



ANCHORLINE



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Tampa Cruis-A-Cade Club, Tampa, Florida

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"Tampa Bay's Premier Family Boating Club"



Gasparilla Is Here!!!

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The standing committees for 2009-2010 are as follows:

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Special Board Meeting

Attention all Board members. We will need to have a meeting this week to address the issue of insurance renewal for the club. Please be alert for a call, voice message or email to confirm the date. Sorry about not having a firm date. Plans are being worked on to get the insurance rep to come to the club one evening between January 4-8 to explain the plan and answer any questions. Please try to make this meeting. It is very important to have enough board members present so we can vote on a decision to purchase new insurance prior to our upcoming activities!

Party Like a Pirate!



It's time to party with the pirates. Tampa will come alive at the end of the month with the start of the annual Gasparilla festivities. Join Tampa Cruis-A-Cade Club as we participate in several of the events.

January 23rd & 24th will be a "get ready" weekend at the club. Both days members will be needed at the clubhouse to decorate for the big Gasparilla Party starting on the 29th. Some will be sprucing up the clubhouse grounds. Some will be hanging banners and flags. Some will be setting up the pirate ship. Some will be decorating inside the club. We'll need a lot of help, so come down to the club to lend a hand. It's a lot of work, but this is always a fun weekend. We'll be taking breaks to celebrate pirate style.

Saturday, January 23rd is the Gasparilla "Piratechnic" Extravaganza. The fireworks show that evening is awesome to watch from the water. Sunday, January 24th will be the Ybor Naval Invasion at noon. This is your chance to throw Cuban bread and get wet!

Friday, January 29th will be the start of our Gasparilla Pirate Party! Gates will open at 10:00am to launch boats and set up campsites. We have some fun activities planned for the afternoon for our early arrivals. Friday evening will be our first dinner and party. While this is not a costume contest night, pirate attire is highly encouraged!

Saturday, January 30th, we'll join in the Invasion in the morning and party hard at the club that evening. Bring friends and neighbors with you to see how pirates party!

TCCC members - remember that our Gasparilla Party is our major fundraising activity for the year. It is very important that we have good attendance at this event. Please try to attend as many functions this weekend as you can and bring guests along. Registration form and information are included in this issue of the Anchorline.

Gasparilla Piratechnic Extravaganza



Saturday, January 23rd, will be the **Gasparilla “Piratechnic” Extravaganza**. Following the Children’s Parade there will be a re-enactment of the Gasparilla battle! It starts with the Air Invasion and then a fireworks battle at sea. The fireworks show is scheduled to start at 7:00pm. We recommend launching from the club while still daylight to navigate the shallow waters. Boats will be anchoring in the waters off Bayshore Boulevard. The Coast Guard will establish a line to anchor behind. Watch for their boats to see the safety area for watching the event.

The battle is complete with fireworks, laser light show, air battle, music, and the Jose Gaspar pirate ship! It’s a great sight to watch from your boat. Especially when anchored up with other boating friends. Join us for this fun event.

See the Gasparilla website for more details.
<http://www.gasparillapiratefest.com>



January Birthdays Happy Birthday to all!

2 - Betty Lee	10 - Anthony Arena
20 - Anita Pissourios	21 - Deanna Johnson
24 - Luis Astea	

Ybor Naval Invasion



Sunday, January 24th, will see the **Ybor Naval Invasion**. The fight will take place from the SS American Victory at Channelside.

The pirates will invade the area by boat. The SS American Victory will attempt to repel the pirates with Cuban bread. They will be attacked by the pirate fleet with water cannons. A wet and soggy time should be had by all.

Gather at the club to launch by 11:00 to get a good spot in the channel. Bring water shooters and bread to join other boaters in the battle.

For details on watching the battle from the SS American Victory see their website (<http://www.americanvictory.org/events.asp>) or call 813-228-8766.

Tides for Gasparilla Weekend

Day	High /Low	Tide Time	Height Feet
Friday			
29	High	12:03 AM	2.8
29	Low	8:31 AM	-1.2
29	High	3:08 PM	1.3
29	Low	7:02 PM	1.0
Saturday			
30	High	1:00 AM	2.8
30	Low	9:09 AM	-1.1
30	High	3:22 PM	1.3
30	Low	8:04 PM	0.7
Sunday			
31	High	1:55 AM	2.7
31	Low	9:44 AM	-0.9
31	High	3:38 PM	1.5
31	Low	9:04 PM	0.5

Gasparilla Frequently Asked Questions

What is Gasparilla?

