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From the Commodore:

Hello to all you anxious sailors!!! Yes, the season is about to begin with the Customer Appreciation Day and Welcome Back Party on Sat., April 24, 2010. Please plan on attending especially if you are new to the marina. It's a great time to meet your dock mates. You should have received a flier either by mail or email. As you can see we are also having a Flea Market that day. So bring all that sailing stuff you don't need and sell it to someone who can use it.

We have a full calendar of activities for May. May 15th will start our social calendar with the Hawaiian Luau party. Please see the enclosed flier for information. Then the LCR is on Memorial Day weekend, Friday evening through Sunday. We really encourage everyone to fundraise for this worthy cause. Everyday you hear of someone you know that has leukemia. This is our 10th year for this fundraiser. Please contact the LLS for information on raising money on your computer. They have made it very simple. You will be amazed at the positive results. We have 5 top fundraiser prizes the first one is \$2000 toward a bareboat charter in the BVI. If you don't want to race then just come up for the Sat. evening party. Dinner will be catered by Popeye's Chop House and the John Bourgeois Group will entertain you with music you can dance to. Please be sure & make dinner reservations for this event. Whether you need mighty winds for your big boat or gentle winds for your smaller boat: May the wind always be your kind of wind.

~ **Bonnie DiMercurio**,
Commodore

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Next Up

*Tradewinds Marina
Customer
Appreciation Day
& Tradewinds
Yacht Club
Welcome Back
Party
April 24th!!!
Sponsored by
Tradewinds Marina
& Hosted by
Lynda Chaney*

Sailing Definition:

Abandon: (1) Wild state a sailor acquires a sailboat
(2) Wild state that a sailor relinquishes that sailboat...

Marina News

Big Changes for the Marina!

There have been many changes at Tradewinds in the past month. We have a new rock wall now on the open slip side that will allow us to double the amount of open slips we currently have and will also protect boats from the wind as they enter and exit the haul out pit. There was also some dredging done on the covered slip side with the mention that there may be more funds in the future for more extensive dredging throughout the marina. One other project still underway is the replacement of the riprap along the levy here by the



Original Harbor in Fall 2003

marina and at the main dam. This project was funded



Expanded Harbor in Spring 2010

by stimulus money and its purpose is to protect the levies in case of a major flood event. We at the marina would like to thank the Corps. of Engineers and the Carlyle Lake Association for their help in the progress made on some of these projects. The season is almost here and we would like to remind everybody to schedule their launches in advance to make things easier and more efficient for everybody. Another season is upon us; let's make it a good one.

Thanks,

Jason Eveland
Tradewinds Marina



START LINE



The 2010 racing season promises to eclipse the 2009 season with increased interest by some of the "ole salt" racers we have seen in the past as well as the upcoming racing stars. There will be very few changes to the program this year. The most important change is the cost of the program to the racers.

This year we will race the same amount of races in the season with six races each for the Spring and Fall series at \$10/race. You must make a minimum of four starts to qualify for a season but I will score only your top three races no matter how many races you complete four, five, or the full six/series. This

year you can pay \$40/series up front and save \$20 if you race all six races or just pay as you go.

To race, you must be a paid up member of TYC by the first start date. Series dates are: Spring series, **June 5th** and for the Fall series, **August 28th**. Each racer must also complete a new race declaration as boat conditions and rigging can change during the winter and also, base PHRF numbers-based on national averages for a given boat class and size-also change.

Finally, don't forget the LCR coming at the end of May at CSA. This is a great race to rattle out the bugs and cobwebs accumulated during winter lay-up. It's a great cause and a great party.

See you at the start line.

~**Tony DiMercurio**

Racing Chairman

Stages of the Marina Expansion

(Photos by Da' Grimey)





Next to the Top



Well it's sailing season once again, and we are already seeing many of our members working hard to get their boats ready. We're looking forward to another season full of fun events, parties, and good

times socializing with everyone. All events and parties have been posted in the Activities section of the TYC web site, as well as posted on the bulletin board at the club house.

