



# The "Tell Tale"

**The Point Yacht Club**

**Newsletter  
February 2003**

**P.O. Box 218  
Gulf Shores, AL 36547**

## **Message from the Commodore-**

John R Shaw

I'll start this report by asking your patience with this effort at producing the first "Tell Tale" of 2003. Our regular editor is out of the country and I'm not really computer literate and I type using two fingers. In January we had our first board meeting and established a schedule of events for this year that's printed on the back of this news letter. Since then the budget committee has been working on a budget to accomplish that schedule. Once that budget is approved by the board it will be presented to the membership, hopefully at the February meeting. As I mentioned in my letter in January we have a challenging year financially. Randy is already working on getting a grinder pump installed and getting us hooked up to the sewer. This along with the monthly charges will run close to \$4,000. Fortunately we have accumulated extra money in the past few years and will be able to cover this expense and still have enough to expand the club to the west. This will encompass the old covered area that was damaged in Isidore. We will also be discussing this expansion at the February meeting and need the input of the membership as this would be a big commitment for us. Speaking of the February meeting, Paul and Karl have been kind enough to keep the restaurant open the night of the 13<sup>th</sup> so we can have the meeting there as we won't have plumbing by then at the club house. We'll bring in dinner and the Pirates Cove bar will be open. Please feel free to bring any guest that might be interested in joining the club.

I would like to thank all of you who have sent in your dues and roster information and I ask that any of you that haven't, do so by the time of the meeting. We plan start working on the roster by the 15<sup>th</sup> so we can send it out by the end of the month with the new membership cards and schedule. The boating season is fast approaching with the Wheelbarrow race just a few weeks away on the 1<sup>st</sup> of March with a party following and the Ingram Bayou Raft-Up just two weeks latter on the weekend of the 15<sup>th</sup>. In closing I'd just like to point out the list of officers and committees and would ask all of you, especially new members, to look at these activities, pick one that might interest you, and contact the person listed to volunteer to help.

## **2003 Club Officers-**

**John Shaw** - Commodore  
981-1460  
**Randy Fitzgibbons** -Rear Commodore  
747-1544  
**Michael Hunt** - Vice Commodore  
968-5959  
**Mary Alice Marston** – Treasurer  
981-8456  
**Bill Smart** – Secretary/Webmaster  
981-3644  
**Barry Brothers** – Fleet Captain  
987-1228

## **Board Members –**

**John Weyand** – 987-5711  
**Phil Turner** – 949-6198  
**Steve McGonical** – 981-6321  
**Hank Coate** – 990-6761

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## **Committees**

**Budget** – Mary Alice Marston  
**Membership**- Michael Hunt  
**One Design**- Denny Blume  
**Sail Camp**- Brett Holk  
**Publicity** – Jeanne Fitzgibbons  
**Races** – Barry Brothers  
**House**– Randy Fitzgibbons  
**Club Cruises** – Kathy Coate