



## Bridge

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John Stewart, Elected  
Joyce Bedard, Elected  
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## Commodor's Corner

The docks are in...and in record time I might add. Moorings, waterlines and stanchions are probably being put in place as I write this. Some interior and exterior clean-up was started as well. A big thank you to everyone who has helped in any way!

Our newsletter has a new look. Jenn will be giving Nicole a much needed break as she prepares for her upcoming wedding. Congratulations to Matt and Nicole!

There will be new pilings put in place within the next few weeks. You may have also noticed that the large tree and stump have been removed.

Please extend a warm welcome to all of our newest members.

The gas prices have been updated at the pump. Member prices will be discounted the same as last year.

Opening Day is scheduled for Saturday May 18th. The cannon blast at 3:00 p.m. traditionally signals the official start of the Taunton Yacht Club boating season, which is very exciting! Social hour will start at 2:00 followed by the setting off the cannon at 3:00 and the raising of the flags, followed by a second blast of the cannon. There will be a pot luck dinner after the ceremony. After that, just stay and relax with some live music from Frank Sinclair and reconnect with some of the members that you may not have seen since last season. I look forward to seeing all of you that afternoon!

As we prepare for the new season just a recap on a few "housekeeping rules". We are a "dog friendly" club but remember that all dogs must be on a leash and you must submit proof of updated vaccinations in order for your fur baby to enjoy the club too. Also, please be respectful of your fellow members as not everyone is comfortable around dogs. We will be supplying doggy waste bags again this year so please pick up after your pet. I'm still wishing that there was a way to get the geese to do the same!

When using the kitchen, please clean your pots, pans, utensils and the stove if you use it. Basically, leave it as good or better than when you arrived.

There is no smoking in the building ever and Marijuana use is prohibited on TYC property.

Let's have a great boating season and may everyone stay safe, enjoy the beautiful waters and the company of our fellow members.

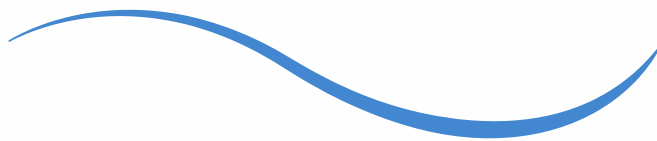
Stay safe and be kind!  
Donna Webster. Commodore

# WELCOME

During the meeting on April 1st, the following memberships were given the green light:

Robert & Virginia Lynch  
Vincent Montgomery & Lisa Botelho  
Gregg & Carol Lindo

If you come across these new faces, take a moment to introduce yourself and extend a warm welcome to our newest TYC members!



TYC is not just a boating club; it's a vibrant social community. Our members are more than just acquaintances – they are our friends. Embark on scenic cruises from the Taunton River to Fall River, Newport, Narragansett Bay, and even beyond to Connecticut. Join us for lively social gatherings that extend from the season well into the winter months. Whether you own a powerboat or a sailboat, everyone is invited to be a part of our club!



## Current Fuel Prices As Of 4/10/2024

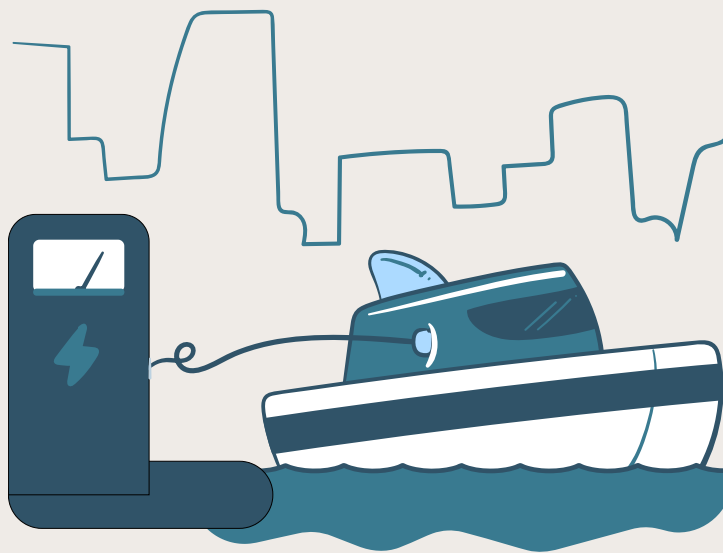
Mid-Grade Gas:  
Member – \$3.95  
Non Member – \$4.60

DIESEL:  
Member -\$3.42

Non Member-\$4.07

Fuel Prices subject to change without notice.  
Price posted at the pump will be charged.

