



The Spreader

August 2016. News from Pensacola Beach Yacht Club.



Commodore's Report

By Mike Pedersen

The building progress is moving a little more quickly in a positive direction. The board will have a new contract and more financial data to present at the general membership meeting on August 11 at the [SRIA building](#) at 7pm. Depending on how our next board meeting goes, we will likely be asking you for a vote on the contract.

In July we hosted a wonderful Hobie event! It was the 2016 Hobie 16 Womens and Youth North American Championships. Competitors from as far away as Canada sailed in some tricky conditions right off of the beach at our property. They had a great time, and in typical Hobie fashion, had some wonderful social events. I hope you all got to see the photo's that Brandi Whitehurst captured with the waterspouts in the backround of the Hobie's race course!

We also hosted the GYA Womens PHRF Championships and The Race For The Roses. The two races were lightly attended, but the racing was great and as usual the party was even better! Many thanks to the Roses Committee and to all of the volunteers, both off and on the water, that helped make our July events a great success!

See you on the 11th!



Vice Commodore's Report

By Al Greene

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING: August 11, 7:00PM SRIA meeting room. Presentation of new building bid, financial challenges, and possible member vote on the building contract. Anyone interested in the future of PBYC should really try hard to be at this meeting.

So the above says it all. We got a bid from Haile Co. that is being studied by Centennial Bank for an additional loan of about \$100,000. That will make the total project cost, not including land, about \$425,000, which is about \$108,000 more than we estimated in mid 2015. (\$317,000)

A good deal of the difference is associated with the very low price we hoped to get on the Turkish pre-engineered building before the deal fell through. According to recent international headlines, Turkey itself seems to have fallen through so maybe we dodged a bullet.

In any event the bottom line is we need to borrow about \$100,000 more and members will get a chance to vote GO or NO on August 11.

At that meeting the Board will discuss its decision and reasons for those conclusions. The Board is meeting in special session the week of August 1, 2016.

The design of the project is complete and ready for permitting as soon as we accept a contractor bid and obtain bank assurance for additional funds. When those things are done and Board and Membership are in accord, we can begin the next day. So, in fact, we are actually on the brink of seeing our long sought dream of having our own building turn into reality.

COME TO THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING ON AUGUST 11, 2016 SRIA MEETING ROOM. 7:00 PM.

Upcoming Events:

1. **General Membership Meeting** - August 11 at the SRIA meeting room.
2. [Big Mouth Regatta](#) - August 20.
Register now
3. [Premmie Cup](#) - August 27. *Register now*



Fleet Captain's Report

By Doc Bellows

Thanks go to all the volunteers and to Jim Foss for the committee boat and to Tom Whitehurst and David Dunbar for the mark set boats. Also another successful [Race for the Roses and Women's GYA Championship](#) was completed with a great team of volunteers. Thanks go to David Dunbar for providing the committee boats. Coming up in August we will be hosting the [Big Mouth Regatta](#) on August 20th and the [Premmie Cup Regatta](#) on August 27th.

Please come out and participate or volunteer to help in these events.

Secretary and Membership Report

By Christi Colabianchi and Jean-Hugues Rolland

I am pleased to announce that, following our email blast on the 21st of July, offering for a limited time, to renew subscriptions with a quarterly payment plans AND without having to pay reinstatement fees, our membership base has increased by 60%.

Though no new applications have been submitted this month, three new members will be voted in at our upcoming Board of Directors meeting. Lastly, I am proud to announce that we have a total 100 renewed subscriptions (more than 2/3 are couples memberships).

If you wish to become a member, simply click on the [link](#) to submit your application.



Treasurer's Report

By Mike Blanda

Account balances as of the 2nd of August, 2016

Bar Account	\$ 2,017
Operating Account	\$ 32,135
Building Fund	\$ 484
PayPal	\$ 16,820
TOTAL	\$ 51,456

Other Committee Report

By Corrie Keich

As is so often the case, the Race for the Roses and the Women's PHRF Championship Race were a great success. Thanks to many hands, brains and donations it always delivers a top-notch event, which is enjoyed by many women and the all the racer chasers. I'll leave it up to the Fleet Captain or the PRO to write up all the scoring and trophies. I can tell you that Cloud 9 received the Amanda Werner Spirit Award, that Rachael Gillette won the spinnaker class the first day and will have her name on the stand engraved as well as Linda Thompson who won in non-spin class. Reach Around won day two and there was a photo finish involved.



In our "rest time" we had a pontoon boat race between Heather Baus and Randy Ray. Heather won because she passed the finish line first, Randy went way too fast and way too far.

A spontaneous swim party followed at the Dunbar's and great food and awards were at the Unnamed Restaurant. Besides the donation list, it is difficult to mention everybody and not forget anyone, but I will give it a try:

A great big thank you goes to the following people who unselfishly helped:

The Committee: Anne Geisel, Karen Kriegel, Nancy Marshall, Corrie Keich, LeAyn Dunbar, Julie Connerley and PRO John Buziak.

The Committee Boat Crew: Dave Dunbar, Janis Wilson, Molly Werner, Corrie Keich, Scott Stonebraker, Bryan Denham, Tom Luke, Commodore Mike Pedersen, Mark Smith and Fleet Captain Doc Bellows.

Roses: Mildred Price and Wanda Hamilton

Junk in the Trunk Sale: Anne Geisel and Corrie Keich set up this event as the primary fundraiser for this event.

Thank you all who donated and bought.

