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VIEW FROM THE HELM

PYC,

A lot has transpired over the last month! We had a very successful Scowabunga in cahoots with the Melges 14 spring championship. We had 15 MC Scows and 19 Melges 14s with boats from as far away as California and Wisconsin and Maryland. **Tom Clark** and his RC team did a bang up job getting 5 races in over 3 days. **David and Jan Varnell** wowed the crowds with their food and hospitality. We went all out to please the participants and it was noticed and appreciated.

The board has been busy being diligent with our capital expenditures. We received an updated quote for the replacement of the rigging dock and the redefining of B-dock. We have decided to split it up into three phases. Phase one (which we just put a deposit on) will be the rigging dock between the ramp and B-dock. This is a well used section that will get the most use. This phase will be completed some time early fall. The second phase will be the first half of B-dock between the

rigging dock and the first northern side slips. The third phase will be the last half of B-dock with a goal of being complete by the end of next year

The next project after the rigging dock will be the dredging of south cove. This is a much needed project as it has really silted in under the lift. **David Varnell** has already applied for and received the permit from TVA for this work which will happen sometime this winter after the water has gone down.

As for me and my team, we just got back from a week long cruise in Pensacola with **Guy and Tina** (Peaches Gilreath) **Campbell**. We sailed and motored for a week on our Catalina 22s. It was a great trip and I am looking forward to writing an article about that. It was a very interesting trip indeed!

The swim dock is open for business. Be sure and check it out on Saturday and Sunday afternoons. The lily pad will be out. This is a great opportunity for the young ones and non-sailors to enjoy the property and the water.

Looking forward to an awesome summer with everyone.

See you on and in the water!



Josh Landers

Commodore

COMING EVENTS - Please check the PYC website [CALENDAR](#) for more info.

1-June	Saturday PHRF Races	1 pm Saturday
2-June	Dinghy One Design & Portsmouth Race	2:30 pm Sunday
5-June	Wednesday Night PHRF Race & Hot Dog Social	6:45 pm Wednesday
6-June	Tiller Time	6 pm Thursday
8-June	Saturday PHRF Races	1 pm Saturday
9-June	Dinghy One Design & Portsmouth Race	2:30 pm Sunday
10-June	PYC Board Meeting	6 pm Monday
12-June	Wednesday Night PHRF Race & Hot Dog Social	6:45 pm Wednesday
13-June	Tiller Time	6 pm Thursday
15-June	Saturday PHRF Races	1 pm Saturday
15-June	Hawaiian Luau Social	6 pm Saturday
16-June	Father's Day (No Racing)	
19-June	Wednesday Night PHRF Race & Hot Dog Social	6:45 pm Wednesday
20-June	Tiller Time	6 pm Thursday
22,23-June	Thistle Brown Jug Regatta	TBD
26-June	Wednesday Night PHRF Race & Hot Dog Social	6:45 pm Wednesday
27-June	Tiller Time	6 pm Thursday
29-June	Saturday PHRF Races	1 pm Saturday
30-June	Dinghy One Design & Portsmouth Race	2:30 pm Sunday
3-July	Wednesday Night PHRF Race & Hot Dog Social	6:45 pm Wednesday
4-July	July 4th Party	1 pm Thursday
6-July	Saturday PHRF Races	1 pm Saturday
7-July	Dinghy One Design & Portsmouth Race	2:30 pm Sunday
8-July	PYC Board Meeting	6 pm Monday
10-July	Wednesday Night PHRF Race & Hot Dog Social	6:45 pm Wednesday
11-July	Tiller Time	6 pm Thursday
13-July	Saturday PHRF Races	1 pm Saturday
14-July	Dinghy One Design & Portsmouth Race	2:30 pm Sunday
17-July	Wednesday Night PHRF Race & Hot Dog Social	6:45 pm Wednesday
18-July	Tiller Time	6 pm Thursday
20-July	Saturday PHRF Races	1 pm Saturday
21-July	Dinghy One Design & Portsmouth Race	2:30 pm Sunday
24-July	Wednesday Night PHRF Race & Hot Dog Social	6:45 pm Wednesday
25-July	Tiller Time	6 pm Thursday
27-July	Saturday PHRF Races	1 pm Saturday
28-July	Dinghy One Design & Portsmouth Race	2:30 pm Sunday
31-July	Wednesday Night PHRF Race & Hot Dog Social	6:45 pm Wednesday



Junior Sail Camp, aka Privateer Youth Sailing, enrollment is officially **OPEN. Please visit the PYC website for details and to sign up and pay on-line.**

Melges 14 World League Hosted at PYC - Race Recap

The Melges 14 league continues to push forward with excellent races. During the Melges 14 Spring Championship, 19 boats raced - a great showing! We had boats travel from as far as California and Maryland to PYC. While the sailing was fantastic, the Melges 14 community at Privateer was amazing. A group of wonderful people made sure the fleet had a fantastic time on and off the water. Thank you Josh Landers and thank you to the entire group that made this Melges 14 World League event so special. The National Championship is up next!

