

# Tuscarora Currents



### Commodore ~ Jeff Jordan



As our 2020 boating season winds down I would like to thank all the members for their patience and guidance throughout this year. Thank you to the Board of Directors for their dedication and assistance to all the challenges that COVID presented.

The road was improved, docks were fixed and the painting parties went very well. As you may know the Wi-Fi System is being replaced this year and we hope to have it up and running by September 19, 2020. Many thanks to everyone that assisted with our club improvements.

While this boating season is not what we wished for, we are all safe and many of us enjoyed our boats throughout the summer. For this I am grateful. We were fortunate to have 15 new members join our club this year. In true TYC fashion the membership reached out to our new members and made them feel welcome.

Once again Elections are coming up! Darlene Manhardt is chairing the Election Committee for 2020. Please think about serving on the board. It is a great way to get

involved and meet new people. If you are interested or have any questions, please feel free to contact Darlene or myself for further information.

Unfortunately, our fall meeting will <u>not</u> be held in person due to Covid-19. We will however hold a virtual fall meeting on Zoom.

**Topic: TYC Members Fall Zoom Meeting** 

Time: Sep 19, 2020 09:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85747223572?pwd=ellaYnB0Q0ZsRGZBNkVQZklQd0F0QT09

Meeting ID: 857 4722 3572

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As we move into the fall months enjoy your last days of boating and stay safe. Feel free to contact me at any time with concerns or questions you might have.

"Coming together is a beginning, staying together is progress: working together is success!"

Jeff Jordan Commodore

# Vice Commodore ~ Stephanie Burgess





My TYC Friends...The calendar is passing far too quickly. Hard to believe that September is here and we are nearing the end of the boating season once again. As I look back at our wonderful summer weather, I know that you all are also grateful for the good times and possibly the mental health breaks on the water or at the club. My heart goes out to those unable to use their boats this year for various reasons. These are some unprecedented times and I hope that you all look forward to making more memories.

TGIF Parties- Thank you goes out to Karen & Bill Guggemos for all of the wonderful TGIF parties they planned and organized this past season. They are appreciated so much for bringing people together and encouraging laughter as best as we could. Thank you again....

Commodore's Sail Past Weekend was a wonderful time with such great creativity. Special thanks to Homer Balea for setting up the sound equipment for our event, not

once but twice based on changing weather. A few thank yous: Mike Algase and Doug David for the flag ceremony, Bob Dubil for his Blessing of the Fleet and comforting words of wisdom, Chris and Judy Finitz for leading the parade, and Kathy Sipes for providing our flags and burgees. Doug and Jan Klapper included our stewards in this year's boat parade. It was a first for some of them to experience a boat ride on Lake Ontario. To our stewards for being our judges. 1st place went to the Algase family on Tranquilizer for their "Pandemic "theme and a 1st place goes to Kathy Tumulty and her friends for their "Fun in the Sun" table theme.

Blindfolded Dinghy Race – We had more cheerleaders than boats but the Deering Family still created some memories that will not soon be forgotten. And some stories of past dinghy races almost ending in divorce were the talk of the day. Thank you to Keith and Cheryl Robinson for your participation at events and trying our best to consider safe events that we felt we could host. Karen and John Kudla for taking pictures and posting them on social media.

A special shout out to club member Vicki Murray for hosting our end of season (socially distanced) WHYRA racers after our last race. It was truly enjoyed by all and the racers had a nice fleet for this year's racing. The Celtic Cup is on Sept. 20th and you can still sign up. It is a fun event and racers will go from Wilson to Olcott and also from Olcott to Wilson (in the same race!). There's a bonus for each racer wearing a kilt so join a boat or talk to Roger Maddigan, Ed Cough, Vicki Murray, Stephanie Burgess (or one of the other many members that race on all of our teams.) We are often looking for crew and for more racers just to have fun. You use your boat and learn more all the time.

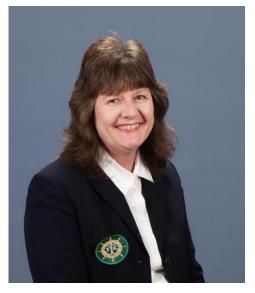
Last year I proposed a Christmas in July and we would truly like to partner with other boats in the Wilson harbor to do something for our Community and believe it could be a draw from all around Wilson. Please consider contacting me to help plan this event over our long winter (some phone calls and coordinating with other clubs.) Then we need some lit boats and give the spectators a show.

We have only a few events to come: The fall meeting Saturday September 19th at 9 am and all of our Haul Out Activities. If you've done it before, please take the opportunity for a refresher and if new, please join this call as there are a lot of working pieces. Our excellent crews take good care of our boats and that is so appreciated. So many members of this club participate in different ways and I am so thankful for all that you do. Thank you for everything...

Stephanie Burgess Vice Commodore

### Rear Commodore ~ Eileen Hassett





I stepped into the Rear Commodore position in August because of the resignation of Steve Swiatowy. Steve and Michelle sold their boat and started a new life in Cincinnati. They will be greatly missed by their TYC friends. I want to thank all the Board Members who have assisted in my transition into this position, especially Commodore Jeff Jordan and Vince Bargnes.

