



The Captain's Log

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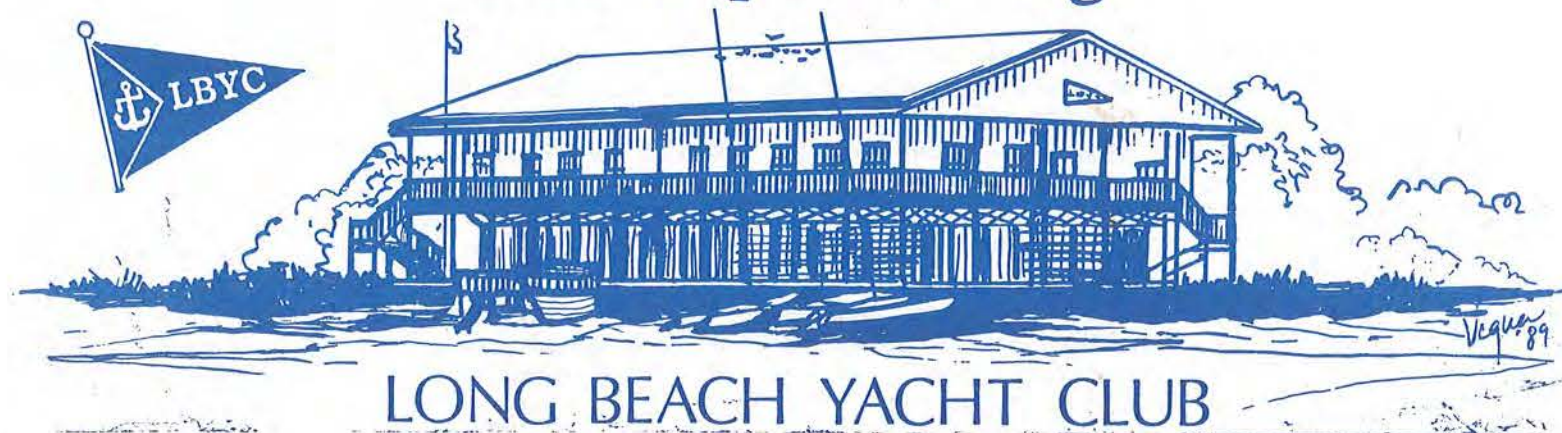
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FROM THE BRIDGE

The end of May and the month of June will be a busy time for the Club with the Chapman's Regatta on June 4 & 5, and the Slip to Ship Catamaran Race on June 11 & 12. Our Fleet Captain, Ted Thomas, is going to have his hands full. Several people have mentioned to me that they would like to get more involved in Club activities. This is a good chance. Call Ted at 388-4834 and volunteer to assist him with the race and sail activities.

At the May 11 meeting of the Board of Governors, Bill Elenbaas was selected to fill the vacancy on the Board left by Gary Forrest, who has resigned. Bill is very active in the Coast Catamaran Club, and I am happy to see that the catamaran sailors now have representation on the Board.

Past Commodore John Burke should be awarded a medal for meritorious service under fire. The rear end of the riding lawnmower caught fire again while John was mowing the lawn. The mower was a total loss, and we have bought a new one that hopefully will not have the same problems. John, who has the "right stuff", has courageously stated that he will continue to mow the lawn in the face of danger, but I think we should mount a rear view mirror and a fire extinguisher on the new mower.

The newly drafted Club Rules have been approved by the Board, and a copy was sent to all the new members who were approved on May 11. These rules will not be sent to the general membership, but will be made available at the bar. I urge each family to pick up a copy for future reference. If anyone feels that changes are needed in the rules, please present your version of the change(s) in writing to the Board for consideration. Also available at the bar are copies of the membership roster, the Club By-Laws, membership applications, and the yearly entertainment agenda.

The Long Beach Progress ran an article in their newspaper on May 12 entitled "NEW CASINO PROPOSAL TO BE PRESENTED SOON". The article was about a tentative proposal made to the Yacht Club by Mr. Sam Chang, who wants to place a gambling boat in the Long Beach harbor. I don't know where the Progress got their information, but the article has led to a lot of rumors and discussion in the Club about how our officers and Board are dealing with the gambling issue. I felt that there were several inaccuracies in the article, and I wrote a letter to the editor of the Progress to express my viewpoints on the issue and asked him to please publish it in his next paper, which he did. The gist of my letter stated that out of 73 replies received from a survey which was mailed to the LBYC membership in March 1993, nine (9) members said they were in favor of a gambling boat being located inside the Long Beach harbor, and fifty-seven (57) members said they were opposed to a gambling boat located inside the harbor. Until I get verification that the membership has changed its mind, which would only come about by a vote of the membership at a general membership meeting, I am duty bound to carry out the wishes of the majority of our

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Flag Officers Sandwich Menu	2 Catalina Association Coast Cat Club Sandwich Menu Game Night	3 Steak Night: Steak potato, veggie, soup, dessert, coffee & tea	4 Chapman's Regatta Beignets & Coffee A.M.
5 Chapman's Regatta Beignets & Coffee A.M.	6	7 Ladies Night 2 for 1 Sandwich Menu	8 Board of Governors 7:00 PM Sandwich Menu	9 Drinks 2 for 1 Sandwich Menu	10 Seafood Dinner w/ potato, veggie, soup, dessert, coffee & tea	11 Slip to Ship Sandwich Menu
12 Slip to Ship Sandwich Menu	13	14 Ladies Night 2 for 1 Game Night Sandwich Menu	15 Sandwich Menu	16 Boy Scouts Sandwich Menu Game Night Drinks 2 for 1	17 Prime Rib w/ potato veggie, dessert, soup, coffee & tea	18 Sandwich Menu
19 Father's Day Sandwich Menu	20	21 Ladies Auxiliary Ladies Night 2 for 1	22 Sandwich Menu	23 Drinks 2 for 1 Sandwich Menu	24 Poor Richard's	25 Newsletter Deadline Sandwich Menu
26 Sandwich Menu	27	28 Ladies Night 2 for 1 Sandwich Menu Game Night	29 Sandwich Menu	30 Sandwich Menu Drinks 2 for 1		

members.

