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LAKE SOUNDINGS

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Signals from the Commodore

By Bob Hamilton

Dear Members,

We had one of our best days ever at the club on September 14th as we defended the Commodore’s Challenge with victory again in 2002. It was an exciting race with rather stiff winds for our pair of 22 Catalina’s – our good ship “Obsession” owned by Lou Cardinale and the PMI “Maine Inspiration” owned by Bob Hibbard. There are pictures later in the Soundings but I want to extend “Great Race” acknowledgements to the PMI Crew of Commodore Gene Watson, Bob Hibbard and Rick Leavitt and to our PYC Crew of Lou Cardinale, Eric Matteson and myself. I think both boats have permanent grip marks now squeezed onto the tiller. The wine and cheese festivities and the sunset cruise on Eric’s boat made for an excellent day of fun and camaraderie with our friends and neighbors on both sides of the creek.



We held our General Membership meeting on September 21, which consisted mostly of officers reports related to our current statuses. For those who were not in attendance, here is a quick summary of the highlights. Full details will be available in the meeting minutes.

- Membership has been mostly flat this year, so we should all advertise for new members.
- The budget is in good balance in spite of reduced revenue from membership and docks.
- The membership approved a process for the board to solicit member loans for construction of our new docks in the South Cove where the loan would be repaid by the new dock revenue.
- The membership approved a recognition bonus for our dredging company to offset a small portion of the extra time spent removing tires and debris from the bottom of our harbor.
- Our club as well as the Mariners and the Mill Street Marina will be jointly sponsoring a booth at the Rochester Boat Show in January for 2003 advertising.

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The Secretary's Corner

by Diane Griffo



Membership: Our membership numbers remain steady at 107 voting, 1 social, 2CM, 18 non-voting, and 5 who receive Lake Soundings only. As you can see our voting membership is down. Let's all become "Membership Chairmen" over the non-boating season as we talk to others about our boating experiences. Our location is beautiful, our clubhouse is great, our social events can't be beat, but most of all, our members are our greatest asset! As always, contact Jerri Schiff or Larry Helber for more information.



Membership Data: Thank you all for your responsiveness in keeping your membership data up to date. Changes can be sent to me **in writing** via e-mail or snail mail.

Calendar: It's October already and time for cradle day and haul out! Please remember to sign up early for our Fall Banquet taking place on November 16th. The flyer is included with this issue. Our Annual Meeting will be SUNDAY, December 1st at the Pultneyville Fire Hall. Mark your calendars.

Enjoy: October! Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

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By The Way...

A representative of "Great Lakes Cruiser" Magazine stopped at Pultneyville's town historian to discuss The Town of Pultneyville as a Great Lake' Cruising Destination including the Pultneyville Yacht Club. A copy of our club's history and a copy of the Range map of the harbor were provided for his information.

They do stories of several different cruising ports in each issue. The story about Pultneyville will be in the next issue, October. The magazine is on line and free. He asked if we would give out the Web address and this is it for your perusal:

www.greatlakescruiser.com.

I asked if he writes about visiting the club to please include the range information. He also asked about reciprocal policy and cost per night.

The article is not just about PYC but should give us a nice message in the cruising fraternity around the lakes.

If you get a few minutes check it out. If cruising to one of their destinations, check it out for helpful hints.



Submitted by
Brian McCarthy

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Rear Commodore Reports

Notes from the Engine Room--

by Larry Fedick

Haul-out is Coming!



Cradle day and haul out are coming up fast. However, for now there are some important things that our members should keep in mind, as we get our boats and our equipment ready to put our boats away for the season. Here is a list of things I believe are most important.

Cradle Day: Let's show up. It's Your Cradle.

Being conspicuously absent when it comes time to set that cradle of yours that takes fifteen men to move does not help you make friends in the club.

Everybody should make sure their cradles are in good shape.

Rickety cradles, propped up with duct tape and two-by-fours, do not lend great confidence to your neighbor who fears that your boat may topple over onto his. It has happened in our harbor in the past.

Haul out: Be On Time.

Arrive before your start time. We will pull the first boat at 7:00 AM sharp on the morning shift. This means you need to be there a half hour to forty five minutes before that to help get the frame sized and connected, and the slings positioned on the first boats of the day.

Have your tag lines ready. "Ready" means attached to cleats on the boat and ready for deployment.

Let's not monkey around. Get your boat in your cradle, and lets move on to the next boat.

Every ten minutes you waste because you weren't ready costs the club \$50.00.

Lets all be safe.

I would like to thank **Scott Nichols** For all his hard work in setting up the haul out.

