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(Member at Large)

Not pictured: Earl Savoie (Member at Large), Mark Poole (Rear Commodore)



Commodore's Corner

Steve Jones

I can't believe we are at the end of Jan already. I wish I could have attended the New Year's Eve Party. I have been told it was a great party with a great band with about 50 people attended. This is just the beginning, Entertainment Committee is chaired by Barry Statia this year and he has a great group of people helping him so I'm sure we can look forward to many more great events.

Some of our missing committee chairs have been filled; Bobby Tassin volunteered to chair the Membership committee and Bill Henkel accepted the structural half of house committee. If you feel inclined to help on any of the committees I'm sure they would welcome the help. I was surprised to learn that 20 fellow members or 25% of our membership sponsor children in our Sail Camp. Five of those sponsors attended our sail camp meeting last Wednesday. Kyle Bowser graciously offered to act as the Sail Camp Director keeping tabs on logistics. Be sure to thank him if you see him. Recognizing that our youth have grown and gained knowledge we discussed splitting the each session into two groups Beginner and Intermediate with more advanced instruction to those that have demonstrated proficiency. The camp dates are posted on our calendar and we are currently accepting applications and reviewing resumes for instructors. Mark Palermo offered to work with our instructors to revise the curriculum to better fit our growing group. Wayne Jablonowski and Mike Parks are contacting potential instructors. The prices will be decided once instructors are selected but are expected to be similar to last year. Rob Keister offered to keep the club informed about upcoming youth regattas in hopes that some of our Sail Camp protégés will participate.

I attended the Gulf Yachting Association GYA meeting and thought I would tell you about it. I have been sailing and racing for years but only just learned how we are part of the international community of competitive sailing including the Olympics so I thought I would share this with you.

TYC is one of thirty-three clubs that make up the GYA and we have a voting seat on the Board of Directors. It is this membership that allows us to visit other GYA clubs and enjoy reciprocal privileges. GYA 's website has a Directory of member clubs usually with a link to their own website so whether you are planning a boat trip down the coast or just want to drive to one of the clubs

for brunch all kinds of information is just a Google search away. GYA also sanctions our two invitational regattas and sponsors races like Challenge Cup and Capdevielle (Flying Scott) they also assign the handicap ratings for our boats. Just as TYC is a part of GYA, GYA is a voting member of U.S. Sailing. U.S. Sailing offers other categories of membership. TYC is a non-voting "Organization" member which allows us to sponsor races and get affordable group insurance for the club. Most of the sailors in our club are "Individual" members and get a little discount on entry fees and a copy of the Racing Rules of Sailing. U.S. Sailing is national level and is a member of the International Sailing Federation (ISAF). The International Sailing Federation (ISAF) is the world governing body for the sport of sailing, officially recognized by the International Olympic Committee (IOC.) So we can trace our membership through the international sailing community including the Olympics. This is good to know especially if we have a prodigy in our sailing camp.

This year's meeting was held at Fairhope Yacht Club in AL. It is a beautiful club and worth a stop if your passing by. Karl Boehm continues to represent us as a member of the PHRF Committee as well as the very lively Offshore Council and this year he was elected to serve on the Board of the Offshore Council; congratulations Karl. Michel Bauer is serving his second term as the GYA Foundation Treasurer; congratulations Michael. Kevin Blank is continuing as our delegate on the One Design council; thanks Kevin. While much of their effort takes place away from TYC and seems to go unnoticed we are well represented in the GYA and we enjoy the results of their efforts and it is appreciated.

We are continuing the Friday Night Drawing which is always a lot of fun it is \$120 now. And don't forget the Super Bowl Party on the 3rd of Feb.

Some things coming up in March the Skippers meeting for the Spring Series Wed Night Racing is on the 6th and Kevin Blank, having attended the Rules Seminar at the GYA meeting, will be providing an overview of the quadrennial changes to the Racing Rules of Sailing. And on the 16th we have our annual Two Against the Lake Race.

See you at the club



TYC Race

Wayne Jablonowski

Place on your calendars Saturday March 16, TWO AGAINST THE LAKE!! This is TYC's first major sailing/racing event of the year, and always a favorite of many sailors. Check the Tammany Website for the Notice of Race, which be posted shortly.

But before that we begin our Spring Series, with the first race scheduled for Wednesday, March 13. There will be skipper's meeting held on Wednesday March 7 for the series. I ask that all TYC sailors, and those who are not members who may consider racing to attend. I will conduct a short seminar relating to this series, including the courses to be sailed, the starting sequence, etc., and to answer any questions anyone might have.

Past Commodore Kevin Blank and I attended a Race Management Seminar last Saturday at Southern YC. The seminar was very comprehensive and taught the rules for running races. Even after many years of involvement in running races, I was surprised at the amount of race committee knowledge that I did NOT know (old dog, new tricks?). Kevin and I hope to impart some of that information on to those who perform RC duties at TYC. As we both passed the test at the end of the seminar, we will soon be US Sailing Certified "Club Race Officers". Passing the test was no small feat for me, even though it was open book and multiple choice.

Do you know any sailors in our area who do not race with us? If so, can you please approach them and ask if you can give me their contact information, and get me that info. I would like to personally contact them to explain what we do and to get input from them as to what might interest them. This goes along with my hope to increase the participation of our Non-Spinnaker fleet, which had been well attended but fell of somewhat at the end of last year.

