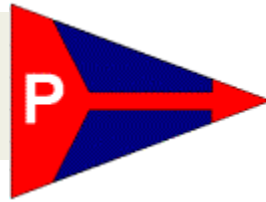


THE CHART

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COMMODORE'S CORNER—BOBBY LIPSCOMB

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What an unbelievable time for die hard Saints fans! We finally made it! We are going to the Super Bowl! I recall going to the first games in Tulane Stadium. We lost most of the time but it was still an incredible experience I will never forget. **The Game will be on at the club so be sure to come by and cheer the Saints on in true PYC style. There will be drink specials, food and hot dogs for the kids. TV's will be set up in the Regatta Room and downstairs, along with the bar.**

The date has been set for PYC Opening Day which will be Sunday April 18th. We will have Opening Day Ceremonies, races, games for the kids and plenty of food and drink. Please plan on inviting your family and friends.

We attended the GYA Winter Meeting in January where Dave Bolyard was elected 2010 GYA Commodore. The 2010 GYA Schedule was finalized at that meeting. We will have some great races here beginning with the Hobie 33 Nationals in March and the GYA Opening on May 1st and 2nd.

Please remember we are a volunteer club and our Board Members will be asking for help. So when they need help please volunteer your time if you can. You will enjoy it and be glad you did.

Help Our Kid's Room

We are still looking for donations of DVD's, any kind of am systems and art supplies. (no paint or permanent marker)

SOCIAL - JEAN SPARKMAN

February is looking fun! I never thought I would be saying this but we will be having a BLACK AND GOLD SUPERBOWL BASH!! Sunday February 7th if you find yourself without a ticket to Miami, come to the club and cheer the Saints on. We will have extra TV's and plenty of room to spread out. Once again will have our Road Kill Café pot luck and SUPER drink specials So bring a dish and come on down!!

Mardi Gras parades will be rolling in Mandeville on Friday the 5th and the 12th. Be sure to come by the club and get a good meal then head on out to the parades. Guest chef Fridays will continue as long as we have volunteers (hint, hint).

Kaia will be serving a romantic special Valentines Day brunch on Sunday the 14th. Don't forget to make your reservations!

Soup night every Wednesday and Taco night with special prices on Margaritas on Thursdays thru February. Check out the new happy hour specials!

WHO DAT AND HAPPY MARDI GRAS!!

The Commodore's Ball was a BLAST!!



FLEET CAPTAIN - ROB DOOLITTLE

Okay everyone, try and cool your Super Bowl fever for just a couple of seconds to focus on the upcoming Hobie 33 Nationals that we are hosting here at PYC. The regatta is slated for March 19-21 and is sure to be a success if everyone can pitch in a little bit of time and energy, and a whole heaping load of southern hospitality that we do so well! We want to show them a good time starting with a red beans and rice dinner on Friday night, followed by a PYC-style party on Saturday night complete with a cochon d'lait and band. Let's do this right! Anyone who would like to volunteer to help out, please contact me. The more the merrier!

Also, it's almost time for race season to kick into high gear and our women's team is getting better and better, so in an effort to continue the trend we would like to get organized early and start practicing in March. So.....any ladies interested in sailing a Scot please contact myself at 507-8683 or Heather at 339-227-5039 by Friday 2/26. Ability and experience are not an issue. It's going to be a lot of fun, and you might even learn to sail along the way!

Fair winds!
Rob

JUNIORS—CHRIS GILMORE

Ahoy everyone, I hope you all are thawing out from that wintery cold spell we just had. Personally, I'm ready for the warm sunshine that is right around the corner. For those of you, who don't know, our Junior Program coach, Chris Morency, will not be returning to coach at PYC. Coach Chris did a remarkable with our Optimist Green Fleet. He took many of our young sailors from being completely terrified when they first stepped into the Opti to wanting to sail when there were 2' – 3' seas in the lake. If you happen to see him around the club or on the water, be sure to say thanks!

So, that leads us to the 2010 Junior Program. I am looking for a new coach to take Chris' place. I haven't found anyone yet, but I'm still looking. If any of you know someone who would make a good coach, please let me know. Also, please let me know if your child will be participating in the junior program this year. The participation level may dictate the need for an actual coach.

As always, if anyone has any questions, concerns, insults, or random words of wisdom, don't hesitate to shoot me an email.

Thanks,

Chris Gilmore
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RACE/ONE-DESIGN—BROCK SCHMIDT

The club Lido fleet continues to grow and will be adding 3 more boats in the month of February pushing our blossoming fleet to 12 boats. Weekend sailing continues to thrive on Sundays and with the great weather we hope to see more involvement. February will also bring the Mardi Gras Regatta in New Orleans on the 20th and 21st. The Capdeville team will be competing as we push toward our goal of winning the GYA Capdeville trophy and the Liptons. All in all things are rolling along well and we hope to see you all out sailing soon.

HOUSE & GROUNDS—BRIAN BURKE

As everyone is aware, the month of January brought unusually cold weather to the Mandeville area. Thankfully, the club building experienced no problems due to the extreme cold.

On another note, the stove top in the galley has been broken for a couple of months now. While we would all like to purchase a new commercial gas stove, a new commercial gas stove would require the installation of a commercial vent hood with the vent hood alone costing close to \$20,000 which is an expenditure that cannot be justified at this time. Accordingly, we have been actively considering other options which meet the needs of the club and should have a replacement purchased shortly.

Finally, as set forth in the Commodore's article, Pontchartrain Yacht Club's opening day is scheduled for Sunday April 18, 2010. Accordingly, in order to give everyone adequate notice, I am scheduling a club workday for Saturday April 10, 2010 so that we can get the club grounds ready for opening day. Later that evening we plan on getting together at the club for an informal party/cookout downstairs by the pool with the food to be provided by the Smoker Dudes. Again, anyone wishing to serve on the house and grounds committee please e-mail me at brianjudeburke@yahoo.com to sign up, act quickly as membership is limited.



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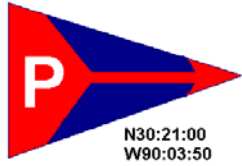
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