

The Tell Tale

The Point Yacht Club Newsletter

February 2011

Commodore's Log

Spring has arrived on the Gulf Coast!

It appears that we are having an early Spring this year and that has everyone thinking about the boating season ahead of us. It is time to clean, polish, wax and tune. The weather has been great these last couple of weeks of February. After last year, I think we are all ready for the 2011 boating season.

Everyone had a great time at the recent Annual Chili Cook Off on February 19th at Betty Jean's Party Barn in Josephine. According to my estimate, we had about 60 people in attendance and lots of fun and visiting about our plans for the year. We also had several out of town guests and a couple of potential new members. The event was hosted by Connie Fuqua and judged by three "mystery judges". The winners were Don Fuqua, third place winner; Robbie and Elecia Boothe, second place and the first place winner was Mike and Janet Asher. We had four other cook off contestants who also provided great chili dishes. Rear Commodore, Gary Beson did his usual fine job of providing the beer and wine for the group. Thanks to everyone who competed and to those who brought side dishes, desserts and snacks.

Connie and Don Fuqua hosted the Social Committee meeting at their home on February 3rd to discuss the upcoming events for the year and to ask for volunteers for each event. In attendance were Barbara and Gary Beson, Veda and Jack Kelley, Janet Asher, Doug Abercrombie and Linda and Nick Steen. We went over the year event by event and assigned volunteers to each event. Thank you to everyone who volunteered to host an event. We could not have these events without your participation.

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The Wheelbarrow Race dinner hosts are Barbara and Gary Beson along with Jack and Veda Kelley, the Cheeseburger Race hosts are Veda and Jack Kelley along with Barbara and Gary Beson, the Dock Party hosts are Connie and Don Fuqua along with Candee and Doug Abercrombie, the Loo Wow hosts are Cynthia and Robert Clark along with Carolyn and Bill Waller, the Commodore's Cup hosts are Linda and Nick Steen along with Joan and Paul Sykes, the Lost Bay hosts are Connie and Don Fuqua along with Candee and Doug Abercrombie and the Christmas Party hosts are Mike and Janet Asher along with Elecia and Robbie Boothe.

You will notice a lot of repeat hosts and a lot of the same names from years past. We need more involvement in these important events. We hope that everyone will find time to help out this year and work with the hosts for an event. Please contact any of our hosts and ask how you can participate.



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Membership cards for the 2011 year have been prepared and we are waiting for a few more additions before sending off the information to the printer. You should expect your new card and printed directory before the Wheelbarrow Race. If you are leaving for a cruise before that time just give me a call and I will send your 2011 card to you for identification at other GYA clubs.

We will keep you updated on our negotiations with Barber Marina. We are re-visiting the original plan of a separate, multi-use building and a long term lease. This will be a much better situation than utilizing the upstairs space over the marina ship's store. Lee Pelfrey has volunteered to be our "point man" on this project and we will keep you informed as we make any progress.

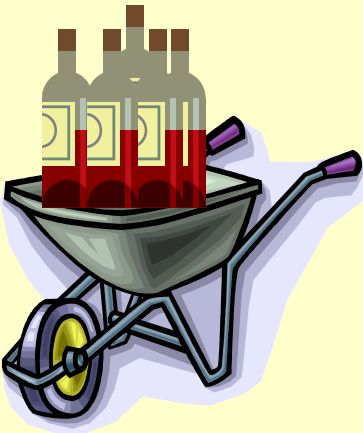
Thanks to Rear Commodore, Gary Beson who headed a clean-up project on our storage spaces over at Barber's. These spaces had become quite messy since our move and the two are now sorted and items should be much easier to locate. Racing items are in one location with party items and merchandise in a separate space. If you use any of these items please take care to put everything back in its place. Thanks, Gary, for a great job.

Fleet Captain's Report

The Wheelbarrow Regatta-2011...

