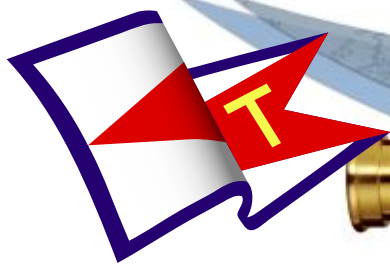


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# TYC Race

Wayne Jablonowski

A great suggestion was made to me that might help us increase participation, and at the same time make racing more fun for the less experienced sailors and boat crews, a form of Mentoring, even if for only for one or two sail events. We have all seen some boats come out with new sailors, or sailors that have not raced much, race a couple or 3 races, and we never see them out again. I suspect it has to do with frustration at how quickly the experienced racers get around the course, when the newcomers are just discovering where to go. No one likes to feel that they have no chance to compete. I would like to see some of our more experienced sailors (I know some of us old guys have been sailing for 30 plus years even if we don't look like it) jump on a boat of a newcomer, or someone who has been out a few times but doesn't have race experience. Help teach them how to efficiently sail around the course. I expect some simple instruction is all some will need to be in the hunt very soon. Please consider this worthy endeavor; I know the sailors will appreciate it.

Spring racing, who's going to finish in 2nd?

Our second Wednesday Night Spring Series is finishing up on May 1, and we are gearing up for the next 5 race series. This spring has brought us great conditions to race in, I think only one night with light fluky winds. And the competition has been fierce, with less than 18 seconds separating the 1st and 2nd place boats in 3 out of the 4 races. Kenny Lanata on Weather Witch has three 1st places and is dialed in for a series win, but any one of 5 other boats are battling for the other podium positions. (Check out the current results on-line, just remember that a DNC will be scored the number of boats racing plus one, probably an 8, not the 14 as now shown. We probably need to confirm the rule about the scoring of DNC's for a series.)

RACE COMMITTEE DUTY, we have had some great RC work, and while we always thank the committee at the end of the races they deserve more. Make sure everyone personally thanks; our PRO, Bobby Tassin, for his generous service and use of the Sunsetter; Gary Knight, always out with the Christie Lee; Dodie Jones, who has learned the RC procedures and has mentored Beth Conyers, who has also become proficient at running the races; and they have been helped by Talia Doyle and Wayne Sewing; and Sandy Stone, who has stepped up and volunteered when needed, even when he had other rides. I would also be remiss if I didn't make sure everyone knows of the contributions that past Commodore Kevin Blank lends to the running of the races. If its computer related, Kevin does it. He makes sure that the results are done properly and posted on the website, even having to do double work re-entering data when I forget to save the files properly.

Wednesday Night Spring Series, #3 Spinnaker and NonSpin Classes, starts May 8 and runs for 5 weeks, last race on June 5. Some of the Spin boats will be using this series as tune-up for the Challenge Cup. And where are our non-spinnaker boats? Steve Pierce on Risky Business needs some competition out there. I hope to see Windsome, Night Shift, Drama Queen, Second Wind, Sunset Tambre, Nellie Belle, and all others out sailing.

May Day Regatta, Saturday May 11, part of our Championship Series, come out and race three races then to the dock for a great Tammany YC event, the Blessing of the Fleet and our annual Crawfish Boil and Crawfish races.

Charter Day Regatta, Saturday May 25, part of the Championship Series, 3 races last chance for some good racing before the summer doldrums.





# TYC Race Continued...

**Wayne Jablonowski**

CHALLENGE CUP: Tammany Yacht Club will enter a 3 boat team to defend the Mobile Trophy we won last year. The GYA Challenge Cup Series will be sailed out of the Gulfport Yacht Club. This year, June 14-16. The team is being organized now, and we will need your support to put the best team and crews together.

Place on your calendars these upcoming events!!!

May 1, Wednesday	Spring Series 2 Race 5, last race
May 8, Wednesday	Spring Series 3, Race 1
May 11, Saturday	May Day Regatta, Club Championship Series
May 11, Saturday	Blessing of the Fleet and Crawfish!!!!
May 15, Wednesday	Spring Series 3, Race 2
May 22, Wednesday	Spring Series 3, Race 3
May 25, Saturday	Charter Day Regatta
May 29, Wednesday	Spring Series 3, Race 4
June 5, Wednesday	Spring Series 3, Race 5

Interested in a long 100 mile race, often a leisurely cruise? Then plan on making the Gulfport to Pensacola Race, one of the premier events on the Gulf Coast. Start is Friday, June 21 and you wind up in beautiful Pensacola on Saturday, and there is always a great party at Pensacola Yacht Club at the finish.

