



The Spreader

June 2013



Commodore's Choice Challenge Cup June 14, 15 and 16th

Come to Gulfport to cheer on the PBYC team!

Patriot's Day Regatta June 29th

Not just a regatta, but an extravaganza with designer shirts and a mega menu for dinner. Mike Pederson has info on dinner tickets (open to all).

Tacos, Tacos!

Every Thursday 6 PM. They are delish! \$1.00 per taco.

Junior Sailing Camp Registration Open

Camp is August 5th to 9th. Go to the PBYC website and click Junior Sailing for more information.

Guest columnist this month is Will Berry, past Commodore and Commodore of Vice.

Droppings from the Poop Deck

Ahoy matie's! I know every member at PBYC has enjoyed a sunset on the deck here at the Club. Depending on the time of year, the Sun will set behind various landmarks to the west. Last week while I was there I noticed the horizon set was behind Deer Point, Gulf Breeze. Wow, I thought where will it end up by June 21- 22 "Summer Solstice". Here are some LKF's (Little Known Facts) of the sun's movement from Winter Solstice (Dec 21-22) to Summer Solstice (June 21-22). A **solstice** is an astronomical event that occurs twice each year as the SUN reaches its highest or lowest excursion relative to the Celestial Equator. As a result, on the day of the solstice, the Sun appears to have reached its highest (Summer Solstice) or lowest (Winter Solstice) annual altitude in the sky above the horizon at local solar noon. The word *solstice* is derived from the Latin *sol* (sun) and *sistere* (to stand still), because at the solstices, the Sun stands still in its declination angle; that is, the seasonal movement of the Sun's path (as seen from earth), comes to a stop before reversing direction.

The term *solstice* can also be used in a broader sense, as the date (day) when this occurs. The day of the solstice is either the longest day of the year (in summer) or the shortest day of the year (in winter) for any place outside of the tropics.

The seasons occur because the Earth's axis of rotation is not perpendicular to its orbital plane, but currently makes an angle of about 23.44° (called the "obliquity

of the ecliptic") also called axial tilt, and because the axis keeps its orientation with respect to an inertial frame of reference, reference in time. As a consequence, for half the year the Northern Hemisphere is inclined toward the Sun while for the other half year the Southern Hemisphere has this distinction. The two moments when the inclination of Earth's rotational axis has maximum effect are the solstices. At the northern solstice the subsolar point is further north than any other time: at latitude 23.44° north, known as the Tropic of Cancer. Similarly at the December Solstice the subsolar point is further south than any other time: at latitude 23.44° south, known as the Tropic of Capricorn. The subsolar point will cross every latitude between these two extremes exactly twice per year.

Also during the northern solstice, places on the Arctic Circle, (latitude 66.56° north) will see the Sun just on the horizon during midnight, and all places north of it will see the Sun above horizon for 24 hours. That is the midnight sun or midsummer-night sun or polar day. On the other hand, places on the Antarctic Circle, (latitude 66.56° south) will see the Sun just on the horizon during midday, and all places south of it will not see the Sun above horizon at any time of the day. That is the Polar Night. During the December Solstice, the effects on both hemispheres are just the opposite. This also allows the polar sea ice to increase its annual growth and temporary extent at a greater level due to lack of direct sunlight.

Now all of this just blows my little mind, so don't worry about any of this crap! But, that's why we have such great sunsets at "The best little yacht club on the Gulf"! So, grab your favorite beverage join me and I will shut up and enjoy the Sunset!

CHEERS!

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Fleet Captain's Report

It is hard to believe that summer is already here and the majority of our yearly race schedule is half over. May is our membership renewal month; pay your annual dues and bring a friend to join, too!

May was an incredibly busy month; we had the "Challenge Cup Garage Sale" on the coldest Saturday in May that I can ever remember! The GYA Annual Spring Meeting at Pass Christian YC was also held on the first weekend of May. Our annual Sea Buoy race was sailed on what was forecast to be a wet, nasty day however, we never got the first drop of rain. The light winds and fierce tides caused us to have to shorten the race at the pass. The race committee of Kim Connerley and Tom & Debbie Belger stood resolute at the finish line into the late afternoon hours at #142 until the decision was made to shorten the race. George Gamble and the crew of "My Sharona" took first place,. The Flying Tiger with the McMillan clan was second and the Dunbars on Triptonyte was 3rd.

We had our May General Membership meeting and then we raced in the hotly contested Navy Cup where we ended up 2nd behind PYC later that middle weekend of the month. Mike Pedersen, our Vice Commodore and Navy Cup Team Captain did an admirable job with the planning and with his sailing prowess, as well.

