

PONTOON YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER



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St. Patrick's Day!!
March 17th!!

Commodore – Gary Rhoads

Hello boaters! In February, we had two great outings, one at Ski Beach and another at Eustis Waterfront Grill for Georgefest. Both were well attended, and we actually got some boats on the water for Georgefest despite the chilly weather. Kudos to all those intrepid sailors! I would like to remind everyone that we are guests at our outings. The hosts are in charge, and if there are any problems or concerns, they should be brought to me or the hosts for that event. We have a March 13th event at Hurricane Grill and an open date for which I am planning an unofficial outing. Details will be announced soon. See you on the lake.

Commodore Gary



Vice Commodore – Joey O'Nishea

At the PYC Georgefest lunch, I updated the group on the future of PYC Website. At the lunch, the officers approved buying back our old domain name. However, they also decided to research and select a new provider. More to follow.

I would also like to welcome our newest members, Debbie and Kurt Liebknecht. Welcome to the PYC Family.

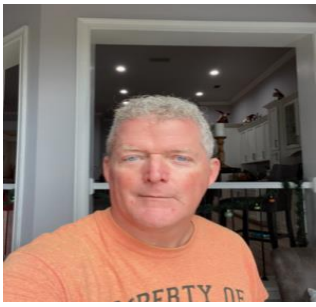
Thank you,
Joey O'Nishea
Joey.onishea@gmail.com



Rear Commodore – John Mest

On February 22 we had our Georgefest Boating Day! The boats did a drive by then proceeded to the Eustis Waterfront Grill. We had 35 people and 6 boats. We had a good meal and a short meeting and The50/50. Thank you to our hosts our hosts Gary and Cheryl Rhoads!

John Mest



Secretary – Tom Hallowell

I am always available by phone, text or email. As usual, if you notice any administrative errors or omissions, feel free to reach out directly. 561 797 5369 or Thomas.ace.hallowell@gmail.com

- This month's update is from the Policies and Procedures manual, Section 8: "Outing Procedures", Paragraph 3 which reads;
 - To limit PYC's Liability, the Board Of Directors has established a policy that neither the hosts nor the club may provide alcohol at any sanctioned PYC outing or other event".
 - I would also like to encourage members to sign up for and utilize the Internal PYC Facebook page. This is a private page for our members only. Once you request and receive access, you will not only be able to see the latest and greatest PYC information, but you too, as members, can post to our page!! We are family and we share common interests and values, therefore it is important we all have the ability to review and post information internally. It is also a good way for hosts to post directly to the Facebook page to provide updates to our members. To clarify, our page is internal only and cannot be accessed by the Facebook community at large. If you have any questions on how to access or how to utilize, feel free to reach out at your convenience.



Treasurer—Jay Asaibene

We started off the New Year with income in January of \$1,194 (mostly from 2025 membership dues). Expenses were \$350.95. Leaving a checkbook balance of \$3,093.04.

Jay Asaibene
PYC Treasurer

PYC 2025 OUTINGS

March 13th Hurricane Dockside, “Hollywood Squares Outing”. Social begins at 11:30. There is no charge for the event, you simply need to pay for your food and drink. Get totally creative for this fun filled, star-studded afternoon, brought to you by the event co-hosts - Sharon Vincent (352) 396-3460 & Jerie Tallman (847) 284-1155. Morning raft-up is to be determined. RSVP for attendance by Saturday, March 8, 2025. **Please text Sharon for RSVP’s.**

Hollywood Squares Game. Best costume contest for Male & Female Celebrity. (Costume & contest participation are optional). Dessert will be provided by the co-hosts. Expect glitz, glamour, laughter & fun.

April 7-14, 2025 - Parramore’s Campground, Astor, FL on St. Johns River -

LAST CHANCE! The PYC will be going to Parramore’s Campground on April 7th. Stay in your own cabin for 3-5 or 7 nights. If you would like to go on this trip with us, call Terry Weaver for details - (352) 978-0439. The website is www.parramorescamp.com. To make your reservation at Parramore’s, call Julie (386) 749-2721 to reserve your cabin. For those who have already reserved, the balance is due for your cabin on March 7th.

April 26, 2025 (Saturday, 11:30-1:30pm): Margaritaville Backyard Bash!

