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A Newsletter for the Members and Guests of Tuscarora Yacht Club

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MEET OUR CANDIDATES



Erik Anderson Commodore

Weather-wise, the timing could not have been better. We sailed right up until the Thursday before haul out. Since then it has been raining and cold. Thanks to everyone for their work on this big weekend, especially Hank Hinckley who filled in as Fleet Captain for haul out.

We have finalized the member costs for next year and they will appear later in this issue. As indicated at the Fall Meeting and in the last issue of *Currents*, we were able to reduce the costs significantly from this year. Since the signing of the ten year lease we have gained a number of new docking members. Tell all your friends that TYC is the place to be. The more members we have the lower your costs. Bill Fleming, Bob Schmidt, George Deck, and

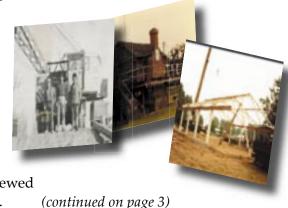
Dave MacLeod will return to the Board of Directors in 2006. Hank Hinckley, Frank Del Russo, Skip Hangen, and I will be finishing up our terms on December 31, 2005. Until then, we will be working to smooth the way for next year's board.

As I said last month, the Club is embarking on a period of unprecedented improvement and growth. We have a very good slate of candidates who want to be part of the team that steers the TYC ship. Make sure you become familiar with those members running for the Board and to send in your ballots on time.

Erik S. Anderson

MR. CLARK SHARES PHOTOS AND MEMORIES

I had the pleasure of sitting down with Mr. Clark the day we unstepped the masts. It was a beautiful Saturday afternoon and after I secured the boat, I began to search for Mr. Clark. Now, I have been around the island a very long time and I knew exactly where to find him – up on the hill or somewhere involved in some project on his property. Today was no different. I located him working on his new WW II war memorial. You have probably noticed the construction equipment and the unusual activity around the property when you drive in. Mr. Clark decided to build a tribute to all the men and women from Wilson who gave their lives in the war. We had a nice and brief conversation in his home and reviewed numerous old photographs that he has collected over the years.



TYC MEMBERSHIP COSTS FOR THE 2006 SEASON

Initiation fee Full member \$500.00 + tax*

Social member \$350.00 + tax

Member dues Full member \$250.00 + tax

Social member \$125.00 + tax

Life member No charge

Dockage: Full member \$50.00 per ft.

Dingy (15 ft. or less in length) \$650.00

Non-refundable dock deposit (due Nov.

15) \$250.00

Haul, store, and launch Member \$10.00 per ft + tax

Non-member \$15.00 per ft. + tax

Summer boat trailer storage (non-storing

member) \$75.00

Step and unstep mast: Traveling crane with crew \$45.00 + tax

Gin pole with crew \$20.00 + tax Gin pole without crew: No charge

Gasoline TBA

Gate card: Refundable deposit: \$25.00

1st gate card (plus deposit): \$ 5.00

2nd gate card: \$ 5.00

Penalties: Spray painting boat \$500.00

Officer-of-the-day no show \$50.00

Late dock reservation \$25.00

Invoice over 30 days 2% of late balance

Forcing gate \$25.00 + repair costs

No name on cradle \$25.00 Lost keys or cards \$ 5.00

Boat stored w/out authorization (1st notice)

\$10.00 per ft. + \$25.00 fine

Trailer not registered with club (after May

30TH) \$25.00

^{* -} current Niagara County tax



fleet captain's report



At the top of my priority list for this report is a heart-felt (no pun intended) thanks to everyone at TYC for their concern, support, and friendship this autumn. There are too many to mention, but heading the list is my on-site medical team of Kathie Maloney, Pam Lockwood, and Bill

Fleming – thanks for insisting, this needed outside help; Michael Algase, Pete Hubbell, Jeff Strothman, Patty Glaser, and the best designated hitter around, Hank Hinckley for stepping in and ensuring that things happened when they needed to; and finally Commodore and Commodoresse Anderson, voices of experience that really were appreciated.

