



## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

October 15, 2010

### Board of Director's Election

The nominating committee is pleased to announce the slate of candidates for the 2011 TYC Board of Directors:

**Slate of Candidates  
for the  
Tammany Yacht Club Board of Directors  
for 2011**

Commodore	Carl Ritzmann
Vice Commodore	Kevin Blank
Rear Commodore	Tom Smith
Treasurer	Larry Whited
Secretary	Joe Sexton

Members at Large Listed Alphabetically

(Three to be elected):

Michael Bauer

Rob Keister

Mark Poole

Kathleen Scherer

Sandy Stone (Incumbent)

The election will be held at the quarterly membership meeting on Oct 15, 2010 in accordance with the By-Laws.

Voting must be done **in person and at TYC** with the following member classifications eligible to vote: Active, Charter and Honorary Life. If you are not sure which classification applies to you check with a Board member.

The ballots, instructions and ballot box will be available in the club starting two weeks prior to the election for the convenience of members who will be absent from the election. Note that there are no mail in ballots. Regular balloting will begin at 5 p.m. and will end at 8 p.m.. When you vote, please follow the instructions. **NO HANGING CHAD!** The process used will insure that you are eligible and that your ballot remains private.

**Thank you, The Nominating Committee**



# Commodore's Corner

At the beginning of October 2009 Harley McPeck gave me a letter from Tracy Warren St. Amour, Vice President of Warren Properties, ordering the Club to remove the containers from their property within 10 days. Requests were made for extensions and pleadings for the needs of the Juniors Program. I was successful in getting an extension but not the right to put up a fence that would hide the containers. On October 27<sup>th</sup> I offered to fly to California at my own expense to better explain the Clubs position. Carl Ritzmann and I discovered Ms. St. Amour was coming to the complex in December. She granted our request to meet with her in Slidell. Bobby Tassin and I met with her on December 2, 2009. At that time she granted us the right to erect the fence provided we move the containers behind the fence.

This news was relayed to the sailors and they jumped on board with energy and assisted in building the fence and moving the containers inside the fenced area. Bobby Tassin contacted and hired Sophie Griscom as head instructor. Bobby made his Optimist Pram available. Carl and Nancy Ritzmann donated an Optimist Pram to the Club. John Harkins, with the help of Kevin Blank, located and purchased eight Optimist Prams with a trailer for use of the TYC Juniors Sailing Program. Sophie is a graduate of the US Sailing Program and has multiple years experience teaching sailing. Kyle Bowser, his son Elliott, and Elliott's friend Matt took the US Sail course so that we would have a total of four instructors available. The launch had been completed and everything was in readiness for the school.

The school started with three 2-week sessions planned. Both sessions were filled by the children of members and others who wanted their children to learn how to sail. On the second day of classes the Junior Sailors, ages 6 to 15, were able to tack into the wind! Many observers from the condos surrounding the lagoon enjoyed watching these future Olympic sailors. The excitement generated by these Junior Sailors resulted in a phenomenal increase in people wanting to join the Club.

Last month I made a statement which offended some of the sailors. I truly apologize. It was the timeless efforts and boats of these sailors which contributed greatly to the success of this program.

Our new member, Rob Keister, has taken Junior Members to regattas at Bay Waveland and Pontchartrain. The Club's Flying Scott which was revived through the efforts of several sailors was entered in the same regattas.

TYC now has sailors, RV members, power boaters, and Junior Members. The revived interest in sailing now shows an additional need for boat and launching gear. Rob has said that the most pressing need is to have the ability to launch the Flying Scott.

The needs are many and the funds are few! The Gulf Yachting Association has a subsidiary that can accept either boats or cash for the benefit of our Juniors Program which is deductible by the donor from their tax return. I have gathered information and have available forms and contacts to expedite any gifts.

Thanks to all of the sailors who contributed so much to the Juniors Program resulting in a stronger Tammany Yacht Club!

