



MAINSHEET

Port Arthur Yacht Club

November 2014

COMMODORE'S CORNER:

It has been a great end of summer at PAYC. There was an eventful Around the Island Race at the end of September and an interesting Single Handed Race in early October. I'll not go into great detail here to spoil the Race Chair's report! There is always something happening at PAYC from the racers racing to the weekenders doing, well what weekenders do and the cruisers cruising. We regretfully accepted three resignations this month but welcomed two new members. So, if you see some new faces around the club be sure to say hi!

We will round out October with a cruise to the Orange City Front and an impromptu End of Summer Luau! To start November on the 1st and 2nd will be the ever growing and popular Land Cruise to the Texas Renaissance Festival, the Moonlight Race/Cruise #7 on the 8th and the Olympic Regatta on the 22nd. The two most important events this month is the General Meeting on the 11th. This has become a traditional Thanksgiving eating meeting! The board will provide the turkey or ham (it's a surprise!) and we ask those attending to bring a side or dessert. It is November and the other important happening is the board and Honor Award elections. Make time to attend and cast your ballot, ok you can email it in if you want but you will miss a great meal! We have some really good nominations for honor awards this year.

There will actually be a couple of ballots to vote on this month. There will be the elections of course and a ballot for the expenditure of funds for some commemorative items for our 50th anniversary next year. Yes you heard that right PAYC turns 50 years old in 2015! We are already making plans to make all of 2015 special. To start things off we would like to purchase some limited edition commemorative burgees. Due to the additional colors and embroidery work these will cost a little more than our regular burgees. These special edition burgees will be \$45.00 each. I know that sounds a little

At A Glance

November 2014			
1-2	CS	Renaissance Festival Land Cruise	TBA
8	RCS	Moonlight Race/Cruise #7	1800
11	MS	General/Board Meeting – Thanksgiving	1800
22	R	Olympic Regatta 1,2,3 races	TBA

Welcome new members
 Mr. & Mrs. Charles and Trish Wilkinson
 Mr. & Mrs. Tommy and Keri Porter

expensive for a club burgee but we only turn 50 once! There is a picture of the burgee inside and on the web site at: <http://www.payc.us/#!50-years/cpal> .

The other ballot is to spend additional funds for some commemorative custom framed burgees to celebrate our accomplishment.

In other happenings around the club, hopefully by the time of this publication the asphalt paving of the marina has begun. The word from PIC is they are starting on the 27th.

With that event we will need to get our storage containers moved quickly as was discussed in the October meeting. There are several solutions being considered and are being updated at this time.

Well that about wraps up this month. The end of this year is approaching quickly as is the beginning of a new one! Looking ahead is the Christmas Party/White Elephant gift exchange, the last race of the year and kicking off 2015 is the Marvin Campbell/Jack Painton Frostbite Race and the 2014 Awards Banquet. Our plan is to make 2015 all about our 50 years as a club starting with the banquet. Our social chair is asking for anyone who may have some pictures from earlier times to please contact her at socials@payc.us.

Hope to see you on the water,

Commodore 2014

Russ Myers

Treasure's Corner

Work is nearly completed on the transition to the new billing system. My current task is finding out why we have a couple of members who have not responded to billing from the new system. All were active members so I'm hoping that my contact information is not correct so I'm asking the membership if anybody has current contact information on the follow members would they please relay it to me by leaving a message at the club or by sending me an email at treasurer@payc.us. The lost member list includes: Beck, Joe; Davis, Mack & Lauren; Gallagher, J. Dale & Mary; and Rouse, Mickey.

Thank you,

Alan Aldredge

PAYC Treasurer

Racing Report:

The only thing I have to report on is two club races, the Single Hand Race, and the Around the Island Race. We had Single-Hand Skippers Race which was won by Ken Ruddy, followed by Richard Hughes, Russ Myers, Steve Romies and Paul Vera. They competed on a long triangle course which tested the abilities of each one on various points of wind. It was a great race very competitive for some and well for me let's just say there are other things that are worse than being seasick. All in all it was one the better races of the Year.

