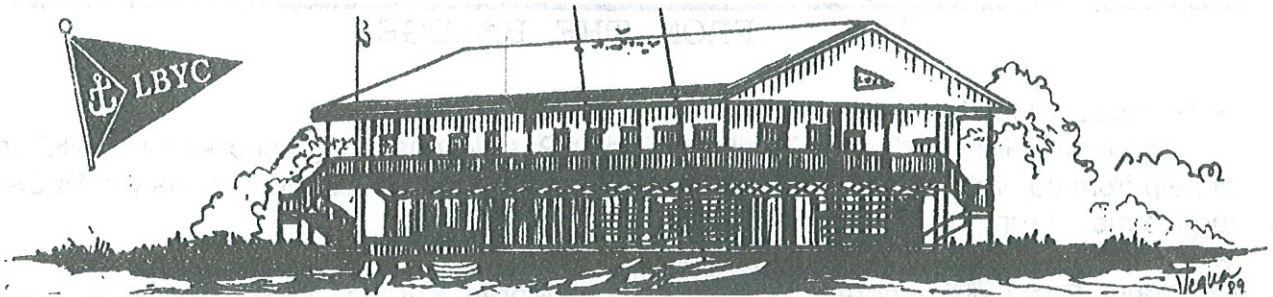


The Captain's Log



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Flag Officers		Board of Governors		Ex-Officio
COMMODORE.....	Bill Caraway	<u>One Year</u>	<u>Two Years</u>	Treasurer..... Vacant
Vice Commodore.....	Martin Jones	Joe Fleming	Tom Steen	Fleet Surgeon..... Dr. David V. Larosa Jr.
Rear Commodore.....	Glenn Bohne	Karen Hoselle	Ron Irby	Auxiliary President..... June Wiggins
Fleet Captain.....	Margarite Hess	Ron Koenenn	Gary Smith	Newsletter Editor..... Joe Fleming
Past Commodore.....	Bo Clarke	Julie Noble	June Wiggins	Secretary..... Debi Fleming

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MARCH 2003						1
2	3 Flag Officers 7:00 PM	4 HAPPY MARDI GRAS	5	6 "Grill your own" 4-7 Happy Hour	7 Relaxed Dining 6-9 PM	8 Karaoke 7:30 PM
9	10 Board of Governors 7:00 PM	11	12	13 "Grill your own" 4-7 Happy Hour	14 Relaxed Dining 6-9 PM	15
16	17	18 <i>LADIES Auxiliary</i>	19	20 "Grill your own" 4-7 Happy Hour	21 Relaxed Dining 6-9 PM	22 Karaoke 7:30 PM
23	24	25	26	27 "Grill your own" 4-7 Happy Hour	28 OYSTER NIGHT	

FROM THE BRIDGE

Hello Fellow Club Members,

The Mardi Gras Party after The Long Beach Parade was a huge success THANKS to a lot of help from our volunteers and our staff. I'm going to name folks and if I miss you PLEASE forgive me. From the Top: Martin Jones, Vice Commodore, Glenn Bohne, Rear Commodore, Marguerite Hess, Flag Captain, Bo Clarke, Past Commodore, Joe Fleming, Lon Moran, Karen Hoselle, Julie Noble, Tom Steen, Ron Irby, June Wiggins, Peggie Ann Murray, Lisa Moran (Lisa spent all day in the Kitchen), Cathy Jones, Cindy Epperson, Dottie Persons, Howard & Sally Kapp, Yvonne & Frank Smith, Mel & Jeanne Marietta, Sue & John Hover, Shirley Delmas. I know I missed some and I'm sorry. The point is folks this was an "ALL HANDS EVOLUTION" as we used to say. People came out of the woodwork and it was GREAT. If you missed it you missed a lot of fun. And to make it even better we made some money for the Club. Preliminary figures indicate a net profit of a low four figure amount. Thanks again for a job well done.

A special THANKS to Martin Jones and Howard Kapp who have added building modifications to enhance security at the Club.

Membership Renewals for this year were below 50% at the 15th of February, when members became delinquent. Several Members have declined to renew, but most non renewals have given no indication. Some may not have understood the Membership Renewal form sent out with The January Newsletter. Consequently the March statement of those members will reflect a charge for 2003 Membership using the adjusted amount of the membership plan selected in 2002.

Spring weather seems just around the corner with our outdoor activities soon to follow. For me I'm looking forward to sailing again.

**BILL CARAWAY
Commodore 2003**



KREWE OF BELLS AND BUOYS

Congratulations to us!!!!!! We had a very successful weekend - two parades and two First Place Awards. We received a winner's plaque plus a great party at Montanas from Orange Grove and a beautiful 1st Place Trophy from Long Beach. It doesn't get much better than that - even tho' we had a little tire trouble in Long Beach and didn't get to finish the parade - but we won anyway. Check out the trophy case at the Club to see our newest additions. Incidentally, we are running out of room in that case.

We appreciate the Commodore making us feel so important at the Mardi Gras Party and for all the congratulations we received from you Club members. It's fun being a winner! A special thanks to Howard Kapp and Ricky - our fearless drivers. They are super-special to put up with our crazy bunch.

We would also like to thank the Club members who donated a box of recycled beads to us. We raffled them off to Krewe members and added some much needed funds to our treasury. If any of you would like to get rid of this year's beads and throws, please leave them at the Club for us - we will put a box in the bar area. Thanks.

As usual, we invite Club members to join our Krewe. If you are interested, call us for details.