The Gasparilla Pirate Festival is an annual celebration held each year in late January and hosted by Ye Mystic Krewe of Gasparilla and the City of Tampa. It celebrates the mythical(?) legend of José Gaspar (Gasparilla), supposedly a Spanish pirate captain who operated in Southwest Florida. Local "Krewes" and area organizations join Ye Mystic Kewe to "invade" the city. Ye Mystic Krewe arrives on a 165' long pirate ship, the Jose Gaspar, landing near downtown Tampa escorted by hordes of local boat owners turned pirate for the day. The mayor of Tampa surrenders the key of the city to the pirate captain and a parade follows down Bayshore Boulevard. The krewes throw beads, coins and other items while shooting blank pistols from floats during the parade. During the day, there is a Pirate Fest Street Festival with bands, rides and a midway located downtown.

What happens at TCCC during Gasparilla?

TCCC extends the pirate celebrating with festivities at our clubhouse site. Guests can stay at our docks overnight on the boats. We also have some campsites available for tents and RV's. Friday night we hold a dinner with entertainment. Saturday morning our guests can launch from our ramp to join in the festivities of the invasion. Saturday night we hold a Pirate Costume Ball. We have a catered dinner and entertainment along with prizes and raffles and lots of pirate surprises.

What is the cost of Gasparilla at TCCC?

Guests have the option of a full weekend fee or paying just for the night if they are not staying the weekend. See the registration form on our website for full details.

Why does it cost to leave a boat at the dock?

Because our dock space is limited, we do charge a fee per night/per boat to store your boat in the water at the docks. If you choose, you may park your boat on your trailer at our facility and launch on Saturday morning for no charge. Dock space is assigned on a first come/first served basis to those who have preregistered/prepaid for the event. TCCC members also must register for dock space during Gasparilla weekend.

Does it cost for a campsite if no electricity is being used?

Yes. Again due to limited space and demand for the space, we charge a small fee per night/per space for camping.

What food is available at TCCC during Gasparilla?

We serve a dinner (salad, main course, dessert) both Friday and Saturday night. For guests who are staying for the weekend there is also a continental style breakfast on Saturday and a full cooked breakfast on Sunday. Lunch is not provided. Beverages are BYOB. We will have some beer and pirate grog available for Friday and Saturday night.

Is this a family-friendly event?

Yes. However, we do serve beer and pirate grog and guests may BYOB to our evening events. Our advice is that parents keep a watchful eye on their children and maybe not stay too late. We also do advise our guests that children are present and to adjust their pirate habits accordingly.

When is the deadline to pay for Gasparilla?

We ask that reservations for Gasparilla be paid one week prior to the event to ensure enough food is purchased for the event. If you find that you have missed the deadline, please contact one of the organizers listed on the registration sheets to see if space is still available. We try to accommodate all pirates at our event!

What if I'm not eating but want to come to the party?

Since we want our members who are working the event to enjoy the night also, we ask everyone attending each event to pay the stated price. That way we can keep the work to a minimum and the fun to the maximum. We do try to keep the costs of Gasparilla low for our guests.

How early can I arrive on Friday?

We will have members available to help our guests from 9:00am on Friday. If you plan on arriving before 9:00am, please contact one of the organizers listed on the registration forms to make sure someone will be able to open the gates.

Can we arrive Thursday night?

Unfortunately, no. There will not be anyone available to open the gates to the facility on Thursday.

How late can I stay on Sunday?

We ask our guests to plan on leaving in the early afternoon. Our members will be taking down decorations and cleaning up during the afternoon and early evening. If you find you need to stay late in the day, please contact one of the organizers on the registration sheet to make arrangements ahead of time.



