

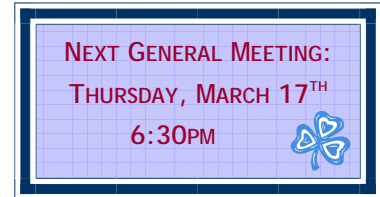
Westerlies

Tiburon Yacht Club



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Paradise Cay
Tiburon, California



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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

By Drew Clark

I know it's only March (well, late February as I write this), but I feel like the year is well underway with lots of fun events and activities. How about that great Super Bowl Chili Cook Off! We had nine – count 'em nine – different contestants bring their tastiest chili recipes for us to sample. And taste we did! I don't know about the rest of you, but I thought the experience of tasting all those unique and delicious variations was really a treat for us TY-C'ers as we watched one of the best Super Bowls in recent memory. And congrats to the Packers for a well-deserved win, and to **Jane Clark** for organizing and orchestrating the cook off.

Just this last weekend we had a really nice crab feed over at Alameda Yacht Club. Yes, the rain did dampen our enthusiasm for coming by boat, so most of us took land yachts over to their cozy clubhouse on the Estuary. The crab was yummy (but where was that tomato sauce? Patty?), the crowd lively (they DO seem to have a lot of fun), and we danced for a good while despite the cold and rain. Hats off to **Marshall and Shelby Gross** for organizing this fine cruise-in.

March can be a challenging month weather-wise, so our events and outings tend to reflect warmly-dressed (or cozy heated boat) activities like the ski cruise coming up March 5-6; our annual Napa Yacht Club cruise planned for the weekend of March 11-13; along with Midwinter #3 on March 12th. Isn't it great to have so many fun choices?

Jane tells me that, along with her intrepid team of volunteers, she's organizing what looks to be a terrific St. Paddy's Day party, with lots of fun things to eat and drink. (Bring on those corned beef sliders!)

And don't forget the Corinthian Yacht Club is cruising in to TYC at the end of the month (March 26th)...let's see if we can muster a good turnout to welcome our Tiburon neighbors.

It looks like we're going to get some snow at some levels we haven't seen in decades – maybe at sea level in some places. We'll certainly have a lovely wintry landscape up on Mt. Tam this weekend. Hope all of you can get out and enjoy it.

Talk to you next month, and see you around the club!

~ Drew

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The Social Scene

By Jane Clark

TYC'ers had a **HOT, HOT, HOT** time at the TYC Super Bowl and Chili Cook-off Party. Nine delicious chili recipes were sampled (and re-sampled) by 50+ TYC members – all left with full bellies and a yearning for a glass of something to cool things down. (See photos on page 4.) As for the People's Choice Chili...well, the votes were very close, but in the final count, **Ron Tostenson's Bottom Paint Chili** (2nd Place), and **Trip Ames' Feel Good Chili** (1st Place) prevailed as the overall favorites. Thanks much to all of you who provided a chili dish. Many TYC'ers commented that they were amazed to taste the uniqueness of each chili, although each contained basically the same ingredients. The Chili Cook-off contestants are listed below, so please personally thank each of them the next time you see them at the club.

1. South American Sweet Chili (Barbara Henderson)
2. Esquire Sullivan's Boston Establishment Chili (John Sullivan)
3. Mean Green Chili (Rudy Salazar and Dott Jackson)
4. Thai up the Game Chili (Jane Clark)
5. Downtown Brown Chili (Drew and Jane Clark)
6. North Texas Chili (Lorell Alexander)
7. Bottom Paint Chili (Ron Tostenson)
8. Feel Good Chili (Trip Ames)
9. Boiler Maker Tailgate (Steve Nimz)



Warning: Chili side effects may include a condition known as EAS (erectile arm syndrome). See your commodore if it persists for more than four hours.

By the way, congratulations to the Green Bay Packers on their super win. And it would not be Super Bowl without **Allen Dekelbourn's** Super Bowl "Board" and the support from the many other volunteers who helped with decorations, bar, kitchen service, cooking, and cleanup. Special thanks go out to **Carole and Gerry Gunn, Jill Ames, Lee and Ken Royal, Susie Woodrum, Suzanne Jolma, John Orvis, Susan Hoehler, Joan and Allen Dekelbourn, and Karen Obley.**

The social calendar is firming up. However, to better take advantage of concurrent club activities, there have been a few changes. Let's take a look at what's up next:

COMING UP ON THE SOCIAL SCENE...MARK YOUR CALENDARS

General Meeting/St. Patrick's Day Party – The dates of both the March General Meeting and St. Patrick's Day Party *have been moved* to **Friday, March 18th** starting at 6:00pm. On the menu are corned beef sliders with Irish cheddar cheese and Irish coffee for the low price of \$6. To round out the meal, we will be having a potluck. (See flyer on page 3.) Please sign up at www.tyc.org to reserve your place and to let us know what you are planning to bring (appetizer, side dish, or dessert). We hope to see you there!

