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August represents going past the half way point of the summer, and we all try to take advantage of the remaining days. But what a summer it has been! The social calendar has been full, and we have had a series of very successful events.

June brought our annual Sail Past event, and the parade of boats through the harbor was beautiful. We had over thirty boats participate, and had just enough wind for a sail afterward, and calm seas for enjoyable power boat cruises as well. Many took advantage of the day and the dinner that evening. Thanks to all who came out and made it a very special day for me.

The following weekend was full as well, with a Tuscarora Youth Celebration for the younger members on Friday night, and the annual Fathers Day Brunch on Sunday. It was great to see the number of younger members we have around the club. It is just another indicator that reestablishing a Junior Sailing program at the club would be a fantastic service to both our membership and the community in Wilson. I continue to contemplate the program, and look for any help others would like to offer. Please contact me if you're interested, and we'll spend some time this fall planning the program to determine just how quickly we can get one going.

The beer tasting on July 11th was another successful event, with local brews and some homegrown music. What a treat to have members of our own club jamming to their heart's content for the rest of us to dance along. Thanks to Frank, Todd, and Bill for leading the charge!

Most recently, we had over 20 boats share a weekend at the Oakville Club for camaraderie, great food, and Jazz. This was one of the better-attended club cruises in recent memory, and we're getting started on the planning process for a possible repeat event next year. Stay tuned . . .

I know many of you attended the fundraiser for Derek and John on August 9th. I'd also like to let you know that the fundraising campaign we did from the TYC membership in May / June collected over \$1000 for them as well. We dispatched checks to both gentlemen in July for over \$500. I want to thank all of you who donated for helping make TYC's generosity clear to the gentlemen.

Board elections are coming soon. Please consider serving your club in this rewarding way. This Year's elections committee will be contacting all eligible members over the next couple of weeks. It is a fantastic way to give back a little more to your club, and contribute to its long-lasting success.

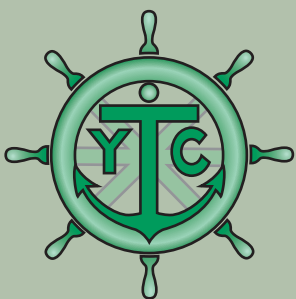
One last thought for all of us is to review the TYC policies each year. Given the number of children on the island, observing the 5 MPH speed limit is of more importance every year. Similarly, parking can be at a premium, particularly for the folks on the mainland and at the Hain's docks. Making sure there is only one vehicle per member inside the gate will go a long way to making parking a little easier for all of our fellow members. Look for policy reminders on a regular basis via Currents and email.

While the weather has not been stellar, I would say the season has been a rather successful one. I look forward to sharing the rest of the season with all of you.



Michael Algase
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Fleet Captain



Here we are in August already! I am always amazed at how quickly the summer passes as we try to fit everything into our busy schedules. It doesn't help, either, when the weather is not always cooperative.

It's been an enjoyable summer for me. Although Kathie and I may not have gotten in as much boat time as we might

have wished, I have gotten to know more of you a little better this year and had the opportunity to assist both some veteran and new members find the right slip. I heartily recommend participation on the Board of Directors if you are thinking about it.

Speaking of slips, TYC is currently near practical capacity right now. Bob Stone and Bill Guggemos of the Membership Committee have continued with their persistent marketing efforts to recruit new members. Thanks very much to them! Available slips are always posted on the Club bulletin board should you be looking to relocate. You can consult the policy regarding this in the Club Roster. I also maintain a request list if there is nothing available right now.

Relative to the end of the season, a few reminders:

As the cradles are put in place, please inspect and repair them as necessary and be sure that they are properly marked. Level and support your cradles as necessary.

There will be sign-up sheets posted for those who are storing, mast stepping with the boom truck or mast stepping with the gin pole.

On mast stepping day, it is important (boom truck or gin pole) tie-downs for all shrouds and hanging hardware help control these loose items and prevent crew injury and boat damage. Mast-stepping will be Saturday, September 26. For boom truck starting time, check the sign-up sheet.

For haul-out:

Please inspect your lift marks and replace them

as necessary. They should be visible both from on deck and from the ground when your boat is on the cradle. Be sure to have control lines in place – bow and stern, minimum 50 feet each. Be sure to be ready and at your boat on the day of hauling. Delays are very costly to the Club. Mainland and parking lot occupants should be available on Friday night October 2, starting at 4:00 PM. Saturday morning starts at 7:00 AM. All west side owners (I-00 to I-23) should be present and ready. North side owners (I-31 to I-50) should be on site by 10:00 AM. We will be rounding the northeast corner by about 2:00 PM. Sunday morning starts at 7:00 AM. Anyone not hauled on Saturday should be ready for an early start on Sunday.

Please consider joining one of the several crews needed for the end of season activities. It's a great way to get some hours in and meet and work with other members. Sign-up sheets will be posted.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Bill Maloney
Fleet Captain

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Harbor Operations



It hard to believe that the summer is almost over and we are already having to think about hauling boats and preparing for the winter storage and repair tasks. I am in the process of putting together a master list of dock conditions and repairs. If you have an issue you feel needs to be addressed please e-mail it to me at

sutt47@msn.com or call me at

433-0522, so I can add it to my list. I already have several docks on the list that need to be repaired or replaced, so I will be buying lumber and looking for some handy volunteers in September to help with the construction. I'd also like to plan another winter repair session like the productive day we had last February. Watch for e-mails from Bill for times and places or you can e-mail or call me if you still need some work hours to complete this year's requirement.

