



Lake Charles Yacht Club

The Tacking Times Newsletter

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NEWS

- The **board** met on December 9, 2025. Here are some highlights:
 - The club house water pipes have been blown out to empty them and prevent them from bursting with frozen water. There are signs posted all around the club. All members need to be aware and be cautious during the cold weather months. There is now no water at the club to flush toilets, rinse boats, etc. Please heed the signs and the messages that have been sent out to all members from the board and **DO NOT TURN ON THE MAIN WATER VALVE**. When the weather permits, a board member will turn the water back on.. We are very sorry for the inconvenience. Water pipe repairs are very expensive. Please make every effort to help us keep our club in good repair. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.
 - Our next club social is this Saturday, December 20th. This social will be a fund raiser also as in the past couple of years. Check your email for a detailed explanation of the fund raiser rules from our Commodore, Summer Rice. Also see **pg. 5** for more information on the social/fund raiser. Please RSVP to our Social Director, Maggie Tripp 409-260-8689.
 - Race Chair Ricky Richardson reports the committee boat is in need of minor repairs, some of which have already been taken care of by Richard Doss, thanks again, **Richard**, for all you do! Ricky is still planning an invitational regatta in May.
 - Remember we will be voting on the 2026 Board members at the Christmas Social this Saturday, December 20, 2025. For a list of positions that will be voted on and those continuing, please see **pg. 4**.

Reminders:

- The 2025 **RACE AND SOCIAL** schedule is on **pg. 7**. Check it out!
- If you know of any Boy Scouts, School Clubs, etc. that are looking for places to volunteer for community service hours, please contact a board member. Scouts, students, etc...can do beach clean up and/or participate in work parties.
- Remember the fire pit is available on Friday evenings for a **"Pit and Sip"**. Get together with some other members and friends, bring something to grill, your favorite beverage and enjoy the evening around the fire pit.



Reminders cont'd:

- The club house is not available for overnight sleepovers in the building. It is a liability that the club cannot assume.
- **Membership Cards** are available at Ship to Shore, 4313 Lake Street, in Lake Charles. Ask for Sheron.
- Please be aware that members are not allowed to do any type of boat repairs inside the upstairs clubhouse, including but not limited to sail repair, fiberglass work, electrical work, etc.. Thank you for helping us keep our facilities comfortable and inviting for social gatherings.
- Guests are not allowed to use club boats.
- No smoking or vaping or pets allowed in clubhouse.
- A member must always accompany a guest.
- One adult member per each 10 minor guests under age 18.
- Please bring extra paper towels and toilet tissue for your events.
- Members are responsible to report any damages IN WRITING to a board member or to Ship to Shore 337-474-0730 so that repairs can be made.
- Please make sure the **gate** is closed when you leave.
- After hanging out at the club, please,
 1. Clean the clubhouse, including removing trash to dumpster,
 2. Put things back where you got them from (boats, gear, sails, silverware, whatever).
 3. Set the air conditioners at 82* before leaving.
- Watch out for **OVER HEAD POWER LINES!** If your aluminum mast touches one, you may be badly burned or worse.
- **RV CAMPING** for the weekend, (i.e. Fourth of July event or organized race event) on the club grounds is allowed for members, the board only asks that the member will please remit a **FEE of \$25 PER RV, PER WEEKEND** to cover the increase on the club electricity bill. Payments can be made the same way you pay your quarterly dues: Zelle, info@shiptoshoreco.com , or snail mail. and this will be done on the honor system.
- **PARTIES INSIDE CLUBHOUSE BY MEMBERS in good standing** : Cleaning/Maintenance Fees are required to have a non-club related event/party. This is separate from just having a few friends/family at the club for a bbq, sailing, etc. The clubhouse **MUST BE RESERVED in writing** with a board member and **FEES paid in advance.** CURRENT board members do not pay the fees, but must complete the TO DO LIST.

LIST OF FEES :

CLEANING FEE: (PAID PRIOR to event)

- Up to 10 guests.....\$50 minimum
- 11-25 guests.....\$100
- 26-50 guests.....\$150 maximum capacity allowed-50 guests

EXCLUSIVE RESERVATION FEE: (PAID PRIOR to the event in addition to the cleaning fee)

- Exclusive use fee.....\$100
- This fee will allow you to post signs: **"CLUBHOUSE CLOSED for PRIVATE EVENT"** for up to five hours during your event. Other members will be excluded from the clubhouse during that time.

EXTRA FEES may be added if clubhouse is not left clean. See "TO DO" list below.

TO DO AFTER EVERY EVENT:

- Empty all trash receptacles, placing bags in dumpster outside and reline trash cans with clean trash bags.
- Sweep upstairs clubhouse.
- Put tables and chairs, etc., back in order.
- Remove your items from refrigerator.
- MEMBERS are responsible to report any damages in **WRITING** to a board member.
- MEMBERS are responsible to **SEND date stamped PICTURES** of the cleaned clubhouse after the event to a board member.



