

MAINSHEET

The Newsletter of Thames Yacht Club



Commodore's Corner

Summer is here and the mooring field quickly filling with boats. Launch service is full time from 0900-2100 daily. Chuck, Jim, Dave and Bobby are the launch operators again this year along with the new addition of Sean McQuilken.

Thanks to VC Carolyn Leuze and her social committee for the enjoyable Commissioning Day Party. Attendance was good and everyone had a great time.

The next major club event is the Membership Meeting on Sunday, July 8. Come down and join us and provide the Executive Committee with your ideas on the club. Info in June Mainsheet and website.

The 37th Governor's Regatta on Sunday, July 15 is the club's first major race of the season. The after race party for this event starts approximately at 5:00 pm. Non race participants are encouraged to attend the party. If you would like to help out or attend the party contact VC Carolyn at magsgram@aol.com

Mark your calendar for Members Day on Sunday August 11. Past Commodore Judy Gibbs is heading up this event and you won't want to miss it.

General Membership Meeting

Sunday, July 8, 2008
Pot Luck Dinner at 4 PM
Meeting to Follow

Members please bring an appetizer, main dish, salad, or dessert.

Soda, beer and wine provided

\$5.00

Please let Carolyn know what you will be bringing, if convenient

860-443-2517 or magsgram @aol.com

A big thank you to Bevan, Roger and Chuck for replacing the dock water pressure regulator and to Scott and Keith for working on restoring the dock utilities. It takes a significant amount of effort to keep the club going throughout the year and if anyone has a few hours to spare, please contact me at tycjscaduto@aol.com. Every little bit of help is greatly appreciated

Jack Scaduto, TYC Commodore

Membership Committee

We wish to welcome four new senior members accepted by the membership committee to TYC. They are: Brent Bass, John and Wanda Bass, Eileen and Victor Cicchese, and Sean McCutchen.

New Beach Members are: Heidi and Mark Henson, Karen and Bill Balzer, Kim and John Saucier, Tim Reilly and Robert Acquaro.

All new members are strongly encouraged to attend a club orientation on Tuesday, July 10, 2007 at 6 PM. It is very important you let me know if you cannot make it.

Come on down to meet the other new members, see how the club operates, understand it's programs, house rules and facilities. We will provide a hot grill and ice if you wish to bring food and drinks for a cookout afterwards. Children are welcome. At that time we can answer any questions you may have pertaining to the club.

Once again, thank you for recommending these new members, please welcome them and their families to our club.

Jackie Fisher, TYC Membership Chair

From The Vice Commodore

Governors Regatta, Sunday, July 15th,

The after race party to follow the ECSA Governor's Regatta is open to all members, not just those racing. This is one of the two really big ECSA races Thames Yacht Club hosts each year. There could be as many as 150-200 people. There is a serious need for volunteers for helping out with planning the event and working before, during and after the party. Every member of TYC is a member of the social committee, so this is your big chance to help your club, perhaps meet some members you don't know yet, and have a lot of fun. The party itself will begin about 4 PM. There is, in fact, a prize at the end of the season for the best ECSA party. Let's make sure it goes to TYC!

Please let me know if you can help in any way. Bevan has assured me that those members volunteering for this event will be given a personalized tour of the new facilities in our newly refurbished galley!

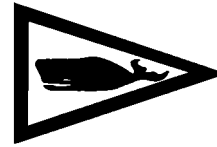
Social Committee Meeting, Monday, July 9, 2007, 6 PM

Every member of Thames Yacht Club is welcome to get in on the planning and execution of social events at Thames Yacht Club by attending a meeting of this group on Monday, July 9 at the club at 7PM. Please bring your enthusiasm and organizing / culinary skills and help plan a great summer, fall and winter of activities at our club. If you would like to attend, but can't make it at this time, please let me know. . E-mail and phone info as above.

Many thanks, Carolyn

860-443-2517 or magsgram @aol.com

Carolyn Leuze, TYC Vice Commodore



From The Fleet Captain

By the time this publication is printed, our first cruising event of the season, Pirate's Cookout will be over. Look for a report in the next Mainsheet. Our next cruising event is the Watch Hill Rendezvous and will take place on the weekend of July 21st -22nd. Boats will meet and the club Saturday morning and leave by 12:00 for Watch Hill. The fleet will anchor in the general vicinity of each other off of Napatree beach. Once again we will have an informal party on the beach where we will give away the golden whale to the winner of a trivia contest. 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	Completed
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

This has been an unusually windy season! We began racing with the Chili Series on Monday, May 28th with 9 PHRF, 5 Ensign and 4 force five boats. Thanks to Edi Day we had some fine chili after the race. The Wednesday Night race series is well into the spring session with 16 boats competing each week. We had 2 races with winds in excess of 20 knots. Now that is exciting!

I would like to remind skippers that they are required to work on the committee boat at least once during the 13-week series. The skipper is required to be present with crew. Keep in mind that your boat cannot participate in this race when you are working on the committee boat.

July 4th is the Bradbury Memorial Race, a friendly race for all members. Please join us for the race and stay to and enjoy the party after. For details go to our web site.

Ted Paulsen, TYC Rear Commodore

GOVERNOR'S REGATTA

July 15th will be the 37th running of the Connecticut Governor's Regatta. The Notice of Race and Entry Form are posted on the Club's web site and were included in the June Mainsheet. Hard copies of these are available at the Club. Please get your entry to Race Secretary Cal Brouwer by 2100, Wednesday, July 11th. First Warning on race day will be at 1155 in the vicinity of Vixens Ledge (please note change from prior years. Following the Race will be usual top notch post-race party and awards presentation. If you haven't signed up for race committee duty, please help out with the party committee.

