

COMMODORE'S CORNER



This is my first communication with the membership in the Newsletter, and I would like to take this opportunity to talk about the arc of the Club's progress in its physical plant and programmatic offerings which I have witnessed since I became an officer, and where I see that heading over the near term.

Under Commodore Smith, we acquired the property on Chappy which became the Sailing Center, addressing a critical safety concern for our junior sailors which had weighed on all of us for a long time, while creating one of the finest junior sailing facilities in New England. We razed and rebuilt the staff housing at Pinehurst. We conducted an extensive survey of the membership, identifying areas for improvement within each of our programs, and we heard about additional programs which the membership wants to see. We continued extensive examination of the pilings which support the main Clubhouse, and established an ongoing replacement and repair program. Commodore Snyder's term continued with the extensive renovation of the Clubhouse, which work progressed this past winter with the new trophy case and the rebuilt Reception office. The continuity of these projects is a recognition by the Board and the officers that these projects are all part of an ongoing, unending cycle of maintenance and improvement.

But these changes do not occur in a societal vacuum. We live in a competitive world, and we are well aware that potential members have choices as to how they wish to spend their time and money. Edgartown provides several options for the membership we wish to attract. These choices are not all fungible, nor should they be, but there is a need for certain programs which are common to most clubs. An obvious one is dining and adult entertainment, and I think we do very well in that category. Another one is junior entertainment and activities for children of all ages. Observations and feedback from parents convinced us that we could and should be doing more in this area. As I noted in my recent letter to the membership, we renovated the JYC this past winter, and we have established a more extensive offering of programs for juniors, including hiring a program director to oversee the facility in conjunction with the Junior Entertainment Committee.

When we conducted the aforementioned membership survey a few years ago, the single most-requested amenity was

some sort of fitness facility. In the years since that survey was conducted, clubs around the country have seen similar requests by their memberships, to the extent that the introduction or expansion of such facilities is the most common program addition today. This is a reflection of the way that fitness has become integrated into the lifestyle of families today, and adequate facilities are becoming an expectation rather than a bonus. We believe this trend will only become stronger over time. So starting this past January, the officers and management began exploring options for where such a facility might be located, what would be the appropriate size, and what features should be included. We worked with architect and member Patrick Ahearn and with Property & Maintenance Committee Chair Geoff Caraboolad to present several options to the Board.

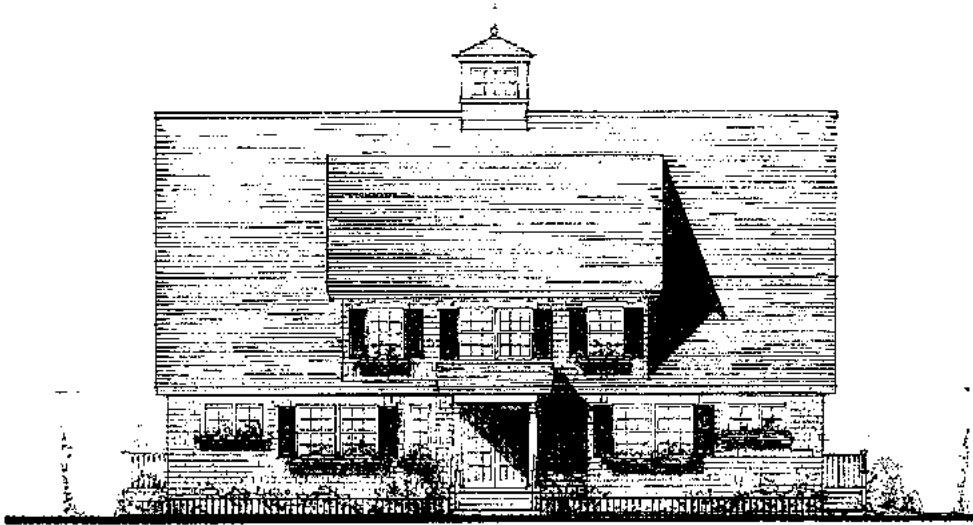
At the Board meeting in April, Patrick made a presentation, after which there was much discussion and general agreement that we would like to pursue this program, subject to several variables.

After examining a number of potential locations, we believe that the Tennis Clubhouse is the best choice. The renovations to the Clubhouse would be extensive, and Patrick is working on those plans now so that we can determine the cost. I have asked Patrick to provide the schematics for those plans to the membership for general review and comment, and they will be mounted at the Tennis Clubhouse for everyone to view sometime in June.

This will not be a 2013 event; we hope to open the facility in May of 2014 but that will be dependent on a review of the financial impact, which evaluation will be ongoing through the balance of 2012. In the meantime, your officers and Board members welcome your thoughts on the subject, and I will strive to keep you informed as we continue to evaluate the project.

I look forward to seeing you all upon my return from the Newport-Bermuda Race in June; Manager Bill Roman and his staff have a wonderfully full agenda in store for us all this summer, and the many committee volunteers have been working over the winter to ensure that we will have a spectacular season.

