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LAKE SOUNDINGS

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Signals from the Commodore

By Bob Hamilton

Dear Members,

As I write this, we are just about to start off on our July cruise to the 1000 Islands. Hopefully everyone is enjoying the cruising season and getting time on their boats.

The current plan is to have the Commodore's Challenge on August 5th, so I hope everyone will be out to cheer us on. The other events in August include the Club Cruise on August 10 - 12 which is being coordinated by Joe and Diane Griffo. AND of course our Pig Roast on August 18. Rumor has it that we will have a "fun fund raiser" – see Rich Critchlow for details.

Around the club I have met a couple perspective members who had stopped down to take a look. They were very impressed with the facilities and the atmosphere. All the hard work that everyone has put into the club, the grounds, docks and our special feeling as a group of friends enjoying boating all shows. I thank everyone for his or her efforts.

As mentioned last month, I was appointing the nominating committee for next year's officers. The committee is comprised of Lou Cardinale, Joe Griffo, Jane Hamilton, Dan Harris and Steve Heffron. The committee has been busy because of the new election process this year, and they have managed to complete the task in record time. The committee has been busy because of the new election process this year, and the nominees will be posted in the clubhouse and by email as soon as they are known. Our target date is early in August.

The elections will occur on September 13 in a general meeting prior to the clambake. Those who will not be attending and require absentee ballots must notify the Secretary by August 15.

Enjoy the season and keep you eyes and ears open for the "Special Award" nominations.

Bob Hamilton

Commodore



The Secretary's Corner

by Brian McCarthy

Good day,

I hope all of you are enjoying a rather nice summer. Kermit has mentioned that most racing nights have been well-attended and great racing conditions. Many of your club mates have left for a summer cruise somewhere.

I will be gone, hopefully, from July 20th to about August 5th. After that I believe we have the club cruise to Fairhaven and Sodus. If you have a free long weekend join Joe Griffo's party and spend a campfire evening with club mates at Fairhaven or with a dinner at Sodus Bay.

Jim Snyder, our Reciprocal Chairman, has given me another update to the reciprocal list, and it will be posted in the club house and E-mailed. It will not be hard mailed.

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Club elections will be coming up on September 15th this year. Nominations and known motions will be in this newsletter or posted in the clubhouse. Remember that if you need an absentee ballot I will need your request at least 30 days in advance. I will mail you a ballot and it must be received back to me on the last mail day before the meeting. Since the meeting will be on Saturday September 15, at the clambake, **the last mail day will be the Friday before, September 14th.** It must be mailed to PYC, PO Box 81 Pultneyville, NY 14538.



For those whom did not attend the general meeting absentee ballots are based on this approved motion:

The Executive Committee will provide an absentee ballot of voting options, prior to each General meeting. These ballots will be sent out only to members who submit a request for an absentee ballot to the Secretary one month prior to the general meeting. The ballot will provide voting options for only those election items known as that time. The ballot must be completed and signed by the member family unit and to be received by the deadline of last mail date before the General Meeting date.

Hope you continue to have a safe and relaxed summer.

Happy and Safe Boating
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Rear Commodore Reports

by Doug Axtell

Notes from the Engine Room--

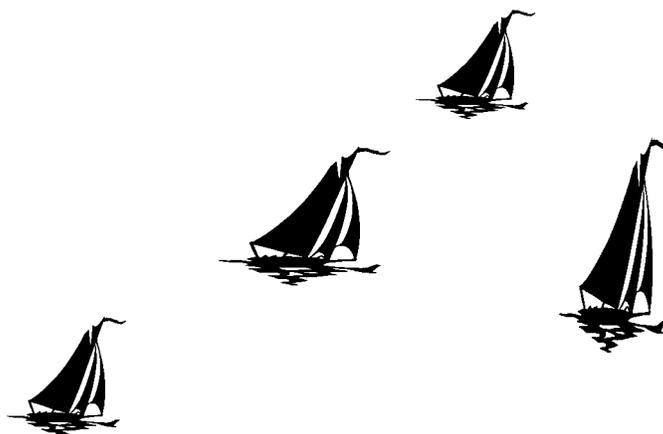
Mid season and there isn't much news to report. The dredging is over, docks are built, and we only have at last count one open dock in the harbor. The last time we had this many docks filled was several years ago. We also have several inquiries about membership recently, so we could fill the one remaining dock soon.

I have been busy with projects at work or with the newest family member, Nathaniel. As a result, time at PYC has been short. As always, I can be reached via e-mail any time, bristol32@aol.com, and sometimes by phone.