Speaking of the bulletin board, the server hardware, which previously hosted the TYC Bulletin Board, failed with an unrecoverable disk drive crash a while back. Since that day we've been working to get another bulletin board going. Recently, Stephen Hollingsworth found a web site that hosts bulletin boards for "free". So, we set one up for TYC, with just about the same type of for-

mat as the old one had. Now, we're trying to get the word out to everyone so that they will know about the new TYC Bulletin Board. It's easy to access at: <http://tradewindsyachtclub.freeforums.org/>, so bookmark this web page, or you can also access it via the Bulletin Board link in the Members section on the TYC web. This current version is "free" however it includes some advertisements which will appear every now and then. Stephen and I are the administrators on this bulletin board, and we're interested to know if you have any problems using the site or suggestions for improvements. If we find that there is a large amount of interest in the bulletin board, we will consider upgrading this bulletin board to a commercial-free site. The upgrade would mean a small reoccurring monthly fee which would be paid by the yacht club, but then there wouldn't be any advertisements. So, please register and begin using it to ask questions, offer suggestions, and share a joke or two.

~ Bruce Cowin
Vice Commodore

Activities: <http://www.tradewindsyachtclub.com/activities.asp?nid=2&title=activities&inc=default>
BBS Link: <http://www.tradewindsyachtclub.com/members.asp?nid=5&title=members&inc=default>



Secretary/Treasurer



Winter is finally over! That's good, because we're ready for a warm breeze, sun and getting back out on the lake! If you haven't sent your membership dues in, then you may not have realized that they were due last month. Whatever the

reason, it's not too late to send in your dues and renew your TYC membership for 2010. If you're renewing your membership and your contact information hasn't changed since last year, feel free to just send us a check without completing the form. If you are a new member, please complete the registration form that can be found on the TYC web site. Please make checks payable to Tradewinds Yacht Club, and mail to us at:

2113 Graystone Drive
St Charles, MO 63303.

What do you get for your membership dues? TYC provided Charcoal and Ice at TYC parties, Postage for mailings, TYC Burgee's for new members, a DJ for the Winter Gala, Jam Session band member expenses, Expenses for TYC parties hosted by members, LCR lunch boxes and other minor expenses. This season we expect to spend money on; Ice, Charcoal, Party expenses and Postage. NEW this year; TYC Membership Cards and Membership to Yachting Club of America. We want your club membership to help provide what you need to have a fun and relaxing time at TYC events. We also want you to be proud of our club. We're very interested to hear any suggestions regarding how you would like to see your dues spent. Put on your thinking caps and write down all of those fabulous ideas. We will be sending out a survey very soon so have that list ready. Is your TYC burgee looking faded and frazzled? We have new burgees available for \$25, just let us know and we'll have one ready for you.

~Jan Cowin
Secretary/Treasurer

TYC's HeartSaver CPR/AED, LCR Fundraiser

Lynda Chaney, EMT-B, NREMT-B, AHAIC and currently an EMT-Paramedic Student will be hosting this year's fundraiser for the Leukemia Cup Regatta. During this fundraiser a course will be given to teach and certify participants to provide a few Basic Life Saving (BLS) skills in an emergency crisis.

These skills will consist of Adult, Child, and Infant CPR (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation), AED (Automated External Defibrillator) and the Abdominal Thrust. These skills are the most important skills that are needed within the first 10 minutes of a crisis.

One thing that is very important with this American Heart Association Certification course is the ability to learn about the AED, it's growing demand, and how to use them. Most of us don't know that they are already being placed in schools, colleges, workout facilities and airports across the nation. Many states and counties are already placing them in some of our schools, including Belleville High School located in Belleville, IL.

