TYC SPYGLASS



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Tammany Yacht Club continues a 25 year tradition with the Single Handed Round the Lake Race. As reported in the *Times Picayune* by Joe Julavits, Tammany Yacht Club, the newest yacht club on Lake Pontchartrain, in 1981, "staged a single-handed-round—the-lake race, a 45-mile test of sailing skill and endurance. It attracted 43 entries, including some of the best skippers on the lake." The race has now long been sanctioned by the Gulf Yachting Association and is an annual event on the GYA calendar

On Saturday, September 15, 2007, Tammany Yacht Club staged the first post-Katrina Single Handed Round the Lake Race. The size of the fleet, five boats registered, this year was smaller than pre-Katrina events, but the competition was just as strong. The 33.2 mile long race was nip & tuck all the way. Sandy Stone in *Bali Hai* lead the fleet around the first mark at 12:10. Jerry Berndsen in *Jigawatts* crossed the finish line first but his corrected time bumped him to third place. *Bali Hai* finished first followed by Kyle Bowser's *Kokopelli*. All the boats finished within only 15 minutes after sailing more than 30 miles.

The racing fleet is shown at the center. From left to right the competitors are: Jerry Berndsen in *Jigawatts*, Sandy Stone in *Bali Hai*, and Kyle Bowser in *Kokopelli*. The very important Committee Boat, manned by Kenny LaNata and Tom Smith, is on the left and the Chase Boat, manned by Steve and Dodie Jones, is shown on the right.







Tammany Yacht Club also sponsors three series of sailboat races throughout the year. The Bill Watson Wednesday Night races are conducted at 7 pm between the twin-spans and the railroad bridge. To race your boat or crew on another boat, show-up at Tammany Yacht Club at Oak Harbor Marina at 6 pm on Wednesdays until the end of October. For more information, contact Steve Jones at 1stjones@gmail.com or 985-710-0060.





Commodore's Corner I started the month with the GYA Semi-Annual Meeting, which was held at the Buccaneer Yacht Club's nearly finished new club house. The meeting was followed by the GYA Championship Regatta for the Sir Thomas Lipton Challenge Trophy. The place was bubbling with activity.

Back at **TYC**, **Dodie Jones** provided some excellent variations of Friday night dinners, with really tasty lobster and a wine tasting party. The weekly Game Nights and Saints Night victuals provided by our **First Mates** added to the variety of activities at the clubhouse.

The **Race Committee** came through again by staging the first post-Katrina *Single Handed Round the Lake Race*, continuing a twenty-five year old tradition. Check the Single Handed article for details. The Bill Watson Fall Series is in full swing with races starting at 7 pm on Wednesday nights.

TYC mourns the death of an early TYC member **Saralee Newell.** Let's keep **Mike Newell** in our prayers as we grieve her loss with him.

Vice Commodore Jim Ilgenfritz will conduct the **November Board Meeting** at 1900 hours (7 pm), Monday, November 12, 2007, at **TYC**, 1196 Harbor Drive at Oak Harbor Marina.

See you at Tammany Yacht Club.

Harley Mc Peek

Here is some information especially for new members but also as a reminder to veteran members. Tammany Yacht Club, www.tammanyyachtclub.org, is a member of The Yachting Club of America, www.ycaol.com, which provides reciprocity with other yacht clubs. TYC is a General Member of the Gulf Yachting Association, www.gya.org, which promotes the sport of yachting and sanctions yacht races from Florida to Texas. TYC is also a member of the United States Sailing Association, www.ussailing.org, which promotes the sport of sailing and establishes The Racing Rules of Sailing which govern yacht races across the United States and ensures compliance with regulations of the International Sailing Federation(ISAF), www.sailing.org. ISAF developed the system of rules and measurement that are used worldwide in sailing events including local races, offshore races, international and Olympic regattas. More information about each of these organizations may be accessed on their websites which are listed above.

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Steak Night By Jim Ilgenfritz

Sandy asked me to write a small article for the Spyglass so I thought I would give you folks an insight as to what goes on for steak night.

It is important for people to sign up by Thursday evening. We order and pick up the ribeyes on Friday morning so we need the count before that. The slabs are anywhere from 12 to 14 lbs. each and we try to cut 12 steaks per slab. Every steak is generally 16 oz. before cooking.



