

THE FOGHORN



New York Yacht Club American Magic Patriot in Pensacola Bay

Swiftly cutting through the water,
Falling spray on either side,
Coily dipping,
Rising, skipping,
Borne along by wind and tide,
Merrily my boat doth glide.

Oh, the sunlight, how it flickers,
Showering diamonds on the way!
Madly dancing,
Shining, glancing,
Slyly beckoning, come and play,
Be, like us, bright, free, and gay.

And I sing a song for gladness,
Send it echoing toward the sea;
I am happy,
Happy, happy!
Blow ye winds! Blow joyfully,
Nor sigh; but sing and laugh with me.

Sailing by Dorothy Allen

Commodore's Comment

It seems like it has been such a long time since we last were together. There are many things going on behind the scenes.

I would like to ask for your patience as we move forward through this year. We have been asked by the church to find a different meeting place, so we have diligently been working to secure a new venue. We have several irons in the fire and hope to put some of them out soon. We will keep you posted as information becomes available.

Our first race is THIS Saturday, Commodore Cup 1. It's anyone's guess what the weather is going to do. The after race party will be at the Sailing Center on the PYC property. I hope you will all join us to celebrate the sailors. Renee will be getting with you to bring items.

I was in Panama City this last weekend with the Florida Commodores Association and found out some great information that will fit nicely with some of the things I would like to see the Club do this year. More to come on that as things come together.

Keep March 19th on your calendar for a possible social/meeting. I know it wasn't on the original calendar because we were anticipating the church asking us to find another place. The location that seems the most promising at the moment, would have us moving our time together to Tuesdays. Please stand by as information will be forthcoming as soon as we get confirmation.

Let us know what you are up to so we can include it in the Foghorn. I look forward to seeing you all soon,

Mia

M. Mia Ottesen, MEd.

Commodore

Navy Yacht Club of Pensacola

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The Hallhanson Sailing World Regatta Series
In St.Petersburg, Florida-Feb 23-25
Connie and Steve Attard placed first in the
Hobi 33 Midwinters Championship-

We have successfully defended the midwinter trophy 5 times.



Ahoy!

MARCH 2nd marks the beginning of our race season. We have the pleasure of meeting at the sailing center at PYC for our after race party. Everyone is invited. You don't have to race or be a fan of racing to come and have a good time. Please come! You will regret it if you don't.

Frank Bean
Fleet Commander
Navy Yacht Club of Pensacola

Membership



What is a NYCP legacy member?

A NYCP legacy member is a descendant of a parent or grandparent who were honorably discharged from the Uniformed Services. Applicant must be sponsored by a NYCP member in good standing. A DD214 is required with application.

If you know someone who is interested in joining NYCP as a legacy member, please let me know and I will reach out to them with application information.

Please welcome the following NYCP 2024 new members:

Charley Johnson from Mobile, AL, a USN retired member. He is an experienced sailor and loves to race the Fish Class. A longtime member of Buccaneer Yacht Club.

Krista Young, from Pensacola, FL, a legacy member, her father is USN retired. She is interested in learning how to sail. So keep her in mind if you're looking for crew.

Chester Walters and his son Mark, from Flomaton, AL, a USN retired member. Chester has a Catalina 22 he is restoring. He's looking forward to getting it in the bay.

Howard Lynn, from Wilmer AL, legacy member. His father was retired Navy in WWII. He is an avid sailor with years of racing experience. He loves racing the Fish Class. He is a member of Buccaneer Yacht Club. He's looking forward to getting his "Potter" in the regattas.

A.B. Reasonover, from Mobile AL, legacy member. A.B. is a member of Buccaneer Yacht club where he has been commodore for several terms. He is an avid sailor and races in the Finn class competitively.

James Thompson from Marion, IL, a USN retired member, who lives greater than 150 miles away. He is looking for a place on the water to move. Pensacola was on his list to visit. He's an avid cruiser on a large 51 ft sailboat. He will be visiting often and always looking to assist with crewing.

Hope to see all of you at our next after race party, March 2nd.
Thank you,

Libby Day
NYCP membership chair

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Rear Commodore Report

Good Evening,

The ball caps that were ordered via Wings and Things have arrived and are being embroidered with the NYCP logo that is on file. I verified in person that the correct logo would be used.

Still working on selecting a wicking polo shirt.

25 Burgees have been ordered this week.

Best regards,

Lauren Harrold

NAVY Rear Commodore

757-754-1464

From the Treasurer's Desk:

Whew, finally some nice weather heading into

Sailing Season with Spring around the corner.

We have a Checking Account \

balance of \$13,034.04 and the Savings Account balance is at \$12,047.76.



Esley Ottesen
NYC Treasurer



Mark Smith
NYC Fleet Captain

From the Fleet Captain

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GYA-Coordinator

The Gulf Yachting Association was organized to promote the sport of yacht racing on the Gulf Coast in 1901. It initially consisted of 6 member clubs, but since reorganization in 1920, the GYA has grown to encompass over 30 member and affiliate clubs, ranging from Houston Yacht Club to the west, to Saint Petersburg Yacht Club to the east. Navy Yacht Club Pensacola has been a member of the GYA since 1981.



The GYA serves many different purposes ranging from providing handicapping for racing boats throughout the Gulf Coast; providing Judges for club, regional and national regattas; sponsoring training for Race Officers and Race Committees and to maintaining the yacht racing schedule for the entire Gulf Coast. They also serve as the Organizing Authority for several of our major regattas, including the Lipton Challenge, the Junior Lipton Challenge, the WFORC, the GORC , the Ladie's GYA Championship and the GYA

Challenge Cup. They also coordinate the Capedeville series, which is the interclub, year long championship series. NYCP was very active in this series when sailed in Flying Scotts, but now the fleet has moved to Vipers, which is a more complex and expensive boat.

The GYA is also what generates reciprocity between member clubs, allowing us to visit and use the facilities of other member clubs located outside our immediate geographic area.

As you GYA Coordinator I am tasked with interfacing between the GYA and NYCP. I also plan on follow up articles to talk about yacht racing and how to use reciprocity when you travel. Take a look at the GYA website at GYA.org and feel to contact me if you have any questions.

**Chip MacMillan,
GYA Coordinator**