

Currents

Tuscarora Yacht Club, Inc. / P.O. Box 826 / Wilson, New York 14172 / Fall 2002

COMMODORE'S REPORT

Unfortunately the boating season has come to an end. To see the boats out of the water and with masts down and stored one knows the winter season is almost upon us. Well, at least we can now start planning the trips for next year. As the year comes to a close the next big event will be the election of officer for next year. Please give those who are running your full support and vote! The hard work of the present board is much appreciated. Each member, in her or his own way contributed greatly to the success of TYC. Please congratulate, Erik Anderson, Marsha Emmons, Mark Farrell, Peter Fleckenstein, Skip Hangen, Hank Hinckley and Ed Kelly, for a job well-done. This year has been one of great challenges and much success. The social events were heavily attended and successful. The financial position of the club will be slightly on the plus side thanks to the fine efforts of the board in holding expenses to the minimum necessary to run the club efficiently and to maintain the standards the membership is accustomed to. As Commodore, the efforts of the board are greatly appreciated. One final thought for this issue. I would ask the membership to remember that this is a volunteer organization and it takes each of us to make the club successful and continue to be known as one of the friendliest clubs on the lake.

Al Patterson
Commodore

FROM THE SHIPS STORE

Thanks to all who purchased items from the ships store during the year. It is a tribute to the membership that the support of the club through the purchase of clothing and club regalia was overwhelming. Thanks especially to the crew who worked so hard to make the store run efficiently and without whose help the success would not have been possible. Sharon Deck, Karen Patterson, Kathy Platt, Donna Schmidt and Kathy Sipes. Their efforts were greatly appreciated.

Barb Patterson

VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT

OINK, OINK, GOBBLE, GOBBLE:

What a way to end the 2002 social season, another successful TYC party with over 150 dinners served. With a great pig roast and fried turkey I didn't notice anybody singing the blues, everybody was having too good a time listening and dancing to the blues music provided. Thanks to chairpersons Frank and Cindy Scannapieco,

Pat and Pam Lockwood along with the help from Martin Castevens and Eileen Hassett, Skip and Maureen Hangen, Beth Algase, Dave and Chris MacLeod, & Wayne and Ann Cameron. Thanks to all TYC members for the creative pot luck dishes. A suggestion for the next pot luck would be for members to place recipe cards next to the dish they bring. Thank you TYC members for making the parties a great success, every party was well attended, and a profit was made on each and every event. Thank you Again. Mark your calendars, the TYC Commodores Ball has been set for Feb. 22, 2003 at the Holiday Inn on Niagara Falls Blvd. Amherst. More to follow in the next issues of the Currents.

Marsha Emmons
Vice Commodore

REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT

Please register at www.tycwilson.com to receive your CURRENTS newsletter via email instead of regular US Postal mail to save your club money and stay up-to-date as the yearly schedule develops. Many of you signed up at the Fall meeting to do just this. I would ask that you do it on line as well, as some of the printing on the list is difficult to read. Have a safe and happy "non-boating season".

Mark Farrell
Rear Commodore

TREASURER'S REPORT

Counters Corner:

With the active boating season coming to an end, this is a tough note to write. From the clubs financial standpoint, however I am pleased to report that things are on track and we should finish the year about even with last year. A few highlights for those of you who were not able to attend the fall meeting.

- The credit card system was activated at the club house in early summer. This facilitated ships store purchases, reduced the cash flowing through the stewards office and reduced the amount of Canadian currency

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and the exchange rate losses inherent in this transaction. Our gas buyers were happier and our visitors were happier.

- Under Barb Patterson's leadership and with the help of the many fine volunteers, the volume in the ships store was up substantially and thanks to the many members who purchased clothing and regalia this year, the ships store was successful.
- The new Quick Books system is functioning very well in the hands of capable bookkeepers-Jack and Mary Ellen Fletcher and the fee collection times are minimal.
- We replaced some of the old patio furniture which had reached the end of its useful life, in part by using some funds which had been generated by the prior years harborfest.
- Insurance costs were up again over the prior years as were some other areas which continue to out pace inflation.
- And last but not least your treasurer has survived a steep learning curve, but thanks to the help of prior treasurers and the board in holding down increases to the degree possible- I am pleased to report that we are solvent and all bills are current.

I hope your boating season has returned you an abundant pleasure dividend on your investment in your boat, TYC and it's many fun activities. I know mine has. Our club continues to provide a lot of boating pleasures. Tell your nonmember friends and have them check us out. They will thank you.

Best regards,

Hank Hinckley
Treasurer

DIRECTOR OF HARBOR OPERATIONS REPORT

Well, it has been a great boating season on the lake with the most sunshine in over 14 years. Thanks to the members who have already advised me of needed repairs to their docks. Please check your docks this fall so I schedule repairs this fall and spring. Pilings needing replacement, will be done most likely in the spring. Thanks to all of you who have chipped in this summer to lighten the load!

Please call me at 741-3747 with any concerns,

Have a great off season,

Skip Hangen
Director of Harbor Operations

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS REPORT

I would like to thank all of those members who helped me with my duties. Barb and Al Patterson and Linda and Ed Kelly have been especially helpful.

Remember that we need to keep the clubhouse locked during the off hours as the season comes to an end. If you use umbrellas or cushions put them back inside when you are done. This is a working club, so please leave the clubhouse cleaner than you found it. We are now operating with one Steward, Heather, who will be working only periodically until we have completed haul out and closed up the clubhouse. Stewards are a key factor in keeping the club running smoothly during the boating season. Do you know someone that you think would be a good Steward next year? Have them contact me. The more applicants I have the better chance of getting a good group.

Any comments or suggestions would be appreciated.

Erik Anderson
Director of Harbor Operations

FLEET CAPTAIN'S REPORT

This is a sad time of the year for all the boaters at TYC. As you are reading this the boats have already been hauled and put to sleep for the long winter ahead of us. I would like to thank Mike Algase, Skip Hangen, Pat Lockwood, Tom Beachy, Pete Hubbell, Frank Scannapieco, Tom Pollard, Pat and Ken Glaser, Al Patterson, my wife Linda and anyone that I missed in placing the cradles on the Island and Mainland. If you have a cradle up in the parking lot that you are not going to be using again please have it removed from club property by the end of October or they will be disposed of.

Ed Kelly
Fleet Captain

KEEP IN TOUCH

With the off season approaching we are asking club members to keep in touch this winter by adding their names and e-mail addresses to the club's e-mail list. By doing so you will be kept up to date on activities, important announcements, and general information from the Board of Directors. Please logon to www.tycwilson.com and follow the link **Club Members Mailing List**. Please include in your e-mail weather or not you would like to have **CURRENTS** sent to your email address instead of having one mailed to your home. Remember you can print the emailed version with the same high quality results as the mailed copy and you will help save money for the club – lots of money! I would also like to here any suggestions for improving the web site such as a “for sale” and “wanted” section, etc. and remember I am always looking for photos to add.

Have a great winter.

Bill Flemming “Valkyrie”
TYC Webmaster

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