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Commodore's Corner – Paul Vera



We are all volunteers. Nobody gets paid for the numerous activities that happen behind that Burgee of Port Arthur Yacht Club. There is a small percentage of members who take on numerous projects that make our club what it is today. I want to thank those who strive to make PAYC a great club to join. We are the only club between Houston and Lake Charles that offers facilities that have access to prime fishing, sailing and youth activities.

With Ted Mahavier's leadership, our Junior Sailing Camp was a complete success from top to bottom. The draft of Club Bylaws has come to a vote and the bylaws were approved. Now we wait for the final version to be distributed to the membership. Also, welcome aboard Brian Meadowcroft to the Executive Board of Directors as he replaces Judy Walters as secretary.

This club is yours. Take care of her and she will take care of you.

Adult Sailing/Racing Report – Paul Vera



Adult Sailing: Plans are in the works to start Adult Sailing again, I'm looking into starting it in the near future along with plans to start up a youth racing program. There is a lot of interest in both. I see both adding more activities for membership and maybe being able to have a chance for some new memberships too. I look forward to moving on both.

Racing: With the finish of the first Thursday Night Series, the numbers read in the Racing Fleet: Ted Mahavier 1st, Richard Hughes 2nd, Ken Rutty 3rd, Steve Romeis 4th, and Paul Vera 5th. In the Cruising Fleet, David Bradley bested Art Lynd.

The series was truly a contest of weather and seamanship, along with a little bit of fun. We also finished the first Moonlight Race with Richard Hughes conducting the race in my absence. In the Racing Fleet, Richard Hughes finished 1st followed by Steve Romeis, and in the Cruising Fleet, Ted Mahavier bested David Bradley.

Please check the schedule on the club calendar. I will be dusting off my race management skills on the water with 'Bout Time.' It should be something that will help everybody in keeping correct times.

Junior Sailing Report – Ted Mahavier



JSC 2020 was smooth sailing! Everyone agreed that with the perfect conditions, these campers sailed better than any group before. As you start thinking about next year, keep in mind that we always need more female campers and more diversity in our camp! Now that JSC 2020 has ended, JSC 2021 is under way. Butterfly Brooks has repaired four Sunfish bows and added rub rail to one Sunfish. We've assessed the state of all Laser sails, Sunfish sails, and Opti rigs. We've purchased bullhorns, rigging tape, batteries, sharpies, and extra line.

Next steps: We've got a few old boats to sell, a few boats to strip, and a few trailers to clear out. We are making progress on these. After that, it's time to start shopping for boats to upgrade the fleet a bit. Please keep your eyes out for good deals on Sunfishes in good shape.

Thanks to: All the kids who had fun – watching you become sailors makes it all worthwhile! All the parents who entrusted us with your children. Rodney Champagne (pron. shom-pine) for spreading all the gravel before camp. The Devezios and Lynds for cleaning up grounds before camp.

All who helped out during camp including: Andrew Brooks, Art Lynd, Austin Mahavier, Butch Neely, Butterfly Brooks, Caroline Mahavier, David Bradley, Donna Collier, Evie Shipley, Garrett Oliver, Greg Lynd, Judy Walters, Kelly Johnston, Kori Rodriguez, Mark McConnell, Nicole Champagne, Paul Vera, Randall Collier, Ruth Lynd and Terry Shipley.

Congratulations to: Keegan Johnston who was promoted this year from Counselor-in-Training to Junior Counselor. Drake Johnson will be a Counselor-in-Training for JSC 2021. Nathan Oldbury earned Best Opti. Olivia Smith earned Best Sunfish. Trent Smith earned Best Laser.

Last, but definitely not least, sometimes I have to be the bad guy to keep the fleet in fighting form. 😷 If you have gear in or near the Boat House and want to discuss storage, you need to talk to me in July before it finds its way to Boaters Resale! JSC does not have room to store PAYC members' gear. Off the top of my head, I can list 10 large items that are taking up space that I have to shuffle around in order to launch the fleet, repair the fleet, and store the fleet.



