



# PONTOON YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER

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## HAPPY DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS



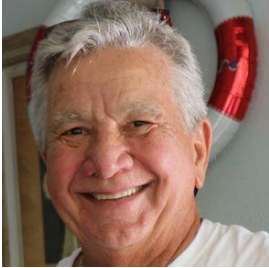
Butch Karrels  
Bob Banta  
Cheryl Rhoads  
Judi McCord  
Tim Hill

December 5  
December 6  
December 7  
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December 9



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Commodore's December Comments

November has come to an end and the Pontoon Yacht Club approved our 2021 Board at the November 14<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving event at Hickory Point. We had 14 boats and I want to thank everyone who was a part of our Thanksgiving, as well as being part of our annual meeting approving our new board. The comradery was great; we got a group photo of the 2021 board all in mask. I look forward to their inauguration on December 12<sup>th</sup> at the north docks of Lake Eustis.

I also want to thank Jim & Carol Clarke and Bob & Cathy Banta for hosting the November 28<sup>th</sup> Moss Bluff event. This was my first trip up to Moss Bluff and I enjoyed the trip and going up and down the lock. Bob and Cathy had games to play and I, for one, had left-over turkey for lunch. Thanks again for to all those who joined us; it was a great day.

Commodore Butch

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**Rear Commodore Mike Well's report**

November 14<sup>th</sup>, Thanksgiving at Hickory Point - Well attended with 14 boats participating: Asaibenes, Rhoads, Nebergalls, Crowells, Comastras, Karrels, Wells, Clarkes, Bantas, Tallmans, Kapoors, Petrichkos, Scotts, Pierces, Kindingers.

November 28<sup>th</sup> Moss Bluff - Nice turnout with a total of 6 boats with Mike Wells and Dave Asaibene on Bill Byczek's boat, Comastras, Karrels, McCord's, Clarkes, Bantas, and Petrichkos.

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***BOATING TIPS FROM YOUR CRUISE MASTER***



This is a good time of year to review your tie-up procedures and the condition of the lines you are using. I suggest that you have two sets of boat lines. One set to carry on your boat at all times. The second set affixed to your dock.

Your attached dock lines should be tied to cleats on the dock and have clips on the end to hook to your boat. This way when you come back from a cruise your boat can be secured properly and quickly without the tying and untying of your lines.

The second set remains in a locker on your boat for use when you dock away from home. These lines should also be equipped with a clip on the end to attach to your boat.

Mounting cleats on the side of your boat will assist in attaching a spring line to control forward and aft movement at a dock. Ace Hardware has a great line of non-stainless-steel clips that work very well and resist rust. You will find this will create an easy and simple way to moor your boat at home and away. The side cleat can also be a U-bolt that is bent outward or a heavy duty eye-bolt. I personally mount two bent U-bolts

on each side (one forward and one aft) of my boat which seems to fit any scenario for mooring. I will be glad to assist anyone who needs help. Contact me at 352-343-9113 or [jclarke529@gmail.com](mailto:jclarke529@gmail.com).

I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New year and may God Bless You.

**Join us and practice Safe Boating, Jim**

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**In the Past**

by *Kay Weaver*, PYC Historian

April 5, 2003 PYC Spring Fling at the Leesburg Boat Club - We had 13 boats with a social hour of Bloody Mary's. A buffet lunch was served in the clubhouse that included dessert and tea or coffee for \$12.50 and we had music. No one had to bring anything but themselves! Our Commodore Roy Weddle was quite the dancing machine. The weather was beautiful and the food was good! Charlie West, one of our first members of the PYC, was also a member of the Leesburg Boat Club and able to reserve this facility for our Spring Fling. Good food and great boating club friends enjoyed a beautiful day!



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**HICKORY POINT THANKSGIVING – November 14, 2020**



**PYC Board**



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MOSS BLUFF – November 28, 2020



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Commodore's Gift

Every year PYC recognizes the hard work and effort by our Commodore to keep our club running smoothly by presenting him with a monetary thank-you gift at the December party. This year has proven to be especially challenging for Commodore Butch, but he has done a superb job guiding our club and juggling schedules. If you would like to contribute to the Commodore's gift, please send a check to Carol Clarke - 3542 Manatee Road, Tavares, FL 32778 by December 8, 2020. You can add your December luncheon cost to this check if you would like.

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\$\$\$ REMINDER FROM YOUR TREASURER \$\$\$

As a reminder, PYC annual dues for 2020 are due by January 1, 2021. The annual dues are still \$24.00. Every year the dues are for the current year, January 1 to December 31.

