



LAKE SOUNDINGS

PULTNEYVILLE YACHT CLUB

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Signals from the Commodore

Fellow Boaters,

This season is rapidly coming to a close for the boating enthusiast but not for the club as a whole.

By the time you read this article we hope to have completed, or be very near completion of, the Main Dock rebuild, and replacement of the supporting wailer boards on the east side of the peninsula. The early haul outs should be complete and we are awaiting the final haul out. Hopefully all has and will take place without injury or incidents.

The elections have taken place and our new officers are eager to begin their yearly adventure by joining this year's board in the budget finalization process. At this writing we have barely begun so there is little to speculate. However, I'm sure those who live in the area can tell you taxes have not gone down. I suspect our utility bills will also rise accordingly. What will remain a constant is our lease payment for this year and next. This concession from The Cornwall Trust has allowed us to remain solvent with this action.

The Board of Governors and myself have met with the Trust to discuss what both sides hope to achieve in a new lease. There are no specifics in those discussions, just information from each other so all are on the same page. We will not meet again until next year.

We would like to hear from you as to what projects you might deem necessary to improve the physical plant of the club over the next few years. Contact any officer if you have a thought on what would help. Improvements in amenities are not off the table but may be assessed a lower necessity rating than things like dockage. In any case let's hear from you.

Those of you that have cruised around the lake and beyond seem to have had an enjoyable year and are probably thinking of destinations for next year already. The fun of planning may be as enjoyable as the going. Next year may produce different Lake level control plans on the international level and this may impact some areas next year and again it may not. If and when I hear of any plan changes coming forth I will let you know or pass it on to Dave for dispersal. I suspect there will be no changes until very late fall or early winter.

For those who enjoy attending boat shows, or as in our case enjoying the towns themselves, might be interested in a show, in the fall, in Norfolk, Va. It seems to be a relatively new one on the agenda and that area of the East coast is very scenic.

All and all I hope you all have an enjoyable Fall season in the Finger lakes and a safe one.



Brian McCarthy

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The Secretary's Corner



As the Sailing season of 2006 comes to an end our membership remains stable at 88 voting members, 1 social member and 12 non-voting members. We have applications for 2 new members which will increase our membership to 90. Membership dues for the remainder of the season are now 50% of the total fee.

Bill Sorrells

Vice Commodore Reports

Well here we are only days away from the second haul out, the one event that truly signifies the close of our northern boating season. I really do not have much to add this month except the really great event we all look forward to –

The PYC FALL BANQUET! See the flyer attached and please be sure to have your reservations in early – this usually fills up fast! The place this year will be really nice.

Our hosts are going to need helpers, since last I recall we are a volunteer club so contact our hosts and volunteer! Many hands make for light work and more fun for all.

Robin Wilkinson
Vice Commodore

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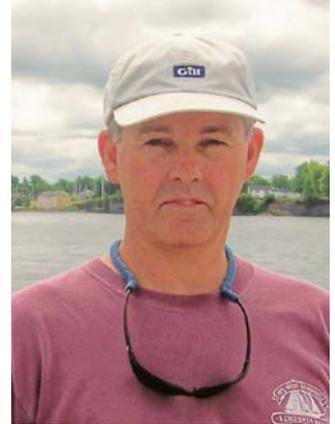
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Rear Commodore Reports

Notes from the Engine Room.....

It's been a busy several weeks – and it's not likely to slow down until November! As if two haul outs and two cradle days isn't enough, we've thrown in a couple infrastructure projects in between just to keep it interesting! As I write this, the planning is pretty much complete, but the actual work has yet begun. As you read this, we'll have completed early haul and the projects should be well underway.



Haul-out Coordinator Fred Berton reports that early haul-out numbers are reaching a “critical mass” level where we will have to seriously consider the cost, benefit and safety factors for next year. In addition, combined participation in late and early haul-out continues to decline. Once the final numbers are in overall, we'll be better able to analyze the situation. Expect a full report at the December 3rd General Meeting.

We are doing our best to implement the new Shoring Policy introduced and approved at the June 5th General Meeting – and presented via email by Bill Sorrels last month. The early haul group will have already experienced this. If you are scheduled to haul October 21st, and haven't already done so, please review the policy. You can find it on the members-only section of the PYC web site and a few copies will be left in the clubhouse.

