

The Foghorn

December 2009



Commodore's Comments Doug Werber

Ahoy Mates,

Hold the date of Friday, December 4th for the 2009 Commodore's Ball to be held at Pensacola Yacht Club. This is the key social event of the year for NYCP and a time to recognize our best sailors for their racing triumphs this year. Awards will be given to overall season winners of the Commodore's Cup Series in the spinnaker class, non-spinnaker class, and cruising class. In addition, the Commodore Tedford Cann Trophy will be awarded to the NYCP member who has demonstrated exceptional skill and success over the course of the entire racing year. Also, that evening we will recognize our fellow club members for their distinguished service to NYCP this year with the Sportsmanship Award and the Yachtsmanship Award.

The Commodore's Ball is our opportunity to thank the members of the 2009 Bridge team for their service to the club and to welcome the new 2010 Bridge team as they assume their new duties.

The cost of a ticket this year is \$40. To be sure the PYC kitchen has enough food the night of the event; they require that all tickets be purchased in advance prior to Friday, November 27th. Sorry, there will be no walk-ins and no payments at the door. Please contact Vice Commodore Sue Stephenson with your reservation (Telephone 850-458-1903 or email sssteph7@juno.com) by Friday, November 27th. Payments should be sent to Treasurer, Bea Gordy. Please make your check payable to: Navy Yacht Club Pensacola and mail it to: Treasurer, Navy Yacht Club Pensacola, P O Box 4422, Pensacola, FL 32507.

As the Commodore's Ball approaches, what better way is there to kick off the holiday season than to join your friends and fellow club members at PYC on Friday, December 4th for a fun-filled evening?

See you there.

*Doug Werber, Commodore,
Navy Yacht Club of Pensacola*

Past Commodore Fred Russell presented a slate of nominees for 2010 Bridge positions as follows:

Commodore:	Doug Werber
Vice Commodore:	Tim Bokmeyer
Rear Commodore:	Terry Bryan
Fleet Captain (Racing)	Maryann Hayes
Fleet Captain (GYA)	Jim Parsons
Fleet Captain (Cruising)	Hale Quigley
Secretary:	Lee Cann
Treasurer:	Barbara Russell

These nominees were presented to the full membership at the November 5th meeting and the new officers will be sworn in at the annual NYCP Commodore's Ball on December 4th, 2009.

*The Commodore of
Navy Yacht Club Pensacola*

cordially invites you to attend the

ANNUAL COMMODORE'S BALL

on Friday 4 December 2009

at the Pensacola Yacht Club

1897 West Cypress Street

*1800 Social Hour
1900 Dinner
2000 Awards and Dancing*

*Entrée Choices
Grilled Mahi Mahi
with citrus butter sauce*

*Bleu Cheese
Peppercorn Steak*

*R.S.V.P. by 20 November, 2009 to
(850) 458-1903*

Email: sssteph7@juno.com Cost: \$40.00 per person

Dress: Formal

Around the Bouys ***Jim Parsons***



Now that the 2009 Capdevielle season is over -- we will probably do a few practices on Sundays and do some upgrading to the new boat (jib sheet controls and spinnaker controls) to prepare for next season. If you want to sail -- call me.

Jim Parsons

FLYING SCOT SCHEDULE (Capdevielle Events)

2010 Proposed Flying Scot Racing Calendar

April 10th – 11th - Gilland Regatta
May 1st – 2nd - Opening Day Regatta
May 15th – 16th - Spring Regatta
June 5th – 6th - Candler Regatta
July 10th – 11th - Meigs Regatta
July 17th-18th - Summer Regatta
July 24th – 25th - Jr. Lipton Regatta (Youth)
July 31st – Aug 1st - Weatherly Regatta
August 14th – 15th – Knost Regatta (Female)
September 4th – 5th – Lipton Challenge Cup
October 2nd – 3rd – Wadewitz Regatta
October 23rd – 24th – Schreck Regatta
October 30th – 31st – Fish Class Regatta
November 13th – 14th - Jubilee/GYA Flying Scot - Individual Championships



Cruise Missiles

By: Joanne Matthews

CRUISE MISSILE
9-10 OCTOBER
LOST BAY REGATTA

On Friday Jim and I, aboard *Heather* headed over to Pirates' Cove. It was a lively sail under a reefed main and genny. Our objective was to arrive in plenty of time to stake a claim in the bayou for the weekend. Once the hook was down, *Aquila* and *Willow Wind* joined us....perfect, a 3-boat raft. Bill would race with us on Saturday and leave *Aquila* in place to hold our spot. At happy hour we welcomed Tim and Kay Bokmeyer to the raft and enjoyed a lovely potluck dinner of ribs and side dishes. It was the first on-the-water event that Tim and Kay attended... soon they will bring their new boat out to join the racers and cruisers. Tim would join the crew of *Willow Wind* the next day. Later that evening, strong northerly winds came through and in a matter of minutes cooled the temps down by 15 degrees making for perfect

sleeping temps....bring out the blanket. However, we'd soon find out that with the front went the winds.

