



LAKE SOUNDINGS

PULTNEYVILLE YACHT CLUB

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Signals from the Commodore

Dear members,

We've had a good boating season so far and the water levels have stayed high. The Army Corp projections are still showing a drop in September and October that could result in water levels only 4 inches higher than last October as a worst case. Based on this I am still playing it conservative and asking people with drafts greater than 4.5 feet to haul early.



By the time you see this soundings we may have started dredging in the main channel. The DEC is going to require more testing in the rest of the harbor before issuing a permit and there is high risk that this will not get completed this year.

We had an excellent turnout for the Pig Luau and I want to extend a big thanks to Merrill and Cher and all of their helpers. There was a lot of creativity in theme, decorations, and food in this event that added to the fun. PYC also hosted the Beneteau First 235 LOCCR race that weekend and in looking at the white board comments it looks like everyone had a good time. Jon Flowerday and Scott Nichols coordinated the event.

We have the fall picnic and general meeting at 2 PM on September 13 so get signed up. You should have received the main voting details for the meeting in an earlier mailing.

We'll see you at the club,

Dave Weagley

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The Secretary's Corner

New Voting Membership Units and Membership Unit Counts

The membership unit counts stand at 78 Voting (a new member!), 9 Non-Voting, 0 Social and 2 PMI reciprocal membership as of August 25, 2008. Janice and Donna



Growthowski have joined the Club as Voting members. Two additional Voting membership applications have been approved by the Executive Committee and we are awaiting their membership dues to confirm them as Club members.

September General Membership Meeting

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Notes from The Engine Room

Haul-out is close at hand. Fred Bertoni will be launch coordinator, again this year.

1st Cradle Day is September 13th 8:00 AM

1st Haul-out Day is September 20th 7:00 AM

2nd Cradle Day is October 11th 8:00 Am

2nd Haul-out Day is October 18th 7:00 Am

If hauling is not completed on the designated day, we will haul-out the following day. The rain in July and August has helped to keep the lake level up. We are still asking anyone whose boat draws more than 4 ½ feet to seriously consider hauling early. If using stands, please use pads under them. We still have some that are not using them. Please refer to the policy in the Log. I am happy to report no cement blocks were used last year. This year, we have been asked to not put any boat on the south side of the peninsula. This is for room for equipment for dock construction. We will be putting more boats on the south shore.

I thank every one for their cooperation, in advance.

CR Burcroff



Secretary's Corner (continued from page 2)

must be received by me (not postmarked) on or before Thursday September 11th.

New Member Packet Volunteers Needed

I'd like to update the small packet that we give to prospective and new members, and I'm looking for two or three volunteers to help with the update. It would be great if two of the volunteers were members who joined the Club in the past couple of years so we can get your fresh perspective on what you really want or need to know as new members. Please contact me by email or telephone if you are interested in helping out.

Fair winds and calm seas,

Mark Laffin
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Fleet Captain's Journal

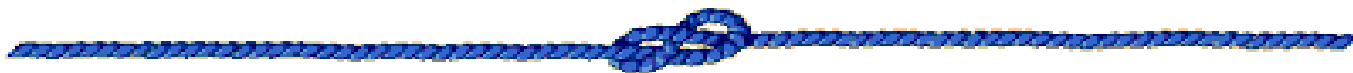
Hi all,

September is upon us, with the end of the racing season fast approaching. I would like to request anyone who has a trophy from last year to please return it to me so that I may get it ready for the new recipient. Also, I need "number of miles cruised" for the cruising award and "number of other races participated in" for the other awards. Please e-mail me or drop me a note with these totals.



September 6th is the annual Bown race. I have enclosed the NOI and SI for the race. I hope to see a lot of boats and good weather for the traditional race to Sodus Point and back.

Tom Jaune



PYC 2008 Bown Race

Pultneyville Yacht Club

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

The race will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing. The race is designated a Category A event. The 720 Degree Turn Penalty will apply. Penalty turns will not exonerate in the event of a collision.

This year's Bown race falls on September 8th. An exception to the rules regarding flags will apply for this race in the spirit of 9/11, homeland security, and PYC advertising: Each boat is allowed to fly a up to 3 flags limited to club burgees, participation flags, officer flags, and the US colors (yacht ensign or US flag). Each flag cannot exceed 2ft by 3ft in size. Any flag flown will not closely resemble a protest flag in overall color and appearance from

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Vice Commodore Reports

The **Fall Picnic on September 13** will be hosted by **Rich and Roseanne Critchlow**. Mark your calendars now for this event! The flyer is included with this edition of the Soundings.



