



ANCHORLINE



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Tampa Cruis-A-Cade Club, Tampa, Florida

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"Tampa Bay's Premier Family Boating Club"

St. Pete Lunch Cruise

We had terrific weather for our March 7th lunch cruise. Sunny, warm and calm winds. With an easterly wind in the morning and a westerly wind in the afternoon the trip across the bay was smooth sailing. The Tucker (Darren & his Dad), Taylor (Albert & Maria Elena), Tedder (Todd, Jennifer & Nicholas), Benitez (Margo, George, Brittany & Courtney), Cruz (Richard, Alina, Adrian & Mikael) and Howman (Gary & Shelly) boats made the crossing to St. Pete Pier for lunch. We docked at the pier, so it took a little time to get all the lines attached to make sure the boats were secure from wake banging them against the pier while we ate! All together there were seventeen of us for lunch at Cha Cha Coconuts. Lunch was great and we were seated next to the entertainer so we could just call out our requests. After lunch we took a quick look at the sailing ship Bounty which is docked at the pier. General consensus was that with all those sails, that boat has too many lines to deal with! We'll take our powerboats any day! Join us for our next cruise on April 18th to Caladesi Island. See Cruise News & Information for more info on the April cruise.



The Boats
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The Gang
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Elections & Installation Ceremony

Our elections for the new board for 2009-2010 were held at the general meeting on March 2, 2009. Thank you to all the club members who attended. We had a large turnout for the election. The results were: Commodore - Albert Taylor, Vice Commodore - Deanna Johnson, Rear Commodore - Todd Tedder, Secretary - Sandy Johnston, Treasurer - Josie Morejon, Galley Captain - Shelly Howman, 2 year Board members - Richard Cruz, Cheryl Tucker, and Pete Macaluso, 1 year Board member - Terry Dixon (elected to finish Albert Taylor's term). Completing their Board member tenure will be Joe West and Shorty Harville. Tim Lopez will be on the board as Immediate Past Commodore. The change of boards will take effect at the start of new business at April's general meeting. A big Thank You to all who agreed to serve this year and especially to all who served last year. Our board members graciously donate their time to keep the boat club operating for all our members.

The Installation Dinner was held on March 29th. Presiding at the ceremony as Installing Officer was former TCCC Commodore Sharon Hogan. Thank you, Sharon. Thanks also go to Maria-Elena Taylor for organizing the dinner.



From right to left:

- Albert Taylor
- Deanna Johnson
- Todd Tedder
- Josie Morejon
- Sandy Johnston
- Shelly Howman
- Joe West
- Cheryl Tucker

2009 - 2010 Board of Directors

Commodore Albert Taylor, 634-1199
Vice Commodore Deanna Johnson, 876-6138
Rear Commodore Todd Tedder, 633-5493
Secretary Sandy Johnston, 412-4441
Treasurer Josie Morejon, 873-8428
Board Member Joe West, 917-3000
Board Member Shorty Harville, 301-8058
Board Member Terry Dixon, 353-1527
Board Member Richard Cruz, 870-6368
Board Member Cheryl Tucker, 690-3432
Board Member Pete Macaluso, 960-4670
Galley Captain Shelly Howman, 657-9407
Hostess Jennifer Tedder, 633-5493
Immediate Past Commodore . . Tim Lopez, 231-2523

Committee Chairs

The standing committees for 2009-2010 are as follows:

Membership Chairman . Shelly Howman, 657-9407
Rental Chairman Cheryl Tucker, 690-3432
Property Chairman Hector Morejon, 873-8428
Ramps and Docks [Open]
Telephone Tree Diane Arnold, 323-3132
Soda Machine Darren Tucker, 690-3432
Historian/Apparel . . . Maria Elena Taylor, 634-1199
Publicity Sandy Johnston, 412-4441
Webmaster Gary Howman, 657-9407
Legal Liaison Deanna Johnson, 876-6138
Landscape Alina Cruz, 870-6368
Boat Storage/Rental Darren Tucker, 690-3432

New Members

Ahoy and welcome to Ian Rashid & Diane Arnold (February 2009) and Ron & Arlene Alderman (March 2009). We're glad to have you aboard and wish you many years of happy boating at the club.