From the Treasurer – Mike Givens



Invoices went out on July 1st and will go out monthly. You can prepay for as many months as you want. Simply multiply the total invoice by the number of months you wish to pay. Send a check or use bank pay. Those who already have bank pay will get a credit reduction each month. If you want to pay more on the invoice, it will give you an error. To get around this, put in 1 cent less and it will take it. The response has been tremendous. As usual, feel free to contact me: Treasurer@payc.us

A Tribute to Ken Dorris



As Membership Chair, I wanted to share that we lost a long-time member named Ken Dorris. His son called me looking for information about his dad's boat, Solutions, which is on the hard at the marine yard. Karey Amick knew him well and offered the following tribute. If anyone is longing for a project boat, there is a great prospect available! – David Bradley

The Dream Boat

I shall tell you my observation of a man that would appear from time to time to the marina. He would show up and not say much and would begin to work on his old battle-scarred girl that rested in her slip, broken parts around her deck and paint all rubbed hard here and there on her sides. Then all at once, he'd be gone. I was hoping to get to meet him. Soon the day came, and I caught him there on her teak deck. I asked how he was doing and told him who I was and complimented him and his boat. I will tell you, he was slow to get to know. I wrote this off as him being deep in thought and maybe he had been dreaming about all the ways he was going to fix her up. The boat was a cutter-style sloop of the west sail making. And she was a good batch of fiber and thick of resins of long ago but cured she was, laid up well and hard as Tennessee Hickory.

Time passed and I stayed here on the island and began to haul a few boats out and began to meet up with Mr. Ken more. We became good friends. We got to haul her out and check her hull and she was one of the first full-keel boats that I hauled out and aimed her bow to the west. Mr. Ken and I now wondered about where to order an air cover and there was none of the matching to be had. We all know the type that comes up and over and is the best way to keep her innards dry from the mold and mildew and the foul smell. I believe it was a year or so that I was walking over by the levee where all the storm boats had found their fate. I saw a piece of rounded pipe and kicked it up and there it was the very mate to the one Mr. Ken had hoped to buy. I cleared it up and made it white again and there it was the very one and only one of its kind. Mr. Ken was happy to place her in the socket again and we both were proud of that. Years have passed since he and I would share our love of boats and where they would take us and how we could find the time to go. I hadn't seen him in awhile, and now I know that he has been laid to rest and God bless his soul. I will always remember my good friend Mr. Ken Dorris. – Karey Amick

Boat for Sale



1995 Catalina 270
New Jib Sail
Diesel Engine
\$16,500
Contact - James Latour
cell 337-794-6348
email James.Latour4@gmail.com

Port Arthur Yacht Club Minutes



Port Arthur Yacht Club (PAYC)
General Meeting
June 9, 2020

Opening

The regular meeting of the PAYC was called to order at 7:44 pm by Paul Vera.

Present

Paul, David, Ted, Mike Givens, Mike Wise, Butch, Rodney, Nicole, Chuck

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved per Paul.

Open Issues

Paul is not getting emails on the Commodore email address. They will look into this issue.

Treasurer Report

Paul handed a budget to everyone. Mike G. read treasurer report. Insurance was paid. This was an increase from what was budgeted. We received a stimulus check.

Mike G. proposes to use part of the stimulus check to pay the difference of the insurance bill.

Mike G. motioned the board to pay the insurance deficit using part of the stimulus in the amount. Ted seconded the motion. No discussion, voted on. Ayes have it. Bills go out on July 1st.

Membership

David gave membership report, we have an application for Heather and Cory which will be voted on at board meeting.

Pleasure Island Advisory Board-Jimmy Dike gave us 2 loads of rock for the boat house. Which were spread by Rodney.

House and Grounds-Harbor Master

Report given by Butch we have 79 boats, 34 PAYC we are at 43% club boats, Marked sink holes as of now there are 69 marked and have about 69-70 more to go. Ken and Barbara Smith purchased and donated a new toilet for the lady's restroom.

Socials

4th of July Commodores picnic is the only thing on the calendar as of now. Kelvin wants to launch his new boat that day with someone here to take pictures. We will have hotdogs, hamburgers.

Cruising

N/A Chris Boone not present no report given.

Racing

Paul gave report, Sailway is now working which is making scoring easier, Boat hopping can only happen if you change fleet. Points are awarded to skipper not boat

Jr. Sailing

Ted gave report, Jr. Sailing is scheduled for June 18-21, We have lost 1.5 participants due to Covid. We are sending out a survey due to Covid to all participants as well as a questionnaire, we are also sending out a liability waiver.

We will be taking temps everyday and using lots of hand sanitizers. We will be keeping kids here- No adults for the weekend and no swimming at the pool.

Adult Sailing

Report given by Paul, Sunday afternoon classes will start after July 4th at 2:00 pm.