Location: The Hallowell’s residence - 3220 Indian Trail. Wear your comfortable Margaritaville themed garb & make Jimmy Buffet proud! Flip Flops encouraged. There is plenty of seating both inside and out, but feel free to bring a chair just in case it is needed. Food will be served, and alcohol-free Margaritas will be flowing, but if you desire any other beverage, as usual please BYOB. Cost is \$7.00 per person. Please remit payment (cash or check payable to Tom Hallowell) to Jay by Wednesday, April 16th so that headcount for the food preparations can be confirmed. Hosts: Tom & Linda Hallowell

JUNE 2025 – Rainbow River Club, Dunnellon, FL on Rainbow River -nights 06/23, 06/24, 06/25. This is to make up for trip missed in 2024. No need to bring your boat. We will rent what we need and share the expense .Explore Dunnellon and Rainbow River. Great cabins, call Rose or Richard at (352) 489-9983. Unique area! Website:www.rainbowrivers.com. Hosts: Gary & Cheryl Rhoads & Butch & Merrilyn Karrels.

SEPTEMBER 2025 - Tropical Resort, Deland, FL on Lakes Beresford that connects with St. Johns River: 8/25 to 09/15 or less, up to you! Great rooms, pool, boat slips, and fire pit! Call Aaron (386) 734-3080 to make your reservation. One night deposit is required at time of reservation and balance is due upon arrival. Website:<https://tropicalresortandmarina.com>. Hosts: Terry & Kay Weaver **WHEN YOU MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS, TELL THEM YOU ARE WITH THE PONTOON YACHT CLUB!!! DON’T WAIT, BOOK NOW!**



EVENT SIGN-UP SHEET

2025 Pontoon Yacht Club

Club Outing Schedule



Every member needs to signup to host or co host an event annually. Use this calendar and choose an exact date.

2025 Event Week	Event Actual Date	Outing Location & Description	Host 1	Host 2	Full Moon
2nd Week of January 5-11	1/11	Fishcamp Restaurant	Vik & Elizabeth Kapoor	Ray & Jeri Tallman	
4th Week of January 19-25					1/13
2nd Week of February 2-8	2/6	Ski Beach restaurant	Richard & Cookie Brown		
3rd week of February 16-22	2/22	GeorgeFest Boating, Eustis Waterfront Grill	Gary & Cheryl Rhoads		2/12
2nd Week of March 9-15	3/13	Hollywood Squares, Games/Costumes	Sharon Vincent	JerieTallman	3/14
3rd Week of March 16-22					
2nd Week of April 6-12	4/7 - 4/14	Parramore Resort, St Johns River. Parramore Cabins	Terry & Kay Weaver		4/13
4th Week of April 20-26	4/26	Margaritaville Pool Party & BBQ	Tom & Linda Hallowell		
1st week of May 4-10	5/10	Paratrooper Water Jump Pickup Lake Dora	Tom & Mary Jo Williams		5/12
2nd Week of May 18 - 24	5/24	Mount Dora SandBar Grilling	Joey & Lori O'Nishea		
2nd Week of June	6/23 - 6/25	Rainbow River Club Cabins	Gary & Cheryl Rhoads	Butch & Merrillyn Karrels	6/11
4th Week of June	day between 6/27 - 6/29?	Pool Party & BBQ	Karen & Bert Sofield	Wes & Amy Latham	
1st Week of July 29 June -- 5 July		Fireworks ?			7/10
2nd Week of August 10-16	8/16	Paratrooper Water Jump Pickup Lake Dora	Tom & Mary Jo Williams		8/9
2nd Week of September 7-13	9/8 - 9/15	Tropical Resort, St Johns River	Terry & Kay Weaver		9/7
4th Week of Sept. 21-27	?	Gilbert Park Picninc	John & Cindy Kindinger	Mike & Bonnie Wells	
2nd Week of October 12-18					10/7
4 the Week of October 26-1 Nov.					
1st week of November 2 - 8	11/8	Paratrooper Water Jump Pick up in Lake Eustis	Tom & Mary Jo Williams		11/5
2nd week of November 9-15					
4 th Week of November 23-29	?	Thanksgiving Dinner	John Dargo & Mary Bliss	John & Elaine Mest	
1 st Week of December 30 Nov - 6 Dec	?	Christmas Dinner	John & Cindy Kindinger	Mike & Bonnie Wells	12/4

Hollywood Squares Outing

Hurricane Dockside

Thursday, March 13, 2025, 11:30

Through the courtesy of the Pontoon Yacht Club, members and their guests will join in a magical cruise down memory lane. Upon arrival, you are invited to experience an exclusive insiders look at the glitz & glamor of Tinsel Town, also known as the "Entertainment Capital of the World," Hollywood, CA. While there, you will meet & mingle with 76 of Hollywood's most famous entertainers, each recognized for their outstanding talents & accomplishments in film, television and/or recording industry fame.

