



The “Tell Tale”

**The Point Yacht Club Newsletter
October 2009**

Commodore's Log

The 2009 Twenty Second Annual Lost Bay Regatta was a HUGE success!!!

We had 53 sailing entries. There was a little issue of not having much wind but we only had a few DNS and DNF's. It makes for a long, frustrating day. Hank Jordan will post the results and his comments later in this issue. Hank did his usual thorough and complete job under difficult conditions. I also want to thank my brother, Dave Sykes, for handling the computer scoring for the event.

The dinners, music and parties carried on our tradition of having the best festivities of any major Regatta. There is something about “dancing in the sand” that turns sailors on.

Friday night, John Shaw's Jambalaya was such hit that many of the 144 diners we served came back for seconds. The entertainer that night was Paul Killough and he was a real treat.

The Saturday Awards Ceremony was riotous as usual. Every crew gets to do their share of screaming and getting their picture taken. There were 10 sailing Classes with three prizes each, as well as two Perpetual Trophies.

We are being given a new Perpetual Award by the family of one of our Founding Members, Barry McCoy, who passed away this year. Mrs. Maureen McCoy told us about Barry, his love for sailing and his involvement in founding our club. The Award will be given to the best corrected time for a boat with at least a 200 PHRF rating. There is very competitive racing at the back of the fleet.

Cliff Stapleton's Mullet Dinner was a smash, as usual, and he sold out early. But, the big hit of the week end was the band, the Rowdies. They really had the crowd going crazy. When they started up "Mustang Sally" the place just about went nuts!!

The crew of "Hula Girl" got a lot people into trying Hula hoops and it was fun to watch the performances, the good, the bad, the weird and the foolish.

Everyone partied so much that we only had a few people show up for Sunday's free Continental Breakfast.

Our souvenir tee shirts and hats just about sold out. This year's design was terrific and Connie Fuqua did a great job putting it all together.

Most of all, we have to thank Guy and Susan Storey for Co-Chairing this event again. Their experience, dedication and hard work are what made this event possible. Please express your gratitude to them next time you see them.

See you out there,

Paul Sykes
Commodore

Special Note:

I hope we have started a new tradition by working with the Orange Beach Recreation Department's Sail Camp program. This year we had three middle schoolers, who had graduated from the program, sail with us in the Lost Bay Regatta. Thanks to the new Camp Director, Caroline Harris, we had Nick O'Farrel, Nick Russo and Michael Van Pelt as guests on competing boats. We hope this experience will increase interest in sailing among the young people in our community.

FLEET CAPTAIN REPORT

Lost Bay Regatta

A total of 53 boats registered for the 22nd Lost Bay Regatta held on October 10th. Due to the very light winds and strong falling tide, 46 completed the 5.8 mile spinnaker course and 4.4 mile non-spinnaker course with the last boat finishing at approximately 5:38 p.m. There were 4 spinnaker and 6 non-spinnaker classes racing.

The Paul Schreck Perpetual Trophy for First Over-All in the Spinnaker fleet was won by Mark Lockard, Buccaneer YC, on USA 128, a Henderson 30.

The Paul Mueller Perpetual Trophy for First Over-All in the Non-Spinnaker fleet was won by Paul Gillettee, Pensacola YC, on Atlantic Union, a Beneteau 36.7.

Congratulations to the following PtYC members who placed in their classes.

Non-Spinnaker-- Class J 1st Phil Turner, 2nd Brett Holk, 3rd Denny Blume
I 2nd Neal Rowell
H 3rd Gary Peaden
G 3rd Ken Wall
F 1st Jo Hood
E 2nd John Horner

Spinnaker Class-- Class D 3rd Matt Taylor

I want to thank everyone who assisted on the Race Committee for helping make this a successful regatta. Cathy Cromartie (along with her husband Lindy) came from Fairhope YC to be our Principal Race Officer. Guy Storey provided his boat and assistance for the Race Committee Start/Finish, Jack Kelly and crew for the Mark boat, Roger Shatzer and crew for the Pin boat, and Larry Chapman for the Safety boat. Dave Sykes (Paul's brother) did an outstanding job with entering and computing the finish results. Also thanks to the other members who assisted with registration, class breakdowns, setting up the trophies, committee boat assistance, etc.. As you can see, it takes a lot of volunteers to host a successful regatta and this was just the race committee. Guy Storey did an excellent job as the Over-All Chairman as well as those who served on all the other committees.

