



Tell Tale

July 2025

Shreveport Yacht Club Member News

- Security at the club all day
 - Giant waterslide
 - Pickleball & Cornhole
- Live music from 6:00-10:00pm
 - Fireworks at dusk
- Fun for the entire family

Shreveport Yacht Club 4TH OF JULY Celebration

- Dining available from 12:00-7:00pm
 - Hamburgers
 - Hot Dogs
 - Brisket Sandwiches
 - Grilled Chicken Sandwiches
 - Kielbasa with Peppers & Onions
 - Ice Cream

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

James Coe – Commodore

Jeff Little – Rear Commodore

Brenda Graves – Vice-Commodore

Shelly Wagner – Treasurer

Charles Tabor – Secretary

George Carroll –Member At Large

Patrick Garrett – Member at Large

Kelly Crawford – Member at Large



Sunday Portsmouth Racing is back!

Sunday Portsmouth Racing is back at SYC!!!
Beginning 6/29/25 and continuing every Sunday
we'll have racing with the first start at 2:00pm sharp.
Get your crew and boat ready for some fun around
the buoys (windward/leeward) or around the lake
(long distance) sailboat racing. We'll leave the
course decision up to the volunteers on the Race
Committee Signal Boat. I'm sure they can be
influenced with a donation of some sort.

-If you don't have a boat and want to see what it's all
about, come to the bar during lunch and find a ride-
we'll help you.

-If you don't have crew, come to the bar during lunch
and find some- we'll help you.

-If you're not sure that you know how to start in
racing or what those flags and horns mean, come to
the bar during lunch and we'll teach you.

Let's Make SYC Sunday Racing Great Again!!!

STAFF

Rick Hutson – General Manager

Brian Keller – Assistant Manager

Robert Franklin – Executive Chef

Kaelyn Hutson – Member
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Lee Hughes – Maintenance

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Welcome New Members!

Christopher & Jessica Bowman, Jason Broussard, John & Heather Carpenter, Chase & Britni Pittman

Jeff & Sheri Hudson, Donnie & Brittany Woods, James & Catherine Hunter





Commodore's Comments



June was a busy month for SYC. Father's Day, Floatilla and Sail Camp were all well attended and I trust everyone had a great time. Chef Robert's specials have been fantastic and I'm looking forward to what he has planned next. Maintenance around the club has been ongoing. The new gate opener has been installed and it is so nice to have this reliable again. We have also ordered some new "No Wake" markers for the area around the piers and harbor. We will be starting Portsmouth Racing on Sunday afternoons. Anyone interested should meet in the bar by 1pm. No experience is necessary. This racing is for fun and for us to hone our skills. I wish everyone a fun and safe July. See you around the club.

James Coe – Commodore

Congratulations to our Bingo winners!
We had great participation and a great time!



Thursday, July 31
6:00-9:00pm - \$20

Buffet to include:

Street Tacos

Chicken Tacos

Beef Tacos

Fish Tacos

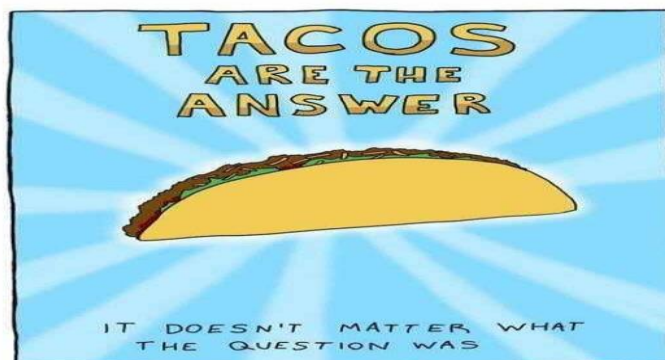
Shrimp Tacos

Rice & Beans

Guacamole Dip

Assortment of toppings and sauces

Reservations are Requested





Sail Camp, 2025



Van Hagan Awards

In 2009, Drs. Fran and Van Hagan graciously endowed the annual Van Hagan Awards. These dual awards, a personal trophy and a perpetual award hung in the clubhouse, are presented to one entry-level student from each summer sailing session. Instructor and trainers select students who best exemplify the Corinthian Spirit. Corinthian Spirit is a sailing code of conduct that emphasizes character, integrity, respect, good judgment, courtesy, and unselfishness. Character development shapes each person and is carried with him or her into the future no matter what the activity or profession.

Congratulations to the 2025 Junior Sail Camp Van Hagan Award winners:

Carl Rice – Week 1

Anabelle Callicoatte – Week 2





Shreveport Yacht Club

Eight Bells Memorial Ceremony

Before chronometers, time was kept on a ship using a half-hourglass and a bell. A crewmember would strike the ship's bell every 30 minutes as they turned over the half-hourglass. This practice evolved into the tradition of striking the bell at every half-hour during the watch, increasing from one bell strike for the first 30 minutes, two strikes marking the first hour, and so on. A standard four-hour watch ends with eight bells, struck in pairs of two, hence the phrase "eight bells and all is well."

The tolling of eight bells is often used to signify the end of a person's life or "watch on earth." In maritime tradition, eight bells are sounded during a burial at sea or an interment on land. Eight bells may also be sounded during a remembrance ceremony for someone who has passed away.

Resolution by the Board of Directors of the Shreveport Yacht Club:

Be it resolved that the Shreveport Yacht Club, beginning in 2025 at a date to be determined, hold an annual remembrance ceremony for club members who have died during a predetermined twelve-month period. All club members will be invited to attend these ceremonies, and a special invitation will be issued to a representative of the surviving member's family, whether a member of SYC or not, encouraging participation by the deceased's family.

During the remembrance ceremony, the deceased member(s) name(s) will be read aloud, followed by a moment of silence while eight bells are tolled, in pairs of two, for each deceased member being honored. At the end of eight bells, a designated member will recite the following, "a time for rest – eight bells and all is well." Following the ceremony, those assembled will be invited to share memories of the departed and to offer words of encouragement to each other.

Be it further resolved that Shreveport Yacht Club acquire a dedicated bell to be used for these ceremonies along with an "eight -bells" burgee, both of which shall be appropriately displayed in the club.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	
		1 Clubhouse Closed	2	3	4 SYC 4 th of July Celebration 11:00am – 10:00pm	5
6	7 Clubhouse Closed	8 Clubhouse Closed	9	10	11	12 Private Event – Downstairs Bar & Patio – 60 guests – 6:00-11:00pm
13	14 Clubhouse Closed	15 Clubhouse Closed	16	17 Private Event – Downstairs Bar & Patio – 50 guests – 6:00-10:00pm	18	19 Private Event – Downstairs Bar 30 guests 2:00-6:00pm
20	21 Clubhouse Closed	22 Clubhouse Closed	23	24	25	26
27	28 Clubhouse Closed	29 Clubhouse Closed	30	31 SYC Taco Night		