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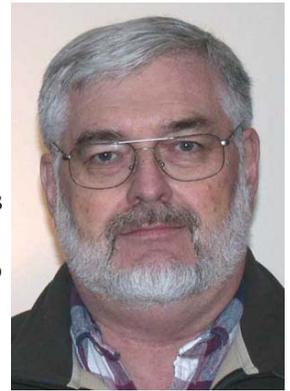
November 2006



Signals from the Commodore

Fellow Boaters,

Some tidbits of information on this year; we are closing the year with 90 voting members. The average commute to spend a day boating is 23 Miles and 31 Minutes. A more interesting tidbit is the fact that participation in the workings of the club outside normal workdays hovers around 40% of the membership units. Since both members of some units perform different requested functions the % would be slightly higher. Also many people answer more than one call. You owe all these people a great thank you; they keep the club running. The speculation is also that participation in social activities runs slightly lower overall.



A demographic that I'm sure many feel and the club officers are aware of is that PYC is an aging club. By a rough estimate using seniority and general feel, 60% or more of the club is older than fifty. It is not a hard number because we do not have birth date information. This comes into play every workday and it is kept in mind when we try to attract younger memberships.

At the time of this writing the East side peninsula whaler is under construction by Fredrico Construction crew, mainly Gino and Mark. Keeping watch is a German Shepard named Guinness.

If you examine the North wall replacement of last spring you can observe the quality of their fine work. Those who have worked off a floating platform with very heavy material will understand that quality. Hopefully that work and the restoration of Main dock will be complete by the time you read this. The rain this year has not cooperated for construction crews in the Rochester area and that now has also impacted our plans.

The Executive Board is working on next year's budget and will finish that task in the next week or so this November. The budget will be presented at the December general meeting. There have been a bunch of questions regarding rate increase, mainly to dues. At this writing I simply do not know. We have the information on items, like utilities and taxes, that affect our budget and as you know from your own budgets things are not tending to decrease. The biggest constant is the agreement with the Cornwall Trust that allows our lease payment, unlike your rents and new mortgage rates, to remain constant for the next two years. When we have it all together we will let you know.

Brian McCarthy
Commodore

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The Secretary's Corner

It looks like the recent weather really has signaled that the sailing season of 2006 is at an end. I hope everyone has had a good summer and is looking forward to 2007. As of this date, I am pleased to report that our membership is at an all-time high for this year. We have added three new members since the last Soundings. Our voting membership now stands at 91; we have 1 social member and 12 non-voting members.

Bill Sorrells

Crossing The Bar

The Pultneyville Yacht Club extends its sympathies to the family of Ron Tomory, who passed away on October 20th, after a long illness. Ron was a PYC member and ardent sailor for many years, and a member across the creek before that. Ron was a familiar figure at the club, frequently seen at the helm of his boat, the "Sea Dog."

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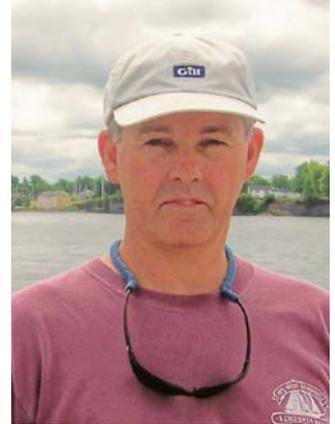
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Rear Commodore Reports

Notes from the Engine Room.....

As I write this article, we've completed the early haul-out without injury or incident and are ready for the late haul-out. 17 boats were hauled on September 23rd and we will have hauled another 38 boats by the time you read this. That's 55 total compared to 59 (18 + 41) last year. Thanks to haul-out coordinator Fred Bertoni and Chris Tertinek, who helped with the layout, for doing a great job. Thanks also to Robin Wilkinson and all those who helped feed the hungry crews for both cradle days and haul-outs.



I reported last month on two infrastructure projects which should now be complete (or nearly so). Unfortunately, the rainy September caused delays which in turn forced us to eliminate the south shore for winter boat storage. I appreciate your understanding as this allowed us to complete the main dock project under this year's budget and with help from the Cornwall Trust. After the old decking was removed, it was pretty obvious that the fix came none too soon – the pilings were almost completely rotted through.

Finally, as we put together plans and budget for next year, I'd welcome any and all suggestions. Just drop me an email (pycrearcommodore@pultneyvilleyachtclub.org).

In closing, here's a list of common winterizing mistakes from the Boat Owners Association of the United States for your consideration:

- Failure to drain the engine block
- Failure to drain water from sea strainer
- Failure to close seacocks: For boats left in the water
- Clogged petcocks: Engine cooling system petcocks clogged by rust or other debris can prevent water from fully draining.
- Leaving open boats in the water over winter: Boats with large open cockpits or low freeboard can easily go under by accumulated snow. Always store them ashore.
- Using bimini covers as winter storage covers: A cover that protects the crew from the sun does a lousy job protecting the boat from freezing rain and snow.

Daryl Hunt
Rear Commodore



Fleet Captain's Journal

I've been polishing up the trophies and getting them shiny for the big day, or I should say night, where the racing season comes to its grand finale with the awards banquet. I am looking forward to handing out all the silver (though not hauling it to the banquet hall!).

Once I had collected all the trophies for engraving I realized that we actually have quite an impressive array of trophies, cups and plaques. It is just not obvious because they are dispersed to the winners for the season, only coming together for the awards banquet.

That's all for this newsletter, I will see you on the eleventh.



Scott Nichols
Fleet Captain



Penelope against the sunset. Thursday night racing 8/10/06."



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

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Pittsford, NY 14534

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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 28 - Fleet Captain
Work Day 8:00 AM
November 11 - Fall Banquet
December 3 - Annual Meeting,
Pultneyville Fire Hall 1:00 P.M.