Ahoy Mateys! Tampa Cruis-A-Cade Boat Club Invites ye to Gasparilla 2010 January 29th, 30th, & 31st

Once a year the city gives way to Jose Gaspar and his friends and lets the pirates reign supreme. Join yer fellow pirate brethren as Tampa Bay celebrates all things pirate at the Gasparilla Pirate Fest for 2010. Jose Gaspar and friends will invade Tampa on Saturday, January 30th. The Tampa Cruis-A-Cade pirates will celebrate all weekend searching for Pirate Treasure! Talk, dress, and act like a pirate for the weekend at our boat club. Thar'll be games of chance, booty prizes, and tests of pirate strength to keep ye active throughout the weekend. Arrive on Friday and hang out with the other pirates at the club for festivities or cruise Tampa Bay searchin' for pirate ships. We'll be feastin' and partyin' on Friday evening. After a continental breakfast, our ships will join in the invasion on Saturday morn. Downtown Tampa will host the Parade of Pirates and the Pirate Fest Street Festival. Saturday evening we'll be sharin' the spoils of the day with a true pirate feast. Put on yer best pirate garb for our annual Pirate Costume Dinner & Dance! Thar'll be prizes, raffles, and contests all through the evenin'. Sunday morning we'll have a goodbye breakfast to celebrate bein' a pirate! So dust off your breeches, boots, and scabbards and get ready for a buccaneer-good time! Come for the whole weekend or just for one event and let the pirate in ye come out and play! AARRGH!!

See our Gasparilla FAQ's page and our schedule of events for more information.

This event is open to the public.

A weekend package is available for \$60.00 per person.

Friday and Saturday night dinner and entertainment events are available for \$25.00 per person.

Boat slips and campsites are available to stay for the whole weekend.

See the Registration form for complete pricing details.

More Questions? Contact Registration coordinator Shelly Howman (mhowman@verizon.net or 813-300-0759).

Tampa Cruis-A-Cade Boat Club

Gasparilla 2010 Registration Form

Mail your registration to: Tampa Cruis-A-Cade Club, c/o Shelly Howman, 1503 Carter Oaks Drive, Valrico, FL 33596
 Make check payable to: Tampa Cruis-A-Cade Club

Reserve Early – Space is Limited!

Early Registration Discount!

3 Fun Filled Days, 2 Wild & Crazy Nights!

Captain & Mates' Name (List each attendee & place a check under the appropriate costs)	Children 12& under FREE	All Weekend \$60.00 Per Person	Friday Event \$25.00 Per Person	Saturday Event \$25.00 Per Person	Vehicle Registration	
					Vehicle type	Total cost
					Boat Dock Space (\$10 / night)	
					Camper/RV (\$10 / night)	
					Tent Space (\$10 / night)	

Total amount due: _____

Friday includes: Dinner & Entertainment

Saturday includes: Grog, Costume Contest, Pirate Treasure, Dinner, & Entertainment

Weekend includes: Breakfast Sunday, Dinner & Entertainment Friday & Saturday, Costume Contest, Beer keg, Grog, Door prizes, Pirate Treasure, & other surprises!

Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____ E-mail _____
 Boat Club _____

Name of Boat _____
 Length _____ Beam _____ Staying onboard? Y N
 Camper/RV length _____

**Dock spaces will be assigned. All boaters are required to check-in with our dockmaster before docking.
 Priority will be given to boats needing electric and to those staying onboard.**

For additional information call:
 Deanna Johnson (813-876-6138) or Shelly Howman (813-657-9407)

**THIS REGISTRATION FORM MUST BE RECEIVED BY JANUARY 23rd, 2010 to guarantee these prices.
 At the door prices will be \$30.00 per person per event or \$70.00 per person for the weekend.**

Upcoming Events at Tampa Cruis-A-Cade Club

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

January	4, 2010	General Meeting at 7:00 pm.
January	23, 2010	Gasparilla Extravaganza - Children's Parade 3:30-6:00pm - "Piratechnic" Display 7:00pm
January	24, 2010	Ybor Navy Invasion, 12:00 noon
January	25, 2010	Board meeting at 7:00 pm.
January	29-31, 2010	Gasparilla Weekend - Gasparilla Invasion & Parade on Saturday, Jan. 30 th starting at 11:30am.
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February	1, 2010	General Meeting at 7:00 pm. - Nominations for slate of new officers & board members
February	13, 2010	Club Work Day
February	22, 2010	Board meeting at 7:00 pm.
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March	1, 2010	General Meeting at 7:00 pm. - Annual elections
March	13, 2010	Club Work Day
March	29, 2010	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 JANUARY CRUISE

January 30, 2010- We'll be joining the pirates for the Invasion of Tampa at Gasparilla! We'll have lots of guests for this event. Just a reminder that dock space is on a reservation basis for everyone that weekend. So sign up early to make sure you have a spot for Gasparilla!

February 2010- Stay tuned.

March 2010- Stay tuned.

Note: More information will follow closer to cruise dates!



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