

Tammany Yacht Club

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The deadline for submission to the Spyglass is the 28th of each month.

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TYC Club Hours:

Monday & Tuesdays-Closed

Wednesday- 5-10 P.M.

Thursday—5-10 P.M.

Friday- 5-11 P.M.

Saturday- 5-11 P.M.

Sunday-4-9 PM.

TYC reserves the right to close early starting at 9:00 P.M.

**The club is open to members during rentals.
Events subject to change without notice.
TTT=Tasty Thirsty Thursday**





Dear Members of TYC:

I extend a "Thank You" to all our members for the opportunity to serve as your Commodore for 2025. I can assure you that I will do my very best to serve and protect our club during my watch.

Now, change can be a good thing. Change can help you reach your destination by means of a new direction. Just as when you are sailing, the Skipper says, "Prepare to come about." This means to tack, which means to adjust the bow of your boat. Well, our club is Tacking! We are changing direction in an effort to allow progress to continue, and to keep our club moving in a forward direction.

Our Board consists of good people who are here to serve our great club. I am happy to be on their team. We welcome you to join a committee. There are several committees from which to choose, so please get involved.

We welcome new ideas for entertainment, and we welcome ideas for the many events that we hold here at our club. Please drop your ideas in our suggestion box that is located on the display case near the front door of the club.

Lastly, I would like to thank Beth Applewhite for helping us with our club communications. Beth will be serving as our club's Web Master as well as Member at Large. Beth has been busy making sure she continues our club's tradition of extending information to our club members in a timely manner. Thank you, Beth.

Should you have any questions, please drop me a line or see me at the club. Cheers to the New Year. I thank each of you for your efforts in helping our club continue to move in a forward direction.

Michelle Rabalais

TYC Commodore



Welcome 2025 TYC Board of Directors

Front Row: Beth Applewhite-Member at Large; Patricia Heindel Smith-Secretary; Michelle Rabalais- TYC Commodore; Dr. Bobby Tassin- Fleet Surgeon;

Mark Phillips-Rear Commodore

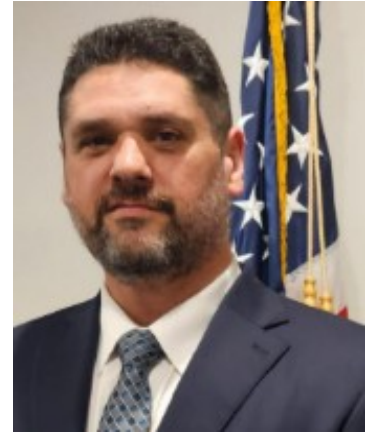
Back Row: Bryon George- Treasurer; Nick Colletti- Vice Commodore; Keith Boos - Member at Large; Dave Lander-Member at Large; Rene Marques-Past Commodore

Photo Courtesy: Pauline Marques

VICE COMMODORE'S



Colletti



I am truly honored and humbled to stand before you today as your newly elected Vice Commodore. I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to all of you, our members, fellow officers, and the entire leadership team, for your trust and confidence in me.

I extend a special thank you to Rene Marques for his dedication and contributions to our club. His leadership has been an inspiration, and I hope to build on the strong foundation he has set.

The club is more than just an organization; it is a community bound by our shared passion for the sea, camaraderie, and the spirit of adventure. As Vice Commodore, I am committed to supporting our Commodore, Michelle Rabalais, working with our leadership team, and serving all of you to ensure that our club continues to thrive.

Looking ahead, I am excited to contribute to our events, enhance member engagement, and uphold the traditions that make this club special. But more importantly, I am here to listen to your ideas, concerns, and aspirations for our future. Together, we will navigate challenges, seize new opportunities, and make our club a place where everyone feels valued and inspired.

Once again, thank you for this incredible opportunity. I am eager to get to work, and I look forward to sailing into a bright future together.