I have a lot of thoughts about the upcoming years sailing events, some of which I will list very briefly below. I would like input into these and suggestions from all TYC members on how the TYC races can be more fun, encourage better competition, encourage more attendance, be more diverse, etc. For any comments, suggestions, complaints, please email me at Wayne@wjlaw.com and/or to the comments@tammanyachtclub.org. I intend to have a meeting in February for all who are interested in the organized sailing events we have scheduled, to discuss any and all sailing and racing issues, including;

- Non-spinnaker fleet participation, separate starts
- Club Championship Races, participation, format
- First Spring Series, all Non-Spin?
- Courses for Wednesday Night Series
- Club Series, racing outside the bridges, west of Hwy. 11
- TYC "T" mark
- Race Committee duties, each boat participation
- Sponsorship / Entry Fees for Wednesday night racing
- Lots of other issues open for discussion

I am excited to have been offered to serve as Tammany YC's Race Committee Chairman, which I accepted without hesitation. Hopefully I will ably serve by organizing and running numerous races that all of our sailors enjoy. While I know that some of us enjoy the intensity of competition, there are more that enjoy racing for the pure joy of sailing, the camaraderie on the water, and a little competition. Hopefully I will serve all types of racers and that we all have FUN on and off the water.

Wayne Jablonowski



TYC First Mates

Gloria Poole

I would like to thank the new offices, for committing their time to First Mates.

Our officers are:

Past President: Dodie Jones

Vice President: Kathy Sexton

Secretary: Desiree Young

Treasurer: Cathy Folse

Members at Large: Shirley Henkel, Angela Keister, Rae Ann Normand, Debbie Smith

This is an awesome commitment of time with everyone's busy lives. The board will meet once a month on the first Thursday. We met in January and discussed many items. With new officers come many new and great ideas. We are working on a few new events, as we progress, we will keep you informed.

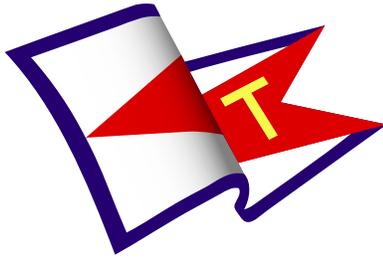
We would like to find ways to get to know each other better and of course, have fun. We are going to start a bunko group, once a month. We are interested in anyone wishing to play one time or every month. There will be a list at the bar for anyone interested in signing up.

The next First Mates event will be a potluck for Super Bowl Sunday. This is an annual event and we hope lots of club members will join us. There will be a signup sheet at the bar, please sign up and bring a dish to share.

We would also like to thank Dodie Jones for committing two years to being First Mates President, she did an awesome job. She has set the bar high for all to follow.

Gloria Poole, President





Upcoming Events

February 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
						rental
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Superbowl Party			Bridge Group	First Mates Board Meeting	Krewe of Selene	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	Board Meeting	Mardi Gras	Bridge Group		Mardi Gras Race Week - One Design	Mardi Gras Race Week - One Design
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Mardi Gras Race Week - One Design			Bridge Group		First Mates Sweethearts	Mardi Gras - PHRF rental
24	25	26	27	28	1	2
Mardi Gras - PHRF			Bridge Group			

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.



Friday Night Dinners

February 15th Steak Night/Birthday 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 February Birthdays



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

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.



TYC Super Bowl Party February 3rd 5:00pm



Bring your FAVORITE football food and join us for a potluck dinner while watching the last game of the season!!!

Signup sheet at the bar

Football Pools

Raffle

\$2 per ticket or 3 for \$5

Don't wait..... sign up now!!!!





MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

FOR THE

SWEETHEART DINNER

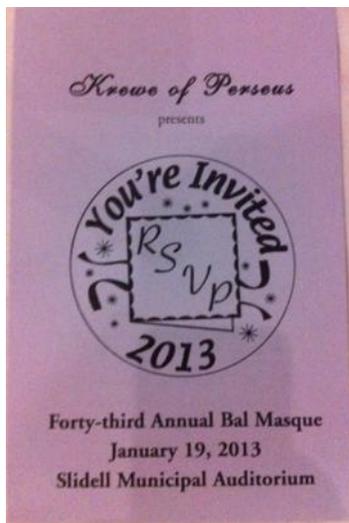
FEBRUARY 22, 2013

SIGN-UP SHEET AVAILABLE SIGN UP

NOW!

DETAILS TO FOLLOW.....









Bilge Swill

Bob

“Tacking!!!!” – huh?

You ever had 6 people on the rail in a highly competitive race? Then add in the instantaneous desire to tack with out any warning. At least in most cases you can intuitively know when it is coming; close to the mark, making the line, etc., however there are those moments that a Capt may feel the need to make a change with out notice.

Not so bad with lots of room on the rail, but with 6. First you must complete an exercise akin to synchronized swimming – OK team on my mark duck the rail, “now”! “No No No, everybody goes right, to slide your head under”. Practice! Practice! Unfortunately some times it is one after the other then the 6th man(person) gets stuck jumping the sheet as it flies across the deck. Hopefully they made it to the inside of the Jib ??

“So skipper, please let me know when you are about to tack, I promise I will not leave the rail early!”

Ready for the spring series yet?



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

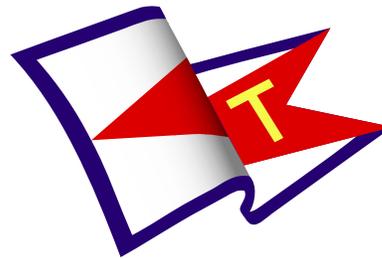
Angela Keister

Remember..... The TYC Spyglass is only as good as YOU make it!!

Please send all pictures, articles, fun facts, calendar events, announcements, etc to spyglass@tammanyachtclub.org by the 22nd of each month for publishing.

Don't forget the Super Bowl party this Saturday February 3, 2013 starting at 5:00. Sweetheart sign-up sheet is now available at the bar..... Sign-Up TODAY! Details to follow...

See you at the club,
Angela Keister



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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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