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A Newsletter for the Members and Guests of Tuscarora Yacht Club

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## WE ARE UNDERWAY

Well, the season is now well underway! Fantastic working weather meant launch and masts went smoother than I can ever recall, and we may have set a record. Not only did we clear the parking lot Friday night, but we set the last boat and completed the use of the crane at approximately 4:15 PM Saturday. We were fortunate to start 3:30 Friday evening, and ultimately moved 84 boats in just over twelve working hours. We also stepped twenty-eight masts with the boom truck, and twenty-two with the Gin Pole.

Let me start all my thank-you's with an apology – I did a poor job of recording the names of the multitudes of people who assisted on Crane Crew for launch, so if I miss your name here, please accept the apology in advance, and be sure to tell me. Among the many participants this year, we had Dean Aschenbrenner, Ben Tulumello, Tom Gestwick, Cal Tinkey, Harry Buckholtz, John Warchocki, Ernie Pipiles, Peter Seager, Dave McLuckio, Larry Chapman, Larry Kocher, David Brown, Bryan Burhans, Bill Maloney, Steve Stockton, Tom Bogner, Jeff Schuster, Greg & Nick Sutton, Thomas Gray, Paul VanVoorhees, Frank Fronhapple, Gerald Diffine, Dan Schofield, David MacLeod, and John Comesano. Externally, thanks to Nick Waite for returning yet again to operate the equipment for us. Also, praise to the telephone crew (Maureen Hangen, Patty Glaser, David MacLeod) for chasing down owners and keeping us moving.

For mast crews, many thanks to Jeff Strothmann for leading the gin pole effort, and also to his crews: Gary Baxter, Todd Lawson, Jim Romanowski, Tom Pollard, Dean

Aschenbrenner, Paul Roetling, Bob Berquist, Cal Tinkey, and John Fletcher. Boom Truck crew was Jim Krakowiak, Todd Lawson, Doug David, Gary Baxter, and Willie Hays.

Assisting Peter Hubbell with Cradle Crew was Paul Wotka, Bob Hasse, Jim Varner, Richard Rosenberg, Sam Libordi, Joe Emmons, Pat Lockwood, and Rick Sindoni.

Last, but certainly not least, many thanks to the Kitchen Crew for keeping the animals fed and watered: Patty Glaser, Nancy VanVoorhees, Suzanne Buckholtz, and Pat Mounce.

While we were very efficient this year, we ran the risk in a couple of spots of running out of owners for the boats that were next in line. Crane time runs several hundred dollars an hour, and we would prefer not to send anyone a bill for backtracking. To avoid this, anyone with boats on the mainland or in the island parking lot has to be present (or have a signed proxy present) on Friday evening. Anyone along the West (channel) side of the island must be there (or proxy) at the start of the day on Saturday. North end, be there by 9:00 AM Saturday, and Creekside owners, plan on no later than 11:00 AM. While you may have to wait a little while for your boat to be handled, the inconvenience is far less expensive than the cost of returning later with a crane or trailer. Come on down, enjoy the coffee and cheap donuts, and visit with your fellow members. It is cheap insurance to prevent a large bill!!

An outstanding effort by all involved. I look forward to working with everyone again.

Michael Algase - Fleet Captain

## SAIL PAST



### JUNE 17th

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## membership committee report

What a great launch. Mike Algase and his volunteer crew did a great job setting a new time record getting our boats safely in the water. The weather was fantastic and our hospitality committee put on a super lunch.

In the past twelve months we've added ten new members, eight of whom joined after haul out and will be joining us this spring. Be sure to give them a warm TYC welcome when you see them at the dock or clubhouse. Although our bigger sailboat slips (30+ ft) are taken and all but one of our larger power boat slips are taken, we have several open slips for sail or power boats under 28 feet. Our best source for new members are recommendations from existing members. If you have boating friends who may be interested in joining TYC please get their names and information to Bill Guggemus or myself. I'm looking forward to seeing you at Sail Past.

Bob Stone I-51

## spaghetti dinner - a huge success

Chef Jim Rebholtz did an outstanding job making the sauce. Sorry we didn't have the Violinist this year but Pete Seager saved the day by bringing Italian CD's. Thanks to Darlene Chase, Carol Beachy, Carol Varner, Chris MacLeod for wrapping the forks & knives. A big Thank You to the Murray family for helping with the salads, serving, & washing the dishes. Also my pasta cooking team Frank DelRusso, Joe Emmons, Hank Hinckley (the three who started this party years ago) and adopted my husband to help cook. Dan and Sharon Murphy did a great job of collecting the money & selling raffle tickets. Congratulations to Kathy Sipes winning the 50/50, and the lucky Sam & Karen Libordi for winning the Rosina Basket and pie. Donna & Bob Schmidt thank you for getting the things I forgot. Don't forget your baskets for the Chinese Auction June 17th.

