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LAKE SOUNDINGS

PULTNEYVILLE YACHT CLUB

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Signals from the Commodore

By Bob Hamilton

Dear Members,

With the majority of the work days behind us, the club is looking great for the June Commodore's Brunch and Membership Meeting. For the meeting, we will have a lot to discuss. The Board has been working on several issues and topics that were raised at the December Annual Meeting. We will be reviewing those topics to get the membership comments and concurrence. I am hoping everyone will attend that can.

The PYC Board has reviewed the member's proposal for changing the voting schedule and process to the September timeframe. While the proposal is correct and represents a need by the members, we feel there is an easier alternative. We will be proposing the following amendment to the PYC by-laws.

Option: Provide an absentee ballot with proxies and package of voting options prior to the Annual Meeting. These ballots will be sent out only to members who submit a request for an absentee ballot to the Secretary by November 1st. The ballot will provide voting options for only those election items known as of November 1st. The ballot must be completed and signed by the member family unit and be returned by the deadline of last mail date before the December Meeting date.

The second element of the member's proposal includes a proposal for a membership meeting in the August or September timeframe. The meeting process is already enabled in the by-laws and the board will organize a meeting if requested by the membership.

With the beginning of June, the cruising season is here. As you are out on the water, keep some notes of happenings and observations. It would be great if we had some more articles from members for the Soundings. It is a newsletter for all of us, not just for the Board, so pen to paper or finger to keyboard, send articles in for everyone to enjoy. Pictures are great too, check with Merrill or Cher Gray for acceptable formats. You may also notice some candidates for the "Goodie Two Shoes and "On the Rocks" awards as you travel around.

That's about it for now. See you all at the June Membership meeting.

Bob Hamilton

Commodore



The Secretary's Corner

by Brian McCarthy

We have two more members joining us for year 2001: Daryl and Michele Hunt and Lee Kaminske. Lets welcome them to the club and we certainly hope to see all the new folks at the Commodore's Brunch and New Member reception on June 9th. That is also the date of our 1st general meeting of the year.

May membership now stands at 110 voting, 13 Non Voting, 1 Social, 2 Compassionate memberships. If you know a perspective member, contact Wendy Axtell at 716-473-1306 or e-mail to Bristol32@aol.com. Prospective slip renters should contact Tom Bolt at 716-924-8045 or e-mail to Sail2733@aol.com.

Check out various notices in this issue from both Cindy and Nancy. I could tell you that Rich Critchlow has a wetting idea for the picnic but I don't think I want to push that issue, however if you can pry it out of him....

Jim Snyder has the year 2001 reciprocal list ready and it is included in this mailing.

Take a look at the calendar in this issue, there have been some changes from earlier dates.

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Board minute Quick notes:

Dredging and workdays 1 & 2 should have been completed by the time you see this. We should also have some improved docking areas on the North Peninsula Shore. Hopefully all went without incident.

Rich will be expanding upon cost issues and explaining where money comes from and goes out. More detail will follow at the general meeting. Five year planning includes needed improvement to the breakwall, rebuilds of the Baird creek docks and at some point a barn for the heavy equipment to both protect that investment and probably free up shed space.

Cathy MacDonald will be coordinating PYC's involvement with the Historical Society's cookbook. This is a first class project and can make us a few bucks. Roger and Cathy will be talking more about this.

If you look at posted minutes each month and you should, you'll see that school taxes are going up about 6.5% this year, and yes we will feel that in our costs next Fall, as PYC is a major taxpayer.

The board is looking at ways to have our non-PYC haulers / launches return to us. It's an iffy proposition cost wise but it's being looked at. If you don't store with us now would you if there were a different arrangement that could be set up?

Our annual meeting will bring a proposal for election changes and the board will be giving you another option to at least think about. Bob should be outlining that in his newsletter.

Gull could use a new motor; does anybody have access to a good motor that the club might be able to purchase? If so talk to Kermit.

Happy and Safe Boating

Brian

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Rear Commodore Reports

by Doug Axtell

Notes from the Engine Room--

Dredging and Work Day Progress Review

The dredging has been delayed about 12 days due to a schedule overrun on a job Dissen and Juhn was contracted to do before the Pultneyville work. I spoke to Ray McMaster on May 14, 2001, and the barge was being prepared for travel to PYC that day, weather permitting. It is expected that Dissen and Juhn will be working on the dredging and pilings for docks for about 7 to 10 thereafter. Because Dissen and Juhn are also contracted to drive and reset pilings, some of the work scheduled for the first workday, was left to the second and third workdays. This is one reason why I scheduled 3 workdays, to compensate for possible disasters.