As haul out approaches, please remember to ensure that your cradle is properly repaired as necessary and leveled. Also make sure your name, slip number, and bow/stern labeling is legible. If you have adjustable posts/pads please ensure that they are lubricated and working freely for the haulout crews. Being ready to go when it's your turn, can save a lot of time and avoid delays for the crane crews. Also, if you have installed batter boards on your dock and they touch the water, please make sure you remove them before the ice forms. They can cause significant damage to the dock and costs to the club, as the ice moves around this winter. See you all around the club.

Greg Sutton
Director of Harbor Operations
Treasurer



TYC OAKVILLE CLUB CRUISE AUGUST 2009

Rear Commodore



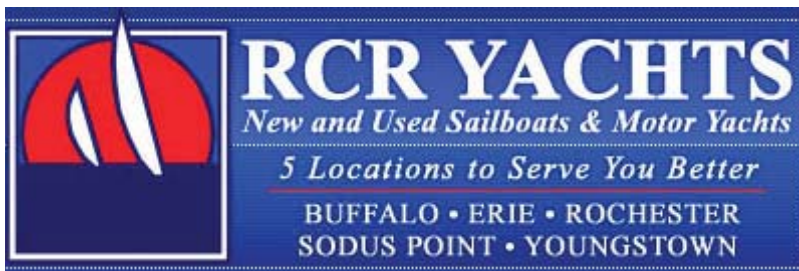
Bill Fleming
Rear Commodore

It's hard to believe that it is almost "that time" of year again. Even with this year's weather we have made the most of our TYC summer. Our highlight was the Oakville Club Cruise and I encourage everyone to participate in that event next year. Thanks to Jim and Carol Varner for a job well done.

The insert in this issue has three proposed by-law changes that will be put to member vote at the Fall Meeting. Please take the time to review these proposals and if you have any questions feel free to ask any Board Member.

As mentioned earlier the time to think about serving on the Board of Directors is fast approaching. Serving on the Board is a rewarding opportunity to serve your club. Please consider running for the 2010 Board of Directors.

FALL METING - SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2009 at 1 PM



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Vice Commodore

The Progressive Dinner was August 15th. Thank you Kandi and David Adelizi, Sandy and Jeff Jordan and Judy and Chris Finitz for your hard work.

The Mimico Yacht Club has a club cruise planned to our club for Labor Day weekend so be sure to welcome them.

Saturday, September 12th is the Fall Meeting. The meeting will start at 1 PM. Since information about haulout will be discussed, please plan to attend. The club house and patio area will be closed after the meeting. The Pirate Party is scheduled that evening; Patience Tinkey needs time to finish decorating for the party. Cocktails and appetizers will be served at 6 PM with dinner at 7 PM. The cost of the party is \$18.00 for adults and \$8.00 for children under ten. The cost includes BBQ ribs and chicken, salted potatoes, tossed salad, corn on the cob, bread and butter, all catered by Matty's. Clams will be available, but pre-ordering is REQUIRED. Also, due to the

high demand for this event a reservation policy is in effect. There will be signup sheets for appetizers and desserts. Music will be provided by Galaxy Sound. This is a great finale to the boating season. Thank you to Patience and Cal for planning this event.

We will need clean-up crews following the party. Clean-up crew is a great way to complete your 2009 work hours. See you at the Fall Meeting.

TYC Constitutional Amendments

Per Article #10 – Amendments of the TYC By-Laws, the Club By-Laws Committee will present the three amendments listed below at the September 12th, 2009, Fall Meeting. Please review each, since the members will be asked to vote on each amendment.

Change #1 - Suggested by the TYC Board of Governors:

1. Existing By-Law - Addenda #13, page #48.

"A Board of Governors chaired by the Commodore will consist of all Past Commodores who are still full members. The Board of Governors will function as an advisory panel to the Commodore. It shall meet quarterly or at the discretion of the Commodore."

2. Draft of proposed revision:

"A Board of Governors chaired by the Commodore will consist of all Past Commodores who are still full members. The Board of Governors will function as an advisory panel to the Commodore. It shall meet a minimum of three times per year with one meeting scheduled approximately two months prior to the spring meeting, one meeting scheduled two months prior to the fall meeting, and a third meeting scheduled after the fall meeting. At the discretion of the Commodore additional meetings may be scheduled."

Change Two - Suggested by Commodore Algase:

1. Existing By-Law Article #7 - Elections, Section 2.

Nominating committee shall select a slate of at least six (6) candidates for vacancies on the Board. All candidates, in the year they desire election, shall be full docking members and have been a member in good standing totaling (3) three years.

2. Draft of Proposed Revision

Nominating committee shall select a slate of at least six (6) candidates for vacancies on the Board. All candidates, in the year they desire election, shall be full docking members and have been a member in good standing for the preceding three (3) years.

Change Three - Suggested by the TYC Board of Directors:

1. Existing By-Law Article #5 - Officers, Section 2c

Rear Commodore – Shall assist the Commodore and Vice-Commodore and shall execute duties of the Vice Commodore in the Vice Commodore's absence or in case of a vacancy in the office of Vice Commodore. The Rear Commodore shall initiate a bimonthly bulletin to the membership throughout the calendar year. The Rear Commodore may increase the frequency of the bulletins if he or she deems it of benefit to the Club.

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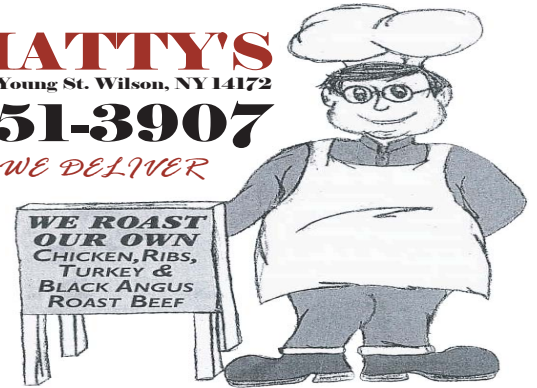
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