

Tuscarora Currents

Commodore ~ Stephanie Burgess





Just wanted to say a Big Thank you to all of our TYC members!

It is great to be a part of a working club and so many friendly faces and people. There have been 14 new member applications this year. Welcome to Life Membership for Ronald and Carol Goulah. We have an excellent slate of candidates for new Board members. We are currently financially sound and have been able to invest some reserves to earn some interest from our funds. We have a limited number of slips currently available and may have to go to a waiting list for Sailboats above 30' for the first time in a number of years. I'm very proud to have initiated the event, "Light Up the Harbor", which had fantastic participation from our club. This event served our Wilson Community to bring out visitors and put on a show for those in the community, the Wilson Boathouse and Sunset Grill. I know of many other boaters that are now interested in celebrating with us in Wilson Harbor. Save the date - July 1st, 2023. All good news!

The projects this year have been many. Repairs to water lines, electrical concerns, pump out and various projects. The North Wall Docks were sealed and the posts on the docks were painted white and capped to prevent the rusty steel and sharp edges from causing injury. The mainland area had a new deck built that served well for the Pub Crawl party, as a pirate ship station did not fall into the harbor. The clubhouse attic ladder was closed off to prevent any unattended climbing. A tree was planted where a large one was destroyed near the grill station. The Red Maple was requested by Mary Clark and a smaller decorative tree was selected. The concrete and steel damage adjacent to the gas dock has been repaired this fall. Visitors signed in for 124 stays and 240 days. The Board has worked hard this year to coordinate so many parties, Steward scheduling, upkeep of our beautiful clubhouse and kitchen, dock reservations, haul and launch, member Work Hours, Officer of the Day assignments, a new website, Wi-Fi, Bicycle repair, Flowers and Landscaping, Ships Store, Sunshine Committee, Kitchen, Soda's and Ice Cream, Book Club, and terrific Club Cruises just to name a few! We are so proud of the accomplishments this year and the feedback from members and visitors alike has been positive. Thanks to everyone's efforts, we are better together. We continue to receive suggestions from TYC Members for improvements regarding social events and the club and welcome your thoughts while we hibernate and prepare for next year.

We are opening up to members the donation of an Adirondack Chair, which are made of environmentally friendly plastic wood for longevity. TYC Members can make a donation of \$325 for a chair. This also includes your personal inscription. Makes a great gift! We would like to place the twelve new chairs on the front lawn and around the firepit to dress up the area and provide better seating for everyone. Hurry, the list is filling up fast. If you are interested, please send me an email to commodore@tycwilson.com and I'll be in touch. The plaque inscription you choose will be added to each chair.

A personal observation, if you own a vessel that will fit in a smaller slip so that a larger vessel can be accommodated, please consider talking with the Fleet Captain. When you are around the island, keep up the neighborhood watch. Please let a board member or your neighbors know if you see anything that needs attention.

This has been a great year for sailing and there was an extended period of warmth to accomplish some fall projects and get your boat ready for winter. Thank you for the honor to serve as the TYC Commodore this year. I'll be continuing to serve on the board this coming year in a position that best benefits the board.

Join your TYC Friends for an informal food and beverage get together on Sunday, November 27th at New York Beer Project at 4:00 pm. We will meet up in the Brewery area, I hope to see you there!

Regards, Stephanie Burgess 2022 Commodore Tuscarora Yacht Club 716-713-8281

Vice Commodore ~ Bryan Burhans





Greetings TYC members!

I cannot believe we are into the second week of November already. The boats and clubhouse have been winterized and we now settle in for the long WNY winter. I once again wanted to thank everyone at the club for your participation in all of the club social events this year. Whether you helped chair a party, worked on set-up or cleanup, collected money or simply attended, I really appreciate the support. I look forward to an even better social season next year. The parties by the numbers this year....

Winter Dinner	2/26/22	Sean Patrick's	58 people
Curling Party	3/26/22	Buffalo Curling Club	35 people
Spaghetti Dinner	5/21/22	TYC	81 people
Taco Night	6/11/22	TYC	96 people
Sail Past	6/18/22	TYC	118 people
Pub Crawl	7/23/22	TYC	120 people
Commodores Ball	8/6/22	Sunset Grill	85 people
Tasha Strong Race	8/27/22	TYC	110 people
Beef and Corn	9/3/22	TYC	130+ people
Oktoberfest	9/17/22	TYC	115 people

These impressive numbers show that our membership always pulls through and these events go off without a hitch. Thank you all.

