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Tammany Yacht Club's Past Commodores at the April General Membership Meeting: Dick Almos, Kyle Bowser, Bill Yauger, Guy Geller, Jim Ilgenfritz, Scott Collins, Martin Smith



### Commodore's Corner Carl Ritzmann

Nancy and I want to wish everyone a belated "Happy Easter" and we hope that everyone had a good holiday with family and friends. It's also a good time for spring break and early vacations as the weather has been beautiful. If we aren't careful, word may get out about how great spring is in Slidell and we'll be overrun with tourists.

As some of you may have noticed, the Jib Crane installation has been going slower than expected. We have encountered right of way problems with some of the utilities in the area and that has caused us to have to dig the foundation by hand rather than machine. Thanks to Rob, Michael, Jonathan, Tom, Jared, Jacob and everyone who helped to dig so carefully to make sure we cleared the utility lines. Special thanks go to Kyle who worked closely with all the utility companies to get the necessary approval during this process. Thanks again to everyone who helped and if I left anyone's name out please forgive me.

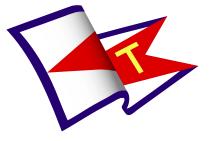
Sailing is really fun when the wind is blowing and that is what we had for Two Against the Lake on April 9th. The group finished in near record time and everyone was able to sample the various soups that were made for the occasion. Congratulations to Meredith for the winning soup entry. Don't forget that Wednesday Night Races continue through May and of course Joe & Mark will be cooking hamburgers on Wednesday nights as well.

Becky and the Entertainment Committee out did themselves with the Jazz Brunch on April 17th. The food was great and the music by Here's Johnny topped off the event. We even had a surprise visit from Ronnie and Gardner Kole and Jan sang one of her favorite songs. Thanks to everyone who helped. The Fish Fry on the April 22nd was a huge success and I'm told that we served about 55 people. The fry cooking team of Earl, Tom and yours truly had a ball frying the fish and we even got some compliments. Now if we can just remember to buy some eggs next time. Thanks Kevin for being our last minute shopper.

The First Mates have always helped the club by buying items that the club desperately needs and they have done it again. Two new Weber grills are being purchased by the First Mates and should be in use by the time you read this article. Thank you First Mates for your generosity and also thanks go to Dan at Pontchartrain Hardware for helping with the grills.

May is full of activities, Brad's Kentucky Derby Party and the May Day Regatta on the 7th, First Mates Blessing of the Fleet and Crawfish Boil with music by The Arrivals on the 14th, and Charter Day Regatta on the 28th.

See you at the club! Carl





# TYC First Mates

Ahoy everyone,

Here we are in May already! Hard to believe! April was a productive month starting out with our "Two Against the Lake" race on April 9th. Great weather all day with sails filled, competitive spirit's high and some amazing soups after for all to enjoy! I want to thank each and every First Mate for their efforts and hard work. What a turn out this year! All were so delicious which made the voting very hard to pick "just one"! Even though most had full mouths, there was plenty of buzz going around about how good all the soups were. So chef hats off to the ladies for another soup success! Congratulations to our winner Meredith Enxing!

I must also say, I was unable to attend the Jazz Brunch, but was told by so many how wonderful the food was, the music outstanding and that we had a good crowd there! That is what we all like to hear. . . "people having a good time at TYC"!

For those who may not have been able to make it to our Fish Fry on the 22nd, you truly did miss a delicious meal. Our volunteer cooks must have some secret recipe they are keeping to themselves, because they are always able to get that fish "just right" without fail.

For the month of May we have some fun events coming up. . . TYC's May Day regatta on the 7th and of course our annual "Blessing of the Fleet Crawfish Boil" on the 14th!

The Blessing of the Fleet will start at 3pm on the dock, be sure to have your boat there to be blessed by our one and only Rev. Dick Almos! The crawfish racing fun starts soon after up at the club along with a dinner of delicious crawfish or shrimp,

garlic roasted potatoes, corn on the cob, rolls and assorted desserts. There will also be live music by the "Arrivals," so be sure not to miss this fun extravaganza! Come on out, have some fun and bring guests if you like. You will always be entertained at Tammany Yacht Club!

