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HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY



Photo by Laura Curtis





Commodore's Corner Larry Whited

We have some good news and some bad news this past month. First the bad news. The second week of Sail Camp and the third session had to be cancelled because of the lake algae bloom and warnings from the State of Louisiana not come into contact with the water. In addition to the loss of income, the disappointment of the nascent sailors in the second session was very evident. Partial refunds for the second session and total refunds for the third session are forthcoming.

On the good news side, Bill Jobst and crew on Windsome took Second Place (Non-Spinnaker) in the Gulfport to Pensacola race. They were only 21 minutes and 36 seconds out of first after nearly 16 hours of racing. Windsome was the sole TYC entry in this year's race. Congratulations to Bill and his crew. And "Thank you."

Nearly 2 dozen BBQers took advantage of the "Grill Your Own" event on June 22nd. This was sponsored by the Membership Committee, chaired by Dave Lemaire. Thanks, Dave. I was able to hone my BBQing skills.

Speaking of eating, this past Steak/Birthday Night was another great success. We had 48 diners plus a few spectators at the bar. I have been very pleased with the turnouts we have been getting. Guy Geller and his wife Pat were there and contributed some additional history lessons about the early days of TYC. Be sure to read his segment in this issue. If you are not taking advantage of this opportunity to eat some incredible steaks or tuna or salmon, you're missing out. And the conversations were equally enjoyable. Thanks also to Debbie Smith for making all the phone calls to remind members of this event. I'm sure she wouldn't mind some help making the phone calls if anyone is so inclined (hint-hint).

Looking ahead (you DO look at the calendar on the TYC web site don't you), come watch the fireworks from the TYC balcony on July 4th. Hot dogs with chili and the fixings will be available and well as a special adult beverage from the bar.

On July 12th, we are hosting "Bingo Night" for the first time in many years. Wayne Jablonowski is organizing this event with a lot of assistance from Jean Almos and the Entertainment Committee. Come support the club, enjoy a beverage, and maybe win a prize. I have a personal history with a Bingo event like this – specifically "Losers Bingo". Ask me about it, and if I've had enough to drink, I may even tell you.

Thanks to EVERYONE that is contributing to making Tammany Yacht Club a fun place to be.

See you at the Club.

Larry Whited TYC Commodore



TAMMANY YACHT CLUB, A Bit of Our Past REMEMBRANCES of Guy Geller

Part 3

Establishing tradition is generally not a planned process. However, at the time, we felt that certain social events should repeat annually. Valentine's Day dinner and dance; Mother's Day breakfast, consisting of mimosas and Eggs Benedict was cooked and served by the dads, before the Mother's Day Regatta. Mom had to skipper the family boat but Dad had to sail on another boat. The Fourth of July picnic with traditional family competition for the juniors. Charter Day was one of three formal celebrations that included a formal flag raising, with invitations to the local political representatives. The formal event was followed by a race and a dinner. The Commodore's cocktail party, I had a hard time calling it a "ball" since the floor still had shag carpeting. The Children's Christmas party, and the third formal event, the New Year's Eve party.

The annual "luau" with an all night pig roasting in a pit party eventually turned into a "shipwreck party". The volunteers got tired of stuffing a thousand won tons at Etchie Yauger's house, and lighting those "cute" little candles in paper sacks. Still, the volcano rice and the rum filled watermelon basket, floating in the pool added a certain flair to the event.

Potluck dinners were pretty big in the beginning. Under the TYC chefs' auspices a cooking competition was developed. There were I believe five categories, from appetizers to desserts. The competition lasted five weeks each time. The diners were given score sheets with a vote for each category. The food was great.

Mike Newell began a series of monthly theme dinners, from décor and costumes to after dinner drinks. Mexican, Italian, Chinese etc. Great fun and again great food! Shrimp boils and Doug Wilson's fish fries were professionally executed. Bobby Boos' alligator sauce piquant and Sean Hickey's fried turkeys all added variety to our social calendar.

