Here are some great pictures from June Collins of the Blessing of the Fleet, Crawfish Races, and our beautiful view of the sunset from TYC’s balcony. What a great day at Tammany Yacht Club.
I want to thank Vice Commodore Jim Ilgenfritz for presiding in my absence, while Sandy & I missed half of May to care for my parents following Dad’s surgery. Dad continues to recover at home.

Our post Katrina activities continue to bring in new members. Please greet our newest members Doug & Patty Broussard, Steve Forrest & Darnell Godwin, Ed Rieth, Tom & Debbie Smith and returning members Becky Lyons & Simon Baxter.

Nancy Ritzmann has taken the helm at our First Mates, relieving Brenda Fulkerson. Let’s wish calm seas and smooth sailing to Phil & Brenda Fulkerson as they leave us for the bright lights of Las Vegas. TYC, our First Mates and the US Coast Guard Auxiliary will sorely miss Brenda’s leadership.

Bill Brothers, a long time member, passed away last month. Let’s keep Sally in our prayers as we grieve his loss with her.

Advertising the Spring Bill Watson Series Wednesday Night races to the public has brought potential new members to TYC every race night. See the Bill Watson Series article for race results. If you have a friend who might want to enter in the competition or who might like to crew on a sailboat, invite them to the join the fun.

Dodie Jones has provided an interesting variety for our Friday Night Dinners: Cornish Hens, WineTasting and Surf & Turf. Variety is the spice of life—keep up the good work Dodie.

An updated TYC Directory has been emailed to members with email. If you don’t have a photo in the new Directory, send a photo to Sandy McPeek at this email address (smcpeek@charter.net). We will also attempt to have an informal photo session in the near future. When we have a significant number of photos, we will publish a hard copy of the Directory. The online Directory at our website will be available as soon as the data base is fully populated.

The June Board Meeting will be at 1900 hours (7 pm), Monday, June 11, 2007, at TYC, 1196 Harbor Drive at Oak Harbor Marina.

See you at Tammany Yacht Club.

Harley McPeek
TYC SpyGlass

June, 2007

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Pictured here, Kyle Bowser at the Blessing of the Fleet. What a great day we all had.

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TYC Racing Continues With The Bill Watson Spring 2007 Series Two

After 10 weeks of good sailing weather, the odds caught up with us and race #5 was rained out. With four races complete, Kyle Bowser in Kokopelli & Kenny LaNata in Weather Witch share the lead in the spinnaker class. Jacques Magne in Zipadeedoodah has the lead in the non-spinnaker fleet with Bill Jobst in Windsome and Nick Cenci in Clubhouse completing in that order. The Series will continue into June.

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FROM THE SPYGLASS EDITOR . . .

This issue presented a bit of a challenge, I’ve been out of town, on vacation, and swamped at work, so you’ll have to bear with me if I missed something. I know one thing that I really miss, and that’s articles and suggestions for articles from all of you.

Kyle started us out right with his great day by day account of the aftermath of the storm, and I for one would like to hear more from our membership about how they are doing. So, what’s your story?

If you were able to save your boat, what’s your secret? Did you learn anything that would help another member save their boat? I remember that Bill and Susan Jobst submitted an article about their successes and failures, surely someone else has a story.

For those of you who didn’t save your boat, those of you who are “boatless”, have you considered buying another one? If so, what are your considerations? Jim and I talk (fantasize) about our next boat, small or big, sail or power, what to do what to do!

I hope that most of you have your homes back together. We were most lucky not to have to live in a trailer, for those of you who did (or are), what were your challenges? What got you through those days? I know for some of you it was the hope that at least our life at the club would proceed as usual, or maybe even better.

I don’t know if the (presumably) upscale Anchorage Condominiums are an improvement or not, but it’s kind of fun to hear Tammany Yacht Club advertised as one of the amenities. It will be fun to see how that plays out, I know it would be a convenient place to live at the end of a long night at TYC!

I’ll close by encouraging all of you to submit a little something for the Spyglass. You could save yourself from these long rambling letters from the editor by doing so! And we really would appreciate hearing what you have to say. I truly appreciate all of the pictures that are submitted. I don’t know everyone in the pictures so hesitate to add a caption though, so forgive me that.

Have a great June, Kelley Richardt
Tammany Yacht Club hours

Monday & Tuesday  Closed
Wednesday & Thursday  5-10 PM
Friday  5-11 PM
Saturday  2-11 PM
Sunday  1-9 PM

Club hours may be extended at the discretion of the Club Manager or the ranking Board Member.