Martin Smith,  
Commodore



## News from TYC First Mates Peggy Stone

TYC First Mates know how to party! Val and Kyle Bowser's home and pool provided the ideal setting for the 2010 Pool Party. The kitchen was a hub of activity with First Mates setting up a lovely luncheon of Val's yummy baked ham and all the fixins' prepared by members. Although dark clouds surrounded the house, only a few drops of rain dared make an appearance.

The General Meeting was called to order to dispense with all that business stuff (hungry members and good food waiting make for a quick meeting). Many important issues were discussed. Thanks to all club members for the support shown in raising funds for the Juniors room. The Challenge Board has generated funds to provide a good environment for the kids. The game system and flat screen TV are a big hit, but old fashioned board games and movie night, complete with popcorn, are providing a safe, fun atmosphere for our member's children. Another work in progress is a way to monitor the room: via web cam, video monitor, or perhaps a one way glass insert for the door.

A nominating committee was selected to form a new board for the 2011 year. Members of the committee are June Collins, Dodie Jones and Nancy Ritzmann. Their expertise and dedication will insure a continuation of this year's hard work.

Another fund raising success has been Burger Night for Wednesday night races. When First Mates provide the side dishes, we are earning \$1 per burger!! Thanks for the volunteer efforts of Joe Sexton and Mark Poole for their devotion to grilling, setting up and cleaning. First Mates will be using the funds to make some improvements to the club. Suggestions are new fans for the back porch, an update to the clubs' sound system, a stable stand for the BIG screen TV donated by the Ward family, as well as fine tuning the Juniors room.

This would not be possible without support. Wednesday night side dish people are needed. Sign up at the bar for a date to provide something. Suggestions are: potato salad, French fries, baked beans, pasta dishes, coleslaw or any side that goes

with burgers (and beer). The sailors come off the water starving!

The funds we are getting from this event are providing extras around the club for everyone to enjoy. Bring the family for a night out of the kitchen. Burgers start around 6:30 and continue until the boats quit rolling in from the races. Come out to show support for First Mates and TYC.

### UPCOMING FIRST MATES EVENT

First Mates will be sponsoring a Decades Dance. Dress up in the style of the decade that you attended high school and come dance to music from that era. Something for everyone - let's get creative here. Have a special high school picture, bring it so we can guess who's who!, a favorite song - let us know, brush up on your era dance - swing, twist, slide, pony and moon-walk the night away.



## Wednesday Evening Racing and Burgers go Together

**“Burgers” by Joe Sexton and Mark Poole – Thanks guys.**



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

Even if you don’t race come up for a burger and see the Racer’s come in at the TYC Dock. Burgers begin from 6:30pm to 9:30pm. Bring family and friends to enjoy a burger, a drink and the sunset.

## RACING NEWS

**Kevin Blank**

### Wednesday Night Racing

Currently we are three races into our six race Fall series and things have proven very interesting. We've had a good turnout with ten boats almost every night. The weather has been good, giving the fleet some decent wind to sail in on our short course. Wayne Jablonowski has been causing some waves in the non-spinnaker division with his recently purchased Tartan 10. In spinnaker, we have a three-way tie for first place between Kokopelli, Weather Witch and Wildcard. It is anybody's game for the next three races of the series.

We would like to thank Gary Knight and his crew for their work setting up the course and taking times. Their effort is invaluable to our racing program and we should all take a moment to shake their hand. We would also like to thank Bobby Tassin and his crew for their help on setting the course and windward mark. Bobby selflessly volunteers his boat for race committee, coach boat or team boat for Capdevielle and makes all of our lives a lot easier.

## Upcoming Races

October 2nd will be our Leen Polderman Regatta. Racing will start at 10am with two races scheduled. This is the fourth race in our club series. All club members are invited to race and get scored for the Club Championship.

October 9th is our Single-Handed Against the Lake. If you would like to try your hand at short-handed sailing, register online at [www.TammanyYachtClub.org](http://www.TammanyYachtClub.org).