As for the Around the Island the overall winner was Ted Mahavier, I was not able to attend but I did here Russ Myers was in front until he found the 1000 foot cut is rather shallow and ran hard aground. It happens to the best of them. It also was a great Race and will be held next year. Nov. 8 is Moonlight race skippers at 6pm. Make up race for the Racing Fleet Fred Grund race will be held Nov. 15 skippers meeting 10am. and on Nov. 22 we will hold the last Olympic races skippers meeting 10 am.

Sailing with a twisted stomach:

Paul Vera
Ass. Race Chairman

Cruising Report:

Cruisers do it on the water!

Our cruise to Orange happened over the weekend of October 25th and 26th. Six boats with 15 passenger left PAYC Saturday morning. The bad news was... the wind was mostly out of the wrong direction. The good news was... the winds were very light and the weather was beautiful, so it made for an easy motor/sail all the way to our destination.

We had a good place to tie up against a bulkhead as far up Adams Bayou as you can go with a sailboat and we were just a hop, skip, and stagger step from the Orange Boat Clubhouse. I want to give a big thank you to Mr. Ike, the owner of Muddy Waters Marina, for letting us tie up there overnight.

We arrived with plenty of daylight and time to “socialize” amongst ourselves before walking across the street that evening. The Orange folks have a nice facility and a great location for their club with a lot of active participants.

This cruise has been a long time in the making and I had done a lot of ground work to make it happen. It could be that we had a much earlier start in getting our party mode on, so when the time came to start the party at their clubhouse we showed up in force and Well let's just say, "It was all good, especially once the music started!"

We were ones invited to their Halloween party, but through this fun experience I have coined a new phrase for our PAYC group. "We don't go to a party, We are the party!" It was a lot of fun and we have some folks that can shake up a dance floor with style. After an evening of dancing and laughter we all made the trip back across the street and aired out on the upper deck of the Cajun Drifter. At least all of us walked back except Craig who stayed behind to finish watching a football game at the Tiki Bar. We eventually saw glow lights tacking back and forth across the street and through the parking lot signaling his return.

After a nights rest we made our way back to Pleasure Island with continuing beautiful weather. Thanks everyone for making this a safe, successful, and very enjoyable weekend cruise!

The following boats, captains and crew, in no particular order, made the trip. Last names have been left off to protect the innocent and the not so innocent. Sanity, with Mike, Ettie and Lynette. Cop A Lean, with Craig and Russ. Sea Hawk, with Art and Ann. Jammin, with Steve. Cajun Drifter with Kelvin, Ginny, Greg and Ruth. Sinbad, with Chris, David, and Mr. Bradley. Joining us by land that afternoon were Larry and Rosemary, Rebecca Boone (the dancing queen) and my lovely wife Lisa. There were a lot of great pictures taken over the weekend. Check them out on the PAYC Face Book page.

Thanks again to everyone who participated in and supported the cruising program this year.

Remember - " We don't go to a party, We are the party!"

Happy Cruising.

Cruising Director
Steve Romeis

Social Report:

The Luau was a great time and the band was great! I would like to do another one next year so I welcome your suggestions on the date. Who knows we may just have some Palapa covers over our tables outside next year. I love our PAYC family and look forward to these occasions with you.

Don't forget that our November meeting is our Thanksgiving celebration and would love to see everyone there. It will be the second Tuesday of November on the 11th. Please bring a side dish, salad or desert.

In January at our Awards Banquet we will be celebrating 50 years and so I need any pictures you may have old and new so that we can show them in a slide show at the banquet. I will have more details concerning the banquet later on.

Social Director
Ettie Haley

Junior Sailing

As of now we are looking for used sunfish and lasers. Let me know if you would like to sale or donate one to the club. We look for big things from our Junior fleet next year.