We just had too much going for the Memorial Day weekend; the Full Moon Race on Friday evening was poorly attended however, we had a great turnout for the Memorial Day Race and Raft-up at Opal Beach. Many thanks to Lisa Sharp and Margo Zern for the help with the pavilion set-up, logistics, shopping, cooking, etc.... Lee Hargrove, Michelle Sutherland and Dave Oerting were the RC for this event. Jeff Hunt and the crew of "Reach Around" took line honors and first place in this "Pursuit Start" event down the Intracoastal waterway between Pensacola Beach and Navarre. Bob Patroni and "Serge's Disciples" placed second virtually overlapped with "Reach Around" at the finish line with Triptonyte in hot pursuit taking third place. We had a great time eating burgers and celebrating Memorial Day and Andrea Pedersen's Birthday in the cool shade of the pavilions at Opal Beach. The downwind trip home was quick and fun for all. June will be a busy one around the club and for PBYC sailors racing out-of-town. The month starts off with a bang with PYC hosting the Cancer Society Race on June 1st. Some PBYC sailors will travel to Panama City to race in the Candler regatta, a GYA Capedeville event. Later in the month PBYC racing crews will head to Gulfport, Mississippi for the GYA Challenge Cup; a team racing event (of sorts) that pits teams from the respective Gulf Yachting Association Yacht Clubs against each other. Our 2013 PBYC team consists of "My Sharona", "Triptonyte" and "Little Wicked". The annual Gulfport to Pensacola Race will be start on Friday, June 21st and the competitors will sail the 100 mile race to

Pensacola finishing early on Saturday. Another Full Moon Race is planned for this busy weekend, too.

We will hold our annual "Patriot's Day Regatta" on the last weekend of the month. Mike & Andrea Pedersen and Jason Knoll have really taken this regatta and turned it into a mid-summer event not to miss. Stay tuned for more details via the PBYC Blasts on this fun-filled event! The last week end of June is also the GYA Women's PHRF Championship hosted at Pensacola Yacht Club. Obviously lots and lots is happening!

We look forward to seeing all of you at the club. Don't forget to pay your dues and bring a friend that may wish to become a part of the "The best little yacht club on the Gulf".

-RZ

Patriot's Day Regatta

The Patriot's Day Regatta is getting closer! It is now time to pre order the ridiculously awesome moisture wicking t-shirts. The order form is located on the events page of our website. Choose two sizes (included in your registration), and any additional sizes \$15 each. The Patriot's Day NOR and dinner menu are now available on the events page of our website pensacolabeach-yc.org.

Samuel Grant from FtWYC was generous enough to create some super awesome race tracking software. We are asking that ALL competitors use this for the Patriot's Day Regatta. It has a lot of really cool features that we can enjoy during and after the race! The best part is.....it only costs \$1.99!!!! If everyone uses it, it will greatly enhance the play back experience at the dinner and awards. Currently it is only available for Android phones (I am sure someone on your crew has an android).

<http://beentheresailedthat.com>

We have obtained national sponsorship from APS (Annapolis Performance Sailing)!! They will be providing us with swag and extra trophies to go along with the amazing trophies we already have. Jason Knoll (co-regatta chair) has created the menu and it does not disappoint! See attached for the full menu description. The entry fee for this fun fest, feast, competition, awesome trophies, killer t-shirts, and national sponsorship is only \$50! The date is Saturday June 29th, All boats are welcome, yes multi's and beach cats too!!

Invite your friends!

-Mike

Kudos to the Chefs

The Opal Beach Memorial Day Race, Raft-up and Cookout was another great day on the water, but the food was the big treat! Fleet Captain Rick Zern (RZ) and Lisa Sharp served up the burgers, dogs and even Veggie burgers with the all the fixin's. Thanks for the huge amount of planning.... Only the Zern Rigging van could have transported it all to Opal Beach.

Pictured Rick Zern, Lisa Sharp



Secretary's Report

I am pleased to announce that as of our May Board meeting and General Membership meeting we have 150 members in good standing. We have had a record number of new and returning members since the first of the year, so keep spreading the good word!! Our annual membership renewal invoices have been mailed, so please get your dues payment in as soon as you can. If you think you may need some assistance with paying your dues, we are still offering a payment plan, but you must inform me of your need before July 15th. Per our new by-laws passed last August, any member not paying by July 15th will become lapsed and must go through the re-application process.

I have enjoyed being on the Board and serving as Secretary for the past year and half, and still have the rest of this year to go. However, I wanted to get the word out early, that if anyone is interested in running for Secretary (or an other position) and serving on the Board next year let me know. We have a lot of very talented members in our club and many could bring good things to the table, to improve the functions at the club.

Thank you all for your support,
Debbie Belger

From The Membership Corner....

Please make sure to let Andrea know if you change , any of your contact information (i.e. mailing address, phone number **EMAIL ADDRESS**, etc). Send it to Andrea Pedersen, andrea.zern@gmail.com. Thank you.

Membership Report Proposed New Members

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Pensacola Beach, FL
- * Trudy Romjue, Returning Member
Gulf Breeze, FL

It is now time for the annual invoicing for the 2013-2014 Membership dues. Renewal invoices that were not hand delivered were mailed out to all Active members on May 31st. If you have not received your renewal invoice by June 7th please let Andrea Pedersen know via email (andrea.zern@gmail.com) so your billing address can be updated. Please email any updates to your contact information to andrea.zern@gmail.com . After you have paid your 2013-2014 Membership Dues, your new membership cards will be located at the bar. If you are NOT receiving PBYC Blast emails, please send an email to andrea.zern@gmail.com so we can add your email address to our blast email list.

-AZP



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