A quick note to my fellow First Mates, we still have some planning to do with our future coming events, so please try to attend a meeting or two. We can always use your help and good ideas to get the ball rolling!

Sincerely your president,

Dodie Jones





### TYC Racing Kevin Blank

#### Two Against the Lake

On April 9th, 21 boats lined up near the Bayou Liberty channel to test their skill in TYC's Two Against the Lake. The fleet was split into four divisions, Spinnaker A and B, Non-spinnaker and Multihull. With beautiful weather and a building breeze, the competitors set off on a 36.2 nautical mile course stretching from Slidell to Mandeville to in to the middle of the lake. Wayne Jablonowski crossed the line first finishing with an elapsed time of 4 hours and 46 minutes. The Brennan's in Punk'd were the last across line at 7 hours and 45 minutes elapsed. Steve and Dodie Jones finished third overall on corrected time earning them the trophy for best TYC boat of the regatta. Full results can be found on our website.

Division Winners: Spinnaker A - Wildcard Spinnaker B - The BEAR Non-Spinnaker - Gotcha Multihull - Phoenix

#### Wednesday Night Racing

TYC finished the first Wednesday Night Series on April 20th. There was close racing in both spinnaker and non-spinnaker divisions. Squeaking out on a tie-breaker, Steve Jones on Orion won the non-spinnaker division with Gotcha in second place. In the spinnaker division, Weather Witch took first with four first place finishes in the series. We would like to thank all of our competitors. Remember that everyone is welcome, including non-members.

We would also like to thank Gary Knight, Bobby Tassin, Karl Bohem and all of the Race Committee crew that makes our racing possible.

#### Upcoming Club Series Races

After the excitement of our first club series regatta, I know that the TYC racers are itching to get back on the water. Well, May is going to give us two more opportunities to match up against each other. May 7th at 10am will start our May Day Regatta. We will host our Charter Day Regatta on May 28th. Make sure you get both of those dates down on you calendar!



TYC Juniors Rob Keister

Spring is here and the Juniors are back in the full swing of practicing and attending Regattas. Our last regatta was in Mobile Bay, AL at Bucchaneer Yacht Club. Jonathon Bauer, Devin Keister, and Jackson Bauer took turns sailing on the 420. The boys did a great job representing TYC and worked together for great races. Madison Clem, Aiden Keister, and Caleb Keister sailed their Opti's in the green fleet and were the talk of the club.

TYC's junior sailors continue to accomplish great things while having fun, and lead our club onward and upward. When you see the future leaders of TYC at the club please give them a pat on the back!! Our sailors are so excited for summer camp and of course the arrival of OUR Sophie!!!! There are still a few openings for camp so please contact Rob Keister for information.

I am sure some of you have noticed some construction going on around the juniors boat yard. Our juniors thought it was the beginning of our "new pool" going in.....BUT it is for TYC's lift!!! Rob Keister, Michael Bauer, Tom Smith, Kyle Bowser, Jared Brennan, and Jacob Brennan worked hard for hours and in major HEAT. When you see these men please give them a BIG thank you.



Kyle hunts for burried treasure, or maybe burried cables.



The pilings are in!



The Juniors take a dip in the pool.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 Wednesday Night Racing	5 First Mates Board Meeting	6 Birthday Night	7 May Day Regatta
8 Mother's Day	9 TYC Board Meeting	10	11 Wednesday Night Racing	12	13 Poor Man's Yacht Club Meeting No Dinner	<sup>14</sup> Blessing of the Fleet and Crawfish Boil
15	16	17	18 Wednesday Night Racing	19	20 Steak Night	21
22	23	24	25 Wednesday Night Racing	26	27 Dinner	28 Charter Day Regatta
29	30 Memorial Day	31				

Make sure the following events are in your calendar. A full listing of all events happening at the club can be found online at http://www.tammanyyachtclub.org. If you would like to submit your event to the calendar, please email spyglass@tammanyyachtclub.org.