Paul Vera
Junior
Chairman
409-363-3898

(PAYC)
General Meeting
October 14, 2014

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Russ Myers, Commodore
Mike Wise, Vice Commodore
Craig J. Belaire, Secretary
Paul Vera, Past Commodore
Alan Aldregde
Jim Richardson
David Bradley
Jim Richardson
Ettie Haley
Ted Mahavier
Mike Givens
Butch Neely
Glenda Portner
Tom Porter
Charles Wilkinson
Chuck Devenzio

Commodore Russ Myers called the meeting to order at 19:00 hrs.

Ted Mahavier made a motion to approve the August minutes as presented in the main sheet. Second by Jim Richardson. No discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS:

TREASURER –

Prepared by Alan Aldredge

Members may email the Treasurer@payc.us for the report submitted at the meeting for review.

MEMBERSHIP – Mr. & Mrs. Charles and Trish Wilkinson and Mr. & Mrs. Tommy and Keri Porter membership applications will be reviewed in Board Meeting.

RACING – Around the Island Race results were as follows:

Ted Mahavier
Richard Hughes
Greg Lynd
Russ Myers
Art Lynd

The Single handed race results were as follows:

Ken Ruty
Richard Huges
Russ Myers
Steve Romies

Paul Vera
Mike Givens

Moonlight Race is scheduled for Nov 8th skippers meeting at 1800.

HARBOR MASTER – 58 boats in the marina. 49 boats are members.

HOUSE and GROUNDS- Cleaning of the club house is progressing well. Many positive comments.

CRUISING – Next cruise is scheduled for Oct. 25 to Adams Bayou skippers meeting at 1000 hrs.

Renfest land cruise is scheduled for weekend of Nov. 1st.

SOCIALS – The **luau** is scheduled for October 18. Everyone is asked to bring a side dish to go with BBQ or bring your own for light the pit. Our awards banquet is set for January 17th at Courville's on Hwy 90. Watch for more information from the social director. We will be celebrating the club's 50th anniversary. All past Commodores will be invited. We are asking for old PAYC pictures from the past to present for a slide show at the banquet. Send them to socials@payc.us.

SAFETY– Nothing to report.

JR. SAILING –Nothing to report.

SEA SCOUTS – Sean is still in the process of his projects. Still investigating getting Bell of the Ball for the Sea Scouts project boat.

LAMAR SAILING CLUB – Bryant Carruth is doing an excellent job at re-energizing the campus club. They have been at the marina a few time sailing over the last few weeks.

PIC REPORT – No pic report.

OLD BUSINESS –Thanks to Mike Wise for replacing the key pad which is going to be paid by PIC.

NEW BUSINESS- Estimates were discussed for moving the two storage containers to the screen house area. General cost will be in the \$2,500 - \$3,000 area. More information will be collected.

Nominating committee with Art Lynd, Chuck Devinzio and Ken Rutty reported the following:

2015 Officers Nominations:

Commodore – Russ Myers
Vice Commodore – Mike Wise
Secretary – Craig J. Belaire
Treasurer – Alan Aldredge
Paul Vera- past Commodore

2015 Board Nominations:

Ken Rutty
Daniel Tatum
Jim Richardson
Ted Mahavier
Rick Hughes

Trustee Nomination – Chuck Devenzio

Honor Award nominations for 2014 are as follows:

Novice of the year - Bryant Carruth

Yachtsman of the year – Paul Vera, Mike Wise, Ted Mahavier, Craig Belaire

John Blair Memorial – Alan Aldredge, Ettie Haley, Craig Belaire, Butch Neely, John Ardion

Skipper of the year(Vic Scalco Memorial) – Russ Myers, Ken Rutty, Ted Mahavier

Racing crew person of the year –Mike Givens, Ricky Richardson, Daniel Tatum, Jim Richardson, Kirk Wickizer

Cruiser of the year(Chilton O'Brien Memorial) – Ronnie & Songa Gremillion, Ted Mahavier, Kelvin & Jenny Franks, Greg Lynd & Ruth Hoyle, Steve Romies.

Cruising crewperson of the year – Ettie Haley, Ruth Hoyle, Marilee Devenzio, Lynette Gillenwater.

Since our club's 50th Anniversary will be May 20th, 2015 we discussed designing a commemorative burgee for the occasion to be sold to club members. Estimates and designs will be investigated.