Jim Ilgenfritz Vice Commodore

The steaks are then cut by hand and trimmed. We cut the tails off primarily to cut down on flare-ups and they are 99% fat anyway. After the steaks are cut we use a light dry rub. The rub we use comes from a meat market in Houston, TX that J.B.'s father discovered years ago. We get the rub in 5 lb. bags so we have plenty. The steaks are then packed in aluminum trays and put back in the refrigerator.

About 1 hour before the steaks are to be put on the grill, they are removed from the refrigerator and allowed to come to room temperature. At about 7 p.m., the first batch of steaks are put on the grill. We try to put about 12 steaks on each grill at a time. It takes about 10 minutes per batch. The steaks are then removed from the grill and allowed to rest in the serving trays for about 5 minutes.

Bon appetite!

Bonus question:

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Answer:

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Well, here we are with fall just around the corner and life back to normal pretty much! The First Mates are planning their annual Halloween event, Go For The Ghoul! I am sure it is going to be great fun! Be sure to check your Spy Glass and web sight for the details. I know everyone has been pretty busy these days, but for some who have not been to the club lately, we have had some wonderful Friday night dinners, a wine tasting and of course our memorable Steak nights! The Bill Watson races are still going on and are a success! If you would like to join a crew for some fun competition, help our committee boat crew, or just be a spectator come on over to the club on Wednesday evenings at 5 pm. The burger plates after the races are awesome! There are a few faces we miss around our comfortable club so when you get a message from our terrific staff person Brenda McCoy maybe she can persuade you to come on over! Your support is vital to our success! Our past commodores Barry Statia and Jeff Hebert have taken on the task of organizing the volunteer crew for LPRC, which is the last weekend of October. (26th-28th) so if you want to help please give them a call! Yacht clubs all over thrive and grow the most when their members are actively participating and I know Tammany will shine for many more years!

See you at the club!

Your club manager, DodieJones 985-710-3445 I









Carl and Nancy Ritzmann had a special birthday surprise for Carl's mother, Ada Ritzmann on her 80th birthday. Happy Birthday Ada!



Alan Coulter celebrated his 60th birthday with a big party at TYC. Shown here are the Coulter's neice, Pat Travis, Emilie and Alan.

DON'T FORGET.....

The first Friday night of each month is **Birthday Night**. If you have a birthday during the month, come on out and let us help you celebrate it.

If you have a birthday this month and you are not on the list, please let Sandy McPeek know.

HAPPY OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS!

- 4 MICHAEL STARR
- 5 LARRY WHITED
- 9 JUDY KONOS
- 10 K.T. PORTER
- 15 KEVIN JORDAN
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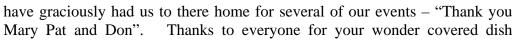




Ahoy from the First Mates Corner – Nancy Ritzmann

First Mates had their regular board meeting on 6 September, 2007. Final plans were made for the "Annual Pool Party & General FM Meeting".

Weather could not have been more beautiful for the "FM's Annual Pool Party & General Membership Meeting", held at the home of Mary Pat and Don Landry. The Landry's





contributions. Most of our guy's joined us after lunch to sit around the pool to tell jokes and exchange conversation which we are a very good at doing. Sandy we were very pleased that you brought yet another sister "Jan" – we certainly did enjoy meeting her and hope to see her again.

During our meeting we covered several hot items that are on our calendar for the remainder of the year as follows:

1. October 20 - "GO for the GHOUL" This is played much like a "Poker Run".

Price: \$15 per collection of Ghouls (a collection is 5)

Time: 4:00-7:00pm - Starting at TYC and Ending at TYC / other stops will be announced later.

You can play by car or by boat.

- 2. **October 27 "LPRC Breakfast"** First Mates will be serving breakfast for the race. We need volunteers to help purchase breakfast foods, cooks, servers and cleanup crew.
- 3. December 6 "Christmas Tree Trimming"

Time: 6:30 - Trim the Tree and enjoy Happy Hour with Friends.

