

May 2015 - News from the best little yacht club on the gulf!

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The Spreader

News from Pensacola Beach Yacht Club

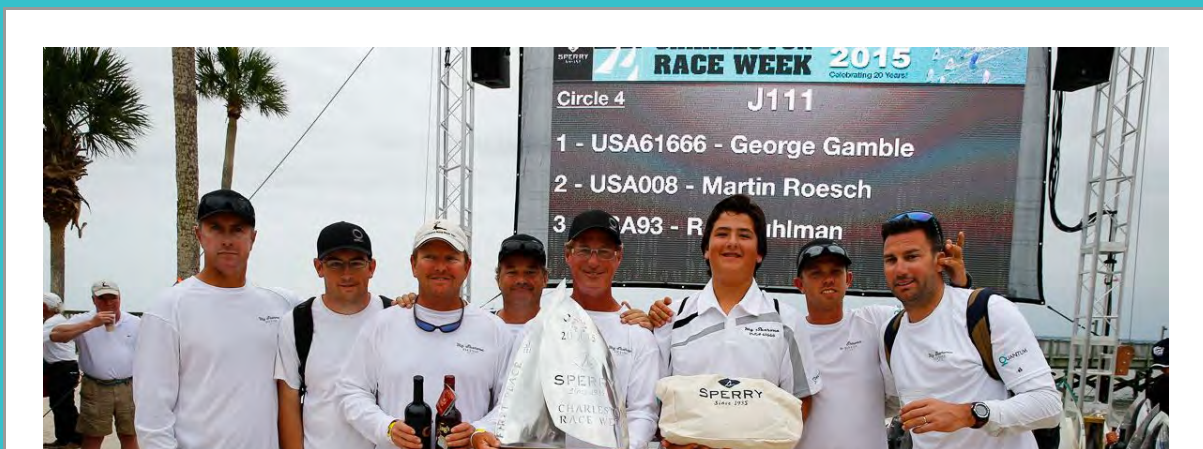


Our hearts are heavy following the sudden and tragic weather event that overcame the Dauphin Bay Regatta. Our prayers are with the families of those who were lost and those who are still missing. Please hold them close in your thoughts.





Sunday Fundays at the new property! Don't miss our next event - stay tuned to email and Facebook for notices!





My Sharona!

Congratulations to My Sharona - winner of the J111 Class at Charleston Race Week! Great job everyone!



SUP'n Awesome!

Great turnout for pre-registration meeting on April 28 for Fazoli's Friday Night SUP Sprint Series. Heather has done an amazing job with her clinics, raffles and race series registrations! She has raised more than \$4000 for our new location and the junior sailing program! Find the clinic page on [Facebook](#) for more info!



Fleet Captain's Report

Summer is almost upon us this month we have the Sea Buoy Regatta on May 9th. Let [me](#) know if you are



interested in helping on race committee. Cost is \$30 and classes will be: GYA PHRF Spinnaker, GYA PHRF Non Spinnaker, PHRF Multihull, and Portsmouth Multihull. A minimum of three entries are required to make a class.

Class divisions will be announced at the Skipper's Meeting, or on the water the day of the race. Scratch sheets will be provided as available. Download the [Notice of Race](#) online.

We also have a paddleboarding clinic and the SUP Sprint Race Series coming up tonight - May 1, as well as May 8, 15 and 22. Please contact [Heather Baus](#) for registration and more information. A portion of the proceeds from these events go towards our new clubhouse!

We have bought the new property and looking forward to having many functions in the near future. Please pay attention to the email blasts and, as always, hope to see you on the water.

Mark Smith, Fleet Captain



Rear Commodore's Report

Thanks to everyone who has been helping with all the fund raising efforts and encourage you to pay your membership dues as soon as possible so we can continue with our forward momentum and get into our new building as quickly as possible.

Don't forget to buy your raffle tickets for the awesome paddleboard! See [Heather Baus](#) at her PBYC paddleboarding events for details. The drawing will take place this month after the races!

Janis Wilson, Rear Commodore



Commodore's Report

Hello from Annapolis! The regular Wednesday night race here has over 200 competitors! It is nice to imagine we could be there someday. In the meantime Heather Baus has filled the void and generated some amazing income by involving the stand up paddleboard community in the yacht club. She anticipates that she will raise close to \$5k through her events. I urge all of you to join in the fun. These are fun races and clinics, but the prizes and instruction are first class. [It's not too late to register online for Friday Sprint Series by clicking here!](#)

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The yacht club will continue at the new property. The events and regattas will become more refined as we acclimate to operating out of boxes and coolers. We have many awesome events planned to keep everyone busy all summer. I would like to see the very popular Sunday brunches continue. The volunteer brunch sponsors (Mike & Wendy Blanda and Kimi & Joe Hammons) have done an amazing job. Hosting a brunch is easy, fun, and very much appreciated by the membership, please consider giving it a try. If you'd like you can get your regular boat crew members together and host one as a group. I will be happy to help support you. Another idea is to have a schedule of volunteer hosts that would staff the property so other members can enjoy it on Wednesday night, Friday night, and all day Saturday and Sunday. Plan a cocktail/light appetizer evening if brunch isn't your thing. Stay tuned to your email, [Facebook](#), and the [website](#) for future events. The host can provide refreshments and do some grilling.

