



Commodore's Corner

by Gary Reinheimer

Whoo Hoo!

This is my last Commodore's Corner!

I would first like to thank all of the board members who have served under me these past 2 years, Vice Commodore John Mathers, Rear Commodore Kris Guccione, Past Commodore Tom Crosby, Harbor Master Mike Hecker, Race Committee Chair Bill Ziegler, Secretary Cathy Burns, Treasure Salo Korn, Directors: Lance Lis, Matt Warner, Sally Dishaw, Steve Handelman, Phil Thomlinson, Ed O'korn, Dock Committee Chair Andy Monique, House Chair Pegi Eddy, Grounds Chair Joan Green, Junior Sailing Chair Charlie Hess, Adult Sailing Chair Tad DeVilbiss, and the many who have volunteered their time to make the club a better place. I especially need to thank my very lovely wife Arlene for all of her support and great meals. I never would have made it without each and every one of you.

We have accomplished a great deal in 2009-2010.

Grounds now has a brick walkway to commemorate our 75th anniversary, all the flower beds have been rejuvenated, the flag pole has a new



brick base, the discarded hoists have been removed from the club property, old wooden picnic tables have been replaced with more comfortable plastic units, commemorative plaques have been moved to the garden in front of the garage for all to see, and the club grounds are now well lit from all angles.

House has been equally busy with a new refrigerator, replacement of the chimney brickwork, a wall of honor with all our perpetual trophy plaques, 2 trophy cases to display other perpetual awards, a tool shed which frees up space for sailing equipment in the garage, a more organized garage for safer access, and upgrading and repairing the foundation to insure that our club house will be with us for many years to come.

Docks have been maintained and remain in great condition. We now have 2 new swim buoys to mark the swim area.

Club Boats, my favorite committee, Old Blue is looking good with a new paint job for the deck and cabin top. The whaler has had its topsides re-

Thank you Gary Reinheimer for serving not one year as the esteemed commodore of Pontiac Yacht Club, but for stepping up when we needed you most and serving for a second consecutive year!! Thank you is hardly enough to express our gratitude, as a Club, for your continued enthusiasm, dedication and tireless leadership.

Wishing you many warm summer breezes to enjoy on Cass Lake!

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finished, a new rub rail is in place, the motor mount is now securely fastened to the stern, a new fiberglass bench seat and console were added, and the electrical system has been revitalized. We now have a work pontoon complete with an upgraded crane for lifting hoists safely and when not in use, it is parked on the grounds and replaced by a slightly used newer pontoon boat complete with cushy seats, bimini top, and larger outboard which will be used for junior sailing and viewing and supporting racing. Special thanks to Gavin Awerbuch for donating the new pontoon to the club. We have also arranged for the pontoons to be launched and retrieved by a trailer which we rent when needed.

US SAILING ADVANCED RACE MANAGEMENT SEMINAR

Saturday-Sunday, November 13-14, 2010

Instructors:

Marcia Everingham, National Race Officer

Assisted by Com. Ted Everingham

\$80 for *US SAILING* Members (\$100 for non-members) (includes continental breakfast and lunch both days)

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, November 3

For more information: Tricia Smotherman

at smothermanp@comcast.net or 248.459.4737



**In Loving Memory
Leo J. Wasserberger, DDS**

Entered Life
Thursday, May 15, 1930

Entered Eternal Life
Tuesday, September 21, 2010

Funeral Service
Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home
Saturday, September 25, 2010
12:30 PM

Officiating
Pastor Jonathan Heierman

Interment
White Chapel
Troy, Michigan

online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com

In Loving Memory

Of

Leo J. Wasserberger, DDS

It is with great sadness that I report to the membership the death of past Commodore, Leo Wasserberger.

Leo's father George was a founding member and Commodore of PYC. Leo carried on the family tradition. Leo was a competitive sailor, one of the best during his era. He won many regattas throughout the Michigan district.

Thank you!