4. December 8 - "First Mates Annual Christmas Party/General Membership and Election"

Time: 12:00pm Where: TYC

Meat and Soft Drinks will be provided by the "FM's". Please bring a nice wrapped gift for exchange not to exceed \$20.

First Mates will continue with the "Game Night" on Thursday nights. Bring your favorite game or come play cards.

Any question about becoming a First Mate please call Nancy Ritzmann @ 985-641-8618.

TYC First Mates Board of Directors

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First Mates Pool Party was, as always, a lot of fun. For those of you who couldn't make it and those of you who are not First Mates, you missed a lot of good food and a great party.





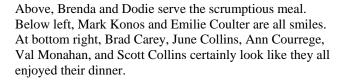
LOBSTER NIGHT.....



Beverly and Burt prepare for a great TYC Lobster Night (left). Below, Carol and Larry Whited look on as Burt dangles a lobster over the boiling pot.

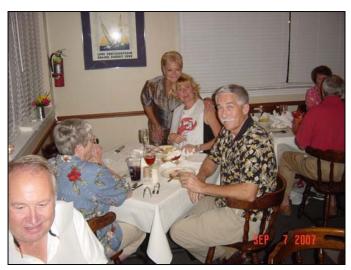


















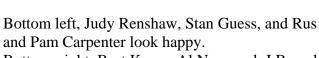


Top left are Martin Smith, Ann Correge, Dottie David and Bubba Groce.

Top right are Lee Jones and Brad Carey.

Center left, Mary and Glenn O'Rourke enjoy dinner with Carol and Larry Whited.

Below right are Jan and Harold Pecunia.



Bottom right, Burt Kemp, Al Normand, J.B. and Jim Ilgenfritz, and Beverly Stubblefield all seem busy enjoying a great dinner.







Lake Pontchartrain Racing Circuit (LPRC)

As most of you already know, this is one of the premier yacht racing events of the year for clubs on the lake. And it is exciting from any point of view, just come up to the club October 26-28 to catch racing fever. Barry Statia is in charge of the party aspect of the race (the best part from my point of view, course I'm a little partial to dry land and dry clothes!). It really is fun to get involved in selling tickets, setting up the club, getting ready for the party, viewing some of the great racing boats from the balcony, getting a chance to mingle with some really great sailors, or just enjoying the excitement of being close to a big competitive event. It sure would be fun to get some spectator boats out there too!

I have a couple of stories about past LPRC's, it just seems to be the time of year for creating stories. One year, John Horton took a group of us out on his power boat to watch the buoy rounding when there was a sail change from genoa to spinnaker. (That's the best place to hear some really great yelling and cursing!) He brought his son and a friend, and they must have thought that racing sailboats was as fun as watching paint dry (imagine). So, they played with a fender in the water that was being kicked up by the propeller. As I'm sure you can figure out by now, of course the line got wrapped up in the propeller, of course it was polypropylene, and of course John didn't have a sharp knife. Needless to say that was the list time he took us out . . .

TYC has several members that participate on the overall race committee for LPRC, and for 3 years Jim was on the committee. He was responsible for coming up with the design, and fabrication of posters and shirts. The first year was pretty easy, we went to the same place we always went, came up with the idea of stylized sails crossing, added some color, and that was that. It never was as easy after that. The next year (for some reason) everything changed, the artist was "an artist", and didn't want much creative input from anyone. But, nonetheless we ended up with a pretty picture of lots of boats racing, and the artist came to the first skipper's meeting for a special signing and everything. The last one was the most challenging. As prices went up, we were more and more pressed into coming up with something that wasn't real pricey, but that would be something people would want to have as a memento of the race. At that point, Larry Gillio was a member, and conveniently ran a T-shirt shop, but it was in Baton Rouge! So, we had to toss the design back and forth long distance. We used our boat (now Kokopelli) as the model for an overhead design, and I added in the "waves" coming from the bow. I wasn't sure what to think when one of our members went on and on saying that she was sure that the design came from clipart. Was that a compliment or not?

And then there was the year that Jim and I found a kitten in the parking lot Friday night, and chased it (unsuccessfully) from car to car. The next day Val and I both showed up with food and water to lure it out as it went from one engine to another, always a mad dash leap in front of us. The t-shirt guy grabbed the kitten, thrust her at me, and now we have our little Molly cat as a memento of LPRC.

