



# LAKE SOUNDINGS

PULTNEYVILLE YACHT CLUB

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## Signals from the Commodore

On August 23<sup>rd</sup> we were to hold the annual Commodore's Challenge, this year sponsored by the Pultneyville Mariners. They selected sunfish for the vessel and then laid down the challenge. Anyone that was at or on the water on that day will attest that we were experiencing 5 to 6 foot seas. While this weather might be fun for someone experienced in sunfish sailing, in my opinion it was not a very good day to learn how to sail a sunfish and I had only three (3) days warning about this race. So we talked about this and decided that Jim May, the commodore of Pultneyville Mariners, would go out on one sunfish and I would go out on another one with his wife Carol and we would just ride around awhile instead of having the competition. It was fun but when Carol and I got out there and we saw the size of the waves, she agreed that it was not a good day for me to learn how to sail one. We decided not to have the race and to go ahead with the party. Attached are some of the pictures from this event. The Mariners might feel that it was a forfeit on my part and that they are the winners but while we were out, Carol and I did not tip over once but Jim capsized twice and some of the gear from the boat he was on had to be retrieved by Bob Hamilton who was nearby in his dinghy.



I have held this article back so I can document what happened at the September membership meeting. As you know, this is the meeting where the next year's board members are elected. The results of the election and your board for next year follows:

Commodore	Steve Heffron for a continuing term
Vice Commodore	Jack Bopp for a continuing term
Rear Commodore	Merril Gray
Secretary	Alex Brougham
Treasurer	Jane Hamilton
Fleet Captain	Larry Rice for a continuing term

There was also discussion about possible changes to the haul-out next year. We are going to try to have a split haul-out next year. In order to plan for this and to properly negotiate this with the crane company, we need your help. The split would entail splitting the haul-out over two weekends; the first would be the first weekend in October and the second would be the third weekend in October as it currently is. We need to start planning for this now so we ask that you give us your intention for haul-out next year as soon as possible. We would not hold you to this decision but we need to have an idea of who would want to haul early and who would want to haul late.

Please contact Terry Wolfe with which date you would like to come out.

I would also like to encourage all of the members that haul out at other locations in order to come out early to re-evaluate your decision. If two (2) weeks earlier would help you, please let Terry know. If you go other places because mechanics are available to help you, we have Harry Nowak available to help you with your mechanical needs and he will come right to your boat at the club to do it.

The September Clambake was not very well attended this year. This event has shrunk every year since it started. Next year we will be considering a different and less expensive event for the September event. Jack Bopp will be talking more about that in the future.

Please remember that cradle day is October 11<sup>th</sup> and haul-out is October 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. The specific schedule and work assignments are included in this issue of the "Soundings."

I look forward to seeing you at the club.

*Steve Heffron*

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Andy White - Treasurer  
Larry Rice - Fleet Captain



## The Secretary's Corner



**Membership:** Our voting membership remains steady at 103. Our membership is down, not unlike other area yacht clubs. PYC has beautiful grounds, a warm and inviting clubhouse, our social events can't be beat, but our members remain our greatest asset! As we talk to other boaters in the "off season", please continue to accentuate the positive aspects of our club. As always, please call Jerri Schiff regarding new member information, and Larry Helber for dock information.

**Speaking of Great Assets:** Congratulations to **Marv Hill** of *Scimitar*! Marv won the Hildebrandt Award for the most money raised, \$3200, in the Hospice Regatta.

**Future Assets:** The following note is from the grandsons of **Ernie and Eleanor Matyi** of *Widget*:

Dear Mr. Griffo,  
Thank you for the fun day. We had fun at the Poker Race. We look forward to next year. Thank you for the water guns. We appreciate it.

Mike Baron  
Brian Baron

**Member Data:** Thank you for your responsiveness in keeping your membership data up to date. Please contact me **in writing** with changes in address, e-mail, or phone.

**Calendar:** Please sign up early for our Fall Banquet, which will be **Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup>**. Look for the flyer in this issue. Also our December General Meeting will be **Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup>** at the Pultneyville Fire Hall. Please mark your calendars for this important meeting where we discuss the 2004 budget.

**October:** Haul Out! Have a great month!! Please call or e-mail me with questions or concerns.

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## Rear Commodore Reports

### Notes from the Engine Room.....

The end of the season is coming fast, so I would like to remind everybody to show up for cradle day.



Remember haul-out starts at 7:00 AM SHARP. Be there and have the boat ready. We all know what has to be done, so let's do it.

Thank You

*Larry Fedick*



## Crossing The Bar

The membership of the Pultneyville Yacht Club extends its expressions of care and concern to Debbie and Steve Heffron on the passing of Debbie's mother in September, and to Gerard and Ann Fisher, on the passing of Ann's father in August.



