

THE CHART

APRIL 2015

**COMMODORE'S CORNER- KEN BUHLER**

Spring is just around the corner. The March winds have been lighter than normal but that has not dampened the spirit of our sailors. The lake is warming up and the boats are being cleaned and hauled. Hardware and halyards are being prepared for the sailing season. It's time for us to go play. Pontchartrain sailors have begun its Sunday small boat sailing series which started in early March and have completed three races. Check out our race schedule to see when you can play. PYC sailors have been busy such as DJ Bolyard and Bradly Jarvis won two against the Lake. J-30 Mid-winters Jalapeno finished second this year. Leukemia cup had PYC sailors doing well. Jalapeno finished second while David Bolyard and Lee Eikel finished first in their class. Bob Hodges competed in the Ronstan A-class midwinters regatta and finished third!

Pontchartrain Yacht Club will kick off our Spring Sailing season with our Fund event on March 29. This fund raiser is dedicated for sailing related projects. We have a spring summer and fall seasons planned along with a couple of fun races. Back by popular demand, Friday night sunset cruises. So no excuses, let's get our boats out and play on the Lake. If you don't have a boat, we will get you on a boat.

Sailing camp is almost here, so if you have kids who want to sail please call Kaia to enroll. And for the more seasoned of you who would like to see what it's all about, adult sail instruction is only a phone call away.

March has been a very busy month as usual. Court had a well attended membership social. The inclement weather was not a factor as we welcome new members to our family. Kaia and the management team did a great job in preparing food and festivities for all the March functions.

COMMODORE- KEN BUHLER

We welcome spring with it's warmer temperature, but with it comes spring projects. Many members joined in the fun to help get the club in bristle shape. Call Richard, House and grounds and give him a hand in the garden, painting and landscaping.

Members we will celebrate opening day on April 25 please bring your friends and family to share in the bounty that PYC has to offer. Hope to see you at the club or on the water.

Ken

REAR COMMODORE- GIGI SAVONA

SPRING is finally here! All across the Northshore, evidence of spring is visible as plants are sprouting and budding, people are mulching and weeding and a thick layer of pollen is on top of everything outside! There is evidence of spring at PYC too! Volunteers will soon be gathering to weed, mulch and plant flowers and shrubs! With the warmer weather and the assessment funds coming in, improvements and repairs are sprouting up all around the Club! I hope you've seen the new tables and chairs on the porch and the improved drainage and lighting at the entrance to the Club.

Many of the Items on the assessment list will require us to hire a qualified, reputable local contractor. Bids will be requested from three companies and awarded based on best quality and price. We are currently looking at estimates for repairing and staining the concrete under the club and on the deck. In April we will concentrate on repairs to the bulkhead, boat shed and the dingy launch.

Come out to the club to see all the improvements and repairs and bring a friend - maybe they will become a member too!

Gigi



ONE DESIGN- BILL ROSS

First of all I would like to thank all of you who showed up to help on the small boat work day. I was not prepared for a turnout of 30 plus to help clean and repair the fleet for the up and coming season. We have purchased parts and supplies to try to keep these boats going for you to enjoy, so if you take one of these out, try and return them in the same or better shape than you found them.

Small boat sailing continues on certain Sundays, so check your calendars or e-mails for the next day of sailing. We are always in need of help for running these races and keeping an eye on our young ones, so come get involved and see how much fun it can be.

As always I am looking for new people to join the flying scot racing team to learn and help grow our team. Contact me or Kaia if you are interested.

We have been working on repairing the sunfish fleet for sail camp and daily use. We will soon have 3 boats for daily use, and 1 race boat for use at races. If you have not been checked out on any boat that you may want to use this summer, please contact myself or the office so we can get you on the water safely.

Happy sailing!



HOUSE AND GROUNDS– RICHARD DENUNZIO

Hello PYC Members,

Thank you for your support,

The March rainy weather delayed the start of many projects that we had planned.

By the time you read this article we will have completed many of the projects on the “House and Grounds” master chart.

First and foremost “Kudos” goes out to Tom Jarvis for his exemplary service to the PYC. His recent accomplishments include the design and installation of the front entrance access lighting, redesign and installation of the door hardware for all the second floor doors and the design and installation, of the drainage system at the front gate. This is only a few of project he has accomplished.

As you may have noticed we have new patio furniture at the lake side balcony.

We have started the landscape clean-up, weeding and planting and should be near complete after March 29th, with the help and guidance of Scott Discon and a group of volunteers including, Bill and Marian Schroyer, Kappy Goodwin, Terri Hamilton, David Barr, Jay Conner and Adrian Callais.

The handrail painting has begun at the front entrance stairs and balcony, with Tom Grant and his friend Doug Meadowcroft and Carlos Martinez. It should be ready for opening day April 25th.

We are in the process of getting a 2nd and 3rd opinion on the integrity of the swimming pool. We are also collecting bids on the sealing and painting of the concrete on the lower level and surrounding the club on the upper level.

There are still a number of projects to be completed one in particular is for new shelving in the sail storage room, painting the second floor doors and rocking chairs. Anyone interested please contact me at (985) 285-5685.

