

MAINSHEET

The Newsletter of Thames Yacht Club

Commodore's Corner

The season is finally upon us and I am happy to announce the completion of the structural portion of the new dock is expected by the end of May. The next step is restoration of the dock utilities. Please contact Keith Gagne if you would like to help with the dock electrical. I would like to thank the following members who worked hard to complete the shore portion of the dock in support of Commissioning Day activities. Wayne Gammo, Scott Scaduto, Jim Reyburn, Phil Michalowski, Keith Gagne and Henry Pianka.

Let's welcome Edi Day our galley operator this year. She will be offering a variety of foods and I understand she is an excellent cook. All members are encouraged to support Edi and patronize our galley.

Cleanup Day, headed up by Bevan and Keith, was well attended. Sincere thanks to all the members who put the club and grounds back in ship shape condition.

In addition to refurbishing the first floor women's bathroom, Jackie Fisher also did the 2nd floor bathroom during the past month. Thank you Jackie! Also, thanks to Tom Welsh and Tom junior for the well needed replacement of the men's shower.

The Galley should be operational by Commissioning Day, thanks to the extraordinary efforts of Past Commodore Al Schober and House Chair Bevan Crighton along with the help of Barb and the Moriartys. A special thanks to Keith who was able to procure the galley components at a bargain price.

The two next events in early July are the Bradbury Memorial Race and Party on Wednesday, July 4 and the Summer Membership Meeting on Sunday, July 8, Mark your calendars, details enclosed.

The club has been found unlocked several times this past month. If you are the last to leave, please ensure all windows and doors are

locked.

There have been several complaints over the years by our neighbors concerning members blocking driveways and parking in unauthorized areas. This in some cases has resulted in tickets being issued and reflects badly on our club. So please be considerate of our neighbors before we lose our parking. Also, please pass this info along to your crew and guests since they are most likely involved.

I would like to acknowledge and thank the following "behind the scenes" members whose little known efforts keep the club going. Cliff Fisher, Chuck Wargo, Paul Bracket, David Kennedy, Paul Schwartz, Joseph Madaus and of course our House Chair, Bevan.

I send all of you my best wishes to enjoy the 2007 season at our club.

Jack Scaduto, TYC Commodore

Membership Committee

The past few months have been extremely busy for the Membership Committee and through these efforts we would like to announce the newest senior members accepted by the membership committee.

Welcome aboard.... Hope Brayton, Ellen and Kevin Donohue, Kalee and John Erhard, Judith and Thomas Gannon, Krista and Mark Gear, Thomas Mahford, Lisa and John Martin, Dorothy and Denis Morin, Rebecca and Jamison Waz. Also, announced last month was Al Matheson and Annie and David Pugsley. Look for them, introduce yourself and show them around.

We have several interviews coming up in the next few weeks and many potential

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From The Vice Commodore

Our galley is looking quite grand! Many club members are responsible, but huge efforts by the Moriaritys, Bevin Crighton, and especially Al Schober deserve our thanks and appreciation. The ladies' rooms have been spruced up by Jackie Fisher, and the floors and carpeting have been cleaned by Commodore Jack and Jean Ann Scaduto. Barb Welsh and Mary Ellen Michalowski washed all the dishes and put them back in the newly painted cupboards. The club is all bright and fresh and ready for the 2007 season. Commissioning Day will have already happened by the time you

read this. After our commissioning ceremonies on the new dock, seventy-five people will have a great sitdown dinner of prime rib, chicken and fish along with veggies, salad and dessert. Many of our newest members are attending. It is a wonderful start to our summer.

Warm ups on Thursdays are starting soon. We may need a rotating host for each week, so keep that in mind.

Please let me know if you would like to be on the Social Committee, even if you are already on it.

Carolyn Leuze, TYC Vice Commodore

Membership Continued

members with applications to be returned. Thanks to all of you who have recommended these people for membership, check with them to see if they have sent it in.

New Beach Members are...Michael Allen & Marin Klawiter and Mallory and Bill Hannaford. We welcome you to "The Best Beach" around.

The best advertising medium for the Thames Yacht Club are you, our members. Let your friends know about our wide range of programs, activities and facilities plus the wonderful world of yachting. We have also been extremely lucky receiving excellent applicants through our Web site.