Heather Baus and Ashley Sukalski are coordinating the Junior Sailing Camp and a Junior Sailing program. Rick Zern will be rejoining the club and donating three nice Sunfishes. I will be donating a Laser to the club and lending two Hobie Waves to the club for the junior events.

We have made some serious headway in the building construction department. Lisa Sharp has chiseled away at the original \$300k building cost figure and gotten us down to around \$225k. This means that we are very close to pulling the trigger! Once we pull the trigger we are only around four months away from moving in. If you have been on the fence about donating please do not wait any longer! It has never been more important to build up our accounts than right now. The danger is closing on the building loan and then not having enough in the accounts to pay the mortgage while the building is under construction.



Equally, if not more important, is the timely payment of dues. The invoices will be going out next week. The bottom line is the sooner we collect the dues, the sooner we can start building. The longer it takes to collect the dues, the longer we have to wait to build, AND the more mortgage payments we make while we are waiting.

There are two by law changes on the agenda. The sole intent of these changes is: To do away with the prorating of dues for new members, and to discount the membership dues for all current and new single members. In short, a single member will receive a 25% discount on dues. All current members will stay on the June to May calendar and new members will have their anniversary the month they join and are accepted. This change will help eliminate the large ebb and flow of funds into our accounts. If you cannot attend the general membership meeting on May 14th, please

fill out the proxy form below.

Mike Pederson, Commodore



Membership Report

The club currently has 149 active full memberships and one active junior membership. There are two new memberships proposed for the May board meeting:

Gavin & Kelley Regan
Christi Colabianchi

See you at the Membership Meeting - May 14, 7 p.m.

Location: Former Surf Burger location above Key Sailing

Important Because: Proposed By Laws Amendments

Please attend and vote on May 14. If you cannot attend, please give, mail, or email your proxy to Club Secretary Leigh Holbrook.

Proposed: Add to Article 19. At the end of the section titled Regular Member: Single Membership - Any unmarried person over the age of 21 who wishes to apply for membership for themselves alone to exclude all other persons, if any, with whom they may share a domicile may do so at a reduced annual rate equal to 75% of the current regular membership for couples as described above. Single members have all of the same privileges as regular members except they may not regularly bring members of their own domicile as visitors to avoid paying the regular member rate.

Proposed: Replace Article 12, Dues with the following:

Subject to any Executive Committee review and decision on extenuating circumstances, the dues of members in good standing as of June 1 2015 are payable on June 1 of each year and must be paid in full by July 15. Payment can be made by check, cash, or credit card. The schedule of annual membership rates will be as periodically proposed by the Executive Committee, and thereafter as voted on and approved by the general membership with a 3/5 majority of those voting in person or by proxy in the affirmative but in no event shall a measure carry with fewer than 30 "yea" votes.

Dues for persons who are approved for new membership by the Board after June 1, 2015 shall be payable in full on the first day of the month following the meeting at which they were approved by the board and that date shall become the anniversary date for payment in full each year. Such payments are granted the same 45 day grace period as for those who retain the June 1 anniversary date.

New members are accepted by a majority vote of the Board after the applicant's name(s) is/are published in the Club newsletter for comment from the general membership.

Any member whose dues are not paid in full after the 45 day grace period without prior arrangement of the Board shall be assessed an additional \$105 initiation fee for that member year only.

Members who do not either apply to the Board for special dues payment treatment, or do not pay their dues and penalty (as above), by 60 days past their anniversary date shall be considered disinterested and will be lapsed and will need to reapply for membership with payment of the full new member initiation fee as set by the procedure above for voting in dues and initiation fees.

PROXY VOTING BALLOT MAY 14, 2015

AMENDMENT TO BY LAW 19 (SINGLE MEMBERSHIP)

YES _____ NO _____

AMENDMENT TO BY LAW 12 (DUES)

YES _____ NO _____

PRINTED NAME

SIGNATURE/DATE

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Vice - [Tom Whitehurst](#)

Rear - [Janis Wilson](#)

Treasurer - [Paul Barrett](#)



Treasurer's
Report

Building Fund	\$	169
Operating Account	\$	11,516
Bar Account	\$	52,530
Pay Pal	\$	11,794

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