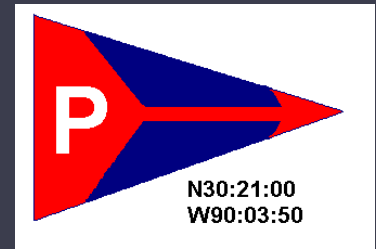




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Commodore's Corner

Our days are shorter and the weather has turned colder. As I write this article I'm eating some delicious soup from our kitchen. Please remember that we need to keep our food sales up. And be sure to tip for food and drinks if you're not on the auto gratuity list.

We had our annual meeting a couple of Saturdays ago. Thanks to all who attended. We had a quorum and were able to conduct the meeting including the election of new board members. Welcome aboard Adele Dauphin as your new Race Chair, Beatriz Dupuy as Junior Chair, Mike Messina as House & Grounds and Clancey Powell was officially voted in as Social Chair. Clancey had stepped in mid term and graciously decided she wanted to continue serving in that capacity. A big thank you to our outgoing board members Mike Piazza, Larry Young and Past Commodore Ken Buhler. You all will be missed. I will be your Commodore for another year and am accepting donations for mental health care expenses :-)

Speaking of the annual meeting, some very important people helped by polishing the silver. Bev Toebben, Erin Powell, Dottie Williams, Mary Patterson and Patrick Lemoine all worked hard. Thanks for your help!!

If you haven't already, please contribute to the Holiday Staff Appreciation Gift. You'll find the sheets in the main hallway with a box for you to deposit it. You can also email Kaia at office@pontyc.org with your contribution.

You'll notice that the barstools have been removed to discourage gathering at the bar and tables spread out in compliance with COVID rules. Please wear masks when entering and moving around the club and get your temperature checked as you enter. We have some lovely temperature guns. They are in Celsius (they weren't expensive) but here's the math. Celsius x 1.8 plus 32 = Fahrenheit. There you go! And thank you for your cooperation.

As always, your support of the club is much appreciated.

Thank you



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Vice Commodore

The 2020 Annual Meeting was held on Saturday, November 21 with over 25 members attending. For those of you attending and eligible to vote for the slate of candidates for the 2021 Board of Directors thank you for your participation.

Here are the 2021 Board of Directors:

Commodore Court Richardson

Vice Commodore Dick Jones

Rear Commodore Mary McKeogh

House & Grounds Mike Messina

Juniors Beatriz Dupuy

Membership Snoanne Willett

One Design Max Albert

Race Adele Dauphin

Social Clancey Powell



Friday, December 18th

8:00p .m.

I am sure the new board members will be reaching out to the membership for volunteers to serve on their committee. Please give them your support.

Thank you for your continued support of the club during these difficult times and please do not forget to support the Employee Christmas Fund and tip your servers.

Dick Jones

Vice Commodore

Fleet Captain

We close out what has been a trying year and I hope that we enter a new one that has some return to normalcy. Our fleet has received less use than usual and remains intact.

We took a 'bye' year on our 6th Annual Veterans Regatta but will have it on our 2021 schedule; this event has come mean a lot to our local Veteran community.

On a personal note, I leave the Board this year and would like to express my appreciation for the opportunity to have served in various capacities over the last 5 years. PYC is a wonderful entity comprised of many wonderful people. That having been said, the staff has gone above and beyond to keep our club up and running during the course of this year and deserve a lot of credit for doing so.

Brian Keating

Membership

Greetings Fellow Sailors!

Hurricane season is finally behind us and brisk cool winds are fast approaching. You know what that means - boat repairs and tuning. Not the sexiest of tasks but necessary if you want a safe return.

New Member

Danny Cain: *he and his fiancée live locally for a while and have recently purchased a new sailboat, they are interested in cruising, racing, and having fun.*

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. In the spirit of Jack Frost, a warm headband or sock hat for those not wanting a bar card. My treat!!

Keep healthy!

Snoann Willett, Membership Chair

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Nobody is perfect but if you can sail you are pretty close. Keep sailing!



Race

Thank goodness 2020 is almost over. Pontchartrain sailboat racing was geared up for a great 2020 season. We started the year with the Frost bite regatta and 3 race winter series. In a combined effort sailors from PYC and CSA have set up PHRF schedule. Before the pandemic PYC sailors traveled to Florida, the Gulf coast and New Orleans for various regatta championships. We were fortunate to have a spring series with as many as 16 boats on the lake. PYC was able to schedule our Friday night sailing in April with the proper social distancing.

Then came the pandemic... Covid 19. Sailing had to change if it was to survive. US sailing was trying to give us guidelines for sailing. We were told to observed social distancing, the different phases and all the restrictions. How to race, what would be the make up of the crew. GYA regattas from Louisiana to Florida were postponed and then cancelled.

The LPRC committee forged on with the hopes of having the regatta. The LPRC started in 1985 and didn't want to break the continuous sting of races. Thanks to PYC committee members; Brian K, Snoann W, David B, Ken B for your hand in making it happen.

We have one more race schedule 12/5/20 the Turkey day race. Skippers meeting is at 10:30. End the year with a bang and get ready for the New Year. Welcome the New race chairwoman Adele Dauphin give her all your support.

Ken Buhler

Congratulations 2020 Annual Award Winners!!!

JUNIOR SAILOR OF THE YEAR – Jay Graham

OPTIMIST SAILOR OF THE YEAR – Hayden Smith

FAMILY OF THE YEAR – Junior Sailing Team

MOST IMPROVED SAILOR – Macy Strickland

THE COMMODORE's UNSUNG HERO award– PYC Staff

SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD – Liam Eddy

FEMALE SAILOR OF THE YEAR – Leigh Wanless

JONAH AWARD – Noah Jones

BATTLE OF LAKE PONTCHARTRAIN (LPRC Spin Boat)– Jalapeno- Ken Buhler

COMMODORE'S CUP (NON-SPIN LPRC)- Windarra II- Bill Phillips

420 Sailor of the Year- Harrison Dodge

Bubbly Awards:

Adele Dauphin

Randy Sharpe

Scott Graham





HOLIDAY "STAFF APPRECIATION" GIFT

Dear Members,

Every day that our club is open, our staff is there ready willing and able to do everything they can to make your experience the best it can be. Once a year we get an opportunity to show them how much we appreciate them and the services they provide to us year round.

The Employees Holiday Fund is made up of contributions from the membership. This Fund is distributed amongst all of the staff based on their longevity and position. This is how we say thank you to them for all they do.

As the season of peace and happiness approaches, I am asking that you reach deep into your pockets so that our staff can have a truly Merry Christmas. Please indicate your contribution below and know that the staff sincerely appreciates it.

Thanks for your generosity!



Court Richardson
Commodore

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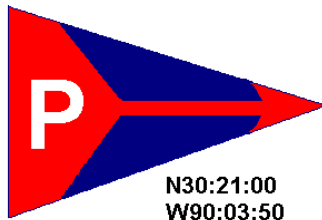
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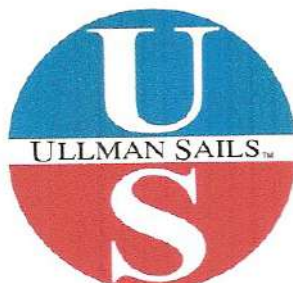


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