



The Spreader

October, 2023 - News from Pensacola Beach Yacht Club.



Welcome New Members!

Sharon Hovis
Steve Hancy
Tim Dunton
Bobby Bunch



Commodore's Report by Linda Thompson

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Hello Members!

The weather is finally cooling down, just in time for our Friday the 13th Rum Share event! See more details in Pam's article below. As a reminder, because nothing could possibly go wrong at a Friday the 13th rum tasting, please make sure you have either a designated driver or a rideshare app ready to go on your phone.

In addition to Friday's event, please mark your calendars for our next General Membership Meeting on November 9 at 6pm, probably in our new space. The November meeting is one of the most important ones as we will be electing officers for the upcoming year.

Fortunately, we have a very enthusiastic, hard-working board and most of our board members will be returning to make things happen in 2024. However, we are looking for a Fleet Captain and a Treasurer next year, so if you are interested please submit your intention and interest to Secretary Bonnie Green as soon as possible. If you have any questions about what the responsibilities are, please let me know.

Another thing we will be voting on at the November meeting is the club bylaws. A draft version is available on the website under the Governance page. Please review these bylaws as we plan to vote to approve them at the General Membership meeting on November 9th.

In addition, we have a Board meeting on November 7 at 6pm and, as always, members are welcome to attend with prior notice.

And one more thing before I move along to the building update... Our Holiday Gathering is scheduled for December 29 and, once again, we have secured the fabulous Chef Dan Dunn to cater! Not sure if you were there last year for his gouda-stuffed-bacon-wrapped-grilled shrimp but they were a crowd favorite and went quickly!

And for the news you've all been waiting for..... an update on the building. The drawings for the electrical, plumbing and HVAC have all been approved by the building owner (Scott Wheatley) and he is ready to start sending the plans out for bid. His plan is to have a contractor in place by December and then begin the buildout in January 2024. There are a few things in the building that need to be brought up to code (elevators, bathrooms), but my hope is the owner will be able to hand over our space in a "vanilla shell" some time in the spring. At that point PBYC will begin the process of building our dream!

Linda



Vice Commodore's Report

by Karen Kriegel

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It's Fall but we're still HOT! With our Rum event and more racing on the bay coming up, we're keeping busy!

Everyone check out the information that Pam provided for the Rum share/tasting happening on Friday, October 13th. See you there!

Karen



Rear Commodore's Report

by Pam Mauldwin

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Calling All Pirates!

Grab your favorite rum and head to our new space!!! We are still a go for our club rum tasting/rum share on Friday the 13th! The cooler temps should make this an enjoyable gathering. We will start meeting at the new space on the 3rd floor around 5 pm and should have at least 4-6 rums presented.

The club will provide tasting cups, mixers, and some food. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to bring their own favorite rum and tell the group a little about it. You are all encouraged to bring your favorite rum cake and recipe also - the more, the merrier our bellies will be! Also, please feel free to bring a guest (\$10)...and a chair!

And remember...rum is the reason pirates (and sailors!) don't rule the world!!

As an FYI, there is no update on our liquor license due to the fast we are waiting on information from the architect, contractors, etc. Stay tuned...

Pam



Fleet Captain's Report

by Mark Taylor

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We have finally turned the corner on heat!

The "Big Mouth Regatta" was a great time to be on the water. Congratulations to Forerunner for taking 1st in the spinnaker Class and Seahorse for placing 1st in the Cruising Class. This was the first race for PBYC on combining the new Cruising ORR-EZ Rating with the traditional PHRF system. The awards party also was a great time to be on the Beach at the Salty Rose Bar.

PBYC has been selected to compete in the 2023 GYA for the Fish Class John G. Curren Memorial Trophy/GYA Fish Class Championship banner. The event is scheduled for October 21st & 22nd at Buccaneer Yacht Club in Mobile. Jeff Zern will be our team captain for the event. Come out and support the team over at Buccaneer. PBYC has submitted the proposed 2024 Race Schedule.

Also anyone interested in becoming the next fleet captain, give me or any board member a call.

2024 Proposed PBYC Race schedule

January 27th.	Frost Bite Regatta
February 10th	Valentine Regatta Bay
March 9th	Maxine #2 Bay
April 28th	Race for Roses
May 11 th	Sea Buoy Bay
September 21st	Big Mouth Regatta

See you on the water!

Mark Taylor-Fleet Captain



Treasurer's Report

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**Secretary's Report
by Bonnie Green**

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!!~~ATTENTION!!~~

We're only a few weeks away from our last General Membership Meeting for 2023 so get the word out!! Don't be shy...come out and speak up about the bylaws AND we welcome ALL nominations for Fleet Captain and Treasurer for next year. Provide all names to me at your earliest convenience for voting at our upcoming meeting.

General Membership Meeting will be Thursday, November 9th at 6:00pm CST

Right now we hope to have it either in our new space or possibly outside our space on the porch, weather permitting. Mark your calendars!

See everyone soon!

Bonnie

UPCOMING REGATTAS:

Saturday, October 14th, 2023 -

Whit Johnson Regatta/Commodore's Cup #4/Pensacola Bay Championship #11 (NYC)

Regatta Network event website for registration and info:

<https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/25609>

PAST REGATTA RESULTS:

Saturday, October 7th, 2023 - Lost Bay Regatta (PtYC)

Results: https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_regatta_results.php?regatta_id=26743&show_divisions=1



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Big Mouth Regatta trophy ceremony at The Salty Rose



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