

The Tell Tale

THE POINT YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Commodore's Log

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We are in the process of moving our "stuff" from Pirates Cove to Barber Marina. The Cove needed our space to finish construction of their new bar in the Pavilion. They expect to have it up and running in time for the Wooden Boat Show, on May 1st.

We are making plans for the Dock Party and Boat Show at Barber Marina on June 12th. They have given us a special dock fee of only \$25.00 for all boats that spend the night. There is no charge for boats that just tie up during the day or stay for the dinner on the dock. They have reserved the East Finger Pier for our exclusive use that day. We want to have a big turn-out to demonstrate how much business we could bring to their Marina if we had a facility there. You can come by car or boat.

We made a presentation to Barber's management about a building for our use at their Marina. They haven't made a decision about going ahead as yet. There is a perfect spot north of the dry storage building that would be the probable location. It is triangular in shape and forested with live oaks and other mature trees. It would make a beautiful setting. Check it out next time you're over there.

The Cheeseburger Race was sailed on a gorgeous day on the 17th. Our pursuit start format really worked that day because the first five boats finished within five minutes of each other after 10 miles of sailing. Paul Turner showed us where the shoal is west of Marker # 60 by running hard aground on it right after the start. John Horner also used # 60 to his advantage by passing 3 boats with a short tack while rounding the mark.

Please insert a new item on your social calendar for August 21st. The Pensacola Yacht Club has again invited us and PBYC to join them for their annual "Jamaica-me-crazy" Party. They have a pool party Saturday afternoon and then the party Saturday evening. We are provided with complimentary dockage for the week-end. Joan and I have attended the last 2 years and thoroughly enjoyed PYC's legendary hospitality. We may even be treated to another Hula Hoop demonstration on the dance floor by Judy Horner, as she did last year.

Call Greg Spitzer at PYC to make slip reservations at 850-433-8804. The PYC dinner/party reservation number is 850-433-1382.

Our next event is the Annual Redfish Point Raft-Up, on May 22. The anchoring area is just east of the Point itself and west of Fort McCrey. Just follow the Intracoastal east into Grand Lagoon and you'll find us. The Panama City Cruise will leave from there on Sunday. The raft up is for everyone, not just those going to PC. If you haven't been there it's a beautiful spot and one the best beaches in our area.

See you out there,

Paul Sykes
Commodore



Cheeseburger Race Update

Winners:

1st Place: Joe Hood,
Cannonball

2nd Place: John Horner,
Hula Girl

3rd Place: Lee Pelfrey,
Pelikan 2

Fleet Captain's Report

The Cheeseburger Race was held on April 17, 2010. We had a turnout of 8 boats. The race started at 12:00 with a Bermuda start. The wind was building throughout the race. The winners of the race were: 1st Place-Joe Hood on Cannonball, 2nd Place-John Horner on Hula Girl and 3rd Place-Lee Pelfrey on Pelikan 2. The winners were awarded Tervis Tumblers. The party afterward was great and everyone enjoyed Cheeseburgers! The Party Committee once again did a super job! And Robert Clark helped with the mark set! Thank you!

I would like to ask for anyone who wishes to help with the Fast Women Regatta to contact me on my cell phone at 251-752-3636. This is the first of our two GYA Regattas. I will need some help on this race. The date is July 17th.

Finally, the Red Fish Point Raft Up and Panama City cruise is scheduled for May 22, 2010.

Have fun and see you on the water!

John Horner, Fleet Captain

2010 Lost Bay Regatta

I'm pleased to announce that John Bozeman has agreed to be Chairman of this year's LBR. I have witnesses that he said so on Saturday night at the Ingram Bayou Raft Up and repeated it again Sunday morning, when he presumably was actually sober. John will do a good creative job as he has with all of his contributions to our Club. Please help put on a good event again this year by pitching in if called upon.

John, thanks again.

Paul



Panama City Cruise

The Club needs someone or some couple to coordinate the PC Cruise. There isn't much involved but they must be going on the trip. They would call the Yacht Clubs we are visiting with a boat count and maybe decide where to anchor out one night. There is also the decision on which boat is having cocktails and who having dinner which night. Should be a "piece of cake" !!!

Just call me and we'll put it together.

Thanks,

Paul

Point Yacht Club 2010 Club Championship

MEMBER	WHEEL BARROW	CHEESE BURGER	COMMODORE CUP	LILLIAN BRIDGE	TOTAL
JO HOOD Cannonball	1	1			2
STEVE MCGONIGAL Rip Tide	2	9			11
NEAL ROWELL Reverie	3	9			12
BRET HOLK Clewless	4	4			8
PAUL SYKES Bajan	5	5			10
LEE PELFREY Pelikan 2	6	3			9
LARRY CHAPMAN Sweet Little Sheila	7	9			16
PAUL TURNER Sara's Smile	8	9			17
JOHN BOZEMAN Orka	11	9			20
JOHN HORNER Hula Girl	11	2			13
SYL COUSSEMENT	11	6			17

2010 Award Photos

Don't forget that our website – www.pointyachtclub.org – has photos of races and awards. To see the awards photos for 2010, go to Point Yacht Club > Gallery > 2010 Race Awards (bottom of list). You will need Adobe Flash to view these pages – it's a free download and you will be prompted to download it if you don't have it.

Gulf of Mexico Oil Spill: Volunteers Needed

We will begin collecting contact information today for anyone interested in volunteering to help mitigate the impacts of the oil spill. We're not exactly sure yet how volunteer assistance will be needed but anticipate that it would involve clean-up activities. Please refer interested volunteers to our office by phone: 251-431-6409 or by e-mail: mbnep@mobilebaynep.com.

We'll also make information available via Volunteer Mobile. We're currently on standby with unified command, and will stay in touch when we know how volunteer assistance might be needed.

Thank you,

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