



Tuscarora Currents

Commodore ~ Bryan Burhans



I find it hard to believe that the summer of 2023 is winding down. I'm not sure about everyone else, but that seemed like the fastest summer ever. I hope everyone at the club took advantage of the summer weather and used their boats as much as possible. Labor Day weekend was great, but with it, the reality that the boating season is coming to a close. September normally offers great boating weather and I hope that is the case this year.

TYC hosted many wonderful events this summer. All of them were well attended and our chairpersons for all of them did a great job organizing these events. Chairing events is a great way to fulfill your work hours. It's fun and a great way to meet people. We have had two great events in September with the Beef and Corn party on Labor Day weekend

and the Oktoberfest party on Saturday, September 16th. **The Commodore's Ball will be held on October 21st at Youngstown Yacht Club, so save the date.**

On Saturday, August 26th, TYC hosted the 3rd annual Tasha Strong Memorial Race. This year, the race also honored the memory of our friend and P/C Jeff Strothmann. While we could have used more wind, it was a beautiful day and it was very well attended.

We raised \$9500 for continuing melanoma research!

Great job TYC for hosting and to all of the surrounding clubs for supporting us.

With the end of the season approaching, we all must start to think about the work weekends ahead. These weekends all give the opportunity to fulfill work hour requirements and they are great ways to meet people and see how the club works. September 23rd was cradle moving day, September 30th is mast day and finally, October 7th weekend is haul out. The TYC Board and committee chair people are all busy working to plan all of these weekends.

Signup sheets for all work crews will be up soon.

Thank you all for a great season at TYC!!

Fair Winds and Following Seas,

Bryan Burhans

TYC Commodore 2023

Vice Commodore ~ Stephanie Burgess



Our 2023 boating season is now winding down, thanks to all the TYC members that participated in every way. I also want to thank everyone who helped organize and coordinate the many party events, club cruises, and other activities that allow our great TYC traditions to continue each year.

Our members make TYC the BEST club on Lake Ontario!

Thanks to Keith and Cheryl Robinson as the Beef and Corn Party was a big success. Over 150 people attended. A great time was had by everyone and the food was awesome!

Thanks to Dan and Darlene Manhardt as the Oktoberfest was also a great success.

There are still a few TYC events coming up this fall:

October 15 – TYC Book Club meeting – “The Mystery of Mrs. Christie” at 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm

October 21 – 2023 TYC Commodore’s Ball – The Youngstown Yacht Club at 6:00 pm

November 12 – New York Beer Project at 2:00 pm – This will be an informal event; meet near the back bar and please come a little early to help hold tables.

Here's to a safe haul-out.

Next year we look forward to hosting a “Man Overboard” event with a safety demonstration. If you are interested in being one of the boats to go out and demonstrate skills, get in touch with Stephanie Burgess.

Going on a Club Cruise is a good way to guarantee a slip at the visiting club.

However, if you back out: 1) A fellow TYC member would not have the opportunity to go on the cruise. 2) Members of the visiting club could be turned away due to decreased slip availability. If you sign up and an unavoidable circumstance arises, let the Cruise Director know ASAP. As of now we plan a return to Niagara On the Lake SC on June 28-30; Highland YC on Aug 2-5; Port Credit YC on Aug 16-18. Port Dalhousie YC and Lakeshore YC cruises are also being planned. Lakeshore YC has a new clubhouse and wants to come over for Labor Day 2024.

As always, if you have any questions, comments, concerns or ideas, please do not hesitate to reach out. I can be reached at 716-713-8281 and by email at vicecommodore@tycwilson.com
I hope to see you all at upcoming events.

Happy Boating,
Stephanie Burgess
TYC Vice Commodore 2023

Rear Commodore ~ Kim Race



September - back to school, the end of summer vacations, cooler temperatures, and the end of the boating season. It seems like the summer and the boating season were shorter than ever, but the TYC members know how to make the best of our short season with many great parties, activities and club cruises again this year.

While it was a great 2023 boating season, it's not over yet. If you still need to get in a few more of the required ten (10) TYC work hours, there are plenty of opportunities to help contribute to the operation of TYC.

Here is a short list of some upcoming events that will need a lot of help to run smoothly, and safely:

Mast and Boom truck weekend

Haul out weekend

Kitchen Crew for haul out weekend

The Commodore's Ball

TYC Clubhouse Winterization

Sign up or just show up!

Please email me if you have any questions or need more information. Make sure to submit your completed work hours on the website: <https://tycwilson.com/submit-work-hours>

I have posted an updated list of completed work hours in the TYC Clubhouse

You may refer to the list of TYC Membership Costs/Penalties section on page 54 of the 2023 TYC Membership Roster for more information.

Thank You,

Kim Race

TYC Rear Commodore 2023

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Treasurer ~ Patricia Murphy



As always it is sad to see the boating season come to an end. It has been a great season even if the weather didn't always cooperate. We had lots of fun activities this season. It was great to have so many members participate and enjoy being at the club.

