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KEY DATES

Apr 18

- Floating Dock Put-in Day

Apr 25

- Launch Day



Signals from the Commodore

Dear Members,

Tis the season – the season of preparation. Despite all of the hard work and the noise of the power tools, everyone will be moving just a little bit quicker and a little lighter of step as they exchange greetings because we all know that this means the boating season will soon begin. The grounds and the harbor have been surveyed; the project lists have been made. This is a magical time of anticipation that even

the unpredictable weather of the north coast can't negate. For what lies ahead is a spring and summer full of "good fellowship on land and good fun and sportsmanship at sea."

As we begin this, our 65th season, let us celebrate our continued dedication to our club by renewing friendships and welcoming those new to our shore.

I'll see you at the club,

Anneliese Bopp

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Fleet Captain's Report



Well I hope this newsletter finds you all filled with the excitement of launch. By the end of the month we will all be well on our way to the start of the new season. It has been a long cold winter & I have had enough.

At this time I am still sorting out the new NOR's & Si's & hope to have them published on the website soon. I also have to get the schedule for the season finished. I am leaning

towards a long Spring Series & a long Summer Series season. I also really enjoyed the Pumpkin Series & plan to bring that back to fill in the fall void.

Look for updates on the website in the coming weeks. be safe when getting your boats prepped for the season & I'll see you all soon!

Live slow, Sail fast,

Jon

Cynthia Kukuka is looking for donations and workers for the second work day to get the Club grounds looking nice. Please pitch in and give Cynthia a hand. Her phone number and E-mail address is below. If you want to send her a contribution, her mail address is:

Cynthia Kukuka
210 Chalotte St. Newark, NY 14513-2129



Notes from the Vice Commodore



An energetic group of about 25 people gathered at HotShots Volleyball Club on March 1st for the first ever Winter Beach Party!

Winter cooperated (very cold outside) but inside was a tropically decorated club with sand volleyball courts awaiting us. After changing into shorts (!) and taking off our socks and shoes we dove in...so to speak. Thankfully, everyone was rusty, some of us not having played for years. Each team was able to serve the ball over the net but neither team was able to return it! Not much of a volley...However, by the end of our two hours of allotted time, we actually had some a few volleys and lived up to the games name! The afternoon was concluded with burgers, dogs, mac-n-cheese, cookies, brownies and cupcakes; as well as a few of HotShots' 24-ounce beers. The group had such a good time that we now plan to install a volleyball net at the club for play during the summer. Watch for it!

With the March weather and longer hours of daylight, thoughts in our household are turning to launch. While Larry's thoughts are with boat repair, mine are turning to the beginning of the social season for the club. A reminder of the dates for upcoming social events is below.

Launch is April 25. **Dave and Terry Weagley** have signed up to coordinate food and drink for that event.

Also volunteering to help are **Bill and Julia Sorrels**. The Memorial Day Picnic will be held on Sunday, May 24th. Our hosts for that event are **Nancy Gong and Peter Fisk and Don and Diane Boesel**. Their crew of helpers includes **John and Jodi Rushford**. The Commodore's Brunch and New Member Reception will be held Saturday, June 6th. Our hosts for that event **Doug and Wendy Axtell and Tom and Terri Bolt**. They will be assisted by **Helen Palmer and Joan Stage**.

My thanks to everyone who has volunteered to help with these events and get our social season off to a great start. I now have sufficient volunteers for the May workdays but I am still looking for hosts for the Club Roast on August 8th; the Oktoberfest on September 12th and the Fall Banquet on November 7th. The Roast and Oktoberfest have people willing to help but I need someone to take on a coordination role for each.

If you are interested, please e-mail me at brice134@frontiernet.net.

That's it for now. Looking forward to spring and the beginning of another season of boating!

