



PONTOON YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER

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HAPPY JANUARY BIRTHDAYS



January 6	Nancy Noffsinger
January 9	George McCord
January 10	Dave Asaibene
January 11	Lorraine Wiersma
January 14	Nick Quackenbush
January 17	John Kindinger
January 19	Harriet Reuter
January 20	Sue Pierce
January 23	Al Allen





Commodore's

January 2022

Comments – Jim Clarke

I want to thank Commodore Cindy and the entire Board of Directors for their leadership and work for a very successful 2021 season. THANK YOU ALL!

I want you to know that I accept my new position, as Commodore, with the greatest honor and respect. I will need the help and cooperation of the Board of Directors as well as every member. It is important for all members to remember that this is your club and we need all of you to participate, host or co-host and attend outings throughout the year. If you have not signed up for an event for 2022, please do so. There is a schedule in this newsletter. Contact me to schedule your event.

Thank you all for helping make the 2022 schedule complete.

The first Board of Directors meeting, for 2022, will be held at Crazy Gators after the outing on January 13th. It is important that all officers and board members attend our first meeting so we can establish our ideas and direction for 2022.

At this time, I am going to announce that Butch Karrels will be our Cruise Master for 2022. I am excited to have Butch, with all his expertise, to lead us on our cruises. Thanks Butch, glad to have you on board.

Commodore Jim

Vice Commodore Report – Cheryl Rhoads

No report for this month but will have something for the next newsletter.

Rear Commodore Report – Bob Banta

Christmas Outing at Mt. Dora Country Club

We had an excellent outing with a total of 47 members and guests. Sadly there were no boats. 😊 *Happy New Year to all!*

Two January Events

First PYC Outing Event of 2022

Thursday, Jan 13, 2022

**Crazy Gator Restaurant
402 N Bay St, Eustis**

Raft UP: 10.30-10:45 a.m., Lake Eustis side of the Dead River

Social Hour: 11:30AM, Lunch at 12:00 Noon, Order off the Menu

Hosts: Vik & Elizabeth Kapoor
Co-Hosts: Leo & Harriet Reuter

Please come by car or boat, but do come to celebrate the beginning of a new year with PYC Members.

There will be many drawings for gifts for couples and singles. **For reservation, please text/call: Vik Kapoor at 352-459-4839 or Email: vkapoor441@gmail.com**

Second PYC Outing Event of 2022

Wednesday, Jan 26, 2022

**Boondocks Bar & Grill
704 S Lakeshore Blvd, Howey-in-the-Hills**

Raft Up: 10.30-10:45 a.m., Dead River and Lake Harris

Social Hour: 11:30AM, Lunch at 12:00 Noon, Order off the Menu

Hosts: Butch & Merrilyn Karrels
Co-Hosts: Jim Stewart & Kelly

“Honoring our Military” is the theme for this event. We will have trivia questions related to our military. Jim and Kelly will operate the 50/50 drawing. Butch and Merrilyn will supply cookies for dessert and operate the trivia game along with Jim & Kelly. There will be prizes for best scores on the trivia game. **Please RSVP by Tuesday, January 18th to: Butch Karrels: 352-742-0731 or Email: bkafter60@gmail.com**



