



LAKE SOUNDINGS

PULTNEYVILLE YACHT CLUB

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Signals from the Commodore

Dear Members,

In my last article I mentioned that I was available to perform Courtesy Marine Examinations of your boats through my affiliation with the Rochester Power Squadron. This year, two more of our members have been certified to examine boats. They are Joe Griffo and Tom Ecker. Please congratulate them on this accomplishment and seek one of us out to inspect your boat. This is the best way to achieve peace of mind knowing that you have all of the required safety equipment and your boat is generally safe and seaworthy.



If you get this before the Memorial Day Weekend, let me remind you of the activities planned. On Friday night we are having a wiener roast. We will provide the dogs, buns and condiments, you can provide a dish to pass and whatever beverages that you would like. On Saturday we will start with the opening ceremony at 12:00 noon. There will be a flag raising ceremony and coffee and doughnuts will be available. At 2:00 we will have the Commodore's Review, weather permitting, and at 4:00 we will have the Commodore's Wine and Cheese reception. On Sunday we will have a flare demonstration at 12:00 noon. Please bring your old flares and get a chance to experience hands-on how to use them. There will be games/entertainment at 3:00 and the Memorial Day Picnic will be at 5:00. For the Racers, the Bowersox Memorial Race will take place. The skippers meeting will be at 10:00.

This is the kickoff of our 60th anniversary as a Yacht Club. There will be other events throughout the summer so stay tuned.

On June 12th we have the Commodore's Brunch. Later that day is the June Membership meeting. The main topic for this meeting will be a presentation from the Alternative Haul and Launch Committee. We will be sending out material for you to read prior to the meeting so as to save some time at the meeting. At this meeting we will not be looking for an approval of the plan as many of the estimates are not in yet, but we are looking for a vote as to whether to allow the committee to continue. Please be available with your questions. Your vote is very valuable.

I look forward to seeing you all at the club.

Steve Heffron

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The Secretary's Corner



Important information coming your way: The Board will be sending out a preliminary informational packet from the Alternative Haul and Launch Committee for your consideration. The Board is distributing this packet so that you can become familiar with the information before the June General Membership Meeting where you will be asked to vote on whether or not you would like the committee to continue working toward a final proposal. This is a significant project that needs to be taken seriously. Please read the packet and attend the June Meeting so that you can make your feelings about this project known.

New PYC Website: Our new web site is now up and running at www.pultneyvilleyachtclub.org. Please check it out and get back to Mark or myself if you have any comments or suggestions.

Reciprocal Membership Chair: The reciprocal membership chair is open to anyone who would like to fill it. Now is a good time to sign up as I have already done most of the work for this year.

Membership Count: Membership is currently 94 voting, 1 social, 17 non-voting. We also have two acceptance letters in the mail that will bring the count up to 96 voting members. Things are looking up, but we have a long way to go as we have calculated that we need 100 members to break even this year. If we do not do better than 100 members we will be looking at increased fees for next year as the 100 member number requires us to spend our the \$20k surplus that we usually carry to get us through hard time.

Welcome to New Members: We have two new members, Mark Laffin and Robin Wilkenson. If you see them please say hello and make them feel welcome.

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Rear Commodore Reports

Notes from the Engine Room.....

Hello, everyone,

As we cruise ahead into the month of June, we as a club have several accomplishments already in hand. In May we held two workdays, and the volunteer process seems to have worked pretty well.

Eric Matteson's dock repair crew managed to level, straighten and otherwise repair a larger number of docks than I anticipated, while Dick Darrow's team on the North Shore did an outstanding job of picking up and clearing away fallen limbs and brush as well as general clean-up around the area, making the North Shore look more like a park than it ever has. Special thanks to Tom Dobbins for bringing his contractor's trailer and making the haul-away much easier, and to Tom Jayne who brought a vast array of power tools to support the dock repair effort.



Dave Weagley's team pushed through on plumbing problems in the old and new clubhouses, fixed siding and soffets, chased down electrical problems and several other issues.

The dock building team led by Stu MacDonald and George DelVechio took on two rather imposing construction tasks; ripping out the old sway-backed dock next to 'Summer Snow' and replacing it with a new one; and re-engineering the metal trusses on P4 so they would accommodate the recently built Gull dock; in the meantime, another part of the team reconstructed a new covering for the work boat's dock. Extra thanks to Dick Sheehan for his truckload of special tools that made the dock-building efforts easier

And Roger Carr's group waged war on the brush along the bank below the Baird House, finished up some plumbing jobs and worked on the roadside landscaping problems left behind by winter's snow-plows. Gordon Palmer and Don Brickle rolled the lawns during both days in an effort to remove the heaves and hollows.

I especially would like to thank everyone who came out on May 15th and stuck with it through a not very hospitable weather situation to complete a difficult job in the rain and the cold.

One last item: We continue our efforts to get tilted and heaved pilings re-driven in the harbor. As of this writing, we were making a second attempt on Saturday morning, Memorial Day Weekend. This project is the reason you may have found a strange boat parked in your slip. With any luck at all, that problem went away Saturday afternoon.

The last workday is June 19th, the weekend after the Commodore's Brunch. Get in touch with Brian McCarthy if you haven't completed your workday obligations at the club. There are still a few jobs left undone.

See you at the club!

Merril Gray

COMMODORE'S BRUNCH & NEW MEMBERS' RECEPTION

**SATURDAY, JUNE 12TH
10:00 AM at PYC PAVILION**

**Pancakes, French Toast, Sausages, Maple Syrup, Adult Brunch Beverages, O.J., Coffee, Soda,
and more...**

We will be concurrently having a "BOAT STUFF" lawn sale adjacent to Pavilion.