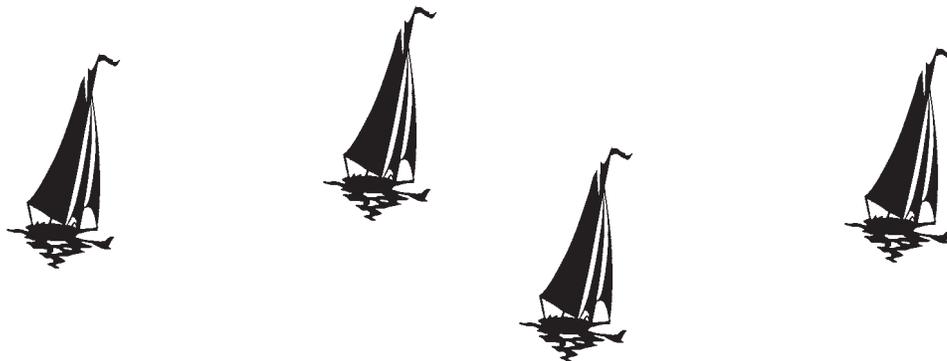
2nd Cradle Day: Saturday, Oct. 14th 8:00 am

2nd Haul Out: Saturday, Oct. 21st 7:00 am

Infrastructure Projects

As mentioned in the September Soundings, two infrastructure projects were approved and are underway: replacement of the peninsula east wall waler (support beam) and demolition and rebuild of the main dock pilings, frame and decking. If all goes well, this will be completed before October 21st, and we'll also take the two gin poles down for service and painting after the last boat is hauled. Getting these projects done this year, will allow us to do more next year – more on this in the November issue.

Daryl Hunt





Fleet Captain's Journal

Well it's done, the racing season is over and unfortunately the fall series was a flop. We only got two races in during this series, the rest of them were all flappers and were abandoned. The last race of the season on the 14th of September was supposed to be the weather date to make up an abandoned race. But we must not have paid our wind bill and we went straight to the end of season picnic. A good time was had by all, especially if you measure success in terms of laughter, stories and beer consumption. Overall I guess I should not complain because for the first two series we had gotten in all our races and even one extra as a fun race during the spring series.



The Bown Race was on September 9 and that was actually a very fun race. We had to delay the start for an hour while a front went by, but once the storms cells were gone the wind built up to around fifteen to eighteen knots. The Bown Race goes from PYC down to Sodus Point and back about 22 miles roundtrip as the crows fly. It was a run down to Sodus and with a wind shifting north made it close hauled on the way back. There was enough wind that most of the boats were at hull speed for the whole trip. It definitely made up for the weak winds on the last few Thursday nights. We got down there and back in about three hours 40 minutes so it was a pretty quick trip.

Genoa

- 1st [Edelweiss - Don Byrnes](#)
- 2nd [Practice - Scott Nichols](#)
- 3rd [Sea Dog - Darryl Hunt](#)

Spinnaker

- 1st [Dulcinea - Eric Matteson](#)
- 2nd [True Colors - Mark Blaakman](#)

I wish to recognize our PYC racers that participated in this years Hospice race, participating boats included:

Edelweiss – Don Byrnes
Glad Tidings – Doug Axtell, came in 3rd in her division
Petrel – Robin Wilkinson
Abishag – Dave Weagley, came in 3rd in her division
True Colors – Mark Blaakman

Hospice Race standings are accessible from the PYC web site Racing page.

Marvin Hill won the Hildebrant Trophy 3 years in a row as top fund-raiser for the Hospice Regatta. Last year from GYC took top honors. This year it returned to PYC with Mark Blaakman generating \$3360 in donations. Please pass on my thanks for all of the PYC membership support for this cause. The club continues to set the bar for generosity in the sailing community. It speaks well of our members and I'm sure the good PR is being noticed by potential members.

As the season winds down here we have the Fleet Captain workday on October 28th. We have the usual task of pulling race marks and navigation aids and putting away the Gull.

Scott Nichols



2006 PYC FALL BANQUET

Saturday November 11, 2006

Hawthorne's Restaurant

3500 East Avenue

Rochester, NY

Fun and Good Cheer for all!

Schedule:

6:00 PM Cocktails

7:00 PM Dinner followed by

Awards Presentation and

a "Year in Review" slide show

Menu Options:

(prices per person include gratuity and sales tax)

Members and Guests

A) Pasta Tortellini with vegetables \$28.00

And / or chicken

B) Chicken and Artichoke French \$28.00

C) Dilled Salmon \$31.00

D) 10 oz. Prime Rib \$33.00

**All Meals will
include Salad,
Dessert & Coffee.**

Please return by 1 November 2006

Late reservations cannot be accepted

Please mail to: Michele Hunt
14 Laureldale Dr.
Pittsford, NY 14534

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Ron Hilgert
Treasurer



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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 14 - Cradle Day
8:00 AM

October 21 - Haul-Out
7:00 AM

November 11 - Fall Banquet

November 28 - Fleet Captain
Work Day 8:00 AM

December 3 - Annual Meeting,
Pultneyville Fire Hall
1:00 PM