



Breezes AND Blows



Ocean Springs Yacht Club

April 2023

100 Front Beach Drive
Ocean Springs, MS 39564

Commodore's Report



Our Club will be experiencing a major loss. Patricia Callahan has been with us for almost a decade. She started off as Bar Manager and with determination worked herself up to General Manager. Her contagious smile made many of our members feel right at home. I have heard your voices and concerns of our loss... trust me, I feel your pain. It has been a whirlwind of

emotions but I trust her decision to move on is best for her and her family. We love you Trisha and you will be missed!

On a brighter note, we had a large turnout for our grand opening of the Kid's Corner, known as Turtle Cove. We had teatime and manners class with Ms. Nancy Beth and Ms. Connie. The children enjoyed it so much, we are considering having teatime as an ongoing event. Miss Marina, one of our Kid's Corners volunteers, will be helping coordinate a list of calendar events for Turtle Cove soon. Parents be on the lookout for Facebook posts.

Carl, our projects manager, is well on his way to making the grounds look spectacular for the summer season. Our pool is clean and sparkling thanks to Ms. Cyndi. Michael from our sailing squadron is a lifesaver. He did a magnificent job fixing our downstairs showers, as well as heading up the rebuilding of the pier.

Coming soon, we will be hosting a members work day. Please sign up in our front office if you would like to participate. We could use a hand once a quarter really making our Club shine. We couldn't run this Club without the many volunteers that give us a helping hand. Thank

you from the bottom of our hearts. The Inside of our Club will also be getting a little facelift. We have some quotes in place and we will be moving forward with some upgrades in the near future.

All in all, yes, we are losing a key player on our team. And yes, we will persevere and move forward. With my experience as an administrator and my whole heart in this Club, I will act as the general interim manager of the Club until our recruitment team finds the perfect fit. I have the time in my schedule and we will not be in a hurry. We will find the perfect fit!

Thank you to our staff for the love and support they have shown through this transition. Southern hospitality will always be our #1 goal for our members and guests!

XOXO
Nicole

Nicole McClendon
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2023 Flag/Corporate Officers:

Commodore - Nicole McClendon
Vice Commodore - Carroll Kovacevich
Rear Commodore - Michael Ramsey
Fleet Captain - Amanda Romano
Treasurer - Gian Motta
Secretary - William Buchanan



Board of Governors

2nd Year Board Member - Kristen Grizzard
2nd Year Board Member - Dos Hetrick
1st Year Board Member - Sandra Carter
1st Year Board Member - Wendie Hilliard
Past Commodore - Lloyd Hebert



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From the Vice Commodore,
Carroll Kovacevich



Some may or may not know the Club is presently without a General Manager. Therefore The Flag Officers and The Board of Governors would appreciate the membership's patience and cooperation as we work to keep the Club operating efficiently and fill the vacant General Manager position.

Friendly reminder..... No pets are allow in the pool or pool area. Also no pets are allowed in the Club. Pets are allowed on the deck and on the grounds.

Our annual drawdown will be held Saturday April 22, 2023. Tickets will be available soon.

Carroll

From the Fleet Captain, Amanda Romano
FleetCaptain@OSYC.com



Dear OSYC Members,
It is with great excitement to announce our first regatta of the season, The Hobie Mid-Winters East and April Fool's Regatta, March 30th -

April 2nd. We have 67 boats registered and that is not an April fool's joke, LOL! This is an incredible turnout, and it will be quite a spectacle to see all of the boats lined up on the beach as well as out on the water. Thanks to our beautiful Cub, unique sailing area, and the wonderful hospitality of our members, sailors are traveling from all over the United States to take part in this amazing regatta.

As we kick off the sailing season, I want to remind everyone that safety is our top priority. If you are not yet certified to check out one of our Club boats

to sail, please reach out to me to schedule your certification and I will either help you or get you connected with our wonderful sailing instructors. For those of you who are already certified, please remember to sign out your boat through our website before shoving off.

Finally, I wanted to remind you that the sail camp registration for our youth is live through the OSYC website. Sailing is a great activity for children as it teaches them independence, teamwork and critical thinking skills. It also provides a unique opportunity for them to enjoy the outdoors and develop a lifelong passion for the water.

Thank you for being a part of our sailing community, and I look forward to seeing everyone out on the water soon.

Stay Safe,

Amanda Romano
Fleet Captain, Ocean Springs Yacht Club

2023 Tentative Regatta Schedule

March 30 April 1 & 2 2022
Mid-Winters East and April Fools Regatta

April 29 & 30
1699 Regatta

May 27 & 28
Slip to Ship Regatta

June 17
Round the Horn

July 8 & 9
Island Hop Regatta

August 26 & 27
Katrina Memorial Regatta /
OSYC Club Wave Championship

October 14 &15
Shearwater Regatta



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Past Commodore's Corner

What is it about sailing that reaches you? Most clicked away when they read that. But you are still here. I don't know why I can't stop sailing.

Remember the feeling when the motor is turned off and the sails grip the hulls and you're now moving by nothing other than the power of the wind. If that speaks to you, then you get it.

Dr. Joseph Pocreva
2020 OSYC Commodore

