YACHT CLUB CELEBRATES 36TH ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK

Pictures Tell Growth of Yachting in Houston Area

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The celebration of the thirty-sixth anniversary of the Houston Yacht Club this week sent Paul Richmond and other members of the club digging into dark chests in search of photographs to tell the story of the growth of yachting in these waters.

At the left of the top row is shown a yachting party anchored at the old Houston Yacht and Yachting Club, at the foot of Texas Avenue in Harrisburg. On the right in the old Magnolia Park club house, a favorite picnic spot for the Yacht Club members back in 1910, Capt. E. F. Hamlin's boat, the Crescent, is shown at the left. The center group of pictures shows the Crescent as flagship of the first Yacht Club formed in 1883. Later she was made into a powerboat and is still owned by Hamilton.

In the middle is shown Capt. H. P. Pye, harbor master for the Yacht Club. Captain Pye has been with the club since it was first organized. At the right is the Mabel, which was owned by Dr. E. L. Fox, one of the charter members of the Yacht Club. Mrs. Fox, first woman pilot in these waters, is shown on the lower deck of the craft.

The years below show several of the club's boats which have made up the present day fleet of the Yacht Club. The clubhouse of the Yacht Club is shown on the extreme right of the picture.