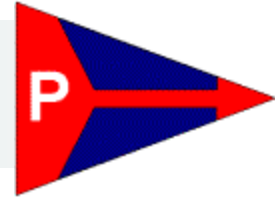


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AUGUST 2014

**COMMODORE'S CORNER- DICK JONES**

The Dog Days of August are here.

I want to thank all the members who attended the Semi Annual meeting. For those of you that missed the meeting we discussed the following major topics;

1. Location of the City of Mandeville's proposed public restrooms for the East end of the lake front. There are several proposed/suggested locations and the club's position is that we do not want the building located directly across the street facing the club. We have made our position known to the mayor and councilmen. Our preferred location would be close to the bayou and the boat launch. If you have any comments please express them to the mayor and the city council and let it be known that you are speaking for yourself and not representing the club's position.



2. The decline in volunteerism and the potential financial impact to the club. Tom Jarvis detailed the ongoing costs of maintaining the house and grounds and projects that are costly. While we have funds in the Capital Improvement account, we are required to keep a large portion of the fund in reserve to offset our insurance deductible and also maintain 2-3 months of operating income. Without volunteers to help offset the expenses we have to make choices and set priorities about what to repair and maintain. The pool has structural cracks that in the next year or so need to be repaired. One estimate is approx. \$12,000, repainting the exterior doors and the white railing is necessary, painting the underside of the building to enhance outside events, fence repairs, boatyard/boat storage repairs, and the list goes on. Marian Arrowsmith has volunteered to form a Volunteer Committee to reach out to the members to help. An additional option is to have a monthly fee dedicated to the cost of maintaining your club. This may be the best option looking long term. If the board approves this monthly fee it will have to be ratified by the members during the annual meeting.

3. The election of the nominating committee. The nominating committee will seek out qualified members to replace the three board members whose terms expire at the end of this year. If you are interested in becoming a board member please make intentions known to Brian Burke or the other committee members.

Paul, our long term bartender, has decided to move on to new opportunities. We will all miss Paul's bartending skills, specialty cocktails and food events. Please wish him well with his new opportunity. Nicole Cloen will take over the main responsibility for the bar management. Nicole has worked at the Lake House and comes to us highly recommended. Please make a point to welcome her the next time you are at the club. Jennifer Sillars and Trish Picone will also be backup bartenders as needed. Some of you may remember Trish as she was our bartender in the late 90's.

The White Summer Night was a great success with approx. 400 people attending. Thanks to Sylvia Schmidt and all of the volunteers helping to make this worthy event possible.

The club now has two kayaks for members to use. Thanks to Shannon Villemarette, the owner of Bayou Adventures in Lacombe and a recent new member, for giving the club a very good deal on the kayaks. Since the first of the year we have purchased a used sunfish, a 17ft. sail boat, and two kayaks. Last month we sold the Hydra Sport.

The annual Caribe party is set for Saturday, August 16th. So get out your island attire and come join the fun.

The Junior Lipton Team finished 7th in this Capdeville event. The team included Anna Abernathy, Tommy Barklay, Jack Danos, Colin Friend, Jacob Stevens and Avery Sollberger. PYC is 8th out of 18 in the overall GYA Capdeville standings.

August 9th.& 10th the Knost Regatta team is off to the gulf coast to participate in the Knost Regatta. Please cheer on Portia Bishop, Susan Danielson (coaching but not sailing), Heather Doolittle (coach and captain), Katy Lee and Allison Naquin. Baca Choate has donated her time to design and shirts and the special ad PYC placed in the Knost brochure.

Sail camp has been a great success this year. Jeremy Picone and the counselors have done a great job ensuring the safety and enjoyment as the campers learned to sail. Thanks, Jeremy, Tommy Barclay, Tristan Connault, Reed Kirk, Murdock McGinnis & Jacob Stevens.

By now you have either read the announcement or heard that Chuck Wyllie has passed away. Over the years Chuck became a fixture at the club. He served on the finance and membership committees and always had important suggestions and insights on how to improve the club. Chuck was a great volunteer but most of all he, along with his wife Nancy, was a great ambassador of PYC. He never met a stranger and never let a new member or guest get past the end of the bar before he welcomed them to the club. He will be missed.

See you at the club.

Dick Jones

VICE COMMODORE-BRIAN BURKE

At the Semi-Annual meeting of the membership held on July 12, 2014, the membership elected the following individuals to the Nominating Committee:

Richard Gremillion

CJ Corona

Mary Patterson

Bobby Lipscomb (alternate)

Pursuant to the Bylaws, I serve on the Nominating Committee by virtue of my office and the Commodore appointed Terri Hamilton to serve as the member from the Board.

As most of you know, the duty of the Nominating Committee is to select a slate of candidates to serve on the Board of Directors for the term beginning January 1, 2015. This slate of candidates will be offered to the membership for their approval at the Annual Meeting in November. If you are interested in serving on the Board, please inform one of the aforementioned individuals of your interest.

