



# The Spreader

*December 2016. News from Pensacola Beach Yacht Club.*



## Commodore's Report

By Mike Pedersen

We have received a good number of great ideas on how the club should proceed. We will compile them and send them out via email next week. We plan to have a general membership meeting sometime before Christmas. Those who have submitted ideas will be welcome to present them to the membership at that meeting. I believe the incoming board intends to have another General membership meeting after the first of the year to vote on the plan for the future of the club.

It has been an interesting 5 years on the board. The yc has been such a large part of my life, it feels a bit sad to hand it over. I am confident that it is being left in capable hands and the best interests of the club are being represented. I want to thank a couple of people that were an immense help during my 3-year tenure as commodore. Al Green, Lisa Sharp, Maria Weisnicht, Jean-Hugues Rolland and Andrea Zern, couldn't have done it without you, thanks for all you have done for me and the club.

Sincerely,  
*Mike Pedersen*



## Vice Commodore's Report

By Al Greene

**This will be my last report as a member of the 2016 Board. It has been a privilege to serve as the Vice Commodore of PBYC.**

**There were 48 people at the November 10, 2016 General membership meeting where the Commodore delivered the discouraging news that our bank loan had been turned down, at least for the foreseeable future. He also reported that Lisa Sharp had a potential buyer or two for our land if we wanted to sell. The going price was estimated to be above \$600,000. We put \$84,000 into land restoration and planning for the building project. Looks like we have materially increased the value of the land by filling in the pond, cutting down trees, removing all the concrete for the mini golf course and leveling the land. We paid \$500,000 for the land in 2015.**

A motion was placed on the floor at the General Meeting to sell the land. The motion was rejected 47 to 1. The old Board promised not to list the property for sale at any time during the remainder of their term.

The new Board consists of a highly motivated group of talented and hard working members, most of whom have seen Board duty before. We should all get behind their efforts to save the building project by continuing to send in ideas on how we can best go forward. Much more about this subject is being communicated to you by the New Board in different venues. You can expect a notice for a special General Meeting in early December.

Thanks for your support this year.  
*Al Greene*

## Upcoming Events:

[Wave Intergallatics](#) Register now



### Fleet Captain's Report

By Doc Bellows

Congrats to all who participated in this years Turkey Trot regatta held at Key Sailing held on Saturday, the 19th of November. All participants were winners as they received their turkeys before Thanksgiving. Also I believe that Savannah has gained the honors of cooking the Thanksgiving meal after trotting over mom and dad in the regatta. Also the bay area fleet captains for their respected clubs have been meeting to set up the 2017 regatta schedule for the Pensacola Bay area. This should be out shortly after 1st of the year. Also a note to remember is that Pensacola Yacht Club will be hosting the Opening regatta on the 1st weekend in May. We have been asked by PYC to participate in some practice regattas leading up to the Opening regatta. Anybody with interest please contact me.

*Doc*

## Secretary's Report

*Position vacant*

## Membership Report

By Jean-Hugues Rolland

Our records show that As of the 1st of November our current membership count is 95 which accounts for a total of 147 members. We are also pleased to report the following new membership applications have been submitted this month. The board

will vote on their admittance to the club on the upcoming Board of Directors meeting:

- Eric Swinson
- Nick Nasse
- Mark Caraher
- Mike Clark
- Jim Veal

I remain at your disposal should you have any questions about membership application and renewals. Just send me an email at: [membership@pensacolabeachyachtclub.org](mailto:membership@pensacolabeachyachtclub.org)

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52 couples  
43 singles  
95 subscriptions

147 members in total.



## Treasurer's Report

By Mike Blanda

Account balances as of the 4<sup>th</sup> of December, 2016

Bar Account	\$ 1,370.99
Operating Account	\$ 27,600.63
Building Fund	\$ 484.39
PayPal	\$ 2,234.31
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 31,690.32</b>