You know what to bring! Your entrance "fee" is one bottle of your choice Rum, Vodka etc.... to be distributed after the race. The Wheelbarrow Regatta will be held on March 12th 2011. This is our first club race and registration will be from 10:00-10:30 am Saturday morning at the Pirates Cove Pavilion. Skippers meeting will be at 10:45 am. We will have our normal Bermuda Start at 12:00 noon for the scratch boat. The race will start and finish in front of Pirates Cove. A notice of race will be sent out 2 weeks in advance.

*Wheelbarrow Regatta
Saturday March 12
Registration: 10 a.m.
Race Start: High Noon*



The Ingram Bayou Raft-up-2011...

The annual Ingram Bayou Raft-Up is scheduled for March 26th. This has been well attended in past years. It starts whenever you get there. We usually have 8-10 boats. Everyone brings appetizers to share and dinner for later that evening. Also, Sunday morning there are breakfast eats to share. Please let me know if you plan on attending. I will be out of town but will list any boat that responds and plans to be there.

The Cheeseburger Regatta-2011...

The Cheeseburger Regatta will be held on April 16th 2011. This is our second club race and registration will be from 10:00-10:30 am Saturday morning at the Pirates Cove Pavilion. Skippers meeting will be at 10:45 am. We will have our normal Bermuda Start at 12:00 noon for the scratch boat. The race will start and finish in front of Pirates Cove. A notice of race will be sent out 2 weeks in advance.

Cruising Captain-2011...

Is there any PTYC member that would like to plan and or coordinate the Panama City cruise? I know that in the past members have met at Red Fish Point and departed from there for the 6-7 day cruise. Please contact me or Nick Steen if you have an interest in the cruise and coordinating the cruise.

Call John Horner with any questions! 752-3636

NEW MEMBERS.....

Welcome to our new members. Our new members are; Roger Ove and Suzanne Russo of Fairhope as well as Gary and Sherry Peaden of Elberta. We also welcome back to active membership our good friend, Denny Blume. Roger and Suzanne are power boaters and have a Proline 30' by the name of "Bluefins". Gary and Sherry sail "Bella Vita" which is a 34' Catalina. We are excited to have them as new members and look forward to seeing them at our events. Welcome aboard!

Please
welcome
our new
members



Point Yacht Club Stuff

Some of you have asked where to get items such as caps and polo shirts with our club logo. Paul Sykes has ordered a few of these items for review by the board. These would be available to our members only. We should have them by our next board meeting. If they are what we expect we will get the information out to you as to the prices and how to order them.

ADDITIONAL FUN INFORMATION

Tere Mills, Fairhope Yacht Club Cruising Captain submitted the following information. It sounds like fun and another opportunity to get out on the water. If you are interested please contact either Tere or Nick Steen to help coordinate your participation.

This June 18 is the day for the Summer Sailstice. It is a holiday celebrated around the world to celebrate sailing. Last June we got a group of sailors together and sailed to Middle Bay Light and back. This year I am asking other clubs to get involved. I am in the process of contacting all the Mobile Bay Clubs. So far MYC and FYC will sail. Look up the website WWW.summersailstice.com. Hope you can join us. We are asking motor boats as well as sail boats to join us.

2011 Point Yacht Club Schedule of Events

January	12	Board of Governors Meeting
February	9	Board of Governors Meeting
	19	Chili Cook Off & Membership Meeting
March	9	Board of Governors Meeting
	12	Wheelbarrow Race & Party
	26	Ingram Bayou Raft-Up
April	13	Board of Governors Meeting
	16	Cheeseburger Race & Party
May	11	Board of Governors Meeting
	21	Red Fish Point Raft Up and begin Panama City Cruise
June	8	Board of Governors Meeting
	11	Dock Party and Members Boat Show at Barber Marina
July	13	Board of Governors Meeting
	16	Fast Women Regatta & Party - GYA Open Event
August	10	Board of Governors Meeting
	13	Annual Poker Run and LooWow Party
September	14	Board of Governors Meeting
	17	Commodore's Cup Race & Party
October	5	Board of Governors Meeting
	8	Lost Bay Regatta - GYA Open Event
	29	Lillian Bridge Race & Halloween Party
November	9	Board of Governors Meeting
	11	Nomination of Officers for 2012
December	9	Christmas Party, Membership Meeting & Election of Officers

