



# Breezes AND Blows



**Ocean Springs Yacht Club**

**July 2021**

**100 Front Beach Drive  
Ocean Springs, MS 39564**

## Commodore's Report



AHOY OSYC Members New and Old -

It seems the growth we are experiencing has exposed our historic lack of parking to a new level. For the first time since Hurricane Katrina the club is now at full capacity for Class A memberships. Needless to say, we are struggling with the most effective way of managing

this parking dilemma.

First, let me say that parking is first come first served and there is no guarantee with a membership that there will be a parking spot upon arrival at the Club. Added to this are new perspective members who may not have yet received their parking sticker included in the new member packet. On top of the already over capacity parking situation there are our member guests who also anticipate having a place to park.

Since January of this year there have been no less than 82 membership applications that have been accepted, with more applicants every week. Once we reached the 375 Class A membership cap, we began the process of building a waiting list that continues to grow daily.

In my opinion, it is every member's responsibility to not only park in a manner that is mindful of other members but also to inform our guests to please park either on the street or where the bridge users park along Porter Ave. There is additional parking on the other side of Hwy 90 leading to the fishing pier. Access to the Club would then be by walking under the bridge. I'd like to suggest that our younger members consider the older members with mobility issues and park in the OVERFLOW areas.

If you are a member please ensure the vehicle you arrive in has a parking sticker clearly displayed. If you carpool, (highly recommended) and you're arriving in a non-member's vehicle, please park in the OVERFLOW locations. There are approximately 45 legitimate parking spots available so they fill up quickly. These are all good problems to have, and over time I feel we'll learn to adapt to our newfound popularity.

If you're a member, get a sticker from the office ASAP. There should only be member vehicles with stickers in the parking lot. No sticker, please do not park in the parking lot. When the lot is full, it's full, it's as simple as that. Golf carts are asked to park on the lawn please.

It is up to all of us to make these necessary adjustments, especially during our peak summer months. Special events present new challenges. Going forward to ensure everyone's safety and convenience a security guard will be present to help manage any parking issues.

"Fair Winds and Following Seas"  
Your 2021 Commodore  
Timothy Fortney

## 2021 Flag/Corporate Officers:

Commodore – Tim Fortney  
Vice Commodore – Lloyd Hebert  
Rear Commodore – Nicole McClendon  
Fleet Captain - Robbie Holstead  
Secretary – Janie Rayner  
Treasurer – Michael Ramsey

## Board of Governors:

2<sup>nd</sup> Year Board – Mike Tosch  
1<sup>st</sup> Year Board –  
1st Year Board – Kay Lynn Beemon,  
Carroll Kovacevich, & James Van Leer  
Past Commodore – Dr. Joseph Pocreva



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From the Rear Commodore,  
Lloyd Hebert



We are half way through the year already!! I hope that your family is enjoying all of the amenities at the Club. Hot summer days and breezy afternoons are creating picturesque views of the sailboats out on the water more and more.

The pool area and downstairs bar are popular these days. We ask that everyone be courteous when reserving chairs and tables.

I know that the Commodore is elaborating on our current membership waiting list and the ever difficult task of managing the parking at the Club. With everyone's cooperation we can lighten the inconvenience with regards to parking.

A big thank you to all of the staff and crew that made the Commodore's ball for Dr. Joe Pocreva a huge success.

Until I see you at the Club....

Lloyd

For pictures from past events at the OSYC, please visit the OSYC's Facebook page and website:

<https://www.facebook.com/OceanSpringsYachtClub/>

<https://www.osyc.com/>

Remember to check your email for "This Week at the OSYC" for special updates.



2021 Commodore's Ball  
(submitted by T. Fortney)





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From the Fleet Captain, Robbie Holstead  
FleetCaptain@OSYC.com



Happy Summer from  
your Fleet Captain -

The year is now half way  
gone and we have held  
several very successful  
regattas.

Memorial Day weekend,  
the 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Slip to  
Ship Regatta was held  
and 39 boats sailed in  
the event. Saturday the

wind was not the best but all boats completed the  
course and all on the Island had a great time.  
Sunday's "Around Deer" race was much better with  
respect to wind. The club shined, and I thank all of  
our Club staff and all the volunteers who helped to  
make it a very successful event!

Two weeks later we hosted the Hobie 16 North  
American Championships. The wind gods gave the  
participants all they needed and wanted wind-wise.  
There were sailors on 45 boats from 19 states  
participating. This is the first time OSYC has  
hosted this Championship and we put our best foot  
forward! Thanks to the Club staff and our members  
and guests who helped host the spectacular  
event. I would like to thank Krista Vind and  
Michael Mcneir, members of our Club and Hobie  
Division 15 chairs, for their efforts putting this  
together. Our club got nothing but kudos from the  
racers and received local, national and international  
recognition for this wonderful event. Also I would  
like to thank all of you as members for your  
tolerance in hosting this event. The Club was  
packed, so your patience helped our staff get  
through this event that was an honor to host.  
THANK YOU!!!