Financially we are doing ok. We pay the insurance bills in July and the underground storage tank policy in September so things get a little tight at that time, but except for one more lease payment, there are no more large expenses through the end of the year. Invoices for haul & launch and dock deposit will be sent out in October. Please be sure to check your junk/spam mail account if you don't get it in your inbox. Be sure to mark it not spam and it will go to your inbox going forward. Your dock deposit is your reservation for your dock for the upcoming season. Slip reservations may be rescinded up to one week prior to launch. After that date, the member is responsible for the full assessed fee of the slip. I would like to thank our financial secretary, Mary Lazich, and our bookkeeper, Doug Klapper. They do so much work to assist me in my role as treasurer. This would be a fulltime job for me without their assistance.

We have the best club on Lake Ontario. We hear this from all the visitors who come to our club. Please share what a great club we have with all your friends and family. Word of mouth is our best advertisement and will help us grow our membership.

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

Pat Murphy

Treasurer 2023

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Fleet Captain ~ Tym Zhuk



Planning is underway to make this year's haul-out run as efficiently and safely as in previous years. We have a couple of new boats that have not been stored with us in the past that must be considered. Please understand that many factors come into play when positioning boats on the island—length, width, cradle location, and especially weight when setting up some larger boats. We try to put boats at the closest location to the dock, but depending on crane ability and cradle location, we may ask you to move your boat to the spot where the crane crew can safely get your boat out of the water. In that case, you have to be ready to move your boat. We highly recommend not winterizing your boat before hauling it out. You must be confident your boat can move per the crane operator's request. I believe I am up to date with our existing members and the addition of our new members planning to haul and store with us. If any

members hauled and stored with us last year who are not planning on doing so this year, please let me know as soon as possible.

This year's haul-out activity dates:

Saturday, September 23, 2023 - Cradle placement - 7 AM to completion

Sunday, September 24, 2023 - Cradle placement - 7 AM if required.

Saturday, September 30, 2023 - Mast removal, Boom Truck, Gin Pole - 7 AM to completion.

(Please note: Boom Track Crew and Gin Pole Crew work only on Saturday, September 30)

Saturday, October 7, 2023 - Haul Out - 7 AM to dark

Sunday, October 8, 2023 – Haul Out - 7 AM to completion

(Please note: Columbus Day is observed on October 9, 2023)

Peter Hubbell will lead the Cradle Crew.

Mike Algase will lead the Crane Crew and Boom Truck Crew.

Dan Manhardt and Doug Klapper will lead the Gin Pole Crew.

A friendly reminder for everyone planning to store with us:

- Do you have a Cradle, and is it marked with your Name, Slip #, Bow, and Stern?
- Do you have proper Jack Stands and plywood to go under the stands?
- Do you have sufficient blocking for your boat?

If you have any questions or updates, please reach out to me at my email fleetcaptain@tycwilson.com. I am looking forward to another safe haul-out this year!

Thank You,

Tym Zhuk

TYC Fleet Captain 2023

Director of Operations ~ Peter Hubbell



As the boating season slows down we are getting ready for haul out, cradles will be placed on September 23rd, please make sure that your name and boat name is on the cradle.

If you still need work hours, I have some trim work that needs to be replaced around the clubhouse and the Steward's office. Please contact me if you can help.

We are looking for kitchen crew for next spring launch and haul out to feed to crews. Thank you to Jan and Carol and crew for feeding us for so many years!

If you need help pumping out, please check the steward's schedule for when they are on site; their fall hours are limited.

A reminder that parking around the island is only on the inside of the road or clubhouse side.

We have a new rule until we see what is going to be the future, no charging of electric vehicles is allowed on the TYC Yacht Club property.

Thank you to all who participated in the Natasha's Cup Race.

The Tasha Strong Foundation raised almost \$8,000 dollars for cancer research!

Pete Hubbell

TYC Director of Operations 2023

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Director of Harbor Operations ~ Todd Fetzer



Overall, this has been a great boating season and I will find the end of summer still hard to take. With all of the upgrades to the docks on the harbor side of the island, our club looks fantastic. Soon we will be getting ready for haul-out which is not the words I like to hear, but I do enjoy all the teamwork it takes to accomplish this large and complicated operation safely. Thanks to all of the club members that volunteer to make it happen and complete their TYC work hours commitment. So for now, enjoy the time left and safe boating.

I want to thank all of the work crews that helped make the club look great this year!

Please remember to remove all of your dock boards from the water by October 31st.

If you have any items that need to be addressed and that I can help with, please contact me at the Director of Harbor Operations email: harborops@tycwilson.com

Thanks for Your Cooperation,

Todd Fetzer

TYC Director of Harbor Operations 2023



Secretary ~ Bill Shaw



As we bring the 2023 boating season to a close and sadly think about putting our boats up on the hard, I would like to share with you a couple of comments that were said to me by visitors to our club this past summer.

