



# BOWSPRIT 2013

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Kevin Kaldenbach—Commodore

## Commodore's Watch

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We are at a peculiar time in Bay Yacht Clubs history. We have an offer from someone to purchase our clubhouse but as of now we have no where to go. The buyers asked that the offer be kept confidential so I will not disclose it here. Please e-mail me or one of the board if you do not know the amount and we will tell you.

Peter turned down our plan to rent the sailing center long term but might let us use it in the short term. The key word here is might. We have been looking at every option that we can think of but as of right now we have no definitive solution. Meanwhile there is pressure to close the deal from members who do not want to let this opportunity pass us up and from the buyers who are excited to start using the clubhouse. I see their points.

The buyers were warm to a suggestion from Chip to let us use the clubhouse while we look for a new home. We are exploring this option as well as locations downtown and elsewhere. We also decided that we need to involve the city's management in all future negotiations with the marina. There is no longer any more time to kick the can down the road. The time has come to find a solution to our problem and act on it, whatever it may be. Stay tuned.

Thanks

Kevin

## Vice Commodore's Report

Ahoy Sailors,

This year is blowing by and most of it has had small craft warnings. Those warnings are not just caused by the wind blowing. As I seem to be reminded often, I am able to generate a small craft warning with my mouth. (Bet you wouldn't believe that!). I have also tackled some pretty big issues for the club with the help of several others. Needless to say, with the number of members we have, there is no way that even considering a move is uniformly popular. We are continuing to explore options and I would encourage all to help us in the search for the right location for the BYC of the future. Hopefully, the atmospheric weather and the club weather will settle down soon. Whichever path this takes us, it will take a majority of our members to make it work.

As you noticed, I avoided specifics today and that is intentional. The wind is changing directions too quickly to define it. Look for our Commodore to convey to all the plans as they unfold.

Finally, I would ask that each of you reach out to a board member or relocation committee member and share your thoughts and concerns.

Fair winds and following seas,      Chip

## BYC Racing

Race 5 of our series was held on July 20<sup>th</sup> with 4 boats participating.

1<sup>st</sup> Horny Toad      2<sup>nd</sup> Brigadoon      3<sup>rd</sup> Waypoint      4<sup>th</sup> Kerry Ann

Times have changed to 9:30 for the Captains meeting and 10:30 for the first start to try to beat the heat for the summer races.

The Navy Regatta is coming up on August 3<sup>rd</sup>. The BYC is sponsoring the registration party Friday the 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6pm. While we would love to see all of our racers come out to support the fleet it would be great to have the support of the non racing members too. This is a good opportunity to show the public just how much fun and how hospitable the BYC can be!

This is a busy month for the racing program. In addition to the Navy Regatta we also have the Commodores Cup race to Island Moorings on the 17<sup>th</sup> and Race 6 of our series on the 24<sup>th</sup>. Watch for members blasts with all of the details!

We are looking forward to seeing a large number of boats participating. As always, if you have a boat and need crew or are looking to crew and need a boat, give us a shout at [racing@bayyachtclub.org](mailto:racing@bayyachtclub.org). We will make sure that everyone gets to have a good time.

See ya at the starting line.

## Cruising with BYC

On July 13<sup>th</sup>, I am confident that a large number of boats anchored in Ingleside Cove to help the owners of Bahia Marina celebrate the fall of the Bastille. It is reliably reported that 14 BYC boats participated: Adagio; Bum Boat (!); Ciao; Concerto; Endless Summer; Independence; Jacqpot; Kerry Ann; La Vie Dansante; Second Star; See Yawl Later; Shirley; Windsong; Windswept. I am certain that the sailing was excellent, the dinner great, and that everybody had a good time. But since I was not there, I have deputized an eye witness to give a more reliable account.

