

# The Tell Tale

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## OUR FEARLESS LEADERS

## Commodore's Log

Where does the time go? Can you believe it is only two weeks until the Lost Bay Regatta! This is our biggest event of the year and our Lost Bay chairmen for this year are **Paul and Joan Sykes**. Paul and his committee members have been busy seeking regatta sponsors and selling ads for our 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Lost Bay Regatta program booklet. All is going extremely well and we are looking forward to another successful Point Yacht Club event.

The Third Annual Commodore's Cup race and party at Pirate's Cove was a fun event and we had eight former commodores attend to make the party a success. Those former commodores attending were **Paul Sykes, Randy Fitzgibbons, Brett Holk, Randy Simmons, Kirsten Simmons, Neal Rowell, Jo Hood, and John Shaw**. To those who were unable to attend, we really missed you and hope to see you next year. The party made me realize that one of the benefits of membership in our club is that you never have to grow up and that is a good thing. Thanks to **Joan Sykes and Linda Steen** for planning and preparing a great boiled shrimp dinner and thanks to everyone who brought a dish to share. Special thanks to **Gary Beson** who once again served as our official "beer commodore".

I hope all of you plan to come and participate in the Lost Bay Regatta. Friday night everyone will party at Pirate's Cove and our official awards and party will be at Barber's Marina on Saturday. We are expecting to have quite a few participants and visitors from other GYA clubs in the area. Many of them will be rafting up around the area and partying at Pirate's Cove on Friday and with us on Saturday at Barber's. Let's all make a special effort to welcome them and join in the fun. Please make an effort to attend. Our board members would all like to see each and every one of you at the awards party.

We will have a merchandise booth set up at Pirate's Cove on Friday to sell Lost Bay merchandise such as caps and tee-shirts. Items will be available again at Barber's on Saturday. The 2011 Lost Bay official design is quite good looking and I think you will want to purchase some of these items.

We are in the process of updating all of our membership information and need your help. Please take a few minutes to go to our website to check on your personal information. If you find any misinformation or need to make a change, please send me an e-mail and let me know what needs changing. Also, while you are at, it please take a look at your printed 2011 directory and see if that needs any corrections made. The printed directory includes boat names and various phone numbers. If you would like to identify which numbers belong to whom and other e-mails that would help. Please e-mail that info to me as well and we will update the info for you. The website and the directory are separate data bases so we need you to look at both. I would like to have those changes by October 10<sup>th</sup>.

## Fleet Captain's Report



**BUSHWACKED??**

The Third Annual Commodore's Cup was held on September 17, 2011. This was the third race in our four race series for the overall club Sailing Champion.

First Place: **Phil Turner** "Horse with No Name"

Second Place: **June/Brett Holk** "Clewless"

Third Place: **Jo Hood** "Cannonball"

The awards were large glass tankards like last year. **Phil Turner** won the Commodore's Cup perpetual trophy. Congratulations to Phil!

The after race party was held at the pavilion at Pirates Cove. Boiled shrimp and dishes to share were enjoyed by all. Thank you to all who helped and participated. Thank you to **Bud Eriksson and Sean Hickey** for mark set and mark pickup.

The Club Championship standings are as follows:

First Place: **Phil Turner** "Horse with No Name"

Second Place: **June/Brett Holk** "Clewless"

Third Place: **Jo Hood** "Cannonball"

Fourth Place: **John Bozeman** "Caddy Wampus"

Fifth Place: **Jody/John Horner** "Hula Girl"



Our next club race will be the Lillian Bridge Race and Halloween party on October 29, 2011.

**Have Fun on the Water**

**John Horner-Fleet Captain**

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## Lost Bay Regatta - 2011

The Lost Bay Regatta will be held October 8, 2011. We have put the NOR, schedule and registration on our website. Please register before October 5 for online registration and on Friday October 7 onsite registration will be held at Pirates Cove pavilion from 12:00-7:00 pm. The cost is \$40 for online registration and \$45 for onsite registration. The skippers meeting and payments are due Saturday morning October 8, 2011 at Pirates Cove pavilion between 9:00-11:00 am. There will be NO registration on Saturday. The after race party will be held at Barbers Marina. We will need volunteers for the Race Committee boat on Saturday October 8, 2011. The volunteers will be served lunch and beverages. The Committee boat will be provided by our new member **John Gibson**. It is a beautiful Nordhaven 47 "JASDIP". I'll be calling many of our members for assistance. Please help if you can. This is our biggest event every year.

**"WHAT A DAY"**



**WHAT'S GARY UP TO???????**

## Misc. Comments

Mike Turner, Cruise Captain at Fairhope Yacht Club sent a memo to all of the FYC cruisers. A number of FYC cruisers are planning on sailing down to Pirate's Cove on Friday, October 7th and raft up at either the Cove or in Ingram Bayou. They plan to have a "spectator fleet" that will sail up to Perdido Bay on race day to watch the race and support their racers. They will also join us at Barber's for the awards and party events. Many will anchor in Ingram Bayou that night or at Barber's before heading back to Fairhope on Sunday. It is nice to see we are getting such good support from our sister club up in Fairhope.



"LET'S DO THIS THING"

## And On Another Note.....

**John and Susan Carr** are on another cruise and are spending time up on the east coast. John sent us an e-mail from Annapolis right after Irene hit the area. He said that they survived both the earthquake that hit the northeast and hurricane Irene all in the same week. Undaunted, they continued to explore Chesapeake Bay and see what happens next.

**Denny Blume** has updated us on activities in the Fish Class races. The Mobile Yacht Club hosted the Summer Regatta for the GYA Capedeville in Flying Scots and the Hankins regatta for the Fish Class. He reported that there was very tight competition in the Fish Class with two races on Saturday and three races on Sunday. It all came down to the fifth race which was a tie-breaker for first place. I am pleased to announce that tie breaker race for first place was won by Denny and his crew of **Steve McGonigal and Josh Ward**. Congratulations to Denny and his crew!

## And in Closing

The Wadewitz Regatta will be held on September 24-25 at Fairhope Yacht Club and the Fish Class World Championship and the GYA Fish Championship in October. Good luck to Denny in these events. We hope to be more active in the events next year.

Please let us know about any of your sailing or cruising adventures so we can let our membership know what is going on. If you are interested in letting us know in advance of your plans and would be interested in others joining in please let us know and we will pass it on.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the Lost Bay Regatta!

**Fair Winds!**  
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