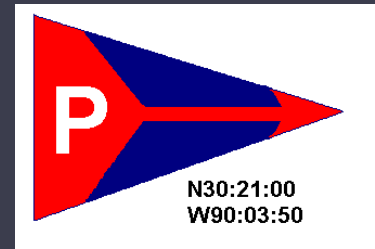


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## Commodore's Corner

Well, Spring has certainly come early this year! What a beautiful time of the year it is right now! February has actually been more like March or April. The trees are blooming and budding out with flowers and new green leaves. Azaleas are about to pop open along with other spring flowers. Of course, along with those positive aspects, also comes the pollen that covers everything with green-yellow dust! Work has already gotten started around the club to get the building and yard ready for all of the upcoming activities that are planned. Many thanks to **Tom Jarvis** for the concrete work he completed around the base plates of our new railings! He put in many hours of volunteer work! The next time you are on the balcony or using the stairs, look down at the base plates and check out his awesome work. Our wooden piece of playground equipment was showing wear and tear and it was beginning to have some safety issues so **Brian Keating** offered to look at it. He got right to work and he has almost completed the needed repairs so we soon will be able to remove the yellow tape and let our children play on it again. Finding new playground equipment will need to be in our plans in the near future. If you know anything about where or what kind would do well in our yard, please let Mike Piazza or me know. Thanks and special thanks to Brian!

The Valentine's Dinner was outstanding! Stephanie Roy said on our Facebook page, "It was better than Ruth Chris." If you missed it this year, plan on attending next year. Thanks to **Kaia, Nicole, Stefani and Jamie** for putting on a fabulous dinner! What a team!

The Tuscan Wine Class was great fun! We had a wonderful crowd and we learned lots of interesting information. Thanks to **Dick Jones** for setting this up for us and thanks to **Kaia and Nicole** for the food and super service!

Speaking of fun, **Jimmy Ulfers** shared pictures on our FB page from the Mardi Paws festivities in our front yard. That was another beautiful day at PYC! Thanks to everyone who came out to enjoy that day! **Kaia and Nicole** worked their magic again. Thanks to Holly Parker for manning the Membership and Sailing Information Table!

# Commodore

The final Sunday in February was a rockin' day at PYC. We started with Kaia's Famous Brunch and ended the day with fantastic music! Brian Jones' Open Mic brought in quite a group of musical talent together for an evening of great music.

Several of our members were part of that amazing talent. They were **Brian Jones, aka Bicycle Jones, Tom Quinlan, Jeff Bishop, Bill Schroyer and Jim Odom.** Amanda Jones from Mississippi was able to join us again, along with Tommy MacLuckie from Mandeville and a singer/songwriter from Bath, England who is in town for the French Quarter Fest. I think most of the group will be back from 4:00-7:00 PM on Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup> so put that on your calendars so you don't miss it!

Other dates to add to your calendars are the following:

Opening Day – Opening Day –Saturday, April 21

Semi-Annual Meeting – Sunday, May 20

Annual Meeting – Sunday, November 25.

Our Sailing Leadership Team and their committees have been hard at work getting more sailors on the water when the weather cooperated. PYC is advertising now for adult sailing lessons and for Summer Sailing Camps. Our Sailing Director, **Mike McKnight** has become a radio star! Listen for him on the 94.7 radio station as he encourages adults to contact PYC to sign up for adult sailing. People do not have to be a member to take the lessons. If you know someone who is interested, have him/her contact Mike.

Commodore Marian Arrowsmith

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*Note from the office:*

*You will be receiving your February Statements in the mail along with your new membership card with the current GYA sticker. If you spouse would like a card please come by the office during office hours and pick one up.*

*Thank you!!!*

*Kaia*

# Vice Commodore

As we move into the windy month, we will see kites flying along the lakeshore, but let's also see more masthead kites flying on the lake. We have had great turnout for the PHRF races so far this year.

The club is looking good with the work that has been done, and there are additional efforts underway to get things shipshape before opening day. Get your boat cleaned up and flags out for the Blessing of the Fleet!

There is a new committee termed Boat Committee which will be reviewing policy relative to the use of club boats and on-water assets, boatyard storage, and club rules as they relate to juniors, one-design, and PHRF. Please forward any suggestions you may have to me or the respective chairs of those committees.

Brian Keating - Vice Commodore  
Cell: 985-789-0998

# Rear Commodore

Per the PYC By-Laws, membership dues are adjusted each year based on the change in the Consumer Price Index. The index rose 2.1% during 2017. As a result, your dues have been increased accordingly.

Effective February 1, 2018, SYC has eliminated cross-charging for visiting guests of SYC. SYC will no longer allow visiting members from other clubs to cross-charge for goods and services while at SYC. Instead, upon presentation of a credit card, visitors will be given a guest card that will remain active during the guests' visit. Charges will be settled to the credit card. This practice is becoming the norm across the country and is being adopted across the GYA.