Nicholas J. Colletti

Vice Commodore

Racing Committee/LPRC Chairman



Bobby Tassin



TYC Racing January – February 2025 – Dr Bobby Tassin

TYC Mark Coordinates:

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Eden Isles Channel Marker 1 – N 30 12.640 W 89 48.034

What a start to 2025! As I write (Feb 1, 2025), I am calling the season/temps early springish, last week was full on blizzard and next week will be late springish..... The conditions are favorable for both sailing and fishing and the evening skies have been sublime with opportunities to site multiple stars and the moon. If you did not have fun in the snow, you may wanna call 504-831-9901.....IYKYK

Today I attended a US Sailing Race Management Seminar at PontYC and it was great. I've done the seminar a couple of times over the last few years decades and this time I will proceed with getting certified as a Club Race Officer. Several things were learned, and I will get some details re changes in racing rules and RC related items out in a separate missive. For better or for worse, we will develop formal SI's (Sailing Instructions) for WedNite sailing and formalize to GYA standards the SI's for Two Against the Lake and Single-Handed Regattas.

Earlier this week I was in a GYA Offshore Council meeting and we voted to allow two clubs to combine to form a team (neither club can have placed in the top three positions the previous year) and there will be no more Vipers, VX or other dinghy-like boats allowed. These are two good moves to get more boats out and to bring the boats competing back into line with the original concept and spirit of the GYA "Offshore" Challenge Cup.

Juniors Sail Camp

We will get online registration updated and activated ASAP. Once done we will announce to the club so members can get their families and friends registered and open it to the public soon thereafter. The dates for 2025: Session 1: June 2 – 13; Session 2: June 16 – 27; Session 3: July 7 – 18. You can contact me to hold a spot. I am seeking a/few co-chairs for the Junior Sail Camp committee. Otherwise, I will be contacting the usual suspects for work parties on the dock and boats. We are getting much closer to the approval of the TYC Pontchartrain Foundation 501c3 non-profit corporation.

Sailing events on the horizon: We commence WedNites on the first Wednesday after DST kicks in. In the spring we have two series of six races each. The first series is all Non-spinnaker, and the second series can have both Spinn and Non-Spinn classes as the fleet desires. There have been some scalawags sailing SE of I-10 for some time now and despite allegations of ill repute and reports of thar be dragons, they have pressed a case for racing there.... We will explore this with an open mind and a robust depth sounder.

LPRC

Please recall what you volunteered for in 2024 as in 2025, TYC is the host club, and we will have the regatta ending here. The fleet will sail over to TYC on Saturday for the "big" party and trophies, race at TYC on Sunday and return for another party and final trophy presentation. This year is the 40th anniversary of LPRC and as the anchor/host club for the event, let us all pitch in again to make it special.

Sailing calendar:

WedNite Spring Series 1: Skippers meeting 3/6; Races 3/12 through 4/16 inclusive

Mardi Gras Regatta PHRF: 3/8 – 9 @ NOYC

Two Against the Lake: Skippers meeting 3/21 and Race 3/22

WedNite Spring Series 2: 4/23 through 5/28 inclusive

Race to the Coast: June 14 – 15

GYA Offshore Challenge Cup: June 20 – 22

Gulfport to Pensacola: June 27 – 28

WedNite Fall Series: Skippers meeting 8/27; Races 9/3 through 10/8 inclusive

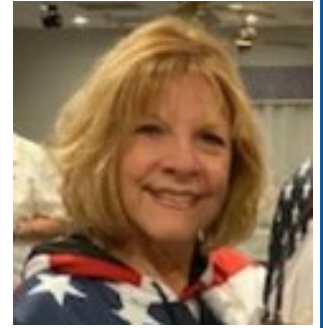
Single-Handed Race: Skippers meeting 10/3 and Race 10/4

Recall that as a member of TYC, you have reciprocal privileges to visit any GYA yacht club. Policies vary by club and by event, so when planning a visit, call ahead for details.

<https://www.gya.org/member-clubs/>

Fair winds and following seas!

