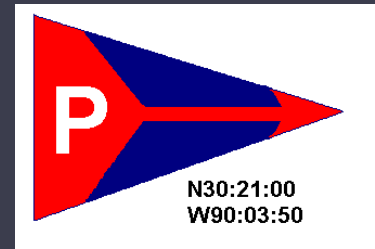


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Commodore's Corner

Happy October Everyone. I love the weather this time of year.

Alex has been full time with us now for one month. He had to hit the ground running, deal with three storms, learn everyone's names and much more. He has a lot on his plate and I think he's doing a good job. Thanks to all that have helped Alex. Whether it's moving boats around or helping with the junior sailing programs (Jr. Sail Team & Harbor Mice) your assistance is crucial to his and our success. Please continue to support him.

Kaia pulled another rabbit out of her hat in September. With Adele's help, Kaia was able to obtain a conditional restaurant permit for the club allowing us to once again sell and consume liquor onsite. It's complicated but in short terms our liquor license has always been a "General" license. The Governor painted a very broad stroke way back in the beginning of Phase 2 that unless a bar/business had a "Restaurant" liquor license they were not allowed to sell or consume alcohol onsite. This restaurant designation runs concurrent with our liquor license so we will be reevaluated in roughly a year and must meet some guidelines in order to keep the restaurant designation. Another benefit of this new license is our ability to allow children in the bar area. This is something that has been talked about for many years and of course has the potential for greatness and failure. Kaia will be sharing the initial guidelines. To be honest I have concerns about doing this but I think we finally have the opportunity to try it and hopefully tweak it as needed to the satisfaction of everyone. Food sales are important in order for us to keep this designation. Please support our efforts by purchasing food at the club and remember, while on premise, please social distance and wear your masks. Be mindful to not post anything on social media showing close groups of people.

Cabbage ball seems to be our regatta replacement. Kaia organized a big cabbage ball tournament a few weeks ago. The start/finish line was home plate and the course was 1st, 2nd and 3rd base back to home. It was a lot of fun and as soon as I stop hurting I'd like to do it again! Keep an eye on your clubs emails for Clancey or Kaia as I think there are upcoming games in the works.

2020 has been challenging for sure. One of the clubs revenue streams comes from our event rentals which as we all know were completely stopped for most of the year. As such, when Jamie approached me about someone wanting to do an event rental for New Years Eve I agreed that we needed the revenue more than I needed another Commodore's Ball on New Years Eve. As such, the discussion has now pivoted to what will we do instead and when will we do it? My plan is to let Jamie rent the heck out of the club and we will work around her rental dates. Once we have something more definitive we will email it to everyone.

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Vice Commodore

The PYC Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, November 21st. for the purpose of electing members of the Board of Directors of the Club, and for conducting such other business as is customary or necessary. The newly elected members of the Board of Directors of the Club and the newly elected Flag Officers shall assume their duties on the first day of January following the election; the outgoing members of the Board of Directors shall continue their duties until the last day of December in the same year as the election.

During the meeting the membership will cast their votes to fill four (4) positions on the 2021 Board of Directors. I want to thank the Nominating Committee for their participation and excellent choice of candidates in the selection process.

I am pleased to announce the Nominating Committee's slate of candidates selected to serve on the 2021 Board of Directors.

Adele Dauphin

Beatriz Dupuy

Mike Messina

Clancey Powell

Here are brief biographies of the candidates nominated by the Nominating Committee.

Adele Dauphin

Thank you to the Nominating Committee for the opportunity to be considered for the PYC board. A bit about myself- born in Metairie, I moved to Mandeville in August of 1992, two weeks before Hurricane Andrew. I graduated from Mandeville High, and I have a degree in business administration from Millsaps College, a masters degree in communications and a law degree from Loyola in New Orleans. Contributions to my student loan fund are greatly appreciated.

I spent some time working as a lawyer for a bankruptcy firm then switched to real estate title work. I'm not very good at wearing a suit, so about ten years ago I decided to run my own show. I am the Big Chief at Big Easy Notary & Auto Title. In addition to general notary work, as a contractor for the Louisiana Office of Motor Vehicles, I can process vehicle registrations, title transfers, drivers license renewals, REAL ID, and handicap hang tags. I can *probably* figure out how to get a license plate for your boat trailer that's been sitting in your yard for the last fifteen years.

I got involved in sailing because I have several friends on the southshore who sail, and frankly I was annoyed they would go out and have fun and send me photos of beautiful sunsets. I joined PYC two years ago and think we have the greatest club in all the land. Every Tuesday I have been hosting "sailing school" as way to get new people introduced to sailing and to the club.

In my free time, I enjoy running with the Abita Brew Social Krewe, attempting various craft projects, and cooking food badly.

Beatriz Dupuy

I am thankful for this nomination.

I was born in Colombia S.A. and have lived in the U.S. since I was 2yrs old. I grew up in Metairie and attended Southeastern University. I retired in 2014 from my 30 yr + run with the family business Auraluz. A wholesale and retail children's clothing business. To finally spend time with my kiddo.

I have been married to Bob Dupuy for 34yrs and we have resided in Mandeville for the past 25 years. We have one son, Matthew (18). Matthew has been part of the sailing program at Pontchartrain since he's 7.

