



# The Spreader



*October 2024 - News from Pensacola Beach Yacht Club*



## **Commodore's Report**

**by Linda Thompson**

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Our November **General Membership meeting on Thursday November 14th is an important one** as we will be electing the board members for the upcoming year. Please, mark your calendars now. But first.... mark your calendars for **October 31st Halloween Vampire Party!** I know its during the week, but that means parking will be abundant!!

In other (somewhat negative) news, Pam Mauldiwn will not be returning as Vice-Commodore and Bar Manager next year as she and her husband are now proud owners of a new business that will require most of her time. Pam has done a fantastic job of getting the bar up and running and can give anyone who is interested in the position more information about what the responsibilities are. We would love someone with a passion for moving the club forward to step up to take Pam's place!

Our bylaws state that any member who wishes to serve as an officer shall **apply in writing to the Secretary before November 1**. Lyn Harrison's email is [lynharr3@gmail.com](mailto:lynharr3@gmail.com), so please send her a quick email if you are interested in any of the board positions. We are in the process of developing job descriptions for the different board positions, so if you need more detail please let me know at [thompson.lindadunbar@gmail.com](mailto:thompson.lindadunbar@gmail.com).

As I mentioned in my last Spreader article, I will be returning for 2025 with lots of ideas and enthusiasm. Also returning are Danny Neal as Fleet Captain, Paul Barrett as Treasurer, and Lyn Harrison as Secretary. Kriss Ridgeway has volunteered to be Rear Commodore and I'm always excited to hear about the ideas she comes up with. James Schulte assumed the position of Webmaster mid-year, and will be keeping the club's website and membership systems going. Connie Bookman has volunteered as Membership Coordinator to replace Courtney Fell and is very excited about welcoming our new members. I'm so excited about our team and where we are headed! We are sad to see Pam, Courtney and Karen go, but many thanks to them for their time and efforts on the board!

Stay tuned for more details on these **upcoming events**:

- **Monthly Member Meet and Greet on the 3rd Wednesday of each month (October 16th and November 20th are planned for now)**
- **Halloween Party on the 31st with a vampire theme!**
- **Big Mouth Regatta and party and awards after on November 9th.**
- **Board meeting November 12th 6pm**
- **November 14th General Membership Meeting 6pm.**
- **December 6th Sabine Lighted Boat Parade - participate or watch!**
- **December 28th Holiday Party**

See everyone on and in (if it's warm!) the water!

Linda



## Vice Commodore's Report

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### Vice-Commodore's Report

Due to some unexpected happenings and new commitments, I will not be in the running for Vice-Commodore next year. I will also be stepping away from most of my duties at the club. It is vital that we get some members who want to keep the momentum we have built moving forward! I have broken down a lot of what I do and invite any of you to step up and take on a part of this and own it! Some of it can be easily covered with minimal time but other areas require more of a commitment. It's very rewarding to be involved in building this club!

- 1. Ensuring the appropriate amounts of beer, wine, liquor and bar supplies inventory are stocked.**
- 2. Place orders of above as needed and procure supplies of items that can not be ordered and delivered.**
- 3. Recruit and schedule volunteer bartenders.**
- 4. Ensure linens and bar rags are cleaned.**
- 5. Ensure volunteers and employees are trained on the use of the POS system**
- 6. Oversee the Event Coordinator whose responsibilities include: a) showing and booking the event space, b) marketing the event space c) scheduling the clean up of the space after the event.**

We have started hosting events in our space and that is going well so far. I'm excited to announce that we now have one standing event on Sunday mornings: please welcome WoW-worship on the water! WoW is affiliated with Gulf Breeze United Methodist Church and is holding services from 8:30-9:30 every Sunday. Please feel free to attend if this interests you.

For your club house to thrive, we need members to be active and engaged. Please contact me to get involved with a committee or with great ideas that you may have!



## Rear Commodore's Report

by Karen Kriegel

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Greetings PBYC! Hope your summer has been fun but I know we are all looking forward to some cooler fall weather. Please consider joining one of our committees and help our club grow. We need to continue to recruit new members; let's keep the momentum going. Any ideas for club activities are welcome. I won't be returning as a board member next year. It has been a pleasure to work with the other board members these past two years. See you on (or around) the water and at the Best Little Yacht Club on the Gulf!

Karen Kriegel



## Fleet Captain's Report

Danny Neal

Fleet Captain's Report

Fall is finally in the air and as PYBC's 2024 racing season is drawing to a close, registration is now open for the Big Mouth Regatta which is scheduled for Saturday, November 9th.

I trust everyone has been taking advantage of the ORR-ez webinar series, graciously hosted by GYA. The final presentation of the series will be held on October 7th at 7:00 pm CT and previous webinars were recorded and can be accessed at <https://gya.org/handicap>. **NOTE: IF THIS HYPERLINK DOES NOT WORK, PLEASE COPY/PASTE INTO YOUR BROWSER**

October 7 webinar:

How to use ORR-Ez for your regatta: [Zoom Link](#)

Thank you all for a wonderful year and I look forward to your participation in the upcoming Big Mouth Regatta.



## Membership Coordinator Report

Hello all! As highlighted in the Rear Commodore's report, there is an essential need for people to step up and help our board be the best it can be. So, many thanks to Connie Bookman who has volunteered to take my place next year as Membership Coordinator! She will be welcoming new members and will be informing them of our upcoming events as well as getting them integrated into our club.

Please give a warm welcome to our newest members:

Patty Manhire and Tom Waire

Michelle Whitehart

Scott Putnam

Edward and Anna Smith

Please come out for our Member Meet and Greet on October 16 to meet and mingle with both new and current members/1

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### Operating Account:

9/30 Actual	\$42,013
9/30 Forecast	\$35,249

### Building Fund:

9/30 Actual	\$95,731
9/30 Forecast	\$108,480

As you can see above, the Operating account is more than forecast, and our Building Fund is less than forecast. Remember, application fees go into the Building Fund, and since we're not getting the number of new members we forecast, that number is falling short. The good news is

that our bar is rocking and getting more profitable and adding to the Operating Fund as we work through start up issues. Many thanks to all the volunteer bartenders who have given countless hours so that we can save on labor costs as we start up.

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For future Spreader articles, we would love to hear about your travels, whether by land or by sea, as well as share some photos of your travels in the Spreader. Please send anything you wish to share to [lynharr3@gmail.com](mailto:lynharr3@gmail.com). We all benefit from each others' adventures!!!

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