Don’t forget that on Thursdays, your second drink is free and either a light supper or hors d’oeuvres are frequently served. Also, be sure to sign up for Friday night dinners by Thursday evening and cancel if you can’t make it to avoid a penalty.

Manager: Dodie Jones
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Tammany Yacht Club Completes Two Sailboat Races

Tammany Yacht Club sailors took advantage of the favorable weather to catch up with some of previously scratched races in the Tammany Yacht Club Series – two races were run on Saturday June 2nd.

Weather conditions started OK then turned excellent. Remember that old cliché of “what constitutes a sailboat race? – two boats within site of each other”. Well that’s what we had – barque a barque with Kyle Bowser in Kokopelli and Kenny LaNata in Weather Witch dueling it out. The Race Committee consisted of myself and once again blessed with able-bodied crew to handle the lifting chores in the form of my son Alex. Mark set was handled by Karl Boehm aboard the Sunny Side Up, TYC’s first jet drive mark set boat. Yellow was the color of the day – marks and hulls! Kudos to two other TYC members who stepped up to help with mark setting, etc. Capt. Wayne Russ who was already on the water, fishing in the Rigolets called to offer help as we were heading out and Steve Forrest showed up to help and assisted with getting the marks off the water and back to the club. We also had coverage by air as a friend of Kyle’s circled the course getting some aerial photos. As Kyle said, “too bad it was only during race 1 since Weather Witch was ahead the whole time”. We had in-race pics emailed in from the water and results were submitted to the Spyglass and TYC’s webmaster within minutes of our return to the club. Just think if we had a decent sized fleet: we’d probably have Airforce One overhead and the Queen Mary as the Race Committee boat!

Opening Regatta

10AM  Light air of 7-9 kts  1st leg 0.683 miles at 330 deg then 2nd leg 0.713 miles at 325 degrees.

At the start, Kokopelli set up to leeward of Weather Witch and pressed Weather Witch over early close aboard Race Committee on our port. The air was light so both boats were slow across the line and Kokopelli quickly tacked to port. Weather Witch stayed on starboard and Kokopelli came back over to cover. A left shift near the end of the 1st leg persisted. Weather Witch led around the 1st upwind mark and then Race Committee moved the mark 8 degrees to the SW (left). Weather Witch continued with a nice lead around the 1st leeward mark. Kokopelli followed with some minor boat handling issues getting set up for beating upwind. The pit boss, Mark Palermo, fresh from an impressive performance in the Caribbean circuit, rallied the crew to focus and going on every shift, crawled up to Weather Witch’s stern. The second upwind rounding had Weather Witch still in the lead but Kokopelli was only 14 seconds behind. Some puckering ensued on Kokopelli as a brief hourglass formed after their spinnaker set. However, it was short lived and they camped out on Weather Witch’s stern. Finishing 20 seconds behind Weather Witch, Kokopelli corrected out to win by an 18 second margin. The moral of the story: “Never give up”!

May Day Regatta

11:10AM  Breeze picked up to 9 – 14 kts. Big shift to the left between race 1 and 2 but the breeze stayed pretty steady at 271 degrees.

We saw a great, close start. Kokopelli was ahead and Weather Witch to leeward but couldn’t get the speed up to push Kokopelli and Kokopelli won the start. Both boats stayed right on starboard tack with Kokopelli to windward and Weather Witch to leeward. From the Race Committee perspective, they banged the right corner pretty heavily in a building breeze. Kokopelli rounded the 1st upwind mark ahead and stayed ahead. Having switched places from the first race, the 1st leeward rounding showed Weather Witch now behind. Seemingly distracted by Kokopelli, now ahead, the main was slightly aluff with the boom down. Kokopelli took an early tack to the left, but came back over to cover Weather Witch. The remainder of the race had Kokopelli in control and they finished ahead boat for boat by a 16 second margin, capturing their second win for the day.

We then began a short break for lunch, anticipating a third race, The Charter Day Invitational Regatta, but a crew member on Weather Witch, had a back injury and they had to retire for the day. As Kenny put it, “one crew in physical pain and five crew in mental anguish.” We enjoyed yet another awesome day on Lake Pontchartrain.

Submitted by Race Committee

Kokopelli & Weather Witch dueling for the lead
FROM OUTGOING FIRST MATES
PRESIDENT, BRENDA FULKERSON....... 

AND THEY’RE OFF!!..... The betting was fast and furious and the weather was fantastic as the crowd cheered on their favorite crawfish, hoping for a victory and a share of the prize money.