DRY SLIPS/ MARINA

- When you are assigned a slip that is your slip. You **MUST** check with the **Groundskeeper** or the **Harbor Master** before parking in someone else's spot. Even if it is temporary.
- You must get permission from the **Groundskeeper** to bring a vessel, trailer, or anything to park on the club grounds.
- When you **buy/sell** a boat or trailer that is parked/docked at LCYC to someone **within the club**, the Harbor Master or Groundskeeper **MUST** be notified so we can keep the slip assignments/ billing correct.
- When you **buy/sell** a boat or trailer that is parked/docked at LCYC to someone **outside of the club**, you are responsible for the slip fee until the vessel is removed from our property. The Harbor Master or Groundskeeper **MUST** be notified so we can keep the billing correct.
- If you decide to remove your boat or trailer from the grounds or docks, **you will be billed** until you notify the Groundskeeper or Harbor Master that you have removed the vessel.



NOMINEES FOR LCYC 2026
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Commodore-*Robert Goodson*
Rear Commodore-*Jaye Kilburn*
Groundskeeper-*Mario Baca*
Harbor Master-*Ricky Shetler*
Social Chairman-*Summer Rice*

POSITION OPEN FOR NOMINATION

Secretary

CONTINUING POSITIONS

Treasurer-*Sheron Faulk*
Vice Commodore- *Ralph Unglaube*
Race Chairman-*Ricky Richardson*
Newsletter-*Debbie Cresswell*

Nominees will be voted on at the Christmas Social, December 20, 2025. If you would like to nominate someone else or yourself for the secretary position, please contact a board member.



LCYC Christmas Party

Sat, Dec 20

5:30 Cocktails,
6pm dinner

**Best or
Cocktail
Attire**

Adults 18+ Bring a raffle item \$25 minimum.
Under 18, parents bring a gift for them to open (any value).

Bring the item with you to the social, but let the Commodore (337-660-1722) know ahead of time what the item is. Tickets are sold at the door & members can place their tickets with the items they would like a chance at winning! Thanks so much for helping to make this fundraiser a success for our Club!

We will also be voting on next years' Board!

Tickets are
\$1 each
or
25 tickets
for \$20

Last Names
A-J Dessert
K-Z Appetizer

RSVP to
Maggie
406-260-8689



LCYC 2025 RACE & SOCIAL SCHEDULE

Sat.	Jan 11	Winter Series Race 4	Wed.	Aug 6	Series 4, Race 4
Fri.	Feb 7	Awards Banquet	Sat.	Aug 9	Dog Days Regatta, LCYC
Sat.	Feb 8	Winter Series Race 5	Wed.	Aug 13	Series 4, Race 5
Sat.	March 8	March Winds Regatta	Sat.	Aug 16	LCYC Social
Sun.	March 9	Daylight saving begins	Wed.	Aug 20	Series 4, Race 6
Wed.	March 12	Series 1, Race 1 FIRST WED SERIES	Wed.	Aug 27	Series 5, Race 1 NEW SERIES BEGINS
Wed.	March 19	Series 1, Race 2	Wed.	Sept 3	Series 5, Race 2
Wed.	March 26	Series 1, Race 3	Wed.	Sept 10	Series 5, Race 3
Wed.	April 2	Series 1, Race 4	Sat.	Sept 13	Patriot Day Regatta LCYC
Wed.	April 9	Series 1, Race 5	Wed.	Sept. 17	Series 5, Race 4
Sat.	April 12	Race to Prien LCYC	Wed.	Sept 24	Series 5, Race 5
Wed.	April 16	Series 1, Race 6	Wed.	Oct 1	Series 5, Race 6
Sat.	April 26	Social LCYC Crawfish Boil	Sat.	Oct 11	Winter Series, Race 1 NEW SERIES BEGINS
Wed.	April 23	Series 2 Race 1 NEW SERIES BEGINS	Sat.	Oct 18	LCYC Halloween Social
Sat.	April 26	Social LCYC Crawfish Boil	Sun.	Nov 3	Daylight saving ends
Wed.	April 30	Series 2, Race 2	Sat.	Nov 8	Winter Series, Race 2
Wed.	May 7	Series 2, Race 3	Sat.	Dec 13	LCYC Christmas Social
Sat.	May 10	Contraband Days Regatta	Sat.	Dec 13	Winter Series, Race 3
Wed.	May 14	Series 2, Race 4	Sat.	Jan 10 2026	Winter Series, Race 4
Wed.	May 21	Series 2, Race 5	Sat.	Feb 14 2026	Winter Series, Race 5
Wed.	May 28	Series 2, Race 6	Wed. series races start on water @ 6:00PM.		
Wed.	June 4	Series 3, Race 1 NEW SERIES BEGINS	Regattas and Winter Series are held on Saturdays on water at 1200 PM.		
Wed.	June 11	Series 3, Race 2	Keep your own time and report it to race committee.		
Sat.	June 14	Flag Day Regatta LCYC and Social	These races will be governed by the rules as defined in the <i>Racing Rules of Sailing</i> .		
Wed.	June 18	Series 3, Race 3	Sailing instructions will be available before races.		
Wed.	June 25	Series 3, Race 4			
Wed.	July 2	Series 3, Race 5			
Wed.	July 9	Series 3, Race 6			
Sat.	July 12	Ladies/Gentleman's / 1st timer Regatta LCYC			
Wed.	July 16	Series 4, Race 1 NEW SERIES BEGINS			
Wed.	July 23	Series 4, Race 2			
Wed.	July 30	Series 4, Race 3			



