



Tried & True
Travels with Tom and Jan
Right in Our Back Yard!

A perfect Sunday afternoon in late June here on Cape Cod with the sun shining and a cool breeze prompted us to play tourist and take ourselves to the Hyannis Harbor. We definitely weren't the only ones taking advantage of the day for the waterfront was a buzz with a charter fishing boat returning with smiles all around as tons of fish were unloaded, and the Hy-Line fleet loading for their trips to Nantucket, Martha's Vineyard, or just a tour of Hyannisport. Lunch was in order, so we got wonderful patio seats with a view of the waterfront world at Spanky's Clam Shack & Seaside Saloon. They serve lunch and dinner daily from April 11 to Veterans' Day. Being a clam shack both Tom and I ordered clam rolls, his with the bellies, mine just the strips and, of course, fried onion rings. The plates arrived with generous portions of the clams, french fries, and cole slaw. The side of onion rings was enough for three or four! And everything was delicious. We were able to take our time, eat, people watch, and talk. Our waitress was most pleasant, returned twice to see how our meals were and if we needed more beverage, and never rushed us.



Spanky's has an extensive menu with great seafood appetizers such as a chilled seaside sampler of oysters, cherrystones, and shrimp or perhaps a bowl of steamers, farm fresh from Barnstable Harbor, are what you crave. Of course there is Cape Cod Clam Chowdah, but there is wicked good Lobster Chowdah too.

There are several lobster feasts, and I have my heart set on trying the lobster ravioli the next time we go.

Children are not forgotten for there is a six choice selection of kids' favorites. And if one has room the dessert selection, such as strawberry shortcake, just complete the lunch or dinner.

The Seaside saloon menu has a fine selection of wines and beers, plus many specialty drinks like a frozen harbor, a frozen volcano colada, a platinum margarita, or a key lime pie martini! So after your golf, head over to the Ocean Street Docks in Hyannis, and enjoy the ambience and a good meal.

Spanky's Clam Shack & Seaside Saloon
On the Waterfront
Ocean Street, Hyannis
www.spankysclamshack.com