Then of course there is the Knot and Shot contest, but I think I'll let you see that for yourselves!

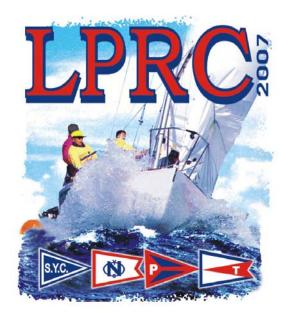
So, come enjoy your club for LPRC! Kelley Richardt

Thank you to Burt Kemp for his donation of salad dressing identification labels and serving tongs for the kitchen.



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TYC LPRC Schedule

Friday, 26 October: 1930: Skipper's Meeting plus a

Cat Fish Fry

Saturday, 27 October: 0730: Breakfast for members

and sailors plus hand out lunches for the sailors

Saturday, 27 October: 1600: LPRC Party to include

raffle, band (which starts at 1800) & Bushwackers.

Sunday, 28 October: 0730: Breakfast plus handout

of lunches.

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Even if the Saints didn't have a good evening, this group had a great one!

Shown are Kyle Bowser, Val Monahan, Jim Ilgenfritz, Wayne Russ, Martin Smith Ann Courrege, Scott Collins, Jeff Hebert, Carl Ritzmann, Gilda Green, Nancy Ritzmann, June Collins, Harley McPeek, Danny Green, J.B. Ilgenfritz, Bubba Groce, and Roger Toups.

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Kelley Richardt has been the SpyGlass editor for almost three years. Now, her work load is such that she cannot continue to be our editor. She has done an amazing job of making our newsletter informative and interesting. Thank you Kelley for your time and efforts!

Now it is someone else's turn to be of service to your club. Please consider taking on this very essential job. All you need is a computer and working knowledge of Microsoft Word. The format is already laid out for printing. It's actually fun to move things around to create a unique publication each month.

I will continue to fill in the gap until the end of 2007 OR until someone volunteers. I would prefer it to be sooner than later though as my plate is pretty full. Please contact me at 985-649-6681 or smcpeek@charter.net if you are willing to serve.



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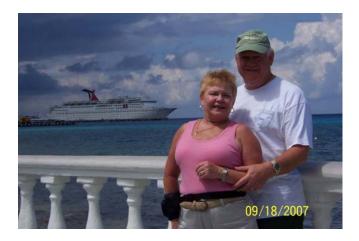




VIVA MEXICO!

By June Collins

From Sept 15 to Sept 20th, TYC was much quieter than usual. About 28 (check this number with Gilda) members, friends, relatives and assorted folks went to Mobile to board the "Carnival's Good Ship Holiday". I believe all were hoping for a better cruise than the notorious 3 hour cruise of TV fame. Many met in the TYC lot to caravan to Alabama, others met up onboard and there was one couple who waited until the last minute (sort of) to board - not mentioning any names (Ann and Martin). The first evening, we were able to learn the Saint's score - not very pretty. The ports of call were Progreso and Cozumel, Mexico. We asked all over but no one was able to direct us to the soup factory in Progreso - we really couldn't understand the confusion, perhaps it was lost in translation. There was lots of things to do both on and off the ship - most of it involved eating and drinking. Brenda and Phil went snorkeling at both ports. Gilda and Duke learned to be chefs - OK so maybe not real ones but they did come back with the appropriate headgear - did I mention eating and drinking? A few went sightseeing to Mayan ruins, lots of shopping was done, eating was a hoot both onboard and in town. Aboard ship, there was an interesting version of what we all know and love as bacon - this was some part of a turkey processed into a bacon facsimile. Hmmmmm. A few members of our "team" stayed up late and danced the night away. Did I mention eating and drinking????? We all had great fun at the shows on board and some got lucky in the casino. I believe Gilda was being pestered to do a repeat trip before the ship got back to port in Mobile. I also believe she may be willing to do it again......





























F.Y.I....

The Lipton Regatta and The Gulf Yachting Association

(from 87th Sir Thomas Lipton Challenge program by Buccaneer Yacht Club)

Sir Thomas J. Lipton, born 1850 in Glasgow, Scotland, was a self-made man, merchant, and yachtsman. He created the famous Lipton Tea brand and was the most persistent challenger in the history of the America's Cup.

