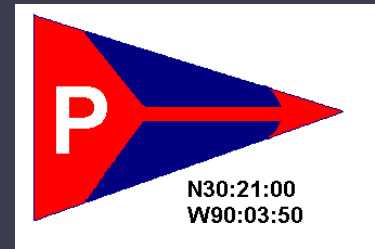


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Commodore's Corner

Flexibility! This is a trait that is necessary in most of our lives. It certainly has been needed at PYC for the past week! Because of the opening of the Bonnet Carre Spillway, we now have an algae bloom in Lake Pontchartrain and other waterways in St. Tammany. This now has spread to the Mississippi Gulf Coast. All of these waters are closed to swimming and to other recreational activities. The Louisiana Board of Health also recommends that we do not eat seafood from those waters. This is having a major impact on many lives and businesses in Louisiana and Mississippi. When we first heard this news, our first concern was our sailors and staff in sail camp. So last Saturday morning we had a meeting with our sailing director, our manager and some of our Board members. The good news was that we already had plans in place for lessons and activities to do on rainy days or days when there was no wind. We decided that we would continue having the sail camps, just be flexible and make some adjustment to the plans. Some of those activities include Opti races in the pool, Opti rigging relays, Chalk Talks about sailing information, visit from sail maker, David Bolyard and a field trip to Gulf Island Water Park. Thanks to Board member. Paul Rees for the latter! As the week comes to a close, the sailors and counselors would say that they had fun and learned about boats and **sailing even though** this week they did not sail in the lake. There are already exciting plans being made for the next two sessions of PYC Sail Camps! Thanks to all who have made this possible! Thanks to sailors, counselors, staff and parents for being flexible!!

Congratulations to the Challenge Cup sailors who brought back some great awards! See Ken Buhler's article for more details and pictures! This weekend our junior sail team heads to the Junior Olympic Regatta in Pensacola. Good luck to Mike and his PYC team!! The following weekend is the Meigs Regatta in Fort Walton Beach, FL so we wish those sailors good luck as well!

Our Nominating Committee will meet sometime next week to begin looking for members to serve on the PYC Board in 2020. If you know of someone whom you think would be a good candidate or if you are interested in serving, please let Chairman Court Richardson know.

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Commodore

Speaking of Court, who is our Vice Commodore, he has made all of the changes in the By-Laws, which were voted on at our June 9th Semi-Annual Meeting. Those will be posted on our website in the next week or so. Thanks to all of the members who provided input for those changes!

Lesley Burke has been selected to help raise money for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Donations are 100% tax deductible. If you can help, go to finest.cff.org/Northshore/lesleyburke. Thank you!

Thanks to George A. Hero, IV, and the Southern Sailing Foundation for awarding PYC a \$500 grant to help sponsor our School's Out Regatta. This is the second grant we have received from them. In 2019 we were awarded a grant for our Back To School Regatta! We send them our thanks and appreciation!

Hope everyone has a safe and wonderful 4th of July! Come to PYC to enjoy the fun and festivities!

Commodore Marian Arrowsmith

Vice Commodore

Thanks to everyone that stepped in for me at the semi-annual meeting. I understand the meeting went well and attendance was good.

As part of my duties as Vice Commodore, I chair a nominating committee which has been selected and our first meeting (in keeping with the bylaws) will be Tuesday the 2nd of July. Thankfully I have two past Vice Commodores on the committee to guide me so I think we will do a good job. If you are interested in serving on the Board please email me at courtrich@mac.com.

We have made the agreed upon (voted) changes to the bylaws and once they are rechecked for grammar and spelling errors will be sent to members and as always there will be copies available at the club.

Lastly, and sadly, Friday night fun races have been postponed due to the algae bloom in Lake Pontchartrain. Ken has done a great job motivating (or guilting) members into racing and it's been lots of fun. Hopefully the lake water will clear up soon and we can get back out there. Thanks to our top flight crew (Hew, Randy & Danielle Sharpe and me) we actually beat all the cruisers last Friday night (and we didn't even cheat!). So as Randy puts it "We will be the reigning champions for weeks to come!" Or at least until we race again.

Sincerely,
Court Richardson

Rear Commodore

As the heat of the summer sets in, PYC is a great option for members to stay cool around the pool, the bar, on the water.

From a financial perspective, we completed our May slightly in the red. 2019 expenses are down from 2018 but unfortunately so is income. Major income items were a fabulous rental number for April, 2018, that we couldn't match this year and a decline in membership from which we are just now recovering. Our financial situation always weakens as we enter the late summer doldrums, this year exacerbated by the spillway opening and the related algae bloom in the lake.

Remember, as a member of this Club you have a share of interest in everything that occurs here. So, please let us know your thoughts and priorities. The PYC Board and Staff are striving every day to make PYC a great place for everyone. We can accomplish good things with volunteers so please get involved and help when and where you can.

I hope everyone has a great and safe Great 4th of July and hope to see you at the Club soon.

Larry Young

Race



Congratulations to our Challenge Cup skippers and crews for a job well done. Our sailors worked their magic. They sailed smart. We sailed 7 races in 3 days. Our skippers were Billy Ross, Max Albert, Susan D. Allen, and Rives Allen. We were able to place and win two of the classes. Hot Toddy j-90 in class A skippered by Billy Ross won by 10 points. Wave Monkey 640 Viper in class B skippered by Max Albert placed 2nd in class. Land Shark and Bushwhacker finished in the middle of the pack skippered by Susan in C and Rives Allen in D. PYC sailors finished third overall missing second, by 4 points. Special thanks to the owners John Guy, PYC, Harley Nethken, Tom Kirby. Without their help we could not field a team. Thanks to Randy Sharp for the use of his power boat as a support boat. Thanks to PYC, parents, and club members for all the support.