Our bartenders are not auto-gratuitied here at PYC. In other words, tips are not automatically added to your bar purchases. You can add an auto-gratuity by calling or talking to Nicole, our bar manager. Just ask her to add you to the auto-gratuity list and you won't have to worry about remembering to leave a tip when you leave the club.

Our January financial results were good in spite the club being closed for two weeks to refurbish the railings. If you haven't been to the club since the New Year, come by and check out the railings, and the bar of course.

Larry Young

# Race

## PHRF Winter Series

With cooperation with the Northshore Corinthians Sailing Association, CSA, we have completed our (3) race Winter Series. We had some bad weather and a doldrums day which caused us to postpone on three occasions. All of these races were supported by a race committee on board the "Sea Shepard". The timed starts have encouraged more sailors to join in the challenge. This has been a great way for all of us to improve our start skills with a mix of cruisers, juniors and one design participation. Note the following summary of our Winter Series.

Descriptions	Winter				
Sail	Skipper	Boat	#1	#2	#3
<b>Non-</b>	Albert Bacque	Risky Business	1	DNS	DNS
	John David	Knot Normal Too	2	DNS	DNS
	Bill Phillips	C'est La Vie	DNF	2	2
	Henry Barrouse	Summer Wind	3	1	1
	Chad St. Julien	Oday	4	4	DNS
	Brian Keating	Tata Duende	DNS	3	3
<b>Spinnaker</b>	Gerald Kuehler	Whiskers	2	3	7
	Peter Blessey	Derby's Luck	DNF	8	8
	David Barr	Tuff II	6	6	6
	Caron Choate	The Bear	3	5	1
	Ken Buhler	Jalapeno	1	DNS	DNS
	Max Albert	Wave Monkey	4	2	4
	C. Ross/D. Bolyard	AirX VX	5	1	3
	Bob Hodges	Weta	7	7	5
	Tom Barclay	Thaiger Viper	DNF	4	2
Total Participants CSA & PontYC	17	15	15		

Look over the schedule and find open Come out and join in the fun!

*Albert Bacque*

PontYC 2018 Race Schedule - 2-27-2018 updates

Pontchartrain Yacht Club 2018 Sailing Event Schedule						
Date	Make-up	Race Description	PYC	CSA	Primary contact	
Winter						
Jan 13	Feb 3 Comp.	CSA Frost Bite Challenge		x	CSA	
Jan 27	Feb 3 Comp.	PHRF Winter #1	x		Albert Bacqué	
Feb 10	Feb 24 Comp.	PHRF Winter #2	x		Albert Bacqué	
Feb 24 Comp.	Mar 3	PHRF Winter #3	x		Albert Bacqué	
March 10	TBA	TYC to PontYC Sail Over			TYC	
Mar 17	Mar 31	PHRF Spring Race #1	x		Albert Bacqué	
Mar 24-25	Apr 7-8	Northshore Cup (Youth Sailing)	x		Paul Rees	
Mar 24	TBA	TYC 2 Against the Lake			TYC	
Mar 31	N/A	Viper/VX Training Day			Max Albert	
Apr 14	Apr 21	PHRF Spring Race #2	x		Albert Bacqué	
April 21	N/A	PYC Opening Day & Blessing of the Fleet	x		PYC Board	
April 22	N/A	PYC Opening FUN'd Regatta	x		Albert Bacqué	
April 28-29	May 19	Viper/VX Regatta	x		Max Albert	
May 5	May 12	PHRF Spring Race #3	x		Albert Bacqué	
May 12	Aug 12	CSA Single Handed Race		x	CSA	
May 19	May 26	CSA Double Handed Race		x	CSA	
Summer						
Jun 2	Jun 9	PHRF Summer race #1	x		Albert Bacqué	
Jun 2 & 3	Jun 9-10	School's Out Regatta (Youth Sailing)	x		Paul Rees	
June 16	Jun 30	PHRF Summer race #2	x		Albert Bacqué	
July 14	Jul 21	PHRF Summer race #3	x		Albert Bacqué	
Aug 25	TBA	CSA Round the Lake Race		x	Albert Bacqué	
Sept 8-9	Oct 6	Small boat Club Championship	x		Paul Rees/Max Albert	
Sept 15 & 16	Oct 6	Back to School/Dinghy Challenge Cup (Youth Sailing)	x		Paul Rees	
Sept 22	N/A	Fun(d) Event, Veterans Regatta	x		Brian Keating/Albert Bacqué	
Sept 29	TBA	CSA Great Lake Race		x	CSA	
Oct 6	Oct 13	PHRF Fall race #1	x		Albert Bacqué	
Oct 20	Nov 3	Cruise/Race to TYC / PHRF race #2	x		Albert Bacqué	
Oct 26-28	TBA	LPRC	x		Albert Bacqué	
Nov 9	N/A	Veterans Appreciation Day celebration at PYC	x		Brian Keating/Albert Bacqué	
Nov 10	Dec 1	PHRF Fall race #3	x		Albert Bacqué	
Nov 17	N/A	Turkey Day Regatta		x	CSA	
Nov 24	N/A	Fun'd Race	x		Brian Keating/Albert Bacqué	
Dec 8	N/A	City Mandeville & PYC, Boat Parade (evening)	x		Brian Keating/Mand Mayor	
Fall						