We awoke Saturday morning to calm. Where were the winds that Sailflow predicted? After the skippers meeting we cast the lines free and headed up Perdido Bay in search of the racecourse and some wind.....any wind! With 50+ boats racing, it took a fair amount of time to get us all across the start line. It seemed that boats were moving the equivalent of feet per hour ... all the while jockeying for position under much less than ideal circumstances. Suffice it to say, it was the most frustrating and challenging race we've ever sailed. Frustrating, due to the slow progress around the course and challenging because it demanded almost constant tweaking of the sails, often resulting in disappointment and bewilderment. Regardless of the weather conditions, we weren't prepared to drop out and thus persevered through the doldrums searching for any hint of breeze on the waters' surface. It seemed we often moved only with the current, sometimes second-guessing our decisions, all the while trying to stay hydrated in the sweltering heat. During the final leg and a half we sailed blissfully and crossed the finish line. We promptly pointed the bow westward in great anticipation of happy hour that was long overdue. We later heard that Whit and Carol Johnson came over to welcome us back, but finally threw in the towel when it was evident that the racers were still out on the course. Carol did share with me that the afternoon entertainment was a local dog show... fun. If you've ever been to the Cove you know there's always an abundance of mans' best friend hanging around, tails wagging, ready to greet you, especially is you offer up a treat.

That evening we chatted with other racers and compared notes. In the end, as disappointed as we were in the weather conditions, we knew we'd all be back next year. The race committee and members at the Point Yacht Club met the weather challenge with grace and put on a terrific event that was appreciated and enjoyed by all. The Point does not disappoint when it comes to throwing a party either; good eats, and a band rocking away into the late evening. It provided all an opportunity to kick off their shoes, wiggle their toes in the sand and dance the night away..., which we did. Gary of *Willow Wind*, received personalized hula hoop instruction from John of *Hula Girl*, and later went on to receive accolades for his hip-swaying technique. Stay tuned!

On Sunday we awoke to a calm morning. We headed home knowing we'd have to wait for another day to enjoy the sound of the sails and the wind blowing through our hair. See you next year.

Next cruise is out to Fort McRee the weekend of November 14th for the final show of the Blue Angels. Due to my absence, Bill Geyer will be coordinating the cruise.

Sweet Sailing and Soft Bottoms,

Joanne

s/v Heather

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CRUISE MISSILES TWO

By Bill Geyer

Well, Joanne and Jim did it again and miss- scheduled another raft up. Not because of weather or anything like that but because they scheduled themselves to be out of town. The weather could not have been more perfect, we had light winds, warm temperatures during the day and cool (almost cold) at night, and never a cloud in the sky. The air show from atop the spoil island at Fort McRee was the best ever with the unlimited visibility. We started up with two different rafts, Alan and Susan on *Kaos* and Tom and Patsy Conrad on *True North* rafted over close to the spoil island. The other raft consisted of Kathy and Ed Draiper on *Sea Soul*, Adron and Bonnie Joiner on *Big Easy*, and myself on *Aquila*. *Kaos* was the first to arrive in the anchorage and secured a perfect spot in close to Spoil Island. I arrived on Thursday afternoon and anchored almost in the middle of the lagoon. We were the only two boats in there at that time, we both knew this would change quickly. It wasn't long until *True North* arrived. That evening *Kaos* being the larger vessel hosted happy hour. WOW! Is all I can say *Kaos* is one beautiful ship with wonderful owners who have taken meticulous care of her. The happy hour consisted of so much food and drink, I don't think any of us needed much dinner that night. Friday morning came and there were about a dozen boats in the lagoon with more to come. *Sea Soul* arrived at about 0800 and rafted to me. A soon as we were squared away I knew where the next happy hour would be. *Sea Soul* is another very well maintained vessel with wonderful owners. Ed sailed the boat over by himself as Kathy had to work but would join us later that evening. *Big Easy* came steaming in at about 1500 and also rafted to me. *Hmmmm*, a 32 catamaran and a 35 ft. sloop rafted to *Aquila* the smallest boat, Yea, we set another anchor off of *Sea Soul*, and it let us sleep a little better. Well now it's happy hour time so we invited Alan, Susan, Patsy, and Tom over, the food and drink have started flowing pretty good and Ed has to go pick up Kathy over at Sherman Cove. We assured Ed that we would take care of his boat until he returns. Then Chuck Cook on *Solas* anchors behind us with a boatload of babes, so we invited them over. What a crowd Ed and Kathy came back to. Seeing they're new members I think we initiated them into the

Navy YC properly. Saturday morning *Kaos* had to depart so *True North* came over and joined our raft. That evening *Big Easy* hosted happy hour and dinner on their beautiful boat, what great hosts they are. I sure nobody went away thirsty or hungry. Hey, did I mention the air show was the best ever. I hope the cruise captain will join us next time.