This fundraiser is an American Heart Association Certification course that will be held on Saturday, May 1, 2010 and Sunday, May 16, 2010. Both classes held between the hours of 9:00 A.M.- 1:30 P.M. The cost will be 15.00 with your RSVP per person and 50.00 per person the morning of your course, totaling \$65. We will have donuts, coffee and juices before the session and a light lunch after certification. Watch for more information to come by way of email. Flyers will be placed in each clubhouse across the lake. Reserve your seat early as they tend to fill quickly. Don't let an emergency crisis find you unprepared to help your best friend or club member. Those that wish to reserve your seat early may contact Lynda for more information at luv2bsailing2@yahoo.com or call Lynda at 314-775-1264. Recertification's are welcomed too. Help us raise safety awareness across the lake. Proceeds benefit the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

Remove lower portion and mail today to reserve your seat.

TYC's CPR Fundraiser Let's raise safety awareness across the lake.

Circle the day that you wish to attend: May 1, 2010 at 9 a.m.- 1:30 pm
Number of Participants_____ May 16, 2010 at 9 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Send 15.00 per person to: Lynda Chaney Make checks payable to Tradewinds Yacht Club.
617 2nd Street
Keyesport Il. 62253

Name_____

Address_____

City, State and Zip_____

50.00 payable the morning of the event with cash or checks.
Checks must be made out to Tradewinds Yacht Club.



Question: I was coiling my anchor line around my elbow and a guy came up and said don't do it that way. I thanked him and continued to coil the line my way. Who's right?

Answer from Christian Bond, West Marine buyer for line:

The fellow who came up to you is absolutely right.

It's important to keep your lines coiled because they are easier to work with. And, a line that is a big tangled mess is never safe.

The adage "It will never happen to me" is the cause of too many boating accidents and having to untangle "hockles", a real word used to describe knots and tangles in a line, can be the difference between preventing an accident and having an accident. While coiling around the elbow is common, it's not going to allow the twists in the line to be removed - in fact, it's going to create even more hockles.

Three-strand nylon line is where the tangles are most

likely to occur. It is popular because of its strength and ability to stretch, preferred by boaters in tidal areas, and is designed so that all the strands are layed in the same direction. This means the line has to be coiled in a clockwise direction (facing you) and as each coil is added, the line is turned in your hand to maintain the "lay of the strand."



Anchor line can be dragged slowly behind the boat while underway to remove hockles - just be careful about other boats crossing the line and wrapping their props. Another technique commonly seen at a boat ramp (in the preparation area above the ramp, not on the ramp while others are waiting), is to simply drag the line through an open space turning it until the tangles are no longer evident.



**Why
Do They
Do That?**

Get the straight answer on tackling tangles in your line

Did You Know?

By all estimates, more than 7,000 different kinds of knots are in use right now and according to Clifford Ashley who wrote the respected Ashley Book of Knots, more than half that number can be used on boats.

■ On land it's called a "rope" and on a boat it's called a "line." The only exception is the ship's bell which is rung with a rope.

■ If you tie a knot in a line, it's strength is reduced.

Keeping A Fine Line

■ If the line needs a good cleaning, put it in a mesh bag in the washing machine, add regular detergent and let it run through the cycles. Don't put it in the dryer. It will dry in the air just as it does on your boat.

■ Some Trailering Club Members put the line in a five gallon bucket with laundry detergent and let it soak for 24 hours and stirring it occasionally with an available 2X4. Then rinse thoroughly.

■ Wash your lines with fresh water after returning home. Salt water can make an anchor line exceedingly stiff which is why it should be rinsed with fresh water.

■ Length of line needed for docking is determined by boat length. A general rule is bow and stern lines should be 2/3rds the boat length while spring lines should be the same as the boat length.

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What's My Line?

Polypropylene: It's brightly colored and it floats. The downside is it is subject to UV rays and will become brittle and fall apart faster than other lines.

Nylon Three Strand - This is the most popular kind of line used on a boat because it holds up well to weather, is strong and coils easily. Three strand is laid left or right and you can tell which you have by holding the line at arm's length. Right laid line,

also called a "Z lay", is identified because of the twists follow the middle of the letter "Z". A left laid line or "S lay" is identified by the twists that mimic the middle of the letter "S."

