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(From Left) Member at Large (MAL) - Michael Bower, Past Commodore - Carl Ritzmann, Secretary - Mark Poole, Rear Commodore - Tom Smith, Commodore - Kevin Blank, Vice Commodore - Steve Jones, Treasurer - Joe Sexton, MAL - Rob Keister, MAL - Bill Henkel.



Commodore's Corner

Kevin Blank

Tammany Yacht Club is one month in to 2012 and we're off to a great start! January has been full of great parties, lots of meetings and the installation of our new board.

On January 7th and 8th, myself as well as Tom Smith and Michael Bauer attended the GYA Winter Meeting at Biloxi Yacht Club. As usual, the weekend was full of meetings and catching up with friends at other clubs. Tom attended the calendar meeting to set our dates for our Two Against the Lake and Single-handed races. He then went on to the Offshore Council meeting. One of the interesting pieces of news to come from that meeting is the announcement of a new class format for Challenge Cup in 2012. This year Challenge Cup is in Pensacola. Over the coming months Tom and I will be trying to gauge interest in attending since we will be able to bring a four boat crew.

I attended the One-Design Council to keep up with what various classes are doing in the GYA and to learn more about the VX One Design that was being shown and demonstrated that weekend. Brian Bennett, the designer of the VX and Viper 640, is trying to show the boat off as a potential replacement for the Flying Scot. On Sunday, the GYA Board of Directors passed a motion to change the Capdevielle boat not later than 2018. Tammany is definitely getting more involved with the GYA thanks to Michael Bauer for being appointed treasurer of the GYA Foundation. Overall it was a great experience and I encourage you to come if you haven't been to one before.

On January 20th, TYC had the first General Membership Meeting of 2012. Thank you to

those who came. If you weren't able to make it, you missed out on some great reports and our installation of the 2012 board. Carl and the 2011 board left the club in a very good position heading in to 2012 and our goal is to keep that momentum going. Every TYC member should try and make our general membership meetings. It gives you a chance to hear about what is going on around the club and meet up with other members you may not see very often. Plus if we have business to address, we want your vote and input.

On a personal note, Becky and I would like to thank everyone who was able to come to our reception. It was great to share the celebration of our wedding with friends and the TYC family.

We've got the Superbowl Party and the Sweethearts' Dinner coming up in February, so don't miss out!

Commodore, Kevin Blank



TYC First Mates

Dodie Jones

Well 2012 is finally here! We have a new board and I have faith that this year will be as great as the last! Ladies, you all have come up with so many great ideas and have worked so hard. I also want to thank all the creative decorators for our New Year's Eve party! Special thanks to our First Mates secretary Kathy Sexton for doing an outstanding job planning the food! As I have said before the club events always go smoothly with the helping hands of many, and once again our wonderful volunteers have proven that so true. I was just going over our list of current First Mates and just want to say that if you decide to join us I hope you know there will not be any pressure to attend every event and please remember if you do join our First Mates family you will not be obligated to donate "all" of your time, as I know full well that we all have very busy lives these days. We have had many great functions thanks to so many volunteers; it is just that, "volunteering". Our dues for the year are only \$25, but such a small amount from each of you does help in so many ways. Together as a team our funds make positive changes for our club.

On a new note we had our installation of officers at the TYC General Membership meeting on January 20th and our new First Mates board met on January 5th discussing a few events that are right around the corner. First being the Super Bowl Party which is February 5th, so if you would like to donate a dessert for that please notify me by e-mail at dodiejones37@hotmail.com, or on my cell 985-710-1492. In the past it has proven to be lots of fun so try and come out to join your friends and cheer in your favorite team!

Next, our Sweet Heart Dinner will be on February 24th this year as a surf & turf. The menu will be small filet, small to medium lobster, garlic mashed potatoes, asparagus, salad and dessert. I will do my best to accommodate those who may not eat lobster with a "filet only" price, as well as a "lobster only" price. If you wish to nominate a special someone for the Sweet Heart of the year please do so ASAP, as our ballots need to be printed and we need to get our votes in. On a final note if anyone would like to plan a music event, wine tasting, jewelry party, etc. feel free to come to any board meeting to present your idea. We want our club to be a fun place for everyone and your ideas in 2011 were such great success so let's have fun this year ladies! Hope to see you at the club~



First Mates 2012 Board



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(From Left) President – Dodie Jones, Member at Large (MAL) – Shirley Henkel, Secretary – Kathy Sexton, Past President – Val Bowser, MAL – Desiree Young, MAL – Gloria Poole, Treasurer – Cathy Folse, Vice President – Debbie Smith.



TYC Racing

Tom Smith

Racing News

It's time once again to start thinking about racing. Our calendar dates are set for all of the club races and are posted on the on-line calendar. The spring series will start with a skippers meeting March 7th and the official first Wednesday night race on March the 14th.

Kevin Blank, Michel Bower and I attended different GYA committee meetings in January and had a chance to look at the new VX boat. We are excited about the possibility of this type of boat being the future of club racing in the GYA. Deadlines were set and teams were put together to study and select the next GYA boat. The racers all have their fingers crossed and are optimistic that we will move forward.

In the mean time we have work to do on both of our Flying Scots to get them race ready. Steve and I will be posting some work days to get both of these whipped back into shape so we can start honing our skills for the coming season. Our goal is to increase our participation in more local events. We need to get both boats competitive with each other so we can concentrate on boat speed and crew work. We also have projects to help get the juniors ready for summer camps. Sailors dust off your work gloves and get ready we will be calling soon.