The Saturday and Sunday following the HCA-NA  
championships we hosted the Mississippi Coast  
Yachting Association's Chapman Regatta. This is  
the oldest team racing event in the country and a  
very prestigious event. Although OSYC did not win,  
we had five teams from coast clubs compete and all  
enjoyed sailing.

Our next event is the Island Hop Regatta over the  
weekend of July 10 - 11 and it should be another  
great event.

Our club boats have been repaired and will be  
ready for members to use this month. This year the  
OSSS is implementing a physical liability contract  
for boat use by members. In the past, if boats were  
damaged while being used, members were not  
responsible for their repair. This is not a practice of  
any yacht club in the US that I can find. So ... the  
contract will be revised to reflect member  
responsibility for damage to boats beyond normal  
wear and tear.

Robbie Holstead  
Fleet Captain

#### Remaining 2021 Regatta Schedule:

July 10 & 11    Island Hop

August 28 & 29

Katrina Memorial/  
OSYC Club Wave Championship

September 24, 25 & 26

Formula Wave Class Deep South

October 16 & 17

Shearwater

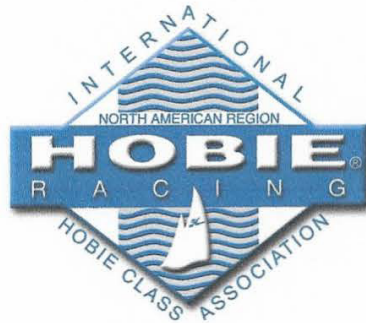




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Letter of Appreciation to the OSYC from the  
Hobie Class Association of North America



June 21/ 2021

To Ocean Springs Yacht Club:

**Re: 2021 Hobie 16 North American Championships**

The Hobie Class Association of North American (HCA-NA) is pleased to provide a letter of gratitude for the hosting of the Hobie 16 North American Championships in June 2021. HCA-NA considers this a “marquee” event as it will be one of a very few high profile Hobie regattas on the continent for this year specifically due to a worldwide pandemic. HCA-NA would like to thank OSYC’s staff, commodore, members and especially the fleet captain Robbie Holstead for their commitment and generous hospitality in the hosting of this event.

In addition, HCA-NA would like to thank our own Division 15 and OSYC members Michael McNeir and Krista Vind for their efforts in making the regatta not only a successful event yet a well-organized event. Michael and Krista’s team inclusive of Matt Bounds and his team, led a week of racing that has not been seen in many years at an event like this. Pulling off 20 successful races over 5 days is a highly successful event!

Again, we thank all for all efforts, support, and hospitality!

Kind Regards,

Jason Sanchez  
HCANA Class Association Chairman



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From Your Club Manager, Trisha Callahan  
OSYachtClub@cableone.net



Ahoy There from Your Club!

Happy Fourth of July! Join us on July 3rd and 4th for a fabulous Fourth of July celebration. The kitchen will be closed since these are some of our busiest days of the year. However, we will have grilled hamburgers and hotdogs downstairs and a bar-b-que buffet in the

dining room. We will have lots of fun, live music, movies and of course fireworks.

Please follow the pool rules! We have noticed our lost and found is growing; double-check to ensure you have all of your belongings before leaving. Wash off before taking a dip in the pool to help keep it clean; you can use any of the showers downstairs or the water hose by the pool.

Please remember to have your guests park outside the members-only parking area, along the sidewalk, or across the street. Also, remember that you can only have the same guest two times per month. Thank you all for being so patient and kind to our staff during these busy summer months. We have been highly short-staffed, but we are hiring as many employees as we can. Thank you again for being so understanding. Let us continue to rock on and have a fantastic summer!

Don't forget to play our new game "Flick the Ticket" winner will have their receipt paid. All you have to do is ask the bartender to drop your ticket in the box, and on the last Saturday of each month, we will draw a lucky winner.

Club hours: Monday 12-8:00 PM, Tuesday-Thursday 10:30 AM-9:00 PM, Friday & Saturday 10:30 AM-10:00 PM, Sunday 10:30 AM-9:00 PM

Galley hours: Monday 12:00-7:00 PM, Tuesday-Thursday 12:00-8:00, Friday & Saturday 12:00-9:00 pm, Sunday 12:00 pm-8:00 pm

July Events on the calendar:

July 1<sup>st</sup> Ladies Night

July 3<sup>rd</sup> Fourth of July Party-Live Music

July 4<sup>th</sup> Fourth of July Party-DJ and Movie

July 8<sup>th</sup> Ladies Night & Parrot Head Meeting

July 10<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup> Island Hop Regatta

July 15<sup>th</sup> Ladies Night

July 22<sup>nd</sup> Ladies Night & Parrot Head Meeting

July 29<sup>th</sup> Ladies Night

July 31<sup>st</sup> GRILL YOUR OWN STEAK NIGHT

Thank you all for allowing me to serve as your manager. I will continue to work hard to support all aspects of our club and the best interest of the membership. Please feel free to email or call and talk with me personally about ways to make our club better!

Trisha Callahan  
General Manager

"May the long time sun shine upon you, all love surround you, and the pure light within you guide your way on."

"Stars, bright stars, brave hearts."

