



MAINSHEET

Port Arthur Yacht Club

June 2013

COMMODORE'S CORNER:

Shoot me in the foot and throw me to the sharks, we are not only dealing with PIC but now the City of PA. The Lease Committee is still optimistic that we will finally get the lease done. The wait and see attitude will change if the lease gets put on the back burner. We have worked too hard and spent a large amount of time and money on the lease to let it just sit there without further action.

A workday was held on Saturday, May 18th and we had a great turnout of volunteers to get the numerous projects completed. From toilets to the floating pram dock, we got it done! Thanks to all who helped, now we have loaded up on war stories.

We need to clear the dry storage of mast parts and other sailing gear by the end of June or first of July, we will be moving the storage containers and cleaning that area up, so move it or lose it.

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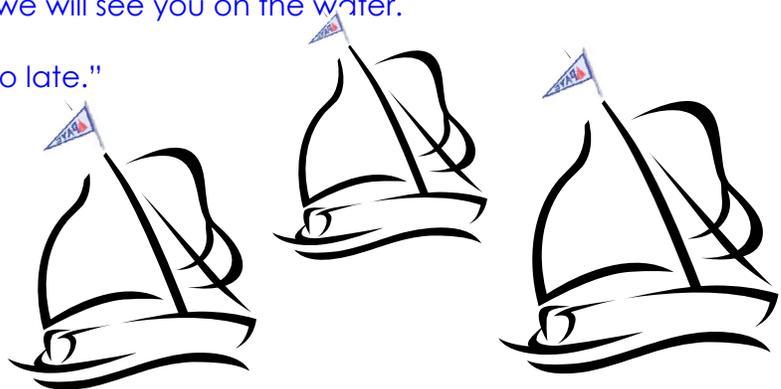
Racing Report:

I am still waiting for Mother Nature to give me a month of good weather for the racing calendar. Can't complain too much as I only cancelled one race in the month of May...come to think of it, it may have been two! The trouble is I have had to cancel so many races this year it is now difficult to keep track. We were able to get in most of the races for the Thursday night series for May. Ken Ruddy pulled out three first place wins to take the series with Paul Vera taking second and Richard Hughes taking third.

The cruising fleet had a battle to the last race between Ted Mahavier and Art Lynd. Art was able to pull out a first in the last race to top Ted. There was good weather for the Dieter Junge race to Galveston. Ted Mahavier was able to pull out the win over Steve Romeis. June is a busy month for racing. Check your race calendar and we will see you on the water.

"Yes, I am a pirate two hundred years too late."
— Jimmy Buffett

Race Chairman
Daniel Tatum



Cruising Report:

With cold and blustery winds and an average boat speed of 6.4 knots, a group of **hardy** PAYC sailors made the cruise to Contraband Days in Lake Charles on May 3. After anchoring overnight at Shell Island, we left early Friday morning and braced gusts of wind up to 50 mph along the way but by mid-afternoon all had arrived safely (and quickly!) Those sailing to Contraband Days were: **Mike Wise** and **Ettie Haley** on **Sanity**, **Chuck** and **Marilee Devenzio** on **Bitter End II**, **Art Lynd** and **Steve Romeis** on **Seahawk**, and **Greg Lynd** and **Ruth Hoyle** on **Pura Vida**. **Ronnie** and **Songa Gremillion** on **My Lu Eze** had sailed in a few days before and **Annette Lynd** and **Lisa Romeis** made the trip by car. The trip back to PAYC on Sunday was less eventful and warmer and **Chuck** and **Marilee** were joined by their son, **Trent Devenzio**, and their daughter **Amber Davis**. Despite some challenging weather conditions, I believe all had a great time!



There was lots of activity at the club over Memorial Day Weekend starting off on Saturday when two boats with the Texas Mariner's Cruising Association (TMCA) sailed from Kemah for an overnight stay. On Sunday, eighteen people on four boats made an impromptu cruise to Garrison's Ridge. After anchoring, the barbecue pits were lit and the socializing began. Those attending were **Art** on **Seahawk** with **Robert Lattimer** and **Becky**; **Mike** and **Ettie** on **Sanity** with **Jasmine** and **Ian** (Mike's daughter and grandbaby), and **Crystal Wise**; **Bob** and **Suzanne Brammer** on **Pod**; and **Greg, Ruth, Chuck, Marilee, Deena, Mike Gill, Kelvin Franks** and **Ginny Duhon** on **Pura Vida**.