The haul out process faced a number of challenges this year, but with the understanding of the members, ingenuity of Nick Waite, and the can-do attitude of the crews, we got through it. Rather than bemoan the fact that all of us now qualify as landlubbers, lets look forward to the end of April. Please get your dock deposits in to Peter Fleckenstein! The membership ranks are swelling again and we want everyone to have a dock that suits their needs. If you have not spoken to me (or even if you have - the medication has taken a toll on my memory) add a note to your dock reservation form if you would like to change docks. I will keep a list of those making requests as the basis for contact over the winter as docks become available. We will do our best to accommodate you, but be patient as it will be an on-going effort over the winter for either me or the next Fleet Captain to get everyone a home.

Endure the down-time; spring is just around the corner!

Thanks,
Dave Mac Leod





secretary's report (continued from front page)

Many of these old photos will bring back memories for many of you. Some are before my time but I sure remember many of them. I grew up at TYC with many other second generation members, as well as some "well-seasoned" founding members. I look at these old photos and remember way back when. My original plan was to get into an in-depth interview with Red. I wanted to present a detailed description of the property history, TYC history and what the future holds for TYC and the Clark Family. I still plan on doing that in the future but as you can see in this issue we have been focused on the upcoming elections. In the meantime please enjoy the photos in this issue, plus several others that are

on the the web site. you can view them on line at www.tycwilson.com . They are very large images so please be patient downloading them. If you have any old photos of the island or the early days of the club, please contact me. We would love to share them. Please send your ballots in!

Bill Fleming



vice commodore's report

This is a very important time of the year in that the new board will have crucial decisions affecting TYC now that we have a long term lease. The new board has the exciting task of improving the clubhouse's appearance and facilities. The ten year lease gives us the opportunity to improve our home away from home beyond what many of us ever imagined. For your future plans place these two dates on your calendar, January 15, 2006, a Sunday afternoon for our annual winter get-together at the Wilson House (details to follow). At our last board meeting we voted to accommodate the snowbirds and then scheduled the Commodore's Ball Saturday, April 22, 2006. Kathy Tumulty has

volunteered to assist the new vice commodore in planning the event. Stay tuned. This is the end of my third term on the board. Thank you all for making it one of the most rewarding.

Frank Del Russo





A special thanks you to the TYC members who have generously agreed to run for the board. We wish them all good luck in the running. Pete Hubbell, Patti Glaser, Paul Bukowski, Mike Algase, Bill Halloday, Doug David Roger Maddigan

Now that the boats are hauled out, remember to remove/unbolt any sideboards on your dock that extend into the water. This is to prevent ice damage to your dock.

Also, fall and winter is the time when dock repairs are most easily done. I have made several requests for information on docks needing repair and have had NO requests for help. Spring is not the season to ask for dock repairs. Out of respect for the next person, don't expect to have repairs done by notifying them in May.

Ship Hangen



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PATTIE GLASER

Most of you already know me; I'm Pattie Glaser. My husband Ken and I have been members since 2000, our boat MITTELKIND is docked "on the wall" at I-8. I have worked on the Spaghetti Dinners, kitchen crew for launch and haul out. This year at Sail past I started

Theme Baskets, which was a lot of fun. I would like to be a member of our Board, to help keep TYC a place where Membership is a source of Pride.



BILL HALLIDAY

My wife and I have been members of TYC for 5 years. We are power boaters and have been for many years. When asked if I would like to run for the board of directors I was a little apprehensive about it at first, but after thinking about it for a little while I

decided that it would be a great way to serve our club and do my part in helping to make a great club even better.



ROGER MADDIGAN

Let me first introduce myself, I am retired after nearly 40 years with the Veterans Administration working in healthcare administration. Linda & I are relatively new members joining four years ago and have experienced the fine spirit and friendliness of TYC. This year TYC has

experienced a significant event with the signing of a long term lease. This is an opportunity to make vital improvements to the club. I am interested in being more involved with this unique opportunity. I would appreciate your vote and if elected would seek input from all member areas.



