


APRIL LGYC NEWSLETTER

Ahoy Matey's!

With the opening of boating season on April 7th, the club is now beginning to come alive with members ready for warmer weather and fun water activities.

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With boating season around the bend, here is a message from our Commodore, Mike Rogers:

LGYC Membership,

With winter behind us, it is time to get on the lake and enjoy LGYC with our friends. The Bridge, with the support of our Board, has been busy lining up items to accomplish this year, which include cleaning our diesel tanks, building a new fireplace, new roof for the clubhouse, installing party dock slip safety ladders and much more. The party leads are planning Short Creek, Club Appreciation weekend and the Commodore's Party along with trips to Turtle Point Yacht Club and Chattanooga Yacht Club. Boy, looks like April and May will be busy and I truly appreciate all their hard work.

See you at Gossip Hall. Let's bring out the boats!

Mike



Vice Commodore Shane has already sent out an email advising everyone of the upcoming Diesel Fuel pump situation. Below is his earlier message plus one concerning Club Appreciation Day and the replacement of the clubhouse roof:

We have battled the Diesel Fuel slow pumping issue for a few years. At times, it is fine, and then at times, it slows to a crawl. It always seems to be slow during our Labor Day event when out of town boaters need to top off their tanks for their return trip home.

During the week of April 2nd, a company out of Chattanooga will be here to drain the tank, clean, flush lines and treat our fuel. They only expect us not to be able to pump fuel for a few days in the middle of the week, weather permitting, as they must dig to the top of the tank. They think it can be accomplished in one week, unless there are major issues that we cannot foresee, and we will be able to pump fuel on the busy weekends upcoming.

We currently have around 2,000 gallons of Diesel, and we are trying to hold off on another fill up until after this process is completed. **Please let James or Ricky know if you have any need for a large fill up before this date.** We can get a small load if needed, but it costs us a lot more, so we are trying to hold off. Then we should have a good clean tank and fuel, and be ready for Opening Day the following Saturday. We are also implementing adding BIOBOR JF to each load that is delivered to help prevent further problems in the future.

Our Annual Club Appreciation day is fast approaching on April 14th and we want to select a few "SMALL" projects that can be easily accomplished on the Saturday morning:

One that needs attention is the wood edging around the shrubbery area left of the clubhouse needs to be replaced as it is rotten and falling apart.

If you have any other areas that need attention, please feel free to let me know. We want to have FUN in these small projects and not wear ourselves out that day.

2 MAJOR PROJECTS UPCOMING:

1: The Diesel Fuel pump issue will be addressed beginning Monday, April 2nd.

2: The Clubhouse Roof:

We are contracting with a firm to **TOTALLY REPLACE** the roof. Yes, I know what you're thinking. Why can't we get what seems to be a fairly new metal roof to stop leaking? Well, for anyone brave enough to climb the ladder, what we have up there is basically CRAP which is because of the way it was installed originally. There was nothing done correctly in the way it was installed and there is no way to repair it. Emmett Smith provided me with companies that do professional commercial roofs. Two firms were chosen to bid two different types of projects. One was to coat with a new system that schools and commercial buildings use and second for a total roof replacement.

After lots of careful consideration, discussion, meetings and phone calls, both Emmett and I believe the **ONLY** approach to correcting the problem is a total replacement. **AND** much to our surprise, the total replacement was no higher than the coating system. Work should begin later in April, weather permitting, and they believe they can accomplish this replacement in a week. So, as you can see, your Bridge and Board has and always will, try to keep this club and its facilities in the best shape possible.

I appreciate the Board and its support of these two major upcoming projects and we were 100% in agreement to do these.

I also appreciate Emmett and all his valuable help and insight into the roofing project. He and I will be involved until the completion of the project. Your patience and understanding is greatly appreciated as we move forward with these two major projects.

Shane



Fleet Captain Pete recently sent out the Evite for the opening of short creek. Just in case some of you may have missed it, below are the details for that day's festivities:

EVENT: LGYC OPENING AT SHORT CREEK**HOST: LGYC Fleet Captain****WHEN: Saturday, April 7 at 12:00 PM**

"Tis that time of year to polish up the bright work and head to Short Creek to raft up and enjoy the opening of boating season. We will begin with a barbecue pork and chicken lunch at gossip hall at High Noon. After we are done with lunch, the anchor boat, Grand Slam, will head to Short Creek and position herself for the afternoon. The Fleet captain will guide adjoining boats by size to the raft. Please have your radios on and be ready for instructions. Once we are all rafted together, we will meet on the center boats and have a few words from the Commodore. Please bring eco-friendly donations for the water gods, so we can appease them for a bountiful boating season. Bring your own libations and appetizers to share as we plan to spend all afternoon on the hook. Prior to dark, the raft will break up and those planning to return to the club, may do so. Those that wish to remain and spend the night on the water can raft up with the other boats. There will not be dinner or entertainment at the club after the trip to Short Creek. **Cost of the lunch at gossip hall is \$10 per person.**

Be sure and let Fleet Captain Pete know, either by responding to the Evite or calling the club, if you are planning to attend. We hope to have a great opening day!

Turtle Point Yacht & Country Club

Mark your calendars for April 27 – 29th which is the weekend that TPYC will have their annual party. Fleet Captain Pete will be sending out all the information soon surrounding this fun weekend. His email sent out this week asked if anyone is planning to go by boat or car, to please advise him, so he can let TPYC know a tentative number interested in attending.



On March 17th, Jeff Henderson and Brenda McGovern became man & wife and the day couldn't have been any more perfect. Here are a few of the pictures from their wedding:



She "caught" the big one!



Toasting to a full life of running together



Jeff and His "Heart of the Lake"



Chauffeured by Captain Ruddy to their honeymoon destination

Commodore's Party



A recent Save-the-date Evite was sent out to remind everyone of the upcoming Commodore's Party on May 5th. The Official Invitation will be mailed in a couple of weeks as we prepare to welcome in 2018 Commodore, Mike Rogers and his lovely wife, Brenda.

Long Lost LGYC Members



Our Bahamas traveling group has finally made it back stateside and will be on their way home in a few weeks (Gary & Sarah have actually made it home, while their boat remains in Ft Lauderdale for some much needed work). I'm sure they will have plenty of stories to tell about their adventure. We will be happy to see all of them back at LGYC.

Well, that just about covers the news for April. Remember to send any newsworthy items to me throughout the year, so I can keep everyone at the Yacht Club in tune with what is happening with all our members.

Until next time, "Keep Calm and Sail On!"

Gail