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Signals from the Commodore

By Tom Ecker

Dear Members,

Welcome to the 2000 boating season. We had our first board meeting on January 9 which was a watch change from the old board to the new board and it went very well. We are excited about the events that are planned this year. The first event is the cabin party, a great time to socialize with those you haven't seen all winter.

I encourage everyone to call or write me regarding any concerns or issues you may have about the club. I assure you I will address all of them. Some have already done so and the board is addressing those issues. The Officer of the Day schedule will be published as will the Launch date and the work days. This is a great time for those who participate and a good time to see those summer friends. We are all in the club to enjoy ourselves and we need to work together. That's what makes PYC such a wonderful place.

The board has changed the due date for the assessment to May 15. This way we all have time to budget for it. As a side note, this will put the club back into a solid financial situation. I know this is a non event for some and a burden for others; however, PYC is still the best kept secret on Lake Ontario.

Have a great winter and I hope to see you all at the cabin party.

Wishing you fair winds,

Tom Ecker

Commodore



The Secretary's Corner

by Brian McCarthy

The first Board Meeting of the year was held on January 9 and many of the items discussed are covered in other articles. I would like to thank Bob Hamilton for continued support in the crossover as the new club Secretary. If you have questions and/or corrections, please feel free to call; I'll do my best to see it's done.

Your PYC 2000 membership card for all Voting members should be attached to this issue of the *Lake Soundings*. If you have not found it, look for it and keep it in a safe place for the year.

As of the end of 1999, we had 121 Voting, 12 Non-Voting and 6 Soundings Only membership renewals. We are in process of updating those figures as Year2000 begins. There will be room for additional memberships. If you know of anyone interested, please contact Wendy Axtell.

The Calendar of Events for 2000 should be with this issue, for your ease in planning the season's activities. All the planned activities are listed on a single page in the Lake Soundings suitable for displaying at home or the boat.

On a less jovial, but none-the-less important issue, the Board has moved the "One Time Only" assessment of \$100 due date to May 15th per request at the annual meeting. This change may put some constraints on funds so if you feel the urge to pay earlier feel free to do so on the forthcoming form.

Enjoy the winter, check your boat and remem-

Brian Mc Carthy
Secretary

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Reminder

The second annual PYC South Rendezvous is Tuesday March 7, 2000, 1:00pm at Longboat Key Moorings Clubhouse, Longboat Key, Florida at 1:00 p.m. Call Ann Artman at 941-495-1244 if interested in attending.



Rear Commodore Reports

by Doug Axtell

I would like to report that there have been some new links added to the Pultneyville Yacht Club web page, and that some broken links have been repaired.

It has been suggested that the web site might have a page featuring the PYC merchandise, so that members could view it at will. If members feel that this is a good idea, they could call me at 716-473-1306 or e-mail me at bristol32@aol.com.

In addition, the PYC membership application is available on-line for printing if you can't find one in the clubhouse or you run across a potential member at work (you could print one from anywhere.) We should all be trying to recruit new members to keep our club healthy.

Regards,
Doug Axtell
Rear Commodore



Crew Needed

To assist in moving a 38 ft. power boat from North Pond Beach Florida to Pultneyville Yacht Club

Excursion beginning approximately April 16th through May 18th.

Interested parties should contact Don or Carol Brickle at:
561-499-8809

Happy Valentine's Day

On The Range

by Eric Matteson

Hello to everyone and welcome to FC 2000. "The source for Pultneyville fleet and racing information for the New Year." (I'm only kidding I hate all of that high impact advertising stuff)

It is still very early and there is not a whole lot of information to share but believe me when I tell you that these carefree months of winter will soon be replaced by the buzz of sanders and the smell of varnish as we start to prepare our boats for the season ahead. At this time I am currently working on schedules and planning events. It seems like a fairly simple job to adjust a few dates around and have this year like the last but what fun would that be? I would really like to get more of our residents out to play this year and planning the same events will only bring out the same as last time so I am trying to broaden my appeal. Last year there were a few good ideas given to me as ways to get more people involved in fun events. I don't want to give anything away until we are certain of being able to produce an event, but let's say that I am buying some new batteries for my stopwatch and collecting useful objects like Velcro and blindfolds . Please keep those ideas coming; I can always use more. Lastly, if you are a person with extra time and energy please think about joining in on one of my special projects. This year I will be making some improvements to the work raft and, of course, maintaining the Gull is an ongoing task. There are also openings for a cruise planner for this years' club cruise (whether it is traditional or virtual) and the position of Boatswain is available for anybody who enjoys tinkering with the club boat to keep it in good working order.

More to come in next months "Soundings".

Eric Matteson
Fleet Captain



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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.



February 13
February 14
April 28-29

Winter Cabin Party
Board Meeting at Eric Matteson's home
Launch