**Federal Law REQUIRES that all persons (except the Captain) exit the boat while being fueled .**



# Reminder

Monthly General Meetings are held on the 1st Monday of each month at 7:30pm

Board Meetings are scheduled for the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:30pm.

- Remember to switch off all lights, including those in the restrooms, when leaving the club.
- Ensure the refrigerator and freezer doors are closed securely.
- Please confirm that the club door is shut upon exiting.
- Gas grills are available for use, but remember to turn them off when you leave.
- When using the fire pit, make sure to properly extinguish the fire at the end of the evening.
- To comply with liquor license regulations, please
- avoid bringing external alcohol into the club.
- Help maintain a clean environment for everyone by cleaning up after yourself.

**Let's cherish and enjoy our club together!**

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The club's maintenance and updates are handled by our members. While several committees have been established to oversee these tasks, they require additional support. If you can assist with any of the upcoming projects, kindly contact the designated committee member.

**Locker Room & Shower Update:**  
Contact Dan Santry or Scott Creesy

**Conex Door Install**  
Contact Dan Santry or Scott Creesy

**Periodic Cleaning**  
Contact Donna Webster

**Do you have photos from club events,  
or boating adventures?**  
Please email to [TYCNewsletter@yahoo.com](mailto:TYCNewsletter@yahoo.com)

Together  
We Can!

## INTERESTING FACT:

“Geologic evidence indicates that 10,000 years ago the landscape of southeastern Massachusetts was covered by ice flows. The retreating glaciers created a large glacial lake that eventually drained to become the Taunton River and its tributaries.”

## FUNNY!

What is it called when one boat follows another too closely? Sail-gating.

## MONTHLY POLL:

What is/are your favorite boating snacks?

Email your response to [TYCNewsletter@yahoo.com](mailto:TYCNewsletter@yahoo.com)

# TYC EVENTS: 2024 SEASON

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- **March 16th** St. Patty's Day Dinner \$
  - **March 24th** Easter Bunny Breakfast \$
  - **April 1-May 5th** Savers Fundraiser
  - **May 4th** Cinco De Mayo \$
  - **May 18th** Opening Day
  - **May 26th** Dinghy Cruise to Taunton Boat Club (John Stewart)
  - **June 8th** Coast Guard Aux Vessel Inspection (Howard Bibeault)
  - **June 22nd** Jimmy Buffet Night
  - **July 5th July 8th** Trip to Mysitic Seaport & Aquarium (Fleet Captain- John Stewart)
  - **July 20th** Annual Poker Run \$
  - **August 17th** Dock Party
  - **September 21st** Chicken Dinner \$
  - **October (date TBD)** Installation Dinner
  - **November 23rd** Turkey Raffle \$
  - **December 15th** Breakfast w/ Santa \$
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REMINDERS: GENERAL MEETINGS ARE THE 1 ST MONDAY EACH MONTH  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS ARE THE 3RD MONDAY OF EACH MONTH  
ADDITIONAL EVENTS & MOVIE NIGHTS TO BE ANNOUNCED

NOTE EVENTS WITH AN \$ ARE FUNDRAISING EVENTS- TICKET FEES APPLY



Fundraiser  
Dates:  
04/01/2024  
-  
05/05/2024

# CLEAN OUT YOUR CLOSETS FOR TAUNTON YACHT CLUB!

## We Are Collecting:

### Clothes:

men's, women's, & children's clothes, coats, shoes, scarves, handbags, wallets, fashion accessories, belts, backpacks, etc.

### Household Textiles:

bedding, comforters, blankets, sheets, towels, linen, tablecloths, curtains, pillows, etc.