Saturday provided very little wind for a sail over but it was a nice flat motor all the way to the cove. As always the potluck spread provided by the attendees was quite good and the hospitality of Bahia Marina was top notch. Many members and quite a few former members enjoyed time catching up and listening to Larry Joe Taylor. At about 10pm the Bastille was torched and a fireworks display followed. Sunday afternoon provided favorable winds for a leisurely downwind sail back into Corpus.

Ed Portis

## BYC Dinners

Begging really pays off! No sooner did I lament the lack of cooks for July than Sharon and Joe Blair and Jenny Jackson and Jake Jacobsen came to our rescue. And they really did. Both the dinners were wonderful. The Blairs gave us slowly cooked brisket and homemade mashed potatoes and gravy plus apple cobbler and Blue Bell. Jake mastered the new grill for pork tenderloin and Jenny gave us great sides of which the broccoli, corn, cauliflower casserole was my favorite. And showed why pound cake is the best way to do strawberry shortcake. We should all be very grateful.

Hint, hint: August 31st and September 6th are the next open dates for which we need cooks.

The Dinner Belles

## Game Night At The Club

Life should not be a spectator sport. I believe a person's love of using their skills to conquer the wind and the water is the attraction that drew many of our members to sailing. We want to be hands on and involved. Our natural nature loves competition; we want to finish in first place every time. This competitive spirit spills over into BYC Game Night. You should take this opportunity to get to know your fellow sailors and come to the Club on the second and last Tuesday of each month to enjoy the companionship of your fellow BYCers. We play from 7:00 to 10:00 and may the best man or woman win at Texas Hold `em, Bunco, or Mexican Train. Hope to see you there soon.

Warm Regards, Joe Blair

## BYC Social

### Navy Regatta Registration Party

On Fri. Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup> the BYC will host this party. It is open to all BYC members as well as all racers and military crew. It is free to all and our members provide all of the food. That means we need lots of volunteers. Below is a list of food items we need. Please let us know what you would like to bring.

- 4 people to make two loaves of sandwiches each. (cut in 4ths)
- 3 people to make lots of deviled eggs
- 2 people to provide large veggie tray (prefer home made)
- 2 people to provide fruit bowl
- 2 people to bring a crock pot of chili con queso (with chips)
- 2 people to bring a crock pot of cocktail wienies or meatballs

We will also need potato chips and dip. If you have something other than what is listed you would like to bring it will be welcomed. Just let us know what it is. Keep in mind that the military personnel seem to all have hollow legs. This is a case of quantity over quality.

There will be a sign up board at the club but feel free to sign up by e-mail too.

Lori and Phyllis

## Nominating Committee

In accordance with the bylaws, a nominating committee has been formed to propose an election ballot of officers and directors for the Bay Yacht Club. The committee will meet during the month of August to develop the ballot and prepare a recommendation for the board of directors.

To assist the nominating committee in their tasks, we are encouraging members to contact the committee if they would like to serve as an officer or director of the Bay Yacht Club in 2014. In addition, please inform the committee if you know of another member who would be interested in being an officer or director. To be eligible a candidate must have been an active member in good standing for a minimum of one year, have been active in club affairs during the prior year and be willing to serve and provide a statement of qualifications.

The members of the nominating committee are Frank Byrne, K Jack, Teresa Gallagher, John Stoner and Hal Peterson.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 <b>Navy Regatta Registration 6pm</b>	3 Navy Regatta
4 Navy Regatta	5	6	7 MORF Race	8 <b>Board Meeting</b>	9	10 <b>Edu Program Dinner</b>
11	12	13 <b>Game Night</b>	14 MORF Race	15	16	17 <b>Island Moorings</b>
18	19	20	21 MORF Race	22	23	24 <b>Race 6 Dinner</b>
25	26	27 <b>Game Night</b>	28 MORF Race	29	30 Rockport Offshore Regatta	31 Rockport Offshore <b>Dinner</b>

## Member Items For Sale

Looking to unload some of those precious items that you no longer need?

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and we will list your item for sale.

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