Jackie Fisher, TYC Membership Chair

From The Fleet Captain

Our first cruising event, Pirates Cookout, is rapidly approaching. This one day event takes place at Flat Hammock off of Fishers Island June 30th from 11:00- 4:00. We will have a treasure hunt at 2:00 and a picnic on the island. A grill will be provided for everyone to use. Boats should start arriving off Flat Hammock anytime in the morning and raft up at the discretion of the skippers.

The grand prize of the scavenger hunt will be coveted golden whale burgee. For those of you that are not familiar with the golden whale, it is an award given to members at cruising events to be returned to the fleet captain before the next event. If you think you are going to attend then please contact me. In the event of rain look for a notice posted in the club, contact me directly or call me on the radio CH 72

2007 TYC Cruising Schedule:

Pirates Cookout: June 30th daytrip to Flat Hammock
Watch Hill Rendezvous: July 21st - 22nd weekend trip to Napatree point
North Fork Adventure: August 18th, 19th & 20th club cruise to Montauk point and 3-mile harbor
Hamburg Cove: September/October weekend trip to Hamburg cove

Glenn Freiman, TYC Fleet Captain

Rear Commodore Corner

The season is now here! We begin racing with the Chili Series on Monday, May 28, 2007. The Wednesday Night race series begins later that week on May 30th. It's time to sign up!

Information and sign up sheets are at our web site for both races.

July 4th is the Bradbury Memorial Race, a friendly race for all members. Please join us and enjoy the party after. The Notice of Race is at our web site.

The skipper and crew of each Wednesday night racing boat is required to participate as part of the race committee, at least once each season. Please sign up on the sheet posted near the trophy case.

I look forward to seeing you at the races. Don't miss any of the fun racing with the Club.

Ted Paulsen, TYC Rear Commodore

MEMBER'S DAY - SAVE THE DATE

Member's Day is August 11, 2007. Bill Rinoski the same DJ as last year has been booked and of course the Oscar Kerman race will be held complete with water balloons and squirt guns. Remember how much fun it was last year.

I need help the day of the event.

1. Set-up ,serve and clean up continental breakfast
2. Money taker for lunch
3. Set-up lunch
4. Grill people
5. Lunch clean-up
6. Money taker for dinner

Dinner will be catered but we need all helping hands for table set-up and clean up after.

Please contact: Judy Gibbs 860-444-7227
 jgibbs@secorauto.com

I look forward to hearing from you many hands make light work.

Judy Gibbs, TYC Past Commodore

From the House Committee

Well, as I write this article it is less than a week away from Opening day at the Club.

I am still scrambling with lots of little jobs that need to be fixed but generally the club is in pretty good shape for the season, thanks to all the volunteers.

Clean up weekend went well with a good turn out and we managed to fill a large dumpster with all sorts of garbage from in and around the club.

The Galley project is also coming along pretty well. We are at a stage where the Galley can be used, but we still have a few items to take care of.

The next major project coming up will be replacement at the front of the club of the Landscaping Wall, which is in really poor shape. My efforts at advertising this project as an exercise program drew a dismal response, and so the work is on hold until I can get a few strong backs together to tackle this job. I know that you all have a lot going on at this time, with Gardens needing tending to, and boats to be launched and so I will try again in the near future. If you have any interest in seeing this project take place please let me know.

Bevan Crighton, TYC House Committee Chairman.

Clothing Corner

The clothing corner will be open for sales at the commissioning ceremonies and at other club events through out the summer.

NEW items this year will include; sleeveless polo shirts for women and polo shirts for men with accent stripes on sleeves and collar

Items available; hats, Mt Gay tee-shirts (long & short sleeve), ties and polo shirts, a limited quantity of fleece pull-overs and denim shirts. Sale items; all (NON- MT GAY) short sleeve tee shirts (\$5.), adult and youth sizes. Special orders will be taken.

See Judy Gibbs, Aileen Greene or Talia Lemay

Mooring Committee Update

Club Mooring Application Update All members at the Thames Yacht Club (TYC) who maintain a mooring are required to submit annually an "Application for Individual, Non -Commercial Mooring Space Permit" to the TYC Mooring committee. Completed permits should be submitted to the TYC no later than June 15, 2007, Attention: Mooring Committee.

Note: Individual moorings require inspection bi-annually (every two years); please identify the inspection status for your mooring with the mooring space application submittal.

To date, only approximately 50% of the applications have been received, please make every effort to submit your application.

