



The Spreader

Pensacola Beach Yacht Club

The best little yacht club on the gulf



Commodore's Report



Happy Holidays Everyone!

The general membership meeting was on November 13th.

We have a new Board for 2015 consisting of:

- Vice Commodore-Tom Whitehurst
- Rear Commodore-Janis Wilson
- Treasurer-Paul Barrett
- Secretary-Leigh Holbrook
- Commodore-Mike Pedersen
- Fleet Captain- Mark Smith

Many thanks to those that agreed to serve and to those that served in 2014.

Here are a few of the highlights of the Board's accomplishments for 2014:

- The **website** has more event details and is being updated regularly. We now have more photos, race results, and we now accept **PayPal** for online payments! You can also now view regatta participants prior to any race.
- We have been consistent in using **Facebook/social media** for promoting and informing the membership of any important events or entertainment.
- We have adopted a **new Email Blast process**. The new process allows us to be extremely consistent in the presentation and design of all of our email blasts to the membership. It also affords us the

UPCOMING EVENTS

Celebration of Saturday
Life for Kennedy Neal 12/6
 3:00 pm

@ PB.Y.C.
 *held after the 2pm funeral services for Kennedy at the Gulf Breeze Methodist Church

Pensacola Beach Chamber's Lighted Boat Parade Saturday 12/6 6:00 pm
 in Little Sabine

PB.Y.C. Christmas Party/Annual Sailors' Awards Saturday 12/20 7:00 pm
 @ Hemmingways

Pensacola Yachting Banquet Friday 1/9/15 6:00 pm
 @ PYC



**WHAT IS YOUR NEW YEARS RESOLUTION?
 IF IT'S TO GET MORE INVOLVED...CONTACT ONE OF YOUR NEW BOARD MEMBERS TO FIND OUT HOW TO BECOME MORE ACTIVE WITH PB.Y.C. EVENTS IN 2015!!!**

Commodore:
 Mike Pedersen (mcpedersen@yahoo.com)
 Vice: Tom Whitehurst (dtw86989@gmail.com)
 Rear: Janis Wilson (pcolajan@yahoo.com)
 Treasurer: Paul Barrett (pcarrbarrett@hotmail.com)

possibility to survey the membership at a moment's notice, and track the results flawlessly.

- We hosted 2 **new member parties** and recaptured 6 previously **lapsed members**.
- The club **saved over \$400** by emailing the renewal invoices instead of snail mailing them.
- We hosted **many successful regattas** while other area clubs experienced technical problems. The most successful of these were The Race for the Roses (August) and The Wave North Americans (October).
- Most importantly we are approaching the final stages of completing the **land/building purchase!**

Please be on the lookout for an email blast about the Christmas Party (December 20th). The Blast will contain a survey asking if you plan to attend. We are trying to accurately gauge attendance in order to minimize cost at Hemmingway's.

Mike Pedersen, Commodore



Rear Commodore's Report

As we finish out the year, I wanted to thank all of you that participated in events and offered assistance as I served on the board as Rear Commodore. It's been a lot of fun. I'm certain this month will be a busy one for most of us as we prepare for the upcoming holidays. If you have out of town family and friends that come for a visit, be sure and bring them by the club for a cocktail. Better yet, if you need to get away from the visiting friends and family, leave them at home and we'll meet you on the deck...preferably in time to catch one of our beautiful sunsets. You know we've got two great bartenders that always know how to take care of us.

PBYC Christmas Party – save the date it has been changed. We have scheduled our Christmas Party for Saturday December 20th, at Hemingways. Join us for cocktails starting at 6:30 pm, and dinner and awards around 7 pm. Unfortunately, due to scheduling conflicts this event had to be later than usual, but those of you that are still in town please join us you won't want to miss this great annual event. Watch for an email survey that will be sent out requesting headcount for attendance and more party details.

Hope each of you have a wonderful holiday season and lots of good times spent with friends and family. We are blessed as a club to have so many

Fleet: Mark Smith (nacra20@cox.net)

Secretary: Leigh Holbrook
(leighannholbrook@yahoo.com)



Secretary's Report

As your new secretary, I would like to thank everyone for their support, kindness and knowledge. I will do my very best to meet everyone's expectations, but I'm sure I'll hear about a failing once or twice :). Please do not hesitate to contact me via phone or email with any ideas or thoughts of how I can better support and communicate with the membership. I look forward to a very busy year as our Yacht Club encounters more adventures!

I would like to ask if anyone is interested in assisting with membership services to please contact me. Andrea will be taking on the spreader and is still webmaster, so she needs some relief with membership coordination. Membership Coordinator is a very important position in our club, and we are in need of someone that can volunteer a few hours each month.

Leigh Ann Holbrook, Secretary
leighannholbrook@yahoo.com

From The Membership Corner

Please send any changes of your contact information to Andrea Pedersen via email:
andreazern@gmail.com

Membership Report

The following members were proposed and voted in at the last board meeting:

Randy & Kathy Johnson

Gulf Breeze, FL
New Members

James Gadd

Gulf Breeze, FL
New Member
Welcome Aboard!

The following are our newly proposed members, and will be voted on at the next Board meeting December 9th, 2014:

Juli Ann McCormick

Pensacola, FL
Returning Member

really "good people" that we are fortunate enough to call friends. Not everyone is that lucky. So to each of you, my friends, here's to a Very Merry Christmas and a Blessed and Happy New Year!



Building Updates

Kimi Hammons, Rear Commodore



Fleet Captain's Report

What a great year, neat years schedule will be up soon! There are just a couple of changes, Patriots Regatta will be the last Saturday in June and Roses will be the last Saturday in July. The three fleet capt's will meet to finalize the whole bay schedule. Mike and Tom are on the way to the keys for the next wave event, IWCA Wave Nationals. Good Luck to both and hope they come back with both first and second. Hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year!

Mark Smith, Fleet Captain



Treasurer's Report

Building Fund account..... \$137,127.00
Operating account..... \$18,043.00
Bar account..... \$14,924.00

* As of November, Paul Barrett is currently out of the country.

Thanks to our members' businesses that help contribute to the sailing community.

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The land purchase is moving forward quite rapidly now.

We have met with the Dept. of Environmental Protection (DEP) at the site and are currently working on permitting for filling the existing water feature, have met with contractors and architect regarding building layouts and costs, and putting the final touches on our financing with the bank.

We will, more than likely, need to have a membership meeting this month in order to approve the use of funds to move forward. At that meeting, we will have loan approval, building layout and design, etc. for review and approval.

Stay tuned!!

Lisa Sharp, Building Committee Chair

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