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Mobile Yacht Club

Charter Member Gulf Yachting Association

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Kent Snell
Rick Spaulding

Immediate Past Commodore
Joshua Murray

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

The MYC Annual Meeting will be held in the club's dining room
at 7 pm on Tuesday, October 22, 2019.

Light hor d'oeuvres will be served and the bar will be open

The agenda includes nomination of Club Officers. • A proposed revision to the bylaws will be addressed at the meeting to raise the monthly house membership dues from \$65 to \$75.

Nominating Committee Report

The Nominating Committee was chosen by Commodore Mike Reid to select a slate of officers to nominate for the Officer and Board positions for the upcoming year. I was asked to Chair it, and it included Past Commodores Brad Broadus, Semih Kangal, Richard Carpenter and Josh Murray. This Committee met on September 18th and selected the following slate of officers it intends to nominate for office at the Annual Meeting on October 22, 2019.

OFFICERS

Commodore	Julian Bingham
Vice Commodore	Casey Golemon
Rear Commodore	Brian Barnett
Treasurer	Eugene LeVert
Corresponding Sec.	Bill Haffner
Recording Secretary	Randy Wendt

BOARD MEMBERS

Maureen Ollinger Lowe
John O'Brien
Kent Snell
Rick Nelson (new)
Rick Haidt (new)
Gordon Marsh (new)

Officers and Board positions are available to any Active or Life Member in good standing. We would like to know which Members are interested in helping manage the affairs of the Club and serving. We do not always know who may be interested, but suggest you let your intentions be known to the Commodore or other Officers so that you may be considered the next time the Nominating Committee meets. Often the Committee approaches Members based on their active history with the Club and our opinion of their suitability for the Board. Not all members who are active in the Club wish to take on a management role, but we do not know who is unless you speak up. Most often you are selected to serve on the Board first, but from there can be chosen to move up to an Officer position.

The Board meets once a month but does on occasion, call an extra meeting. Committees are formed from within the Board and you may be asked to head or serve on one of those. Most positions require some additional work between meetings, but very few are ever overwhelming. We would like to hear from you if you are interested.

Thank you
Steve Zito
Past Commodore

Vice Commodore's Report

October is here and there are faint puffs of fall coolness around the corner.

Our Capdevielle Viper team participated in the 99th Annual Lipton Cup Regatta over Labor Day weekend in Gulfport. Josh Deupree finished third in the final race to help our team finish 7th out of a 15 boat fleet. Next year will be the 100th Anniversary of this prestigious regatta and it will be sailed at Southern Yacht Club.

A good time was had at the fishing tournament and dingy races. A surprisingly large black drum was caught off the pier. Over 20 anglers were fishing around the clock trying to get on the prize board. Thanks to Christie Turner and Steve Lange for putting on a fun time.

A lot of our sailors competed in Buccaneer Yacht Club's Middle Bay light race and Leukemia Cup races. Buc's ran nice races as always and the sailing conditions were excellent.

Plans are underway for the Norton Brooker Charity Auction, Drawdown and Regatta on October 25th and 26th.

There is a lot of good sailing coming up in October and Dave is always cooking up delicious food so come on down and enjoy your club.

Let's go sailing...
Julian Bingham
Vice Commodore

Welcome New Members:

Matthew S. McLean (Active)
Benjamin D. Posey (Active)
Douglas B. Sharpe (Active)
Bruce Coldsmith (House)
William K. Drew (House)
Paul Gonzalez (House)
Richard B. Nelson (House)
David A. Purvis (House)
John B. Riis (House)
Jerome E. Stuckey, Jr. (House)
Mack Purvis (Junior)
Wayne W. Wilson, IV (Junior)
Lawson Y. Hamil (Junior)
Walter H. Hamil (Junior)

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Dinner, Silent Auction & Calcutta - Friday, October 25	\$5,000 Draw Down Friday, October 25
Regatta, Trophies & Calcutta Prizes - Saturday, October 26	Tickets Available Now

Rear Commodore's Report

Thursday Night Fun Races are winding down. The last one of the year is October 31st and Christie Turner is planning a big Halloween Party for us. Come join the fun before you miss out and have to wait until next year. This is a good time to come down to the club and meet your fellow members and get out on the water. If you would like to go sailing and see what all the fun is about, show up at the club around 5:00 pm and jump on someone's boat and go. All are welcome.