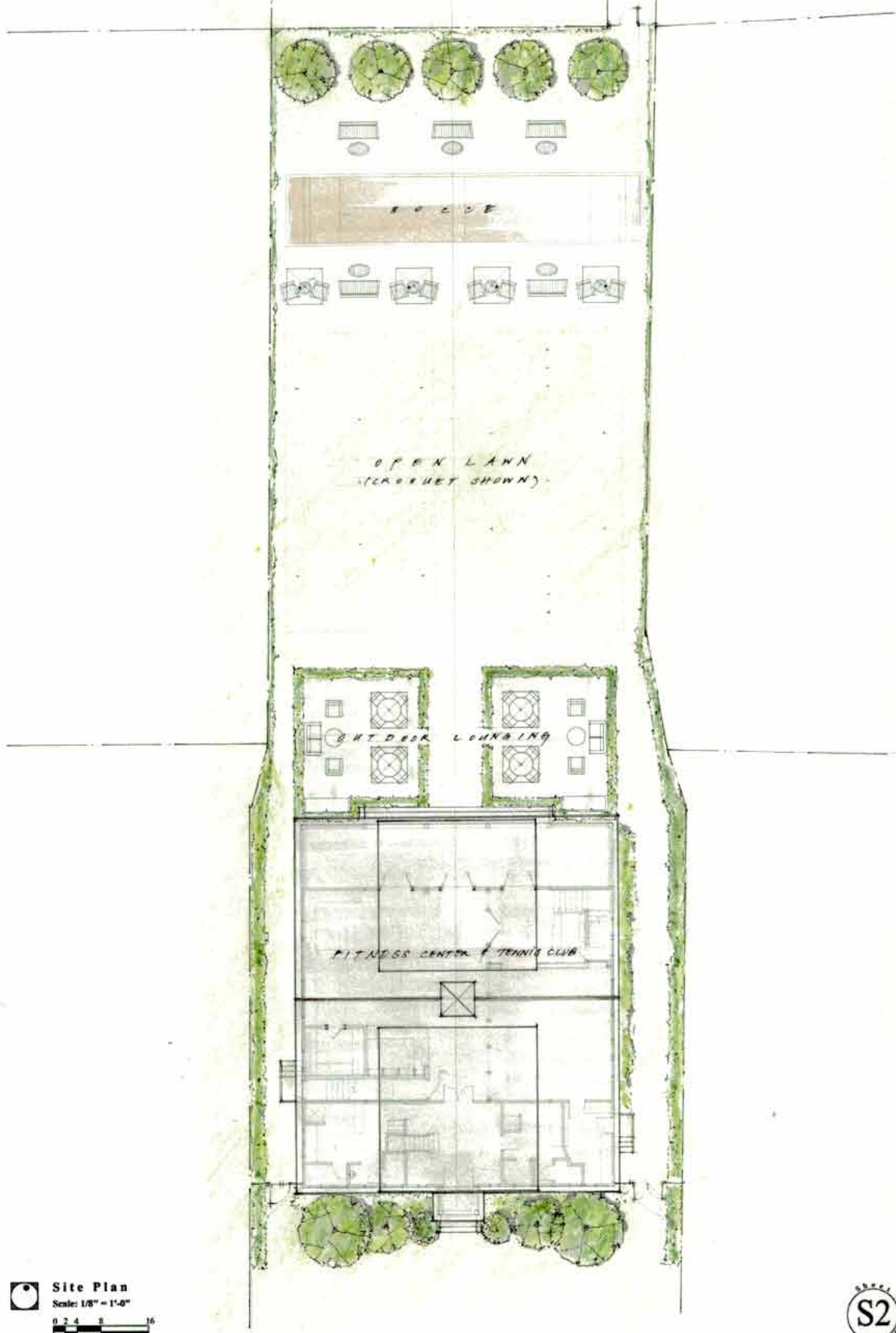
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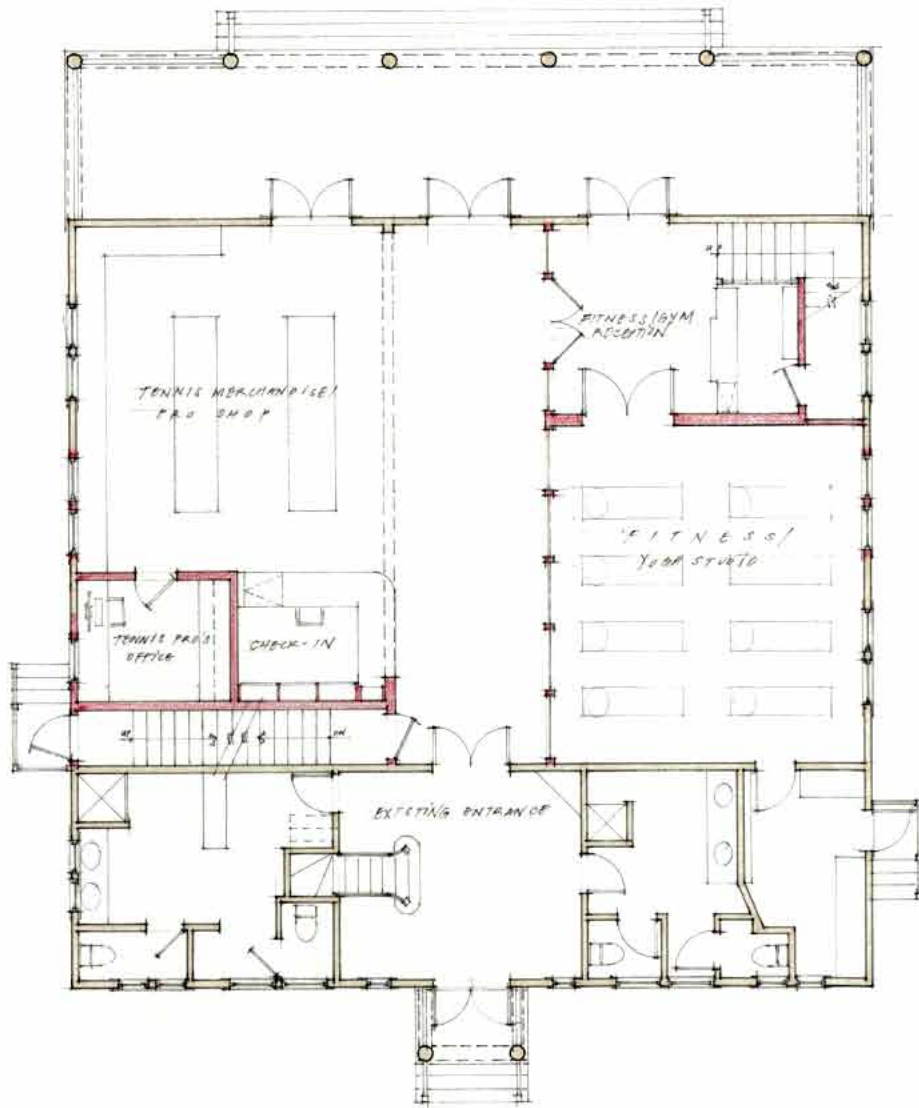
**Edgartown Yacht Club
Tennis Club & Fitness Center**