# Friday Night Dinners

### Check the TYC Calendar for List of Friday Night Dinners

Friday, May 6, 2011 **Birthday Night!!!** 1/2 Cornish Hen/Mushroom Wine Sauce Jalapeno Cornbread Dressing Honey Glazed Carrots Salad, Bread and Birthday Cake \$14.00

> Friday, May 13, 2011 **No Dinner** Poor Man's Yacht Club Meeting

Friday, May 20, 2011 Steak Night Choice of Filet, Rib-Eye or Fish Baked Potato Salad, Bread and Dessert \$19.00 Friday, May 27, 2011 Veal Marsala Fettuccine Seasoned Vegetable Medley Salad, Bread and Dessert \$14.00

Please support our Friday Night Dinners and make your reservations early to ensure that you will be on the list.



May Birthdays

1 JEAN ALMOS 11 DAVID BOLYARD 13 MARK PALERMO 15 MARGARET RUSS 25 CHARLES LAMARCHE 26 JEAN ROBERTS 28 KEVIN BLANK29 BRAD CAREY30 JULIE BOLYARD30 JAN PECUNIA31 NIGEL BEALE

Show up for Birthday Night and celebrate with cake. Also, get a free drink on your birghday. If you have a birthday this month and your name isn't on the list, please let us know. Email spyglass@tammanyyachtclub.org.



### OUR ANNUAL "BLESSING OF THE FLEET CRAWFISH BOIL"

### May 14th

Blessing of the fleet will start at 3pm on the dock. Crawfish races will commence right after up at the club with dinner following around 5pm

### Menu:

Crawfish or shrimp, garlic roasted potatoes, buttery corn on the cob, Rolls and assorted desserts

\$20 for members

\$22 for guests

Live music by "The Arrivals" 6:30 – 9:30pm







Val Bowser presents Meredith Exing with the prize for winning best soup during our Soup Contest.



Karen Allen and George Nielsan enjoy music after the Jazz Brunch.



Dottie and Normand David are on the dance floor as usual during the Jazz Brunch.



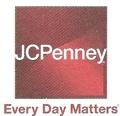
Ronnie and Gardner paid us a surprise visit and of course we were able to get Ronnie to play and Jan Pecunia sang – both very talented members.



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If you have any member updates or photos you would like to share in the SpyGlass, please send them to spyglass@tammanyyachtclub.org.

# Editor's Comments

Another month goes by without a member finding their member number to win a steak dinner; come on guy's either you aren't reading the SpyGlass or you don't want to win. April's TYC Active Member number could be found on page 8 of the Spyglass embedded in the saxophone clip art which was advertising the "Jazz Brunch"; which I might add was fabulous. The number was TYC 333. Keep your eyes peeled to see if you can find the number this month.

Rules for submitting your winning number

TYC Active Member numbers will be picked at random each month, this number will appear somewhere within the monthly SpyGlass, it will be the members responsibility to notify the editor by the fifteenth (15th) of month giving them the member number and the location of the number. The member number can be within any article or within a photo. The winning member will be published in the following month's SpyGlass; location of the past months member will be posted along with the location. Members can only win once per year.

Please contact the editor with your questions at spyglass@tammanyyachtclub.org. If you are out on the water or just relaxing at the club be sure to snap some photos and send them in for the next SpyGlass. Please email pictures and any member updates or stories to SPYGLASS@TammanyYachtClub.org.



## Marine Items for Sale

### No items at thits time.

We are adding a new column to the SpyGlass – MARINE ITEMS for SALE - This column is free for TYC members. If you have a marine related item you would like to sell please send your information to spyglass@tammanyyachtclub.org. A brief description, price, picture if desired, and contact name and phone number are required. You will need to renew the ad on a monthly basis. This is a courtesy for members' personal marine items only.

# Member Suggestions

In a sincere effort to serve our Members, please comment on the club's services, operation, entertainment, club appearance, food, and etc.

A suggestion box is available in the club along with comment cards.

Thank you for your interest and we look forward to receiving your comments.

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Monday & Tuesday - Closed Wednesday - Thursday - 5pm to 10pm Friday - 5pm to 11pm Saturday - 2pm to 11pm Sunday - 1pm till 9pm

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

Don't forget that on Thursdays, your second drink is free and hors d'oeuvres are occasionally served. Also, be sure to sign up for Friday night dinners by the required time and cancel if your can't make it to avoid a penalty.

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