October 29th, 30th and 31st is LPRC. We're not hosting it this year, but we are still very much involved. If you haven't had a chance, please go register at [www.SailLPRC.org](http://www.SailLPRC.org). We would really like to see a strong Tammany showing this year.

November 13th is TYC's Commodores Cup. This is the last races in our club series and after the racing we will be presenting the awards for Club Championship. Put it on your calendar!



Bobby Tassin and Crew Elliot Bowser, Karl Boehm, Sandy Stone, Kevin Blank and Meredith Enxing leaving Bay-Waveland Yacht Club during the 2010 Lipton Cup that TYC participated in for the first time since before Hurricane Katrina. Thanks to everyone for your help to make this a success for TYC.





## 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

October 2010

- Oct 8: No dinner – Club Rental
- Oct 15: **Membership Meeting** – Election of Board Members –
- Oct 22: **Steak night:** Choice of Rib eye, Filet, Salmon or Tuna – salad, baked potato and dessert. \$19.00
- Oct 29: Meat Loaf Mashed, potatoes, green beans, salad and dessert. \$10.00

### October Birthday's to be Celebrated

**Friday 1, 2010 before the Friday Night Dinner**

**Please show up for Birthday night if you are not listed below and you're "BD" is in October**

- 2 Lynn Robbins
- 5 Larry Whited
- 7 Kathy Folse
- 15 Kevin Jordan
- 16 Sandy McPeck
- 22 Kelley Richardt
- 23 Sylvia Savoie
- 25 Mary Pat Landry
- 27 Pam Carpenter
- 28 Rae Ann Normand
- 31 Dottie David
- 31 Oliver Soule

## September Birthday Celebrants

**On Hand**

**September 3, 2010**



Carl Ritzmann, Ada Ritzmann and Martin Smith



Guy Geller was celebrating his birthday too. Guy we hope we have the phone problem solved so we can pick-up your reservations for dinner the next time. We are very sorry for the inconvenience to you, Pat and your guests.



## **“Commodore’s Triple Bash” The Commodore’s Party The Commodore’s 75<sup>th</sup> Birthday The Commodore’s Irish Wake September 11, 2010**

Martin you really know how to throw a party, there’s nothing like having “Three” parties in one. For those of you that are not sure what an “Irish Wake” is, the best person to tell you is none other than the “Master-of-Ceremonies” **Joe Sexton**.

### **What Constitutes An Irish Wake By Joe Sexton**

An Irish wake is a traditional custom in Ireland where family and friends gather to mourn the passing of a loved one. It is often held in the home of the deceased. The wake is a celebration of the life of the deceased and is often a mixture of gaiety and sadness.

Shortly after death occurs, the female family elders gather to prepare the body, which is then “laid out”, often in the living room or family room of the home. The deceased is typically dressed in white and the body is shaved.

All clocks must be stopped as close to the time of death as possible. All mirrors should be covered or turned to face the wall.

One of the windows in the room must be opened so that the spirit of the deceased may easily leave the room. People are instructed not to position themselves between the body of the deceased and the open window so as not to block the exit of the spirit. After some time has passed, the window is closed to prevent the spirit from returning to the body of the deceased.

When the body of the deceased has been prepared, “keening” begins. Keening is a low, mournful sound that is made by the mourners, especially by the females. It is a traditional form of lamentation.

An Irish wake is a cause for celebration because the deceased is in a better place in the afterlife. The keening is followed by lengthy sessions of music,

dancing, and telling stories about the deceased that involve happy times, triumphs, and even tall tales. Sometimes card games are played and a hand is included for the deceased. Food and drink are shared throughout this period.

An Irish wake usually lasts for at least 24 hours and often for as long as 48 hours or more. During this time, the deceased must never be left alone.



Joe Sexton explains an “Irish Wake” to the audience as Martin is supposed to be dead. As the evening proceeds many of Martin’s friends will tell stories about their experiences with him during his life – some very funny.



