

The "Tell Tale"

The Point Yacht Club Newsletter
June 2008

Message from the Commodore Jon Weyand

May was another busy and fun-filled month. Vickie and I represented the Club at the GYA annual meeting held at Pensacola Yacht Club on May 3rd. Thanks to your great Board for a very productive meeting on May 8th, and most importantly, thanks to the membership for your support of our revised bylaws approved at the May 10th membership meeting.

The Entertainment Committee did an outstanding job with the wonderful food at the meeting. Special thanks to the Carrs and the Gibsons! In addition, Neal and Pam Rowell had boats rigged and ready for anyone to take a spin, and with a little help, maybe we can make this an ongoing activity at our gatherings.

John Bozeman has been busy this month. He will have to fill us in on the race to Mexico. He is also working on the June 14th raft-up and June 21st We Found the Bay Regatta.

The Lost Bay Regatta committees are off to a running start. Thanks to all on the committees and to everyone who has volunteered to help where needed. We'll be calling on you! Please see Owen Faust to be directed to the proper chairperson.

Thanks to Kathy Coate for putting the cruise to Panama City together. We had great participation and she will fill us in at the June 21st cookout after the race.

Now that the pavilion is lockable, we are starting to re-install items that were being held in a safe place during Ivan. If anyone has the collection of our GYA member club burgees, please get them to a board member so they can once again be displayed.

We should have 2 new applications to present to the membership on June 21st: Gerald and Anne Dukes of Foley, sponsored by Steve Cotton and Lee Pelfrey, and Mike and Brenda Fahey of Josephine, sponsored by the Goulds and the Kelleys.

Have fun on the water!

Jon

Fleet Captain's Report

Thanks to all that followed our race track to ISLA MUJERES, the last 60 miles was the hardest (we motored). The wind just died! Our only awards were Best Menu and the (BOOT), but we won the Party!

We are also beginning to plan for the Fast Women's Race and The Lost Bay Regatta. I would appreciate any volunteers for On the Water Committees.

Don't forget the Raftup at Fort McRee on the June 14th. We will meet at Fort McRee on Friday evening for wine and cheese tasting so bring your favorite bottle of wine to share along with your favorite cheeses. Will we depart on Sunday after having Bloodys and Mimosas!

On June 18, any one interested in a late evening moonlight round the Bay sail, show up around 7 pm just south of the pavilion...I'll be there on Caddy Wampus.

It's time to get ready for another fun race at Point Yacht Club! Upcoming June 21st is the "We Found the Bay Race." This was a fun time last year! I encourage each and every boat to participate in this event. There will be great awards and a special event to be announced later. A hint, ladies – practice driving your dinghies.

John Bozeman "FLEET CAPTAIN"
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Entertainment Committee Report

In case you have forgotten "the Mexican Madness bash" put on by John & Susan Carr and Harold & Kim Gibson set the bar another notch higher. Many Thanks, for a culinary delight from what I hear. I miss all the good stuff. The next event is the "We Found the Bay" cookout. It is still in the planning stages, info to follow.

Lee Pelfrey

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Our New Classifieds.

If you have a boat or items relating to boating, both sail and power, we encourage you to put an "ad" in our newsletter.

Just email or call Jon Weyand or Veda Kelley to get your item(s) listed.

Any other ideas that can improve the Newsletter?
Email Veda Kelley at vkaykelley@aol.com.

Notes from your One Design Chairman

The first gathering of those interested in the repair and use of the club's One Design Fleet was held Thursday, May 22nd. We assembled and inventoried seven Sunfish hulls, spars, sails, rigging, rudders and dagger boards. A comprehensive list was made of items that need to be repaired or replaced. From this list a budget will be presented to the Board for approval, after which the necessary materials will be ordered and we will schedule another meeting. Look for an e-mail announcing that date later this month.

Special thanks to Bill Moore, Randy Simmons, James Buttram, Dean Gould, and Billy Cunningham for their help in this first stage. Also thanks to those who have called to offer help at the next session.

Fair Wind and Following Seas,
Neal Rowell

JUNE CALENDAR

June 12

Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m.

June 14

Raft-up

June 21

We Found the Bay Regatta
Cookout

UPCOMING

JULY CALENDAR

July 10

Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m.

July 12

Pool Party

July 19

Fast Women Regatta/Cook-out

Check out our website at
www.pointyachtclub.org

Cruise 2008



Eight Boats participated in the Point Yacht Club 2008 cruise to Panama City and Port St Joe. Power boaters Jon and Vickie Weyand, Harold and Kim Gibson, Guy and Susan Storey. Sailors Jim and Susan Drake, Buck, Ruby and Craig Ceccanti, Chuck and Martha Sternbergh, Earl and Mickie Fox with Candee Abercrombie, Larry Chapman and Kathy Coate. Four boats met at Fort McRae Saturday, May 17th with three pulling anchor that afternoon for an overnight sail direct to Panama City. Winds were disappointing and the clouds obstructed the full moon, but a fun 16-hour passage was enjoyed by all except the Ceccanti's. Buck

gets the cruise tough luck award because about 20 miles south of Destin in very rolling seas when all decided to give up on the wind shift and motor toward shore, their diesel decided to quite, twice! Buck had to go below deck at night in those conditions to get it back on line. Bet he was a pretty shade of green!

Before landfall Sunday morning, we got a call from the Sternberghs that they were headed out of the Destin pass to Panama City. The Foxs checked in coming thru the ICW in Destin, and all agreed to rendezvous at Shell Island. First night anchorage was just east of the landing pier and all aboard Oasis 11 enjoyed a wonderful meal. The Foxs held up in PC due to a fueling mishap. (Diesel and gas don't mix well)

Monday Chuck shared a wonderful anchorage further east and off the charts. Thanks Chuck - 25' of water just a few yards off shore and no traffic! Monday night was a full course seafood dinner on Sweet Little Shelia prepared by Kathy.

Tuesday all went around the corner to St Andrews Yacht Club with the Foxs engine problems resolved. The wind was blowing like stink and the unprotected slips made for interesting docking but everyone assisted and all went well. Turns out the club is closed Tuesdays but that was a blessing in disguise because we took over their decks and pool as if they were our own and grilled together.

Wednesday saw Carpe Diem depart for Port St Joe and Oasis 11 head west to Destin. The rest returned to Chuck's wonderful anchorage behind Shell Island and enjoyed Italian supper aboard Breeze Seeker. Snorkeling, fishing and sun bathing was enjoyed by all.

Thursday everyone pulled the hook early and headed in the ICW to Destin. The Ceccantis had reported heavy seas and wind on the nose but a shift made for a great sail to Bluewater Bay in Niceville. All sailors joined at the Marina restaurant for a farewell supper.

Friday was beautiful and Kathy caught a nice Red Fish for grilling. The only storm of the cruise hit Saturday but Bluewater is well protected. Each boat left at different times over the Memorial Day weekend headed for home but in general, there was a strong SE wind and great sailing all the way back. As for the power boaters, the Gibsons and Storeys had to head back early (sorry to hear about Hobbs) but the Commodore and Vickie passed the sailors in the ditch Thursday on their way east and a hardy exchanged was enjoyed by all!





In conclusion, great weather, great fellowship, good times, and all vessels and crew returned safely! Please consider joining us next year.!!!

Larry Chapman and Kathy Coate