The first targeted regatta will be Mardi Gras on the 25th and 26th of February. That is right around the corner. If you are interested in becoming part of the rotating Scot crews please contact Tom or Steve and we will include you in all practice and racing correspondence. Everyone is welcome and we are approaching this as sailing development for all of us. There are plenty of events and the more participants the better.

Tom Smith



General Membership Meeting January 20, 2012



Deacon Dick Almos swears in TYC Board of 2012



Kevin Blank, TYC's 2012 Commodore gives his first comments after being sworn in.



Commodore Kevin Blank presents Past Commodore Carl Ritzmann with a "Ship's Clock" for Carl's 2011 service as TYC Commodore.



Val Bowser, on behalf of the First Mates, presented Past Commodore Carl with gift cards for he and Commodoreess Nancy to Young's Restaurant and Chef John Besh's Restaurants as a token of their appreciation for a job well done.



General Membership Meeting January 20, 2012 Committee Reports



Vice Commodore Steve Jones listens attentively as Treasurer Joe Sexton delivers an outstanding report provided with the help of 2011 treasurer Larry Whited who helped get TYC back to a good financial standing.



2012 Secretary Mark Poole writes feverishly as Tom Smith, race committee chairperson reports news about 2012 upcoming sail boat races.



Rob Keister, proudly reports plans for 2012 Junior's Sailing Camp.



Dodie Jones President of First Mates, tells us of upcoming events such as the annual "Sweetheart's Dinner" to be held on **February 24th** – Mark your calendars.



Becky Blank, entertainment chairperson said she doesn't have all events scheduled, but assured us we would have great entertainment if she has to perform herself.

Check out the TYC Calendar at tammanyachtclub.org for upcoming events.

Rus Carpenter, house chairperson – Assures us that "Lacy, Victoria, Frank, and Brenda" said everything is good.



Friday Night Dinners

Here is the lineup for the month of February.

February 2012 Friday Night Dinners

Birthday Night Feb. 3

Meatballs and Spaghetti, Italian Vegetable, Salad,
Bread,
and Dessert
\$14 members \$16 non-members

Feb. 10 - No dinner Poor Man's Meeting

Feb.17 - No dinner - Selene Parade

Feb 24 - Sweetheart Dinner and Party

Keep your eye's peeled for more information about
the Sweetheart Dinner and Party - It is sure to be
a wonderful event for all to enjoy.

Please make your reservations by the **Thursday PM**
preceding each of the above dates to properly order
adequate food. Come out and enjoy the beautiful fall
weather and share the camaraderie of other TYC
members and friends!!!

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Wednesday Night's
Simple Suppers
\$5.00

We will have Simple Suppers until Burger Nights
resume during Sailing Season.

February BIRTHDAYS

Ronnie Kole	10
Val Bowser	14
Mark White	16
Stanley Guess	20
Mark Poole	20
Gardner Kole	22
John Vehorn	26

Be sure to join us on February 4th for
Birthday Night; come get your free drink
and blow out the candles.



Entertainment

Save the Date
TYC's St. Patrick's Day Party
March 17th 2012



Music by Beth Patterson
Irish Folk and Celtic Musician
Grammy Nominated

Check out the TYC Calendar at tammanyachtclub.org for upcoming events.



Club Merchandise Update

The Merchandise in the case is visibly priced. (Prices Tags). Go by the merchandise case look through the catalog for other items that Mark will be happy to customize.

We will also add several new TYC merchandise items to the inventory in the case; hats, visors, backpacks, and more.

Thanks... Mark

Mark Poole
www.shangrileau.com

Work in Progress by Scott Collins / Carl Ritzmann



Carl and Scott have been busy using thier craftsmanship to build an Entertainment Center funded by the "Frist Mates" for TYC.

Not sure when the unvailing will be, but they are sure to need some helping hands to get it moved into place.



2011 Commodore's Party on Behalf of Past Commodore Carl Ritzmann



A great time was had by all at the Commodore's Party - Carl and Nancy danced to the music of "The BayouSelf Band" and visited with friends. Earl, Sylvia, Pam and others came by for a quick drink as they had a Mardi Gras Ball to attend - they added class to the party. Jimbo and Dick could not get their ladies to dance so they danced with each other. The band was having so much fun they took our requests and played on and on.

Past Commodore Carl and Commodoreess Nancy would like to say "Thanks' to Everyone" for such a wonderful 2011; we have had fun and could not have made it without such wonderful TYC members.



Editor's Comments

We have another great SpyGlass this month. Each issue is only as good as the content and this month many members contributed articles and photos to make it what it is. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

Please have your articles and photos in by the 22nd of each month to ensure that we have time to organize the newsletter.

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. When sending pictures it is greatly appreciated when members include the names of those in the photos and a little info so we can caption. If you see a photo you like and would like a copy, just let us know.



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

A suggestion box is available in the club along with comment cards. You may also email your comments to comments@tammanyachtclub.org.

Your comments are reviewed on a weekly basis-some have been taken care of and others are being worked.

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

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Member at Large	Rob Keister
Past Commodore	Carl Ritzmann

TYC Committee Chairpersons

Membership	Sandy Stone
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Finance	Kyle Bowser
First Mates (President)	Dodie Jones
House Committee	Rus Carpenter
Race Committee	Tom Smith / Steve Jones
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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. 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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