Now bare-in-mind Martin should not be making any motions as these stories are being told about him since he is dead, but we all know the attorney part of Martin will come out even when he is “Dead”. Doris, we are not sure what you said to get him started.



Ron Stewart, long time friend tells many stories about he and Martin. Martin – you are finding out maybe more than you really want to know from your friends.



*Looks like all of the ladies were enjoying your Triple Bash!!!*



Martin how did it feel having all these people look after you during your “Irish Wake”? They look like they are having too much fun.



Actually everyone was having a great time.



Marvin and Nina do their part at your “Irish Wake” dancing the night away as you did with them on many occasions during your life.

**JD Deutschmann Celebrated his Birthday at TYC with Family and Friends September 23, 2010.**



*JD the Happy Birthday Boy.....*





**Carl Ritzmann Celebrated his big  
60<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
September 26<sup>th</sup> at TYC**

Carl's Birthday just happened to fall on a Saint's Football Sunday, many of his friends and family joined him to celebrate during and after the game.

*Kathy is looking for JD again – she is ready for him to blow out the candles. By the way Kathy did you really ask JD when he wanted to celebrate his birthday?*



*JD how many times did we have to light those candles before we got a good picture? Mary Ann is going to blow them out for you...*



*JD you know you are not supposed to give children cake this late, she will be up all night – Isn't she a beauty.*



*This is what Carl wanted for his 60<sup>th</sup> – his friends, family and the Saint's Football game. Sorry they lost.*



*Lee are those candles loaded?*





*Nothing like a little Moon-Shine to go with my Heineken.*



*Carl, it looks like the party is starting without you, hurry with the gifts – Your Mom is ready to dance.*



*Kyle is cranking up the music and the party moved outside. **Kyle thanks for the music.***

### Member Updates

**Ann Courrege** Must be doing much better she and Martin are enjoying trips out of the country.

**Bob Blanchard** - is back in the main stream after his by-pass surgery.

**Angela Clem** - Seems to be back to her ole self sailing on Wednesday nights and weekend sailing with the juniors. Hang in there and take care.

**June Collins** –June is doing well, she made her September trip to MD Anderson in Houston for tests. She was given good reports and does not return to Houston until early 2011. What a gal you are.....

**Val Bowser** - As far as what's going on with me, I have completed the protocol of 28 radiation treatments. I'll have a PET scan at MD Anderson on November 1st to see if I am cancer free! It's just a wait and see kind of situation. I'm asking for the prayers to continue - it's such a powerful thing! **You go girl.**

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 or email me at [tycspyglass@gmail.com](mailto:tycspyglass@gmail.com)

### Editor's Note

Thanks everyone for their input for the SPYGLASS, articles and pictures.

Editor: Nancy Ritzmann



# LIPTON 2010 RACE AT BWYC



To the left is our Flying Scott to the right is Bobby and Crew

TYC Flying Scott and Crew after a long day – Thanks guys.

Dee – Tell him what you really think



**Yes IT WILL BE OUR'S ONE YEAR SOON!!!!!!**

Thanks Dave!!!!!!!!!!

Don't get in the way when the race is over!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



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Past Commodore	Jim Ilgenfritz

## Tammany Yacht Club Hours

Monday & Tuesday Closed

Wednesday – Thursday - 5pm to 10pm

Friday – 5pm to 11pm

Saturday 2pm to 11 pm

Sunday – 1pm till 9pm

Club hours may be extended at the direction of the Club Manager or the ranking Board Member

## TYC Committee Chairpersons

Membership	Tom Smith
Entertainment	Ann Courrege
Finance	Carl Ritzmann
First Mates (President)	Val Monahan
House	Earl Savoie
	Wayne Russ
Race Committee	Kevin Blank
GYA Offshore Council	Karl Boehm
GYA One Design	Kevin Blank

Deadline for submission to the SpyGlass  
is the 22th of each month.

Please send your submissions via email  
to

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