



New members Randy Petrichko & Patty Sabo

# PONTOON YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER

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PYC Board of Directors

#### **PYC Officers**

Commodore: Butch Karrels Rear Commodore: Mike Wells Secretary: Cindy Kindinger Treasurer: Carol Clarke

#### **Board Members**

Vik Kapoor Ray Tallman Terry Weaver

Cruise Master: Jim Clarke Sunshine: Edna Korb

Historian & Facebook Administrator:

Kay Weaver

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Newsletter Editor: Cindy Kindinger Marketing Chair: Bettie Nebergall

Call Tree: Team Chair - Joanne Welsh

Ada Arthur, Jo Kost,

Shelley McGarry, Dan Vincent

## HAPPY NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS



Gary Rhoads Ada Arthur November 3 November 15





### **Commodore's November Comments**

I would like to thank the Nominating Committee: Bettie Nebergall, chair, Kay Weaver, and Art Stowell for doing an outstanding job in completing the 2021 Board selecting great members to serve in 2021. Bettie has their introductions in this newsletter. I look forward to working with the 2021 Board.

We rescheduled the Moss Bluff event that was scheduled for 10/10/2020 to 11/28/2020; I hope that everyone will join us for this event. Our weather should be much nicer for a boating event that will last approximately seven hours. I personally have never been to Moss Bluff with my boat, and I'm looking forward to this trip and taking a ride down the Moss Bluff lock. I hope some other boats join me since it is not mandatory that you go down the lock. If you plan to go down the lock, bring a pair of rubber gloves since the ropes you hang on to are quite slimy as advised by John and Sue Pierce who recently made the trip.

I also want to thank Bob & Bettie Nebergall and Dave & Jay Asaibene for hosting and co-hosting "Murder on the Lakes". I love to play games on our chain of lakes and this game is great fun for everyone who attends just like so many games we've played in the past. Thank you for making PYC fun.

We will be having Thanksgiving at the boat docks at Hickory Point this year. This will be much different from years past since we are still in the pandemic. Everyone will be expected to bring their own lunch, and we will be eating on our own boats. A big part of this event is to introduce and vote our 2021 Board into office. Please join us in welcoming the upcoming board on Nov. 14, 2020 at Hickory Point.

Our Christmas event on Dec.12, 2020 will be held at the north docks of Lake Eustis this year. We will be practicing social distancing. However, we want many of our non-boating members to be a part of this event since this is the swearing in of the 2021 Board and gives everyone the opportunity to meet the new Board. We have secured the Community Center at the north docks so any member can join us and have a place out of the elements in case of inclement weather. We are having food catered at this event and are finalizing all the details to insure everyone's safety.

I will be bringing the 2021 Calendar of Events to all of the events through the end of the year. The Pontoon Yacht Club is dependent on its membership to host and co-host events throughout the year for our club to be successful. Please review the Events Calendar at the end of this newsletter, pick a date and a PYC friend to host and co-host your event in 2021.

Thank you,
Commodore Butch

#### Rear Commodore Mike Well's report

Murder on the Lake boats included the Vincents, Rhoads, Comastra/Wiersma, Wells, Banta/Clarke, Kapoors, Petrichko/Sabo, Scotts, Gancar/McGarry and Kindingers.

#### **Your 2020 Nominating Committee proudly presents**

#### PYC's 2021 PYC Board

#### 2021 PYC Officers:

**Cindy Kindinger has offered to step in as Commodore.** She has been with our club for 8 years and served as Board Secretary for the past five. During that time, she moved through leadership positions with The Triangle Newcomers, an organization of 90 members, 3 vice presidents, and diverse committee heads. She served three terms as President by popular demand.

Cindy is well known and respected by our entire membership. She knows the club inside out and has continually helped new members acclimate to PYC with friendship, outing ideas, and newsletter articles. Her humor and creativity will rally our members after these difficult months and restore the PYC spirit after quarantine.

**Bob Nebergall has volunteered to be Vice Commodore.** Bob has been a PYC member for 8 years, serving on the Board and in all four leadership positions.

**Gary Rhoads will serve as Rear Commodore**. A former Marine and lifelong boater, Gary already has one year of PYC Board experience, and he spent the summer assisting Mike Wells in his duties.

Gary attends every PYC event, enters into our outings with enthusiasm, and actively solicits friends and acquaintances for membership.

**Carol Clarke will continue as Treasurer.** She has held the position for 2 years and has developed a system that works well for her. She discussed this with Butch during the transfer of Bob Banta's materials.

Joan Scott will step in as Secretary. A lifelong leader in school and church, Joan's career as an RN included surgery, neonatal ICU and Oncology. In retirement, she built an earth shelter solar home in Colorado. PYC will benefit from her organizational skills.

Butch Karrels will become Past Commodore after steering us through the single-most challenging year in PYC's history.

#### **Board Members:**

**John Kindinger** has also served PYC in all leadership positions. As Commodore, he was instrumental in achieving our 501(C7) status with the IRS, which provides liability protection to officers and board members.

