

All Aboard The Hat Trick Luxury Yacht!

By Annemarie Davin

Montauk is home to fishing, surfing and yachting. I had the opportunity to experience a trip on the Hat Trick Yacht first hand. The Hat Trick Yacht is docked at slip 314 at the Montauk Yacht Club. Gail Gimbel-Steiger is the Vice President of the Hat Trick Yacht Charters. Roger and Cheryl Gimbel are owners of this beautiful 65 foot Hatteras luxury yacht. Gail Gimbel-Steiger gave a tour of the yacht and a tour of the Montauk Harbor as a handful of chamber members took to the sea on a sunny afternoon on August 13, 2008.

When my photographer, James Katsipis, and I first arrived at the yacht, we were greeted by Gail and other chamber members with a big hello. We got on board and entered the salon area which is similar to a living room you'd sit in at home. Nautical accessories adorned the salon and it's a great area to sit and talk or have a meeting. Next we entered the galley area which is fully equipped with a refrigerator, stove, microwave, sink, counter and cabinets. The dining area sits across from the galley complete with seating that goes in a semi circle around a rectangular table.

As we continued down the hallway, we went down a set of steps and on our right was a stateroom with bunk beds, dresser, closet and private bathroom with shower. The next stateroom we entered had

twin beds that are separated by a nightstand in the middle of them. However, you can put the two beds together to make one big bed. This room also had a private bathroom with shower.

In the Master Stateroom is a king size bed, plenty of closet space and a private bathroom complete with a stand up shower with a Jacuzzi tub. Each stateroom has a state of the art flat screened television. In the salon area there is a DVD player, VCR and stereo system and the cabin is air conditioned and heated throughout. There is also a washing machine and dryer on board.

You can charter this luxury yacht for many different occasions. Birthdays, weddings, engagement parties, private romantic getaways, executive meetings and corporate team building outings are just some of the events that can take place on this private luxury yacht. There are two hour, half day and full day cruises that go around Montauk Harbor, Shelter Island, Block Island, Newport Rhode Island and New York City. If Montauk's accommodations are full, the Hat Trick is available for overnight stay at the dock.

Half day and full day In-shore and Off-shore luxury fishing charters are available as well. Catering is offered; boxed lunches to gourmet meals! The charters can take up to six people out at a time.

If the Hat Trick Yacht looks or sounds familiar, it may be that you saw it on "The Apprentice" a couple of years ago. Donald Trump always rewards the winning team of a particular task that was done that week of that show. A day of fishing on the Hat Trick Yacht followed by a lobster bake at the Montauk Yacht Club was one of those rewards.

When I asked Gail if she ever captain's the yacht, she told me that Captain Tom, the Hat Trick's licensed Captain has been with her for many years and is on board during all charters.

Gail says she likes to enjoy the yacht and conversing with passengers and I couldn't agree with her more!

If you would like to charter the Hat Trick Yacht for any occasion, the Hat Trick is available now through November 2008 and if you would like to reserve in advance for season 2009, (which we highly recommend) reservations are being accepted already, and you can call Gail at 646-472-1936

To learn more about the Hat Trick, log onto their website www.hattrickyacht.com.



Salon Area



Bunk Bed Stateroom



Annemarie Davin & Gail Gimbel-Steiger



Master Stateroom



Captain Tom



Montauk Chamber Members



The Galley



Terry Ross & James Katsipis



Double Bed Stateroom



Ronni Monte