Cruising became a very important part of club activities; there were dinner cruises to the south shore and to the coast. There were annual Mardi Gras cruises to Madisonville to watch the boat parade. Somewhere I have a photo of Bill Cunningham rowing his dinghy, ferrying Carol Jeffery in her mink. There was even a ten-boat week-long cruise to Pensacola.

Ten cruises a year were established to compete for the Ken and Dorie Kinsey Cruising Trophy. They donated the ship's wheel that you see on the wall before we even had a clubhouse. They were coming from Texas going back to Rhode Island or North Carolina I don't remember which. They pulled into Bayou Liberty during a TYC hamburger/hot dogs cook out in the back of Liberty Marine. The two of them tried to dock their Islander 41 with a fourteen-foot beam with a cross wind. A few of the crowd went to help them tie up and get situated, pulled them off their boat and brought them over for complementary food and drinks. They were invited to our homes for showers, dinners, taken shopping etc. Before their departure they handed me fifty dollars to apply toward a cruising trophy.



The two "signature" special events of TYC had been a success, so in 1983 we began looking for a new type of regatta. We wanted to include the four GYA lake clubs. We talked about anchoring a large barge in the middle of the lake. Each club would have a feeder race to the barge on Saturday. Sunday, all boats would participate in either an Olympic Triangle or steeplechase.

Several other formats were discussed. Finally we decided that a three weekend round robin from club to club should be discussed with race committees of NOYC, PYC, and SYC. It could be called the "Lake Pontchartrain Racing Circuit." We evaluated our facility and decided that logistically it was too early in the club's existence to attempt the sponsorship of such an auspicious event. The plans were tabled, to be brought off the table six months hence. One of our members who participated in the planning had lunch with his attorney, a senior member of the Board of SYC.

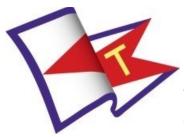
A short time later we received an invitation to participate in the planning of the Tulis Cup. A "great new regatta" with an innovative format. It would take three weeks and include all four clubs. After several meetings and for reasons best left unsaid the Tulis Cup suffered a short and somewhat painful demise. In late 1984, then Commodore Arreteig appointed me the representative of TYC to the Executive Committee for the formation of the Lake Pontchartrain Racing Circuit. PC Cleve Fair of Pontchartrain YC, PC Tom Trenchard of NOYC, and Jack Dane of SYC were the appointees of their clubs. Jim Bates, Sean Hickey, and Tim Iwanczyk were the TYC Regatta Committee members. The first race of the circuit was scheduled to be sailed on Saturday Nov. 2nd, 1985. The last of a Hurricane came through and we had to cancel that race, but started the next day. The balance of the regatta was an overwhelming success as have all since.

Tim Iwanczyk designed the official logo that is still in use, and Barbara Skremetta designed and printed the first official poster.

The oil bust decimated two marinas, sending members in search of jobs elsewhere. Membership having grown to somewhat over one hundred was now down to mid sixties.

In late 1987 the nominating committee asked me to run for Commodore again. I acceded with the understanding that I would accelerate the search for a new club site. During the last few months as Commodore, Bob Boos had discussed this concern with the dwindling membership, feeling that a new club would be an incentive for new members and rejuvenation for the old members.





A few members had moved their boats to then Eden Isles Marina. Harold Pecunia was among the first to lease a slip there. After my election, he agreed to continue chairing the relocation committee. It really was not an easy decision.

Many members felt that we should remain where we were. With the good of the Club in mind we proceeded. Eden Isles was not the only location considered but construction was still pretty positive there. Harold and Jan flew to California in June of 1988 to discuss possibilities with Frank Warren and his staff. My term ended in January 1989 and Nigel Beale picked up the baton or gavel and continued in the same direction. Planning and negotiations continued. Ray Evarts, the harbormaster, and Harold met endless hours to secure a suitable and affordable lease.

Many of you worked long hours to prepare for the first Friday night dinner on September 14, 1990. The dedication on October 21st under the direction of Commodore Bill Watson and his Board of Directors was memorable and a preamble to the November 2nd LPRC party.