**Mike Wells,** our current Rear Commodore, is a major advocate for PYC, single-handedly bringing Bill Byzcek into the club and assisting Ken Crowell as well.

**Carl Scott** has enthusiastically attended all our outings since joining PYC. He is currently commissioned as a Notary for the state of Florida and a World-Wide Electronic (online) Notary.



## BOATING TIPS FROM YOUR CRUISE MASTER



Has your pontoon boat slowed down? Are you using more fuel?

This could be the result of dirty pontoons.

It is possible to lose 300 to 400 RPM because of the drag created by dirty pontoons. Let's give your pontoons a tune up. After putting your boat on the trailer, you will need the following to clean them properly: a pressure washer, a garden type sprayer, and an aluminum cleaner and brightener. The aluminum cleaner and brightener can be purchased at most marine stores. I mix from 10 to 14 ounces of cleaner per one gallon of water. Then wet the pontoons. I suggest you start on the inside of the pontoons first. Spray cleaner on one half of the length of the pontoon at a time. Let it sit for approximately 3–4 minutes and then rinse with pressure washer.

#### DO NOT LET THE CLEANER SOLUTION DRY ON THE PONTOONS!!

If necessary, spray some more solution to keep it wet. In order to get the best looking cleaning job, I recommend going over each area twice. This will help in removing streaks and added dirt. It is imperative to rinse twice with your pressure washer to make sure that all of the cleaning solution has been removed. Complete the cleaning of the inside of the pontoons then do the outside of the pontoons in the same manner.

This will result in a clean looking and efficient pontoon. Also don't forget to do the inside of your motor pod. Any questions you can call me at 354-343-9113.

Join us and practice Safe Boating, Jim

#### In the Past

by Kay Weaver, PYC Historian

March 15, 2003 PYC Champagne Brunch was the biggest raft-off we have had to date. We had 23 boats and 73 people. Everyone dressed in the spirit of St. Patrick's Day, and we had some outstanding decorations on many of the boats. We shared lots of good food and many bottles of champagne. There was an unusual 50/50 raffle using \$1.00 bills with your initials written on them. We were able to welcome lots of new members, potential new members from Hawthorne, and guests.



#### **MURDER ON THE LAKES - October 31, 2020**













The winning investigative team!

#### **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.

## \$\$\$ 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.



#### **NOVEMBER EVENTS**

November 14, 2020
PYC Thanksgiving at Hickory Point
Hosts: Butch & Merrilyn Karrels



Anchor Up 10:15 – 10:30 A.M. Dead River & Lake Eustis Social Hour at 11:30 A.M. Lunch 12:00

We will be social distancing; you may bring guests at your discretion. We will be doing a flotilla through the Dead River and along the East shore of Lake Harris to Hickory Point.

Bring your own lunch, beverages, utensils and mask and disinfectant to protect yourself when using the Hickory Point facilities.

We will be accepting self-nominated members for the new Board and voting for members nominated by the Nominating Committee headed by Bettie Nebergall (Chair of the Nominating Committee). If we have self-nominated members for the Board; a quorum is required for the vote; otherwise, we use "Robert's Rules of Order" to accept the new Board.



November 28, 2020

Moss Bluff Picnic
Hosts: Bob & Cathy Banta
Jim & Carol Clarke



Raft Up 8:45 – 9:00 A.M. Haines Creek & Lake Eustis Lunch at 12:00

We will meet at Haines Creek side of Lake Eustis. Then proceed up Haines Creek to Lake Griffin and up the Ocklawaha River to Moss Bluff. We will remain on our boats and eat our lunch. After lunch we will have a game or two and prizes will be awarded.

You might want to bring your porta potty if you think you will need it. There are facilities at Moss Bluff.



#### **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

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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. 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.

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: Roast turkey Ham Mashed potatoes Stuffing Green beans Gravy Dessert



This is your chance to wear your Christmas sweater.

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.

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.

2020 EVENTS CALENDAR FOR PONTOON YACHT CLUB

Please submit PYC Outing Information Form to the Commodore Bkafter60@gmail.com

Date	Form	Outing Description & Location	Host 1	Host 2			
11/14/2020		PYC Thanksgiving @ Hickory Point	PYC event	Bring your own dinner			
11/28/2020		Moss Bluff	Bob & Cathy Banta	Jim & Carol Clarke			
12/12/2020		Christmas Luncheon	Cindy & John Kindinger Joanne Welsh & Bill Marsella	Arthur & Linda Stowell			

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### Please submit PYC Outing Information Form to the Commodore <a href="mailto:Bkafter60@gmail.com">Bkafter60@gmail.com</a>

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				
2/13/2021				
2/27/2021		Georgefest	Bob & Bettie Nebergall	
3/13/2021				
3/27/2021				
4/10/2021				
4/24/2021				
5/8/2021				
5/22/2021				
6/12/2021				
6/26/2021				
7/10/2021				
7/24/2021				
8/14/2021				
8/28/2021				
9/11/2021				
9/25/2021				

10/9/2021			
10/23/2021	GPS Scrabble	Butch & Merrilyn Karrels	
11/13/2021			
12/11/2021			

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