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Tampa Cruis-A-Cade Club, Tampa, Florida

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***"Tampa Bay's Premier Family Boating Club"***

## ***Another Fantastic Gasparilla!!***

Our Gasparilla Weekend Festival was, once again, a rousing success! Boat clubs from near and far joined us for this legendary, pirate-infested, local tradition. There was scrumptious food, boating fun for all, a surprising costume contest, a pool tournament of epic proportions, and, of course, libations fit for the scurviest of pirates and wenches! Mere words cannot do justice to this event, so here are a few of the sights of the weekend. So many thank yous are due to all who helped put this event on that I won't even try to mention them all here...but you know who you are! THANKS!



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### Recycling Project

Recycling Day will be April 6<sup>th</sup>. Start saving your aluminum cans for the boat club. We'd like to try to start the recycling project again. Please bring your cans to the boat club meeting on April 6<sup>th</sup> or drop off bags labeled recycling project at the clubhouse prior to the meeting. We will be taking them to a recycling center to see if we can add a little to the club treasury. This is an easy way to donate a little back to the club and help our environment. Every little bit helps. So save those cans!

### National Safe Boating Week

Mark your calendars now! National Safe Boating Week is May 16-22, 2009. We are planning to celebrate on Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. Our goal is to have a large event where the public has access to a lot of safety information and can also learn about our club. Invitations to join us in this event will be sent to the Coast Guard Auxiliary, West Marine, 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. Plans are to have a presentation of donated children's life jackets to the Tampa Police Marine Patrol. We would also like to serve a lunch and possibly have the bounce house and dunk tank like we did at National Marina Day last year. Since our club budget is limited, we would like to ask our membership for a little help. Our potential expenses are food for the lunch, bounce house and dunk tank, and advertising. There are currently 49 member families on our roster. A \$10 donation each would cover the food and bounce house/dunk tank. \$20 each would give us an advertising budget as well. Please consider how you could help us prepare for this event.

## Vice Commodore's Corner

by Deanna Johnson, Vice Commodore

Thanks to all our wonderful friends, old and new, **Gasparilla** was a great success for us and a little fun along the way. Thanks to all the TCCC members who helped out before, during, after and their donations for the event. Special "Thanks" to Gary and Shelly Howman for all their work beforehand coordinating mailing lists and getting registrations out to everyone and collecting them. Shelly is our official "list lady" and she leaves nothing out. Gasparilla was a breeze by following them and it even gave me play time with our littlest pirate "Nicholas Tedder". The Howman's were unable to physically attend because one of their pride and joys, Geoff, graduated from U.S. Navy basic training that same weekend. They truly were with us in spirit and in lists.

Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup> has been set aside as a **River Clean Up Day** and the TCCC facilities will be open to all participants of this event. There will be coffee and juice at the clubhouse in the morning beginning at 8:00 am and there will be a lunch at Lowry Park at 1:00 pm for those participating. Call me for more details (876-6138). Leave me a message and I will return your call.

April is officially known to us at TCCC as **Hobo Month** and we have our Hobo Dinner on the Friday that follows the 15<sup>th</sup>. I am sure I need not remind anyone it is the day you settle with your Uncle Sam and there isn't very much if anything left. Thus Hobo Night will be Friday, April the 17<sup>th</sup> and something will be served (usually Hobo stew). We are asking our members to please collect aluminum cans, or what have you, that is aluminum during the month of March and bring them to the club at your convenience or to the April 6<sup>th</sup> General Meeting. Contact a Board member with your contribution. There will be a surprise awarded to the one who brings in the most at the Friday night Hobo Dinner.

In May we will be hosting **National Safe Boating Week** (read the Anchorline article for details). We will be asking for donations of hot dogs, buns, drinks or a little something monetary to help us purchase these items. I realize I have been doing some asking in this article but this club belongs to all of us and we all need to do our part in defraying expenses so we can continue to enjoy ourselves here. By the way, a little of your time would also be most gratefully appreciated.

Hope to see you at the club and on the water!

**HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!**

Deanna Johnson, Vice Commodore

## Upcoming Events at Tampa Cruis-A-Cade Club

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

March 2, 2009            General Meeting at 7:00 pm. Club elections.  
March 7, 2009            Cruise to Caladesi Island  
March 14, 2009          Club Work Day. 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Bring a dish for a potluck lunch  
March 30, 2009          Board meeting at 7:00 pm. Open to club members.

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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      Day/Weekend trip to Caladesi Island. Meet at the club at 8:30 am.  
April 27, 2009          Board meeting at 7:00 pm. Open to club members.

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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. Open to club members.  
May 23-25, 2009        Memorial Day Weekend cruise.

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## *Cruise News & Information*

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

### **OUR MARCH CRUISE**

**March 7, 2009** - This will be a day cruise from the boat club to St. Pete Pier for lunch. Captain's Meeting will begin promptly at 9:30 am and we will be departing the club promptly at 10:00 am. All boats must be in the water and ready to depart prior to the Captain's Meeting.

**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!!!**

**May 23-25, 2009** - Memorial Day weekend cruise. More information to come!

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

**July 4, 2009** - Cruise somewhere for **FIREWORKS!!!** Maybe even a weekend trip.



**Note: More information will follow closer to cruise dates!**

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**March Birthdays**  
**Happy Birthday to all!**



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