Editor's Comments



Greetings Fellow TYC Members and Friends,

As always, I am hopeful this message will find you in the best of health and prosperity. I am also hopeful that everyone enjoyed the beautiful snowfall in mid-January. I never dreamed that I would be shoveling snow for three days in an effort to help Mother Nature melt the accumulation of snow in a more timely and efficient manner.

Our great TYC continues to flourish as we have a “changing of the guard”, so to speak, from one Board of Directors to our new Board of Directors. I extend a “Thank You” to our great people who made up our existing Board, and to congratulate them on the wonderful work they have done in helping our TYC continue to be the great club that we know it to be. I extend a warm welcome to the members of our new Board and thank them for their eagerness in helping us continue our tradition of greatness.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Michelle Rabalais in her new role as TYC Commodore. Michelle certainly displays an attitude of positiveness and an eagerness to guide our beloved TYC on the journey to the future. Thank you, Michelle, for your willingness to serve in this vital role.

Once again, I extend a “Thank You” to our committee chairpersons who continue to work so diligently in getting their articles to Spyglass in a timely manner. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

Brilliant Winter sunsets are the gifts of the season, and they can be enjoyed right from our very own TYC deck.

I look forward to seeing you there!

Pauline Marques

TYC Spyglass Editor/Historian

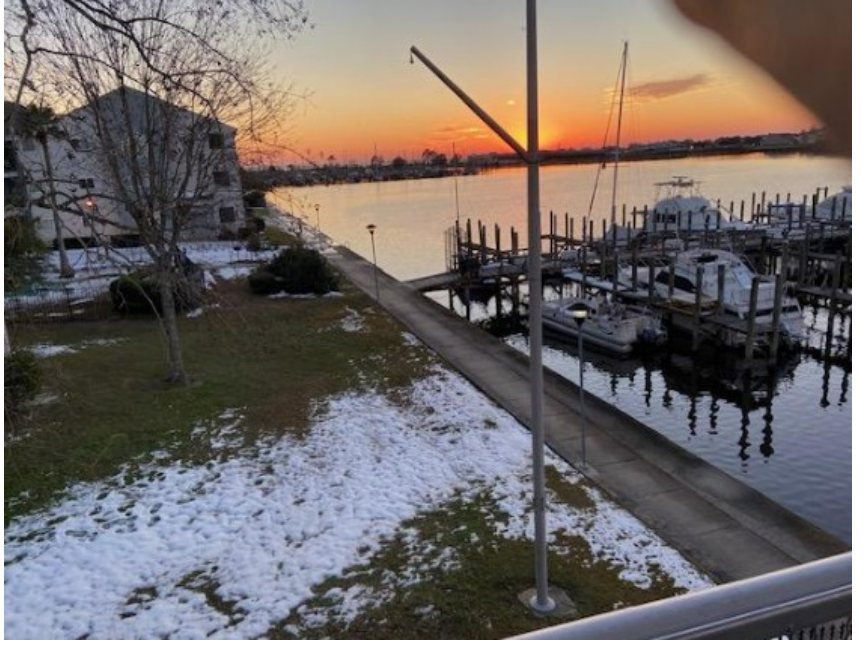
Tasty Thirsty Thursday

Join us for a TYC culinary experience
each Thursday evening.

6:30 PM

Check your email for details for the week.





TYC
Superbowl
PARTY

Annual "Souper Bowl"



1st Place Winner
Adrienne Colletti
Tuscan Kale Soup

2nd Place Winner
Vince Rabalais
Seafood Soup

3rd Place Winner
Linda Phillips
Shrimp & Corn Chowder

(Note: Linda & Vince are pictured out of order)

Vince

February Birthdays



Anthony Boackle	2/11
Chris Bolka	2/11
Al Johns	2/9
Wayne Sewing	2/10

Happy Birthday to all !!



Sunday Fun Day

Are you looking for a place to unwind
on a Sunday evening?

Come enjoy the beautiful
sunsets right from our very
own TYC deck.



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February 2025



Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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Rodeo
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5 P.M.

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Super
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6 P.M.
TYC Bd Mtg.
7 PM

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Captain
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12 P.M.

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