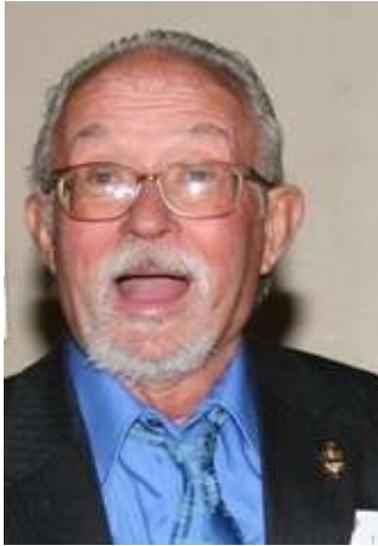




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Officers for 2009: David Grimes Commodore
Bonnie DiMercurio Vice Commodore
Bruce & Jan Cowin Sec. Treas.
Tony DiMercurio Race Chair

Directors for 2009:

Bob Truttman, Lee Högman & Craig Swann.

Spring started last Friday around 6:45 AM and along with the rest of you, I could hardly wait for it to finally get here! This weekend the Marina started digging out the haul out pit, the first in a series of positive events for the 2009 season.

There will be new dog leashes available at the club house and Craig Swann will add some eye bolts to the Tiki Hut for tying the puppies up to. Lee Hogman has volunteered to supply some Foul Weather gear racks for the Ladies and Men's shower rooms when the weather gets nasty so the club house does not get all wet on the floors.

We would like to have a Dock Naming contest this year to get rid of the Lettered dock designations. I think a Nautical Flea market would be helpful to all this spring. The officers have more ideas for this year and are open to any suggestions from our members. Don't forget Customer appreciation day and TYC welcome back is April 18th.

See everyone then,

David Grimes
Commodore

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Next Up
The TYC
Customer
Appreciation
Day &
Welcome
Back Party
April 18th

Sailing Definition:

FREEBOARD:

The obligatory food and liquor provided to the crew and guests by the Skipper

Haul-Out Pit Gets Dug Out!

The barges that were acquired last season were put to good use this past weekend. A Bobcat shovel was rented and used to remove the underwater "berm" that was located just outside the haul-out pit's entrance. Our Marina Manager, Jason Eveland, reports that 3-4 feet of depth was gained and that the ob-



struction should be gone. He sent me this note: "We got several hours of digging done between Saturday and Sunday. I can't give you an exact amount of mud that we pulled out of there but I can tell you the middle area of the barge was completely filled. We kept digging until

we felt the barge would not handle anymore weight. We tried to measure



our success on Monday but it was so windy we could hardly get an accurate estimate as we were using the pontoon and a depth measuring stick we have made. It is hard to know for sure how well it went since it is like digging with a blindfold on but I know we pulled a lot of mud out of there so we have to be better off than when we started. I was able to get into the pit a few feet and in front of the pit a few feet so hopefully we have it cleared out enough now that we can get the keels over the back strap of the Travel Lift which has been our real challenge."

Trailer Your Boat 101

by Craig Swann

Most of us only trailer our boats twice a year, once in the spring out to the lake, and again in the fall, back to home or storage. Because we trailer so infrequently it is even more important for us to pay attention to safety. Overlooking something small can put you, your boat, and others at great risk. Over the years I have assembled a checklist of safety procedures and tips I **follow so that towing my boat doesn't end up in disaster.**



Can you imagine the day this guy is having???

1. Secure the boat to the trailer. Check all chains or straps that hold the boat in place on the trailer.
2. Check the bearings: Make sure the cotter pins that keep the bearing nuts from backing out in place and in good repair. Pump some extra grease in the bearings while you have the caps off or if you have bearing buddies. For long trips, repack the bearings and replace any worn bearings or races.
3. Check and tighten the wheel lug nuts. Trailer lug nuts are notorious for backing out. On long trips check them whenever you stop for gas.
4. Check the coupler to be sure it is properly adjusted and latched to the ball. Be sure to insert the safety pin in the latch.
5. Safety chains: chains should be criss-crossed under the tongue to where they attach to the tow vehicle.



Not the right way to attach the chains, Georgia!

Yes, be sure to use the chains even to drag your boat from the marina to the launch ramp.

You don't want to launch your trailer with the boat.