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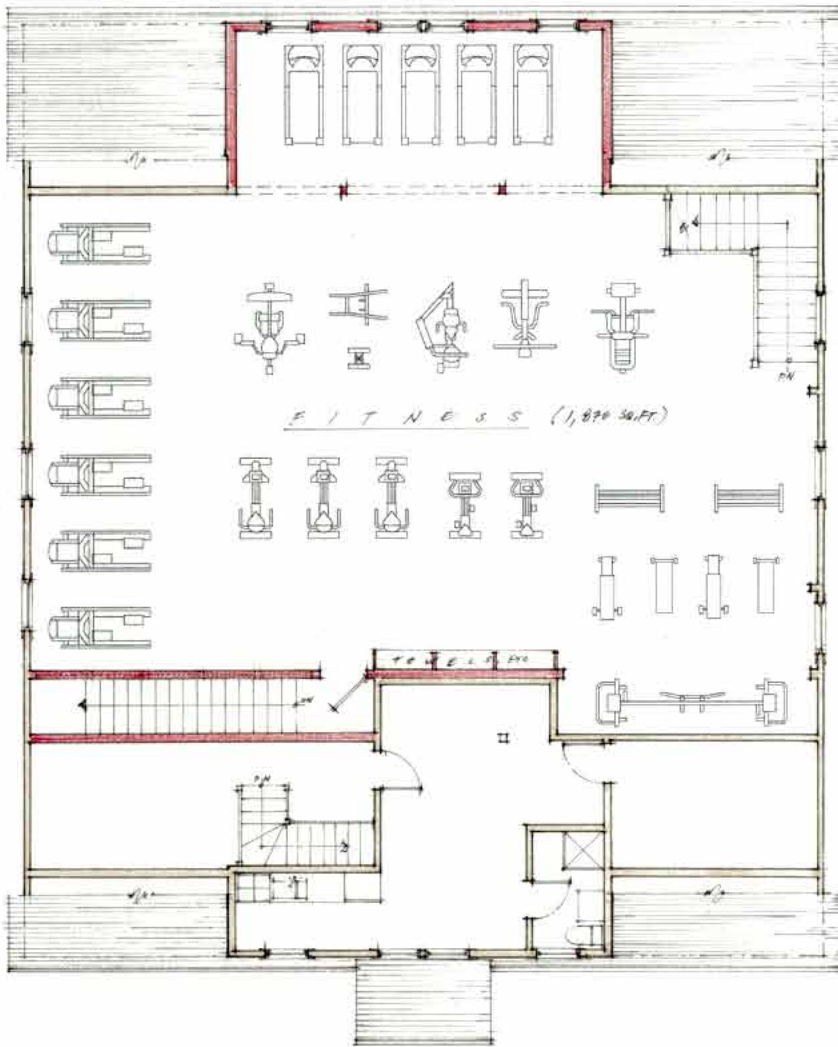
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 **First Floor Plan - Proposed**

Scale: 1/4" = 1'-0"



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EXISTING WALL
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Second Floor Plan - Proposed
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● Front Elevation - South -
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● Side Elevation - East -
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● Front Elevation - North -
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● Side Elevation - West -
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