

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

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The Spreader

News from Pensacola Beach Yacht Club



We can do it but we need your help!

It is "do or die" time at PBYC! It is vitally important that the strong majority of our membership renews by July 15th, if not sooner. Anything short of that and we risk not being able to fund the project. The sooner we receive the dues, the sooner we can build! We have BIG plans in our near future and need your help to make them happen! By renewing your [PBYC membership now](#) you will be involved in shaping the important foundation of the endless possibilities PBYC has in store for our future! We now have a Paypal button on our website for ease of payment and a new discounted membership for singles!

Mike Pedersen, Commodore

[Pay your dues online here!](#)

A Word from
the Board of Advisors



The Board of Advisors (BOA) has recently reaffirmed its support for the proposed building campaign. Not only is the plan potentially financially doable but the construction details are **achievable in the time proposed!**

But there is also a clear contingent path to certain failure that some members seem to be unaware of. It's almost too

obvious to point out, but as the deadline approaches, it needs to be a conscious reality for all 148 members: If we don't re enroll at least 100 members by July 15, we don't have the money to proceed and sustain the land and build the building. To date we have 28 renewals. It is obvious that there is no point building a clubhouse for members who have no interest in it. So in a way we are facing an existential threat with a very logical outcome: If the members are interested, we will survive. And if not, well...

This communication is not a sales pitch for being a member. Since we left the clubhouse we are all becoming aware of what its going to be like if PBYC goes away. Rather, we have written this to reemphasize the urgency of the situation and the consequences if members do not respond.

Send your renewal check for \$450 (couples) or \$337.50 (singles) to Andrea Pedersen , PBYC,
PO Box 1112, Gulf Breeze FL 32562

Go to the [PBYC website](#) and follow the instructions to [pay online](#) give your check to any [board member or member of the BOA](#).

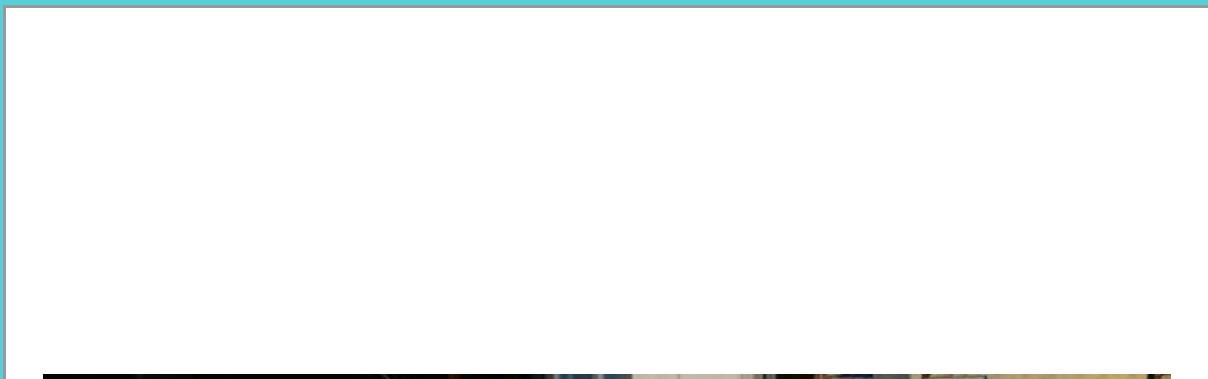
And please mention this communication to your friends because only about 50% of members will read it in the Spreader based on historical tracking.

Best wishes for a positive outcome.

BOA



May was full of some great SUP'n, sailing, and partying at the new property! Don't miss our next event - stay tuned to email and Facebook for notices!





SUP'n awesome!

Christi Newkirk won the paddle board and donated it back to PBYC!

We had a great turnout for all of Heather Baus' Paddle Board Clinics and the Fazoli's Friday Night SUP Sprint Series. Heather has done an amazing job with all her clinics, raffles and race series registrations! It has definitely been the most successful fundraising event in the last 10 years if not the yacht club history!! The next time you see Heather and Jim lets buy them a frosty beverage and offer some serious thanks.



