



The “Tell Tale”

The Point Yacht Club Newsletter

July 2004

Message from the Commodore- Michael Hunt

As expected, there is a lot going on at the Point Yacht Club these days. The Board held its scheduled meeting on June 10, followed by the General Membership Meeting. Routine business was discussed, mostly concerning plans for the upcoming Lost Bay Regatta. Turn out for the membership meeting was modest and those who didn't make it missed a great meal provided by Lee and Brenda Pelfrey.

The “Scrub Your Bottom” raft-up is always fun and this year was no exception. (I understand that some of us had a little more fun than others!) I don't have an exact count but something on the order of 7 or 8 boats spent the weekend, with others coming and going throughout the two days. Once again, the food was terrific. The Fitzgibbons provided their famous beef brisket and side dishes. Others provided snacks, sides, etc. Boy can we eat!

On June 26, the Club hosted its annual “We Found the Bay” Regatta with 4 racers and 3 cruisers. The weather cooperated, but not fully. At the start, the wind was a fairly steady 8-10 knots from the West, but as the race continued, the wind picked up to 22-25 knots with even higher gusts. The boats were

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Michel Hunt - Commodore

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John Shaw -Rear Commodore

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Neal Rowell - Vice Commodore

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Mary Alice Marston – Treasurer

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Pam Rowell – Secretary/Webmaster

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Jo Hood – Fleet Captain

980-5640

Board Members

Hank Coate – 990-6761

Phil Turner – 949-6198

Harold Gibson – 987-5203

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Committees

Budget – Mary Alice Marston

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Membership - Harold Gibson

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One Design- Denny Blume

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challenged to handle the higher winds. The results were:

Racers

- 1. Cuda Been Paris**
- 2. Clewless**
- 3. Otter**

Cruisers

- 1. Osprey**
- 2. Windy City**
- 3. Daedalus**

I want to especially acknowledge Captain Barry Brothers whose boat and crew took a hard gust of wind that heeled their boat over so far that one crew member suffered some severe scrapes and bruises. Barry put his crew first and stopped racing long enough to tend to his injured crewmember. Good job Barry and thanks for exhibiting the kind of leadership/seamanship we should all practice.

After the race, crews and members gathered for a wonderful meal provided by Karen and Charlie Brown. Great job, Karen and Charlie!

Last, but not least, I want to thank Mary Alice Marston who put up with me on the committee boat. Mary Alice is always there when we need her.

And finally let me remind everyone that the "Fast Women Regatta" is coming up July 17. See the Fleet Captain's note in this issue.

Wishing you fair winds,

Michael

P.S. One of our unsung heroes is our Fleet Captain who does all the work on our races/regatta. Jo Hood, thanks for all you do!!

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975-1947

Race – Jo Hood
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Grounds – John Shaw
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Club Cruises – Kathy Coate
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Club Historian – Joan States-Davidson
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From the Fleet Captain
Jo Hood

Fast Women Return!

The Fast Women Regatta returns to its original format in 2004. All crews must be at least 50 % female (Babies and pets don't count!) and the skipper/helmsperson must be a female from start to finish. There will be spinnaker and non-spinnaker classes, as well as cruisers. There will also be awards for all female boats.

The Fast Women Regatta is the first leg of the Ladies Racing Circuit Trophy, donated by the Point Yacht Club. The trophy is awarded to the all-female boat with the highest point total in the Fast Women, Bikini and Race for the Roses. All regattas are on consecutive weekends, beginning July 17.

Don't forget to check out the website for more information and photos

www.PointYachtClub.org