PETER HUBBELL

My family and I have been members of TYC since 1999. We have met many wonderful people and have enjoyed sailing and racing on Lake Ontario. During the last six years I have been involved with the cradle crew during launch and haul-out. I have had

the pleasure of working with other members who have given their time and talents to support the club. When I am not at the club, I am at my job as supervisor at Thomann Asphalt, a local construction company. The duties and responsibilities required of me on the job have given me the experience that I feel will be a contribution to a position on the board. I would appreciate your consideration in the upcoming election.



The west side of the island as it was in the early 1960's (note the former bridge) See the high resolution photo on our website at www.tycwilson.com.

ELECTIONS 2006



DOUG DAVID

My wife, Denise, and I joined TYC in December of 1979 seeking a lake and a slip for our 19 foot sailboat. Twenty-six years later, with two girls graduated from college, four other sailboats purchased and sold, we found what we sought – a

lake to sail on and a slip for our boat. Over these 26 years, we have received so much more from TYC – a special place to sail, new friends, social events, a place to bring family and friends, and a community of folks who like us, like boating.

I previously served on the TYC Board in 2000 as Director of Harbor Operations and in 2001 as Rear Commodore. I did not seek re-election because both my daughters were in college and Denise and I needed time to travel and share their college experiences. When Skip Hangen called and asked me to run again I wanted to say no but after the work the current Board did to secure the future of TYC including promising improvements, I felt I too needed to do my part by assisting with the leadership for the next two years. My previous experience on the TYC Board showed me that being a board member is a demand on one's time and talents. At this time, I am transitioning into retirement and now have more time to dedicate myself to a position on the Board. I know that many other capable candidates are also running for election and if I am not elected, I will still offer my services to club related initiatives. Thank you for your consideration.





MICHAEL ALGASE

Let me start by thanking the recent and current board(s) for all their efforts to guide TYC through some very difficult times these past few years. Your challenge has been formidable, and TYC demonstrated its resolve through your actions. I too have a rather

strong dedication to the Tuscarora Yacht Club. I have been sailing out of TYC for over 30 years, starting as a pre-teen with my parents in the early-to mid 70's, including a couple of years in the junior sailing program, and worked summers for TYC during college as a club steward and Junior Sailing instructor. I can't think of any place better than TYC to enjoy the summer season. Many of you know me as the guy that helps with the crane at Haul out and Launch. I feel my time has come to give a little more back to the organization I have enjoyed for so long. I would be proud to serve on your board of directors, and look forward to the opportunity to help TYC develop a vision and strategy for the next 3 years, and the next 30 years.

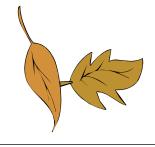


PAUL BUKOWSKI

I have been a member of TYC since 1977 and have served on the Board of Directors both as Director of Harbor Operations and Director of Operations. My wife and I have had a wonderful time raising our children at TYC. Both of our children participated in the Junior Sailing program. I would like to return once again and

serve the club as a member of the Board of Directors.





treasurer's report



It was so good to see so many of you at the Fall Membership Meeting back in September. I want to thank you for accepting the Treasurer's report and listening to my presentation of the proposed ten year fiscal plan. The Board put a lot of thought into the plan and we hope to see it

realized over the course of our new lease. We are also very excited about the thought of future renovations being made to the club house and grounds over the years to come. This is a very exciting time for TYC and we are so glad to have been in on the ground level, so to speak.

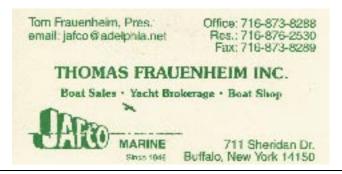
Please find a list of TYC Membership Costs in this issue of the Currents. The Board is proposing a rate of \$50.00 per ft. for dockage and \$10.00 per ft. for haul, storage, and launch for the 2006 boating season. We have also proposed a few minor changes in fees and penalty fees. Please compare the new list of Costs with the old list that appears in your 2005 Roster.

You will notice that the prices for gasoline are not given in the new list of Costs. Next year's Board will have to look at our gasoline retail price structure and determine the rates. They will have to make sure that the Club doesn't lose money on the sale of gasoline to members and/or visitors.