As in the past, you can combine your payment for Christmas Luncheon and your Commodore gift in one check. Just include a detailed breakdown for the check. This check must be in to the Treasurer by December 8, 2020. However, the dues need to be a separate check as that check will be held until January before being deposited. This allows us to keep the dues in the year in which they were paid. All dues for 2021 must be paid by January 31, 2021 to maintain membership status.

Checks should be made out to PYC and sent to the treasurer Carol Clarke -3542 Manatee Road, Tavares, FL 32778. Thanks in advance for your support and paying your dues on time.

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DECEMBER EVENT



December 12, 2020  
Christmas Luncheon  
Eustis North Docks & Eustis Community Center  
Hosts: John & Cindy Kindinger



Social Hour 11:30 A.M. Lunch 12 Noon

Covid-19 has changed the format of our traditional Christmas Banquet. This year we will meet at the Eustis north docks for a catered luncheon. Those who wish to bring their boats and eat on their boats will be able to

do so. We have also reserved the Eustis Community Center. It will be set up with 6' round tables (2-4 people per table) following social distancing. The room is very large and the tables will be spaced far apart. This is to accommodate those who do not wish to boat that day along with associate members. Some of the 2021 Board members will serve from the buffet to minimize contact with serving utensils. Masks should be worn inside the building except when eating. Masks are required as you go through the buffet line.

**If the weather cooperates, we are planning on installing the Board outside on the docks and serving the food on tables outside the center. You can stay outside the whole time if you wish.**

Members should bring their masks, eating utensils, plates, and drinks. NO ALCOHOL is allowed inside the building or on its grounds. You may also wish to bring disinfectant wipes.

Menu:

This is your chance to wear your Christmas sweater.

Roast turkey

Ham

Mashed potatoes

Stuffing

Green beans

Gravy

Dessert



Cost for members \$10.00 per person. Checks need to be to Carol Clarke - 3542 Manatee Road, Tavares, FL 32778 – by **Tuesday, December 8, 2020**. You can also add your Commodore’s Gift to this check if you’d like.

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**JANUARY EVENT**

**January 9, 2021**

**Gilbert Park**

**Hosts: John & Cindy Kindinger**



**Social Hour 11:30 A.M.**

**Lunch 12 Noon**

We’ll meet in Lake Dora near the Dora Canal between 10:45 – 11:00 and then caravan to Gilbert Park where we’ll dock. We’ll remain on our boats and eat our lunch. Be sure to bring your hand sanitizer and disinfectant wipes. Please email [cindykindinger@yahoo.com](mailto:cindykindinger@yahoo.com) if you are coming.

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**Due to Covid-19, the Board has come up with some guidelines to ensure our members safety and comfort.**

1. Instead of “rafting up” we will now “anchor up”. Boats will not be connected to each other. We will drop our anchors and float at a safe distance from each other – a minimum of 6’ between boats.
2. We strongly encourage our members to wear masks at events where we may need to get off the boat or when boats are less than 6’ apart.
3. It’s a good idea to have disinfectant wipes or hand sanitizers on board.
4. June and July events will follow social distancing and minimize contact between boats.
5. While under way, boats will remain 50’ apart.
6. Until further notice, there will not be a 50/50.
7. To avoid the contact with paper money, payments for the events will be handled by checks sent to Carol Clarke.

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**2021 EVENTS CALENDAR FOR PONTOON YACHT CLUB**

Please submit PYC Outing Information Form to the Commodore [cindykindinger@yahoo.com](mailto:cindykindinger@yahoo.com)

**We need all members to sign up to host an event.**

Date	Form	Outing Description & Location	Host 1	Host 2
1/9/2021				
1/23/2021		Canada Event	John & Sue Pierce	John & Cindy Kindinger
2/13/2021				
2/27/2021		George Fest, Pontoons on the Water	Bob & Bettie Nebergall	
3/13/2021		St. Patricks' Day	Dan & Sharon Vincent	
3/27/2021		Long Island Nude Beach	Carl & Joan Scott	Ken & Maggie Crowell
4/10/2021		Beach Picnic	Mike & Bonnie Wells	
4/24/2021				
5/8/2021		?	Gary & Cheryl Rhoads	John & Cindy Kindinger
5/22/2021		GPS Scrabble	Butch & Merrilyn Karrels	Carl & Joan Scott
6/12/2021				
6/26/2021		Pot Luck	Art & Linda Stowell	
7/10/2021				
7/24/2021				
8/14/2021				
8/28/2021				
9/11/2021				
9/25/2021				
10/9/2021		Moss Bluff	Jim & Carol Clarke	Bob & Cathy Banta
10/23/2021		Zombie Apocalypse	Bob & Bettie Nebergall	

11/13/2021		Thanksgiving	Tim & Angela Hill	Joe Comastra & Lorraine Weirsm
12/11/2021		Christmas		

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