Reservations # _____ @ \$6.00/Adult
Required # _____ @ \$3.00/ Child
By 6/7

Please mail reservations to:

_____ @ \$7.00/ Guest

Brian McCarthy
PO Box 81
Pultneyville, NY 14538.

Name _____

Total _____



New Members (continued from page 2)

Membership Drive: In an effort to attract new members the Board has decided to offer new members a deal in which we will waive the new member initiation fee if the applicant agrees to remain a member and keep a boat in the harbor for two years. If you know of anyone who is on the fence about joining, please make this offer known to them as it will save them about \$600.

Another way to attract new members is to offer to host social functions at the club. Please consider hosting small work or social group picnics at the club. As an example I have offered to host a FIRST Robotics adult mentors picnic in June, and I have asked my manager to consider having our workgroup's annual summer picnic at the club. Also, Mark Blaakman would like to bring his scout troop for a campout on the Sea Explorer's sloop the Lotus. Please contact Jack Bopp or myself about any potential parties that you can host.

Please contact me if you would like flyers to post or hand out. Potential members can also visit our web site at www.pultneyvilleyachtclub.org for information and a printable membership application. Our Membership Chairperson is Jerri Schiff (585-381-9115) and our Dock Master is Larry Helber (585-670-9435). Persons interested in our racing program may contact our Fleet Captain, Larry Rice (585-473-9363).

Alex Brougham

Vice Commodore Reports

Vice Commodore Reports:

The boats are launched, two work days are past and the first two social events of the summer are now behind us. I would like to extend my sincere thanks to the people who helped Anneliese and me during these occasions. On the first launch day, Debbie Heffron flipped burgers and turned dogs and Cathy MacDonald supplied us with delicious brownies. The next day was cold and wet and the hot soup that Jan Burcroff brought was truly appreciated. C.R. and Jane Hamilton helped cook and clean up. On the first work day, Anneliese, Jerri Schiff and Carol Brickle took care of setting up for the coffee break as well as cooking lunch and cleaning up afterward. The second work day saw Debbie once again wielding a mean spatula as she and Bob Geraci prepared lunch and Pat Geraci helped set up and clean up. Many thanks to you all.



By the time you receive these Soundings, we will have celebrated the Memorial Day Weekend with the Sexagennial events, the Commodore's Review, the Bowersox Race and the Memorial Day Picnic, hosted by Terry and Dave Weagley. With all of the scheduled activities, there was certainly something for everyone.

We have two social events to look forward to in June. The Commodore's Brunch will occur on Saturday, June 12th, hosted again this year by Brian and Gail McCarthy. The flyer for this event can be found in these Soundings. Brian and Gail will need a lot of help both the evening before and the morning of this brunch. If you would like to help, please give the McCarthy's a call. Before the brunch, George DelVecchio will be taking orders for customized PYC apparel.

The next date on our social calendar is Saturday, June 26th. This will be Open Boats followed by a BYO Picnic under the pavilion. Please bring your own beverage and meat and a dish to pass. Look for a sign-up sheet in the clubhouse.

Jack Bopp

From The Treasury

At the Dec. 6, 2003 meeting a Capital Assessment of \$32.50 per member was voted on to make the 2004 loan payments for the Southcove Docks. A bill will be sent out to members. All payments should be sent to:

PYC
C/O Jane Hamilton
78 Phaeton Dr.
Penfield, NY 14526



Jane Hamilton

O.O.D. Assignments

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DATE	DAY	NAME	DATE	DAY	NAME
28-May	Friday	Brickle	25-Jul	Friday	Griffo
29-May	Saturday	Broderick	26-Jul	Saturday	Hauck
30-May	Sunday	Burcroff	27-Jul	Sunday	Hill
31-May	Monday	Cardinale			
6-Jun	Friday	Carr	1-Aug	Friday	Hunt
7-Jun	Saturday	Chapman	2-Aug	Saturday	Jayne
8-Jun	Sunday	Corbin	3-Aug	Sunday	Kay
13-Jun	Friday	Critchlow	8-Aug	Friday	Keller
14-Jun	Saturday	Cylke, Jr.	9-Aug	Saturday	Kukuvka
15-Jun	Sunday	Darrow	10-Aug	Sunday	LaGrou
20-Jun	Friday	Davis	15-Aug	Friday	LaHaye
21-Jun	Saturday	Del Vecchio	16-Aug	Saturday	Levy
22-Jun	Sunday	Dobbins	17-Aug	Sunday	Lewis
27-Jun	Friday	Ecker	22-Aug	Friday	MacDonald
28-Jun	Saturday	Ely	23-Aug	Saturday	Markovitz
29-Jun	Sunday	Eiselen	24-Aug	Sunday	Marron
4-Jul	Friday	Fedick	29-Aug	Friday	Matteson
5-Jul	Saturday	Ferguson	30-Aug	Saturday	Matyi
6-Jul	Sunday	Fisher	31-Aug	Sunday	McCarthy
11-Jul	Friday	Fisk	1-Sep	Monday	McDonald
12-Jul	Saturday	Fitzgibbon			
13-Jul	Sunday	Foley			
18-Jul	Friday	Fortner			
19-Jul	Saturday	Fuller			
20-Jul	Sunday	Galskoy			

Duty hours: Friday 6:00PM to 9:00PM
 Saturday, Sunday & Holidays 2:00PM to 8:00PM +



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<http://www.pultneyvilleyachtclub.org/>

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.



June 12	Commodore's Brunch, New Member Reception, General Meeting
June 19	Work Day #3, 8:00 AM
June 26	Open Boats and BYO Picnic
July 17	Pultneyville Homecoming
July 31-Aug 2	Club Cruise