If anyone has ideas for a new party, please don't hesitate to bring it to me. One idea that was brought up, but we never fit in was a BBQ competition and tasting party. We can certainly revisit that and any other ideas for the 2023 season.

Some upcoming events for your winter planning:

Sunday 11/27/22 - 4PM - Social gathering at New York Beer Project. Cap off your Thanksgiving weekend with a few drinks and laughs with your TYC friends. Just a meet up, no reservations. If you are interested in attending, let me know! There is no Bills game that day!

Saturday 1/14/23 - 12PM - Book Club - Lady Clementine - for location information please contact Linda Maddigan or Denise David

Saturday 2/25/23 - Save the Date - Winter Dinner - Location TBD

Lastly, I'd like to thank the outgoing board members for their service. It was a pleasure working with you this year. Thank you to Kevin Race, Reg Adams, Hank Peters and Pat Murphy and good luck to Pat who is running for a position again this year.

Regards,
Bryan Burhans
vicecommodore@tycwilson.com

Rear Commodore ~ Kevin Race





Now that the boating season is over and the boats have been put up on the hard, the internet, Wi-Fi and phones have also been shut down for the winter. Kevin and Rob Dunn were able to uninstall the Wi-Fi equipment in order to preserve the equipment integrity throughout the harsh winter months. Once the club reopens in the spring and the equipment is re-installed, the 2023 BOD will let you know the login information.

Please email any work hours earned after 10/15/22 to me directly at rearcommodore@tycwilson.com. The work hour list has been updated with the information received so far. I will be sending out the updated list this weekend. However, for those of you who still need to submit your work hours,

please do so by November 18, 2022 so that you are given credit for those hours.

Please email me if you have any questions or need more information. You may refer to the list of TYC Membership costs on page 52 of the 2022 TYC Membership Roster for more information.

Look for your 2023 TYC Board of Directors and by-law change ballots in the mail later this week. Make sure to vote and return your ballots by December 1, 2022. Full members should choose four (4) board members and one (1) by-law change option.

Finally, I would like to thank the 2022 TYC Board and all of the TYC members for their help and support during this year. It's been an enjoyable and interesting two years on the BOD and I really hope everyone has the opportunity to serve TYC as a BOD member in the future. Best wishes to the 2023 BOD and I can't wait for the 2023 boating season.

I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable winter!

Regards, **Kevin Race** TYC Rear Commodore 2022 rearcommodore@tycwilson.com 716-418-2026



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Treasurer ~ Patricia Murphy





Another boating season has come to an end and the boats are back on the hard. Hopefully everyone has their winterizing complete. We had a great boating season with lots of cruising opportunities.

Our membership was up. Thank you to Jeff and Sandy Jordan for their hard work in recruiting new members. Remember, word of mouth is our best advertising. Be sure to share what a great club we have with all of your friends and family. It has been my pleasure to serve on the BOD as your treasurer for the past 2 years. I have learned a lot about the operation of the club. I could not have done it without the help and support of our bookkeeper, Doug Klapper, and our financial secretary, Mary Lazich. I would like to thank both of them for all of their hard work.

If there is anything I can do to assist anyone, please feel free to contact me at <u>treasurer@tycwilson.com</u> or 716-913-9202. I am always happy to help!

Enjoy the off season!

Regards,
Pat Murphy
TYC Treasurer 2022





Fleet Captain ~ Tym Zhuk





This fall we had another safe and efficient haul out. Thank you to all the crews and members that made this possible.

There are new available slips posted on our website. If you would like to change your slip, it is very easy to submit a Slip Change Request.

To submit a change, click the website link, fill out the form, and click submit. If a slip becomes available at any time during the off-season, the details of the slip will be posted on the Club's Website and an email notification will be sent out to all members.

I also have some November reminders for our docking members:

- Any dock uprights that extend into the water must be removed by the slip renting member by November 15th in order to prevent damage to the dock. Members failing to do so will be assessed a fine of \$25.00.
- Dock Reservations are also due before November 15th of this year. By submitting this website form on time, you can avoid the \$25.00 late fee.
- November is also the month that you can vote for the new candidates that will act on your behalf for the 2023 boating season. Ballots will be mailed in early November to our Full Members. You have until 12/1/22 to return your ballot to the designated teller.

I would like to thank all of the TYC members for allowing me serve as your 2022 Fleet Captain.

If you have any questions or updates, please reach out to me at my email fleetcaptain@tycwilson.com.

Regards, Tym Zhuk TYC Fleet Captain 2022



Director of Operations ~ Peter Hubbell





Thanks to everyone who helped close the clubhouse recently. Thanks to Keith Robison and team for the water system winterization. Natasha's Cup planning committee was able to keep the Porta Potties which are located on either side of the club if needed during winter work.