If we did not have the constraints of the DEC permit, PYC could have been first on the billet, and most of the work could have been completed before launch. However, we cannot dredge before May 1st so this was not an option. This is due to spawning or some other aquatic regulations. On the first workday only about 30% of the dock work was done, mostly prefabrication of the dock structures for the peninsula docks, however many other projects were completed in spite of the drenching rain. I would like to thank the gentlemen who accepted my plea for help and volunteered to be the Crew Chiefs; Tony Belaskas, Paul Roetling, and Ralph Sylvester. Thanks guys!

The good news is that the harbor is once again nearly full. As of May 14, we only had four open docks in the harbor.

Launch Activity Review

The launch was completed successfully although about 1100 dollars over budget due to the addition of the Webster signalman. The cost was \$6,210.80 with the second worker, and would have been \$5,100 if this additional cost had not been added. This places the haul/launch portion of the budget in the red with a possible shortfall of \$2,400 by year-end 2001. A board decision was made to incur the expense of the additional man, thereby reducing the risk of miscommunication (*between the crane operator and signalman*) and the possible disasters that might come with it. The project to move the two light poles, on the peninsula and northshore plateau, as well as following a layout of boats suggested by Webster Crane, should reduce crane moves in those areas, thus reduce this overrun significantly during haulout.

Other Items

We have more dinghies on the rack than we received payment for in the spring dock vouchers. I would contact the owners to remind them directly, however am unaware of who owns a portion of these boats. If you suspect that you have not paid this year's dinghy storage bill and you have a boat on the racks, please contact Tom Bolt. Nathaniel Axtell asked if he could have any that aren't claimed so that he can begin sailing in his own boat this summer (joking!)

We lost our Environmental Officer this year. If anyone is interested in being the person to stay in touch with the DEC, attend discussions about the Pultneyville Harbor Treasures, and other items of interest to PYC, please contact me.

Five Year Plans for PYC

I was asked by the board to prepare a list of possible capital projects for the improvement of the club, which might be approved by both the membership and estate. The concept was to look forward up to

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On The Range

by Kermit Sleggs

Now that the workday is really behind us I'd like to again thank Eric Matteson, Bob Hamilton, Tom Broderick, Louis Cardinale, Lou Rohr, and Fritz Liebert for volunteering to work with me and for being patient with my tardiness. The timing belt on my car decided to snap as I was nearing exit 11 on 390. Needless to say, I had to call my wife to the rescue. The channel marks and race marks are all set for the season.

Cindy Kukuvka has graciously offered to be in charge of the Poker Fun Race, which is scheduled for Saturday, June 30.

The Women's Skipper Race will be held on Saturday, July 7. We'll have a series of three races on that day, and awards will be presented to the first, second, and third place winners.

Now that the trophy case is finished I'd like to ask those who were awarded trophies last year to proudly display them at the Clubhouse.

Last, if you're reading this before June 14, I would like to, once again, encourage you to race in the Scotch Bonnet Light race 2001, which is set for June 15-16. There will be no race on Thursday, June 14, as some of us will be taking our boats to GYC. Also, there is a complimentary welcome dinner, which will be served Thursday evening.

Respectfully submitted,

Kermit Sleggs

Fleet Captain

Sleggs@hotmail.com



Engine Room (Cont.)

- **Baird Creek Docks** – The Baird Creek docks are in very poor repair. If the club grows much more in membership, these slips will again become necessary. This includes building a retaining wall to prevent further erosion and undermining of the bank and building new docks with utilities as found in the rest of the harbor. If the docks are created and filled, we could possibly enjoy increased income from 5-8 additional docks.
- **North Breakwall** –The north breakwall is almost entirely submerged the bulk of most seasons. This breakwall should be both wider and taller to prevent waves from carrying material both over and through this structure. The cost of adding more large rocks to this structure is about 500 dollars per rock. This might become significantly lower if the rebuilding were coupled with the moving charge for launch. For example if the services of the crane were retained for a couple of days after launch, we might pay one setup charge and place the rocks from land rather than from a barge. This would allow more of the expenditure to be for the stones. If \$10,000 were spent, it is possible that a large portion of the channel dredging might be done from the breakwall. This would result in savings on the cost of dredging. Dredging from a barge currently costs \$27/cubic yard of material removed. Dredging from land is less than 1/3 this cost and can be accomplished more quickly, because there are fewer steps in handling of the material.
- **Workshed/Forklift shed** –Some members find the forklift objectionable stored in the open near the workshed. Additionally we could preserve this investment better if it were covered during periods of non-use. A polebarn type of extension of the existing structure with sliding doors was mentioned. Alternatively a freestanding structure could be located elsewhere on the property. This would be subject to the approval of the Cornwall Trust. A third idea is to create a custom canvas cover for the equipment.
 - **Items Suggest by Members** – If anyone has other suggestions please contact me so I can include it for a briefing during the June Membership Meeting.

