

Tammany Yacht Club

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1196 Harbor Drive, Slidell, LA

July 2010

Junior's Sailing Camp

This was not an easy task for these young Juniors, their day started at 9:00 and end between 3:30 or 4:00 five days a week for two weeks. They had both classroom instruction and on the water instruction from certified sailing instructors.



Back row (left to right): Instructor Elliott Bowser, Jonathan Bauer, Head Instructor Sophia Griscom, Trey Harkins, Instructor Matt Perret. Middle row (left to right): Freddy Richardson, Olivia Csaki, Cole Vallelugno, Colt Karam, Evan Cuccia, Kale Ruano, Jackson Bauer. Front Row (left to right): Arianna Boyer, Georgia Karam, Carson, Karam, Madiason Clem, Basil Ruano, Hagan Harkins.

The two Berault boys (Josh and Jake) had already left but were also in Session 1.



First week of Junior's Sailing Camp – Chief Instructor Sophia Griscom is in her classroom Instructor mode.



There's always an instructor in a power boat to guide the Junior's along the way.



Commodore's Corner

Our first Commodore and Honorary Life Member, **Guy Geller**, has informed us that we are approaching the 30th Anniversary of Tammany Yacht Club on July 25th. It was discussed (at the bar) and decided we would have a celebration. On Sunday, July 25th we would invite all past Commodores for whom we have an address. Please mark your calendars. **Guy Geller and Pat** will definitely be there. More info later.

On July 3rd, Saturday, **Phil Vehorn** has invited us to his home at 230 Marlin Drive in Rigolets Estates, for a Members Only Party. If you have house guests they're also invited. Phil has promised us a First Class Party. Boat dockage will be available. I'm not sure of the controlling depth. You might have to anchor out and come in your dinghy. (Kyle, notice the spelling of *dinghy*.) 😊

We're also having a celebration on the 4th of July at the Club beginning at 4 PM with music and covered dishes. **Tom Smith** and I are contributing three racks of ribs each. Call the Club – or better yet – come by the Club to sign up to bring some goodies... there will be plenty of ribs! If I get especially weak, I will make my sometimes famous banana pudding with meringue topping. I'm told it's exceptionally good. You might want to try it before tasting anything else to see if you agree!

Kyle Bowser and Val Monahan (now Bowser) got hitched in Mexico! After many questions from Kyle, I assured him that their marriage **was** legal! We'll drink a champagne toast to Kyle and Val on the 4th of July at 4 PM.

Kevin Blank has agreed to put together some pictures and a narrative of the race to Isla Mujeres for presentation in mid-July or August.

New member, **Michael Bauer**, has traded us a 16' Hobie Cat for enrolling his 2 sons in the first session of Youth Camp and a TYC membership initiation fee.

Speaking of Youth Camp – the Juniors Program is a smashing success! First session is finished and the 2nd and 3rd sessions sold out. The kids have loved it! If you hesitated, you might get a second chance. A possible 4th session is being considered depending on

the availability of the instructors. This 4th session would be held on July 26th to August 6th.

The campers and their families are invited for family sailing and burgers held on the second Wednesday of the session. (The 2nd session will be Wednesday, June 30th and the 3rd session will be on Wednesday, July 21st.) Kyle and Val Monahan will again have a special treat for the campers just as they did for the 1st session. On Thursday July 1st, the 2nd session campers, after a cruise to the Bowser home, will enjoy a Pool Party.

My apologies to the members who have noticed the residual effects of our youngsters' energy. Kids will be kids. **Sophie**, our Chief Instructor and **Elliott** and **Matt**, also US Sail Certified Instructors, have done wonders in keeping the Club as tidy as can be expected when you have enthusiastic future sailors on board.

Many thanks to the members who have stepped up to help with the operation of the Club. I'm asking **Bobby Tassin** to write Thank You's and a description of all the work that has been done by the sailors to make the Juniors Program a success. (This may be next month.) Others who have pitched in the help the Club include **Earl Savoie**, Vice Commodore and House Chairman, has shown up at nearly all of the first session to help, in addition to keep the Club running, plus being a great cook on most Friday nights. **Joe Sexton** has been great in finding needs of the Club and solving them. **Tom Smith** is responding to all the inquiries about sailing and Juniors Program. **Mark Poole** and **Joe Sexton** are cooking burgers Wednesday night recording a "most ever" number of 64 burgers on Wednesday, June 16th when the Juniors and the parents visited the Club. **Nancy Ritzmann** is doing an excellent job with the SpyGlass. Through the efforts of **Sandy Stone** we have burgees available. And **Val Monahan Bowser** is always there as President of First Mates. I'm sure I've forgotten a member or more. Please remind me so your contributions can be in the next SpyGlass.