Thanks, Brian

Moving into the last half of Summer finds PYC in good financial standing. We have many projects to spend money on but we are working hard to prioritize the list to get the most out of our funds. A few of our needs include gravel for the back parking lot in order to expand storage room, electrical work in the dry storage across the street, painting the doors and railings and improved lighting in the front of the club to name a few items.

Sea Shepherd II is ready. Thanks to Tom Jarvis for being her steward and completing all necessary work to make her a great committee boat. He even replaced the brakes on the trailer and all major related components. Thanks Tom.

The 4th of July celebration was a huge success. Thanks to all for your participation. The giant turnout is the reason that these events are held for the members and you really turned out enmass! Thanks for choosing to celebrate with PYC. A special thanks to Kaia for making it a fun day and evening for all. White Summer Nights was a huge success and a chance for PYC to help with a great community service project. PYC looked great and the money we helped raise goes to Safe Harbor. If you did not attend this year then plan to attend next year.

Good job Sylvia Schmidt.

Thank you to all of you who volunteer at PYC. Your labor helps to defray the cost of doing business at PYC and thus helps our bottom line. We always have fun when we work on a project as a group. Please consider volunteering. It's a great way to get to know other members while doing something to help PYC.

On another note, please consider paying your monthly dues through autodraft. It simplifies your bill paying and can be done on the 10th or 20th of the month. Contact Kaia in the office if you would like to become a part of this bill paying plan.

Now get out on the water and SAIL!

Terri



The late summer heat is upon us. But our pool is still refreshing! As evidence by the abundance of PYC member activity.

New membership applicants for July:
Ashley Neumann (Dotty Williams daughter)
Bernard Graiser
William Jobst
Stephen Algero
Cameron Mary
Robert McDaniel
Mary Wight
Ed Murphy
Donalyn Hassenboehler
Adrian Callais
Thomas Clark
Daniel Cousins
Mark Moennich



Also, Tom Beery and Wallace Paletou have been approved by the Board as Honorary Members of Pontchartrain Yacht Club.

Sunday sailing continues to be successful. I highly recommend it to anyone interested in learning to sail. A few new members have partnered with experienced sailers in the club to get a first hand sailing adventure. I even brought some family a few Sunday's ago. They weren't so impressed with my small boat sailing technique though. I tried desperately to explain the lack of wind but in the end we all just ended up swimming in the pool for the afternoon.

Keep watching your email for news of upcoming events such as Sunday sailing, Thursday night "Movie Night" and much more!

The June 11th membership mixer was outstanding. There was a great mixture of new and old members. There will be another mixer soon so keep an eye on your email.

White Summer Night had a fantastic turnout. Thanks Kaia for setting up a membership table. Although not the reason for the event, we did garner some interest in the club. Cleve Fair was instrumental in selling the club too! Thanks Cleve!!

The kids will be back in school soon. Let's all take advantage of the club while the weather is great and we have lots of daylight.

As always, please take time to get to know our new and returning members.

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Congratulations to our Junior Lipton team who finished a respectable 6th at Southern Yacht Club on July 20/21. We were well represented by Tom Barclay (captain), Jacob Stevens, Colin Friend, Jack Danos, Avery Sollberger, and Anna Abernathy. We are looking to build on this for next year and beyond. If you are interested in racing for PYC regardless of your prior experience, please contact any team member or leave your name with Kaia in the front office.

At this writing, the last session of a capacity Sail Camp is coming to a close. Thank you counselors: Tristan Connault, Jacob Stevens, Reed Kirk, Murdock McInnis, and Tom Barclay. Special thanks to our program director, Jeremy Picone. When you see them around the club, please tell them thanks. Due to their efforts, we had a record and successful Sail Camp this year.

The Sunday sailing program continues. We will have both recreational sailing and racing on Sunday afternoons. Also, please let us know if you are interested in participating in the fall “learn to sail” or “learn to race” programs. We will have an Optimist Harbor Mice program for kids 8 – 12 and a Green Fleet program if there is enough interest. Green Fleet is for younger kids who know how to sail and want to learn how to race in Optis. For older kids, we have 420s, Sunfish, Laser Radials, and Flying Scots. Let me, Bill Ross, or Kaia know what you want to sail and we’ll get you on a boat!