Cal Brouwer, President

Swimming Lessons

SwimmingWell, swimming lessons are right around the corner. So far it looks like we are off to a great start. The schedule is as follows:

For those taking the OPTI 1 A or B your lessons will be in the afternoon from 1pm to 1:50 Monday - Thursday.

For those taking OPTI 3 LTR or OPTI 2 or little Mariner your lessons will be in the morning from 10-10:50.

Beginner swimmers will meet 11-11:25, 11:30-11:50, and 12-12:25. For those who have already contacted me I will be sending you email groups I have put together.

The cost is as follows: the 50 minute classes will be \$75 for the two week (8 sessions). The 25 minute classes will be \$65 (8 sessions). If you have 2 children in classes please deduct \$10 dollars from the total and if you have 3 children please deduct \$15 from the total.

If you have vacations your weeks can be split or you can take 1-2 week session and add another week for ½ the price. The discount would also be reduced.

I look forward to seeing everyone and I know we are going to have a very good summer.

Please feel free to email me or give me a call.

quinn@snet.net 860-442-0871

Donna M Greene

Montrose Wins Nonsuch Class at Off Soundings

Bevan Crighton & Barbara Leclerc sailed MONTROSE to first place in the newly organized Nonsuch Class at Off Soundings. There were 12 entries.

The Spring series was held starting off Watch Hill on June 8. There was a postponement and then the course was set to Block Island. There was no race for the day since there were no finishers before the 1630 time limit.

On Saturday June 9 the entire fleet was sent on a course from the Bell at the entrance to Great Salt Pond to 2 NS at Nebraska Shoals and back. The first boats in the 103 boat were just finishing as the thunder and lightning started, and the rain came down and continued for several hours.

Other TYC's boats that were in the top four of their class were:

GNAT - Kevin Farrar 1st in C-4

SAGACIOUS - Bob Geary 2nd In NS1

RUSTY NAIL - Jackie Fisher 4th C-6

SEAQUESTER - Mike Passero 4th NS2

Everyone is looking forward to the Fall series that starts off New London on September 14.

Judy Gibbs

Big Boat Day

An exciting new activity, BIG BOAT DAY, was added to the Junior Sailing Program this past summer. The purpose was to expose Junior Sailors to the experience of sailing on a large boat. Last summer only the Level 3 students participated. Three members donated the use of their boats for the afternoon. Because the experience was an unqualified success, BIG BOAT DAY is being improved and expanded for the 2007 season.

Level 2 and Level 3 Junior Sailors in Session 2 will participate in Big Boat Day. Groups of four to six Junior Sailors will be assigned to sail on a member-owned and volunteered Big Boat. Onboard the big boat will be the owner (or designee), a sailing instructor, and the Junior Sailors.

Level 2 Sailors will sail on Tuesday, July 31st from 12:30 pm to 4:30 pm. They will leave the mooring, sail down the Thames, perhaps sail to Seaflower Reef, and return to the mooring by 4:30 pm.

Level 3 Sailors will sail on Thursday, August 2nd from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm. They will leave the mooring, perhaps sail to the designated anchorage in West Harbor, Fisher's Island, drop anchor and probably raft together. They will swim, eat lunch, be reassigned to different BIG BOATS, and return to the mooring by 4:30 pm.

We need members to volunteer their boats and their service for BIG BOAT DAY(s) 2007. We need 3 boats for each BIG BOAT DAY as scheduled above. If you want to volunteer, contact Dick Kilburn at jkilburn@pshift.com or (802) 253-9213.

Dick Kilburn

CLASSIFIED ADS

For Sale

1984 J-24 AMBITIOUS. Completely race ready with over \$7,000 in improvements done just before the 2006 season. Brand new Yamaha 4hp long shaft 4-stroke outboard, 2004 North Genoa, 2000 North main, 2000 North spinnaker. \$11,500

Jim Goldman, 860-989-3698

For Sale

Mooring 250 lbs. New chain, mooring buoy and pennants 1/2" galvanized. Long link anchor chain and galvanized shackle...made in USA. Installed in 2007. \$500

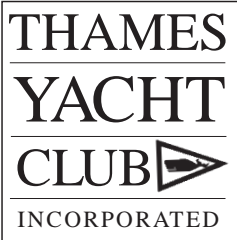
Jim and Ginny Verdier, 413-665-2903

For Sale

New in 2004, 500 lb mushroom mooring. Serviced on 5/11/2007. Located in South TYC field, mooring number 131. Installed and maintained by: Geer Brothers Dive Service. Used for 35' sailboat. Includes all hardware and winter marker.

Asking: \$975.00 or best offer.

Gary Home: (860) 848-8525, Cell: (860) 639-6398



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IMPORTANT NOTICES

Article V Section 2 - TYC Bylaws

Sons & daughters over 21 years of age are not members.

House Rule #3

Children* of members are not allowed to have guests on Club property, except during organized club function. This rule does not pertain to crew members. Club and Club property are closed to children of members after sunset unless accompanied by parents, except during organized functions.

*Children are defined as under 18 years of age.

Please remove your Winter floats and gear from the beach because the offensive odor annoys our neighbor.

Melissa Madaus, Ph.D.

is the point of contact for all members and guests utilizing the TYC beach.

Please feel free to contact Melissa for any questions or suggestions concerning beach use.

Hospice Regatta

At TYC Wednesday EVENING July 18
Overlaps on regular Wednesday night racing.
Optimist, 420's and PHRF

Entry forms are in the race entry rack at TYC
or contact Judy Gibbs @ jgibbs@snet.net- 860-444-7227

Ensign's will be August 5, at Niantic Bay