As they say "May you live in interesting times". I think the year 2020 has been quite interesting and one I will remember for quite some time. This year has been challenging but I am impressed by how the fellowship of TYC has found a way to make this another great boating season. We are fortunate to have many new members this year. Welcome! We are so happy to have you be a part of the TYC community. TYC is a great club because of its members. I encourage you to get involved. Participating in the annual 10 work hour requirement allows you learn how things get done at TYC. The contributions made by each TYC member based on their interest and skills allows our club to flourish. As the boating season comes to a conclusion there are many opportunities to meet your work hour requirement through the boat hauling process and the closure of the

clubhouse. Don't forget to submit your work hours using the "Submit Your Work Hours" link on the TYC website. A report of work hour submissions is listed in the TYC Members Only area under the Workhour List section. If you submitted work hours and they are not on the report, please contact me at <a href="mailto:rearrowmodore@tycwilson.com">rearrowmodore@tycwilson.com</a>. Thank you for making TYC a great place to enjoy boating!

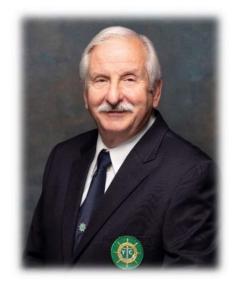
Eileen Hassett Rear Commodore





## Treasurer ~ Doug Klapper





In case you haven't noticed - 2020 has been quite an interesting year. I doubt any of us can recall a set of circumstances and challenges like this year. Commodore Jeff has done a terrific job of navigating these troubling times and guiding the club through them. The year has certainly not been an easy one. We can be thankful we were able to enjoy a season on the water. The weather gods cooperated and gave us some very good days.

In spite of the confusing times, our financial position is strong. This is the result of looking to members to provide some of the maintenance efforts and the careful spending by all areas. The greatest factor in our financial position is the influx of new members bring their boats and families to the club. It is very nice to see we have very few unfilled slips. At the incredible pace the Membership committee has set, we may be looking at a waiting list for slips. That is something we have not seen in a very long time.

When we were first trying to assess the impact of this pandemic, we were very concerned about the reaction of members to having to charge for dockage with the very real threat that we may not have been able to launch boats. As Treasurer, I expected some resistance to this stance. It just never happened. There is an old saying; "you can pick your friends, but you can't pick your family". I personally feel we are all blessed to be part of a very supportive TYC family. A hearty THANK YOU goes out to all our members for their unwavering support of the club in these troubling times.

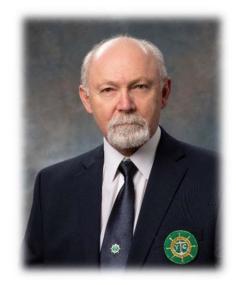
If you have not yet considered running to serve on the Board this year, please do so. It is a very rewarding experience that you should not pass up. Throw your name in the hat and look forward to very gratifying time. I hope everyone enjoys what is left of the season.

Doug Klapper Treasurer



## Fleet Captain ~ Paul Wotka





#### 2020 Fall Haul Out

Planning is underway to make this year's haul out run safely and efficiently as in past years. Some cradle placements have been changed as members have changed slips or have purchased different boats. Also the addition to all the new boats from all the new members that have not stored with us in the past that have to be taken into consideration for placement. Please understand that many factors come into play when positioning boats on the island. Length, width and especially weight when setting some of the larger boats. I believe we are up to date with our existing members as well as the addition of our new members that are planning to haul and store with us. If there are any members who hauled and stored with us last year but are not planning on hauling and storing with us this year, please let me know as soon as possible. Sigh up sheets will be posted in the club house. I encourage anyone who still need work hours to please sign up.

#### **Haul Out Schedule**

Cradle placement: Saturday September 26, 2020 - 7 AM to completion. (Pete Hubble crew lead)

Mast: Saturday & Sunday October 3 & 4, 2020 - 7AM to ?(Mike Algase - Boom truck crew lead, Jeff Strothmann -Gin Pole crew lead)

Haul out: Saturday & Sunday October 10 & 11 - 7AM to ? (Mike Algase - Crane Crew lead)

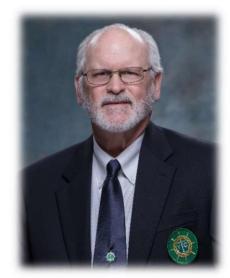
Just a friendly reminder if storing with us •if you have a cradle, is it marked with your name, slip #, marked bow and stern? • if you have jack stands do you have proper blocking and plywood for under your stands. Also we are still dealing with the COVID-19 virus and we ask that when unable to keep a social distance from your coworker/ member to please wear a mask. As a club we have been very fortunate so far without any outbreak in the club. Let's not end our season on a bad note. If you have any questions or updates please reach out to me at fleetcaptain@tycwilson.com

Paul Wotka 2020 Fleet Captain



# Director of Operations ~ Jeff Schuster





Well here we are again at the end of the season, almost. Never had this pandemic before, never had safe distancing before, never had to self-quarantine before, never had to be sure that we are wearing a mask when needed. As I write this, I am reminded of the results of the 9/11 attacks and the courage of the First Responders that had helped all of us to get past those events. Thank you very much.