PBYC paddling for the summer

PBYC Full Moon paddle tomorrow evening

Tuesday June 2nd

Location: [PBYC 450 Pensacola Beach Blvd](#)

Time: 7:30 pm (on the water no later than 7:45 pm) Please bring pfd, whistle, head lamp or light/lantern. This will be a spectacular event. Please reserve board ahead of time if you to rent one. Heather Baus has 6 boards available for \$20 each, rentals also available at Key Sailing. Come on out even if you don't paddle, will be a gorgeous view from the new property!

Heather Baus has several more events planned in the next few months.

Stay tuned for more summer events on PBYC SUP page on [Facebook](#) for more info!

Please contact [Heather Baus](#) for private SUP lessons or more information about PBYC SUP program. A portion of the proceeds from these events go towards our new clubhouse and JR. Sailing Program



Florida 300 - Winning

Congratulations to Kirk Newkirk and Tom Whitehurst, who won their second Florida 300 Endurance Catamaran Race along the South Florida Atlantic coastline earlier this month. They defended their 2014 title like champs!



Annapolis NOOD Regatta - Winning

Congratulations to My Sharona, the J111 owned and driven by George Gamble for finishing in first place in the J111 one design class. This makes the 3rd victory in many races including Key West Race Week and Charleston Race Week. Other members on the crew are Kyle Gamble, Jason Knoll, and Mike Pedersen. Good luck to the team this month as they head to Newport for the J111 worlds!



Commodore's Report

It is great to see so many members enjoying the new land. After all, you paid for it! Whether cooking, SUPing, sailing, or just hanging out it is just about perfect. The breeze, shade, and view provide an extremely relaxing day. We have been out there most weekends and it is always a pleasure to see who stops by. I look forward to seeing more members enjoying this little paradise.

We have a new editable calendar for the members to access. It provides information about upcoming events and those who wish to host events (thank you!) may simply enter the appropriate information on that specific day. Click [here](#) to check it out. On Wednesday June 3rd we will begin meeting biweekly at Flounders to enjoy happy hour drinks specials starting at 6pm. I hope to see you all there.

We have a new addition to the yacht club...

Andrea took care of the interior decorations, and I worked my "Magic" on the exterior. We hope you enjoy your paradise port-o-let experience!



--Mike Pedersen



Fleet Captain's Report

Thank you all very much for the opportunity to serve the club as fleet captain. What an exciting time to be part of the little club that could. I witnessed Heather Baus and company execute a paddle board race and if you haven't seen or participated in one you are missing out. Multiple classes participants of all ages and pizza from Fazoli's YUM.

We had a three part Memorial Day Regatta in some "festive winds". How fun, a five mile upwind Bermuda start race to the west, quick sprint back and mini putt putt challenge with drinks and gourmet grilled burgers at the new location. Congrats to Forerunner for coming through with the win!

Things are more alive than ever on the new property. Seems every time I go there is a cool breeze plenty of shade and a lounge like feel.

As your new fleet captain I would like those who don't know me to understand I am an open line of communication. [E-mail me](#) or call me. Lets chat. I want to hear your ideas we have the better part of our annual racing days in front of us and I want to help make them great. We are looking forward to our annual Patriots Day Regatta (June 27) and hope to capture some Gulfport to Pensacola racers right after. I see some Hobie Waves migrating to the beach and rumor has it two more arrive this month. Let me know if you have an interest in sailing one, want to bring yours, or want to organize an informal race or races. Looking forward to an amazing year!

Jason Knoll, Fleet Captain

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PBYC's Newest Member, Christi Colabianchi and Jason Knoll did an amazing job on Race Committee at the Memorial Day Regatta!



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!

Janis Wilson, Rear Commodore



Membership Report

The club currently has 148 active full memberships and one active junior membership. Rick and Margo Zern have rejoined and are proposed for the June board meeting.

Welcome our newest members

Gavin & Kelley Regan

Christi Colabianchi

Be an active member of your yacht club - email our officers to see how you can help. We can use volunteers for regattas, events and fundraising!

See our [events](#) online!

Commodore - [Mike Pedersen](#)

Vice - [Tom Whitehurst](#)

Rear - [Janis Wilson](#)

Treasurer - [Paul Barrett](#)



Treasurer's Report

Building Fund	\$	169.30
Operating Account	\$	17,047.64
Bar Account	\$	48,133.12
Pay Pal	\$	16,426.56

Paul Barrett, Treasurer
[Southern Cloud Accounting](#)

Fleet Captain - Jason Knoll
Secretary - Leigh Holbrook



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