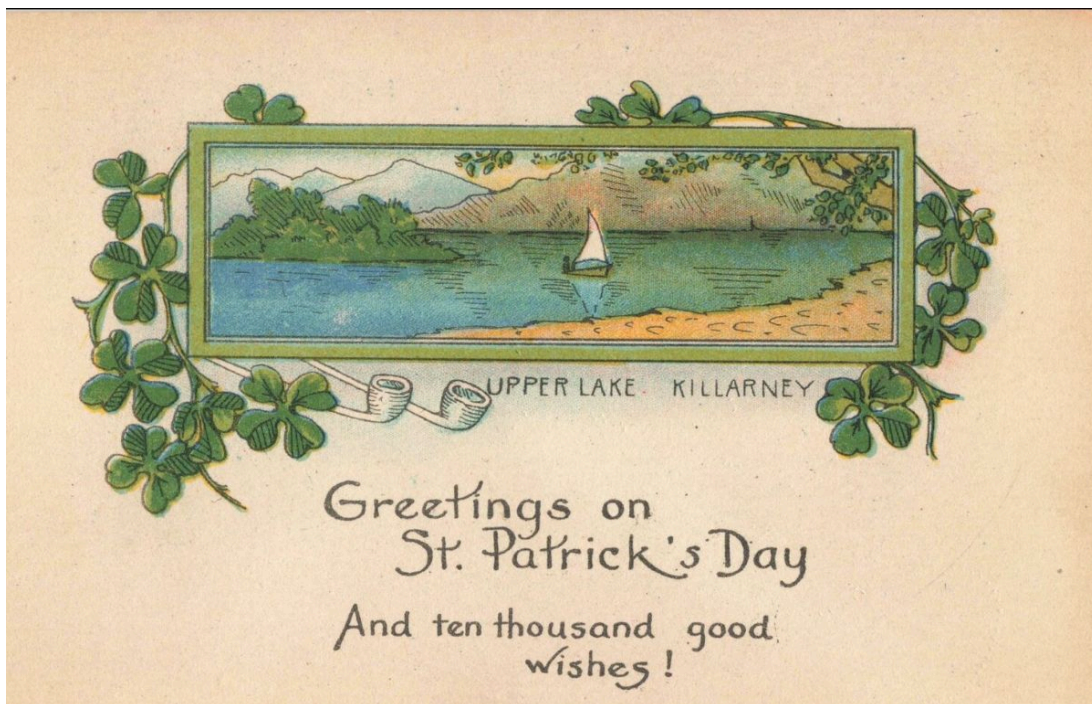




The Spreader

March 2024 - News from Pensacola Beach Yacht Club



Commodore's Report by Linda Thompson

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Hello Members!

I'd like to give a big Shout Out to all you members who are supporting us in our efforts to get the club going. The last few months have been a wild ride with lots of moving parts but we're getting there!

Some updates....

At our last member meeting the dues increase was unanimously approved. However, the vote for a Legacy membership category was not well received, and the board will continue to discuss the issue to present a proposed bylaw change to the members in the clearest way.

Pam's article below describes much of the liquor license status and bar operations. We have posted House Rules on the website that include rules we must follow to maintain our liquor license. We've been a little lax about enforcing these, but we plan to begin enforcing them going forward so we can be ship-shape once our license is approved.

We're planning lots of fun events, so pay attention to emails, Facebook posts, texts, and our calendar page on the website:

<https://www.pensacolabeachyachtclub.org/events#!event-list>



[Club Events | PNS Beach Yacht Club](#)

Social gatherings, regattas and meetings are listed.
www.pensacolabeachyachtclub.org

. Club operating hours are currently Thursday - Saturday 4pm - close. As things start warming up, we plan to be open during the day on Saturdays and Sundays. Our next event will be a raft up in Sabine and an Irish themed potluck dinner on March 9 after the Maxine 2 race. Come on out for some corned beef and cabbage and green beer! (Sounds appetizing, huh?). We will also be hosting a raft up on April 6 after the Bikini Cup, and awards for both Bikini and Roses will be held on Sunday April 7th.

Our next Board of Directors meeting is Tuesday March 5 and is open to all members. You are welcome to attend if you'd like, but please give us advance notice if there's a topic you'd like to bring to the Board.

Please help continue to grow our membership by inviting your friends and neighbors to visit the club with you. Here's to the positive vibes, the shared laughter, and the bright future of the Pensacola Beach Yacht Club! 🚤 Let's sail into greatness together!

