

TODAY'S SCUTTLEBUTT:

* From Jed Pearsall & Bill Doyle (Owners of Amorita, NY-9): It is with great relief to report that as of 8PM, July 10, Amorita, our much decorated 1905 New York 30, has been rescued from the bottom of Rhode Island Sound and is now safely hauled out and waiting for the next chapter of her life to begin (see story in Issue 2386 about her sinking). Her hull has been damaged but her soul is intact. In her 102 years she has faced her share of adversity and has held on even during times of an occasionally uncertain future. As most sailors know, yachts have distinct personalities and Amorita's has always been patience and perseverance. Whether it is in the form of a come-from-behind-victory or a stubbornness to stand up to the harshest of breezes, she never gives up. Neither will we.

Through the last few days, our sailing community has shown us a tremendous amount of love, support, and understanding that to us, she isn't just a boat, she is a part of our family. We want to thank each and every one of our well-wishers for their kind thoughts and prayers as we couldn't have gotten through this without them. Now we have lots of work ahead of us so that we all can, someday soon, celebrate Amorita's graceful return to Narragansett Bay. For Photo's or to read more about Amorita's history -- <http://www.ny30.org/amorita.htm>