Thank you to all who have served in various capacities this past year, making my job ohhh, so much easier. Thank you Andy Martin for patiently guiding me through the black hole of cyber space. Thank you Matt Warner for taking Wednesday Pizza Nights to a new level. Thank you kitchen crew: Holly Ratinaud, Arlene and Julie Reinheimer, Cathy and Norm Burns, Gaby Smith, Leslye and Glenn Gardner, Gladys and Glenn Axelson, Joan Green and everyone else who washed a dish! Thank you to the Klabans for remembering the watermelon races, and Mike Lyons and Wally Smith for holding the funnelator! Thank you Peggi Eddy and Sally Dishaw for Banquet support!

Kris

Dates to Remember

Hoist Out Date: Saturday October 16

Work Party: Saturday October 23 and Sunday October 24

Annual Banquet: Saturday November 13 at Santia Hall

HOIST OUT SCHEDULE

Hoist out will be on October 16th - primary day. Should weather not permit Sunday Oct 17th will be the fall back day.

The west side will be pulled starting promptly at 8:30 am. The following hoist owners are required to be there. A designated sub is OK. Please sign in as you arrive.

8:30am Call:

Abbott, Webb, Hecker, Hess, Morley, Willets, Welch, Roualet, O'Korn, Krammer, Mathers, Burns, Henderson/Meyers, Lieberman, Hafley, Crosby, Padilla, Fohey, Polk Finsilver, Ziegler, La-Palme, Morrell.

11:00am Call:

Admonius, Roberts, Beaubien, Garrison, Von Oeyen, Williams, Dickinson, Chevez, Korn, Smith, Bowers, Dziuba, Dennis, Sanders, Longe, Matora, Harris, Handleman, DeVilbis, Whately,

Contribute and Benefit

Alternate Work Assignments

Please contact

Bill Sanders

for Alternate work assignments at 248 203-2515

Remember: Hosting a Potluck or other Club event is an alternate work assignment option!!



Contribute your Michigan condo, cabin or cottage as a charitable donation to the Pontiac Sailing Education Foundation for a week or a weekend. It's a great tax write off for you and gives us the opportunity to award scholarships for the Jr. Sailing program and also to help with the Jr. Sailing Racing Team, among other things.

Contact Esther Callahan, 248-673-7792 or Joyce von Drehle, jvond@sbcglobal.net for information about this rewarding opportunity.

Protest September 12, 2010

Lightning 15313 (Morin) protested Lightning 15048 (Garrison) for illegal contact and failure to properly perform her penalty turns.

Lightnings 15313 and 15048 were sailing on a port tack run toward the leeward mark. Lightning 15048 overlapped lightning 15313 to windward. Prior to the three boat length circle, both boats encountered Lightning 15125 headed upwind on a starboard tack. Lightning 15048 fell off and moved to starboard to clear Lightning 15125 causing her boom to contact the backstay of Lightning 15313.

Lightning 15313, protested Lightning 15048 under Rule 11, "On same tack, overlapped." Both boats rounded the leeward mark and sailed for the finish line. Just prior to the finish, Lightning 15048 did her penalty turns.

Lightning 15313 filed a written protest under Rule 11 and Rule 44.2 "One turn and two turn penalties".

Findings of the Protest Committee.

Both port-tack Lightnings were required to keep clear of starboard tack lightning 15125. Therefore Lightning 15125 was an obstruction at least for Lightning 15048. The overlap existed prior to Lightning 15125 becoming an obstruction.

Lightning 15048 did not perform her penalty turns in accordance with Rule 44.2. (She did not perform her turns as soon after the incident as possible.)

Lightning 15048 was an inside overlap boat to Lightning 15313 in regard to the obstruction.

Lightning 15313 did not comply with Rule 19.2 (B) "Giving room at an obstruction". (When two boats are overlapped, the outside boat shall give the inside boat room between her and an obstruction, unless she has been unable to do so from the time the overlap began".

Ruling

Lightning 15313 is disqualified for breaking Rule 19.2 (B).

Time Honored Club Traditions

Running aground on at least one sandbar.

Realizing too late you don't have working running lights.

Being cold but sad on the last Wednesday of racing.

Showing up early and working hard at the Fall Work party!!

Ed Diakow working on Old Blue.

