



# THE CAPTAIN'S LOG

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SUN 2 PM>6 PM	MON 7PM>Half	TUE Closed	WED Closed	THU 4 PM >9 PM	FRI 4 PM >8 PM	SAT 4 PM >8PM
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DECEMBER		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 Monday Night Football 7:00 p.	8	9	10 Grill Your Own \$5.00 Set Up	11 Hamburgers & Hot Dogs	12 Private Party
13 Private Party	14 Monday Night Football 7:00 p.	15	16	17 Grill Your Own \$5.00 Set Up	18 Hamburgers & Hot Dogs	19 Club Christmas Party 6:30 P
20	21 Monday Night Football 7:00 p.	22	23	24 Club Closed	25 Merry Christmas Club Closed	26
27	28 Monday Night Football 7:00 p	29	30	31 New Year's Eve Party	<b>2009</b>	

Flag Officers		Board of Governors		Ex-Officio
		One Year	Two Years	
COMMODORE.....	Shelda Jones	Bill Caraway	Lawrence Simpson	Fleet Surgeon.....Dr. David V. Larosa
Vice Commodore.....	Julie Noble	Dana Burke	Patti Steagall	Fleet Chaplain..... George Leonard
Rear Commodore.....	Tom Stokes	Dick Urban	James Hancock	Auxiliary President.....June Wiggins
Fleet Captain.....	Holly Murray	Freddy Welch	Phillip Whitsitt	Newsletter Editor.....Joe Fleming
Past Commodore.....	Shelda Jones			Secretary.....Shirley Steen



Maddy Murray



Khloe Ohliger, Cameron French, Erin Keefer, Logan French, and Lida Muray



Ricky Welch

## **FROM THE BRIDGE**

## **SHELDA JONES, COMMODORE**

Congratulations to our newly elected 2010 Board of Governors, Commodore Julie Noble, Vice Commodore Tom Stokes, Rear Commodore June Wiggins, Fleet Captain Holly Murray and two year board members Ken Price, Glenn Bohne, Charlie Coleman, and Freddie Welch. Continuing their term on the board are James Hancock, Lawrence Simpson, Phillip Whittsett, and Patti Steagall. I know they are dedicated to serving the Long Beach Yacht Club and will continue to keep us relevant to our mission. Thank you to the outgoing members; Dana Burke, Dick Urban, and Bill Caraway. Their devotion and commitment to the success of the club has been exceptional, stupendous, superior....I could go on and on about them. I know they will continue to be involved and support our endeavors. Thank you again.

The 2009 Hurricane season is now over and we are very happy that Ida did not cause any damage along our beautiful Gulf Coast. Ida was a good trial for our hurricane preparedness and many thanks to Dick Urban, Dick Marx, David Fayard, Julie Noble, Holly Murray, Ed Keefer, Howard Kapp, and Charlie and Pattie Coleman for their help and preparation during this time.

Recently, Ken Price, Shirley Brosette, and Ken's family served a wonderful brunch to the Board in appreciation for the success of the club. Thank you!

The brick project is progressing...the bricks have been installed and look amazing. Thank you to Don, Diane, and David Evans who have put many hours into making this project successful. What a wonderful way to put our personal stamp on our club.

June Wiggins, we continue to thank you for the wonderful, fun, and delicious parties that you host for us. The Thanksgiving Pot Luck showcased the wonderful "chefs" of the Long Beach Yacht Club. We really have a lot for which to be thankful.

We recently lost one of our charter members, Lula Bell. We send our condolences to her family. We continue to send get well wishes to several of our members (Susan Woodward and Dixie Huch). △

## **RACE AND SAIL COMMITTEE**

## **ROY BURKE**

With the end of the year approaching I think about what has impacted race and sail since the year began. The biggest event was officially moving into our club building. Now we have a place to gather and socialize that won't float away when the water rises a few feet. I think about the great job Holly Murray did with the youth and one design racing. Thanks Holly! We were quite successful running the GYA 420 championship regatta. Thanks to Tom Stokes and our fleet, LBYC is putting handicap racing back into the Mississippi Sound on a regular basis. Other clubs are certainly taking notice that LBYC truly is a sailing club. Thanks to Julie Noble for providing refreshments at skippers meetings. And last but not least, I would like to thank the commodore, flag officers, board members and all who participated in making this the best yacht club on the Gulf Coast. △

## **FLEET CAPTAIN**

## **HOLLY MURRAY**

In the spirit of this holiday season I would like to tell everyone how thankful I am for all the years that I have been able to help with the youth sailing and for the young people who have touched my life by allowing me to be a part of theirs. I look forward to many more years to come. Thank You.