Reminder: At last count there were a few dingys, which still have not had their storage paid. If you own one of these and the bill's not been paid by October, you will not be able to haul with the club. If you believe that you paid this, please contact Tom Bolt. We have the following marked as paid; Axtell, Bolt, Ely, Sylvester and Wolfe.

This leaves about 3-4 unclaimed dingys and one laser. If you know of any that have been abandoned, please let me know also, as these may be "loaned" to members.

Doug Axtell
Rear Commodore



Ladies Sail! Fridays during July and August, starting Friday July 6th. Meet at Puff at 2pm.

Club members and friends are welcome! Come to have fun, and if it's just sun and no wind, come join us for a swim!

Want more information? Call Cindy Kukuvka @ 315-331-3458

On The Range

by Kermit Sleggs

We ended the spring racing series with a well-attended picnic on July 5th. We were fortunate to get the first 5 races in, but the last two were cancelled due to no wind or too much wind. The fall series began on July 12. We have about 15 boats racing, but I'd like to see more participants. Call or e-mail me if you are interested, or just show up. The committee boat usually heads out about 6:00 p.m.

The Scotch Bonnet Light Race, which was held on Father's Day weekend, was a great success. Three boats from Pultneyville participated and all three placed. I'm happy to report that Moonrise took third place in her division, Tantrum took first place in her division and Ariadne took first place in her division. Ariadne also placed first over all in the GO fleet and won the Stewart Trophy.

The start of the Light Race was great! Ariadne was leading the way when she had to tack to avoid a starboard boat. Unfortunately, the skipper got his foot tangled up in the traveler, which rendered him incapable of steering the tiller. Crewmate, Larry Helber came to the rescue just in time for Ariadne to avoid a collision. The race across was a sleigh ride running before the wind, which favored the spinnaker boats. Coming back across the lake we had to make two long tacks. On Sunday, June 17 GYC held a picnic and awards ceremony. The event was well attended and GYC should be commended for the excellent job they did.

Unfortunately, I had to cancel the Women Skippers' Race, which was scheduled for July 7, and I am still searching for another time. For those interested, GYC will be hosting a Women Skipper's race and steak roast picnic on August 11.

Last, the Rochester Hospice Regatta 2001 will be held on August 25. This race is a race for hope to benefit Hospice services offered by Genesee Region Home Care. Hope to see some of you participate in this race.

Your Fleet Captain,

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Vice Commodore's Report

by Roger Carr

The social events scheduled for July 1 were held in spite of some obnoxious weather. We had 2 boats open for our Open Boats afternoon. Larry & Kathy and Rich & Roseanne were gracious hosts welcoming visitors aboard their boats. We were all able to get on and off without being blown off the docks. At least the morning rain had ended by then.

We had about 12 families at the “Bring Your Own Picnic”. The side curtains were lowered in the pavilion to make things comfortable as the wind continued to blow. If nothing else, we showed Tracy’s parents how to huddle around a charcoal grill to hold the heat in order to cook the meat. Eric eventually up-ended a picnic table to create a more efficient wind shield.

The “Bring Your Own Picnic” was enough of a success in the foul weather that we will probably do it again on Sunday, September 2, of the Labor Day weekend. Helen and I will not be able to attend so we will be looking for a volunteer to start the charcoal fire and set out a trash barrel.

By now, we will have had the Rochester Power Squadron Rendezvous, the Grampion weekend and the Scottish Heritage Society picnic on the club grounds. All of these events were opportunities to show outsiders what PYC is all about. Helen and I extend a special thanks to Steve and Debbie Heffron for hosting the Power Squadron event. There is a lot of work associated with this party.

The Commodore’s Challenge with the Mariners is Sunday, August 5. The Mariners Club will host a reception on its grounds after the race. We are all welcome to attend. There is a flyer elsewhere in this issue for Pig Roast reservations. The PYC Pig Roast will be on Saturday, August 18. We will have a tent in case of possible inclement weather. Since this is a catered affair, we really need your reservations by August 10 for adequate planning with the caterer. We will not have a DJ this year so we were able to reduce the cost of a ticket by \$1. As you know, this is usually a great party.

Still having fun. See you!

Roger Carr
Vice Commodore





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<http://members.aol.com/bristol32/index.html>

PYC LOG

The PYC LOG is our way of telling the members what is in the wind for the coming weeks. Please read it over and mark your calendars for these important Club events.



August 5	PMI Host Commodore's Challenge
August 10	Board Meeting-@ PYC
August 11	Club Cruise
August 18	Pig Roast