6. Brakes: (if equipped) Be sure they are hooked up and working properly before you take off.



I'll assume that the owner will add tie-down straps before the trailer is hooked up to the tow vehicle.

7. Tongue extension: (if equipped) Be sure the tongue extension is in its retracted position and all pins or bolts are securely in place.
8. Tires: Be sure the tires (including the spare) are properly inflated and check for dry rot. Trailer tires will usually rot before the tread wears out.
9. Lights: Check to see that all the lights are working properly. Have someone watch the trailer lights while you try each turn signal and apply the brakes.
10. Adjust the mirrors on your tow vehicle so you have a good view of the trailer and the areas on each side of it.

Go over everything one more time before you begin your trip to be sure nothing has been overlooked.

Some precautions to take while towing:

- ✦ Allow more time to brake, accelerate, pass, and stop.
- ✦ Remember the turning radius is also much greater. Curbs and roadside barriers must be given a wide berth when negotiating corners.

Prior to operating on the open road, practice turning, backing up, etc. on a level empty parking area.

Taking the time to go through this list will help insure that you have an easier time towing your boat. No one wants to spend their precious recreational time on the side of the highway with trailer problems, or worse, have the trip turn into a total disaster. Happy trailering!



This is the desired result of trailering your boat to the lake!

Race Deck

2009 TYC Racing Program

by Tony DiMercurio

Greetings, All. We're at the beginning of a new



race season at Tradewinds Yacht Club and it will be a season of change and enjoyment. First of all, thank you for your support in electing me

your new race chair and I promise to bring my very best efforts to insure a successful race program. Secondly, thanks to Dan Sargent for his service during the 2008 racing season. I would like to outline the major changes I propose to bring to our program. I am in the process of writing a permanent program to be passed down to each successive race chair outlining how the race program is to be conducted including PHRF numbers. When this program is completed, it will be subject to the approval of the elected officers. Any future changes to the program must receive approval from the elected officers.

Major portions of this program will be:

1. The Race Chair will report directly to the Secretary/Treasurer of the Club.
2. There will be two series- a spring and a fall series comprised of six races for each series. The races in each series are divided into Saturday and Sunday races to allow those racers who may have to work on a Saturday to qualify their series.
3. Each competitor must start at least four of the six races per season but finish a minimum of three to qualify for the series trophies. (Yes, this allows for one DNF)
4. Each series is independent-no more season championship.
5. Races will continue to cost \$10/race. However, you can pay for an entire series of 6 races by prepaying \$40.00 before the first race saving \$20 per series
6. We will continue to provide a first, second and third place trophy per series.
7. **The TYC Commodore's Cup will remain as is with no changes.**
8. We are returning to the Narraganset Bay

Correction Factors for PHRF number formulation. The other clubs do not use these factors which take into account headsail size, boat keel design, wet or dry sailing, trailer or cradle and rig design.

9. We will not race a spinnaker division. Only one division with one start.

10. The racing program will be open to ALL members of TYC REGARDLESS of type of sailboat. **Multihulls will be PHRF'ed accordingly and be allowed to race with the monohulls.** However, standings may be altered to prevent pure competition between multis and monos in the determination of trophy qualification i.e. separate trophies for multis.

There are other changes in the program but these are the ones that most of us are interested in. After I have completed the first rough draft of this program, I will be reviewing the program with the two past race chairs for their input before submitting the final draft to the Commodore's Staff. **I welcome any and all suggestions** you may have at this time whether you are a racer or a cruiser. I certainly invite all members to enjoy this benefit of club membership and am proud that our club races in friendship and amicable competitive spirit. (No cutthroat racers allowed)

The racing calendar is complete for race dates and you can find this on the TYC Calendar included with this edition of the Dock Lines.

Again, the preparation of a full race program to be passed down through the ages is a daunting task and I welcome your suggestions.

Looking forward to a fun filled racing seasons and see you at the start line.

- Tony DiMercurio

Sail Fleet Commander

TYC Racing Start Sequence

Time	Raise Flag	Lower Flag	Sound
10 min approx	*Q* 		None
6 min		*Q* 	None
5 min	One 		Start Stopwatches/Single Horn 
4 min	*P* 		Single Horn 
1 min		*P* 	Single Horn 
0 min START		1* 	Single Horn or Cannon  

Winter Gala Recap

by Lee Högman

The TYC Winter Gala was another huge success this past January for club members and

guests. Held at Andre's in south St. Louis, and with the weather actually pretty nice for January, everyone had a great time. We had several new TYC members and several guests from CYC visiting as well. The food was excellent again, with an open bar for the majority of the evening.