Andy Monique supervising dock -out.

Joan Green in the kitchen.

Tangled masts in the garage.

A year in stories at the Annual Banquet.



Work Party Opt Out Works!!!

Three lucky (dedicated) members will not necessarily be seen at the Work Party this fall. They selflessly volunteered their time and boats to the Adult sailing program. Their reward, along with knowing they personally helped further the PYC mission of promoting Lightning racing, is to sleep late on Saturday October 23 while the rest of us are eating donuts and raking leaves. Who are these masked men?

Phil Tomlinson
Mark Warner
Tad DeVilbiss

It's a Party

The 2010 Meeting and Awards Banquet

Step #1 Clear the date on your calendar - no need for a babysitter, we will be showing an appropriate movie!

Step #2 Find something fabulous to wear (or not).

Step #3 Choose your entrée

Step #4 Return the attached reservation form with a check made out to Pontiac Yacht Club.

Step#5 Arrive promptly at 6:00pm for hot hors d'oeuvres, games and cocktails. (kids self serve bucket of appropriate drinks)

Step#6 Make sure your nametag is visible—no one wants to admit they don't know your name!

Step #7 Enjoy the evening!!

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

April/May

In April we reviewed and discussed request from Junior Sailing for a newer pontoon. Additionally, discussed and prepared an amendment to our By-Laws that was requested at our November 2009 Annual meeting and presented it for an affirmative vote at the Spring Work Party. Reports from committees a number of committees including race, grounds, house and harbor master as well as the Commodore's report and that of Rear and Vice Commodores.

May's agenda was also full with lengthy reports from treasurer, membership, race, house and grounds committees. All areas had lengthy discussions including how to handle replacement of the plastic shed that disintegrated in a spring windstorm. We addressed the increased number of member requests for usage of the club for private affairs of varied size groups. Additionally, adopting a motion that no bands with amplification and no tents will be allowed.

June/July

In June once again the discussion of a newer used pontoon boat was discussed. We are fortunate to have member Gavin Awerbuch who is willing to donate his 24' pontoon boat to the Sailing Foundation. Regular reports were given by committees plus John is enthusiastically moving ahead in distribution of flyers for the Whitecap via email and at the Districts. Board continues to be concerned with the slippery launch ramp.

July's agenda was full as usual with an update on the adult sailing program, positioning of swim buoys and discussion of concern to have old hoists removed. We discussed the advisability of having an AED in the club house. Reports from standing committees were discussed.

August

Lengthy discussion on the need to repair clubhouse foundation and the bids received. Work will begin in October at end of sail season. We will have a tote dolly for Sunfish, Opti, Laser, etc. Other purchases such as an AED, increasing number of lockers in women's locker room will be acted on in 2011. The tractor has been sold. John had an encouraging report for Whitecap. Now if the weather will cooperate....

Clubhouse Repairs Scheduled To Start Soon

Many of you are aware of several cracks at the northeast corner of the Clubhouse (near the garage) that have been slowly growing. This problem started seven years ago, on March 16, 2003, when water from a sudden spring thaw backed up at the large drain that is behind the clubhouse. The drain had not been cleaned of leaves, (something to keep in mind during the Fall Work Party) which exacerbated the problem. When discovered, there was water lapping onto the courses of block at the rear of the building. The cracks at the northeast corner of the building are a result of this water backup, and at least one has been slowly growing.

Several foundation stabilization contractors were called in to provide proposals to address the problem. All recommended installing Helical Piers (think about large corkscrews bored down into the ground near the building that hook onto the bottom of the foundation) to prevent the foundation from settling any further, and also suggested work was needed to redirect the flow of water away from the foundation.

The proposed solution to the problem at the Clubhouse involves three tasks. The rear of the building will be excavated down to the bottom of the foundation wall and perforated drain tile will be installed and attached to the existing drain tile. A drainage mat will also be installed against the outside of the masonry block wall. Soil will be backfilled and re-graded to provide a more positive slope away from the building, toward the catch basin. In addition, approximately 90 feet of PVC piping will be used to connect the downspouts on the rear of the clubhouse together below grade and discharge any collected rain water directly to the catch basin.