This has been a great year for membership. We've had the following new members join: Tony & Candy Serrano (May 2008); John & Rhonda Robertson, Joe Martinez, Rick & Sonia Barcena, Sandy & Wayne Johnston, Kevin & Mabel Burns (all July 2008); Bob & Bobbie Davis, Luis Astea, Richard & Alina Cruz (all August 2008); Jason & Ana Rogozinski (September 2008); Tony Romero, Steve & Krissy Saunders (both October 2008). Again, welcome to all.

Invite your friends and neighbors to come along to an event with you and check out the club. We'd like to see this many and more new members every year.

From the Helm of the Commodore

by Albert Taylor, Commodore

My name is Albert Taylor, and I have been given the honor and privilege of being appointed to be your Commodore for the Fiscal Year of 2009-2010. I would like to express my sincere thanks and appreciation for being chosen to undertake this responsibility. I promise you not to take this vote of confidence lightly and I will strive to make this coming year a productive and resourceful one. This year will present many new challenges and opportunities, but again I am very fortunate to have newly elected Flag Officers and Board of Directors that are very positive and optimistic. These members have made a commitment to serve you and improve the general welfare of your club. This commitment will take a great amount of extra time, hard work, and effort on their part. We should all give them a round of thanks, a vote of confidence, and sincere appreciation for what they do.

Our goals for this coming year are very simple. First and foremost will be to meet the needs of our Members. In order to meet this goal, we will need your input and feedback. After all is said and done, this is your Club. You joined for a reason and if we are not meeting your needs, we need to know so that the Board can address these issues. As in many other organizations there will be times when we will disagree with one another, or with issues. All of us know how to get to Main St., we just go a different route. We can agree to disagree without being disagreeable, and yet accomplish the same objectives. We, the Board, want you to feel that your concerns are of great importance to us, and you are encouraged to voice your concerns. You may accomplish this by addressing your concerns with the appropriate Committee Chairperson. If your concern is not properly addressed, you are always welcome to call me to schedule a time to present your point of view, or you can send it in writing to the Board.

In closing, again, Thank-You for the vote of confidence you have given me. In future letters, we will be discussing our other goals and needs for the Club. Just know that we are here for you, but you need to help us help you.

Albert Taylor,
Commodore



Morris Night Dinners

Are you a newer member? Have you heard “old-timers” talk about Morris Nights and wondered what they are? Quite a few years ago one of our members started a weekly Friday night dinner. Different members would take turns cooking a meal. Everyone who ate would donate towards the cost. These dinners provided a fun way for camaraderie amongst club members and to help boost the club treasury. At one time, you had to get to the club early to get a seat at a Morris Night dinner! Eventually Morris Nights evolved into a once a month schedule.

In the past we have had dinners with themes. At our luau we had a limbo contest. At western night we had hobby horse racing. We had a summer beach night with all cool salads to eat. We’ve had chili nights, spaghetti dinners and barbecues. Anything goes with Morris Nights as long as you plan to have a good time. The dinners are a good way for members to get to know each other, a lot of fun and the donations help towards the costs of running the club.

Several members have expressed a desire to have Morris Night dinners on a regular basis again. Please watch for these dinners on the calendar and try to attend. It’s a great way to catch up on club news and help the club while having a good time. If you have a recipe that you would like to share with club members or you have an idea for a theme you would like to see contact our Galley Captain, Shelly Howman.