Christmas Party December 11, 2021

Welcome Al & Diane



Welcome Back George & Judi

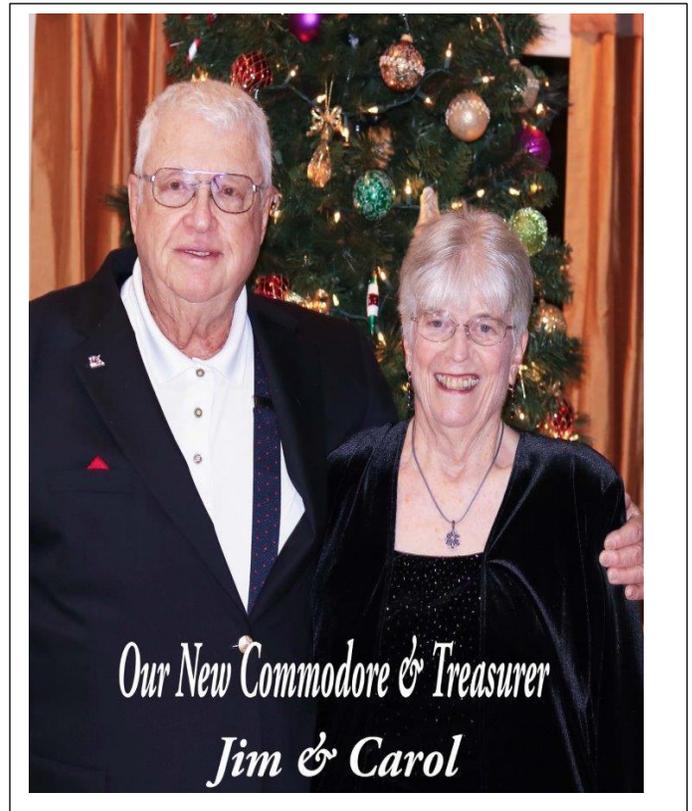


Welcome to New Officers





**Flag Presented by
2021 Commodore Cindy
to the 2022 Commodore Jim**



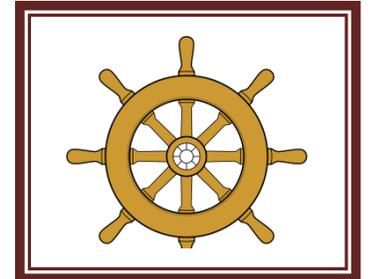
Vik Administering - the Oath for the New Officers



Tune Tips from Butch



VHF RADIO ETIQUETTE



While boats of our size are not required to have VHF radios, we are required to follow Federal Communications Commission and Coast Guard protocols when we use our radios. Since we are all monitoring "Channel 72", I would propose we adopt the following guidelines for the sake of simplicity and consistency.

- 1) For hailing purposes the Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, and Cruise Master should be hailed as: Commodore "first name", Vice Commodore "first name", Rear Commodore "first name" or Cruise Master "first name" respectfully.
- 2) All other inter-boat communications should be PYC "boat number" to PYC "boat number".

Example 1: R.C. (Rear Commodore) wants to talk with C. (Commodore)

Rear Commodore **initiates** : "Commodore "name", Commodore "name", Commodore" name"-

Rear Commodore "name"

Commodore **responds**- "Rear Commodore "name" this is Commodore "name" over"

R.C. is now free to initiate the conversation with C. and continue until concluded by tagging "over" at the end of each exchange. C. and R.C. continue to monitor "Channel 72".

Example 2: PYC30 notices that PYC10 is trailing a line at their stern. The conversation would go like this:

PYC30 **initiates** - "PYC10, PYC10, PYC10, this is PYC30"

PYC10 **responds** - "PYC30 this is PYC10 over"

PYC30 is now OK to warn PYC10 about the dangerous situation with the trailing line and continue until concluded by tagging "over" at the end of each exchange.

Example 3: C.M. has a message for all PYC boats.

C.M. **initiates**: "All PYC boats, All PYC boats, All PYC boats, C.M. "name"

Unless requested it is not necessary for the PYC boats to respond. Just wait for the C.M. to deliver the message and follow any directions. C.M. finishes and says OUT' and monitors "Channel 72".



A Look Back in Time by Kay Weaver, Historian

In October, 2003, Commodore Roy Weddle wrote in the Commodore’s section of the Newsletter the following: “Our members have made this club a friendly club and we need to strive to continue getting everyone involved in our activities and participating as much as we possibly can. If any of our new members would like to help the remaining hosts, please give the hosts a call. It would be appreciated and it is a way of getting involved and getting to know other members.” The statement that we are a friendly club made me think that every member needs to strive to get to know our new members joining our club throughout the year. When you see anyone at our meeting that you do not know, make the effort to introduce yourself. So what if you have met before, the more times you talk with someone, the more likely you are to remember them. Also, if you see anyone whether new or old member sitting alone, go over and join them or invite them to your table. We ARE a friendly club so let’s make the effort!