Roy Adamson, TYC Mooring Chairman

75th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

The 75th Anniversary Committee is well along in its planning for next year's gala celebration. You should find elsewhere in this Mainsheet the announcement of the various contests the committee is staging. The poster contest is strictly for our juniors while the logo, slogan and pennant contests are open to all members. There is no rush to enter - you have until 2100, Friday, September 7th (Skippers' Night) to submit your ideas.

The anniversary year commences Sunday, January 27, 2008 with a wine and cheese party. At that event the winners of the various contests will be announced and prizes awarded. The gold medal event of the year will be the Gala Dinner/Dance to be held Saturday, April 26th. We have reserved Ocean Beach's Port and Star-board Room for this event and hope you all can attend. The Committee is working extremely hard to have a top notch affair at a reasonable price.

Another high profile event will be the anniversary regatta to be held the Sunday of Members' Weekend. It will encompass all boats from Optimists to the squadron's largest. At this time the Committee consists of Jack Scaduto, Carolyn Leuze, Carlos Mojica, Dave Sombric, Jim Reyburn, Greg Reese, Judy Gibbs and Cal Brouwer. Like all committees, more members and therefore, more help, would be greatly appreciated. If you're interested in serving on this once in a lifetime committee, please contact any one of the above named members. You won't be disappointed!

GOVERNOR'S REGATTA

The 37th Connecticut Governor's Regatta will be run Sunday, July 15th. The official entry form is enclosed. Entry forms must be received by Wednesday, July 11th. The Notice of Race is also enclosed; please note the starting/finishing lines will be established in the vicinity of Vixen Ledge. As usual, members will be asked to assist with this blue ribbon event. Please volunteer accordingly.

Cal Brouwer, President

Please remove your Winter sticks from the mooring field ASAP. Also, remove your floats and gear from the beach because the offensive odor annoys our neighbor.

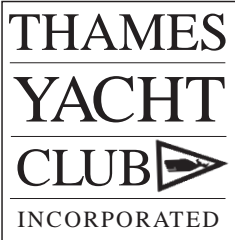
CLASSIFIED ADS

For Sale: 350 LB mooring, inspected and new pennant installed in 2006. **Jeff LaMothe, 860-418-9271**

For Sale: 2 cast Danforth type anchors 30# and 35# \$40 each for another club member. **Jim Avery, 860-447-9889**

For Sale: Force 5 sailboat. hull needs work but have all parts. \$350.00 **Stu Craig, 860-657-8095**

For Rent: Mooring in the North field area. \$450.00 for the season. **Stu Craig, 806-368-6576**



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IMPORTANT NOTICES

House Rules Update

Two important changes have been made to the House Rules so please be advised.

House Rule 4 e. revised to:

Children 12 years of age or younger are not permitted on the 2nd floor except for specific approved functions. Under no circumstances are they allowed on upper deck porch.

House Rule 10 now reads:

Under special circumstances such as cruising, and when renting a TYC mooring or slip or emergency situation, children under 18 are permitted to use 2nd floor shower facilities when accompanied by an adult who is physically present on 2nd floor.

ABANDONED SAILBOAT

JY 15 ON BEACH FOR LAST FEW YEARS

**CONTACT CLIFF FISHER , 860-443-5968, CLIFF-
ISHER@SBCGLOBAL.NET**

**IF YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION REGARDING
OWNERSHIP OF THIS SAILBOAT**

75th Anniversary Contests Off And Running!

Here's the information you've been waiting for about the contests related to the club's 75th anniversary next year (2008). The time span is 1933-2008. There are three contests.

1. Pennant: Open to adult members (18 and up) only. Finished product will be a 16" X 20" swallow-tailed pennant. Entries can be any size in any medium, but must be able to fit into the swallow-tailed format.

2. Slogan: Open to adult members only. Must be no more than seven words. Can be handwritten or typewritten.

3. Poster: Open to all juniors (under 18). Finished product will be 24" X 36." Entries can be any size in any medium and should contain both copy and art.

Adults may enter both categories open to them (Poster and Slogan).

How to Submit Your Entry (ies)

1. Mark on or attach to your entry the contest category you're entering (Pennant, Slogan, or Poster) and your name address, phone number and, if you have one, your e-mail address.

2. Mail your entries to: 75th Anniversary Committee, Thames Yacht Club, P.O. Box 1808. New London, CT 06320

Deadline for receipt of entries will be midnight 9/7/07. Any entries received after that date will be returned.

Jim Reyburn