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#### **Commodore's Corner**

#### **Kevin Blank**

We're halfway through the Summer and things are still hot at Tammany Yacht Club!

On July 20th, we had our mid-year General Membership Meeting. I would to thank all of our members that attended. The most important business we covered was accepting some new by-laws and voting on our Nomination Committee. All three by-laws proposals passed. The by-laws accepted by the membership include requiring the board to document policies and procedures outside of the by-laws to make enforcement and the transition from year to year easier. Also, we cleared up a voting issue related to Member-at-Large that has been a question for years.

Our Nomination Committee for 2013 consists of Bobby Tassin, Kyle Bowser, Wayne Jablonowski, Larry Whited and Carl Ritzmann (representing the Past Commodore's Council). Thank you to each of your who accepted this position. The committee will be meeting soon and I have no doubt they will make some great nominations for our 2013 board.

July 27th marked the end of our 2012 Summer Camp. We scaled it back from the previous year and updated some of our infrastructure. Also we picked up a new head instructor, Claire Yoste who did an outstanding job this year. Overall, I feel like this year was our most successful yet. Thank you to all of our counselors, paid and volunteer, for your hard work. Thank you to all of our volunteers who help prep the site, organize the finances, wrangle the kids, etc. Without the volunteer support, this camp would never get off the ground. Rob and Angela will most likely be stepping down from Juniors organization next year, so if you've got an itch to help TYC keep our camp rolling, please come see me.

We've had a successful year so far, so the club is trying to make improvements where we can. You may have noticed a brand new commercial fridge in the kitchen. The previous unit had a number of issues and the board decided the replace it with something easier to maintain and with more storage space. The First Mates are working on some club improvements as well and I know they would value your input.

Although club racing has backed off for Summer with just renegade racing, there's still plenty of action on the water. Our juniors had a good showing at Junior Liptons at Southern Yacht Club. For upcoming Capdevielle racing, Liptons is coming up on August 31st and Back to School is the following weekend, Sept. 8th and 9th. Let's make sure we show up to race and bring home the Louisiana Challenger Division honors!

See you at the club! Kevin Blank





### **TYC First Mates**

#### **Dodie Jones**

Well Ladies,

July has come and gone and we are looking forward to a fun month for August with a jewelry party on August 2nd and entertainment committee's "Calypso" party on the 25th!

Carol Whited has arranged for Candy to be at TYC on Thursday August 2nd for a wonderful jewelry show. Credit cards will be accepted this year! We also have the First Mates board meeting the same evening. Hope to see a nice crowd there! There is always something new and creative in Candy's jewelry inventory so don't miss it! As we all know participation is the key to a successful event so keep the dates marked!

I would also like to congratulate our very own June Collins and her beloved spouse Scott on their "50th" Anniversary wishing you many more joyful years together!

There were some very important topics discussed at TYC's General Membership meeting this month. Val Bowser and Rusty Carpenter, our House Committee, have been working on a proposal for our own washer/dryer as well. The First Mates have been asked to help purchase items which are vital to our club running smoothly and efficiently. Keep this in mind and please feel free to discuss this amongst your First Mates. I would also like to mention how the trophies and certificates provided by the First Mates were well received by our junior summer camp sailors! On a final note I want to thank you ladies for all the great ideas and hard work these passing months and I just know we will continue with successful and fun events! Hope to see you at the club ~





## TYC Racing

We have had an extremely busy May and June in the racing community. It has been nice to slow down a bit regroup and reflect a little bit. All of our boats are back, many are doing summer projects to get ready for the fall. The summer campers have occupied the basin and again it's great to see them out sailing on a daily basis.

The 21st and 22nd our juniors were at Southern Yacht Club for the Junior Liptons. Final results can be found in teh Juniors article. We also had a nice article in the Times Picayune with pictures celebrating our Mobile Cup trophy.