Furthermore, the sidewalk between the garage and the covered porch on the north (lake-side) of the Clubhouse will be removed. In this area, the two downspouts which presently discharge against the building will be extended away from the clubhouse to discharge east of the barbecue pit. Once the downspout drainage is directed away from the clubhouse, the sidewalks will be re-poured and sloped away from the clubhouse.

The work at the Clubhouse has been scheduled so as not to interfere with sailing operations at PYC. The re-grading and water proofing project at the south side of the building will start in early October, but it will occur in an area that should not be affected by foot traffic. Removal of the sidewalk and installation of the Helical Piers is scheduled to occur after the Fall Work Party. Joan Green has already been coordinating removal of the cobblestones behind the clubhouse (they can't be used near the foundation when the re-grading occurs) with Stuart Martin, our esteemed groundskeeper, and is executing plans to redistribute the cobbles in other areas of the grounds where they will be both useful and decorative.



The pleasure of your company is requested at the
Pontiac Yacht Club

Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet.

Saturday November 13, 2010

Santia Banquet Center

1985 Cass Lake Road

Keego Harbor, MI 48320

6:00pm -6:30pm Cash Bar/Hot Hors d'oeuvres

6:30 Dinner

Annual Meeting and Awards

Please RSVP by November 6, 2010

Return reservation form with a check payable to Pontiac Yacht Club to:

Kris Guccione

10704 Ludlow Ave.

Huntington Woods, MI 48070

Entrée Choices include Winter Vegetable Mix (cauliflower, broccoli, carrots), Buttered Herb Red Skin Potatoes, coffee and dessert.

Salmon w/warm dill sauce \$25 _____ Child Plate \$12.50 _____

Filet Mignon and Chicken Combo \$30 _____ Child Plate \$15.00 _____

(Children 12 and under half price)

Total # of Dinners _____

Total Enclosed _____

Name _____ Telephone # _____

PONTIAC YACHT CLUB PARTY AGREEMENT

PYC Host Name: _____

Phone # (s) _____ Email Address: _____

PYC Host Signature: _____ Date: _____

Rear Commodore Authorization: _____ Date Authorized: _____

Date of Party: _____ Type of Party: _____

Number of Expected Guests: _____ Time Period: _____

Approval by the Rear Commodore is required for parties larger than 15 with a maximum of 75. At the discretion of the Rear Commodore parties may be held any day with the exception of holidays, Wednesday evenings, and Sundays. The Host must remember to share the club facilities with club members, bearing in mind that at present there are only 24 picnic tables.

Please leave the club in as good shape, if not better, than you found it. Information regarding club usage can be found in the yearly membership directory but please be aware of the following:

- ◆ Members shall be present when guests are on club grounds
- ◆ No glass beverage containers are permitted on the grounds
- ◆ No swimming after sundown

Before you leave:

- ◆ Clean up picnic tables and dispose of garbage in the dumpster
- ◆ Clean up kitchen and return borrowed utensils
- ◆ Make sure the locker rooms are in order
- ◆ All club property should be returned to clubhouse, i.e. plastic lawn chairs stacked under awning, toys returned to sand box, small boats returned to racks
- ◆ Make sure all windows are closed and doors, and ramp gate are locked
- ◆ Wash and return all soiled dishtowels and cloths

If you have any questions, please call the Rear Commodore - Kris Guccione at 248-547-7915 or rearcommodore@pyc54.org. This agreement is not valid without Host and Rear Commodore signature. Finalized agreement must be posted at club prior to the event.

Pontiac Yacht Club

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The World's
Largest Lightning Fleet



October 2010

(due to technical difficulties, this is the calendar!)

Saturday October 16 Hoist out 8:30 am

October 17 Hoist Out Alternate 8:30 am

Saturday October 23 Work Party 9:00am

Sunday October 24 Work Party 9:00 am

November 2010

Wednesday November 3 Mail RSVP for Banquet to Kris

Saturday November 6 RSVP due in my hands for Banquet!

Saturday November 13 Annual Banquet 6:00 pm

(Friends, Fun, Food)