Nylon Braid - Usually this is a single or a double braid around a central core. Unlike three strand, braided line doesn't stretch as much but is very strong. It is used if the line has to go through a block on the boat.



Coiling a line can be done in four steps: (1) Wrap the line over your hand in a clockwise direction. (2) With a few yards remaining, tightly wrap the coiled line a few times as shown. (3) Make a loop with the remaining line, pass the loop through the coil and (4) slide it over the top and around the coil and tighten.

V Across the Board

Notice: Theresa Hollingsworth has resigned her position as Vice -Commodore. Pursuant to the TYC by-laws, the Board of Directors has elected to place Bruce Cowin in the position of Vice-Commodore for the remainder of the 2010 term.



2010 Customer Appreciation
Day
Welcome Back
&
Welcome All New Members



Trade Winds Marina in cooperation with Tradewinds Yacht Club have joined forces to send out a warm welcome and sincere thank you to all marina patrons

and yacht club members on April 24, 2010 at
Tradewinds Marina Clubhouse in Keyesport IL

Hosted By: Lynda Chaney
Ceremony Begins at 4:00 p.m.

Burgers, bratwursts & dogs, beer, and soda will be provided.

Compliments of Trade Winds Marina.

Please bring a covered dish or dessert to share.

If anyone has musical talent please bring your instrument
for a jam session later in the evening.

We hope all can attend and look forward to sharing
another new season with you.

There will be a "Flea Market" of sailing gear for sale by TYC members during the Season Opener from 11 – 3 PM. All members are welcome to bring items they wish to sell to the clubhouse pavilion, priced, as they deem appropriate, for direct sale at the "Flea Market." Terms and conditions of every sale will be up to the member selling their items. If you would like, you can donate your money from your sales to the LCR.

Hosts: Craig Swann & Lee Högman



TYC Flea Market

Got stuff to swap or sell?
Then sell it at the TYC Flea
Market!!!

April 24th, 11 am - 3 pm

Under the Tiki Hut

Hosted by Craig Swann &
Lee Högman

- Proceeds may be donated to the TYC funds for the LCR
- Conditions of sale will be the responsibility of the owner
- All items to be claimed at the Flea Market end (tables cleared by 3:15pm)

Got questions?

Call Craig (314) 578-0207

or Lee (618) 566-8163

or email: the_water_rat@att.net

or hogies@charter.net

or send carrier pigeon, pony express
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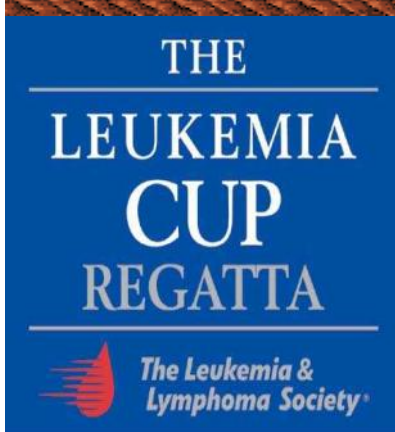
Fighting Blood-Related Cancers

The Launch Party for this year's Leukemia Cup Regatta was held on Tuesday,

April 13, 2010, and if you missed it, you missed one of the best. It was held at the Top of the Met. Beautiful views of both the Eastern and Western skies. The Met provided a great array of hors d'oeuvres; fruit and cheese platters, portabella tarts, meatballs, ravioli. And of course everything was fabulous. Our speakers, yes we had 2, were Gary Jobson and Anna Tunnacliffe. Gary, as usual, did a fabulous job of entertaining us with his tales and videos. He had spectacular America's Cup videos as well as a number of Anna's races. Anna was the Gold Medallist for the United States in the Laser sailing class at the Olympic Games in China. She is an amazing young woman. One of her goals now is to race on an America's Cup boat. Gary is doing well. He is in remission from the leukemia. And he was our "honored patient" at this event. Who better than the National Chairman for this fundraiser? The attendance was terrific with approximately 120 people. And we thank Marcus Raichle for his generous donation of covering the cost of this entire event. So all the money we collected went directly to the LLS.

