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# The Bowsprit

**Commodore, Ed Klash + Vice Commodore, Jake Jacobson + Rear Commodore, Jerry Vaughn**



## Commodore's Quill Ed Klash

Thanks to, Joe Blair for his dedication and hard work as the past year (2005) BYC Commodore and webmaster. A job well done!!!

Thanks to all who donated to the Marine Toys for Tots during our Christmas Party this December. Eight large bags of (over one hundred gifts) and cash donations were picked up at the Bay Yacht Club by the Marine Corps

BYC had the honor to host 15 soldiers from the state of Washington, (Caryl Buford's old group) rode on the NoETA in the Harbor Lights boat parade. These are the men and women from the transportation group that are loading and unloading the big ships that are carrying equipment to and from Iraq. The club gave them a big hand of appreciation for dedication and service to our country. The soldiers vowed that next year (with their expertise) the No-ETA would be Uno Numero One!

DB Kline retired as our Bowsprit Editor the first part 2005. He has been the Bowsprit editor and photographer for 11 years. We certainly appreciate his willingness, dedication and hard work as the editor and photographer. DB said that he would still help whenever he could. Dave Scarborough filled in as editor the first part of the year until Brenda Stockton accepted the position.

Brenda became our new 2005 and continuing Bowsprit Editor, Dave Roberts as the assistant Editor with DB as backup.

A review of the year's newsletters reveals that the majority of "articles" are from a small number of Club Officers. These writers strive to provide well-written and interesting updates on Club activities. The specialty articles must come from another source.

A new column by Dave Roberts, the "Voyager" allows members to submit articles about their new boat and sailing experiences. Writing for the Bowsprit is the perfect outlet to update the club with your experiences. If you need photos taken (DB, Phyllis, Joe Ed, Rita, Melissa, to name a

few) can help you show off your pride and joy. Photos make excellent filler material. Email your articles and digital photos to our Voyager Editor, Dave Roberts. [drporta@aol.com](mailto:drporta@aol.com). The Editor will have to select material to print, based on space available in the Bowsprit. You may not see your article in print immediately, but every effort will be made to see that it gets printed. Keep in mind that it is easier to squeeze in shorter articles. Consider breaking a long article into short monthly installments.

A classified section is in the making. Please email the Editor if you would like to place an ad. Any marina people that have boats, boat materials or equipment for sale, can place the ad for \$10.00 a one month and send the money to the club treasurer, Bob McNeill.

<b>BYC</b>	
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<b><u>2006</u></b>	
<b>Commodore</b>	Ed Klash
<b>Past Commodore</b>	Joe Blair
<b>Vice Commodore</b>	Jake Jacobson
<b>Rear Commodore</b>	Jerry Vaughn
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<b>Friday Night Dinners</b>	Sharon Blair & JoAnne McNeill
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<b>Cruises</b>	Jim Whitworth
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<b>Race</b>	Hal Peterson
<b>Webmaster</b>	Joe Blair
<b>Finance</b>	Bob McNeill
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<b>Photographers</b>	D.B. Kline & Phyllis Vaughn

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*BYC Member Tom Arnold and Pat Barrier were wed the evening of December 19th, 2005 at the North Bay Church of Christ in Portland Texas.*



BYC was well represented with the Klines, Petersons, Robertsons, Isbells, Whitworths and former member Gwen Kelly attending. Tom seemed to relax once he and Pat got to the reception in the church hall. The groom's cake was decorated with a picture of a pelican to represent his boat.

Tom is a long-time member, but Pat Barrier was a founding member of BYC with membership #3.

We all wish them many happy and healthy years together.

### **New Years Day Breakfast**

By Hal Peterson

The past commodores of the Bay Yacht Club invite you to attend the annual BYC New Years Day Breakfast. Coffee and juice will be available starting at 8:30am and breakfast will be served between 9:00am and 11:00am. This is a "full meal deal"! All members and their guests are invited and the past commodores are "picking up the tab"! Don't miss out!

### **BYC AD's**

By D. B. Kline

Misty Fuqua Klager with "Total Transitions" ( check out her AD on page 6 ) will be donating the Center Pieces for the BYC Installation Banquet tables this year . Tentative plans are to use them for door prizes at the end of the banquet

BYC Members are encouraged to support our advertisers on pages 5 & 6 of our monthly newsletters .Their ADS contribute to the expense of distributing the BOWSPRIT.

There are currently 3 spaces for business card size ads available. Please notify one of the Flag officers if you know of any business that might like to buy a supporting AD. The ads sell for \$10 / month.

### **Friday Evening Diners**

By Sharon Blair



Bill & Janet Strawn will be the first BYC cooks of 2006. They will be serving brisket with all of the trimmings on the 28th of January.

Let's give them a good turnout as they are first time cooks for the Bay Yacht Club and the new year.