As a VIP in your own right, you will be escorted to your table, strolling along that famous Hollywood red carpet walkway, past the eagerly awaiting Hollywood Press Corp and the legions of paparazzi with their flashing, tell-all cameras. All honored guests will receive a colorful surprise Swag Bag filled with many hand-selected, highly prized and lovingly coveted gifts, chosen especially for this fine occasion. Following the menu choice on your own, a luscious, gourmet dessert will be served.

The afternoon entertainment will include games of chance titled *Hollywood Squares*. Game winners will receive royal recognition as Hollywood's rising, newest, shining stars, while forever earning their place on the exclusive, star-studded *Hollywood Walk-of-Fame*.

Highlighting the afternoon event, will be presentation of the two highly coveted *Designer Couture Awards*. PYC members will cast their ballot for best male and female costume design. Both winners will receive the top prize for imagination and design, along with recognition as being the **Best Dressed Hollywood Stars**.

Let your creative skills & ingenuity carry out thoughts for designing your exclusive Hollywood Star outfit. Celebrate this event in your traditional Leprechaun attire as in years past. Or shake loose that hardly-worn Zombie Apocalypse cruising outfit from days of olde. Or become totally loose & groovy with your best Elvis impersonation. Come on baby, let's do the twist!

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Morning raft-up is yet to be determined.

Ski Beach Restaurant February 6th





Historian Kay Weaver **A Look Back in Time.....**

December 2, 2006 – Mt Dora Xmas Parade – We had 16 members decorate Gary & Mitzie Hubbert's boat and paraded down Donnelly Street wearing Santa Hats, ringing bells, and tossing beads to the children, a good time was had by all. We finished the parade, dismantled the boat, and headed home just as the rains began. Next year we need more participants, so gather your holiday spirit and join us. Thanks to all who helped decorate and march in the parade (Only 4 marched, the rest rode the boat or pickup truck)...



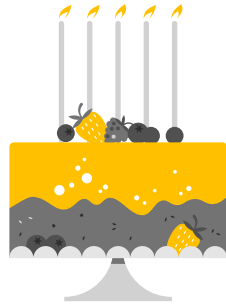
Sunshine Chair - Virginia Calven

For the month of February, I send cards to Jim & Carol Clarke and Bill Byczek. A sympathy card to Terry Weaver on the passing of his brother. If anyone would like a get well card sent from PYC contact Virginia Calven 906-484-3478. Call or text.

Happy Birthday!!

Diane Allen 3/26
Richard Brown 3/27
Elaine Mest 3/12
Mike Wells 3/21

Ted Banasiak 3/22
Cookie Brown 3/10
Steve Roeske 3/14



LET'S ALL WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS



**Debbie and Kurt
Liebknecht**

Dockside Deals: Ads that Float Your Boat

Reel in the Cash! FREE for Members to list.

Email your ad to the Secretary for inclusion in the monthly newsletter **NO LATER THAN the 23rd of any month**, 3 Month Duration unless sold or extended.
Business card ads will be available soon



Fishing rod holder designed for inserting into RTC or YETI cooler. \$30 Call/ Email Mary Jo, 352-516-6736, or MJWilliams99@hotmail.com 3/31



Big Cast Aluminum Cleat. This cleat is 15 inches. \$20.00. Dave Asaibene. 561-427-8090 E-Mail: MrChefDave@gmail.com 3/31



White Taylor Hull Guard Fender. \$10.00 Dave Asaibene 561-427-8090 E-Mail: MrChefDave@gmail.com 3/31



I-Com Handheld M5 Radio FREE. I left it out in the rain at Crystal River. I tried drying it but that did not work. If you know about electronics and repair you are welcome to have it. I have the charger and other cables needed. **FREE** or what ever you would like to pay. Dave Asaibene. 561-427-8090 E-Mail: MrChefDave@gmail.com 3/31



Fishing Rod Holders. Qty 2 for \$15 Call/Email Tom 352-516-6178 or TCWilliams99@Hotmail.com 3/31



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Taylor Boat Fenders (Bouys) Qty of 2. 21" round, Orange and dirty and they leak slowly and you can make or cover them with terry cloth, I think the store bought covers are too expensive. A thought, to keep them full, is inject them with tire sealant or just re-inflate when needed. Replacing the valves did not help. **FREE** or what ever you would like to pay for them. Dave Asaibene. 561-427-8090 E-Mail: MrChefDave@gmail.com 3/31



CQR Brand Plow Anchor 20 Lb. \$50.00. This is a great storm anchor. Dave Asaibene 561-427-8090 E-Mail: MrChefDave@gmail.com 3/31