Lake Charles Yacht Club 2025 SOCIAL SCHEDULE

All Socials are at LCYC unless otherwise specified



FEB 7

Awards Banquet at 6:30
Mexico Magico Fresh Mex & Bar
3395 Dereck Dr. Lake Charles



APRIL 26

Crawfish Boil
\$20 per 5 lbs



Show up 12:30
Serving at 1pm

JUNE 14

Cheeseburgers in Paradise



Cocktails at 5:30
Eat at 6pm

AUG 16

August Social

Cocktails at 5:30
Eat at 6pm

OCT 25

October Social
Halloween Costumes encouraged



Cocktails at 5:30
Eat at 6pm

DEC 20

Christmas

Social and Fundraiser

Cocktails at 5:30
Eat at 6pm



406-260-8689





RACE NEWS

Regatta Committee:

Ricky Richardson

Summer Rice

Robert Goodson

WINTER SERIES

Overall Rankings (so far)

1st Robert Goodson

2nd Danny Craft

3rd Ricky Richardson

Next series race,
January 10, 2026

Skippers meeting 11:30 A
Race to begin at noon

For more information please contact the
Race Chairman, Ricky Richardson
rickyrichardson92@gmail.com

LAKE CHARLES YACHT CLUB
WINTER SERIES
2025-2026

Skippers Meeting at 11:30 am
Race Starts at Noon

RACE 1 - OCT 11
RACE 2 - NOV 8
RACE 3 - DEC 13
RACE 4 - JAN 10
RACE 5 - FEB 14

Want to Crew?

Want to Join?

Skippers Meeting at 10 am
Race Starts at 11 am

What a beautiful day we had for racing on December 13!

Thank you to everyone who came out to participate. Starting out, winds were pretty calm but quickly picked up and then the wind speeds seemed to be a little too much for some of the newer sailors, that headed for the shore before the races were over, but every little bit of experience gets us closer to our goals, I believe!

Special Thanks to Race Chair Ricky Richardson for working so tirelessly to make each race happen.

See **pg. 9** for some photos of the day.



A few pictures from a view
on the lake during last
Saturday's Winter's series
race #3





For Sail...



Shirts
\$20

Koozies
\$5 each



Keychains
\$3 ea. Or 2 for \$5

HOBIE BRAVO

\$2500

Sail & rudder are good
Needs minor repairs

Contact Sheron at Ship to Shore
337-474-0730



If you have anything for sale, please email
Debbie Cresswell at
deb.cress.1929@gmail.com to have it put
in the Newsletter!



For Sail...

Hunter 26' Sailboat needs mast
asking \$2000.00 call 337-540-8646
for more information.



S2 Sailboat 30'

Good Yanmar engine engine asking \$4800.00

Contact David LeJeune 337-513-9774





For Sail...

Flying Scot \$4,500.00

Trailer and full set of sails Contact Richard Doss richarddossr@aol.com



Very Fast, Very Fun to
sail!



Flying Scot
\$4,500.00

ERIC AND SUMMER RICE

**1985 35' Californian
Twin engine
\$35,000**

Contact: Eric Rice (337) 794-1930 or
Summer Rice (337) 660-1722





BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Commodore – Summer Rice

Vice Commodore – Ralph Unglaube

Rear Commodore – Ricky Shetler

Treasurer – Sheron Faulk

Secretary – vacant

Race Chairman – Ricky Richardson

Grounds Keeper – Robert Goodson

Harbor Master – Tom Roller

Social Director – Maggie Tripp

Newsletter – Deborah Cresswell

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- **Google Groups** LCYC.Sailing@googlegroups.com
- **Yahoo Groups** <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/saillc>
- **LCYC Website** www.lakecharlesyachtclub.com

Please remember...

DUES AND FEES – Dues and fees must be received no later than the 15th of the second month of the quarter to avoid late fee. Payments are applied to older balances first.

You can Zelle dues to: info@shiptoshoreco.com

Any questions? Please call Ship to Shore at 337-474-0730

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