We are still having renegade races on Wednesday nights when the weather permits and everyone is welcome. A few summer races are on the schedule. The round the lake night race is August 18th. It looks like we will have two or three of our boats participate in this years race and it's not too early to start thinking about the Great Lake Race. We have not had much of a showing in this race in recent years and it would be nice to make a showing. We also will continue to get the flying scot out to hone our skills for the fall club races. See you all on the water.



#### **TYC Juniors**

#### **Angela Doty**

As summer draws to a "much too quick" end, that means sailing camp is coming to a close. We have seen many return faces this year along with some new ones which has made this summer camp exciting and familiar.

Claire, Ben, Jake, and Devin have done a FANTASTIC job this summer, and hope they all return again next year!! We enjoyed Claire's knowledge, smile, iron fist, and humor this summer and will miss her. Watching the three boys grow from last year to this year has been a pleasure. Sydney, our volunteer was on site day in and day out working along side our instructors to gain knowledge and experience, and hopes to become an instructor next year.

Witnessing these instructors during working hours, personal lives, and on the race course has

proved to be rewarding and eye opening. I've never seen such comradery, overcoming obstacles, friendships, laughter, willingness to help each other, and respect from young adults as our very own. If you see these kiddos please thank them for being 5 star class acts!!

If you have been at the club Wednesday or Thursday evenings you may have seen our flying scot out practicing. This was in preparation for JR Lipton's TYC participated in July 21 & 22 at Southern Yacht Club. 15 boats raced over 2 long days, with TYC coming in 12th (which is better than us adults have done in the scot)!! Devin Keister, Jake Kerr, Jack Bowmar, Madison Clem, Merrick Coghlan, Aiden Keister, and Caleb Keister made up our team this year. Give them a pat on the back and a smile..... they sure do deserve it!

Volunteers make this program run and we have had many of them this year..... Special Thanks to:

Kyle Bowser for the carpet on the floating dock

Val Bowser for letting the kids come swim in the pool and for ordering the awards cakes

Gloria Poole for letting the kids come swim in the pool with THE "official life guard"

Mark Poole for all shirts

Mike Parks for fixing the crane and boats

Steve Jones for helping with boats

Tom Smith for helping with boats

Kevin Blank for helping with boats and every other task

First Mates for certificates and trophies

Debbie Smith for ordering trophies

Dodie Jones for ordering trophies

The Bauer's for the use of the chase boat

Lacy for helping with certificates and ringing up campers on Monday mornings

Joe for all of the money, invoicing, and being there on Monday mornings

Chuck Coghlan for helping with Lipton's

Rob and Angela





# **Upcoming Events**

August 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Grill Your Own			Bridge Group Wed. Night Racing Skippers Meeting			Calypso Party
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			Bridge Group Wed. Night Series 3		Steak Night	Liptons

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**

August 3rd
Birthday Night
Penne Pasta with Vodka Sauce,
Blackened Chicken, Vegetable, Salad,
Bread, and Birthday Cake
\$14 Members \$16 Non-members

August 10th Stuffed Pork Florentine, Rice Pilaf, Vegetable, Salad, Bread, and Dessert \$14 Members \$16 Non-Members August 17th
Cornish Hen, Dressing, Vegetable,
Salad, Bread, and Dessert
\$14 Members \$16 Non-Members

August 24th ~ No Dinner

August 31st - Steak Night Choice of Beef Filet, Beef Ribeye, or Tuna Steak, Potato, Salad, Bread, and Dessert \$19 Members \$24 Non-Members

Dinner reservations needed by the Thursday before each Friday Night dinner. Sign up at the bar or call TYC at 985-649-5222.