**John and Sue Hover 864-9383
Mel and Jeanne Marietta 868-3459**

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

We welcome the following member who was voted in at the regular meeting of the Board of Governors on 10 February 2003: Marilyn Taylor.

The following person has applied for membership in the Long Beach Yacht Club. His application will be presented to the Board of Governors at their meeting on 10 March 2003:

Emil Piolet (Non-Resident)
319 West Front St.
Erie, PA 16507

Sponsor: Richard W. Little

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LADIES AUXILIARY

On Feb. 17th the Ladies Auxiliary held their traditional "Meet the Board" evening. Wine cheese, lasagna (made by Holly Murray and delicious), salad and cheesecake were on the menu. Commodore Bill Caraway introduced the board members and outlined his plans for the coming year.

The Auxiliary, in its business meeting, made plans to help with the Mardi Gras party and other upcoming events. Members also signed up to hostess monthly meetings. Two Bunco fundraisers are planned in April and October.

Past Commodore Bo Clark won the Lucky Lady drawing. Marguarite Hess, Julie Noble, Merle Hammack, Catherine Woodward and Martin Jones won door prizes.

MERLE HAMMACK
Secretary



FLEET CAPTAIN

Hello sailors and interested others. Just to play a little catch up for the year I'd like to offer my belated thanks to June Wiggins and Howard Kapp for attending the annual GYA (Gulf Yachting Assoc.) conference in Alabama. This conference offers information to GYA member clubs such as club operations and racing schedules.

Plans are currently in the making to obtain more knowledgeable assistance in getting our three racing boats up to par and ready for the year. The first event we have plans to participate in will be the GYA Opening Regatta. The Opening will be held at the Mobile Yacht Club the weekend of May 3rd and 4th. That's not very far away and we have lots of work to do. Anyone (and I do mean anyone) who is interested in sailing for the Club this year should contact myself or June Wiggins. Even if you've never sailed before we'd like to hear from you. Also remember that regattas are not just for sailors. Members can often enjoy special dinners and parties held during the weekend of a regatta. Spectator boats are also a good time and if you don't have a boat of your own many times others will offer you a ride.

Be sure to check next months newsletter for information on summer sailing lessons. Well, safe boating for everyone and how about some good sailing weather.

MARGUARITE HESS

VICE COMMODORE

On the next visit to your Club, please check out the bulletin board outside the office for photos of the Commodore's Ball. Be sure and express your thanks Grace Lebo for the wonderful photography.

The Super Bowl party at your Club was more of a food fest than it was just watching a football game. There were vast quantities and a wide variety of good things to eat. Thanks to all who brought food and participated in the festivities. Glenn Bohne, your Rear Commodore, and Peggie Ann Murray, your House Committee Chairperson, know how to team up and put on a party. Does anybody remember who won the Super Bowl?

On Valentines Day, the Magnolia Room hosted a romantic evening with soft music, pink, red and white decorations, freshly cut flowers on each table glimmering in the candlelight and of course a special menu featuring meals for two. It was such a success you might look for a repeat next year.

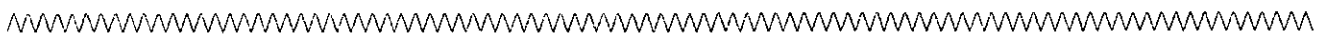
The Ladies Auxiliary had a meet the Commodore, Flag Officers and Board of Governors meeting on February 17. They as usual out did themselves with excellent food and drink. There was a variety of wine and cheeses before the meal. The main dish was lasagna that was especially prepared for the meeting by Past Commodore Holly Murray. Thanks to June Wiggins the President of the Ladies Auxilliary for coordinating the event and thanks to the members of the Ladies Auxiliary for having the Commodore, Flag Officers and Board of Governors as their guests.

The band for your party after the Long Beach Mardi Gras Parade was "The Relative Unknown". We hope they don't get too famous too soon so we can afford to have them back. They kept the partiers on the lower deck on their feet and dancing all afternoon and into early evening. Hot dogs, Hamburgers and of course Red Beans and Rice were the fare for the day and seemed to be very popular with our members and guests. The Sea Breeze lounge stayed busy with revelers visiting and enjoying the company of a large crowd. The Krewe of Bells and Buoys once again came home with a trophy for their float in the Long Beach parade. Their hard work pays off almost every year. Congratulations Krewe! The party would not have been successful with out the assistance of a lot of volunteers and some hard working staff. Thanks to all who participated by coming to the party, working before, during or after the party. That Glenn Bohne knows how to pass a good time. (Entertainment chairman, Beans and Band).

If you missed out on some of the activities of the Club this year, there are more events in the planning stages. Rumor has it that Tonda is doing her topless thing again in March. Look for the announcement elsewhere in the newsletter.

The Commodore wants to put more emphasis this year on the sailing program. If you or anyone you know has an interest in sailing lessons, please contact the Commodore or the Fleet Captain so they can gauge the level of interest and make plans accordingly.

MARTIN JONES



HOUSE COMMITTEE

Ahoy Mates,

WOW!! What a great month February was. We started out with a Jam of a good time with Karaoke. Then we romanced our way into a Super Valentine's Dinner Party. The food was excellent & the service was superb. We had a very nice and enjoyable meeting with the Auxiliary with June Wiggins as our host to meet the New Commodore and Board. The meal was Great thanks to Past Commodore Holly Murray for the delicious lasagna. And last but definitely not least we rolled into a wonderful fun Mardi Gras Party. Attended by 400 to 500 people. Half