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Mobile Yacht Club



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Commodore's Report

What a great turnout we had for the Knot Around the Rig Race. The conditions were pretty much perfect for the fleet of 10 boats, thank you Maureen, Josh, Jerry, Casey and John for running the race, and congratulations to David Hickman and crew for 1st place Spinnaker and 1st place overall! The Lipton's take place at Bay Waveland Yacht Club this coming Labor Day weekend, drive over and support the team if you can.

Summer is officially behind us now, and I am looking forward to some cooler weather and football! I hear lots of good things about our entire staff, everything seems to be moving forward. Chef Abel and John have continued to improve the kitchen with lots of new refrigeration to bring you a fresh dining experience. Also, please check out the 1847 merchandise, there lots of great items at great prices.

Well, I hope you are enjoying the club, it is a sailor's gem here in Mobile. For 175 years, members of Mobile Yacht Club have sailed the bay, when you are out there, time stands still, there is a connection all sailors have that transcends time and space, sailing on Mobile Bay will always be sailing on Mobile Bay now and another 175 years from now.

See you at the Club,
Brian Barnett
Commodore

**Friendly reminder to all MYC members and guests,
bringing alcoholic beverages in from outside is not permitted
by state and MYC rules when the club is open.**

Vice Commodore's Report

Fellow MYC'ers,

After another great month both on the water and the club, we start to see summer wind down here at MYC as our junior sailors start back to school. That certainly does not mean our calendar slows up rather, we are heading into what promises to be one of our busiest months of the year and that is October.

We have made significant improvements to the kitchen equipment as much of it was outdated and some just was not performing as required. This will translate to a better quality of food and in turn, improve our service to members. I've heard several members comment on the quality of salads as well as the diversity of them and that is a good thing. Along with the outstanding fare that Chef Abel has turned out, I believe we are continuing to meet the wants of the membership. That being said, we still have some issues but we are addressing these issues as they arise. It's not as quick as we would like so we ask for the member's continuing patience and support.

While replacing the ice machine we decided to see if we could get a little more life out of the old one and so we've place it downstairs for general membership use. It will be locked and the code is the same as the bathroom's downstairs. Please ask one of the servers for the code if needed. There are several things that we need to be aware of if we are going to be able to keep this convenience:

1. It must be kept locked and only open when ice is being taken out.
2. The ice maker is for "small" coolers and usage so please do not bring your 75-quart YETI. Be considerate to other members.
3. Children are not allowed to get ice unless with the supervision of parents.
4. Please report any issues to staff if you see any issues.

Just a reminder as it's never too early to start making Christmas plans and for those planning on having a party please put in your requests early! Remember that we do not close the club during normal working evenings so plan accordingly!

See you all at the Club!!

John O'Brien
Vice Commodore

U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary

AIDS TO NAVIGATION ARE THE WATERWAYS' ROAD SIGNS

The Navigation Rules are much like the rules of the road on the highway. They establish a consistent way to navigate safely and avoid collisions when two boats are crossing paths, are on course to meet head-on or when one boat wishes to overtake another.

The U.S. Aids to Navigation System is a system maintained by the U.S. Coast Guard, consisting of visual, audible, and electronic signals which are designed to assist the prudent mariner in the process of navigation. The aids to navigation system are not intended to identify every shoal or obstruction to navigation which exists in the navigable waters of the United States, but rather provides for reasonable marking of marine features as resources permit.

Pick up a hard copy of the U.S. Coast Guard's Aids at your MYC or download it at the following website: <https://uscgboating.org/images/486.PDF>

Should you wish to explore the subject of Federal navigation rules further, below is an additional resource: <https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=regContent>

Semper Paratus!

Bill Fallin
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*"Each one, reach one, teach one,"
to wear a life vest.*



Rear Commodore's Report

As Brian already mentioned, the Knot Around the Rig Race was a huge success. I appreciate all the sailors from MYC for participating and we had a few boats from the BucYC that participated so it was good to see the rivalries between the clubs out on the water.

The overall winner was David Hickman on Beach Belle.

Spinnaker:

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|----------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Beach Belle | David Hickman - MYC |
| 2. Starfire | Prince Turner - BucYC |
| 3. Kato | Steve Lange - MYC |

Non-spinnaker:

- | | |
|-----------------|---------------------|
| 1. Spray Chaser | Josh Sanders - MYC |
| 2. The Pig | Jim Patterson - MYC |
| 3. Courageous | Grant Gibson - MYC |

The next race is the Annual Charity Race on Sunday, October 23rd. The NOR and registration is will be available soon on mobileyachtclub.com.

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Fleet Captain Report

August was a month of rest and preparation for the MYC Capdevielle team leading up to the 101st GYA Sir Thomas Lipton Championship to be hosted by Bay Waveland Yacht Club on Labor Day Weekend. Thanks to everyone who has come out to practice, help to work on the boats and to the board, parents and membership for all your support. We are proud to represent the Mobile Yacht Club on the racing circuit.

There are two more events as the season winds down into the fall: The Wadewitz Regatta at Fairhope Yacht Club from Sept. 24-25 and The Sugar Bowl Race of Champions hosted by Southern Yacht Club from November 12-13. MYC currently sits in 5th place for the year, hoping to use these last three very important events to move up in the standings.

Fair Winds,
Judd Chamberlain
Fleet Captain

Bay Gales

At the Entertainment Meeting on August 14th and the Bay Gales meeting on August 19th, everyone agreed that the two organizations have the same mission for the club and that is to provide events for the members to enjoy. Everyone decided to combine these organizations and to start meeting on Sundays each month at 1pm.

Our next meeting is Sunday, September 11th at 1pm. We will be finalizing decoration and support for Octoberfest on Sunday, September 18th. Chef Abel has an amazing menu prepared with German dishes for the members to enjoy.

There was a huge turnout for Bingo on August 28th. I sold 107 cards and the club was packed. It was so much fun. The next Bingo is Sunday, September 25th with cards being sold starting at 3pm and games start at 3:30pm.

Thanks again for all your support.

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Every Wednesday until Oct. 19th
Charity Regatta Committee
Meeting at **6pm**

Every Thursday until Nov. 3rd -
Thursday Night Fun Races

Sept. 11 - Bay Gales/
Entertainment Meeting at **1pm**

Sept 18 - Octoberfest from
2pm - 5pm

Sept 20 - Board Meeting at
6:30pm

Sept 25 - Bingo: cards for sale at
3pm and bingo starts at **3:30pm**

Oct. 8 - Commodore's Ball/1847
Party

Oct 18 - Board Meeting at
6:30pm

Oct 21 - MYC Charity Regatta
Silent Auction/Drawdown (draw-
down tickets available from any
server)

Oct 22 - Jr. Opti Race and
Fundraiser

Oct 23 - Charity Regatta Race,
Clubhouse Party with Live Music,
Food and Chicken Bingo

Oct 25 - Annual Membership
Meeting at **7pm**

October 29 - Trunk or Treat at
3pm

NOTICES

- In accordance with the vote taken at the last board meeting, **DRY STORAGE RATES** on the Harbor use agreement **were revised** to \$60.00/month for power boats, \$30.00/month for Sailboats over 20 ft. and remain at \$20/month for Sailboats 20 ft. and under. The rates should go into effect on 1 October.
- The **MYC website** has a lot of good information for members including race results, updated menus for galley and only member information such as - Club Bylaws, Harbor Rules, House, Bar and Galley Rules, Pool Rules, Membership Handbook and Member Web Directory.