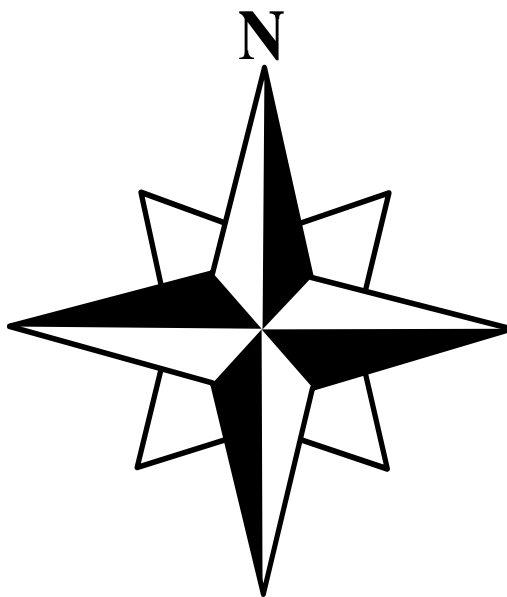
Volunteers are still needed to help with food for haul out. **Jan Burcroff** has graciously agreed to chair/volunteer for both, but extra hands make the work go more quickly. The dates are **September 20** and **October 18**. Extra hands are particularly needed for the October haul.

Mark and Laurie Blaakman are beginning the planning for the **Fall Banquet in November**. As a place is booked, we will let you know the location.

As always, many thanks to all who have volunteered to help keep the club's social season going. We couldn't do it without you!

That's it for now. See you at the club.

Betsy Rice



afar. Protest flags, when needed, should be flown from the backstay at a height of 4 to 8 feet above the deck and does not count for the 3 flag limit noted above.

2 ENTRIES

Competitors may enter by notifying the PYC Fleet Captain. There is no entry form. Each sailor must read the Notice Of Race and Sailing Instructions before competing. All PYC member yachts are eligible and may enter. In order to be scored for a race yacht/owner shall:

- Be owned by a PYC member
- Have a valid and current PHRF certificate
- Have the current Racing Rules of Sailing book on board while racing
- Have an easily launched red protest flag on board while racing
- Have a VHF radio capable of receiving channel 9 on board

A GPS receiver with tracking capability is recommended but not required. Latitude and Longitude coordinates may be used for virtual race marks and therefore a GPS receiver is needed. Fellow racers are encouraged to watch for rounding compliance of other boats. Every effort to borrow and use a GPS receiver if you don't have one should be taken. Rounding times at the marks will need to be recorded by each boat's crew. A discussion on these points will be conducted at the skipper's meeting.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors are announced at the skippers meeting on the water prior to the first warning signal.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be the AP flag with 2 horn blasts meaning "race is postponed" displayed from the flag staff located on the Race Committee Boat. If a postponement is signaled ashore, the starting sequence warning signal will be made not less than 15 minutes after AP is lowered.

5 SCHEDULE

The race will be held on the date and time stated in the Bown Notice of Race. Skippers should check-in on the water between five and fifteen minutes before the warning signal for the starting sequence.

6 CLASS FLAGS

This race will have a single start whether the permanent course or the traditional course is used.

7 RACING AREA

The racing area will cover all Lake Ontario waters within a 15NM radius of Pultneyville Yacht Club. The PYC permanent race course (see figure 1) may be used depending on weather conditions, forecasts, and time constraints.

8 COURSE and MARKS

The course is traditionally a race to Sodus Bay channel and back. This year's race may include a 3rd mark to make it a triangular course. The exact course to be used will be determined by the race committee on the day of the race. The PYC permanent race course may be used instead depending on weather conditions. The course will be announced on VHF channel 9 and posted on the committee boat approximately 5 minutes prior to the Warning signal for the starting sequence of the race -OR- stated in advance at the skipper's meeting depending on the final race area and format chosen by the committee. Communication between racing boats and the committee boat to verify course information is allowed up to the Preparatory signal for the first fleet start. Permanent race marks are four (4) orange colored 9 inch PVC pipes and one (1) "official" orange & white racing buoy. The race committee may also set an orange triangular or a yellow barrel float as a mark or as

2008 O.O.D. Assignments

DATE	DAY	NAME	DATE	DAY	NAME
29-Jun	Sunday	Palmer			
4-Jul	Friday	Palum	29-Aug	Friday	Boonstra
5-Jul	Saturday	Rohr	30-Aug	Saturday	Borresen
6-Jul	Sunday	Schultz	31-Aug	Sunday	Byrnes
			1-Sep	Monday	Chapman
11-Jul	Friday	Sangster			Rev. 03/19/
2008					
12-Jul	Saturday	Saporito			
13-Jul	Sunday	Schiff			


Duty hours: Friday (Three consecutive hours between 6:00PM to 9:00PM)
 Saturday, Sunday & Holidays 3:00pm to 6:00pm


the pin end of the start or finish line. Figure 1 shows the course legs, designations, and permanent marks. Actual marks employed, order used, and the rounding direction of each mark is announced for before the race. This race is planned as a long distance event and will not use the permanent race course unless necessary. Permanent race marks will be used for the start and finish lines in conjunction with temporary marks if needed.