HOBO Dinner

On Friday, April 17th we will revive the TCCC tradition of a Hobo dinner. The dinner is based on the premise that after paying taxes on April 15th, we are all in the poorhouse ☺. We will be celebrating Hobo style. A hobo stew dinner will be served on tin plates (aluminum foil pans), the “tablecloths” are newspapers, table decorations are tin cans with candles and dead flowers! And everyone is encouraged to wear Hobo clothes. This is always fun evening. There will be a prize for the best hobo outfit. After dinner we will play Bingo. So plan on being lucky. Dinner will be served at 7:00pm. Please RSVP to our Galley Captain so we can plan the appropriate amount of food. We want to make sure we have enough for everyone but not too much!



TCCC is a BoatU.S. Cooperating Group

We’ve Signed On for Another Big Year with BoatU.S.!

The BoatU.S. Cooperating Groups program has proven so popular with members that club officers are renewing our partnership for another year.

BoatU.S. provides a vast range of services, information and savings to recreational boaters, including:

- Members-only discounts and Member Rewards with West Marine equipment purchases
- Discounts on fuel, overnight slips, and repairs at more than 850 marinas nationwide
- BoatU.S. will pay up to \$50 per incident On-The-Water Towing with your basic membership
- Higher-option per incident towing service levels are available up to Unlimited
- Access to high-value, low-cost group-rate boat insurance
- Full year subscription to the award-winning *BoatU.S. Magazine*
- An effective lobby that fights unfair taxes, fees, and government regulations that target boat owners

Because of this special arrangement, you can get 50% off the regular annual dues rate of \$25 when you join BoatU.S. – the nation’s largest Association of recreational boat owners. Your dues are only \$12.50 for the year!

For more information, contact Gary Howman.

If you are renewing your BoatU.S. Membership, be sure to mention our Cooperating Group ID number GA81096B to get the specially reduced rate.

Club officers encourage you to take advantage of this valuable program that is available only to BoatU.S. Cooperating Groups like us!



Nautical Riddle:

Which letter of the alphabet is an island?

(Answer is on the next page.)

National Safe Boating Day

Plans are progressing nicely for our Boat Safety Day on Saturday, May 16th. U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 74 will be present to do free Vessel Safety Exams and pass out info on their boat safety classes. West Marine of Tampa will also be participating. Invitations to join us have been sent to TECO and JPMorgan Dragon Boat Teams, National Safe Boating Wear-It Teams, and other local organizations. The event will include boating safety videos shown during the day, boating safety pamphlets, children's activities centers, free boat safety inspections, and displays from local organizations. We will have a presentation of donated children's life jackets to the Tampa Police Marine Patrol. Invite your boating friends to come to the club and take advantage of the available safety information. The activities will be free. We'll have a lunch available for a nominal fee. So come and make a day of it at the club!

Notes, News, and Other Tidbits of Interest

- Our next workday is on Saturday, April 11th. Arrive when you can. Approximate hours are 9:00am - 1:00pm. Bring a lunch and we'll picnic together after we finish.
- TCCC is a Cooperating Group of BoatU.S. When joining or renewing your membership, use our Group ID # GA81096B to receive a discount on your basic membership fee. Contact Gary for more details.
- If you have not yet sent in your membership renewal it's not too late. Dues paid before May 1st are \$310.30. Please call Josie Morejon to let her know you are mailing your renewal. Don't miss out on all the activities planned for this year!
- Just a reminder. If you misplace your Anchorline, check out our website at www.CruisACade.com for information about the club. The Anchorline is on the website. Also, if you missed a meeting and want to know what's new, call a club officer or board member for details.
- Send submissions for the Anchorline and updates or corrections to the roster to Gary Howman at ghowman@verizon.net.

Sarasota Outboard Club Castaway Island

SOC has invited all TCCC members to their event on May 1-3. Their weekend of Island activities begins Friday with dinner and Texas Hold'Em. Saturday has a breakfast, Corn-Hole Toss tournament and Castaway Party with buffet dinner and live entertainment. Sunday will have a farewell breakfast. SOC has a nice location with a private harbor. It's about a two hour boat cruise from TCCC. There are motels nearby or you can just drive down for the event on Saturday evening. Information is posted at the club or contact Rear Commodore Todd Tedder.