Lillian Bridge Race

Please mark your calendars and plan to participate in the Lillian Bridge Race on Halloween Day, October 31st. This will be our regular club format with a Bermuda start in front of the pavilion and 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place trophies will be awarded. This will be our last club race of the year and race results will be scored for the Club Championship Trophy.

Registration Fee	\$25.00
Registration	9:45 - 10:15 am
Skippers meeting	10:30 am
Race Warning Signal	11:55 am
Race Start	12:00 noon
Tapping of the Keg	4:00 pm
Awards	5:00 pm
Dinner	6:00 pm

** No boat will be finished after 4:00 p.m.

Commodore's Cup Results:

7 entries

High PHFR

- 1- Phil turner – Horse With No Name
- 2- Bret Holk – Clewless
- 3- Neal Rowell- Reverie

Low PHRF

- 1- Jo Hood- Cannonball
- 2- John Bozeman – Caddy Wampus
- 3- Paul Sykes- Bajan

Pt Yacht Club Championship Scoring

CURRENT STANDINGS

MEMBER/BOAT	WHLBR	CHBGR	COMMODORE'S CUP	LILBR	TOTAL POINTS
BLUME/ZIG ZAG	7	8	8		23
BOZEMAN/ORCA	1	8	8		17
BOZEMAN/CADDY WAMPUS	10	2	5		17
BURK/SHAZAAM	8	8	8		24
COATE/SOLMATE	10	4	8		22
HOLK/CLEWLESS	10	3	3		16
HOOD/CANNONBALL	5	1	2		8
HORNER/HULA GIRL	10	5	8		23
MENCH/BANANA WIND	9	8	8		25
PELFREY/PELICAN	4	8	8		20
ROWELL/REVERIE	6	8	4		18
SYKES/BAJAN	2	6	7		15
TAYLOR/ CAL. RISK	10	8	6		24
TURNER/SARA'S SMILE	10	7	8		25
P. TURNER/HORSE WITH NO NAME	10	8	1		19

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Silver Anniversary Commemorative Burgee

The Board wanted to do something special to celebrate our Silver Anniversary, Twenty Fifth Year. We designed a special Commemorative Burgee and have ordered one for each of our Members. They were introduced at the Commodore's Cup Party and each of our past Commodores were presented with one as a token of our appreciation for their service to our Club. The Board also commissioned a new perpetual Trophy to be called the "Commodore's Cup." The first winner was Phil Turner, sailing his boat, "Horse With No Name". Roger and Melodie Shatzer have a burgee for each Member family. Call them to arrange a time to pick one up at their home in Stone Quarry. The number is 987-1130. There is no charge. Be sure to fly your Burgee as a symbolic celebration of our "Silver Anniversary".

Our New Classifieds

1997 Mainship 350/390 trawler "Que Pasa" for sale. Twin Volvo 230 hp turbo diesels with 1050 hrs Onan 9.5 kw generator with sound shield Dodger with custom extended enclosure Dual air conditioners by Marine air Upper & lower helm station with complete electronics at each Many extras \$145,000 Check details at web site at www.trawlerdeals.com Mike & Janet Asher

450.00 for, used one time, Cruisair Marine Portable Air Conditioner. New replacement cost is 935.00. Charlie Welch 981-5846.

25 lb. CQR anchor that lists for \$576 at West Marine. We would like to sell it for \$200. Contact Bob McDonald @ 251.978.5537.

Two new rule books, THE RACING RULES OF SAILING for 2009-2012, \$25 each. Contact Hank Jordan [251-986-3535 hankjordan@mchsi.com](mailto:hankjordan@mchsi.com)

Just email Kim Gibson to get your item(s) listed.

NOVEMBER EVENTS

November 12 – Board Meeting

November 14 – Membership Meeting & Nomination of Officers

November 26 – Thanksgiving Day Turkey Fry

Upcoming December Events

December 12 – Christmas Party, Membership Meeting & Election of Officers

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