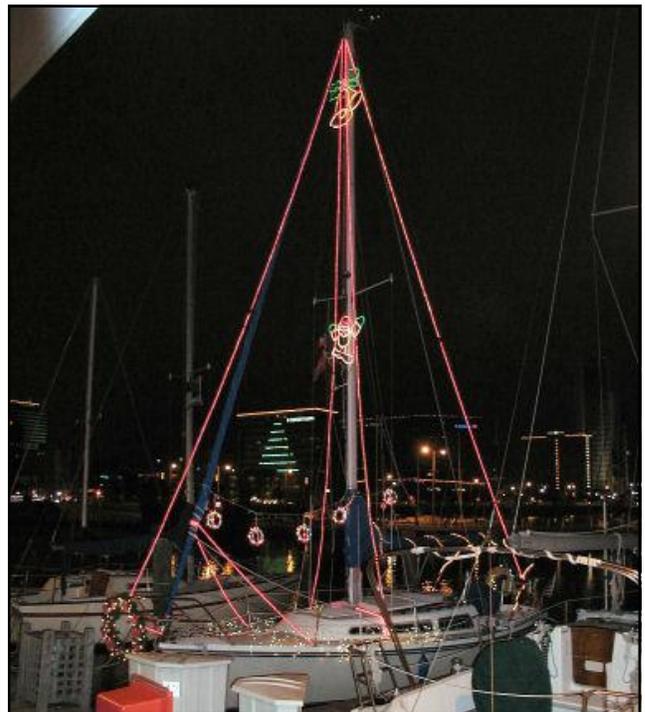
### **JANUARY CRUISE**

**Jim Whitworth, Cruise Chairman**



There are a lot of places to sail in our area, and BYC boaters will be visiting many of them this year. Check out the BYC calendar on the web and start making your plans now.

First we'll sail across to Port Aransas on January 21, and have dinner at Jay's Seafood and Spaghetti Warehouse, 710 S. Allister beginning at 6 p.m. Be sure to call the Pt. A. marina at 361-749-5429 to reserve your slip. For those attending via land yacht, please stop by the marina to offer a ride to boaters in need of transportation. So that we can give the restaurant a fairly close estimate of the number attending the dinner, please e-mail (jimcwhit@hotmail.com) or call Jim Whitworth, or sign up on the white board at the club.



Commodore Ed Klash 's "Susie Q" took 3rd place in the 2005 Corpus Christi Marina Boat Lighting Parade. Many of us spectators had him pegged for 1st Place!

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## HARBOR LIGHTS

By Jerry Vaughn



NO ETA's Harbor Lights Crew

Rene Garza of the Marina Office approached a member of the Club asking if members participating in the Harbor Lights Boat Parade could take some of the Army people assigned here for duty loading and unloading the ships carrying cargo to and from Iraq. They had expressed a desire to participate in the parade. Jerry and Phyllis Vaughn agreed to enter the parade and take 10 soldiers. Jim and Sylvia Whitworth also graciously agreed and took 4 soldiers.

The 14 soldiers (and 1 dependent child) were in uniform and received a lot of cheers from the watching crowd, especially when they came to attention and saluted the judging stand.

The Club had 4 boats entered in the Parade. Vice Commodore Ed Klash and his family took the third place trophy in the Sailboat division. Would you believe that he powered all of his decorations with 2 – 500 watt inverters that he bought for about \$25 each?



Hail Columbia's Harbor Lights Crew

After the parade, the soldiers joined us in the Club for some good food and some libations. They serenaded us with their rendition of Jingle Bells and all of them seemed to be really appreciative of the hospitality of the members. These Army personnel are all Reserves and hail from the Pacific Northwest, primarily the state of Washington. This is the unit that member Caryl Buford commanded before her transfer to Washington, D.C. If their unit is still here next year, they want to enter the parade, decorate a boat and take first place in the competition.

If you attended the Vice Commodore's Christmas Party, you may have noticed that only 7 boats in the entire Marina were lit for Christmas and 6 were on B Pier and all 6 were owned by BYC members. Those of us who have been around Corpus Christi for 20 to 30 years remember when the count of lit boats over the Christmas holidays was in the dozens. Corpus Christi and the Marina had stories and pictures about Harbor Lights and the beautifully lit boats published in both Southern Living and Texas Highways in the 70's or early 80's.



Vice Commodore's 2005 Christmas party



The Food Table



The Dessert Table



Vice Commodore Klash tells how it is



Jan Buskop draws a bottle of Rum



Mike Lerma lookin' to steal a gift



I wonder if I get to keep this one?



Sylvia Whitworth gets a handbag



Full House

# BYC Calendar of Events



## January 2006

**Jan 1** – Past Commodore's Breakfast.

**Jan 14** —Installation of Officers Dinner (NAS at 7:00PM)

**Jan 21**— Cruise to Port Aransas

**Jan 28** —Bill & Janet Strawn will serve Brisket & all the Trimmings.

- 1 Jan—*New Years Day*—Past Commodores Breakfast
- 9 Jan —Board Meeting 6:00 PM (Budget Committee 6:30PM)
- 10 Jan—Ship One Meeting 5:30-7:00 PM
- 14 Jan—Installation Dinner at NAS 7:00 pm
- 16 Jan— *Martin Luther King Jr. Day*
- 21 Jan— Cruise to Port Aransas
- 28 Jan— Dinner

# HAPPY NEW YEAR

## February 2006

**3 Feb**—Dinner

**11 Feb**—Valentines Day Party

**18 Feb**—Cruise to the Spinnaker Hole

**25 Feb**—Dinner

- 3 Feb— Dinner
- 6 Feb—Board Meeting 6:00 PM
- 11 Feb—Valentines Day Party
- 14 Feb—*Valentines Day*
- 14 Feb—Ship One Meeting. 5:30-7:00 PM
- 18 Feb—Cruise to Spinnaker Hole
- 20 Feb—*Presidents Day*
- 25 Feb—Dinner



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