Ken Buhler



Juniors

In June the Pontchartrain Junior sailors participated in several events.

First, with only a week off from the GYA Opening Regatta at Southern, the Juniors returned to Southern for the Jubly Wynne Regatta over Memorial Day weekend. The first day was marred by overpowering winds and so not much sailing took place. The second day saw better sailing. We had 2 420 teams competing. Our sailors were Jay Graham, Evan Dauterive, Dylan McKnight and Harrison Dodge.

The next regatta was our own School's Out Regatta. We had very nice weather on Saturday and some exciting racing. We had 4 optis and 5 420 teams including Jay Graham and crew, and Dylan McKnight and Harrison Dodge. Evan Dauterive sailed on a Laser.

Our club continues to put on stellar events and everyone compliments us. Thanks to all of the volunteers and staff who make the events possible.

Just this past weekend the Junior Olympic Sailing Festival was held at Pensacola Yacht Club. Saturday was a rain out but Sunday was beautiful with 5 races sailed in most classes.

Our sailors participating were Liam Eddy on Opti, Matthew Dupuy on Laser - ILCA Radial and Jay Graham and crew sailed in the 420 class. We are very proud of our sailors.

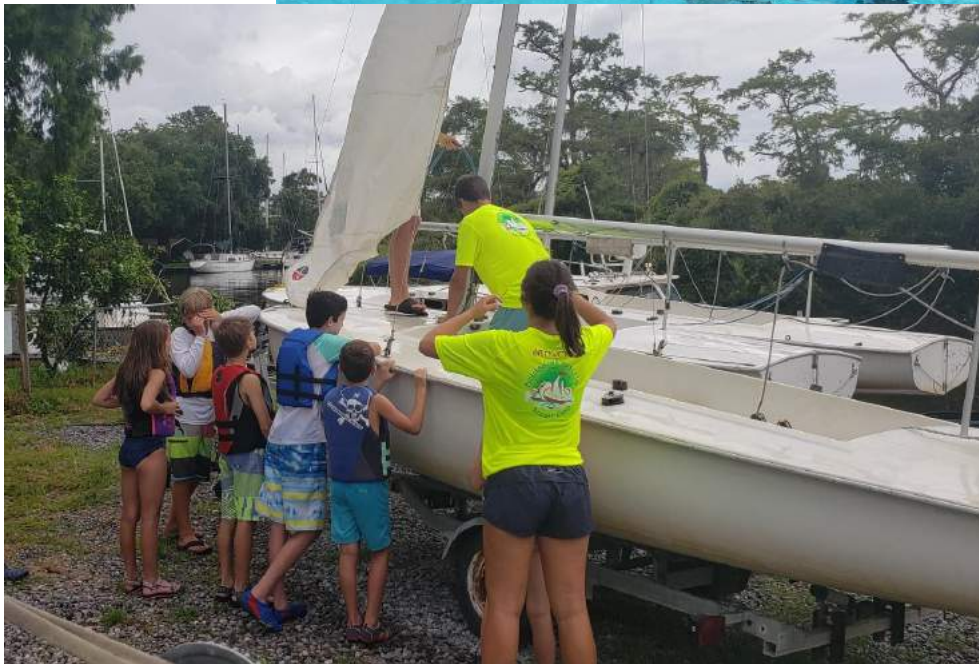
Paul Rees


Membership

Happy 4th of July PYC! My last 4th of July was spent in Sasebo, Japan where they had a surprisingly good celebration for the local military and Ex-Pats who live there. This year was certainly more sweet to be home and celebrating on the Lake with the great display we had Saturday night! Now that summer is in full swing I would like to encourage everyone to mingle as much as possible. We have a lot of new members so many new opportunities to make friends and build the community! Talk to a new person at the pool. Come to a weekly activity that you've never been to before. Split a cheese plate with another couple at the bar. The best parts of the club are the people! Take full advantage of the summer together! See you at the club!

Holly Parker





SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
30 JR. Olympics Festi 	Jul 1	2 6pm Taco Tuesda ● 6pm Hot Dogs!	3 6pm Hot Dogs!	4 BBQ and BAND Independence Day	5 7pm Guest Chef F	6 Meigs @ FWYC Event Rental
7 Meigs @ FWYC	8 Sailing Camp #3	9 11am Veterans Re 4pm Jr. Team Pra 6pm Taco Tuesda	10 6pm Hot Dogs! 7pm LPRC meetin	11	12 7pm Guest Chef F 7pm Bouree Guys	13 summer PHRF #2
14 Sailing Camp #3 9am Brunch!!!	15	16 5:30pm Jr. Team N 6pm Taco Tuesda 6:30pm Book Club	17 6pm Hot Dogs! 6:30pm Board Me	18	19 2pm Sailing Camp 7pm Guest Chef F	20
21 4pm Open Mic	22 Sailing Camp #4	23 6pm Taco Tuesda	24 6pm Hot Dogs! 6:30pm Kids cook	25	26 7pm Guest Chef F	27
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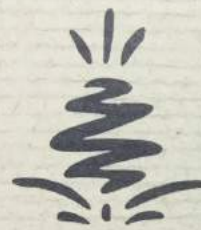
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