The 11th Annual TYC Downs Crawfish Races were held on Saturday, May 19th, in conjunction with the Blessing of the Fleet and Crawfish Boil sponsored by the First Mates. Approximately 40 people attended the festivities which began at about 3:00 with the Blessing of the Fleet by Father Brian Gantz and assisted by our club Chaplain, Rev. Dick Almos.

Following the Blessing, the races began. CONGRATULATIONS to all those who bet on the winning crawfish. After the running of the crawfish races and the Preakness, a crawfish boil, complete with corn, potatoes, cole slaw and desserts was enjoyed by all.

MANY THANKS!! to all of the First Mates who participated and helped to make the day a rousing success - JB, Jan, June, Rae Ann, Carole, Peggy, and Nancy. And a special THANK YOU to Harold and “Your Announcer” Dick, who so expertly conducted the races. And THANK YOU too, to anyone I might have missed naming – my appreciation goes out to you also, along with my apologies for missing your name.

I’d also like to take this time and space to say a very special and heartfelt thanks to Nancy Ritzmann. Nancy has volunteered to take over the Presidency of the First Mates for the remainder of this year. I truly appreciate her willingness to take on the job and I know the rest of the First Mates Board and members appreciate it too. THANKS NANCY!! And GOOD LUCK!!

And lastly, I’d like to say farewell. The past several years have been filled with good friends and good fun with our TYC Family. Of all the things about Louisiana that Phil and I will miss, the folks at Tammany Yacht Club are right up at the top of the list. Thank you for being part of our lives, and for letting us be part of yours. We will miss you all, and remember you always.

Wherever your trails, or sails, take you – Be Safe and Be Happy! Brenda
A NOTE FROM INCOMING FIRST MATES PRESIDENT, NANCY RITZMANN . . . .

Brenda Fulkerson was presented a gift from the First Mates as she resigns her position as President. She and her husband, Phil, make a move to the Las Vegas area. We would like to thank Brenda for her hard work and enthusiasm in her leadership of the First Mates. I have agreed to finish Brenda’s term for this year as President with the help from the rest of our First Mates Board. Thanks to everyone that attended our Annual ‘Crawfish Boil and Blessing of the Boats’. I also want to thank everyone that helped to make this another "SUCCESS".

Above, Brenda Fulkerson was honored by the First Mates for her service to the organization.

FAREWELL BRENDA!!!

and

WELCOME NANCY!!!!

First Mates Jan Pecunia (and Harold!), Rae Ann Normand, and Brenda Fulkerson are preparing the crawfish for racing, and of course, a bowl full of racers (below).

Thanks again to June Collins for these great pictures. Harold Pecunia was the racemaster, freeing the fleet for the beginning of the race to the outside circle. Looks like the event drew a big crowd.
Pictured above, Val Monahan and Kyle Bowser at Kokopelli’s blessing, Bill and Susan Jobst’s Windsome being blessed, Kenny LaNata asking for a special favorable rating, Darnell Godwin at the blessing, and Brad Carey watching his boat get blessed.
Pictured from the top left, **Dick Almos** in his traditional role as the race announcer. He told us that he was amazed that his announcing horn survived the storm. Speaking for some of us, I’m not so sure that was a good thing! Middle left, **Jim Ilgenfritz** took his turn on the horn, doing a great Howard Cosell impression as he did a commentary on the race. You just had to be there!

Bottom left are some first time crawfish race spectators.

For those of you who missed it, mark your calendars for next year! The First Mates do an awesome job with this event!

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**Annie’s cabbage salad**

Chop the following to medium dice:

1 large cabbage
1 green pepper
2 small onions
1 red pepper or 1 small can diced pimento

In a small pan bring to a boil:

2 cups granulated sugar
1 cup vinegar
1 tsp. Salt
1 tsp. Celery seed
1/2 tsp. Prepared mustard

Pour hot mixture over the raw vegetables, cool to room temperature before refrigerating. This salad will stay crunchy a very long time in the refrigerator.

Note from June:
This cole slaw recipe was given to me by Scott’s mom, Annie Collins, and was served the First Mates Crawfish Boil.
This is the letter that we received from John Benz, Commodore of South Shore Yacht Club in thanks for the party that we hosted in April. I don’t need to tell any of you how much fun we have had with the South Shore Yacht Club members through the years, and that night was not different. It was really great to have them join us at our club house, and I know we’ll all look forward to cruising (or racing!) back and forth between the South Shore and the North Shore again!
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