Chris

HOUSE AND GROUNDS– TOM JARVIS

If you missed my chart article last month and my presentation at the semi-annual meeting you have missed my message in regard to maintaining our facility. **Times change and the old volunteer model and the same old volunteers are not keeping up!**

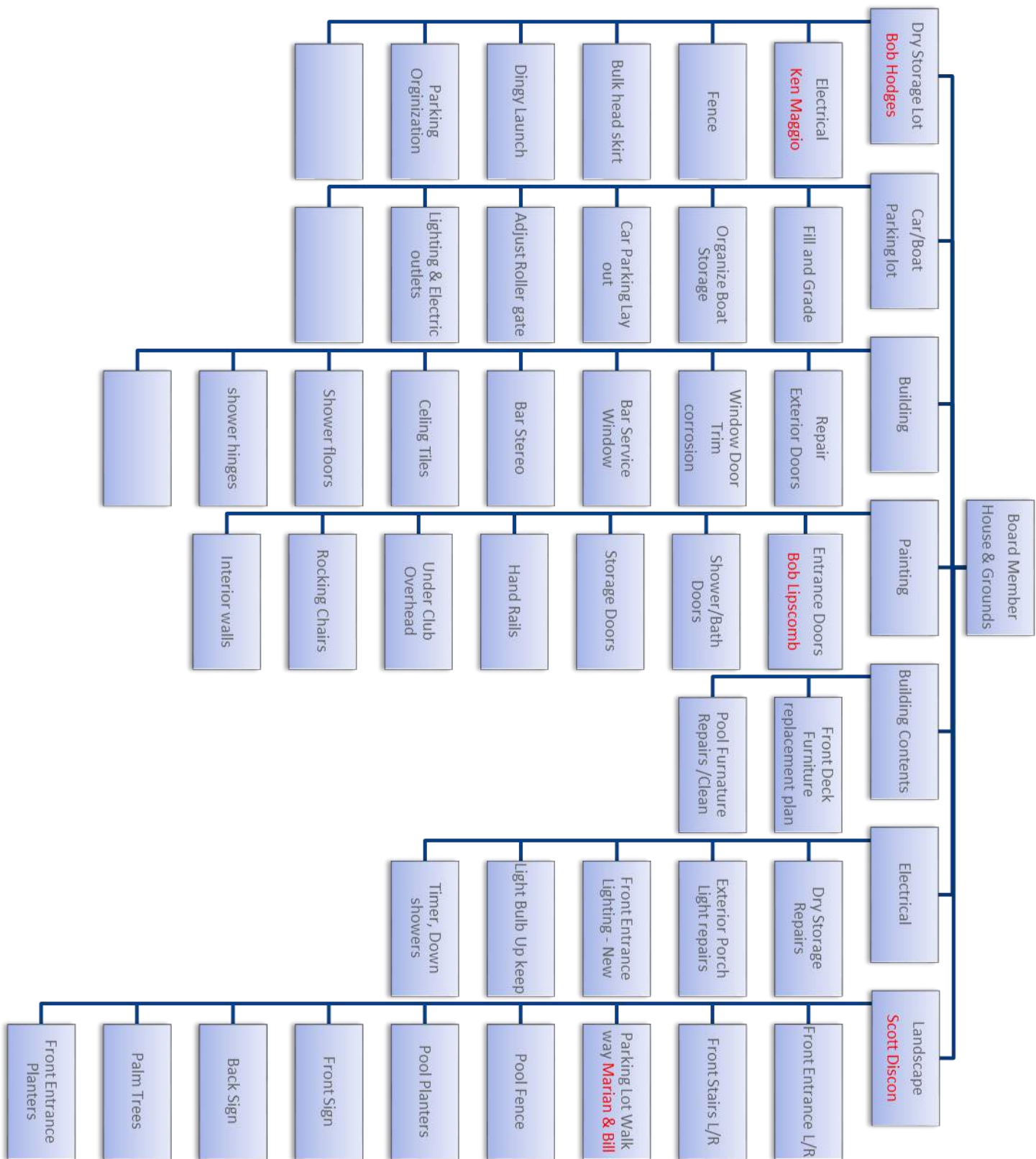
Thank you to those of you who understand the problem of long term sustainability of keeping up via volunteers and are in favor of contributing the cost of a couple of drinks a month to have it handled!

For the others, here is an opportunity to prove me wrong! Attached is a Division of Responsibilities organization chart. I am looking for a team leader for each of the categories. As part of the House and Grounds Chair’s team, this person will be responsible for an area of clubs maintenance for the year. He or She will head up the planning and execution of related items. The intent is not for you to do all of this yourself. I have included current projects or areas of commitment in the boxes below that can be adopted by inserting your name.

Please email me your area of interest and commitment to thomasjarvis@yahoo.com. I will update the chart and distribute.

Thanks for your interest in maintaining your club.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Jul 27 Regatta Room Rental SUNDAY SAILING!!! NOON-4	28	29 \$2 Taqueria-style Tacos! \$5 OFF Bottled Wine 8:00am - 9:00am Water Aerobics \$5.00	30 \$2 Dogs	31 Movie Night with Burgers 8:00am - 9:00am Water Aerobics \$5.00 7:00pm - 10:00pm Wine Dinner 7:00 pm	Aug 1 7:00pm - 9:00pm GUEST CHEF FRIDAY!	2 \$Where Ya At Drawing\$
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31	Sep 1 LABOR DAY! Club Closed	2 \$2 Taqueria-style Tacos! \$5 OFF Bottled	3 \$2 Dogs	4 6:00pm - 8:00pm Pulled Pork Sandwiches		



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