With the first half of the year almost gone, I would say that both our scheduled and impromptu cruises have been great fun and we still have many more to come. I hope you will be able to join us on our next cruise!

Cruising Director
Greg Lynd



Junior Sailing Report:

The Camp will be held June 20 through 23. It's looking like it might be another big one. Read next month's *Mainsheet* to see what happens, it should be a lively report.

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Coming June 15!

Make plans now to be part of this year's PAYC Treasure Hunt.
Captains meet at 10 am to draw for maps.

It's a race, a hunt, a test of your sailing skills, and lots of fun.
So start picking your teammates, invite friends to join us, work on strategies, change out the batteries in your GPS, polish up your pirate paraphernalia, pick up some cannon balls (water balloons), and make plans to be a treasure hunter. T shirts will be sold to support the event. No fee to enter.

Art Lynd
The Hunt Master



Port Arthur Yacht Club (PAYC)
General Meeting
May 14, 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Paul Vera, Commodore
Mike Wise, Vice Commodore
Alan Aldredge, Treasurer
Jim Richardson, Secretary
John Ardoin
Russ Myers
Johnny Otto
Ted Mahavier
Daniel Tatum
Butch Neely
Chris Boone
Craig Belaire
Art Lynd
Ken Rutty

Paul Vera called the meeting to Order at 1900 hours.

REPORTS:

MEMBERSHIP: Chris and Rebecca Boone submitted application. Mickey and Darlene Rouse submitted application. Both applications will be considered in the Director's Board meeting.

TREASURER: Alan Aldredge reported: All is well.

PIC: Paul Vera reported 1) that the PAYC Lease Committee met with the City Manager and the lease prepared by the PAYC Attorney on retainer will be submitted for consideration to the PIC Advisory Board. 2) that the Lease Committee and others will meet with the City Council to discuss the PAYC 3) that Shoremaster was present to review T-head failure, re-coating pylons, rollers, electrical, and other maintenance or repair issues with the marina construction project. 3) a fueling dock is still under consideration.

HARBORMASTER: Russ Myers indicated that a pothole existed at the front gate.

RACING: Daniel Tatum said that 1) the Fred Grund Long Distance Race was won by Ted Mahavier (Cruisers) and Richard Hughes (Racers) 2) the April Thursday Night Series was won by Ted Mahavier (Cruisers) and Paul Vera (Racers) 3) the Dieter Junge Race to Galveston is set for May 25, 2013, Skipper's meeting at 6 PM on May 23, 2013.

HOUSE and GROUNDS: 1) Russ Myers reported that an A/C unit lacked freon and members should not use the upper thermostat in the kitchen until repairs are completed. 2) Paul reported that a work day was needed and asked that members participate on May 18, 2013, at 8:00am for breakfast then work projects thereafter on the launching dock, the wench, and the restrooms. Ted Mahavier motioned that money gifted by the Scalco's be used to build the dock. Craig Belaire seconded the motion and it carried without objection. Craig Belaire then motioned that the rebuilt dock be named the "Vic Scalco Floating Dock". Russ Myers seconded the motion and it carried without objection. 3) PAYC building and grounds security was discussed and Paul Vera motioned the security be improved in phases if needed, first by embedding poles and signs marking the club boundaries, second by running ropes between the poles, and third by installing a fence. Daniel Tatum seconded the motion and after discussion it carried without objection. 4) Ted Mahavier suggested that PAYC write a letter to PIC and the City Manager concerning security and other issues within club boundaries. 5) Mike Wise stated that security options to update/repair the front gate would cost between \$1000-\$2500.

CRUISING: Mike Wise reported 1) that four boats participated in the Shell Island cruise/Peggy's restaurant trip and it was successful despite the weather. 2) the Galveston cruise is set for Memorial Day Weekend.

Art Lynd announced that the Treasure Hunt is set for June 15, 2013 at 10:00 AM. Non-club members with sailboats may participate in the event.

SOCIALS: 1) Paul Vera stated that Fajita Rita is set for May 18th at the PAYC Clubhouse.