April Birthdays Happy Birthday to all!

1 - Robert Davis	14 - Lynn Dixon
19 - Antonio Serrano	20 - Elaine Macaluso
24 - Crystal Madani	26 - Shorty Harville
30 - Jackie Quinones	30 - Albert Taylor



Join us for Hobo Night Dinner Friday April 17th at 7:00 pm

Answer to Nautical Riddle:

T - you find it in the middle of waTer!

Upcoming Events at Tampa Cruis-A-Cade Club

Tampa Cruis-A-Cade events are always open to the public

April 6, 2009 General Meeting at 7:00 pm. ; Recycling Day
April 11, 2009 Club Work Day. 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Bring a dish for a potluck lunch
April 17, 2009 Hobo Night dinner at the club at 7:00 pm.
April 18 & 19, 2009 Club Cruise. Day/Weekend trip to Caladesi Island. Meet at the club at 8:30 am.
April 27, 2009 Board meeting at 7:00 pm.

May 4, 2009 General Meeting at 7:00 pm.
May 9, 2009 Club Work Day. 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Bring a dish for a potluck lunch
May 16, 2009 National Safe Boating Week Event at the Club.
May 16-22, 2009 National Safe Boating Week
May 18, 2009 Board meeting at 7:00 pm.
May 23-25, 2009 Club Cruise. Memorial Day Weekend cruise.

June 1 2009 General Meeting at 7:00 pm.
June 13, 2009 Club Work Day. 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Bring a dish for a potluck lunch
June 20, 2009 Club Cruise. A day trip up the Alafia River to the spring.
June 29, 2009 Board meeting at 7:00 pm.



Cruise News & Information

Tampa Cruis-A-Cade events are always open to the public
by Todd Tedder, Rear Commodore, 813-633-5493



OUR APRIL CRUISE

April 18 & 19, 2009 - Day or weekend trip to Caladesi Island. We will meet at the club at 8:30 am and tow our boats to the boat ramp at the end of Park Blvd. in Indian Shores. We will have our Captain's Meeting once everyone is there and depart once everyone is in the water, depending on boat traffic at the ramp. **WE ARE NOT LEAVING FROM THE CLUB BY BOAT!!!** The cruise up the intercoastal should take about an hour. When we reach the island there will be club picnic. The club will provide hamburgers and hot dogs. Please bring a dish to share and your own beverages. After lunch you can take advantage of the beautiful island. The beach is rated one of the best in Florida. Or if you are brave enough and have the stamina, you could take a walk on the trails led by TCCC's very own "official tour guide". The highlight of the trail walk is the hidden fresh water hole. It's sometimes so "hidden" that you can't see it when standing in front of it! Seriously, there is a pamphlet (made for an Eagle Scout project) that provides a guide for a trail walk. There is a lot to see as there are several different habitats along the trail. Caladesi's floating docks are very nice and you can spend the night. There are bathrooms but the only showers are the outdoor ones for beach goers. At night there are usually get-togethers along the docks. So if you plan to spend the night bring along some goodies to share and we'll have a TCCC dock party for dinner. For more questions contact the Rear Commodore, Todd Tedder.

May 23-25, 2009 - Cruise to Holiday Inn Sunspree Resort-Marina Cove, St. Petersburg, FL. Call 727-867-1151 to make reservations. Mention TCCC to get negotiated rate of \$129.00 per room. We will cruise to St. Pete on Saturday, May 23rd and cruise home on Monday, May 25th.

June 20, 2009 - A day trip up the Alafia River to the spring.

July 3-5, 2009 - Cruise to Sarasota Hotel & Marina. For slip rental call Steve at 941-373-5790 (slips are on a first come first serve basis. You will need a credit card to reserve.) We will cruise to Sarasota on Friday, July 3rd and cruise home on Sunday, July 5th.

Note: More information will follow closer to cruise dates!



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