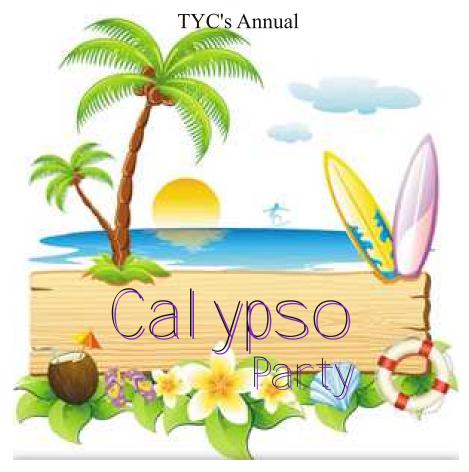
### TYC August Birthdays

Karl Boehm 4		Sandy Stone 21	
Sonny Brennan	4	Rus Carpenter	21
Bill Henkel 4		Corbin T Smith	24
June Collins 7		Jan Lemaire 25	
Dave Barnes 8		Etchie Yauger	26
Stephen K Pierce	16	Jackie Boehm	28
Dawn Harkins	19	Susan Jobst 29	
Jane Watson 20		W. Alan Coulter	30

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 Membership know.



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### August 25th Mark Your Calendar!

### Live Music by Captain Leo

#### More details to come. . .

Be sure to watch your email for more party details as well as this year's shirt design and ordering information.



# Bilge Swill

Arrrr I have been asking around for stories of bold to share with you the good bad and ugly of our own TYC rich maritime lore. In our mist we have boaters, sailors and yachtsmen that combined have more experience than reasonably allowed. I just heard stories of racing success; Challenge Cup. Stories of racing difficulty; Gulfport to Pensacola. And many, many more.

One of interest, was a tale that it is not wise to leave for a voyage on a Friday. Or expect to suffer the wraith of King Neptune if so!

Legend has it, per non-citable research:

It is unlucky to start a cruise on Friday. - This is the day Christ was crucified on.

\*The reluctance of seamen to sail on a Friday reached such epic proportions, that in the 1800s the British Government decided to take strong measures to prove the fallacy of the superstition. They laid the keel of a new vessel on Friday, selected her crew on a Friday, launched her on a Friday and named her HMS Friday. They then placed her in command of one Captain James Friday and sent her to sea for the first time on a Friday. The scheme worked well, and had only one drawback ... neither ship nor crew was ever heard from again. HMS Friday is an urban legend and believed to be false.

The story that stuck out was the Key West to Biloxi trip that not only started on Friday but, Good Friday. Needless to say that the voyage encountered a storm with 6 days of 25 to 30 foot sea, 55 to 65 winds, very slow progress and a crew member who suffered 4 broken ribs then pneumonia, ultimately to be USCG hilo evacuated. Ended up a Hurricane..... Mental note – check!

Additional bad luck legends are:

Whistling aboard Cut neither Sails or Hair at sea Black sea bags

Bananas Rabbits, Pigs, Cats or Rats And several others

Whew lots of notes. Well at least I found nothing against Grog!





The members of the Queen Ann Bridge Group continues to play Wednesday nights at TYC.

### **Fun at TYC**

4th of July















### **Fun at TYC**

Juniors Sail Camp and Regattas



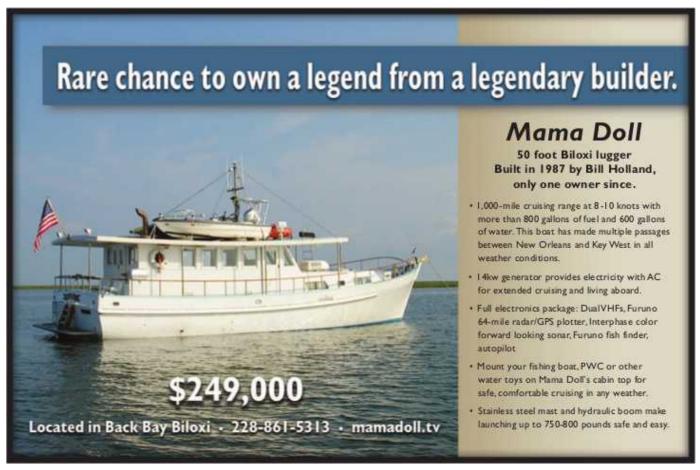














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Monday & Tuesday - Closed

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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