Our new Commodore, Dave Grimes, did double-duty by taking portrait photos of couples and singles as they arrived and had the photos printed out before the event ended, Bruce Cowin assisting with the



Da' Grimey takes the Commodore's Flag!

printing. The changes in TYC Officers and Board of Directors were completed in our annual ritual: I handed over the Commodore's flag to Grimey for this new season and then join Craig Swann and Bob Truttmann on the Board of Directors. Outgoing BOD members



Bonnie accepts her Vice Commodore's Flag

were Jim Mowrey and Bonnie DiMercurio, but Bonnie swaps her position to fly the Vice Commodore's flag for this coming season. Bruce and Jan Cowin keep their positions as Secretary/Treasurer for their second term and Dan Sargent handed over the Sail Fleet Commander/Race Chair duties to Tony DiMercurio. After the



Tony takes over as our Sail Fleet Commander/Race Chair



Dan awards Bruce & Jan the top racing trophy for the 2008 season

change of command, Dan presented several racing awards, with Bruce & Jan Cowin winning the top award for the 2008 Racing Season in addition to a series trophy. Other winners in the two series were Tony DiMercurio, Craig Swann and Bob Howard.

Bob Truttmann presented this year's TYC Member of the Year award to Todd Miller. Todd has been a TYC member since the start of the club and is one of us that is always helping someone out and keeping us all laughing - well maybe not Katherine as she can often be seen just shaking her head, watching Todd (wink!) Todd and Katherine host one of our favorite parties of the season, the TYC Murder Mystery, scheduled for the July 4th weekend this year.



Bob Awards the TYC Member of the Year award to Todd

"Admiral" Miller also shined last season, getting one of his power boats out of the harbor to come to Bob Howard's aid when Bob, Tony and I (with Karen) got caught in a huge blow that blew up as we sailed back from Carlyle Sailing Association, returning from the Leukemia Cup Regatta. Bob's jib sheets got loose and ended up around the boat's prop, making controlling the boat next to impossible in the 50+ mph gusts.

So with our new officers and BOD members in place, we start this 2009 season with plenty of anticipation for another great year on Carlyle Lake, enjoying our best friends at Tradewinds Marina!

I NEED YOUR HELP

We have several things coming up where I will need assistance from our members. The first thing is the TYC Leukemia Fundraising event on May 16th. I will need skippers and their boats to take people out in the morning for 3 hours and another group in the afternoon for 3 hours. See the flyer included in this edition of "Dock Lines". We will need our members to also supply the side dishes for the potluck dinner that evening. The visitors will bring whatever meat they want to grill and their drinks. So if you are able to be a skipper for the day, please let me know as soon as possible.

Please post the flyer for this event anywhere you think might spark some interest. Also please make copies of the flyer to win a ride on a racing boat and write your

name on it so you get credit for each entry you sell. This is sort of like the raffle we had last year except the prize is a ride on one of the big boats at the LCR.

For the Leukemia Cup Regatta on Memorial Day weekend I will again need bakers to bake 3" cookies or 3" square brownies. Please wrap them individually. Also, I need help preparing the lunches at CSA on Saturday morning and Sunday morning. If you are able to help out please let me know what you can do. If you have any questions don't hesitate to contact me. As always your help is appreciated.

Bonnie DiMercurio

Vice Commodore

LCR Committee Member

bdimercurio@sbcglobal.net

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THE 2009 LEUKEMIA CUP REGATTA

Memorial Day Weekend—May 22-24, 2009

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Even if you don't win, you are still a winner. You will be helping a great cause get closer to the cure for blood cancers. Please enter today.

Just fill in the form below and send it to us with your contribution to the address below. Thank you for your support and generosity.

Enter to WIN a ride aboard one of the top racing yachts in the Midwest at Carlyle Lake, IL* during the *Leukemia Cup Regatta* May 22-24, AND help *The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society* win our fight against leukemia, Hodgkin and non-Hodgkin lymphoma and myeloma.

It is a fun, exciting event you will long remember.

