



LAKE SOUNDINGS

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Signals from the Commodore

Fellow Boaters;

Some might be aware that the United States and Canada had formed a commission, which now includes the wishes/needs of recreational boating, to study lake levels and how they impact the varied interests around the lake. The pre-1958 study did not take recreation into account. Three final proposals from the study group were presented to the international commission in the fall of 2005. The commission must now decide if it is to use one of those control plans or retain the 1958 plan plus addendum. It should make that decision to do so by year-end 2006. There will be no impact to PYC upon the lake level in 2006, but in 2007 the possibility exists of some pretty dramatic changes. All three of the plans call for a wider swing in control water levels by approximately +/- 2-4 feet over longer periods of time throughout the year. You may wish to inform yourself about these plans by entering www.losl.org.



An information only meeting will be held about the Membership Committee report accepted by the board. That meeting will be May 7th at the Pultneyville Fire Hall at 1 PM. This will give all the opportunity to ask any questions about this complex series of proposed changes. The June general meeting will bring forth a series of By-Law and Policy changes that would be required to implement these new memberships. The acceptance or rejection of the By-law changes equal acceptance or rejection of the new membership proposals by the general membership.

Doug Holland of the NYS DEC used to visit PYC about 4 times a year to survey power boaters about fishing. Doug will no longer be visiting us. A new DEC employee of the Fisheries Station from Niagara to Henderson will replace him. His vehicle is clearly marked and he carries standard DEC identification, if he stops to query you. He will send surveys, reports and other information to Bill Sorrell for board posting in the clubhouse. *(editors's note: the purpose of these surveys is to track fish populations, species and numbers taken, etc., not law enforcement.)*

Doug Felton is our Lake Soundings printer for 2006. He has asked me to advise those receiving hard copies that scheduling conflicts may preclude printing before the first of each month. You may receive the copy later than usual but you will receive it. Electronic copy is unaffected. A request for those hard copy people that have email addresses (28) to go electronic was unsuccessful with only a 20% response rate. Although 5 agreed to change, four current electronic requested hard copy, thus nullifying changes for easing Doug's printing.

Brian McCarthy
Commodore

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The Secretary's Corner

Membership report as of 4/3/06: 85 voting members, 1 social member, and 12 non-voting members. We have not heard from many of last year's dock renters as of this date, but from all indications we will have a number of docks left for new members or for dock renters.

A reminder to all that the informational meeting on the proposal for changes in the categories of membership status is scheduled for 5/7/06 1 PM at the Pultneyville Firehall. If anyone needs a hard copy of the proposal, please contact me. The proposal was also sent out electronically on 4/13/06.

In March 2006 the club made a contribution to Rochester General Hospital in the memory of our fellow member Ralph Sylvester. Credit goes to Jerri Schiff for coordinating and following through with this gesture.

Bill Sorrells,
PYC Secretary

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Best Wishes

for a Speedy Recovery to

Helen Carr

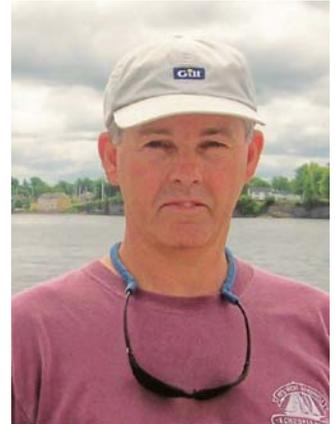
after her recent surgery



Rear Commodore Reports

Notes from the Engine Room.....

As I write this article, there's a lot of work going into preparations for launch and the start of the boating season. This includes work by two separate local contractors, Savory Construction and Frederico Construction, on the N1 & N7 docks and North wall wailer (support beam) replacement, respectively. Savory is also installing a new kitchen floor. There has also been a lot of volunteer effort by PYC members who, like everyone else, also have to get their own vessels ready to launch. When you see these folks around the club, be sure to thank them:



Launch coordinator: Steve Heffron

Dock master and huge help with contractor estimates: Mark Laffin

Plumbing/water service start-up: Russ Palum, Chris Tertinek, Dave Weagley

Baird docks installation crew: Don Boesel, C.R. Burcroff, Earl Chapman, Doug Felton,
Barry Gheer, Steve Heffron, Ron Hilgert, Mike Saporito

Gin pole winch repair – Don Boesel

Upstate Applications will be handling weed control in the harbor again this year – most likely in mid-June. The paperwork has been submitted to the DEC and letters have been mailed to our neighbors.