Thanks for your support!

~ *Bonnie DiMercurio,*
TYC LCR Representative



LCR Program Book Ads

Please solicit businesses for ads for our *LCR Program Book*. You can increase your individual fundraising total just by selling ads.

Prices are:

\$300 for whole page

\$200 for 1/2 page

\$50 for business card

- Ads must be "print quality" and not "web quality". They must have a resolution of 200 – 300 pixels per inch at print size.

- Ads need to be paid for and submitted by **monday, may 10, 2010**.

Make checks out to **LLS**. Please submit ads to **Vikki Rowe** at the LLS office:

LLS

77 West Port Plaza, Suite 101

St. Louis, MO 63146

Or email it to her at: **Vikki.rowe@lls.org**

If you have any questions, please call Vikki at the LLS office at
(314) 878-0780.

TYC LUAU

Bring the Island flavor to Tradewinds Marina!!

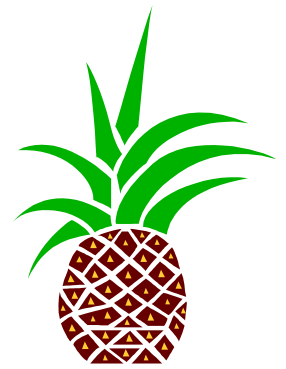
May 15, 2010 at 4:30 PM

We'd like everyone to wear Hawaiian-themed costumes. There will be prizes for the best costume, best appetizer and best drink. The prizes will be awarded based on how "beachy" the appetizer and drink are presented. (That's right! It's all about the look!!



Not about the TASTE! Remember this when you vote!)

Because it's all about the presentation, we ask that everyone who wants to participate have their appetizer and drink ready for presentation at 4:30 so everyone can SEE your hard work before its devoured. =)



This will be a potluck dinner. So please bring your main entree to grill. The fires will be ready at 5:30 and dinner will be served at 6 PM. Also please bring a side dish to share. After dinner there will be a bonfire and music.

Thanks so much from your hosts: Lisa DiMercurio & Tessa Peterein.
Any questions please call Lisa at 314.488.1825



Tradewinds Yacht Club



2010 EVENTS SCHEDULE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Hosts/Sponsor</u>
April 24 TH	Season Opener	Lynda Chaney
<i>Sponsored by Trade Winds Marina - Customer Appreciation Day & Flea Market!</i>		
May 15 th	Party ?? (Hawaiian - ?)	Lisa & Tessa
May 28 th -30 th	Leukemia Cup Regatta	Event @ CSA
<i>June 5th</i>	<i>RACE-Spring Series 1</i>	
June 12 th	TYC Cup (paid event)	Need Hosts
<i>June 19th</i>	<i>RACE-Spring Series 2 & 3</i>	
June 26 th	Boat Show / Poker Run	The DiMercurios
July 3 rd	Raft-Up, Fireworks	City of Carlyle
July 10 th	Christmas in July Party	Tony DiMercurio
<i>July 11th</i>	<i>RACE-Spring Series 4 & 5</i>	
July 17 th	Remote Control Boat Day	Steve Hollingsworth
<i>July 24th</i>	<i>RACE-Spring Series 6</i>	
August 7 th	CYC to TYC	Need Hosts
August 21 st	Raft-Up	Need Hosts
<i>August 28th</i>	<i>RACE-Fall Series 1</i>	
<i>September 12th</i>	<i>RACE-Fall Series 2 & 3</i>	
September 18 th	Talk Like a Pirate Party	Lee Högman & Karen Morris
<i>September 25th</i>	<i>RACE-Fall Series 4</i>	
<i>October 2nd</i>	<i>RACE-Fall Series 5 & 6</i>	
October 2 nd	A Night at the Races & Italian Dinner	Theresa "T" Hollingsworth
October 30 th	Halloween Party	Need Hosts Confirmed

The above events will be posted on the TYC website.



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