Betsy Rice



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Secretary's Corner



Hello,

Currently we have 74 voting, 7 non-voting, 0 social, and 2 PMI reciprocal members. **Mike Saporito** informs me that we currently have 5 seasonal and 1 short term renters (thanks Mike). Last fall Mark Laffin reported that we had 81 voting, 9 non-voting, 0 social, and 3 PMI reciprocal members. I didn't ask Mike how many renters we had last season, but back in January we sent letters out to 10 people. So you can see that we are slightly smaller all around. I encourage everyone to scout out new members or renters for the club.

Last night I attended the public teleconference held by the International St. Lawrence River Board of Control in Oswego. The Board is charged with day to day execution of the policies of the IJC (International Joint Commission). For us it means controlling the lake level between 243.3 ft, and 247.3 ft. The Board reported some recovery from the low water conditions that have been experienced on the Upper Great Lakes for several years. The Board reported that Lake Ontario is currently 11 inches above its long term aver-

age. This is primarily due to some rain events and an earlier than normal spring melt. Going forward the board anticipates conditions near or slightly above the long term average if we have near normal precipitation for the first half of the summer.

After the briefing there was a public comment or question period. Again shoreline home owners were the biggest and loudest group (mostly from the eastern shore of Lake Ontario this time). And they were pushing for lower water levels (below 245 ft.) to reduce property damage.

After the meeting I hung around and listen to some of the comments from the Board members and learn that there are individuals and organizations trying to get the IJC to expand the control range. This would result in higher highs and lower lows than we currently experience. This would be similar to the plan that was rejected last year by the IJC.

More information is available at the Board's website www.islrbc.org or at the IJC's website www.ijc.org

Barry Gheer.



On the Water Service for 2009:

Since I have been working as the Sales and Service Manager at Haarstick Sailmakers we have offered free on the water sail evaluations and basic sailing and sail trim advice. This has been a service that Haarstick has provided for many years before my time here. Going into the 2009 season I wanted to make sure that everyone was aware of this service and to try and start organizing a few service days at area sailing clubs.

For anyone in the immediate Buffalo and Rochester areas, please call or e-mail if you are interested in having one of our service representatives out on your boat this spring for a sail evaluation, current Haarstick customer or not.

For six years I have been representing Haarstick Sailmakers out on the water. It is always a learning experience when I get to go out on the water and I always enjoy it. We look forward to hearing from you and going out for a sail.

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Notes from the Engine Room



By now most of us have started preparing our boats for launch. Saturday, April 25th will be launch day this year. We will try to accomplish this in one day. If necessary, we will launch the rest on Sunday, April 26th.

The walk around will be completed March 21st. Anneliese Bopp, Ron Hilgert, Joe Davis and I will be responsible for this. We have several projects that we will be tackling.

If your name falls in A thru H, your work day will be May 9th.

Names starting I thru H will be May 16th. Please make every effort to complete you work day on the scheduled dates.

Remember to lock up ladders when leaving your boat.

I will be seeking some volunteers to launch the floating docks. I plan to do this on April 11th or the 18th. Usually, this takes just a couple of hours. I will let you know when we will be doing this.

Please work safely during all these events. We don't want anyone getting hurt. If you need help, just ask.

C. R. Burcroff

HELP WANTED;

Rear Commodore CR Burcroff is looking for a few volunteers to launch the floating docks on April 18, 2009 starting a 9:00 am. If things go as they have in the past we should be done in a couple of hours. If you can help please call or E-mail CR at (315) 589-2023 cburcrof@rochester.rr.com See you there.



To all PYC Members;

We're putting together a PYC Recipe book! So frequently we ask for recipes of food and drink shared with our friends at the club. Now there's an easy way to do just that. If you have a recipe that you've shared at PYC on land or on the water send it in!