Pattie Glaser  
Director of Operations

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## director of operation's report

April was a busy month at TYC. Pete Seager, Tom Beachy and Ernie Pipiles turned on water. Clubhouse spring cleaning was completed with the help of Darlene Chase, Carol Beachy, Sharon Seager, Kathy and Don Sipes, Donna and Bob Schmidt, Claudia and Frank Del Russo, and of course my husband Ken. Remember the song the "I Love the Flower" (Cowsils), we love our own Flower Girl Cindy Scannapieco. Cindy and her crew again did a beautiful job with the flowers.

Lunch and dinner for launch was great. Nancy Van Voorhees, Valerie Voisard-Kessler, Markus Kessler, cooked and pulled the chicken for the chicken and biscuits. Serving and clean up crew was Darlene Chase, Carol Beachy, Linda Kelly, Donna Schmidt, Carol Varner, and Pat Mounce. Thank you everyone.

For the unpainted TYC tables we have TYC dark forest green paint. If you wish to paint a table it is a great way to get those hours in. A question about the tables came up at the board meeting. New members asked if they don't have a table or need an extra may they be borrowed? Some of the tables are owned by members, the ones with TYC carved on them, are for everyone, if you use a table please put them back where you found them.

Joan and Jack Karet are cleaning the grills. There will be new brushes available so please be sure to clean the grill when you are done cooking.

Dishes and pots need to be put away after you use them. Dish washing is not part of the stewards job. If you air dry the dishes please remember to put them back in the cupboard.

If you use the refrigerator please put your name and date on your food. Monday is clean out day. If there is a club party the refrigerator has to be empty and the kitchen will be closed for the day of the event. The Stewards have a list of daily duties. If there are any problems or concerns regarding the stewards please contact me.

Pattie Glaser I-08

## vice commodore's report

Now that the boats are in the water and summer is almost here it's time to have some fun. The first event of the boating season was the spaghetti dinner. We had a good turn out with a lot of old and new members attending. Frank Del Russo and Pattie Glaser along with their crew did an outstanding job, serving almost 100 people. Thanks to all who helped with the dinner. The next event is the Wine and Cheese Tasting Party on June 3 followed by Sail Past on June 17th. On Sunday June 18th we will have a Father's Breakfast hosted by Linda Kelly and her crew. In July, Pat Lockwood is chairman of a Reggae Party on the 15th, so get your reggae dancing shoes out. On August 4-7, Tom Beachy is the chairman of our club cruise to Fifty Point Yacht Club. Fifty Point is only 36 nautical miles from Wilson and is on the south shore of Lake Ontario which means you do not have to cross the lake. First time cruisers should come and join in the fun of cruising, give Tom a call and sign up for the cruise. The Progressive Dinner will be held

on August 19th and chaired by Roger and Linda Maddigan. September 9th Frank Scannapieco will host a Pig Roast. The last event of the year is the Commodore's Ball. It will be on Saturday October 14 at the Holiday Inn in Lockport. Make plans to attend to honor our commodore and end of the 2006 season. When cruising this year, check in the steward's office for the clubs we reciprocate with and what their policies are. The policy at TYC is the first night is free and \$.40 per foot per night afterwards. Check on the club's bulletin board for sign up sheets for the different events and for some additional activities throughout the summer such as Friday Night TGIF Parties. Also check the club's web site for up dates. If you would like to be on any of the committees, get in touch with the chairman of that event. This is another way to get in your work hours for the year. Have a safe boating season and I will see you at the club.

Bob Schmidt I-00

### FOR SALE

Mercury 15 HP 4 Stroke Outboard. This engine is new and still in the box. Contact Paul Bukowski at 695-7273 or H-21. Asking \$2,100 retails for over \$2,400



## MARVELUS - CC 30 MK



### FOR SALE

Purchased new from RCR Yachts January 1990, hull # 168 (C&C Yachts only built to # 177). The list of equipment is impressive and extensive. Contact the original owners Dick and Marvel DeWitt at RSDewitt@aol.

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## commodore's report

With the return of Red and Mary Clark from Florida, we are completing the final design of our new facilities. Red is eager to begin construction and, as discussed at the Spring Meeting, extended cooperation will be needed from the entire membership. We will have some "down time" at the Club House due to power and sewer system modifications and there will be mud and dust from the construction itself. Every effort is being made to minimize the inconvenience, but there will be times that require us all to make accommodations.