Jim Richardson motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded Ted Mahavier. The motion passed without objection and the General Meeting ended at 20:35 hrs, October 14, 2014.

Port Arthur Yacht Club (PAYC)
Board Meeting
October 14, 2014

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Russ Myers, Commodore
Mike Wise, Vice Commodore
Alan Aldredge, Treasurer
Craig J. Belaire, Secretary
Paul Vera, Past Commodore
Jim Richardson
Chuck Devinzio
Glenda Portner
Mike Givens
Tommy Porter
Charles Wilkinson

Russ Myers called the meeting to Order at 2044 hrs.

Jim Richardson made a motion to approve the July Board meeting minutes as presented. Second by Craig Belaire. Motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS:

TREASURER – Carryover on account balances.

MEMBERSHIP- Paul Vera made a motion and seconded by Mike Wise to accept Mr. & Mrs. Tommy and Keri Porter as new members. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Paul Vera and seconded by Jim Richardson to accept Mr. & Mrs. Charles and Trish Wilkinson as new members. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Russ Myers and seconded by Paul Vera to terminate Jeff Patton's membership in bad standing. Motion passed unanimously. Motion was made by Russ Myers and seconded by Paul Vera to send a certified letter to member Bob Peck requesting back dues. Motion passed unanimously.

The following members are passed due. Please contact Alan Aldredge at Treasurer@payc.us so he may get your correct contact information and membership status. Beck, Joseph; Davis, Mack & Lauren; Gallagher, J. Dale & Mary; Rouse, Mickey.

HARBOR MASTER- Carry Over from General Meeting

RACING- Carry Over from General Meeting

HOUSE and GROUNDS - Carry Over from General Meeting.

CRUISING - Carry Over from General Meeting

SOCIALS - Carry Over from General Meeting

SAFETY- Carry Over from General Meeting

JR. SAILING – TSA Endless Summer Regatta will be held in Seabrook Sept. 20-21st.

SEA SCOUTS - Carry Over from General Meeting

LAMAR SAILING CLUB- Carry Over from General Meeting

PIC REPORT - Carry Over from General Meeting

OLD BUSINESS-Two bids to fix on of the a/c units were discussed. One bid was for \$5,000 and the other was for \$4,400. With the cooler weather and no current long-term lease the decision was made to table this project until we get a long-term lease.

NEW BUSINESS- Alan Aldredge ask for direction on a Leased improvement CD coming due this month. Motion made by Russ Myers and seconded by Paul Vera to roll over CD ending in *5197 at BBVA/Compass bank into another 6 month CD. Motion Carried.

New Lease – Mike Wise reported that the City of Port Arthur’s Purchasing Dept is putting together a RFP for the lease of the current club area. They are using the proposal we supplied them. His understanding is it should be ready in one month with the hopes of having it completed by Dec. 31.2014

Jim Richardson motioned to adjourn the meeting seconded by Mike Wise. The motion passed without objection and the Board Meeting ended at 21:45 October 14, 2014.

2015 Officer and Board Ballot

Nominees for Officers (Vote for one for each position)

Commodore: Russ Myers

Vice Commodore: Mike Wise

Secretary: Craig Belaire

Treasurer: Alan Aldredge

Board Member (as Past Commodore): Paul Vera

Trustee: (vote for one)

Chuck Devenzio

Nominees for Board (vote for four):

Ken Rutty

Daniel Tatum

Jim Richardson

Ted Mahavier

Rick Hughes

2009 Honor Award Selection Ballot –vote for one

Novice of the Year *Criteria: Is a new sailor (less than one year as a member of PAYC.) Shows a willingness to accept responsibilities in promoting club activities and demonstrates improved sailing abilities through participation in major and minor sailing activities both in the lake and surrounding waters.*

Nominees: Bryant Carruth

Yachtsman of the Year *Criteria: Participates in club activities at a high level, demonstrates sailing skills and ability through participation in both major and minor sailing activities, gets along well with others, and shows a willingness to accept leadership roles in promoting club activities.*