Martin Smith, Commodore



TYC Juniors Update

Bobby Tassin

In a nutshell, the summer program has been a smashing success. We have three sessions and planned for 18 kids in each and we will end up at the point of being a bit overfull! The kids are really learning to sail and are having fun due to a trio of excellent instructors. Led by Sophia Griscom, Elliott Bowser and Matt Perret have come together as a top notch team. They have been supported very well by many TYC members, (I won't try to name them all) who are donating time, boats, equipment, skills and money. Thank each and every one of you who are making the summer program a success and building TYC up in the process. Working every weekend in the nice cool air of early summer is also sort of a weight loss program.

The Flying Scot is now almost fully refurbished! I must point out the fiberglass work done by Mike Parks and Kevin Blank, the like-new trailer provided by Mark Palermo and the woodwork done by Scot Collins to reconfigure the trailer for the Scot. Kevin and Tom were going through the rigging and in the process of getting a few new lines and blocks to get her ready to sail. She could be on the water the week of June 28th.

The Wednesday night renegade races are continuing and rumor has that the Heineken chute may fly again. The second Wednesday of every Juniors session is an official invitational to get some of the Juniors and their parents out racing and back to TYC for burgers. Kyle and Val are hosting the Jr sailors for a cruise over and pool party on the second Thursday of each session. We will take a break for the week after July 4th and session three will begin on July 12th.



Instructor Sophia is herding the Juniors in after on the water lesson's.



They are learning how to maneuver around the mark.



What a beautiful sight for the resident's on Marina drive.



Elliott Bowser and Matt Perret Certified Instructor's direct Junior's to their dinghies for on the water training.



Day is Over.....



Instructors are giving hands sail rigging – don't these Junior's ever get to rest.....



Teacher – Teacher I know..... The instructors really know how to keep them interested while they learn.



Thunder and lightning brought us inside to view sailing videos. Instructors would throw out questions to us during the video to ensure that we were paying attention.



Wild Card returning on Wednesday night after taking Juniors out sailing. Thanks Rob Keister and Crew.



Natural Stone Jewelry Party!

Carol Whited – First Mates VP

Calling all members of the TYC First Mates and friends, who love jewelry. Candy Sanchez of Bedico, LA, will present a very special grouping of natural stone jewelry with the seashore and nautical designs in mind. In her spare time, Candy creates each piece that is unique and elegant and is also casual at the same time. She uses natural stones such as jaspers, agates, coral, turquoise, freshwater pearls, Mother of Pearl, and Abalone. Many of her pieces use Swarovski Crystals and semi-precious stones such as Garnet and Amethyst.

On Thursday, July 15th at 7:00 P.M. in the dining room at the club, she will talk about the different stones, where they came from, and about some of the made-to-order pieces she can create such as Mothers bracelets and grandmothers necklaces. All of her pieces are one of a kind. She endeavors not to make any two pieces exactly alike. She can design any piece or a set to match that special outfit that you haven't been able to match. One of the special pieces you will see are for our Red Hat sisters with their red and purple. Other unusual pieces are from carved seashells. Candy also enjoys refurbishing old or vintage pieces, if it is within her realm of expertise. Candy will be happy to discuss any special request for custom pieces that you might have in mind, and if you looking for a very specific color, bring along an item with that color to try to match. Candy also makes matching bracelets and earrings for most of her pieces. She can also make clips instead for those of us who don't have pierced ears. Most, but not all, are in sterling silver. Prices are very reasonable and if you want a preview of one of her designs, ask Carol Whited to show you an example.

Girls, bring your friends and neighbors, who knows, we might make a new member for our club. If you have any questions, please call Carol Whited at 985-718-4215 or 985-290-0567

Spring Racing is Over but the Burgers Will Continue



Or, in the words (not quite yet immortal but I'm sure he's working on it) of Commodore Martin Smith: "Keep on burgering".

As we move from the spring racing series to Junior Sailing Camp, burgers grilled to order and the trimmings will continue to be offered on Wednesday evenings from 6:30pm to 9:30pm. Please plan to continue to come out on Wednesday evenings, bring family and friends, and enjoy a drink, a burger, a sunset, and a nice time with other TYC members and the Junior Sailing Camp participants and their families.

A special invitation is extended to all of the participants in the Junior Sailing Camp sessions and their parents and other family members to join us on Wednesday evenings. It's an opportunity for participants and families to interact with each other, Sailing Camp instructors, and TYC members.



Apparition is underway with many of the Junior Sailors and their parents for a little Wednesday night sailing. Thanks to the Harkins family. Then back to TYC for "Burgers" by Joe Sexton and Mark Poole – Thanks guys.



Comments from Member's about the Junior Sailing returning to TYC:

"Folks,

We want to add our congratulations to all those members and friends who have contributed time, materials and expertise in beginning our new Juniors Sailing Program. We know of several folks who have been instrumental in formulating the program and implementing it. In addition to the members who are so generous with their time and energy, we understand that there are TYC "angels" who sponsored some of the youngsters also.

We have a friend of ours, whose son was enrolled in the second session, tell us that her son was so excited about the program after the first meeting that he wanted to enroll in two sessions, instead of only one. He asked her to please cancel the family plan to go to the beach during the first session so he could enroll. How about that – sounds like when word gets out, people will be requesting reservations for next year. Great work – keep it up. This is like a breath of fresh air and the best thing we can think of since we joined in 1994.