Work Day Assignments

In response to my request last month, several people have contacted me volunteering for specific days or projects. I've tried to accommodate as many as possible. The project descriptions, team leaders and work assignments, found on page 5 are subject to minor changes but should cover most of what we expect to get done. If you do have a problem with your assigned project or work date, contact your team leader ASAP. If you don't find your name listed, it may be that you've already fulfilled your workday requirement or it may be that I've goofed. If you're not sure which is the case, please contact me.

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Daryl Hunt
Rear Commodore



Fleet Captain's Journal

Well, where to begin- there are some big happenings at the Nichols residence, we have a new crew member Lauren Ariel Nichols born on March 21st. A lovely little bouncing baby, doing the normal baby activities of eating, sleeping and pooping, baby and mother are doing fine. If this particular article is a little short you will have to excuse me I'm a little sleep deprived!

Now we can finally put down the books and magazines on boating and sailing and get to enjoy being on the water with our own boats and enjoy the coming months. Our race marks should be in and masts are on the way up. Its time to start the sailing season!

For this summer I see fair winds, with lots of Thursday nights having nice steady 10 to 15 knot breezes to make our sailing fast and enjoyable. Yeah right you're saying, but can't a Fleet Captain have a dream?

May Race Calendar

Tune-Up Races & Skipper's Meeting => 5/11

Spring Series => 5/18, 5/25

Bowersox Race => 5/27, Skippers Meeting at 10AM, picnic to follow.

Another race activity is that we are going to host the inaugural Lake Ontario Challenge Cup Regatta, with new member, Jon Flowerday, as chair of the event. It is a one design race for the Beneteau First 235s, there are currently two in the harbor, mine and Jon's and he has been promoting the race via <http://www.beneteau235.com>.

Scott Nichols
Fleet Captain

Please spend a few minutes reading up on Robert's Rules of Order at the sites listed below in order to be better prepared for our membership meetings.

<http://www.csuchico.edu/sac/parliament.html>

http://www.ndsu.edu/ndsu/deott/univ_senate/robertsrules.pdf



Work Day Assignments

<p><u>Dock Repair</u> May 13th Eric Matteson – Leader Anderson Blaakman Craft Gheer Herko Marcellus Markovitz Matyi</p>	<p><u>Club Beautification</u> May 13th Cindy Kukuvka – Leader Johns LaGrou Miller Palmer Rohr Shults Stage Williams</p>	<p><u>Grounds Clean-up North</u> May 13th Dick Darrow – Leader Davis Fitzgibbon Foley Griffo LaHaye Marron Schiff Stevens</p>
<p><u>Grounds Clean-up South</u> May 13th Roger Carr – Leader Allen Chapman Cylke Durfee Kay Mistersaro Soule, Jr. Wurtenberg</p>	<p><u>Building Projects</u> June 17th David Weagley – Leader Alden Bolt Bopp Byrnes Ferguson Fisk Fuller Hamilton</p>	<p><u>Dock Construction</u> June 17th Stu MacDonald – Leader Axtell Bertoni Borresen Gray Hauck Jayne Lyboldt Sleggs</p>
<p><u>Painting & Staining</u> June 17th Tom Broderick – Leader Abate Flowerday Fortner Galskoy Pautz</p>	<p><u>Parking Lot/Road Repair</u> June 17th Mike Saporito – Leader Bopp Gustafson Moritz Snyder Thurston</p>	<p><u>Shed Floor Replacement</u> June 17th Larry Fedick – Leader Critchlow Ecker Felton Hunt Melich Rice</p>



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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.



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| May 13 | Work Day #1, 8:00 AM |
| May 20 | Commodore's Review, 1:00 PM |
| May 27 | Bowersox Memorial Day Race, 10:00 AM
Picnic follows at 5:00 PM |
| June 10 | Commodore's Brunch
New Member Reception, 11:00 AM
General Meeting, 2:00 PM |
| June 17 | Work Day #2, 8:00 AM |
| June 24 | BYO Picnic, 1:00 PM |
| July 7 | Jim Ely 'Moonrise' Memorial Night Race, 7:00 PM |