I enjoy volunteering and attending all events at PYC and my family considers y'all family. It would be an honor to serve Pontchartrain Yacht Club.

Sincerely,
Beatriz Dupuy

Mike Messina

Hi everyone .Hope everyone had a great summer. I am very excited about the nomination to become a board member of PYC. My family and I have been members at PYC for four years and we have thoroughly enjoyed our time at the club. We spend a lot of time on the water with family and friends on our powerboat and on occasion we have sailed with other PYC members. We have lived in Old Mandeville for over 35 years and we truly enjoy the area. I have worked in the equipment rental industry for 22 years and I am the Louisiana District Manager for Sunbelt Rentals. My business experience should be a great asset to the board.

Thanks again for the nomination and I am excited for the opportunity to support PYC.

Mike Messina
504-214-0607

Clancey Powell

Thank you for the nomination to the Board of Directors. I am excited to be considered for this position and agree to serve if elected.

My name is Clancey Powell, and I have been a member of Pontchartrain Yacht club for most of my life. I became my own member as an adult in 2013, but my parents have been members since 1984. I have lived in Old Mandeville all of my life. I have two boys, Christian, who is 17 and going into his senior year at Lakeshore High School, and Patrick, who is 11 and is going into 6th grade at Mandeville Middle. My schooling includes graduation from St. Scholastica Academy, then on to Southeastern Louisiana University, where I received my Bachelors degree in Nursing, and most recently, to Loyola University of New Orleans, where I received my Masters in Nursing. I work for a local hospice company as a Nurse Practitioner and serve as their administrator and director of nursing.

For hobbies, I love being at the club and all it has to offer. The club has become my home and the people there are my family. My sailing experience has been cruising around the lake, and most recently, a trip to a bare boat experience in the British Virgin Islands. I enjoy the scene of racing and sailing, however, my expertise is very limited. I love the club for the social activities and friendships I have gained.

I look forward to serving on the board if elected and to give back to all the club has done for me.

Vice Commodore

Fall has fell!

The good news is that Kaia successfully ran the obstacle course to get PYC a restaurant license. This allows us to re-open the bar! But there's always a caveat. We need to keep up a 60/40 (food/drink) minimum ratio to maintain our license. So, plan to come to the club hungry ☹️

Speaking of obstacle courses, we are gathering the necessary documentation to apply for forgiveness of our PPP loan. Fingers crossed.

Thanks for your continued support.

Larry Young

Social

Happy Fall y'all!

Have you heard? We have a provisional liquor license! Kaia and staff have done an amazing job with being so wonderful during this stressful time! Please note that as part of the license, we must sell 60% food and 40% alcohol. So please enjoy the wonderful food. We have a wonderful menu weekly for food!

This October- keep checking your emails and Facebook for up to date events.

I'm sure we will have some terrific cabbage ball games and other fun events.

See you around the club,

Clancey Powell



Membership

Greetings Fellow Sailors!

Dry air and sunny skies is the reward from several weeks of cloudy days of high water. I had my first ever solo sail on my tri-maran this past weekend. Awesome! Such a fun boat that doesn't leave me bruised or sore and is very forgiving for a newbie driver such as myself. And zippy! Thanks Bob and Elise for all your help to get me underway.

Please remember our special still ongoing: 25% off the initiation fee and a \$50 bar card to current members who bring new crew to the club.

New Members

Jayson Danziger, *returning member who lives in Mandeville and frequently away on business, look for him in December.*

David and Beth Leggett, *new members who live in Covington and still current at BuccYC, a boat owner and racer of Impulse 21, SV 'Dynamite'. He has spent 30 years working in the public health sector and is now retired. He and his wife grew up on the southshore but have family living on the northshore for many years. They are happy to return home 'where people know how to cook'.*

Thanks to our newest members who have recently joined. Seasoned members, remember to introduce yourself to someone who appears new, make them feel welcome. The weather is turning perfect for being outside. Get checked out on a club boat, call Alex for lessons/details. Or take out your own boat. I look forward to seeing you on the water and the club!

Snoann Willett, Membership Chair

Race

At last cool weather has arrived. Fall race #1 is October 10 at 1200 hours skippers meeting is 1030 at PYC. Please sign up for LPRC, the NOR is on online. See you on the water.

Ken Buhler

Juniors

The Back to School Regatta is October 17, 2020. Due to Covid-19, it is a smaller one day regatta but we still have Optimist, 420s and Viper/VX courses.

We are looking for volunteers to help with the Regatta. We will have a planning meeting Wednesday October 7 at 6:00 pm in the Regatta Room. Please come if you can help. Or if you would rather just email me at mary1964mck@gmail.com or call or text to 214-686-8699.

The junior sailing team continues to practice each week with Alex and they get better all of the time. They are taking 3 boats to the 420 Championships this weekend at BWYC. Thank you to the parents that are stepping up and helping make this happen. We couldn't do it without your help!

The Fall Harbor Mice program finished last week. We had a large number of participants and several member volunteers that helped to make this fun. We look forward to the spring when we can do it again.

Mary McKeogh



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