In 1865 Lipton signed up as a cabin boy and sailed from Glasgow to the U.S., where he spent five years working and traveling the country.



He worked as an accountant and bookkeeper at a South Carolina rice plantation, as a door-to-door salesman in New Orleans, a farmhand in New Jersey, and as a grocery assistant in New York. He returned to Glasgow in 1870 to open his first provision shop - Lipton's Market, which was successful and soon Lipton established a chain of groceries, which expanded throughout Britain. He began to acquire tea plantations and to process and package his own Lipton Tea brand. Lipton was well on his way to accumulating the fortune that made him the most generous sportsman in the history of America's Cup racing.

Sir Thomas was loved and respected for his sportsmanship as, one by one, all five of his SHAMROCKs were defeated in the America's Cup. He came to be adored by the American people who regarded him as a great sportsman. In honor of his great sportsmanship, the American people presented Sir Thomas with the "Gold Loving Cup" after his fifth failed quest for the America's Cup. Lipton would travel the world and present glorious trophies to dozens of yacht-racing events.

In 1919 on the occasion of their Seventieth Anniversary, and admiring the great progress of the yacht club, Sir Thomas J. Lipton presented Southern Yacht Club with a magnificent silver trophy to be competed for among clubs of the Gulf Coast. Pensacola Yacht Club holds the honor of successfully challenging in the first sailing for the Lipton Challenge Cup. Lipton's gift would have a lasting impact for it became the impetus for the formation of the Gulf Yachting Association (GYA).

In the fall of 1920, a plan to form a yachting association was presented at a dinner honoring Lipton Cup Winner, Pensacola Yacht Club, at the Battle House Hotel in Mobile, Alabama. Delegates representing five clubs from different states came together to form what is now the GYA: Eastern Shore Yacht Club of Mobile, Alabama (Mobile Yacht Club); Southern Yacht Club of New Orleans, Louisiana; Biloxi Yacht Club of Mississippi; Pensacola Yacht Club of Florida; and the Launch Club of Houston, Texas (Houston Yacht Club). These clubs became charter members of the Gulf Yachting Association.

The Gulf Yachting Association, now 33 general member clubs strong, continues the annual competition for the Lipton Trophy.



October, 2007								
MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY SUNDAY								
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		7:00pm Bill Watson Fall Series	6:30pm Happy Hour & Game Night 7:00pm First Mates Board Meeting	7:00pm Friday Dinner - Pecan crusted catfish and Birthday Night	TBD Commodore's Cup	1:00pm Saints		
8	9	10	11	12	13	14		
6:30pm Long Range Planning Committee 7:00pm TYC Board Meeting		7:00pm Bill Watson Fall Series 7:00pm USCG Auxiliary	6:30pm Happy Hour & Game Night	7:00pm Friday Dinner - Crawfish stuffed brisket	7:00am Pearson Work Party	8:15pm Saints		
15	16	17	18	19	20	21		
22	23	7:00pm Bill Watson Fall Series 24	6:30pm Happy Hour & Game Night.	7:00pm Friday Night Dinner - Steak night! (no fish)	1:00pm First Mates GO FOR THE GHOUL PARTY	1:00pm Saints 28		
		7:00pm Bill Watson Fall Series	6:30pm Happy Hour & Game Night.	8:00pm LPRC Skipper Mtg 7:00pm Catfish Dinner Night	7:30am LPRC Breakfast 4:00pm LPRC Party	7:30am LPRC Breakfast 4:15pm Saints		
29	30	31	1 November 6:30pm Happy Hour & Game Night 7:00pm First Mates Board Meeting		3	1:00pm Saints		
5	6	7	6:30pm Happy Hour Game Night.	7:00pm Friday Night Dinner	10	1:00pm Saints		



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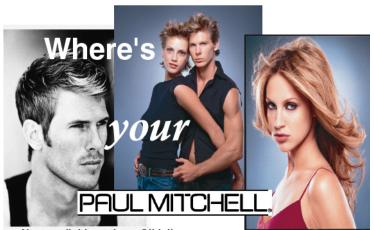




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