June and Scott Collins"

4 Rcondo

5 Grace

It's time to start thinking about solidifying our Capdevielle team. Over the past few weekends a huge amount of work has gone into getting the Flying Scot back into shape and I'm happy to announce with just a little more work, she's ready to go racing. Anyone who's interested in some serious one-design racing should contact me at kblank@gmail.com. We're looking for skippers and crew. This is a learning experience for everyone so don't be afraid to step up!

RACING RESULTS and NEWS

Kevin Blank

Even though that June marked the end of our official Spring racing schedule, there's still a lot happening at the club. Wednesday nights you still find sailors heading out to the lake to race in our unofficial "Renegade" series. No race committee, just skippers running around fixed marks. It's a great time to practice or get a ride on a boat you don't normally ride on. Just be at the dock by 6pm to hop on someone's boat!

Wed. Night Series 2 results:

Non-Spin:

- 1 Blown Circuit
- 2 Apparition
- 3 Sampaguita

Spin:

- 1 Wildcard
- 2 Weather Witch
- 3 Good Groceries



Friday Night Dinners

Don't forget to sign up early for Friday Night Dinners! We've got some good ideas for different dinners coming up soon, so keep your eyes peeled. If you do make a reservation for any of our special events and something comes up, please make sure to cancel your reservation before the cutoff time for the event. If you make a reservation and don't show up for the event, your account will be charged.

Friday Night Dinner Menu For July 2010

- July 2:** **Copeland's Restaurant - Shrimp & Tasso Pasta, Salad, Bread and Birth Day Cake.**
- July 9:** **To Be Announced Later.**
- July 23:** **To Be Announced Later.**
- July 30:** **Steak night: Choice of Rib eye, Filet, Salmon or Tuna – salad, baked potato and dessert.**
\$19.00

July Birthday's to be celebrated

Friday 2 July 2010 before the Friday Night Dinner

**4 HETTY BARNES
7 DODIE JONES
11 GLORIA POOLE
14 EARL SAVOIE
17 DORIS BURVANT
28 BARRY STATIA**



Nancy Ritzmann celebrated her birthday with a young man this year that was visiting – JB Ilgenfritz was on a Motor Coach trip with JimBo.



Look out Carl you may get replaced by a “Young Boy”



New Members

Our new members are:

Fred Richardson III, wife Julie, children Annabel and Freddie.

Michel Bauer, wife Dee, children Jonathan and Jackson.

Andrew Bautsch.

Look around, introduce yourself and introduce them to everyone around you.

Member Updates

Bob Blanchard had a heart bypass on May 28th, Mary has had him up to the club for dinner and to mix and mingle. Everyone wish him well and welcome him to the “Zipper Club”. He should be entering a regular exercise program soon.

Ann Courrage is recovering well from recent surgery. Her trip with Commodore Martin to the Islands to visit with her son, daughter-in-law and two grand babies probably helped get her back in shape.

June Collins is doing quite well as she says “almost perfect”. Glad you are doing better.

Val ‘now’ Bowser has made a couple of trips to MD Anderson in Houston. She will be visiting her local Oncologist to start additional treatment.

Keep our entire membership in your prayers.

Please call me (Nancy Ritzmann) with any updates you may have on any of our members so when can contact them. 504-577-3023

Editor’s Note

I would like to thank everyone for you pictures and your articles for this addition. As times goes on the layout should get better. Thanks to Brian Jenkins for lending me a hand with the layout suggestions, I am don’t have things where I want them yet.

If you have suggestions please send them tycspyglass@gmail.com.

Nancy Ritzmann



Highlighted July Events at TYC

- Saturday, July 3rd - 3 PM to 7 PM (and continuing) -
Music, Food, Spirits, and Swimming - Phil Vehorn cordially invites you to attend a party for Tammany Yacht Club members and their house guests at his home at 230 Marlin Drive, Rigolets Estates, Slidell, Louisiana. Reservations must be made With the Club Manager, Cali MacNeil - 504-496-4352 or with Martin Smith – 985-774-4002.
- Sunday, July 4th – 4pm till - ***TYC Fourth of July Party and Flag Raising Ceremony*** at 4pm to be followed immediately by a champagne toast to our newlyweds Kyle and Val Bowser. Tom Smith and Martin Smith are bringing 3 racks of ribs each. Please bring a dish (check with Cali Mac Neil to see what might be needed).
- Sunday, July 25th – 3pm to 7pm – ***TYC 30th Anniversary Party*** - Music by “Here’s Johnny” - Dress Casual - Hors D’Oevres . Please RSVP if planning to attend by calling TYC AT 985-649-5222

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Don' forget that on Thursdays (and now Saturdays as well), your second drink is free and hors d'oeuvres are occasionally served. Also, be sure to sign up for Friday night dinners by Thursday evening and cancel if you can't make it to avoid a penalty.

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