Just complete the entry form and send along with a \$10 donation to the address below by 04/15/09 ... *and thank you!*



Name: _____ Tel: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

Check preferred sailing date: May 23 or May 24, 2009

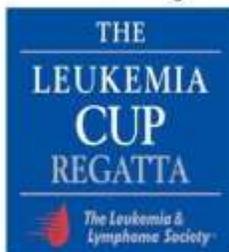
Send with your \$10 donation to: The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, Attn: Vikki Rowe
77 West Port Plaza, St. Louis, MO 63146

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I cannot attend, enclosed is a donation.

Please Respond by April 16, 2008. Thank You.

Please make checks payable to: **The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society**
77 West Port Plaza, Suite 101 * St. Louis, MO 63146

To Fax Advance Reservations, call 878-4050 with Credit Card Information



2009 LEUKEMIA CUP REGISTRATION

Please complete the form **in its entirety** and mail it along with your payment to the address below.

Please make all checks payable to **The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society**.

Must register on or before May 1, 2009 for your boat name to appear on t-shirt apparel.

(please print)

Full Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

() _____

Daytime Phone _____ E-mail Address (required for receipt of personal webpage) _____

Yacht Club Affiliation (Required) _____ Spinnaker Non-Spinnaker

Class/Manufacturer _____ Boat Type _____ # _____
No. of Crew

Sail Number _____ Boat Name _____ Current PHRF Rating _____

REGATTA SAILING REGISTRATION

Check one: Racing Cruising Long Distance Event (1 Day) Not Racing

\$50 For Cabins \$10 For Laser, Sunfish (circle one) \$40 For Dinghies/Multi Hulls (circle one)

* **Shirt Size:** ___ S ___ M ___ L ___ XL ___ XXL @ \$15.00/shirt = \$ _____

*[with each early Registration, the Skipper receives one (1) t-shirt]

FOR SKIPPERS, CREW & OTHER PARTICIPANTS: (Please indicate how many of each)

___ \$7 Saturday Lunch # ___ \$15 Saturday Night Dinner # ___ \$7 Sunday Lunch

Check Enclosed for: \$ _____ Make checks payable to LLS

I'd like to pay my entry fee by credit card. **AMEX / MC / VISA** (circle one)

Card # _____ Exp. Date _____

Sig. Code _____ (last 3-digits in signature area on reverse side of card) Charge Amount \$ _____

Signature _____

I agree to abide by the Racing Rules of Sailing (US) and sailing instructions originated by the host club and/or other rules that govern this event. In consideration of being permitted to enter this event, being knowledgeable of the risks of competitive sailing and knowing that it is my sole responsibility to decide whether to start or continue any race, I voluntarily assume the risk of participation in this event and release the host club, Carlyle Sailing Association, and the people conducting the event, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, from all liability in connections with any injury or damage that may occur.

Signature of Participant _____ Date _____

MAIL TO: The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society/Regatta
77 West Port Plaza, Ste.101 · St. Louis, MO 63146
Questions? Contact: Jeff Shaw email: jeff.shaw@lls.org
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*9 to 12 PM and 1 PM TO 4 PM

YOU WILL NEED TO BRING YOUR DRINKS & SNACKS
SUNSCREEN, TENNIS SHOES OR DECK SHOES
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AFTER YOUR SAILING SESSION YOU WILL RETURN TO THE MARINA WHERE WE WILL HAVE WASHER GAMES SET UP. WE WILL ALSO HAVE A "POKER RUN". A POKER HAND WILL COST \$5. WE WILL HAVE 5 BOATS STATIONED IN THE MARINA WHERE YOU WILL PICK UP EACH OF YOUR 5 POKER CARDS. AT THE SAME TIME YOU WILL BE ABLE TO SEE THE BOATS THAT ARE HANDING OUT THE CARDS. YOU MAY PURCHASE MORE THAN ONE POKER HAND. HOWEVER, YOU MAY NOT COMBINE YOUR HANDS. THE WINNING HAND WILL RECEIVE HALF THE MONEY WE COLLECT FROM SELLING THE POKER HANDS.