A big thanks to our Stewards for another successful year in assisting many boaters. If you know of a student that might be interested in serving as a Steward next season, we are always looking for good candidates.

The Clubhouse is in good shape, but there are some finishing woodwork tasks that can be done at any time and the steward shack has some flashing that I was

unable to complete with a broken humerus. Let my experience be a reminder to make sure your ladder is stable, as the A-frame came out from under me while working and the recovery is over 3 months without being able to use my arm.

Thanks for a terrific year and all the support.

Regards,
Pete Hubbell
TYC Director of Operations 2022
operations@tycwilson.com

Director of Harbor Operations ~ Reginald Adams II





As my term on the TYC Board comes to end, I would like to take this time to thank the members of TYC for giving me the opportunity to serve.

Thank you to the TYC members who helped to work on the many harbor projects. This made my job as Director of Harbor Operations much more enjoyable.

Just a reminder that dock boards must be removed by November 15th in order to prevent ice damage to the dock.

Over the last two years I was fortunate to be able to meet new friends and to see how the club works from the inside out. I hope every TYC member can have the same great experience when the time is right.

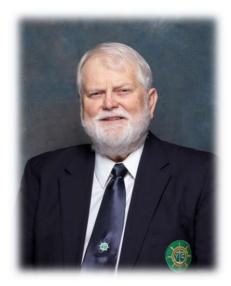
If you have any items you need to be addressed or that I can help with, please contact me at harborops@tycwilson.com

Regards,
Reginald G. Adams II
TYC Director of Harbor Operations 2022



Secretary ~ Hank Peters





I would like to thank all those TYC members who assisted me this summer and fall. As another season fades away into fall, and our boats are now on the hard, we can look forward to the spring and launch.

Please remember to vote for the 2023 TYC Board of Directors this month.

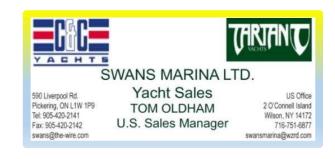
If I can assist you with anything, please feel free to contact me. I do not look forward to snow and ice but we always manage to survive.

This is my last year to serve on the Board of Directors for our club. Over the years I have been able to meet new friends and to see the operation of TYC from a different perspective. Every TYC member should have the chance to experience this by serving on the TYC Board.

Thanks again for your support. I have enjoyed talking with our new members and watching them embrace TYC.

Regards, Hank Peters TYC Secretary 2022





Membership Report ~ Jordan, Guggemos & Stone



2022 New Members:

We are pleased to announce that we currently have 14 new members so far this year.

- Shailesh Maheshwari
- Mike and Martha Robinson
- Chuck and Kim Panepinto
- James and Patricia Hamm
- Richard and Barbara Pickelhaupt
- Ted and Margret Pitera
- Martin and Jill Echtenkamp
- Alex and Milissa Przytulski
- Daniel Hailand and Katherine O'Donnell
- Michael and Christa Karet
- Teresa Dancy and Paul Infantino
- Caitlin Frey
- Michael and Gina Daley
- Ed and Barbara Huber

Presently we have 205 Members:

128 Full Members26 Social Members51 Life Members

Of the 128 Full Members, 115 are Renting Slips, comprised of 80 sailboats and 35 powerboats.

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 Chairpersons 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.

Thank you as always to the members that sent new members our way. At this time, I would like to finish up by thanking my colleagues on the Membership Committee for their support consisting of:

My wife Sandy, 716-432-9064 Bill Guggemos, 716-939-7706 Robert Stone, 941-276-1958

2023 Board of Directors Election ~ Meet the Candidates **

**2023 Ballots are mailing this week and are due back by December 1st **



Patricia Murphy

Hi, for those of you who don't know me, my name is Pat Murphy and I am seeking your support to serve again on the Board of Directors at TYC. I have had the pleasure of serving on the BOD as treasurer for the past 2 years. It has given me the opportunity to learn a great deal about what is involved in the day to day operations of the club.