Vice Commodore's Report

by Roger Carr

Here is a reminder about the Commodore's Brunch. The deadline for reservations is June 2. Call Andy & Christine White at (716) 264-9045 if you want to attend and lost the reservation form. Members of PYC are invited to the Mariner's Pancake Breakfast. Reservations are not required. A flyer is elsewhere in the Soundings.

We will have an Open Boats afternoon on Sunday, July 1. It will run from 1 PM to 5PM. There will be a sign-up sheet on the white board in the clubhouse for those members inviting visitors to their boats that afternoon. Boat owners usually serve snacks and beverages to their guests. The club will provide balloons for the bow pulpits of the boats open for visits.

Immediately after the Open Boats, we will have a "Bring Your Own" Picnic. Members have asked for a social event around the 4th of July and have also asked for simple do-it-yourself affairs. Well, here it is!

Attendees should bring all they need to have a picnic supper in the pavilion. This includes food, beverages, utensils to prepare and eat what is brought, etc. The club will have charcoal fires available for do-it-yourself grilling. There will be trash barrels for moving refuse to the dumpster. There will be no formalized set-up or clean-up crew. We're on our own. If some one would like to post a "dish to pass" sign-up sheet somewhere, feel free to do so. If this works out, we'll try it again on Labor Day weekend.

Roger Carr
Vice Commodore



Crossing the Bar
Ian Burcroff

"We sincerely appreciate your support during Ian's long illness. Your thoughtfulness will always be remembered. Your cards, visits and calls meant so much at this time. Ian's memorial service will be 3:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m. , June 15, 2001 at Forman Park, Pultneyville."

C.R. & Jan Burcroff

Pie Et Cetera Auction

Saturday, June 9th
From: Nancy Gong

Watch for the PYC Pie Auction presented by the Clubhouse Decorating Committee on the day of the Commodore's Brunch. The Committee has been working on getting new cushions for the rattan furniture and has a list of a few other accoutrements they'd like for the clubhouse to have. They're planning on using leftover funds from monies previously raised for the clubhouse interior, but are a little short. We'll need lots of goodies, so bring your pies or specialty desserts for auction and be ready to participate in a sure to be unforgettable, entertaining auction by PYC's greatest auctioneer Jane Hamilton. The Committee will share more of its plans, at the auction. We are assured that all plans are all within the PYC spirit. Questions? Call Nancy Gong *Tai Pan*, Jane Hamilton *Beach Bum II*, Carolyn Hotchkiss *Seafever*, or Cindy Kukupka *Puff*.
e-mail: cathmacd@computer-connection.net.



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 Kukupka @ 315-331-3458



It's the POKER RACE a/k/a PYC Water Wars!!!

Skippers Meeting July 1, 2001 at 1pm Clubhouse

Fun for the whole family...games, prizes and food!
Bring a dish to pass and place settings for your group, we will supply hots and drinks!
The Object of the Game....? To stay DRY!!



As some of you may have read in the papers, the Macedon Public Library was completely destroyed in a fire on April 30th. They lost over 30,000 books!

If you are interested in donating your hard cover, and soft cover books to the Library, contact Cindy Kukupka.

The plan is a gift to the Library from PYC.



From: "Larry Rice" <lrice@firstclass.rit.edu>

I'm sending a note to our members to remind folks that Betsy and I will be taking orders for PYC clothing at the Memorial Day Picnic, and since we don't have any inventory for display, would those members who already own PYC clothing, please wear your club finery to the picnic.

