

# Currents

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

## COMMODORE'S REPORT

First, let me thank the Board of Directors and the Membership for a wonderful year. While there are always hurdles and challenges, this year was one of excellent cooperation by all members of the club. The social events were very successful thanks to great planning by Marsha Emmons and the many chairpersons who were instrumental in running them. Both launch and haul out, overseen by Ed Kelly and supported by the great many members who labored hard, were again successfully completed.

Equally as important was the support and spirit of cooperation by the board for the inevitable decisions which have to be made during any year. Peter Fleckenstein accurately recorded the proceedings with Hank Hinckley keeping watch of the finances. Mark Farrell, Skip Hangen and Erik Anderson along with Marsha and Ed kept the club on track. Many thanks to the Board of Governors who provided thoughtful counsel and to the finance committee whose support, advice and information was appreciated.

Most importantly, the summer weather and lake conditions allowed our members to enjoy great boating and visits to several of the clubs and ports around the lake. In the final analysis that's what it's all about!

Good News/Bad news. The bad news is the wide spread snow fall covers the boats with a blanket of white and makes the club look bleak. The good news is that spring is only a few months away.

Bad news/Good news The Good news is that the election process went very well with an above average total vote count. Congratulations to Mark Farrell who was reelected for a second term. The new members are: Susan Campagna, George Deck and Dave Macleod. These board members will join Erik Anderson, Skip Hangen, Hank Hinckley and me for the coming year.

The bad news is that Marsha Emmons, Peter Fleckenstein and Ed Kelly will leave the board after the final meeting in December. These three members have served the club with skill and diligence and their advice, council and hard work will be sorely missed. Please join me in thanking these members for their efforts.

Thanks to all who ran for the board this year, your participation is much appreciated and thanks to the

Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Ship Hangen and to the Official Teller for the Election Process, Frank Scannapieco and all who were instrumental in the vote tally. There is immense hard work which goes into the balloting and counting of votes.

Finally, thanks to all and best wishes for a joyous and happy holiday season from both of us.

**Al & Barb Patterson**

## DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS REPORT

I would like to thank Ed and Linda Kelly for assisting in winterizing the Clubhouse. If you see anything that remains to be done, and you can not do it yourself, please contact me or any other Board member. Remember to keep the clubhouse locked.

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.

**Erik Anderson**  
Director of Operations

## REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank-you for re-electing me to your Board of Directors. The last two years have been challenging and rewarding, and I'd like to thank so many of you for your support. To maintain TYC as one of the "best on the lake", we have more work to do which will take the help and input from each of you. If you are approached, please pitch-in. If you have a suggestion, please email someone on the board. Feel free to contact me with your concerns at anytime.

**Mark Farrell**  
Rear Commodore

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## CRUISE CALL:

During the season several folks mentioned an interest in setting up a Spring Cruise to the BVI. The proposed timing is March or early April.

Costs are to be defined but in the fall with mid season rates the boat cost was \$1200 for 2 couples/boat or \$850 for 3 couples/boat for 10 days plus airfare and food. If you would like to be part of a TYC Outing to the Islands drop me an e-mail at hankhinck@aol.com or leave me a message at 716-553-9869.

Have a wonderful Holiday Season.

**Hank Hinckley**

## TREASURER'S REPORT

With the boats out of the water and Christmas coming soon, what better time to visit the boat and snug up the cover lines, plan your spring boat projects and add the necessary purchase to your Christmas wish list.

The club is solvent with all current bills paid. As I reported at the fall meeting at years end it looks like we will be slightly in the black, matching last years break even results. While some areas were ahead, especially the ships stores, other areas were behind. From the member feedback we got we were pleased with the use of the credit card purchase system for routine summer club member purchases and we will move ahead to acquire the necessary equipment instead of simply renting same. The move of the club billing to a Quick Books system has also significantly improved that end of our business. Thanks to the last years board for instituting this change.

During haul out several questions were raised regarding the status of member boat insurance. If a boat does damage to another boat during the season or during storage it is important that we all feel protected. As a result, in accordance with the bylaws, you are requested to forward a copy of your boat insurance to the club. Your agent should be able to do this for you or a simple copy of the coverage page will do.

If there are other issues or questions regarding club finances or billing please call me at 716-553-9869 or our great bookkeepers at 434-4475. I hope you and your love ones have a wonderful holiday season.

**Hank Hinckley**  
Treasurer

## VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT

Congratulations to the newly elected board members, I hope your time on the TYC board will be as productive and as much fun as I have had the past four (4) years. According to the TYC By-Laws my time on the board has expired, maybe we should discuss changing that rule. I will truly miss helping make decisions concerning the operations of Tuscarora Yacht Club. Just a reminder to TYC members and guests our annual January Dinner will be held Jan. 18. 2003 at the Wilson House in Wilson, NY. Mark your calendars as Feb. 22, 2003 is the date of the Commodore's Ball to be held at the Holiday Inn, Niagara Falls Blvd., Amherst. Arrangements have been made for discounted rooms the weekend of the Ball. Thank you TYC members for the support you have given me the last 4 years, some time in the future I hope to have the opportunity to again serve on the TYC Board. As for now Joe and I are going to be spending the winter months in warmer parts, we are leaving Jan. 1, 2003 for Florida, and the months of Feb and March we can be reached at the AshWorth Condo complex in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

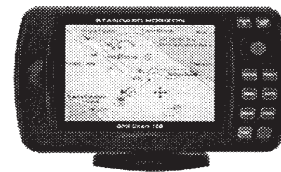
We will be returning just in time to ready the Erin-Tara for another successful sailing season.

**Marsha Emmons**  
Vice Commodore



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### The following Applications for TYC membership have been received:

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**Kenneth Coutts** (Barbara),  
2076 Phillips Rd. Burt, NY

**Edward Cough** (Donita),  
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**Gerard Diffine**,  
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