Thank you for your support,

Richard DeNunzio

House and Grounds

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MEMBERSHIP- COURT RICHARDSON

Happy Easter

New applicants this month:

William & Louisa Holowesko

The Holowesko's have five children ranging in age from 13 to 29. They have expressed an interest in racing but don't at this time have a boat so maybe we get them involved in the small boats on Sunday or someone can invite them to crew.

The March membership mixer was fantastic. Once again Kaia and crew put together some delicious and creative hors d'oeuvres and we had a big turnout. There were a couple of prospective members and a good number of new and existing members.

We are heading into prime weather for outdoor activities. If you know anyone interested in learning more about PYC please contact me so I can follow up.

Be sure to check out our club calendar by going to www.pontyc.org and clicking on "calendar". There will be a lot of activities in the near future and we want to see everyone participating and having fun!

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JUNIORS- CHRIS FRIEND

BOAT CLEANUP

Thanks to all who participated in the boat cleanup on Saturday, March 7. A multitude of our juniors and parents washed and rigged the club Opti's. The Flying Scots and 420s were inspected, washed and readied for spring sailing. Thanks to Howard Ross for starting the club Sunfish repair process. We still need some more work on all boats, so we will have another workday this spring to finish repairs on the boats.

SMALL BOAT SERIES

The Small Boat Series began on Sunday, March 8, with 7 boats. Congratulations to Dave Bolyard, Alex Neumann, and others on the first series win and to Rob Doolittle for winning on March 15. The Intergalactica award for March 8 goes to Jack Danos. Mike McKnight and Paul Rees split the Intergalactica on March 15. Please join us on March 29 for the next edition and check out the results and photos at [2015 Spring Series Results](#) on the PYC website. All types of boats from 13 to 22 feet are welcome and we also need race committee volunteers. You get race credit for being on the race committee!

HARBOR MICE

Calling all harbor mice!! Joe Bishop is reprising the Harbor Mice program this spring. He would like to schedule Sunday sailing dates during April and May. Please spread the word to all who might be interested. The only qualification for any child interested in sailing club Opti's is that he or she be able to swim across the club pool, have a life preserver and the desire to sail. No sailing experience required.

He has the following dates available: April 12, 19, 26, May 3, 24. If a qualified adult is available for more dates, and there is interest, perhaps more dates can be scheduled. Please let him if you are interested in participating. The more, the merrier, but if only one sailor shows up on any scheduled Sunday, weather permitting, we will go sailing. Anyone needing more information, or who has any suggestions that might increase participation or fun, call Joe at 985-264-8661.

SAIL CAMP

Sail Camp starts June 1. Sail Camp is open to all kids age 8-16. There is a discount for PYC members and for multiple siblings in a session. We are also still hiring instructors who must be at least 16 and have US Sailing Small Boat Level 1 Instructor certification. There are certification opportunities on the coast this spring. Contact Kaia or me if you are interested.

Thanks,

Chris







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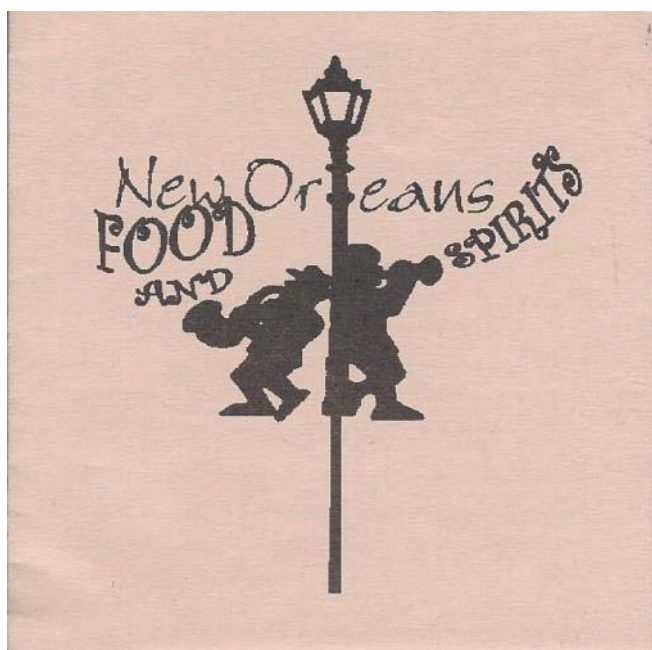


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26	27	28	29	30	May 1	2
Harbor Mice Sailing! Spring Race Series #3 at 10:30AM	06:00 PM - 08:00 PM Taco Tuesday!	06:00 PM - 08:00 PM Taco Tuesday!	06:00 PM - 08:00 PM \$2 Dogs	05:00 PM - 07:00 PM Strength Training with Holly 06:00 PM - 08:00 PM Spaghetti Night!	07:00 PM - 09:00 PM Guest Chef Friday!	GYA OPENING DAY! FWYC 05:00 PM - 08:00 PM PYC Crawfish Boil!



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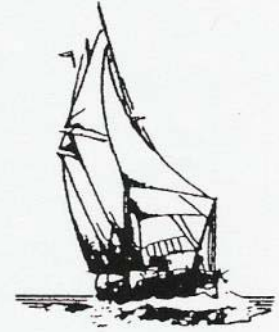
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