Larry Fedick

Rear Commodore



Victor, Victorious!!!

Anecdotes and Images from this year's Commodores' Challenge Race



The winners: PYC Commodore Bob Hamilton, right, Lou Cardinale, boat owner and crew, Eric Matteson, tactician.

Occasionally the crew would get thirsty.....



The PYC Crew



Sunset cruise aboard the Dulcinea afterward



The Mariners Crew

"Commodore" (continued from page 1)

Also, at our September meeting, our 2003 Officers were elected. The Officers for 2003 will be:

Commodore	Steve Heffron	Treasurer	Andy White
Vice Commodore	Jack Bopp	Secretary	Diane Griffo
Rear Commodore	Larry Fedick	Fleet Captain	Larry Rice

We will be transitioning responsibilities and knowledge over the next couple months so they can start 2003 with some momentum. I urge everyone to give the new board your utmost support, as 2003 will be another busy year for club activity, advertising, and outreach to the Pultneyville community.

Cradle Day and Haul are coming up soon. Remember it is a requirement for the boat owner to take responsibility for sling placement and cradle positioning while being present as the boat is being hauled. Please make every effort to be ready for your turn to haul and make these events as safe and as efficient as possible to wrap up the boating season.

Bob Hamilton



PYC SOUTHERN RENDEZVOUS

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, 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!!!!

On The Range

by Kermit Sleggs



Wow, I can not believe how fast the summer has passed by. As I write this we have only one Thursday night race left and then it is on to getting the awards in order.

My wife Harriet and I finally squeezed in a pleasure sail during the Bown race, and we left PYC at 4pm to attend yet another family wedding in Rochester. I will be pleased when all the relatives are married for the year (one left on October 12), and are moving on to living happily ever after!

It has been difficult to complete many of the fall races, especially after we had a very successful spring series. First we had too much wind and then not enough. The wind appeared to be pretty light for the Bown race, but just as the race got started the wind filled in nicely and twelve boats participated in the race to Sodus and back!

Congratulations to Marv Hill for doing a fantastic job with raising money for the Hospice race. Also, he clenched second place in his division. Great job, Marv! Thanks to Jim Ely for serving on the committee and for others who participated in some way or another.

Hope to see everyone at the Fall Banquet on Saturday, November 16th!

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Pultneyville Sailor Wins Award At Hospice Regatta!

Four Pultneyville boats were entered in this year's Rochester Hospice Regatta: Peter Bennett sailing *Flyaway*; Marvin Hill sailing *Scimitar*; Paul McDonald sailing *Moon & Stars* and Tom Foley sailing *Summer Snow*. Pultneyville sailors raised over \$3100 for Hospice! And this doesn't include money raised at the dinner by a member of Summer Snow's crew who was selling handfuls of M&M's in return for contributions at the picnic.

The race was sailed under interesting conditions including a 70 degree wind shift in the middle of a starting sequence compounded with the first starters, having sailed around the course once in heavy air, coming through the starting area on their second time around while the race committee was still trying to start additional fleets.

Scimitar took 2nd place and *Moon & Stars* took 4th place in the Saber 28 division. *Flyaway* and *Summer Snow* finished out of the money, but everyone was really a winner because they helped raise a substantial amount of money for Hospice.

Marvin Hill won the Hildebrandt Spirit Award by raising the most money of all participants - over \$2700! The race also was very special for Marvin in that he sailed it in memory of his late wife Ann who died this past year. Marvin and Ann received services of Genesee Region Health Care.

Tom Foley sailed in memory of his mother-in-law Ida Wood who died the day before the race. He had been planning to sail in honor of her. Ida was a recipient of hospice home care and spent her final day in a hospice home in Ontario, NY.

Peter Bennett's boat was sponsored by Jim Ely and was sailed in memory of Jim's father James S. Ely, Sr.

Paul McDonald sailed in memory of Donna McDonald, his wife who died 3 years ago, and John Gubioti, another friend.

Article submitted by Jim Ely

Vice Commodore's Report

by Dan Harris



As I write this the Clam Bake is less than a week away. I hope you got your Reservations in on time.

The next event is the Fall Banquet. Please get your reservations in early.

Hard to believe that the boats will be out of the water so soon. Cradle day and Haul will soon be here and I will need some help with lunches. So if you can help give me a call or an E-Mail. 585-482-7862 (Powertaz69@hotmail.com).

Dan Harris
Vice Commodore





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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.



October 5	Cradle Day 8:00 AM
October 18-19	Haul-Out 7:00 AM
November 16	Fall Banquet