Please allow me a few lines for a personal statement of appreciation. During the sixteen years of almost daily involvement, fourteen of which were on the board of directors in various offices and in over thirty committee chairmanships, I have enjoyed a cooperation from all who participated, beyond any level of expectation. I owe; we owe a debt of gratitude to the people before you without whom this organization would not have prospered. Now, I appreciate our Commodore, Board of Directors, committee chairs and above all the membership, your support of this club.

I am not a painter, nor am I a composer so I leave no artistic legacy. Tammany Yacht Club as my shared, public legacy hopefully will live on. Please conserve it, serve it well when you are asked, and above all don't get caught up in the petty foibles that undermine the existence of any organization.

I really can't count the number of people I must thank and I will make no attempt to name them. However, one person stands out time and time again over the years; my critic, very seldom; my supporter, always; my partner, my wife Pat. Thank you, your patience knows no bounds!

This chapter of our lives has come to an end and a new one has begun. Our dual residence makes it difficult to participate at the same level that we were accustomed. We will visit from time to time.

I raise my glass in toast: To old Friends, and to new!

Pictures from the Past





Photos courtesy of Walter "Bubba" Groce.





Race Committee

Bobby Tassin

Thank you to all the crew and skippers who competed in the WedNite spring sailing series! And, thanks to the skippers and crew and again, Thank you to Mark and Gloria and Dodie, Beth, Larry, Wayne J, Wayne S, Mark P, Kevin and Mike and Melinda Parks and Red and Kathleen and yours truly for RC support.

Charter Day Regatta had better breeze than forecast and still a small fleet. Excellent race committee work was completed by Mike and Melinda Parks and supported by Wayne Jablonowski and Miles Mick.

The "new kids on the block" AnB Parks are kicking butt on the Viper!

Summertime is well underway on the gulf coast. As you know we did not field a team TYC for the challenge cup. We did understand that the class A and B racing was more close and more competitive using the ORReZ racing rule instead of PHRF. Perennial competitors Bill and Susan Jobst on Windsome did compete in the Gulfport to Pensacola race. A big atta boy to that team for representing TYC and I'm sure they enjoyed a nice bushwhacker or two. Let's not forget that the Parks' Viper is available for TYC to compete in Capdeville events – just add crew, support and water. Meig's Regatta at FWYC is July 6 and 7th And I really hope to see the viper team competing there. We will have the good ship Finaddict on the water doing spectating and crew support.

2019 TYC Sailing Calendar – upcoming events:

To check out what's going on along the gulf coast this summer, please go to this link for the GYA 2019 sailing calendar:

http://www.gya.org/documents/schedule/

Race Committee RENEGADE RACE 1



STRAIGHTJACKET AND VIPER

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VIPER 640 STERN TO BOW:

BRADY PARKS, AARON PARKS, GABRIELLE LOR-





Hot dogs and chili - \$3

Watch the fireworks from the club

Club opens at 5









Bingo Night

July 12, 2019

Hors D'oeuvres and Fellowship
at 6:00 pm
Bingo at 7:00 pm
Prizes will be awarded
after each game
50/50 drawing at intermission
\$20.00 per person
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Juniors Sandy Stone

This year has been a challenge. Session 1 was well attended with many beginners. We were very proud to have a team of instructors who all began their sailing careers with Tammany Yacht Club sail camp. Our lead instructor, Peter Fabre, assistant instructor, Nicholas Burgers, and junior instructors, Gabrielle Lormand, Aaron Parks, Brady Parks and Eric Toups, did an outstanding job with the resources our club provides. Mother Nature proved to be our foe this year. Due to unsafe conditions in Lake Pontchartrain, the last week of the second session and the entire third session were cancelled.

A big thank you to the many members that worked before, during and after camp— repairing boats, cleaning the yard, record keeping, being on watch, bringing treats and too many other ways to remember. Thank you Mark and Gloria Poole for hosting the sail in pool party! A very special thanks to Carol Whited and Mike Parks for their daily support. Once again, Cheryl Perret has been a lifesaver in keeping track of payments and this year, refunds. There are a lot of others and I could not do this without the help.