### Small Household Goods:

kitchen items (such as pots/pans, dishes, silverware, glasses, serving pieces & hand-held appliances), home decorative items, knick-knacks, toys, games, and small electronics

### Books & Media:

paperback, hard cover - all genres

\*media needs to be boxed separately  
no encyclopedias or text books

Please use bags for clothes & textiles & tightly pack boxes of small household goods. Separate books from household goods & media. All items must be clean & in sellable condition.

. Community Drop off Day: TBD

For our Members, drop off in the club from April 1-May 5th

Contact Scott with any questions or to drop off. 508 287-2048

# TYC OPENING DAY ●

SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2024



2:00 Social Hour

3:00 Firing of the Cannon &  
Raising the Flags

Live Entertainment by  
Frank Sinclair

Pot Luck:  
Bring your favorite  
Dish or Dessert to Share

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**Let's Celebrate the Start  
of Boating Season!**





Taunton Yacht Club Presents

# FAMILY FUN DAY

• Saturday, June 15, 2024  
12pm–1pm Social Hour  
1pm Pot Luck (Bring your Favorite Dish)

Get ready for a day of bonding, making memories, and enjoying a wide range of fun-filled activities. Here's what you can expect:

Bouncy House  
Sack Races  
Corn Hole

Free Raffles  
Hot Dogs  
Pop Corn  
Sundaes

Scavenger Hunt  
Kids Games  
Sno Cones

Good Olde Fashion New England Homemade Pie Contest  
To sign up, contact: Linda Bettencourt at  
[bettencourt68@hotmail.com](mailto:bettencourt68@hotmail.com) or at 508-821-8181



***LET'S BAKE PIES!  
WHO'S WILL WIN?***

## **Old Fashioned Pie Contest**

Make your favorite HOME-MADE pie & enter to win at the TYC Family Fun Day!

**SATURDAY, JUNE 15, 2024**

To sign up, contact: Linda Bettencourt at  
[bettencourt68@hotmail.com](mailto:bettencourt68@hotmail.com) or at 508-821-8181



## From the Fleet Captain:

Please consider joining the Taunton Yacht Club on our cruise to Mystic Seaport in July. We are planning on departing TYC in the early afternoon of Friday July 5, and staying overnight at the club mooring at Dutch Harbor in Jamestown. Club members should raft up and consider joining a pot luck supper, with appropriate libations to salute the sunset.

Saturday I plan on getting underway at first light in order to get through Block Island Sound and the section of Long Island Sound early – hopefully a calm passage. The earlier in the day the less lumpy the seas will be. Tie up at assigned berths at Mystic Seaport Museum Marina.

The marina asks that we not arrive until 12:40, but given the transit time we should be fine.

The transit from Fisher's Island Sound to the museum is a little complex, but should be easy for anyone with their eyes open. It's several miles, twists and turns and is narrow in spots, but it's well marked. Captains – update your charts! There are two draw bridges – the first one you encounter is the railroad bridge which will open whenever you want as long as the train schedule permits. The second is the highway bridge which opens at 40 minutes after the hour, every hour. Both bridges guard VHF Channel 13 – contact them for openings. The transit is almost entirely no-wake speed.

Mystic is a fascinating and beautiful town. Tons of shops and multiple really good restaurants – the main problem is maintaining the waistline. Your slip fee includes admission to the museum. Google themuseum for details.

Make your reservations on Dockwa for Mystic Seaport Museum Marina. I suggest making the reservations now, as you can cancel up to a week or so before at no charge, but if you wait you might find it filled up. When you make your reservations, make a notation “Taunton Yacht Club” cruise so they know to berth us together.

Display your TYC burgee at the forepeak!

I plan on departing on Monday July 8. Those who have to be at work on Monday will leave on Sunday. After leaving, I'm going to Essex for two days, then across Long Island Sound to Port Jefferson for two days then back home on either Friday or Saturday July 12 or 13.  
See you there!



## Editor's Message:

Greetings TYC Members!

Kindly forward any content recommendations for our upcoming newsletters via email before the 10th of each month. The goal is to distribute the newsletter by the 15th of each month. You are welcome to submit photos, interesting facts, and topic suggestions for our members to enjoy. Reach out to me at [TYCNewsletter@yahoo.com](mailto:TYCNewsletter@yahoo.com)

Warm regards,  
Jenn

# memories



# Good Times



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