Ski Cruise

Saturday, March 5th – Don't miss this fun-filled weekend.

Commodore's Cocktail Party

Sunday, April 3rd, 2:00pm – Please bring an appetizer or dessert.

TYC Club Birthday Party

Saturday, May 7th, 6:00pm – You can bet that this party will be a "Royale" event.



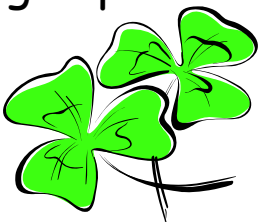
HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day at TYC
Friday, March 18th

Immediately following the General Meeting 6:30pm
We will be serving Corned Beef Sliders with Irish Cheddar
Please bring an appetizer, side, or dessert to share.
TYC will provide the Irish Coffee!

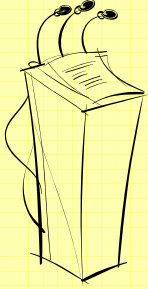
Cost: \$6.00 per person

Sign up at www.tyc.org



PROGRAM NOTES

BY JANE CLARK



At the February Meeting...We Tied a Few Knots

Thanks to **Allen Dekelbom** for demonstrating the right way to tie up to a cleat, whether it is a ring, bull rail or the standard mooring cleat. Drew and Allen also demoed the GROG website. Check it out at <http://www.animatedknots.com>. This site visually demonstrates step-by-step the how-to of tying knots.

Contest Announcement

At the February meeting we also announced a knot-tying contest, to be held at the Commodore's picnic. During upcoming general meetings, in addition to a program segment, knot demonstrations will continue. Each knot will then become part of the TYC repertoire of knots, *which will be part of the Commodore's Picnic knot-tying contest*. So you will KNOT want to miss the general meetings this year.

Coming up in March

No program in March as we will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day. See the flyer and join us for the party!

Wanted: Program Chair for 2011

We are looking for a volunteer to take on this exciting and fun role. Please contact the commodore if you are interested in taking on this role, or if you have something of interest to share with the general membership at an upcoming meeting.





RACE NOTES

BY ROB HUTCHINSON



Welcome to sailboat racing in 2011!

The weather in early February was unbelievable. Warm days, beautiful skies, and a few traces of wind. Enough wind to get the Midwinter #2 race of the **Esther and Robert Mott Midwinter Series** completed and into the books! The weekend of February 12th saw nine boats in the spinnaker and non-spinnaker divisions compete.

In the spinnaker division, the group had a bit of a current, very low water, and light winds. Some went in to the shore and a few went outside for wind. After two hours, four of the five boats were able to finish, watching *Frenzy* correct out over *PainKiller*, with *US101* in third. While the four finishers worked hard to capture what wind they could, *Don Wan* spent a good part of the afternoon enjoying a few libations from a respectable perch just north of the club, sitting on the mud.

In the non-spinnaker division, four competitors dealt with the same conditions, though everybody was able to finish. It was slow going, so the race committee (with Tracy Hansen assisting and calling the shots!) shortened the course. In the end, *Ka-Nina* was able to convincingly lead the fleet to the finish, with *Red Hawk* and *Meritime* following home. *Galante* made a valiant effort to complete the race, but ran out of wind and time.

Due to the light winds, there was no chance to get a second race in as a makeup for the abandoned January race, so we will try to get two races off on March 12th, scheduled as Midwinter #3.

Speaking of Midwinter #3, your race chair will be on the road for work, so we are looking for a few interested volunteers to perform race committee duties from the club deck on March 12th. Call, write, or text...we need help!

Also, join us on March 2nd, 6:30pm, at the club for a conversation amongst the members about TYC membership and TYC racing. Your board wants to get your perspective on how to emphasize racing and get more boats out on the water. Join us for a drink and pizza, and join the conversation.

Have fun sailing and racing in 2011...Cheers!

World Champion San Francisco Giants Cruise

Say Hey, Giants Fans!

TYC has 50 game tickets to Giants vs. Cleveland Indians

Saturday, June 25, 2011

This is a twilight game, starting at 6:05pm so it should be light for the entire game.

Seating is in the lower box, as before, but on the third base/left field side.

The first 25,000 fans in the stadium will receive an Aubrey Huff bobble head!

Game Tickets: \$36 each / First Come, First Served!

Send checks (*made out to TYC*) to Allen Dekelboun at the address below.

Cruisers: Only Three Berths Left!

Additional berths *may* become available 60 days before the game.

To reserve, send a \$10 check (*made out to TYC*) to Allen.

It's going to be a great weekend! Stay tuned for more about the ferry from Tiburon next month...

Allen Dekelboun, 49 Marblehead Lane, Novato, CA 94949

CRUISE NEWS

BY MARSHALL GROSS



Fifteen TYCers made it to the February 19th crab feed at the Alameda Yacht Club. Those in attendance were: **The Bilofskys; Ameses; Clarks; Canadas; Blakes and Grosses; John Pesce, John Wright and Debbie.**

Alameda Yacht Club is much like the old Tiburon Yacht Club with an all volunteer staff. Rumor has it that there was a luau on the beach at Alameda the Friday night before although nobody has any pictures to prove it.