# One Design

Our Viper team has been busy trying to prepare for the upcoming season. The first Capdeville regatta is March 17th and 18th at NOYC. I hope to give you good news on our result next month!

Our club has secured the rights to host the 2018 Viper 640 Gulf Coast Championship. We are hoping this will be a big event for our club! We will run it in conjunction with Back to School regatta in September. This month we will be putting a regatta committee together. With the help of the Viper 640 class representatives, we will be promoting this event all along the gulf coast and east coast.

*Max Albert*

# Membership

Since the weather has already started, I would like to wish you all a happy Spring! Already sailing is getting back in gear and we've had a yard party with Mardi Paws. I look forward to seeing everyone out on the water (whether its the pool or the lake). Looking forward to another great year. This spring, don't forget about adult sailing lessons or sail camp sign ups! Tell your friends! And while you're at it, bring them by for Friday Night food or Trivia! The more, the merrier!

See you soon!

Holly Parker

## Congratulations Heather, Rob, Steve and Connie!!!!

Back home after a long weekend of sailing fast. Viva Las Vegas for the win! NOODS 2018.



# SOCIAL

February was a busy month! Mardi Gras parades, Super Bowl Pot Luck and Wine School! Tenuta Torciano Winery, Tuscan Wine School was a gourmet and interesting evening during which guests sampled a good number of Italian wines from the Tuscany region, balsamic vinegar, plain and flavored olive oil and truffle oil! Thank you to Dick Jones for arranging the evening and to Kaia and Nicole for providing the appetizers and excellent service! It was truly a special evening!

Friday Night Guest Chefs continued on February 23<sup>rd</sup> with a great fish dinner hosted by Holly and Robert Parker! On March 2, Mary Patterson and I will be serving a yummy fish dinner provided by Our Lady of the Lake Knights of Columbus and top it off with giant chocolate chip cookie. Thank you to Cleve Fair for arranging and picking up the dinners from OLL. Please stop by the club and dine with us this Friday!

Mandeville Live! Friday night concerts at the Mandeville Trailhead kick off on March 16<sup>th</sup> with the Boogie Men, so we wont be having a Friday Night Guest Chef on March 16<sup>th</sup> or 23<sup>rd</sup> (Little Freddie King).

Friday Night Guest Chefs are needed on March 30 and April 13 (French Quarter Fest). Please call me, or Kaia, or sign up on SignUp Genius – its easy!

Academy Awards Red Carpet Night at PYC on Sunday, March 4! Dress Up or Dress Down!

Pot Luck! Starts at 6pm till ?

The first day of Spring brings a new tradition and annual event to PYC – Sock Burning! Come help us celebrate the arrival of Spring and the wearing of flip flops! We will gather around the Fire Pit at 5:30. Bring cotton sock (s) to burn, synthetics will melt! Tacos will be available upstairs!

Events planned for March are:

- 2 – Fish Dinner (OLL Knights of Columbus Dinner), Mary Patterson & Gigi Savona
- 4 – Academy Awards Red Carpet Night, Pot Luck!
- 8– St. Patrick's Dinner with Lake Pontchartrain Sail and Power Squadron Seminar
- 9 – Trivia Night, 7:30p, Regatta Room
- 9 – Friday Night Guest Chef - OPEN
- 17 – 80's Pub Crawl with Dance to follow at PYC
- 18 – Open Mic Night, 4-7p
- 20 – First Day of Spring, SOCK BURNING, 5:30 at Fire Pit
- 20 – Book Club, 6:30pm, 'America's First Daughter' by Stephanie Dray
- 25 – Kaia's Fabulous Brunch! 9am – noon
- 30 – Friday Night Guest Chef - OPEN

AND....Fun Events Planned for April:

April 1 – Easter Egg Roll

April 7– Anchors Away Nautical Swap Meet

April 15 – Open Mic, 4-7p

April 17 – Book Club, ‘Before We Were Yours’ by Lisa Wigate

April 21 – Opening Day!