Wants to create an all-women's class

Old Business

AC fixed, rocks at boat house are done, roof at boat house is done, bylaws were ratified and are now done. Thanks to Mike G, Ted and David for working on getting bylaws done.

New Business

Butch had \$100.00 budget to put out marks for all the sink holes/washouts. Chuck talked about Christmas Boat Parade. Wanted to know if we were doing it so it can be put on the calendar and advertised. Chuck made a motion to sponsor Christmas boat parade on the same evening just prior to the Christmas party. Mike Wise second the motion, Discussion included that there will be no cost the club for this parade. Cost lies with the boat owners to decorate their own boat. Voted on- I's have it. Motion passed.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Mike Wise, Second by Mike Givens, Meeting was adjourned at time by Facilitator Name. The next general meeting will be held on July 14th.

Minutes submitted by: Nicole Champagne

Port Arthur Yacht Club (PAYC)

Board of Directors Meeting

June 9, 2020

Opening

The board meeting of PAYC was called to order at 7:55 p.m. by Paul Vera

Present

Paul, David, Ted, Mike Givens, Mike Wise, Butch, Rodney, Nicole, Chuck

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were motioned for approval by Ted, Second by Mike Wise.

Treasurer Report

Question of where to keep check book was discussed, Mike thought he should just give the checkbook to Vice Commodore David Bradley, everyone agreed. Therefore Mike G. handed the extra checkbook to David Bradley. Mike will send out invoices monthly instead of yearly. On budget he will rename "boat fleet" to About Time.

Membership

David read application for Cory and Heather gave address and personal info. David made a motion to accept the application. Second by Rodney, there was no discussion, voted I's have it.

A second application was read out by Mike Givens for Solomon and Gabrilla Fremuth gave address and personal information. David made a motion to accept this application. Second by Ted. There was no discussion, voted Ayes have it.

House and Grounds-Harbor Master

Report given by Butch west corner of pavement has a low spot where it doesn't drain it gets slimy and slippery. We have pipe that was for the pump house that was never used. Butch recommends that we use the pipe of make a drain for this area. David volunteers to work with Rodney to get his fixed.

Socials

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Cruising

N/A Chris Boone not present no report given.

Racing

Carry over

Jr. Sailing

Carry over

Adult Sailing

Carry over

Old Business

None

New Business

Thanks to Brian Meadowcroft for the new fridge, and to David Bradley for fixing the cord. Discussion of which toilet to replace in the women's restroom with the new one donated from the Smith's. It was decided to replace the smallest toilet.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Rodney, Second by Ted, Meeting was adjourned at time by Facilitator Name. The next general meeting will be held on July 14th.

Minutes submitted by: Nicole Champagne

Calendar of Events 2020



July

2	R	Thursday Night Series	1800
4	S	Commodore Picnic	1000
9	R	Thursday Night Series	1800

14	M	General/Board Meeting	1900
18-19	R	Spindletop Catamaran Regatta	tba
23	R	Thursday Night Series	1800
30	R	Thursday Night Series	1800

August

1/8	O	PA Library Kids/Family Services Sail Day	1000
8	R	Sabine Lake Race Series	1000
11	M	General/Board Meeting	1900
15	R	Island Cup	1000
22-23	R	J24 Group Race	NOR

September

8	M	General/Board Meeting	1900
12	R	Long Distance Race	1000
19	C/S	Treasure Hunt /Pirate Party	1000

October

3	R	Moon Light Race	1800
13	M	General/Board Meeting	1900
17	S	PAYC/Junior Sailing Reunion	tba
24-25	C	Renfest Pirate Weekend	tba
31	RC	Moon Light Race/Sabine Pass	1800
	S	Halloween Party	tba

November

7	R	Long Distance Race	1000
10	M	Eat & Meet General/Board Meeting	1900
14	C	Red Fish Tournament	1000
21	R	Single Hand Race	1000

December

5	R	Last Race of the Year	1000
8	M	General/Board Meeting	1900
12	S	Lighted Boat Parade	1800
		Christmas Party/Gift Exchange	

January 2021

9	R	Marvin Campbell/Jack Painton	1000
12	M	General/Board Meeting	1900
23	S	Awards Banquet	1800

Contact Us



Website: payc.us

Check the website for information regarding the yearly calendar, bylaws and policies, membership applications, dues and fees, racing rules/procedures, past issues of the Mainsheet and club reservation policies.

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