Session 1





Session Two









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SESSION 2

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SESSION 2

PHOTOS BY Carol Whited







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We Need You to tell your friends about Tammany Yacht Club membership





Dave Lemaire, Membership Chair (985)-788-5301







Editor's Comments Peggy Stone

I have many people to thank for this month's newsletter. Laura took the fantastic sunset shot from the balcony. I would put our sunset views up against any in the world. Spectacular! Jean is always busy snapping pictures at events. Thank you Jean. Annabelle and Carol were on hand to capture candid shots during sail camp. Mark and Gloria Poole hosted Session 1 sail camp to Poole's Pool. Thank you!

As we are giving thanks this month for our great country, I would like to share this email from Carole and Larry Gillio. Many of our members contributed to a go fund me collection that was made in the name of TYC Juniors. May John Harrison be an inspiration for all of us.

Dear Friends:

Some of you may remember the tragic event at GYC when a young sailor, John Harrison, was electrocuted (non fatal) as his mast touched power lines at the club, causing him horrific injuries, including the loss of both legs and an arm. Larry and I were in Gulfport yesterday with dear friends who are members. We are very pleased to advise that the young man is actually participating in sailing para olympics. What enlightening and uplifting news!!! Many of you contributed to a fund for him when we told TYC members what had happened that weekend (several of us were actually at GYC the day it happened). TYC member contributions, thoughts and prayers were greatly appreciated by the family.

John Harrison should be a model for all of us; and we are so happy to be able to share this good news with all of you, something we all need more of!

Larry and Carole

Wishing everyone a safe and fun summer. Please take a minute to honor our flag and remember what she stands for in America and the world.



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Entrees include potato, salad, mushrooms, rolls and dessert.

Dinner Bell rings at 7:30











































July 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	1	5	6
				Hot dogs \$3 at 5 pm	Happy Hour 5-7	Happy Hour 5-7
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
		TYC Board 7pm		Happy Hour 5-7 Good Eats	Happy Hour 5-7 BINGO 6pm	Happy Hour 5-7 Rental
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
				Happy Hour 5-7 Good Eats	Happy Hour 5-7 General Mem- bership 7pm	Happy Hour 5-7
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
				Happy Hour 5-7	Happy Hour 5-7 Steak Night	Happy Hour 5-7
28	29	30	31			
Rental		CDL HOA	Moonraker HOA			





Upcoming Events

2019

July 4 Fourth of July 5pm hot dogs and view fireworks

July 12 Bingo

August 17 Calypso Party

August 23 Membership Drive—light appetizers

September 14 Country Western Party/ Membership Drive

October 12 Tentative trip to Wooden Boat Festival

November 16 Chili Cook off

December 7 TYC Christmas tree decorating party





Ed Gonzales 7-01

Dodie Jones 7-07

Carol Perret 7-08

Andrew Myers 7-09

Gloria Poole 7-11

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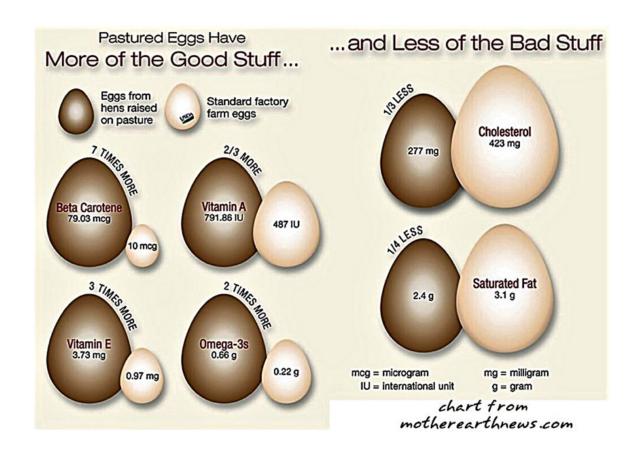








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