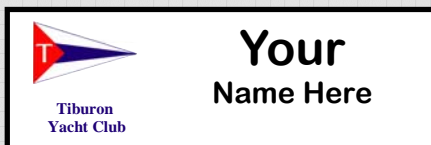
Our next cruise-out is March 11 through 13 to the Napa Valley Yacht Club. Everyone always enjoys a weekend in Napa. Although the Mustard Festival will not take place in Napa that weekend, there will be no shortage of places to see and be seen.

The docks at Napa Valley YC are limited to 11 boats on a first come, first serve basis. If there is an abundance of sign ups on the TYC web site, I will make additional arrangements with the Napa Marina, which is only a few minutes away by dingy.

Any questions, contact me at thejewelcaseinc@comcast.net.



NEED A NAME BADGE?



Every TYC member (except non-resident and honorary) has a personalized name badge. You'll find yours in the cabinet near the clubhouse door.

But did you drop it overboard? Or wear it home and the dog ate it?

Is its little magnet tenaciously clinging to the hidden underside of some object on your boat that you thought was stainless? Or — did we mangle your name?

Perhaps you would like a spare badge to wear while racing, cruising, or visiting at other clubs whose badges don't look nearly as good as ours. Or you're a non-resident or honorary member and want a badge.

Now's the time to get these little matters taken care of. Members can order badges for \$8 each (or free if the problem was our fault). Just fill out the order form at www.tyc.org/badgeform.pdf, and mail to me with a check. (New members will get badges automatically; no need to order unless we have your name wrong in the book.)

We make badges only once a year, in late March, so get your order in soon. Questions? Give me a call at 435-4433, or email walt@toolworks.com.

~ Walt "Badge of On Yer" Bilofsky

WESTERLIES Time Machine



Here's a blast from TYC's past, reprinted word-for-word, from a *Westerlies* of 19 years ago. Names have *not* been changed to protect anyone as it seems there were no more innocents back then than there are today.

February, 1992:

Capers at the Cay

The 1st Annual Ladies Slumber Party took place at TYC Saturday night as planned. Several cleverly disguised party raiders surprised us by sneaking in the front door and dousing the lights before we knew what hit us. **Harry** soon retreated out the front door covered with shaving cream, yelling, "Oh, my God, I've been Barbesoled!" **Esther** was snatched up by **Dan** and dragged out the door as hostage, but the culprits were foiled by the excellent work of the Barbesolettes. Little did **Bill** know that we were armed and ready, and primed to do battle after watching "*Thelma & Louise*."

We ended the evening with the Name Game, ranging from Mother Teresa to Carol Doda, and then bedtime with an old movie. But, all the while we waited for a second onslaught of the marauding bagmen to come and take the bait. The sacrificial panties did disappear, the three wise men didn't succumb to the other offerings from the fearsome Barbesolettes of brightly colored, over-the-shoulder boulder holders adorning the window (over the barricade).

Following in TYC tradition, we had an abundance of delicious food, including salads, pasta dishes, and some wonderful homemade chocolate chip cookies

that were devoured immediately. The only "balls" at the party were **Jill's**, which were served with toothpicks and were great tasting. An appreciative and well-deserved **Thank You** to our hostesses **Alice and Jean**. You did a great job!



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The chance for mistakes is about equal to the
number of crew squared.

~ Ted Turner

TYC SKI CRUISE 2011

THE SNOW IS GREAT
SO LET'S GO SKIING!



SUGAR BOWL - Friday, March 4

Meet at the Judah Lodge – 9:00am
(If we miss you there, noon at the Judah Lodge)
Margarita Party following skiing at:
The Canada's – Donner Lake
Bring a hardy appetizer to share.

SQUAW VALLEY - Saturday, March 5

Meet at the Funitel - 9:00am
(If we miss you there, noon at Gold Coast)
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See you on the slopes!

March 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 6:00pm - 9:00pm PCHA Annual Meeting	2 6:30pm Racing Brainstorming	3 Tiburon Mist Homeowner's Meeting	4	5 Ski Cruise
6 Ski Cruise	7	8	9 Club Cleaning	10 6:30pm TYC Board Meeting	11 Napa Valley YC Cruise (Note: No Mustard Festival this year but Napa is hopping!)	12 Napa Valley YC Cruise 1:00pm Midwinters #3
13 Start Daylight Savings Time Napa Valley YC Cruise	14	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day 6:30pm - 8:00pm TYC Gen Meeting	18	19 6:00pm St Paddy's Day Party
20	21	22	23 Club Cleaning	24	25 Westerlies Deadline	26 CYC CRUISE IN TO TYC
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April 2011

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3 2:00pm Commodore's Cocktail Party	4	5 7:00pm - 8:30pm PCHA Board meeting	6	7	8	9
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