Up next for your Club is the Charity Regatta on October 25th and 26th. This is our big event to give back to our local community. Many members of Mobile Yacht Club have been blessed with good fortune and good health. I would like to encourage all members to come and join us as we raise money for the USA Children's and Women's Medical Center. This year, the focus is on the Pediatric ER Expansion. Over the last several years, the Pediatric ER has taken care of over 40,000 cases every year and they do not have the room to support these numbers. Many in our community have stepped up to help with charitable donations and it is time for us to do our part. Last year, MYC raised \$20,000 to go to Pediatric Diabetes Department and this was a huge support for Children's and Women's. This year we have set the goal to earn \$35,000 and we need your help to do so. The main important factor with the Norton Brooker Charity Regatta is, every dime raised, stays right here in Mobile, AL and goes directly to the cause, not to pay salaries or utility bills.

Friday night, October 25th, starts our charity event. We will have Silent Auctions, Live Auctions, Calcutta Auctions, Raffles and the main event to close the evening will be the \$5,000 Draw Down Winner. Get your tickets now at the bar, any staff member or any Charity Regatta Committee member. Also, there will be plenty of food and beverages for all. Saturday, October 26th, we will have the Regatta out in front of the Yacht Club on our Thursday Night Fun Race Course with awards and Calcutta prizes following the race. Please plan to come and join us to raise money for a good cause.

If you would like more information on any of the upcoming events or would like to volunteer to help, please contact me and I will point you in the right direction.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the club and on the water.

Thank you,
Casey Golemon
Rear Commodore

Waterfront Report

Juniors

Our Junior Members are continuing to practice on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school. They have mainly been working on boat handling skills and starts this month. It's great to watch the new sailors slowly catch up to the more experienced ones.

The weekend of September 28th, we had Reed Carpenter compete in the Wadewitz Regatta in 420's. This is part of the GYA 420 circuit which he is winning. Mack Purvis will be racing in the Optimist Class and some other juniors will be joining the Capdevielle Team on Vipers.

Isabelle Gautier went to PCYC to race in the GYA Laser Championship on September 14th. This was her first Laser Regatta and she received the Sportsmanship award! Way to go Isabelle!

Noah Gautier traveled to Detroit, MI and competed in the Optimist Dinghy National Championship last month where he placed 53rd out of a 169 boat fleet. Noah is 10 years old and competed against kids as old as 15. Noah has only been sailing for 1 year but has worked extra hard with exceptional support from his family. He has been accepted to be a part of a development team called ODP2 which is a part of the United States Optimist Dinghy Association.

These are great achievements by all of our young sailors!



Noah Gautier



Isabelle Gautier

Capdevielle

The team represented us well at the 99th Annual Sir Thomas Lipton Cup at Gulfport Yacht Club over Labor Day weekend finishing in 7th. This is a highly competitive event and our score improved from 9th place last year. The Viper is a very technical boat compared to the Flying Scot and we are starting to figure them out which is bringing us back to the level that we should be competing. We have added a lot of new members to the team and will continue to work hard together to build a solid team with lots of depth.

The team took two boats to the Wadewitz Regatta during the weekend of September 28th with 13 MYC members rotating in and out for different races!

The Fleet

While we have lots of Club or Sailing School boats for member use, these all require maintenance. The Vipers require a little more than the others, one item is the mast. This is made of carbon fiber which requires a clear coat each year to protect it from the sun. We decided that they would be better protected and require less maintenance if they were painted white. One of our members, Darrell Horton, offered to come and paint them for us. We prepped them and he came and sprayed them for us to a beautiful finish at no charge to the club!! Thank you Darrell!

Speaking of the fleet, Kenny Kleinschrodt from BucYC has donated his J22 to the sailing school. This is a great addition to the fleet as it is a true keelboat and will be used for Junior Keelboat Sailing and Adult Sailing introduction. Kenny usually stops in to visit us on Thursday evenings before their weekly meeting so please give him a huge thank you when you see him. Another BucYC member, Scott Peck helped getting the boat delivered to MYC. Thank you Scott!

The Harbor

Somehow the Water Front Report did not get published last month and I apologize for that. It would have stated that we have open 35ft slips available along the bulkhead on the east end of the harbor. If you would like to move down there then please let me know so that I can put you on the list.

