Portuguese American Citizens' Club, 134 Narragansett Ave., featuring music, snacks, "mocktails," and holiday desserts. The party is sponsored by the Jamestown Substance Abuse Prevention Task Force.

Saturday, Dec. 16

Teddy Bear Tea:

Join Mrs. Claus for an elegant afternoon at the Bay Voyage, 150 Conanicus Ave., with tea, cookies, story readings, and a special gift for all. Sittings are at 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. The tea is sponsored by Rebecca L. Eunis, CPA. Open to children ages 4 and older, there are no age requirements for teddy bears. Tickets cost \$1 per person and may be purchased at Jamestown Designs, 17 Narragansett Ave. Phone orders will not be accepted.

Sunday, Dec. 17 Holiday

Dog Parade:

Join Jamestown's furry friends as they parade down Narragansett Avenue in their holiday finery. The parade begins at 1 p.m. at the fire station, 50 Narragansett Ave. Music will be provided by the Jamestown Community Band, and of course, Santa will be there. The event is sponsored by Paws & Claws, 23 Narragansett Ave. Call 423-9677 to register a pet. Proceeds benefit the Jamestown Senior Pet Fund. In the event of major rain or snow, the event will be held on Saturday, Dec. 23.

Thursday, Dec. 21

Santa Claus visits the fire station and listen to everyone's wish list. All children who come out to see Santa, beginning at 6:30 p.m., will receive a special gift from the elves at the North Pole.

★ Christmas Island

This year don't fight the crowds at the mall. Do your holiday shopping in festively decorated Jamestown. Spend a leisurely afternoon selecting unique gifts at our local shops or give someone a gift certificate to your favorite restaurant. Can't decide what to give? Chamber Checks are a great gift. Spend them as you would cash and support your local merchants.

Go to jamestownRIchamber.com for a complete listing of events

Dec. 10
Polar Express
Departs East Ferry
11 AM, Noon, 1PM, 2PM, 3PM, 4PM
Tickets: Jamestown Designs
Sponsored by Jack's Electric

Take a magical ride through Jamestown to see decorations, sing carols, and listen to a reading of "The Polar Express". You may even see Santa.

Dec. 15
Winter Holiday Party
PAC 7PM-10PM
6th -12th grade FREE
\$10 suggested donation for adults
Tickets: Baker's Pharmacy & House of Pizza

Sponsored by Jamestown Substance Abuse Task Force & Jamestown Teen Center

Dec. 16
Teddy Bear Tea
Bay Voyage
Children aged 5 & up can bring their favorite Teddy Bear for an elegant tea. Mrs. Claus and other surprise guests will be visiting.
Sittings at **11:30AM & 1:30PM**
Tickets: Jamestown Designs
Sponsored by Rebecca L. Eunis, CPA

Dec. 17
Dog Parade
Narragansett Ave.
1PM
Sponsored by Paws & Claws

Dress your dog in Holiday finery and take a stroll down Narragansett Avenue.

Sponsored by the Jamestown Chamber of Commerce and Participating Merchants & Restaurants

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