Happy Sailing,
Bill



Ship Store Items – Sally Edwards

Interested in Gifts for the Holidays....
Check out the Navy Yacht Club Merchandise



Photos by Bill Geyer

Blue Angel Air Show Raft-up 11-13-09 and 11-14-09

Sunshine Lady
- Lili Cartwright

SEE YOU AT THE MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS! CALL ME IF YOU PLAN ON BEING SICK OR HAVE SOME NEWS TO SHARE (850) 492-0275

CAPT. LILI - SUNSHINE LADY



Ring in the New Year with Best Wishes


From the Navy Yacht Club.....



Let me show you in the night direction

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Welcome Aboard 

N.Y.C.P. - Guests who were presented at the Membership Meeting in November-

Tom & Patsy Conrad (members already) brought a lot of Guests. The guests are:

- Susan Syme
- Teressa Valentine
- Al & Gayla Binnington
- Jim & Sue Starke (pronounced Starkey)

OTHER GUESTS:

- Ed & Cathy Dreaper
- Daniel Fawcett
- Rod West

We welcome the following new members:

Jim & Sue Starke (pronounced Starkey) - This couple became new members the same night.

Welcome all.

Carol Johnson
"Miss Hospitality"

From the Webmaster

Richard Smith 

Be sure to check the Navy Yacht Club website: www.navyynsyc.org for all the latest yacht club news, tips, contact information and schedules for the upcoming New Year.

If you have any comments, questions or concerns in regards to the Navy Yacht Club be sure to let me know.

Richard
Member at Large

Membership News

By Kay Bokmeyer

YACHT CLUB DUES for 2010 Payable to Navy Yacht Club
\$70 per family
\$450 for singles
\$5 for Military Students on Active Duty
Please send your check directly to the club's P.O. Box 4422, Pensacola, FL 32507.

The roster is being updated and will be reproduced for distribution at the beginning of January, 2010. At present the Navy Yacht Club has a total of 158 members. You can updated your member information for the roster and submit it to Kay Bokmeyer. Or email her at tjbokmeyer@gmail.com

Kay Bokmeyer

UPCOMING EVENTS in PENSACOLA

Holiday Evening in Olde Seville Concert - Seville Square
6:30 p.m. - December 4th

Winterfest 2009 - Holiday Light Performance Tours - Palafox & Government Street - Downtown Pensacola - 5:00 p.m. - December 5th, 11th, 18th, 19th and 20th
Winterfest Express Tour - December 21st thru 24th
Winterfest Frosty Tours - December 26th & 27th

YMCA - Jingle Bell Run - Hill Top Road
8:00 a.m. - December 12th

2009 Christmas Dash and Christmas Parade - Downtown Pensacola - 7:00 p.m. - December 12th

Visit of the Replica Ships - Nina and Pinta - Plaza de Luna Park - December 23rd through January 3rd - Daytime self-guided tours available

Pensacola Pelican Drop 2010 - Palafox Street - Downtown New Year's Eve Celebration - 5:00 p.m. - December 31st
Want to be part of the celebration - check the website at: www.PensacolaPelicanDrop.com



"Wreaths Across America"

The wreath-laying ceremony will be held at **Barrancas National Cemetery** on **December 12th** at **11:00 a.m.**

For more information about the program visit:

www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.org



"Racing News"

Dick Piatt

Dick Piatt

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***Navy Yacht Club GYA Regatta Dates 2010 -
To be determined at the GYA Winter Meeting on
January 8th, 9th, 10th at the Gulfport Yacht Club***

Friday – Race Management Seminar

Saturday and Sunday – Business Meetings to determine 2010 schedule

Saturday Evening – Awards Banquet for GYA members

All are welcome to attend the Winter Meeting and Share your ideas for the 2010 Racing Season.



Navy Yacht Club Pensacola

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Editor's note: Congratulations to our own Fleet Captain – Dick Piatt who skippered the PYC boat Antares to a first place win in the "D" Class during the 2009 WFORC (West Florida Ocean Racing Circuit) Championship. This 3-day competition was held in strong winds (25 to 30 knots with gusts up to 38 knots) that held for all three days of the racing contest. Not only did Dick skipper the boat to a first place win but was only 2 seconds off the leader for earning the "Riddle Cup" Trophy for the Top Boat in the most competitive class in the championship

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Editor – Material for the Foghorn must be submitted by the 20th of each month. Contact Kim Kaminski at 384-8941(cell) or email: navyfognews607@yahoo.com



Happy Holidays to one and all,

*From the Navy Yacht
Club.....*