Josh Deupree
Waterfront Director

Manager's Notes

What a great month September was here at the club. We kicked off with our fishing rodeo and dinghy race and a great time was had by all, both participants and spectators. We finally hoisted the sails on the deck providing some relief from the sun for you our members to be able to enjoy the fresh air and beautiful views while dining outside.

We had our first monthly Bingo event at the club on Sunday, September 29th. Bingo cards are \$5 each and we only accept cash since this is a fundraiser for the club. Of course drinks and a limited menu are available while you play Bingo. There will be three rounds each time with the 3rd round being a coverall and the winner will get 50% of the money collected. The winners for September were Bo Palmer – bottle of Bogle Petit Syrah wine; Anita Miller – bottle of Intrinsic wine and Will Miller won \$55 for the final round. We will have Bingo each month on the last Sunday starting at 3 pm. Our next one is scheduled for October 27th

Coming up in October, we have a very busy month ahead of ourselves with many members having parties here at the clubhouse including a few weddings. On Wednesday, the 9th, we are having our first Murder Mystery Dinner, the troupe from "Murder Mystery Dinners" is coming to the MYC. Dinner will be a buffet, the actors will be performing and the audience will be the detectives. This event has sold out, but don't worry because since this event sold out so quickly, we are already thinking about adding another one, so please keep an eye open for our 2nd Wednesday of the month events and sign up early.

On Saturday the 12th (weather permitting), and every other Saturday from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm, we will welcome a young gentleman, Matthew, to our deck to perform live acoustic guitar and vocals for your entertainment; so come down grab a cocktail, a bite to eat and unwind with some friends and great music. On October 27th will be our Annual Meeting, where we'll elect our new Commodore for the 2020 year and finally on the 31st (Halloween), we say goodbye to October and we also see the end of our Thursday Night Fun Races for the season. Be sure to bring the kids down for our Trunk or Treat party downstairs where we'll have games, a costume contest, a kid friendly buffet and the kids can gather all the treats they desire in a safe environment. For the adults, we will also have a costume contest upstairs after the fun race is over, so even if you are going sailing, be sure to bring your costume with you.

I strongly urge everyone to start thinking about your holiday parties and to reserve your date as I am getting several dates already booked this month and December is filling up really fast.

I urge everyone to please make reservations as our dining facility only fits so many people and we have had several members show up only to be told that we have no room.

Bon Appetit,
David Twachtman
Chef/Manager

Entertainment Committee

Thank you all for your support in September. Our late night of fishing was fun for everyone involved. I want to thank Steve and Ruby Lange for all their help. I also want to thank the sponsors who donated the great prizes. Special thanks to Bass Pro Shop for their generous donation.

Thank you all for reserving your spots at our Murder Mystery Dinner on October 9th. If you will not be able to attend please cancel at least 2 days prior to the event because we have a waiting list at the bar. For those that did not get signed up before we sold out, you can sign up on the waiting list. We will be planning another Murder Mystery Dinner soon.

Bingo has started!!!! Come join us the last Sunday of each month from 3 pm to 4:30 pm. Boards are \$5.00 each, you don't need markers and you get to win prizes! Who doesn't love BINGO!

MYC is providing a safe place for our little goblins. On October 31st, we will have our annual Trunk or Treat. We will have games, prizes and of course candy. We are still in need of some volunteers so please contact me if you can help. Our last Thursday Night Fun Races for the season is October 31st. After the race we will be having an adult costume contest. Costumes and prizes aren't just for kids.... you silly sailors.

- Oct. 9 Murder Mystery Dinner
- Oct. 27 Bingo at 3 pm
- Oct. 31 Trunk or Treat / Last night of TDFR
- Nov. 2 Commodore's Ball (more info in future email)
- Nov. 13 Holiday Hors D'oeuvres: Cooking Class
- Dec. 11 Champagne Tasting
- Dec. 22 Visit with Santa

We look forward to seeing you at the club.

Christie Turner
Entertainment Chair

Bay Gales

Our next meeting will be Friday, October 25th at 1 p.m. We will be setting up for the Norton Brooker Charity Drawdown which starts at 6 pm that evening. We need all the help we can get so I hope to see everyone at the meeting.

Thank you,
Maureen Lowe



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