



# Tell Tale

Shreveport Yacht Club Member News

November

2023

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## 2023 Commodore's Ball

*"James Bond"*

*Saturday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>*

*6:00pm - 10:00pm*

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*Complimentary Heavy Hors D'oeuvres*



*Open Bar*



*Live Music!*





# 2023 Cross Lake Combeaux Regatta

Results:

J-22 Class

- First Place – Steven Pracht
- Second Place – Karl Bradley
- Third Place – Wiley Pollard

Portsmouth Class

- First Place – David McCary

Distance Race

- First Place – Karl Bradley sailing a J-22
- Second Place – Wiley Pollard sailing a J-22
- Third Place – Tom Hadel sailing a Catalina 320

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- Donald Hathaway – Commodore
- Brian Fulco – Rear Commodore
- William Bradford – Vice-Commodore
- Jeff Little – Treasurer
- James Coe – Secretary
- Carolyn Prator –Member At Large
- Shelly Wagner – Member at Large
- Danny Aiello – Member at Large

## STAFF

- Rick Hutson – General Manager
- Brian Keller – Assistant Manager
- Scott McCall –Executive Chef
- Mona Smith – Sous Chef
- Kaelyn Hutson – Member Communications

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### Welcome New Members!

David Schmidt, Samuel & Roxana Allen, Richard Nelson,  
 Kelly Crenshaw, Jarrett & Rachael Peters, Victor Kurzweg,  
 Harry & Pam Avant





# Club News

# Manager's Message

## Veterans Day

**Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**11:00 – 1:30 pm**

**The Shreveport Yacht Club is proud to honor  
our veterans.**

**All veterans will receive a complimentary meal!  
Reservations are requested.**

## Employee Christmas Bonus

Dear SYC Member,

This year, as in the past, we are asking you to participate in our Employee Christmas Bonus fund; an expression of gratitude to all the hourly employees who work so hard during the year. This fund gives the entire membership an opportunity to acknowledge the efforts of the staff that is not only visible on a regular basis but also those who work "behind the scenes".

Your December statement will reflect the charge of \$25 for the Employee Christmas fund. If you prefer to give more, less, or none at all, please notify the Club office prior to Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>.

The board of directors wishes you a safe and happy holiday season.

**The Board of Directors of the  
Shreveport Yacht Club**

*What a great time of year! We are getting ready for all of the holiday festivities starting with our highly anticipated wine tastings on the 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. Please make your reservations for this event if you have not done so already as it is sure to fill up. We had a great Combeaux Regatta last month! The weather was almost perfect (a little windy) and all of the races went off without a hitch. Thanks to all involved in coordinating this event! Another big "thank you" to Melissa Lamberth for the fantastic decorations, games and crafts for the Halloween Extravagaza. We had a great turnout for this and it was a lot of fun.*

*Our gingerbread making event for the kids will be this month on the 26<sup>th</sup>. Last year we had a record year as far as attendance so make your reservation early to ensure your child has a gingerbread house to decorate. This year's Commodore's ball is scheduled for December 2<sup>nd</sup>. This is the one event you definitely do not want to miss. Jimmy Wooten will provide the entertainment and I am super confident that the food and bar will be exceptional!*

*The club will be closed on Thanksgiving Day. I hope everyone has the opportunity to spend time with loved ones and give thanks for the many blessings we all have received.*

*Rick Hutson  
General Manager*





## Wine Tastings at SYC!

Please join us as we taste wines to help us update our wine list for the club.

Light Hors D'oeuvres will be served.

\$10.00 per person

Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm

### WHITE WINES

- Benvolio Pinot Grigio (Italy)
- Torresella Pinot Grigio (Italy)
- Santa Margherita Pinot Grigio (Italy)
- Stoneleigh Sauvignon Blanc (New Zealand)
- Le Crema Sonoma Sauvignon Blanc (California)
- San Simeon Sauvignon Blanc (California)
- Cambria Estate Chardonnay (California)
- Sonoma-Cutrer (California)
- Carmel Road Chardonnay (California)



Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm

### RED WINES

- Martin Ray Pinot Noir (California)
- Le Crema Pinot Noir (California)
- Underwood Pinot Noir (Oregon)
- Murphy Goode Merlot (California)
- Decoy Merlot (California)
- Quest Red Blend (California)
- Highlands 41 (California)
- Juggernaut Cabernet Sauvignon (California)
- Bread & Butter Cabernet Sauvignon (California)

## SYC Children's Gingerbread House Party



Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup>

4:00-6:00pm

\$10.00 per child

We will be making gingerbread houses to take home! Snacks, drinks, and gingerbread house kits will be provided.

**RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR A GINGERBREAD HOUSE KIT!**



## Commentary By Capt. Curmudgeon

Sailors are such a superstitious lot. Ask any, and they will tell you why you don't kill an albatross or tell the club's Sous Chef, Mona, that you think her chili is too spicy.

One superstition has it that any mariner who sees the ghost ship called the Flying Dutchman will die within the day. The tale of the Flying Dutchman trying to round the Cape of Good Hope against strong winds and never succeeding, then trying to make Cape Horn and failing there too, has been the most famous of maritime ghost stories for more 300 years. The cursed spectral ship sailing back and forth on its endless voyage, its ancient white-hair crew crying for help while hauling at her sail, inspired Samuel Taylor Coleridge to write his classic "The Rime of the Ancient Mariner," to name but one famous literary work. The real Flying Dutchman is supposed to have set sail in 1660.

Thus it is odd that the symbol of a fouled (rope- or chain-entwined) anchor (which any sailor will tell you is not a good thing) is so prevalent in our Navy's designs. This image has been an insignia for at least 600 years going back to the seal used by the Lord High Admiral of Scotland in the 1400's.

While mainly a traditional heraldic device used in coats of arms and to make something look nautical, one can see the real thing if they just take a stroll on A pier.

Capt. Curmudgeon



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Annual Election Meeting 6:30pm – Dining Room	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Private Event – Dining Room 50 Guests 1:00-4:00 pm <hr style="width: 100%; border: 0.5px solid #003366; margin: 5px 0;"/> Coast Guard Auxiliary Boat Inspections
<b>5</b> Daylight Savings Time Ends	<b>6</b> Clubhouse Closed	<b>7</b> Clubhouse Closed	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> SYC Wine Tasting Event White Wines 6:00-9:00pm – Dining Room <hr style="width: 100%; border: 0.5px solid #003366; margin: 5px 0;"/> Private Event – Downstairs Bar 50 Guests 6:00-9:00 pm	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Veteran's Day  Veterans Eat Free at SYC!
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Clubhouse Closed	<b>14</b> Clubhouse Closed	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> SYC Wine Tasting Event Red Wines 6:00-9:00pm – Dining Room	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Clubhouse Closed	<b>21</b> Clubhouse Closed	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> THANKSGIVING DAY  CLUBHOUSE CLOSED	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b> SYC Kid's Gingerbread House Event	<b>27</b> Clubhouse Closed	<b>28</b> Clubhouse Closed	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> Board of Directors Meeting 6:30pm		