As I always ask, any suggestions or complaints, any way to make our sailing and racing better, more enjoyable, and to generate more participation, let me know. If you want to crew and don't have a boat to go on, most boats are always looking for extra crew. Just ask.

Wayne Jablonowski, RC Chairman



# TYC First Mates

Gloria Poole

April was a great month for new members. We would like to welcome Eileen, Jessica and Laurie.

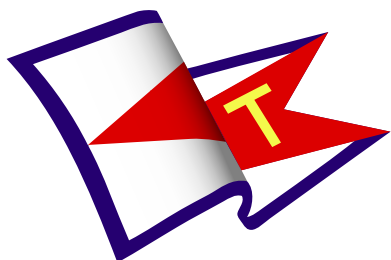
We played Bunco April 25th and had 16 members attend. Chris Little won first place, Mark Poole 2nd and Karen Allen with most losses. Our next Bunco date is May 23, come join the fun.

The Blessing of the Fleet will be held on May 11th. Dick Almos will be blessing the boats at 3p.m. Immediately after the blessing, we will be holding crawfish races. At 5 p.m. we will serve crawfish, shrimp, potatoes, corn on the cob, rolls and desserts. The price will be \$20 for members and \$23 for non members. The sign-up sheet is at the bar and we will need reservations by May 8th.

Our pub crawl is May 18th; we will be taking a bus to yacht clubs in Mississippi. We will visit three clubs having drinks and lunch. We are looking forward to a girl's day out with lots of fun. Anyone who is a member of First Mates is invited to attend. The price will depend on how many attend.

The next planned work party on the renovations to the bar, porch and restrooms will be May 25, 26 and 27th. We will need lots of help; there are many jobs to do besides painting. Join in the camaraderie and help update our club.





# Upcoming Events

## May 2013

May 2013

Today May 2013 Go << >>

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>
			Bridge Group Spring Series 2	First Mates Board Meeting	Friday Night Dinner 7:30pm	Kentucky Derby
<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>
Rental			Bridge Group Spring Series 2			May Day Regatta Blessing of the Fleet
<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>
		TYC Board Meeting	Bridge Group Spring Series 2		Friday Night Dinner Birthday Night 7:30pm	Rental
<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u>
			Bridge Group Spring Series 2			Charter Day Regatta
<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>1</u>
Bilge Poker Run			Bridge Group Spring Series 2		Friday Night Dinner Steak Night 7:30pm	

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.tammanyachtclub.org>. If you would like to submit your event to the calendar, please email [spyglass@tammanyachtclub.org](mailto:spyglass@tammanyachtclub.org).



## Friday Night Dinners

Friday, May 3rd

Tacos, Refried Beans, Mexican Rice, Guacamole, and Dessert

\$7 Members \$9 Non Members

Friday, May 17th Birthday Night

Catered by From the Garden

Sliced Pork Loin, Rice Pilaf, Green Beans, Salad, Bread, and Dessert

\$12 Members \$14 Non Members

Friday, May 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.

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## TYC May Birthdays

Jean Almos 1

Stephen Brennan 4

Charles Huff 6

David Bolyard 11

Joseph Sexton 12

Mark T. Palermo 13

Margaret Russ 15



Beth Conyers 25

Linda Kendall 25

Jean Roberts 26

Kevin T Blank 28

Braford Carey 29

Jan Pecunia 30

Julie Bolyard 30

Nigel Beale 31

Show up for Birthday Night and celebrate with cake. Also, get a free drink on your birthday! If you have a birthday this month and your name isn't on the list, please let Membership know.

Email [spyglass@tammanyachtclub.org](mailto:spyglass@tammanyachtclub.org).



# Entertainment

Barry Statia

Thank you June, Val, Karen, Doris, Lacy, Stephanie, and especially the Chefs who prepared an impressive brunch. Superb dining and wow the garlic, cheese grits... great! And that unbelievable bread pudding by Janet and Val... heard it was Janet's secret recipe. Not to forget the mellow sounds of the Jazz Band and melodies by Ronnie Kole. What a tremendous success and most importantly thank you members for your strong showing. A very engaging, fun, and entertaining happening. Speaking of happenings.

The next entertainment event is scheduled for Saturday, June 1st. In the meantime there's a lot to do and see prior to the next Entertainment Committee event as noted below:

4 May: Kentucky Derby.

11 May: May Day Regatta followed by Blessing of the Fleet

25 May: Charter Day Regatta

Don't forget.....

Every Wednesday in May the Bridge Group gathers

Wednesday evening Spring Series is still in full swing

See you at the Club!