Larry and Betsy Rice

“Lakeside Reflections Cookbook”

Sponsored by the Pultneyville Historical Society

May 4, 2001

Dear Pultneyville Yacht Club Members,

The Pultneyville Historical Society is creating a new cookbook, entitled, “Lakeside Reflections.” In selecting new ideas for our next edition we have decided to try a new format with input from various groups within our community. A cookbook is always of interest when someone we know has been a contributor. “Lakeside Reflections” will be in a 5”x 7”, hard cover, 3 ring binder and divided into different sections. Each section will be devoted to a different group within our community. i.e.: the Pultneyville Reformed Church, the Mariners’ Club, the Pultneyville Fire Company, local Fruit Farmers and the Pultneyville Pickle, to name a few. Each contributing organization will have a page where a picture and/or logo, brief history and information about the group can go (thus provide some free advertising and exposure!)

I have received approval from the PYC Board to offer this to our membership as a possible fundraiser. The book will retail for approximately \$15.00 and the PYC would keep 20% as profit. PYC will purchase 25 books up front, with many more available as needed.

The Historical Society hopes to get a selection of recipes from PYC members. ***Please mail or e-mail your recipe(s) to me by June 15th***, using the enclosed form and following the directions that our publisher has provided. We reserve the right to edit the number of contributed recipes.

Thank you in advance for your support. The cookbooks will hopefully be available by early fall. Please feel free to call me if you have any questions: (315) 589-9966.

Sincerely,

Cathy MacDonald
Pultneyville Historical Society Cookbook Committee member and PYC Member
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RECIPE COLLECTION SHEET

FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS TO THE RIGHT For office use only Recipe No

Category _____ *Collection Sheet*

Recipe Title _____
Submitted By _____ *Instructions:*

INGREDIENTS: Use abbreviations: pt. qt. pkg. env. c. tsp. 1. oz. lb. gal. doz. sm. med. lg.

can).

- Type or print clearly in ink, not pencil, and place only one recipe per form.
- If more room is needed, use another sheet of equal size and staple to List all ingredients in order of use.
- Include container sizes (e.g., 16-oz. p kg., 24-oz.
- Keep directions in paragraph form –not in steps.
 - Use names of ingredients in the directions (e.g., “Combine flour and sugar.” DO NOT use statements like. “Combine first three ingredients.”).

DIRECTIONS:

- Include temperatures and cooking, chilling, baking, and/or freezing times.
- Anything not part of the recipe (ingredients, directions, contributor name, serving size, or recipe title) will not be included unless you select Recipe Notes for an extra charge.
- Be consistent with the spelling of your name for each recipe you contribute.
- Your recipes should fit into the following categories, unless custom:

- Appetizers & Beverages*
- Soups & Salads*
- Vegetables & Side Dishes*
- Main Dishes*
- Breads & Rolls*
- Desserts*
- Cookies and Candy***
- This and That***

By June 15, 2001 return to:
Cathy MacDonald
PO Box 207
Pultneyville, New York 14538

Questions? Call 589-9966 Email: cathmacd@computer-connection.net

PULTNEYVILLE MARINERS

FATHER'S DAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, June 17th

9:00-11:00 a.m.

MENU

exceptional pancakes - blueberry pancakes

scrambled eggs - home fries - sausage

fresh fruit - juice - coffee

COST: \$3.50 without sausage

\$4.00 with sausage



PYC Calendar of Events and Dates for Year 2001

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| Winter Cabin Party | February 04 |
| Launch Boats | April 27, 28 |
| Dredging | May 1 Start; est: 7-10 days |
| Fleet Captain Work Day | May 5 |
| Work Day #1 | May 12 @ 8:00 AM |
| Work Day #2 | May 19 @ 8:00 AM |
| Work Day #3 | June 16 @ 8:00 AM |
| Commodore's Review | May 26 |
| Bowersox Memorial Day Race & Picnic * | May 27 PYC Host |
| Commodore's Brunch & New Member Reception & General Meeting | June 9 |
| Open Boats & BYO Picnic* | June 9 |
| Grampion Event | June 9 |
| Scottish Heritage Society (Private) | July 1 |
| Commodore's Challenge* | July 21, 22 |
| August Board Meeting @ PYC | July 29, 1200-1800 |
| Club Cruise | August 5 - PMI Host Year |
| Pig Roast * | August 10 |
| Bown Race | August 11 |
| Clam Bake* | August 18 @ PYC |
| Cradle Day | September 15 |
| Haul | September 15 PYC Host |
| Fall Banquet | October 6 @ 8:00 AM |
| Annual Meeting | October 19 - 20 @7:00 AM |
| | November 10 @ TBD |
| | December 2 @ Pultneyville Fire Hall |

* - These are shared events with PYC and Mariners



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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.



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July 1

Commodore's Brunch & Meeting
New Member Reception
Open Boats and "BYO Picnic"