I am sure you have noticed that our bookkeeper, Peter Fleckenstein, has been busy sending out haul, store, and launch bills and will soon be sending out bills for member dues and dockage deposits. Please return them promptly with payment.

It has been my pleasure to have served you as Treasurer again this year. I am looking forward to serving you again next year.

George Deck



director of operations report



With the boats out of the water and slowly getting ready for winter, we are getting the clubhouse winterized. The water was turned off on Sunday October 30 and the electric will be turned off at the end of November. I would like to thank all the members who

participated in the work program this past summer. It made my job easier and kept the clubhouse and grounds looking good all summer. I would like to give special thanks to Ed Kelly for taking care of ordering the gasoline, Pete Fleckenstein for taking care of the ice cream and snacks, Cindy Scannapieco for planting the flowers, Dave Kahl and Jeff Strothmann for keeping the mowers and golf cart working all summer, Dick and Kathy Platt, Dan and Sharon Murphy for taking over when we were out cruising this summer, Don and Kathy Sipes, and Patty Glaser for helping clean the club at the start of the season. Also to Ken Glaser for all the telephone and electrical work. To Pete Seager for fixing the water problems we had and a big thank you to my wife Donna, who pumped gas, docked visiting boats, mowed the lawn, kept the refrigerator full of pop and water, and made sure I was doing my job correctly. There was also a group of women who took home the dirty dish towels and washed them, thank you. These are just some of the members who have helped around the club this summer. This winter when you come down to check on your boat be sure the clubhouse is locked. I have enjoyed being the Director of Operations this year and I am looking forward to next season.

Bob Schmidt

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rear commodore's report



The boats are on the dry and planning for 2006 is underway. With the boats out of the water member's attention has turned to winterizing their boats and your Board of Directors attention has turned to planning for the future. A great slate of candidates has been selected to fill the four BOD positions that will be

vacated. For myself I have found the past 4 years

challenging and rewarding. I thank those who voted for me for the opportunity to be a part of the decision making process. I also believe, with the new 10 year lease in place, that those elected in December, in conjunction with Clark Marine, will have the chance to bring the TYC Family greater value for their boating dollars and thereby greater enjoyment for their families and friends. It is an exciting time to be at TYC, so tell your friends and encourage them to join us, as we work

to enhance facilities and add new programs to the our traditional summer fun-with-boats agenda. Our new 10 year lease has allowed your Board of Directors to approve the cost reductions announced as possible at the Fall Meeting. We are most hopeful that the return to more competitive pricing, in conjunction with physical improvements, will return the club to full occupancy and at least it's prior level of membership. Help us spread the word that TYC is HERE for the LONG TERM and is still the best location and one of the most fun places on Lake Ontario.

Your member service program continues to get the job done. As of post haul out on October 14 over 1412 member service hours have been turned in. It has been a great summer and the grounds were kept in very good condition, the clubhouse in good shape and major parties well organized and attended thanks to the hard work and ingenuity of our members. Launch and haul out were well supported with help from over 70 members. With the exception of 32 members, 10 of whom who have put in some time, all members have contributed at least the minimum 5 hours. Three members have logged over 75 hours with many more in the 15-30 hour category. To avoid the expense and inconvenience of covering the cost of uncontributed

hours at a rate of \$20/hr; those who we have not heard from are encouraged to contact a board member and arrange to perform a task of value to the club. Or contact myself directly if you think your efforts have not been duly noted. There will be a number of closing the club house activities that will require quite significant labor. This will be the last chance to complete the required commitment. If you are not sure of the status check the club house board or contact

commitment. If you are not sure of the status check the club house board or contact me.

I believe you will agree that the step change in quality of the Currents brought to you by TYC, is a second-to-none product. You can help sustain this improvement by asking your commercial friends to take out an ad in the Currents. For \$100 they can get space in 6 print editions. Also, if you have a topic you would like to read about please see Bill Fleming or myself and we will see if we can line up a local expert. If you are willing to get your copy of the Currents electronically to reduce club postage expense please

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Hank Hinchley







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