# Membership

## Bobby Tassin

Hello to all TYC members! At the April TYC BOD meeting, we approved the membership of three new members for 2013 –

Chris Little – he and Eileen live aboard the Last Tango and are usually out on WedNites viewing the races.

Dale Revelle – he lives in Eden Isles, is a local steamship agent and runs Stompdancer a 34' power vessel.

David Mayard – he has been crewing on WedNite races and just plain ole would “rather be on water than on land” – I’ll drink to that!

Thanks to everyone who has been meeting and greeting potential new members as they appear on the horizon.

I want to remind you to promote TYC to potential new members: the “one to one” concept and please get and display TYC license plates. One to one is that if we each can successfully recruit one new member to TYC, we double our membership. I also encourage everyone to purchase a TYC license plate and get it on your vehicles – a small but effective way to raise community awareness.

Finally, other than WedNite Racing where we encourage public participation, TYC designates a couple events each year that would be great to invite potential new members. The next targeted events are the Calypso Party and the Docktober party. Meanwhile, please invite any potential new members to any event as your guest. So, look ahead to those events and grow our club!

Fair winds and following seas ~ Bobby



# TYC First Mates' Annual Blessing of the Fleet and Crawfish Boil!!

May 11th



Blessing of the Fleet 3pm  
Followed by Crawfish Races

Dinner 5pm

Crawfish, Shrimp, Potatoes, Corn on the  
Cob, Rolls, and Dessert

\$20 Members  
\$23 Non-Members



# Adult Sailing Lessons, NEW this year!!!!



## Learn to Sail at Tammany Yacht Club

Tammany Yacht is organizing and will sponsor Adult Sailing Classes this year. Our new (to TYC) sailing camp instructor Paul Barnes has been teaching adult sailing for years, and has a program set up to follow the sailing camps on Tuesday and Thursday nights, 5:30 to 7:30, beginning in June. We expect the classes to be sailed on our club Flying Scots, and each session to run for 2 weeks (4 classes). Plans have not yet been finalized, but will be posted on the website and on the bulletin board soon. We expect to have open enrollment, including non-members!

We would like to know the extent of interest in these classes, so if you are interested let us know, email me at [wayne@wjlaw.com](mailto:wayne@wjlaw.com) or to the club email [comments@tammanyachtclub.org](mailto:comments@tammanyachtclub.org).



## Kevin a WINNER at the 2013 Trimaran Nationals!



Kevin Blank sailed with Mike Parsons on Mike's F-24 Little Wing to a first in class, second in fleet and winner of the prestigious Windcraft Trophy as the first place amateur sailed boat at the 2013 Trimaran Nationals. The team missed out on first overall only to Sailing Hall of Famer and Olympic Medalist Randy Smyth. What an accomplishment!

Kevin and Mike have been sailing together on the F-24 for many years and have evolved into a dominant team, sailing the boat with just the two of them on a boat that usually sails with 3 or 4 crew.

The Trimaran Nationals were held this year in Pensacola on April 25-28, hosted by both the Pensacola and Pensacola Beach Yacht Clubs.







# Bilge Swill

Bob

Sorry mates, I was on location doing a diving shoot and missed a couple months. Hope all is well with fair seas. Have you ever zoned to that place while diving that your ears are off and the only sound is the echo of your heart beat and then the sloooooow intake of air. You ease through the water in a limbo of tranquility. If it was pitch black you could feel to be on a whole other planet of solitude. I think there are those of us who are born around the water and others who are born to the water. An inner compulsion of sort, as early as you can remember, playing and frolicking in the waves. Did you ever go to the bottom of the pool and put your mask against the concrete and pretend to be in another world..... I did; time stood still. I guess maybe we swam before we stood.

HUA !



The members of the Queen Ann Bridge Group continue to play Wednesday nights at TYC. Please join us!

**Finish up your week with a free bar tab!**  
**Every Friday TYC will be holding a drawing for a**  
**\$40 bar tab.**  
**Drawing will be at 8pm.**  
**Unwind the week at TYC. . . have a drink. . . win a**  
**bar tab!**





# Editor's Corner

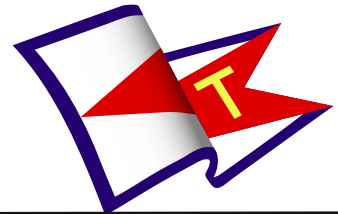
Angela Keister

FINALLY!!! Apologies for the delay this month..... The Keister house has been without internet since Wednesday's storm!!

TYC has several events planned this month, be sure to sign up!!! From Blessing of the Fleet to the First Mates Club Crawl, there is something for everyone!!!

Don't forget Spring Series 2 starts up this coming Wednesday along with the bridge group and as always delicious burgers for all.

Come have a drink.....



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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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