The boating season is almost over for this year and I am very glad that we were even able to have a season this year. As we get ready to close the clubhouse, it will be cleared again so that anyone needing this area to fold their sails will be able to do so. I will be sending out an email when we have an exact date to close the clubhouse, usually at the beginning of November

Many thanks go to our Head Steward, Justin Strothmann and the group of stewards, Caitlin, Austin, Ira and Chelsea. Also to Gay who helps to fill in as needed. I am certain that many, if not all will be back with us again next year. Also I would like to thank Jan Klapper, Carol Goulah, Lauren Richau and Deborah Trankle who have helped to keep an

eye on the facilities, even as we have used them a lot less this season.

As a reminder to all boaters, the lake level is low at this time of the year. Remember that the pump out area needs special care as you pull in your boat. Sailboats should probably pull in passing the pigpen area. Those with longer keels will be at least 2 feet off the wall. Also the channel to the north of the island has issues with depth. The side of the channel coming out has about 4 feet of depth. The Sunday before Labor Day I was forced to the north side of the channel and I ran aground. I only draft 4' 6". If you are coming in and someone else is on the way out, please be considerate and let them out as they have no room to maneuver. Thanks for the consideration in advance. Thanks to all for a great year.

Jeff Schuster Director of Operations

### Secretary ~ Hank Peters





As we come to the close of another boating season, I would like to thank all of you who have assisted me during this past year. It Is becoming extremely important in these times to be able to work together to better our Club. It is very obvious that as I watched this past year many people have stepped up to continue to make our club the place that people want to belong. Just look at the number of new members we have acquired in the last year or two. People know quality when they see it. I need to encourage you to serve on our Board of Directors in the next year. Your commitment to keeping our club strong and vibrant is crucial to our future success. If you have not considered serving on the Board, I encourage you to think about it. I have found that many people are willing to assist the Board in their work to maintain the reputation that we have achieved. Belonging to anything these days requires a commitment to make it better. Please consider serving if you have not done so in the past. I look forward to a successful haul out and again thank each one of you for your efforts.

Hank Peters Secretary

### Director of Harbor Operations ~ Darlene Manhardt





Our Club is looking spectacular! We have done a lot of freshening up with paint. The top rail has been painted green around the entire Club, emergency ladders have been painted red, railings along the top parking lot and down to the bridge have been painted white and new stenciling of dock numbers on main land and island docks. There is a small amount of paint work to be done but overall I am extremely happy with what we have accomplished. Thank you to all the TYC members who have stepped up to the plate and helped out, I could not have done it without you.

We did have two island water pipe breaks that needed repair and one major dock breakage that the Clark team temporarily fixed and will be replacing in the fall. The new Haines floaters have electric and water now. Thank you again for my TYC members who helped repair the water break and installed waterline to the Haines section. If you are in need of dock repairs, waterline repairs or electric repairs, please let me know.

I have revised the "to do" list and it is in the clubhouse on the bulletin board. So if you need more hours, take a look. Please put your name by the item you would like to work on or have completed.

As we get ready to put our boats away for the winter months please remember to remove your side boards. Please also make sure there is room for the crane to move around the island.

Lastly, I have been appointed Chairperson for the upcoming Election Nominating Committee. Jeff Strothmann, and myself are looking for a few more members who would like to run for the Board of Directors. Carol Goulah has accepted the position of "Teller". We are looking for at least (6) candidates for vacancies on the Board. All candidates, in the year they desire election,

shall be full docking members and must have been a member in good standing for the preceding (2) years. So, please help us out. If you would like to run, please let Jeff Strothmann or myself know ASAP. Thank you.

Darlene Manhardt Director of Harbor Operations







## Membership Report ~ Jordan, Guggemos & Stone



#### 2020 New Members:

We would like to welcome our new members that have joined this year starting with:

- Rick LaPress
- **Albert Stewart**
- Charles and Christine Kesterson
- Jim and Shannon Howe
- Raphe and Nicole Brackney
- Jackie and Henry Wahl
- Edward and Karen Keidel
- Jody and Lynette Curtis
- Tim and Dona Chase
- **Todd and Susan Fetzer**
- **Gregory Smith and Paula Pinkert**
- Justin Malys
- John and Tammy Frey
- Daniel and Becky Friedman

#### **Membership Status:**

Presently we have 206 Members: 136 Full Members

24 Social Members 46 Life Members

Of the 136 Full Members, 118 are Docking Members. Currently we have 15 new members to date.

The Membership Committee asks all members to speak with colleagues, friends and relatives to promote the wonderful advantages of joining our yacht club. Encourage them to visit (by boat if possible) and provide their names to the Membership Committee Chair persons for follow up.

If anyone has any marketing ideas that they think might help, please reach out to a board member or one of the membership committee members with your suggestions.

Let's all work toward the common goal of increasing our membership and filling our open slips.

On behalf of the Membership Committee - Thank You. Jeff and Sandy Jordan, 716-432-9064 Bill Guggemos, 716-939-7706 Robert Stone, 941-276-1958