See everyone on and in the water!

Linda



As winter ends – and Spring is upon us, so is the best of the sailing seasons!! Lots of fun events last month, with more to come in March! We are excited for our new friends to join in on the fun. Welcome to our new and returning members:

Franklin Yeager

Paul and Kristina Rees

Dan and Dione Dunn

Stephen Glover and Wendi Summers

Joe Hammons

David (DC) Charles

Zachary and Leigh Jeudevine

Ken Baker

Rusty and JoAnn Wells

Russ and Carla Hardin

James and Kellie Schulte

Tom and Sherry Green

George and Jennifer Long

Julie Jarnagin

Stephen and Susan Wein

Matt and Caytie Raybourn

Timothy and Lowell Ann Ryschon

Smooth sailing!

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Vice Commodore's Report
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Greetings everyone! If you haven't been to the new Club, please come check things out. We have Darts, foosball, and coming soon...a pool table! Also, the best sunsets on Little Sabine.

Mark your calendars for these upcoming events at PBYC:

March 9 – PBYC Rites of Spring (Maxine #2 and Bay Championship #4)
Awards at the Club

April 6 – Navy Yacht Club Bikini Regatta
Festivities at PBYC on Saturday night after the race. Raft up in Little Sabine

April 7 – PBYC Race for the Roses and GYA Women's PHRF Championship
Trophies for both races will be held at PBYC Sunday the 7th at PBYC
Look for NOR and more info soon.

April 27 – Cookout at the Club by the Famous Animal Guys -
Bring a side dish/dessert to share.

May 4 – May the Fourth be With You and Regata al Sol Mexico Race send off Party

May 25 – PBYC Sea Bouy Race



Rear Commodore's Report

by Pam Mauldwin

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It's tough to know where to start this month so bear with me on this very long report...because it has been a roller coaster so this is gonna take a minute. The big thing is that - drum roll please - we did it and YOUR club is now open with regular hours! Our hours are currently Thu-Sat, 4-?? and I'm thrilled to say that we have not had a single night where at least a few members didn't drop in.

Thank you and we very much appreciate your support!

I want to give a big shout-out to the volunteer bartenders who are making this happen:

Scott Ramsey, D'Arsey Samuels, Chris Croke, Chuck Howard, Chris Malcolm, Jennifer Pauley, Amy Simonetta, Carol Simpson, Mike Beard, Michele Pearson, Liana Raggio, Evan Noon, Cheryl & Thor Schaette, and board member Courtney Fell. (If I missed anyone, I apologize and please let me know) These folks are donating their time and it truly is a lot of work. It's fun but still work. We literally could not be making this happen without the help of our volunteers. I say this every night, to almost everyone who comes in - please tip them generously. I don't think any of them care much about the money but the appreciation factor means a lot!

So, when are we getting our liquor license? We have received our designation as a non-profit civic organization and our application will soon be moving to the department of alcohol, tobacco, and firearms for what is hopefully the final approval. We still have to pass a health inspection and fire inspection but we are close to finishing the required tasks for both of those things.

This brings up a very important topic. We have been operating on donations and good will and haven't been enforcing a lot of rules. Once we have our liquor license, this changes. State law requires a few things such as members signing in themselves and guests, no outside alcohol being allowed in the club, no one not working allowed behind the bar, and adhering to the law on many topics, as required. This is the price we have to pay for being a fully functioning club and I'm going to trust that you all understand this and work with us on it.

Moving on to some housekeeping topics: we do now have a weekly cleaning service for the bathrooms which is wonderful! Your volunteer bartenders and board members are cleaning everything outside of the bathrooms so please make sure your trash makes it to the cans and you are mindful of their time and effort. If you are looking for a volunteer opportunity and cleaning/organizing is

your cuppa tea, contact me. I need you.

We have at least 3 member artists who are currently displaying their work in the club house. This work is for sale and can be purchased at the bar. The club retains a percentage of the sale so this is a great way to show support for both the club and the member artists.

We are finalizing the details for the event space rentals. We already have several dates on the calendar and hope to be able to present the big picture to you in next months spreader. The event space represents a revenue stream for the club and a benefit for you so we are really excited about it! If you are looking at having an event, please contact me to discuss. You can call, text, or email (850-384-9294, pmauldwin@gmail.com).

