



Fleet 5



Labor Day Weekend Rendezvous at Brewer Deep River Marina and Goodspeed Opera House August 28th -September 1st, 2008

Thom Reeves & Doug Smith will be coordinating Fleet 5's 13th annual rendezvous at Deep River Marina (including the years we were rained out) on Friday, August 29th through Monday, September 1st. This marina and its wonderful Connecticut River Valley surroundings are a favorite spot for many of us. Deep River Marina is on the west side of the river about 5 nautical miles further up the Connecticut River from Essex, beyond Hamburg Cove.

Again this year's special event will be on Sunday at the Goodspeed Opera House. There we'll attend the 2:00 pm matinee performance of *Half a Sixpence*. We will not be taking any boats up the river to the opera house this year but will arrange for car transportation.

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Ch. 71

To do in advance:

1. Purchase tickets at The Goodspeed Opera House for the show (*Half a Sixpence*) Sunday afternoon August 31st: (call 860 873-8668 or buy online at boxoffice@goodspeed.org). Tickets are: \$26 - \$63 per person. **Again, seating is limited so don't delay.**
2. Make reservations for mooring or dockage at Brewer Deep River Marina for Friday/Saturday/Sunday (August 29th, 30th & 31st) (860 526-5560). Deep River monitors VHF Ch. 9.
3. **RSVP to Thom & Doug via e-mail or phone your plans to attend the weekend. We need a count for the restaurants.**

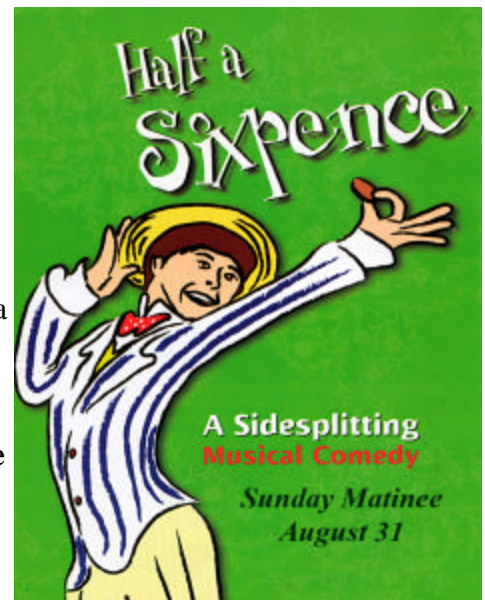
Weekend Schedule:

Thursday August 28th:

Early birds arrive at Hamburg Cove: Cocktails, Etc., TBD.

Friday August 29th at Deep River Marina:

5 pm: *Carter-Creagh* will host a dockside cocktail party (look for the Fleet 5 banner). Dinner on your own.



Saturday August 30th:

Possibilities: Dinghy ride through Selden Creek; walk into downtown Deep River; lounge by the pool.

Saturday night August 30th:

Cocktails will be on the marina lawn followed by barbecue/pot luck dinner.

Sunday: August 31st:

We will drive up the river to Goodspeed Landing for lunch and the show on Sunday late morning. Sunday lunch will be at the Gelston House at Goodspeed Landing before attending *Half a Sixpence* at the Opera House. Sunday dinner after the show will be at The Ivory restaurant in Deep River.

Monday: September 1st:

We depart for home.

Please let Thom & Doug know of your plans by Sunday, August 24th so they can make lunch and dinner arrangements.

The views along the river are worth the trip by themselves. And September can be a really beautiful time on the river. We often have an evening mist on the river that lasts till dawn. The Essex Steam Train is a study in nostalgia with its tooting, hissing, huffing and puffing as it crosses the grade right by the entrance to the marina. A chartlet is included for your convenience. **Remember to keep the flashing green "35" light tower on the pile of rocks to your starboard as you enter the marina.**

Deep River Marina