LAMAR SAILING CLUB: Ted Mahavier reported 1) that the club held their annual banquet 2) that he posted a copy of the rules-of-conduct in the PAYC clubhouse for Lamar students participating in sailing activities at the PAYC. Ted indicated that the students had been read the rules, but wanted PAYC members to know what the students had been told about club participation. 3) Ted motioned that the club should make and post a sign indicating that the Lamar Sailing Club and the Sea Scouts sail at the PAYC. Art Lynd seconded the motion and it passed without objection.

JR. SAILING: Paul Vera stated 1) *Bout' Time* is experiencing power steering issues and bids are being solicited for the repairs. Craig Belaire motioned that up to \$400.00 be allocated for the repairs of *Bout' Time*. Ted Mahavier seconded the motion and it carried without objection. 2) that this year's Sailing Camp will be June 20-23, 2013. Fees are \$85 for members' children and \$95 for non-members' children. The camp registration application is now online.

SEA SCOUTS: Paul Vera stated that the scouts gained two new members.

NEW BUSINESS: None

OLD BUSINESS: 1) Jim Richardson stated he discussed options with Shari Pulliam, DFPS, for the Children's Sail Day. Members agreed that July 20, 2013, at 10:00AM would be a good start time for the event which will include a classroom presentation, sailing, and lunch.

Mike Wise motioned to adjourn the meeting, Daniel Tatum seconded. The motion passed without objection and the general meeting ended at 2037 hours.

Port Arthur Yacht Club (PAYC)
Director's Board Meeting
May 14, 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Paul Vera, Commodore
Mike Wise, Vice Commodore
Alan Aldredge, Treasurer
Jim Richardson, Secretary
Art Lynd
Daniel Tatum
Russ Myers
Chris Boone
Ken Ruty
Craig Belaire

Paul Vera called the meeting to Order at 2044 hours.

REPORTS:

MEMBERSHIP: Mike Wise presented the applications of 1) Chris and Rebecca Boone. Art Lynd motioned that their application be accepted. Russ Myers seconded and the motion passed without objection. 2) Mickey and Darlene Rouse. Allen Aldredge motioned that the Rouse's be accepted and reinstated as full members, thus renewing their membership. Art Lynd seconded and the motion carried without objection.

TREASURER: Allen stated that the excessive monies in the checking account resulted from expiring CD's. He asked what the Board wanted to do with the funds. Mike Wise suggested that because some of these monies might be needed if a new lease is negotiated, that the issue be tabled until next month's meeting. Members agreed.

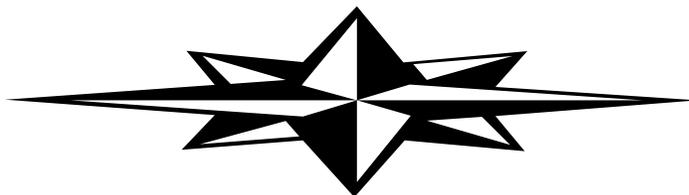
The following committees' reports "Carried-Over" from the General Meeting of May 14, 2013.

RACING
HARBORMASTER
HOUSE and GROUNDS
CRUISING
SOCIALS
JR. SAILING
SEA SCOUTS
LAMAR SAILING CLUB

OLD BUSINESS: Paul stated that the ink printer had been replaced.

NEW BUSINESS: Nothing to report

Alan Aldredge motioned to adjourn the meeting, Art Lynd seconded. The motion passed without objection and the Director's Board meeting ended at 2057 hours, May 14, 2013.



2013 PAYC Administration

Officers

Commodore - Paul Vera
Vice Commodore - Mike Wise
Secretary - Jim Richardson
Treasurer - Alan Aldredge

Board of Directors

Ken Rutty
Daniel Tatum
Craig Belaire
Art Lynd
Russ Myers (Past Commodore)

***Mainsheet* Editor and Webmaster - Group**
Harbormaster - Russ Myers

Committee Chairs

Racing - Daniel Tatum
Cruising - Greg Lynd
Socials - Songa Gremillion / Group
House and Grounds - Everybody
Junior Sailing - Paul Vera
Membership - Mike Wise
Clubhouse Reservations - Songa Gremillion
Safety - Everybody