9 STARTING AND FINISHING LINES

The starting line will be between the race committee boat at the starboard end and the port end starting mark. Alternately, a permanent race mark and a temporary, orange race mark may be set for the race. This will be announced at the skipper's meeting and is dependent on the race format chosen: offshore vs. permanent course use. The starting sequence will be conducted according to Rule 26 and the Round-An-End Rule 30.1 will apply for individual recalls. The Racing Rules Of Sailing Rule 26 Starting Sequence (without starting penalties) will be:

Warning	-5 mins Class Flag Goes Up With Gun/Horn
Preparatory	-4 mins P Flag Goes Up With Horn
1 Minute	-1 mins P Flag Goes Down With Horn
Start	-0 mins Class Flag Goes Down With Gun

Individual recalls will be signaled with the "X" Flag  in accordance with racing rule 29.2. The Race Committee will also attempt to hail by voice and VHF but it is the responsibility of the racing yachts to verify a good start. When a general recall has been signaled (Rule 29.3), the start for the succeeding class will be postponed.

The visual shorten course signal with the "S" Flag  will indicate a change of course. New course instructions will be communicated by radio (channel 9) 1 minute after the signal and repeated 1 minute later.

PYC CLAM BAKE

Saturday, September 13

Clams, Shrimp, Appetizers 4:30PM

Dinner 5:00PM



Menu

Chicken, Hamburgers, Hots, Salt Potatoes, Clam Chowder, Beverages

Dish-to-Pass

(Please make sure your dish to pass reflects the number of people in your group.)

Appetizers Names N through Z, Salads Names A through G, Desserts Names H through M

Reservations required by Monday Sept 8.

Name _____ Send reservations and checks to:

# Adults @ \$7.00 =	\$ _____	Rich Critchlow
#Guests @ \$8.00 =	\$ _____	6353 Stillmeadow Way
#Children @ \$4.00 =	\$ _____	Williamson, NY 14589
#Vegetarian @ \$4.00 =	\$ _____	Ph. 585 727 8019
#Dozen Clams @ \$4.00=	\$ _____	
#Shrimp Cocktail @ \$4.00 =	\$ _____	

Total \$ _____ **Make checks payable to PYC**

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Mark Laffin

PYC Secretary

ABSENTEE BALLOT FOR PYC GENERAL MEETING TO BE HELD SEPTEMBER 13, 2008

Proposal 1: Vote for the 2009 PYC officer candidates as follows:

Commodore: Anneliese Bopp Yes___ No___ Abstain___

Vice Commodore: Betsy Rice Yes___ No___ Abstain___

Rear Commodore: CR Burcroff Yes___ No___ Abstain___

Secretary: Barry Gheer Yes___ No___ Abstain___

Treasurer: Garland Nichols Yes___ No___ Abstain___

Fleet Captain: Jon Flowerday Yes___ No___ Abstain___

Proposal 2: Allow the Executive Committee to sign a new lease with the Cornwall Trust, knowing that most of the projects promised in 2008 will possibly be accomplished in 2009.

Yes___ No___ Abstain___

If you vote "No" or "Abstain" on Proposal 2, then vote on Proposal 3.

Proposal 3: Authorize the Executive Committee to do the following:

1. Negotiate a one-year agreement, commencing January 1, 2009 and ending December 31, 2009, with the Cornwall Trust that turns over all harbor operations, administration, maintenance and improvements to the Cornwall Trust. The yacht club would retain exclusive use of the clubhouse, a racing program and conduct social events.
2. Draft changes to the PYC constitution, bylaws and policies to reflect that PYC becomes a social club in 2009, not a working club, and present the proposed changes to the PYC membership at the December 2008 general meeting for a vote.
3. Explore, analyze, and present viable options and alternatives for the future operating model of PYC to the membership at the June 2009 general meeting, giving the membership the opportunity to vote on their preferred option.

Yes___ No___ Abstain___

Printed Voting Membership Unit Name: _____

Voting Membership Unit Signature: _____

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Date Signed: _____

The completed and signed absentee ballot must be received by the Secretary on or before Thursday September 11, 2008. Absentee ballots must be sent by postal mail or hand-delivered (no electronic mail messages or scanned images) to:

Mark Laffin, PYC Secretary

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Pultneyville Yacht Club Site at the Web:
<http://www.pultneyvilleyachtclub.org/>

PYC LOG

Looking Ahead

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| Sept 6 | BYO Picnic (Cornwall Pavilion) 5 PM
Bown Race 10 AM |
| Sept 13 | First Cradle Day 8 AM
General Membership Meeting and Election
of Officers 2PM
Fall Picnic/Clambake 4 PM |
| Sept 20 | First Haul Out 7AM (9/21 only if needed) |
| Oct 11 | Second Cradle Day 7 AM |
| Oct 18 | Second Haul-out (10/19 only if needed) |
| Oct 25 | Fleet Captain Work Day 8 AM |