I am personally opposed to a gambling boat being located inside the Long Beach harbor, but there are members in our Club who are in favor of such a plan. It would not be fair for me as Commodore to try to stand in the way of a proposal that may benefit our Yacht Club if approved by the general membership. Mr. Chang, according to a letter presented by his legal representative, Channing Powell, at the Board of Governors meeting on May 11, 1994, has tentatively agreed to provide the Club with some lucrative material and financial incentives in exchange for a vote of support from us in Mr. Chang's efforts to locate a gambling boat on the water south of the Chimneys Restaurant. This offer, expressed in the letter, does not mean that we would sell out our lease or relocate the Club, but would remain in our present location. The matter is currently in the hands of a committee, who will present a proposal to the Board of Governors. If the Board approves, we will present the matter to the membership at a general membership meeting, perhaps a special meeting of the general membership, for a vote. At the present time, the Yacht Club cannot take an official position on the proposal until we hear from the general membership. If this proposal does come to a vote, be sure to be present to vote your convictions, as I am sure it will be a hotly contested issue.

DON EVANS

RACE & SAIL

The racers at the New Orleans Yacht Club GYA Opening Regatta seemed really disappointed. I heard someone say "these Opening Regattas are always the same, either it really blows or it is dead calm". It appeared that this was going to be a weekend for the latter. There was talk of postponing the start until the wind filled in. John Burke, Ida Eastham, and Ted Thomas were getting the "Masters" boat ready, and along side them, Paul Murphy, Dave Poydock, Josh Charlton and Scott were getting the GYA boat ready. The sky started to turn gray as we headed toward the starting line for the 1st race. By the end of the 1st race the wind did fill in and the sky became almost threatening. The Race Committee decided to try to start the 2nd race before the storm closed in. The race did not get started but the storm sure did! The 30 to 40 knots of "breeze" knocked every one of the Lazars and Optimists over and tossed five of the GYA Flying Scots up on the rocks of the seawall. The Coast Guard launched three boats and its helicopter. They started to pluck the young sailors out of the churning waters of Lake Ponchartrain. Seas of four to six feet made some of the rescues acts of heroism. The LBYC Masters boat found Ida on the bow trying to get the jib down and John working on the main. Ted was at the helm and just trying to hold the boat into the wind and hoping they did not go abeam of the rolling seas. At one point John said the spreaders were in the water. The sails down, John and Ida set the anchor abeam and Ida had to go on the bow again to move the line so the boat would ride the seas head on. Want to hear more? Ask one of the participants. PS- The Masters took 3rd!!

Race Week held at the Gulfport Yacht Club last week saw many of the same faces representing LBYC in the Flying Scots. What to know how they made out? Ask one of the participants.

Do YOU want to be one of the participants? The annual Chapman Regatta is being held June 4 and 5 at LBYC. See John Burke, team captain and get involved.

TED THOMAS

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS ARE NEW

Things have slowed down a good bit since April. However, we had a good month with the new members supporting their Club along with a lot of our regulars. Please welcome our new members and make them feel at home. We have a reputation of having the friendliest Club on the Coast. To all the new members, welcome. Come and enjoy your Club. We are open for suggestions to help make your visits as pleasant as possible.

Because a buffet has become quite costly and is not profitable due to low attendance, we must find other ways to offer you the same meals but at less cost. Beginning June 3rd, we will serve a one entree' meal which will include a potato, salad, veggie, soup, dessert, coffee, and tea. See the calendar for the June entrees'.

HOWARD MAYS

POWER BOAT COMMITTEE

We had a great turnout for the BEER & WIENERS on Cat Island. Everyone who went had a wonderful time. The weather was perfect, the mosquitos stayed away, and there was plenty of hot dogs and cold drinks for everyone.

The next Power Boat function will be the CAT ISLAND RENDEZVOUS scheduled for October 1 and 2. See you then.

CHARLIE BATES

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

The fantastic success of the recent membership drive was due primarily to the fact that a lot of our members turned in names of people to invite to the membership party. We are tentatively planning to have another membership drive in September, if we can come up with the names of enough people to invite. Please start now, right this very minute, and write down the names and addresses of people you know that we can invite as prospective members. Turn in your list to the bar so that we can get them entered into our database.

The persons named below have applied for membership in the Long Beach Yacht Club. Their application will be presented to the Board for approval in June 8, 1994:

Don and Gloria Ginn
515 Country Club Drive
Picayune, MS 39466

DON EVANS

LADIES AUXILIARY

The LBYC Ladies Auxiliary held its monthly meeting on May 17 at the Club. Hostesses Ethel Lawshe and Louise Rector decorated the tables with pots of impatiens and Japanese umbrellas. Lovely!

Scott Dubuisson of the Long Beach Fire Department and Dive Team was our guest speaker. He explained the services offered by his Department and the Dive Team.

The Auxiliary decided to sponsor Bunco Night on October 18 to raise money for its annual Day Out for the Ladies.

Lucky Lady was Catherine Woodward. Door prizes were won by Stephanie Bass, Maxine Batey, Pat Aborn, Jean Ann Swenson, Glee Simmins, Phyllis Roberson, Gloria Webb, Catherine Woodward, Jeanne Marietta, and Merle Hammack.

Phyllis Roberson