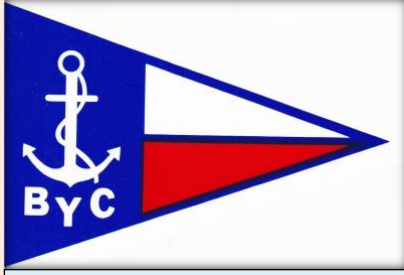


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View from the Quarterdeck

*Phyllis Vaughn,
Commodore 2023*

On Friday, June 2 we will be gathering at 6:00 p.m. in the upstairs room of Frank's Spaghetti House for dinner. It's BYOB but wine glasses will be provided and set ups available for purchase. Hoping for a big turnout like we had for B & J's. That was great fun and Frank's promises to be the same. Watch for members blasts for more upcoming gatherings.

I'm so pleased that the funding has come in for the completion of the Bay Star repairs. We expect her to be back somewhere between the end of June and the middle of July. I can't wait to get back to normal.

Getting back to normal means dinners on the yacht. Please be willing to step up and cook. We are in need of a new Dinner Belle. I'm more than willing to help with this but I do need someone to take the lead. Please contact me if you are willing to help me out.

Pier party after the Blue Angels May 6 air show was a lot of fun and well attended. Ditto for the Hooks baseball game a bunch of BYC members attended on May 26.

Although the Hooks lost (barely), the weather was superb and the fireworks after the game beautiful as usual. Thanks to our Rear Commodore Mary Kay for setting up the event.

The pizza party on June 20 at B&Js was also well attended. Vice Commodore Jim Robertson and Treasurer Walter Crawford gave an update on the Bay Star's shipyard progress. And everyone ate delicious pizza or dinner salad. Good Time. It's not particularly easy to organize club events without the *Bay Star* as a venue. Member participation is what keeps us together and on the same page.

My thanks to everyone for their continued support and patience.



Vice Commodore

Jim Robertson

Bay Star has been at Aransas Marine Ways two months, much longer than any of us would have wished or expected when she left the CC Marina on March 30.

As discussed in the May edition of this newsletter, *Bay Star's* hull required reinforcing with additional steel plate. Cutting, fitting, sandblasting, priming and installing this steel is a work in process thanks to generous contributions to the repair fund by several BYC members. Those contributions enabled Walter Crawford and I to direct the yard to continue work, especially the welders, whom we did not want to lose to other jobs.

As of my last visit to AMW on May 24, all the hull around the waterline and about 50% of the bottom was covered in new steel. Engine maintenance was complete save for installation of new valve cover gaskets (on order), an oil change and correction of a leak in the engine sea water supply piping. Once the bottom steel work is complete, workers will sandblast, prime and paint the hull, install the prop shafts and install about 20 new zincs. She then should be ready to launch. Perhaps by end of June; more likely mid-July.

BYC Merchandise: All club merchandise has been offloaded from the *Bay Star*. It's in Glenda Zednik's possession. Please contact her if you want to purchase a BYC shirt or ball cap.



Cruises

Larry Frank, 2023 Cruise Chair

The Stoners on *Restless* and Franks on *WindSwept* attended the modified two-day long-distance cruise to Mud Island. As it turned out three of the cruisers who were committed to participating had to cancel due to boat mechanical or health related reasons. The destination was changed to Ingleside Cove making it a not so long-distance cruise.

The weather was great for anchoring overnight with relatively comfortable temperatures, low humidity, and NO MOSQUITOES!

The next cruise is scheduled for June 24-25 at Island Moorings Marina. This is a location that all can attend as it is drivable. However, and this is a big consideration, the entrance channel to Island Moorings can be a problem due to frequent shoaling. So, before this location is locked in, I will be investigating the current conditions, including sounding the depth in *WindSwept*.

If Island Moorings is not possible, Ingleside Cove will be the alternate. Bahia Marina and the Sunset Hideaway grill on the Cove are also drivable so land cruisers wanting to participate should save the date and watch for further updates.

Looking to month after next, on the weekend of July 1-2 we're having a "Cruise to the Marina" This will be a show the flag sort of event for BYC boats to anchor behind the breakwater, with BYC burgees flying from signal halyards, for an afternoon and evening of camaraderie, barbeque, boat visiting and advertising the club to passersby. Invite friends who may be interested in joining the club to come along. More on this event later.



Racing

Jim Zelnik

*2023 Principal Race
Officer*

The first of six races for the 2023 BYC Pursuit Series was held Saturday, May 20. Eleven boats have registered for the Series, with nine coming to the starting line. Winds were light and shifting making the race very challenging for the skippers and crew.

The next race in the Series will be held Saturday, June 17. It's not too late to register a boat to compete! To qualify for inclusion in the series results, a boat must compete in five races. Prizes will be awarded after each race for the first place finisher in each class and for the series, trophies to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finishers in each class.

Visit <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/26431> to register.

If you would like to participate as crew on a boat, please contact me, and I'll contact skippers who may have a spot(s) open. Additionally, if there is interest, we may include a non-rated cruising class for those boats that want to sail the course and compete amongst themselves.

See you on the water!

BYC June Events

Every Monday

- 7 p.m. Poker Night Peoples Street Boater's Facility

Saturday June 3

- 6:00 p.m. Dinner at Frank's Spaghetti House, 2724 Leopard Street.

Saturday June 17


- BYC Pursuit Series Race #2

Tuesday June 20

- 6:00 p.m. BOD Meeting, Peoples Street Boater's Facility

Weekend June 25-25

- Cruise Island Moorings Marina or Ingleside Cove.



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