One accommodation may be dining on picnic tables under the clear blue sky. The Club tables are marked with "TYC" on the top and they are available for the entire membership to use regardless of the color they are painted or where they are located. As we have far more members than picnic tables, it might be a great opportunity to invite members you have never met to come and sit with you for a drink or a meal.

The end result will be worth the wait, but if you have questions about any aspect of the work, please come and see me at H-18 or give me a call.

David MacLeod  
Commodore

## rear commodore's report

Tuscarora Yacht Club would like to welcome the new management at the Wilson Harbor Marina. The facility is under new management and has taken over for RCR Yachts. Mr. Kevin Jerge and his staff will be managing the property including the docks and of course the

pool. This year TYC has worked out a special rate to join the pool. Rates vary, but for those who sign up through TYC will receive extra savings. This is rather late notice but for those who contact me and have their check to me by June



14th will receive the discount. I am not certain on the exact amount of the membership but there are different membership rates available. Remember the more TYC members we have the better our rate.

Remember you must contact me directly to take advantage of these savings by Wednesday June 14th. I can be reached at 863-9453 at anytime.

Bill Fleming  
Rear Commodore



Welcome to another boating season. Now that all the boats are floating again, everyone will be checking out their boats for the year. If you have any electrical malfunctions, first check the connections and make sure that they are clean and tight. If you find wires that look like they came with the boat and are in question? Maybe it is time to replace versus wiggle and bend them till something starts working. When replacing any wires, make sure you replace with the correct size. As for type, most any stranded wire will work, however the marine wire at the boating store will probably last longer. Marine wire is made with more water resistant materials and thus also cost a little more! Sometimes the increase in price is very little

but worth it. Again remember to solder the connections and seal them tight.

In any case remember to check the running lights while at the dock and don't forget to carry extra bulbs onboard. While we are talking about extras to carry while out on the water, here are a few more things to think about. A good flash light and or spot light with extra batteries. Replacement fuses or even an extra circuit breaker for the distribution panel. Remember that some radios and other instruments may have another fuse directly attached to them. For those of us that have mast head mounted VHF antennas, there is available for emergencies a small replacement antenna that can be attached to the radio in case the one at the top of that stick has become damaged or defective. That's all for this time, but feel free to stop by this summer at I-61 if questions come up and just ask Willie.

## treasurer's report

First of all, I want to thank all those members who have already paid their dockage fees for 2006. Your diligence is appreciated. If you still have an outstanding balance on your dockage fee may I encourage you to please send Peter Fleckenstein your payment as soon as possible. We have made five of our monthly lease payments so far this year and will make one more monthly payment the first of June. We will then make a final payment that equals four monthly payments on the first of July. The Board of Directors agreed to Clark Marina Corporation's request to pay our lease this way instead of in ten monthly payments. This was done to help their cash flow during the construction of the new bathroom facilities this summer.

Secondly, I want to say a few words about a problem that the Board of Directors is working on: the pump price of gasoline at the club. There are many factors that go into the pricing of our gasoline. Since the price we pay for gasoline changes every time we receive a load, it is difficult to determine just when and how we should change the price we charge at the pump. Part of the problem is that there still remains gas in our tank that was purchased at a different price per gallon. Furthermore, the price we pay per gallon for each load of gasoline contains both Federal as well as New York State taxes. Contrary to rumor, these are not the only taxes we pay on the gasoline we sell. The truth of the matter is, when our bookkeeper completes the New York State sales tax return for each sales tax quarter that we sell gasoline, he has to use a complicated formula to determine how much money we took in for selling gasoline. In the end, we pay New York State even more tax on the gasoline we sold.

Not to further complicate the issue but, it costs to the club every time some one makes a purchase using a charge card. Just as it is with any business, we have to recoup our costs for allowing our patrons the convenience of using their charge cards.

Needless to say, the Board of Directors is working hard on a pricing formula that would be fair for our members as well as appropriate for our visitors.

## **Sharon's Ship's Store News**

Take a look at your TYC shirts and jackets, are they looking a little tired and worn? The Ship's Store's cupboards are full of new items. Please come in and take a look at our fresh, new ideas in TYC clothing for the summer.

\*\*\*\* BRAND NEW THIS SUMMER \*\*\*\*

Waterproof and breathable jackets from Charles River. These items are available by special order only so please come in and check out the examples we have to show you.

We will be open every Saturday from noon until 2:00 PM. Our special hours for Sail Past will be before and after dinner.

George Deck

## secretary's report

As cruising season approaches please check out the 2006 edition of the Reciprocity Directory that lists all of the US and Canadian clubs that TYC has reciprocity agreements with for this boating season. You will find it either by the Visitors Sign In Log or with the stewards. There are many, many clubs that offer TYC members accommodations and a chance to see other clubs on Lake Ontario.

Doug David  
Secretary





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