Lastly, thanks to all of you who have supported the board as we've made this gargantuan leap towards opening the clubhouse. We are mindful of your donations - time and money - and appreciate them. We welcome your input and your questions. And we very much welcome your presence as you show up for events or just because it's a Friday night. Thank you and make plans to come hang out with us!



From the Webmaster!

It's been a slightly less busy month, at least for the website! Still a lot of events going on at the club, find out more on the website!

We now have a PBYC Racing page, where you can find all of the races (and the results) that we are hosting.... Other races can be found at the GYA Racing link.

We also now have a page for Event Space Rental. It is available to members (of course) as well as the public. Prices, etc. are still being worked out, but members get a better deal!

Adding images – If you have any questions, or need help with this, please let me know! Have you visited the

photo gallery page? Take a look! Lots of good pictures on there, with more coming.

I was also asked to set up an album for historical pictures. Name is still up in the air – maybe ‘Old Waves’ or PBYC History in Pictures. Please feel free to add some of those old pictures you have laying around. And if you know who the people in the photo are – tag them! Share your memories! If you need help with scanning so we can add them, just let me know! Now, those individuals that asked for this need to step up and add some pictures!!! You know who you are!!!

Weather pages – (this is a repeat of last month’s newsletter, but still worth repeating!) A weather page has been added to the Sailing Tab. Covers Pensacola Beach weather (thanks to Peter Buckley of GLYC for setting it up!) - <https://internetvail.com/PBYC> It’s pretty cool! Another cool weather page is over at Grand Lagoon Yacht Club. Also run by Peter Buckley, Check it out here! Be sure to scroll down for a picture of the lagoon! Something I look at everyday!

Three new pages under the Membership tab! Crew Needs Want ads Announcements

Check all of these changes out, let me know what you think!

As always, if you see an error or maybe a needed improvement, let me know! A lot of the items listed above came about from suggestions made by you!

Thanks,

Curtis Beck

Webmaster



Fleet Captain's Report
by Danny Neal

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Spring is in the air which means there is some great sailing (and after-race parties) ahead!

PBYC will be hosting the Maxine #2 Regatta on March 9th followed by the Races for the Roses on April 7th. Registration for Maxine 2 is open on both the PBYC website and RegattaMan.com with separate links for the Racing class and the Cruising/Cat 22 classes. Registration for Race for the Roses will be open in the coming days.

The Bikini Regatta on April 7th is hosted by Navy Yacht Club however, the after-race party will be at the PBCY Clubhouses giving us all another opportunity to celebrate a great day on the water even if you are not practicing in the race.

Fair winds and following seas to all!

Danny



Treasurer's Report **by Linda Thompson on behalf of Paul Barrett**

2023 Operating Results

Revenue	\$ 34,331
Expense	\$ 21,369
Net Income	\$ 12,962

Cash Balances at 12/31/23

Operating Account	\$ 38,816
Building Fund	\$ 131,880

If you would like to see detailed financial statements, please contact Paul Barrett at pbarrett@southerncloudaccounting.com. Additionally, a cash flow projection with the new dues amounts is also available.



Secretary's Report

by Lyn Harrison

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Bonnie Green announced her retirement as Secretary at the February 8, 2024 General membership meeting, after four years of dedicated service and hard work! I volunteered for the position and was appointed by the Executive Committee, but I know I can't fill Bonnie's shoes! I will certainly do my best to serve well and to support and promote the Club. I am honored to be a part of the Best Little Yacht Club on the Gulf!

UPCOMING REGATTAS:

See the chart below from Regatta Network - missing is the 3/9/2024 Maxine #2/Rites of Spring Regatta. Also note that the 4/6/24 Bikini Regatta Awards Banquet will be held at PBYC! And 4/7/24 is RACE FOR THE ROSES!!!

	[NOR]	[Register Online]	[View Registrants]
03/02/24	Maxine #1/Commodore's Cup #1/Pensacola Bay Championship #3 Navy Yacht Club Pensacola Pensacola, FL	[Event Website]	[NOR] [Register Online] [View Registrants]
03/16/24	2024 MAXINE SERIES REGATTA #3 Pensacola Yacht Club Pensacola, FL	[Event Website]	[NOR] [Register Online] [View Registrants]
04/06/24	44th Bikini Regatta and 24th Ladies Trilogy Series Navy Yacht Club Pensacola Pensacola, FL	[Event Website]	[NOR] [Register Online] [View Registrants]

PAST REGATTA RESULTS:

None to report at this time.



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