October is usually a month we have an away outing and in 2003, we were in Homosassa at MacRae’s on the Homosassa River. The day before our arrival, a terrible accident occurred in the rain when a man and his wife driving from the restaurant next door turned right instead of left and drove down the launch ramp into the river. The wife survived, but the man was not so lucky and drowned. Soon after, a reporter arrived to report on the accident and drove his car into river on top of the first vehicle. The news reporters survived. The next day a news reporter on the day we arrived to launch our boats was videotaping the ramp and caught Roy Weddle and some of our members as they were launching their boats. Talk about being under pressure to do a good job launching your boat..... The outing at Homosassa was a fun filled weekend of hot dogs and marshmallows roasted on an open fire, Halloween Party in the hospitality room, and boating on the Homosassa River cruising to the Gulf and up to the springs. If you get a chance to go to one of our away outings in 2022 don’t miss it. It is a good way to get to know your fellow PYC members and explore a part of Florida you may not have been before.



Kay Weaver, Historian

\$\$\$ Reminder from your Treasurer \$\$\$

As a reminder, PYC annual dues for 2022 are **due by January 1, 2022**. The annual dues are still \$24.00. Every year the dues are for the current year, January 1 to December 31.

All dues for 2022 must be paid by **January 31, 2022** to maintain membership status.

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

Get Well Cards from the Club

A great big Thank You goes out to **Edna Korb** for serving as our Sunshine person this past year!

On the next page you will find the current **“PYC Outing Schedule”**.

There are spots left, so sign up soon to select your best choice of dates.

Every member needs to sign up to host an event. Use the attached calendar on the next page to choose the exact date. If possible, schedule restaurant events on a weekday (preferably Thursday).

Please submit PYC Outing Information Form to the Commodore Jim Clarke:

jclarke529@gmail.com

and copy Carol: carolclarke4@gmail.com

Every member needs to sign up to host an event. Use the attached calendar to choose the exact date. If possible, schedule restaurant events on a weekday (preferably Thursday).

Date	Exact Day	Form	Outing Description & Location	Host 1	Host 2
1/13/2022 Thursday	13		Crazy Gator	Vik & Elizabeth Kapoor	Leo & Harriet Reuter
Fourth week of January (Wed.)	26		Boondocks Bar & Grill	Butch & Merrilyn Karrels	Jim Steward & Kelly
Second week of February					
2/26/2022 Saturday	26		George fest Parade – Eustis	Bob & Bettie Nebergall	
3/10/2022 Thursday	10		St. Patrick's	Dan & Sharon Vincent	
3/24/2022 Thursday	24		Gator Bay	Bill & Robin Costoplos	
4/14/2022 April	14		TBD	Richard & Cookie Brown	
Fourth week of April	26-28		Castaways on the St. Johns River	Butch & Merrilyn Karrels	Terry & Kay Weaver
5/14/2022 Saturday	14		Picnic	John & Cindy Kindinger	Mike & Bonnie Wells
Fourth week of May					
6/9/2022 June	9		Hurricanes	John Gancar & Shelley McGarry	Ray & Jeri Tallman
Fourth week of June					
Second week of July					
Fourth week of July					
Second week of August					
8/25/2022 Thursday	25			Virginia Calven	Carol Clarke
Second week of September			TBD	Carl & Joan Scott	Scott & Lorraine Smith
Fourth week of September			Poker Run	Jim & Carol Clarke	Bob & Cathy Banta Virginia Calven
Second week of October	11-13		Homosassa River	Terry & Kay Weaver	Butch & Merrilyn Karrels
Fourth week of October			Ski Restaurant – Leesburg	Vik & Elizabeth Kapoor	Noffsingers
November 12th			Thanksgiving	Angela Brown Tim Hill	Lorraine Wiersma Joe Comastra
December 10th			Christmas	John & Cindy Kindinger	