“ We love coming to TYC because of how you include us and make us feel welcome!”

“Your stewards make it so easy to get into a slip.”

“ You have such great facilities!”

“Your members are so helpful and friendly!”

This is why we are known as the friendliest club on the lake.
You sell TYC every time you reach out to someone visiting our club.
Keep up the great effort!

See you soon,
Bill Shaw
TYC Secretary 2023



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Membership Report ~ Jordan, Guggemos & Stone



2023 New Members:

We are pleased to announce that we have 8 new members this year to date.

- Sean and Brie Slaughter
- William and Christine Gnadl (31' Sailboat)
- Rev. George R. "Mack" and Elizabeth McKinney (Social Members)
- Steve Lawler and Marlene Nyiri (29' Powerboat)
- Lee and Kimberly Bentley (42' Sailboat)
- Arnd Pralle and Audrey Acevedo (28' Sailboat)
- Domenic Mazziotti (26' Sailboat)
- Ryan and Holly Standish (22' Sailboat)

2023 Membership Status:

Presently we have 205 Members:

124 Full Members

26 Social Members

55 Life Members

Newest Life Members:

- Ron and Carol Goulah
- Dave and Beth Brown
- Claudia Lewis
- Doug and Denise David

Of the **124** Full Members, **114** are Renting Slips, comprising of **82** 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

Ship's Store Report ~ Kathy Sipes



The Ship's Store will be open with extended hours for the remaining of the season. This is a good time to do some of your holiday shopping. We still have a supply of Polo shirts and Sweatshirts for your favorite Captain or First Mate.

The Store will be open during the following Hours:

Saturday Sept 23 - 12PM thru 2PM

Saturday Sept 30 (Mast Day) - 9AM thru Lunch

Saturday Oct 7 (Haul Out) - 9AM thru Lunch

October 7 will be the last day the store will be open.

Wishing everyone a safe off season!

Kathy Sipes

Ships Store Lady

TYC SHIP'S STORE PRICE LIST

(All Prices Include Sales Tax)

Men's & Women's Clothing:

T-Shirt (Short Sleeve) \$10

T-Shirt (Long Sleeve) \$18

Polo Shirt \$18

Denim Shirts \$31

Fleece Jackets \$28

Sweat Shirts \$18

Wind Jackets \$27

Caps \$10

Other Items:

TYC Burgee \$30 and \$35 (large)

US Courtesy Flag \$35

Canadian Courtesy Flag \$35

Fleece Blanket \$15

Tote Bag \$15 & up

Koozie (Drink Holder) \$1

License Plate Frame \$5

Boat Decals \$8 and \$12 (large)

Car Decal \$3

Boating Report

What's Different About Fall Boating? On-Water Safety Tips

***Plus, a deep dive into choosing your winter boat cover
from the nonprofit BoatUS Foundation***

For some boaters, fall is the best time for boating. Summer's steamy days have surrendered to more comfortable temperatures, angling improves, and winds are stronger for sailing. It's also time to embrace extra boating safety efforts for the season and look ahead to how you're going to store your boat this winter. The nonprofit BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety and Clean Water has some boating safety tips to consider, some maintenance reminders, as well as some test results on the four main types of winter boat covers.

Take safety seriously: If you ask the U.S. Coast Guard about boating safety and drowning, they'll tell you that three of every four boaters who drowned in 2022 were using vessels less than 21 feet in length at the time (when boat length was known in the [accident statistics](#)). The BoatUS Foundation says that small boats in particular are more susceptible to the effects of stormy weather. During leaf-peeping season there's also more solo boat operation, which means it's wise to wear a life jacket and file a float plan so someone can raise the alarm if you fail to return. A self-boarding ladder, such as a length of multi-looped rope anchored to a cleat, should be easily grabbable from the water.

Keep up with maintenance: Like many boaters, enjoying summer boating season was primary. Secondary was toiling over the things that broke, leaked or came apart. Ensuring your vessel remains reliable is important as there are fewer potential good Samaritan boaters – generally your closest rescuers – to provide help, if necessary.

Look for a winter boat cover: Have you ever considered using a reusable winter cover instead of shrink-wrap? The BoatUS Foundation recently put a number of common boat storage covers to the test. Some findings include: “Waterproof” and “water-resistant” covers are not the same; boats on rack storage may have no other choice than shrink-wrap due to safety reasons; and ensuring all-winter-long survival of any type of boat cover includes making sure the cover is well-supported and adding padding to a boat's hard edges and tops of all cover support poles. The full report, [Foundation Findings #60: What You Need to Know About Boat Covers for Winter Storage](#), can help boaters fairly evaluate reusable, more environmentally friendly options.