My husband Mike and I joined TYC in 2018 after he purchased an Island Packet 32. Joining TYC was the best decision we ever made. We love the facilities and have made many new friends. I began sailing with my husband in 2012. I am credentialed

through the US Coast Guard as a Merchant Mariner for vessels less than 25 tons on near coastal waters, including sailing and towing since November 2018. We enjoy cruising around Lake Ontario and hope to cruise all of the great lakes in the future. Mike and I have been married for 9 years. We have 3 daughters between us, all married and we have 5 grandchildren. I am retired after 32 years from Erie County Medical Center. I have been an RN for 29 years. I have 11 years of management experience having managed the Spinal Cord Rehab Unit and the Hemodialysis Unit. I also was a flight nurse with Mercy Flight for 1½ years. I have had many unique experiences throughout my career. I was responsible for staffing and budget as well as quality improvement. I also worked closely with the architects and construction crew throughout the planning and building of one of the new buildings on the ECMC campus. Prior to retirement I moved to the patient safety department where I was responsible for the compiling all data regarding sepsis and reporting to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and NYS Department of Health. I believe that my experiences can be put to good use as a member of the TYC Board of Directors. I would appreciate your support in serving another 2 years on the Board.

Thank you, Pat Murphy



Nathan Love

I have been an avid sailor for my entire life, at first flying around the bays of Canada and terrifying my crew/siblings on a little sunfish, then later moving up with my wife to an O'Day 26, which we sailed on Lake Erie for years before finally upgrading to our 32-foot Ranger and moving up to Lake Ontario. We've raised our 2 kids, Madeline (21) and Aidan (19) on the water and they've never known anything other than summer sailing. When we moved up to Lake Ontario, we joined TYC and have loved being members, sailing with and getting to know so many of you. I have been in Finance/Banking for 25 years and my wife, Charlene, is a Quality Engineer.

I have enjoyed seeing many of our Club friends getting actively involved with the Board and I would be delighted to work along with Stephanie, Bryan, Peter, and the rest of the remaining and new members of the Board to keep our little Club chugging along and continuing to grow.

Thank you, Nathan Love



Kim Race

My name is Kim Race and along with my husband, Kevin, have been TYC members since 2014. We own "Seaduction", a Pearson 33 sailboat, and really enjoy everything that TYC has to offer. I grew up in Columbus, Ohio and had no sailing experience until joining TYC. I now really enjoy sailing out of Wilson Harbor, and there is no better location in the harbor to keep a boat than TYC. Kevin and I are proud to be TYC members and enjoy the friendships we have formed at the club over the last 8 years. I truly enjoy attending the TYC Book Club meetings and the many different TYC parties and events. I also helped to plan and coordinate our Pub Crawl station this past July.

I am a Secretary at 1199SEIU and have worked with many different health care professionals for the last 14 years. This position has given me the ability and confidence to work well with anyone. I really enjoy the organization and planning that is required to be effective in my job. If elected to the 2023 TYC Board of Directors, I will use those skills to continue and build upon all that TYC has to offer its members and guests, and I look forward to making a positive contribution to TYC as a member of the Board of Directors.

I appreciate your consideration and support.

Thank you, Kim Race



Todd Fetzer

Thank you for the opportunity to run for a position on the TYC Board of Directors for 2023. Sue, Zac & I have been members of TYC for three years now. We were previously members of Niagara on the Lake Sailing Club for over 25 years, where I served on the Board of Directors at NOLSC for seven years.

I have been self-employed with my business Timberline Hardscapes for as long as I can remember. Timberline is a design build Hardscape Company where we

specialize in interlocking pavers, outdoor kitchens, large rock retaining walls and hardscapes. I believe the talents I have developed in my business would be a great asset to the club.

Thank you for your consideration.

Regards, Todd Fetzer



William Shaw

Hello!

My name is Bill Shaw and Sue and I have been members of TYC for four years. Just a little bit about me: I have lived in Lockport most of my life. I am very new to the boating world but absolutely love TYC and look forward to help making it a better place. My slip is on the north side of the island next to our current Commodore. The only power boater among all of the wonderful sail boaters. I am a retired high school teacher and have been a varsity basketball coach for over 40 years. Currently I coach at Williamsville North.

During my time at TYC, I have made a number of new friends and learned a great deal about how the club is run. I feel that it is very important to have a wide range of ideas from members of the board to continue to make our club a better place for boating and club fun events. I will always be a board member who listens to any and all concerns and suggestions. And I will bring those issues up at the board meetings. You have the right to be heard and should be heard because everyone pays dues. My efforts will be to help make this club better each year for everyone. I will be about fresh and new ideas that will benefit all.

Being a coach for over 40 year has made me a very good listener and an excellent problem solver. I look forward to doing both in serving all members of TYC. I totally understand members being skeptical about electing a person who has only been with the club for 4 years. But, if elected, you will have my ear and my word to do what is best for the entire club. It is the members club. I don't believe that board members should come in with their own agendas. Come to me with your ideas and concerns. They will be acted upon.

Thank you, Bill Shaw