We have done some sailing since my last newsletter; we competed in the last Capdeville race in Pensacola. A job well done to crew and skippers Lyda Murray, Joey Stokes, and Erin Keefer. We got a chance to put the new boat in the water and see how she sails. Too early to say if she sails better but I will say "we sure looked better sailing in the new boat!". The next weekend Joey Stokes, Tami and Jay Klassman sailed in the GYA Fish Championship. I heard a good time was had by all.

In Nov we enjoyed a Flying Scot day clinic with Buccaneer YC sailor Karl Kleinschrodt, who is an outstanding Flying Scot sailor in the GYA. We learned a lot about the tuning, tips and trimming on the FS with the snug rig. I really believe we will be finishing much better than in past years. I believe the last time LBYC bought a new Flying Scot was in 1982. It is an awesome feeling sailing on a new boat!

As I am preparing for the December newsletter and Thanksgiving Day one of our youngest sailors, Ricky Welch, is preparing to race in the Optimist Mid-Winters. This is his first big race as an opti white fleet sailor! We will keep everyone posted. △

## **BUY A BRICK CAMPAIGN**

## **DON EVANS**

I am happy to report that all the bricks, both engraved and blank, have been installed on the "V.I.P. patio" on the deck. If you wish to purchase a brick, do not delay. While we still have bricks for sale, only a limited number of



absolutely wonderful. (Remember last year with lights on poles and portable heaters - we still had fun!) Have you ever had so many delicious dishes to choose and taste? Thank you to all who contributed and worked so hard. A special thanks to June Wiggins for making this event a success (again & again!). I would also like to thank our bartender/girl everything, Linda, for ALL she does! I hope you all had a good Thanksgiving. I was so blessed to have many of my family members here, local and out of town - we had 36 for dinner. It was absolutely fantastic! We will be having a Christmas Party in December and a New Year's Eve Party. Please remember to check the calendar for all upcoming events and as always, we look forward to seeing you at your club. ☺

## ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

## JUNE WIGGINS

Hi Folks! I can't believe it is December already. We had a great Thanksgiving get together. What wonderful food and fellowship. I know we have some of the best cooks on the coast!. We will be having a Christmas pot luck dinner on December 19th. We will get a chance to sample some more great food. We will also have the "dirty" santa gift exchange which is always great fun. Keep the gifts somewhat tasteful. Gag gifts are funny, but don't make them gross. Also, if you bring children make sure you bring that many kids' gifts. I dont want anyone to be left out. Also, don't forget our wonderful bartender during this holiday season. Have a wonderful Christmas season!

There will be a New Year's Eve party at the club. Freddie and Christy Welch are heading that up. Roy Burke is leading us with the music that night! Come and join the fun! ☺

*LBYC CHRISTMAS PARTY*

*DECEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2009*

*TIME IS 6:30 PM*

*POTLUCK DINNER*

*FOLLOWED BY "DIRTY"*

*SANTA GIFT EXCHANGE*

*The Welch Family*  
***NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY***  
*At Long Beach Yacht Club*

***COME AND JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF  
DANCING AND MERRY MAKING***

***Ring in the NEW YEAR***

***December 31, 2009***

***8pm-til***

***Music by Roy***

***Fireworks by Freddy!!!!***

***We will serve Shrimp Fettuccine  
and Terri's yummy gumbo!***

***Members bring your favorite dish.***

***It's sure to be a BLAST!!***

***Hope to see you there!***

***Christy***