# 2003 PYC FALL BANQUET

## Saturday 15 November 2003

### Daisy Flour Mill - 1880 Blossom Road, Rochester

**Schedule:**

6:00 PM Cocktails  
 7:00 PM Dinner followed by Awards Presentation and a "Year in Review" slide show

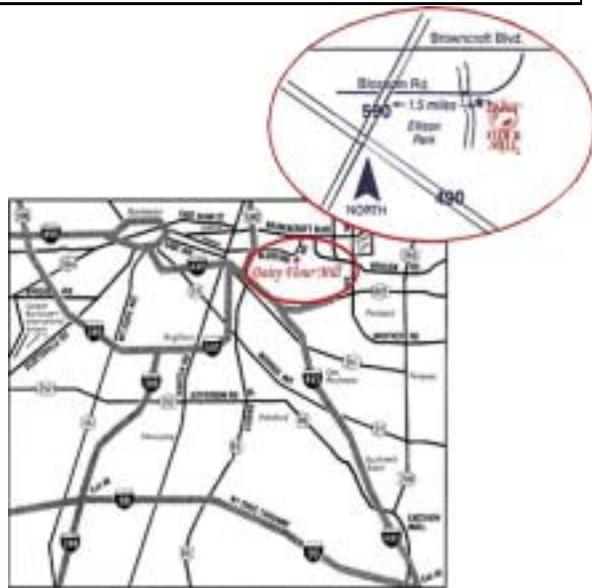
**Menu Options:**

(prices include gratuity and sales tax)

- |  | Members or Guests |
|--|-------------------|
| A) Broiled Salmon Maltaise –orange<br>Seville hollandaise sauce  | \$26.50           |
| B) Chicken Daisy-sautéed in<br>white wine with lemon butter, capers,<br>artichoke hearts and mushrooms | \$22.50           |
| C) Sliced Roast Tenderloin with<br>peppercorn sauce  | \$29.00           |

(all meals include salad, rolls, potato, vegetables, coffee and tea)

Dessert – Carrot Cake



**Please return by 7 November 2003**  
**Late reservations cannot be accepted**

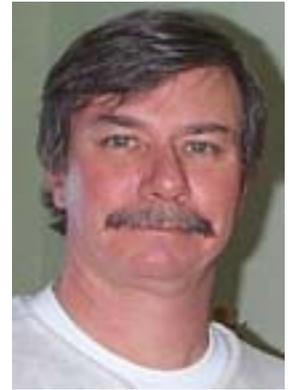
Please mail to: **Jerri Schiff**  
 5 Little Acorn Circle  
 Pittsford, NY 14534

Please list names and choice of menu so proper name/place cards can be prepared:

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<b>Make check payable to <b>Pulneyville Yacht Club</b></b>		

# Vice Commodore Reports

The summer has gone by so fast, but it certainly was enjoyable. It's so hard to believe that October is upon us and in just a few weeks the boats will be out of the water. Haul out will be on October 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. I will need some help setting up for coffee breaks and serving lunch. Please give me a call if you are willing and able.



The Fall Banquet is November 15 at the Daisy Flour Mill. Cocktails begin at 6:00 pm with dinner served at 7:00 and the awards ceremony to follow. Many thanks go to Jerri Schiff and my better half, Anneliese, for planning this event. A few folks have sent us some photos; we are still hoping for more. The flyer can be found in these Soundings. Please be timely in submitting your registration.

## *Jack Bopp*

Looking Back at the Club Cruise, on the right, Dick and Kathy Sheehan, newly wed before the club mast, seize the opportunity during the club cruise to secure ceremonies commemorating the name of their craft, "Poppa Smurf". Previously, the name of the craft had not been "invoked." There was plenty of invoking going on on the dock at Fair Haven Yacht Club that night, but the mosquitoes were vengeful and this was the only picture we got.

*(The Editors)*



*What, another ceremony? Who is this guy, anyway- Zeus? Ulysses? Prometheus? Brian? Oh, yeah, um, Neptune! - I think .....*



## *The Commodore's Challenge Race - Revisited*



It's a mighty blow, but the race must go on.....I think. Wait a minute, those waves are as high as this surfboard thing is long. I think I should reappraise the situation. Is this really a boat? Look! Commodore May has just flipped over! And he's the expert!

It doesn't look that bad to me.....where's the beer?



I think we should really reconsider this - back on the beach. After all, we can't start the race if Commodore May can't stay on his board.....





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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.



October 11  
October 18,19  
November 15  
December 6

Cradle Day, @ 8:00 AM  
Haul Out, @7:00 AM  
Fall Banquet, Daisy Flour Mill  
Annual Meeting @ Fire Hall