

The "Tell Tale"

The Point Yacht Club Newsletter January 2008

Message from the Commodore Jon Weyand

The first order of business is to thank Commodore Randy Simmons and the 2007 Officers for a successful and prosperous year. We had the most new members in one year that I can remember. We look forward to getting to know our new members and soliciting their help in 2008 with several new and exciting projects. We are off to a fast start, thanks to a great slate of willing and able officers and board members. Please get to know them and offer your help whenever you can.

We are including a "hard copy" of the TELL TALE in this important mailing, however, subsequent issues will be sent via email. It is very important to read emails from the club to stay involved and up to date. Tom Conrad has done an excellent job with the website and I encourage all members to view the many changes. The name is **pointyc.org**, and if forgotten, members can obtain the password to the "members only" section by sending a note to the Webmaster shown on the left hand side of the home page. Members will be able to stay informed regarding Board activities, view prospective membership applications and vote online.

This TELL TALE is also being sent via email. Please check your email as soon as you receive this and if you do not have it, please call to give us your correct email address.

Our priorities in 2008 will be facilities, GYA affiliation, open regattas, hard work and lots of fun. It was encouraging to hear the very positive comments from GYA member club representatives last weekend regarding the great time they have at our events. They <u>love</u> our location, proximity to Pirates Cove, the welcome atmosphere, and the <u>parties!</u>!

Plans are underway to start on immediate improvements to the existing pavilion including clear enclosures, addition of entry doors and a bathroom. With some help, we hope to have this accomplished by the end of February. We are continuing to explore options for a "club owned" permanent facility.

A review of our by laws is currently underway. Paul Sykes will propose recommendations to make our by laws more concise, easily readable, thus eliminating much redundancy and ambiguity. The current by laws may be viewed on our website and any proposed changes will be available for review well in advance of a membership vote.

Please return the membership directory information and your 2008 dues as soon as possible. Note the cutoff for inclusion in the directory! Membership cards will be sent as dues are received. Please remember, when visiting GYA clubs, we are not set up to handle charges back to our club. You must settle your charges directly with the club you are visiting prior to departing.

Please make plans to participate in our first event, the Chili Cook Off. We will update the membership regarding pavilion progress, talk about an "Adopt-a-Boat" and Juniors programs. A participation award is also planned based on involvement in all club events. Thanks to Lee Pelfrey and the Entertainment Committee for a great slate of events planned for 2008.

All club racers are encouraged to obtain a current PHRF rating certificate. All club boaters are encouraged to get 2008 VSC and MSD stickers. An interesting website for viewing the latest charts online (free) is:

http://osc.ncd.noaa.gov/OnLineViewer/. It is helpful for cruise planning. Please forward any suggestions and helpful tips to be included in the TELL TALE.

Hope everyone has a safe and fun-filled year on the water!

Jon

2008 OFFICERS

Commodore – Jon Weyand 987-5711 Vice Commodore – Paul Sykes 980-6665 Rear Commodore -- Owen Faust 961-7829 Secretary – Veda Kelley 986-6512 Treasurer – Guy Storey 975-1947 Fleet Captain – John Bozeman 978-8290

2008 BOARD

John Carr 987-1057 Tom Conrad 910-8215 Hank Jordan 626-6489 Jack Kelley 986-6512

JANUARY CALENDAR

January 11 – 13 GYA Meetings

<u>January 17</u> Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m.

Upcoming FEBRUARY CALENDAR

February 12 Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m.

February 23
Chili Cook-off
Party/Membership Meeting

Check out our new website at www.pointyc.org