Send your recipes in the body of an e-mail message, or plain text to: ngong@rochester.rr.com





2009 Pultneyville Yacht Club Launch Work Schedule April 25, 2009

POSITION	Saturday 7:00 AM North Shore <i>See Note 1 Below</i>	Saturday 12:00 PM SS & Pen. <i>See Note 1 Below</i>
SAFETY OF.	C. Stevens	T. Belaskas
CREW CHIEF	L. Fedick	F. Bertoni
FORK LIFT	D. Felton	P. Fisk
NO. 1	S. Sangaster	B. Hamilton
SLING	J. Anderson	K. Cylke
	D. Bosel	R. Wilkinson
	D. Axtel	MacDonald
NO. 2	M. Blaakman	D, Kay
SLING	J. Bopp	L. Rice
	J. Davis	D. Johns
	D. Weagley	J. Herko
HARBOR	R. Crithchlow	L. Rohr
CRADLE/ BOAT MOVING	J. Wurtenbert	C. Fitzgibbon
		B. Leavitt
		R. Thurston
		T. Wozniak
		J. Rushforth
ORCHARD	L. Kilbury	J. Markowitz
CRADLE	R. Palum	D. Byrnes
	J. Fortner	J. McLean
TRUCK	T. Ecker	
LINES	D, Hunt	T. Foley
	C. Kukupka	S. Nichols

NOTE 1 First shift runs from 7:00am to 1:00pm (be on TIME!)

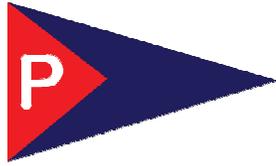
Second shift runs from 12:00pm to 7:00pm

This overlap will help to avoid any delays if we run ahead of our schedule.

We are trying to do this in one day. Depending on how the afternoon goes we may have to delay moving some of the cradles to the orchard on Sunday. This will be decided as the day goes on.

If your boat is being launched and you do not see your name, call Fred Bertoni
at (585) 223-8355 ASAP!

If anyone wishes a job change for any reason, please contact me before Launch to allow me time to fill your position.



2009 Pultneyville Yacht Club Calendar

Updated Jan 12, 2009

(Changes/updates will be sent by email and published in the Lake Soundings)

Date	Time	Event
March 1	2:00 pm	Beach Volleyball Party
April 25 – 26	7:00 am	Launch Boats (April 26 only if needed)
May 2	8:00 am	Fleet Captain Work Day
May 9	8:00 am	First Club Work Day
May 16	8:00 am	Second Club Work Day
May 23	1:00 pm	Commodore's Review
May 24	9:00 am	Bowersox Memorial Day Race
May 24	5:00 pm	Memorial Day Picnic
June 6	11:00 am	Commodore's Brunch and New Member Reception
June 6	1:00 pm	General Membership Meeting
June 6 – 7	7:00 pm	Jim Ely Memorial Moon Race (Full moon 6/7) Preliminary
June 20 – 21		Scotch Bonnet Race
June 20	1:00 pm	BYO Picnic* (Cornwall Pavilion)
July 18	9:00 am	Pultneyville Homecoming and Open Boats(11 am – 1 pm)*
July 18	1:00 – 3:00PM	Ice Cream Social
July 18	3:00 pm	Fun Race
July 31 -- August 2		Club Cruise (Fri—Sun)
August 8	10:00 am	Ladies Skipper Race
August 8	5:00 pm	Club Roast
August 15	1:00 pm	Commodore's Challenge* (PMI Host)
August 22		Hospice Race (Rochester)
September 6	9:00 am	Bown Race
September 6	5:00 pm	BYO Picnic (Cornwall Pavilion)
September 12	8:00 am	First Cradle Day
September 12	2:00 pm	General Membership Meeting and Officer Elections
September 12	4:00 pm	Oktoberfest
September 19	7:00 am	First Haul-out Day (September 21 only if needed)
October 10	8:00 am	Second Cradle Day
October 17	7:00 am	Second Haul-out Day (October 19 only if needed)
October 24	8:00 am	Fleet Captain Work Day
November 7	Evening	Fall Banquet (location to be announced)
December 6	1:00 pm	Annual General Membership Meeting; Pultneyville Fire Hall