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LAKE SOUNDINGS

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Signals from the Commodore

By Bob Hamilton

Dear Members,

The Fall Banquet was another great time this year with the presentations and story telling. A bit of snow through the night reminded us the winter is coming, but spring and summer follow.

Our Annual meeting is on December 1st at the Pultneyville Firehall. The Board has worked up the budget for 2003 and we will be reviewing it in detail prior to membership acceptance. We have worked hard on the budget and keeping focused on being as affordable as possible. We are expecting an increase in the membership dues, but dock fees should remain the same. The Officers will also be providing summaries from their respective areas for presentation. I hope to see everyone at the meeting and review your ideas and thoughts for the 2003 boating year.

For next year activity we are already getting started on our enablers for membership and dock renter growth. We have ordered the dock floats and lumber and fully expect to be building our new docks before the year-end. In addition, we have had preliminary discussion with the plans for the Boat Show booth to advertise our great clubs and build membership. We could still use some help on the booth assembly and banners – see me if you can help. A key message to everyone is that to improve our financial outlook and to reduce fees, we need to increase membership. New docks, dredging and advertising are all enablers, but we need everyone to sell our club to prospective new members.

I would like to personally thank the 2002 Board Members for their excellent support and work this year. With their new ideas and enthusiasm to get into their roles, we have learned a lot, accomplished a lot, and prepared the club for growth in the future. As the retiring Commodore, I wish them well as they go into 2003 and wish Kermit and Dan “good boating” now that they may have the time to get out there.

To all of our members I would also like to say Thank You for your support during my tenure. We have had good times as well as opportunities for discussion for improvements within our club. Many folks have out done themselves in support of the club and it's operation and I will strive to say thanks personally during upcoming events.

For everyone, our members make our club great. As we go forward, be considerate, value each other, tolerate minor slip-ups, and make each day and each experience a great one.

Good boating forever to all.

Bob Hamilton





The Secretary's Corner

by Diane Griffo

Thank you: As we near the end of 2002, I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all of the PYC member volunteers who give of their time and talent to help support the position of Secretary. I have enjoyed working with these people and look forward to another successful year:



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Jim Snyder	Club Reciprocals
Cindy Kukuvka	Historian

Annual Meeting: I hope to see you all at the meeting at the Pultneyville Fire Hall on Sunday, December 1st, at 1:00 PM. Please bring a snack to pass.



Dues: In December you will receive your 2003 membership dues invoice and data update form. Your dues payment should be mailed to the PYC mailbox by December 31, 2002.

Dock Deposit: Also in December you will receive your 2003 dock deposit invoice from Dock Master Larry Helber. This payment should be returned to Larry by December 31, 2002.

February 2003: Lake Soundings will resume in February!

Holiday: Have a happy, peaceful holiday!

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Rear Commodore Reports

by Larry Fedick

Notes from the Engine Room--



The materials for the docks have been ordered, and the plans are all coming together. All we need now is a few good days to put every thing together.

There's not much else going on. Hopefully we will see everybody at the December meeting.

Larry Fedick

Rear Commodore



PYC Day at Hunt Hollow

I've made arrangements with Hunt Hollow Ski Club for a ski day for PYC members and friends for Friday, **Feb. 14th, 2003**. The price for an 8-hour ski pass will be \$20.00 and rentals for those that need them will be \$15.00. In addition to PYC, Brockport Yacht Club will also be having a ski day the same day. If anyone has any questions about Hunt Hollow in respect to the hill, trails, facilities or whatever, please have them contact me at (315) 589-6251 or hjm_wbc@msn.com.

Harry Miller



PYC SOUTHERN RENDEZVOUS!

If you still haven't made plans for your spring break, here's the perfect excuse for going south. The 2003 PYC Southern Rendezvous has been scheduled for Thursday, March 6th, 2003 at 2:00 P.M., at the clubhouse of Longboat Key Moorings, Longboat Key, FL. For additional information, directions, or to request a flyer or make your reservation, please contact Anne Artman at artmanann@aol.com or 941-495-1244.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND BE THERE!!!!

From The Treasury

By Andy White

It definitely has been an exciting past few weeks at the White household. October 30, 2002, Nolan Edward White was born at Strong Memorial. He weighed 8 pounds and 9 ounces, and was 20 inches long. Everyone is healthy and happy!



On



Nolan Edward White

Back to club stuff....Our budget performance is looking good for 2002. The club's bank balance will end up a few hundred dollars ahead this year, thanks to an additional person joining our club and Kermit getting creative with the awards this year. Thank you everybody, for your help.

I will be presenting the budget for 2003 at the December meeting. Next year's budget presents us with challenges like an increase in membership dues due to rising insurance costs. While membership dues will increase, we plan to keep dock prices even.

Sincerely,

Andy White, Treasurer

On The Range

by Kermit Sleggs



Hello everyone. I can't believe two years have passed already. Although it takes a bit of work to serve on the board, you people make it all worthwhile. I have never been fond of public speaking and speaking at the awards banquet was something I was very nervous about doing. However, the positive feedback I received from many of you certainly made it easier.

At this time I feel it is necessary to share an embarrassing experience with everyone. Second place for the spring series in the spinnaker fleet should have been given to Summer Snow, but because of a typographical error, it mistakenly went to Comic Relief. We accidentally got one of the scoring pages from last year mixed up with this year. I called Tom Foley the next day to apologize. He was very understanding and was a real good sport about it. Also, Earl Chapman was notified and didn't mind giving up the gifts.

I hope everyone enjoyed the awards banquet this year. Harriet and I certainly did and we would like to publicly thank all the racers for the card, money, gift certificate, and wine. You racers are too kind.

This will be my last Fleet Captain article for the Soundings. Again, it has been a real pleasure serving as Fleet Captain for PYC. Looking forward to next year's race season and having Larry Rice as PYC's Fleet Captain. See you on the race course.

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Happy Holidays !!



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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.



December 1

Annual Meeting - 1:00 P.M. Pultneyville Fire Hall