Nominees: Paul Vera, Mike Wise, Ted Mahavier, Craig Belaire

John Blair Memorial *Criteria: Provides outstanding service to the club.*

Nominees: Alan Aldredge, Ettie Haley, Craig Belaire, Butch Neely, John Ardion

Skipper of the Year: Vic Scalco Memorial *Criteria: Participates in a majority of club activities, demonstrates racing skills and abilities by placing well in a fleet or class and displays sportsmanship and a positive competitive attitude.*

Nominees: Russ Myers, Ken Rutty, Ted Mahavier

Racing Crewperson of the Year *Criteria: Crews in many races either as a crewperson on their boat or as a "fill-in" on another boat; demonstrates ability and skills in handling sails in various weather conditions; exhibits a positive attitude toward the skipper and crews of other boats; demonstrates an ability to withstand the harsh atmosphere of a racing boat; is willing to return time and again to develop winning skills required by a winning crew on a winning boat.*

Nominees: Mike Givens, Ricky Richardson, Daniel Tatum, Jim Richardson, Kirk Wickizer

Cruiser of the Year – Chilton O'Brien Memorial *Criteria: Participates actively in the cruising program of PAYC; promotes PAYC not only in the club but in other ports as well; and is recognized as a sailor.*

Nominees: Ronnie & Songa Gremillion, Ted Mahavier, Kelvin & Jenny Franks, Greg Lynd & Ruth Hoyle, Steve Romies

Cruising Crewperson of the Year *Criteria: Participates actively in the cruising program of PAYC; exhibits a positive attitude toward the skipper; is recognized as promoting PAYC not only in the club but in other ports as well.*

Nominees: Ettie Haley, Ruth Hoyle, Marilee Devenzio, Lynette Gillenwater

Storage Container Permanent Move Ballot

Ballot to approve expenditure of funds to move storage containers to permanent location near screen house. Expense not to exceed \$1,600.00.

Approve

Disapprove

50th Anniversary Commemoration Burgee Ballot

Ballot to approve funds to purchase special 50th Anniversary PAYC burgees, funds not to exceed \$2,000.00. These burgees will sell for \$45.00 each; we currently have approximately 30 spoken for at this time. This amount will purchase 50 burgees or less with shipping costs.

Approve

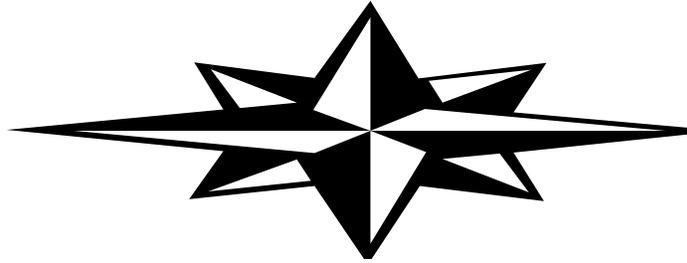
Disapprove

Here is the special limited edition 50th anniversary burgee. They will be 12" x 18" embroidered – Double Sided (reads right on both sides)

(The color chart to the right is the additional colors added to the burgee and reason for the added expense)



	<i>Deep Scarlet-5811</i>
	<i>TH Gold-5906</i>
	<i>Black-5596</i>
	<i>Snow White-5597</i>



2014 PAYC Administration

Officers

Commodore - Russ Myers
Vice-Commodore - Mike Wise
Secretary - Craig Belaire
Treasurer - Alan Aldredge

Board of Directors

Ken Ruty
Daniel Tatum
Art Lynd
Jim Richardson
Paul Vera (Past Commodore)

***Mainsheet* Editor and Webmaster - Group**
Harbormaster – Butch Neely

Committee Chairs

Racing - Daniel Tatum
Cruising - Steve Romeis
Socials – Ettie Haley
House and Grounds - Everyone
Junior Sailing - Paul Vera
Membership - Mike Wise

**Clubhouse Reservations – [Ettie Haley](#)
Safety - [Everyone](#)**