THAT EVENING BEGINNING AROUND 5:30 WE WILL HAVE A POTLUCK DINNER. ALL YOU WILL NEED TO BRING IS THE MEAT YOU WANT TO GRILL AND YOUR DRINKS. THE MEMBERS OF TRADEWINDS YACHT CLUB WILL SUPPLY THE CHARCOAL, PAPER PRODUCTS AND SIDE DISHES. PLEASE MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS EARLY (BY 5-1-09) SO WE WILL HAVE ENOUGH BOATS TO ACCOMMODATE YOUR GROUP. YOUR FRIENDS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND. PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECKS FOR \$30 PER PERSON PAYABLE TO: THE LEUKEMIA AND LYMPHOMA SOCIETY (LLS)

SEND YOUR NAME, CHECK & PHONE NUMBER TO:
Indicate your desired sailing session time from above*

BONNIE DiMERCURIO

101 HERITAGE HILLS PLACE

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Please make your check out to LLS





Tradewinds Yacht Club 2009 Schedule

March 14	St. Patrick's Day Lunch Hosted By David Grimes
April 18	Customer Appreciation Day/ Welcome Back Party Hosted By Lynda Chaney
May 9	Spring Race #1
May 16	TYC Leukemia Fund Raiser Hosted By Bonnie Dimercurio
May 17	Spring Race #2
May 22-24	Leukemia Cup Regatta Hosted by CSA
June 6	Spring Race #3
June 13	Tradewinds Cup Race/TYC Cup Dinner Hosts: Bruce & Jan Cowin
June 14	Spring Race #4
June 20	Spring Race #5
June 27	Carlyle Lake Fireworks at the Dam - TYC Raft-Up
July 4	Murder Mystery/Pot Luck Dinner Hosts; Todd & Katherine
July 11	CYC Steak Night by Judd Worley Music by The John Bourgeois Group
July 18	Spring Race#6
July 18	Bunko Party Hosted By Jeff & Cheri Lyne
August 15	Hawaiian Party/Hosts Lisa Dimercurio & Tessa Peterein
August 22	TYC Sails to CYC Party
August 29	Fall Races #1 And #2
Sept. 12	CSA Strawberry Daiquiri Race/Party - This Is A Ladies' Race
Sept. 13	TYC Nomination Meeting
Sept. 19	Fall Race #3
Sept. 19	"Talk Like a Pirate" Party/Hosted By Lee Högman
Sept. 27	Fall Race #4
Oct. 3	Party Hosted By Duane & Peg Siegfried
Oct. 4	Fall Race #5
Oct. 11	Fall Race #6
Oct. 17	CYC Moonlight Race
Oct. 18	TYC Election for 2010 Officers
Oct. 31	Halloween Party/Hosted By Bill Gau & Ellie Leutkemeyer
Jan. 2010	Winter Gala - Date & Location Not Decided

Carlyle Lake Maps | Wildlife | Recreation | Events | Reservations
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Site Navigation

Something for Everyone!

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Lake Level Fishing Information Weather

Carlyle Lake Awarded Corps of Engineers Headquarters Handshake Grant

For the second time in three years, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Carlyle Lake Project has been awarded a \$10,000 grant for proposed work with local partners in support of improvements to biking trails at Carlyle Lake. The Carlyle Lake Project is one of fifteen projects selected nationwide to receive the Challenge Partnership Handshake Grant this year, which is awarded through the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at the headquarters level.

This year's partnership is with the City of Carlyle in support of improvements to existing biking trails including development and printing of a bike trail brochure, production of an outdoor interpretive display on biking opportunities, and placement of signage and markings along the trail.

In 2006, the Carlyle Lake Project received the Handshake Grant for a partnership with the City of Carlyle

TYC Coming Attractions

- TYC Spring Race #1 - May 9th
- LCR Fund Raiser - May 16th
- TYC Spring Race #2 - May 17th
- Leukemia Cup Regatta @ CSA - May 22 - 24

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to resurface a gravel path located in the West Spillway and connect the path with an existing concrete sidewalk adjacent to the General Dean Suspension Bridge area.

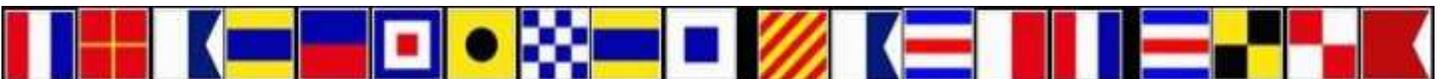
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