If you have any questions about an event or suggestions, phone me at 985.869.0175 or email at

[saileos56@gmail.com](mailto:saileos56@gmail.com).

I look forward to seeing you around the club!

Gigi Savona

## Juniors

### Northshore Cup High School Regatta.

March 24-25 Pont YC hosts the Northshore Cup High School Regatta. This is an official regatta for the Interscholastic Sailing Association, South East District or “SEISA”, and is sailed in 420s without spinnaker or trapeze and in Laser radial classes. We expect teams from New Orleans and Gulf Coast area high schools. Please come out Saturday afternoon of the 24<sup>th</sup> to support the teams. We will also be having a crawfish boil for them so if anyone wants to join in let me know and we can include some club members in the crawfish order.

### Junior Sailing Team.

The 2018 Pontchartrain Yacht Club Junior Sailing Team held its organizational meeting for the year and had very strong attendance and interest. Returning to the team for 2018 are:

Jay Graham

Dylan McKnight

Liam Eddy

Matthew Dupuy

Isabelle Hernandez

New Sailors this year include:

Logan Richardson

Evan Dauterive

Miles Boudreaux

And a few more coming on at mid year.

Regular team practices start up in March. The sailors will have plenty of time to practice and hone their skills before the first team away regatta, the GYA Opening at Mobile Yacht Club May 5-6.

We are very excited to start this second year of the Junior Team.

Paul Rees



Pontchartrain Yacht Club March 2018						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Feb 25	26	27	28	Mar 1	2	3
Junior Sail Team Practice 2:00pm 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM BRUNCH! 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM OPEN MIC!		Taco Tuesday! 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Book Club!	Hot Dogs!		7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Guest Chef Friday!	Event Rental
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Oscars Party 2:00 PM Open Sail Team/Viper Practice		Taco Tuesday!	Hot Dogs!	LPSPS Event	7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Guest Chef Friday!	TYC Sail Over! 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM Adult Sailing Clinic!
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM Adult Sailing Clinic!		Taco Tuesday! 4:30 PM Sail Team Opti Practice	Hot Dogs!	4:30 PM Sail Team Laser/420 Practice		PHRF Race #1 8:00 PM - 11:30 PM 80's Dance Party!!
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
		Taco Tuesday! 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM Burning of the Socks on Spring Equinox 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Book Club	Hot Dogs! 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM Adult Sailing Clinic! 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Board Meeting	10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Adult Sailing Clinic! 4:30 PM Sail Team Laser/420 Practice		Northshore Cup 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM Event Rental 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM Event Rental
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Northshore Cup 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Brunch! 2:00 PM Sail Team Open/Viper Practice		Taco Tuesday! 4:30 PM Sail Team Opti Practice	Hot Dogs!	4:30 PM Sail Team Laser/420 Practice	7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Guest Chef Friday	

See you at the club!



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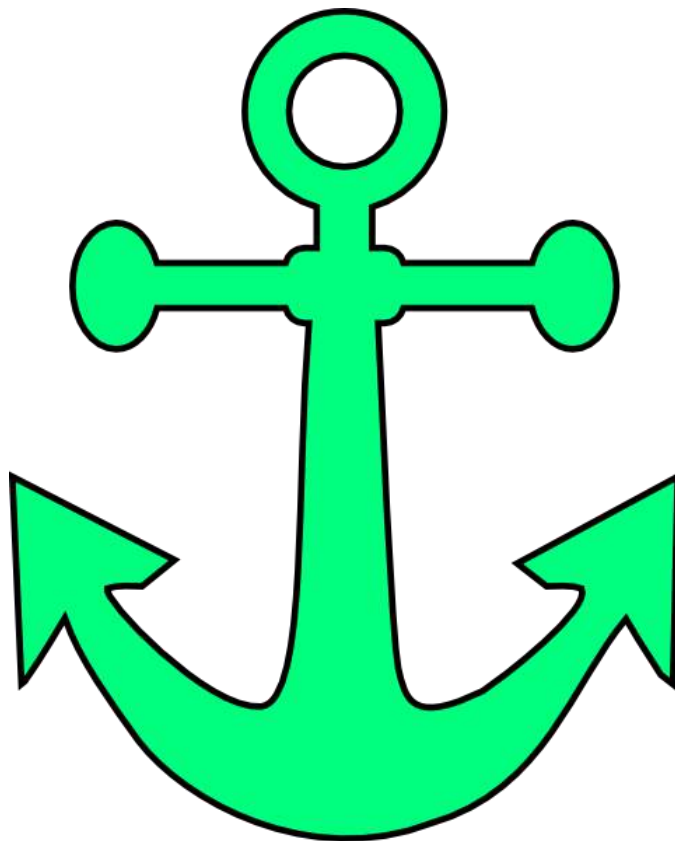
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