Rank	Sail #	Helm Name
1st	709	Andy Burdick
2nd	704	Josh Landers
3rd	520	Adam Ankers
4th	7676	Daniel Thielman
5th	511	Mike Schroff
6th	546	John Coolidge
7th	524	Corey Blair
8th	551	Randy Schonagen
9th	707	Brian Hollaway
10th	705	Ed Buiel
11th	703	Ed Craig
12th	518	Barry Klein
13th	531	Jennifer Canestra
14th	318	Maier Travis
15th	716	Peyton Ankers
16th	545	Finn Burdick
17th	640	Michael Easparam
18th	649	Edward John
19th	510	Victoria Gibb



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When Shopping, Always Smile :)

The Privateer Sailing Education Foundation (PSEF) asks you to be generous while shopping. If you use Amazon Prime they will donate 1/2 percent of your purchase to the charity of your choice. The donation is made automatically with no cost to you, your company, or friends.

The following URL links you to information how to sign up to support PSEF's (Privateer Sailing Education Foundation)

https://smile.amazon.com/gp/chpf/about/ref=smi_se_rspo_laas_aas

A few mouse taps, and you are enrolled. Without further thought, you will be funding our foundation and the future of sailing. It's that simple - Thank You!

amazon smile - Steve Sherman



PYC & PSEF will be hosting the Junior Olympics

That's right! And it is happening on the weekend of October 5th and October 6th.

Each event in this family of regattas is hosted by a different sailing organization. The series is designed to grow the sport and to give talented junior sailors an Olympic pathway. All events share goals: to encourage young sailors to enjoy sailing, to develop sailing skills, and to create lifetime sailors. Events mix Olympic-style competition with elements of fun. Over 5,000 young sailors will compete in 2019. Over 50,000 sailors have participated since the program began in 1997.

Our Planning Committee Includes: Josh Sneiderman, Sunny Balogh, Heidi Smith, Shevonda Sherrow, Samantha Travis, Corey Blair and Steve Sherman.

We need Volunteers. Please contact Samantha Travis at:

SAMANTHA.TRAVIS@live.com

Please also share this link with your friends and racers at other clubs.

<http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/19066>

Melges 14 Action (continued)

Courtesy of **Bub Rupe**



<p>CRSA CORAL REEF SAILING APPAREL 888-224-0641 or www.coralreefsailing.net</p>	<p>PRIVATEER YACHT CLUB SHIP'S STORE available through Coral Reef Sailing Go to this website: http://www.coralreefsailing.com/index.php/privateer-yacht-club.html?__store=pryc Check back later for member discounts during promotional sales on all types of apparel and gear, even outside the range of customized pieces.</p>
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Get Ready for Tiller Time...



Photo: Harry Bryan

WHAT IS TILLER TIME?

PYC friends gathering to go sailing, kayaking, paddleboarding, and just have fun!

WHEN: Every Thursday starting @ 6:00 pm

WHO: EVERYONE All boats, all ages, men and women - all skill levels!

This is your chance to go cruising, enjoy the outdoors, and spend time relaxing with fellow sailing lovers and just have fun!

Tiller Time will be held through the summer. Please view our [calendar](#) for dates. Please bring \$5 to contribute to the meal and RSVP the night before, so we know how much food to get. If interested, please contact:

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WE WANT YOUR PICTURE

for our new member directory.

Our new PYC membership directory will feature pictures of our members (helpful for those of us with bad memories). Please come to the socials and get your picture taken, so you can be added to our new directory.

Questions?

Just contact:

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BOATS FOR SALE & ETC.

(Please contact owners for more info.)



J 24 w/ trailer - \$6,500 - Slip B-14 - David Cox - 423-842-8698

S2 9.1 - \$25,000 - Slip C-2 (Will trade for smaller boat plus \$\$) Phil Dugan - 423-309-6077

Catalina 22 - \$4,000 - Li'l Boy Blue - Reconditioned fully race ready, with good sails and gear. Walt Jenison 423 653-4091, Hm 886-5655

Catalina 22 Sport (2005) - \$12,500 - Rigged for cruising or racing, and ready for fresh or salt water. Dieter Kuberg - 423-421-4471

Mirage 5.5 on trailer - Steve George - 423-667-2493

Ranger 26 (Mull - 1972) - \$2,700 - Full set of sails - Tom Prevost - 423-580-6980

O'Day 28 - Giving away old (usable) sails (main, jib, & 130 genoa(furling setup)) - Steve Sherman - 423-432-6501

LOOKING FOR SUMMER JOB?

Does anyone know of a teacher off for the Summer that might be interested in a long term job as director of our Summer Camp? We have always used retired members, and still can, but it seems logical that a teacher might enjoy this position. This will be a paid position. If we continue the role in the future, it would be perfect for someone off for the summer. If that person exists it would be helpful for them to observe the camp this summer in anticipation of Summer Camp 2020.

Please contact Steve at 423-432-6501

PYC Sailing Sightings



Chris Edwards and Barry Klein outrunning a storm.
- Photo by Chris Edwards



Lynda Stewart - Photo by Dee Harwell



Tiller Time Sunset
Photo by Dee Harwell



'Ready Eddie' - Photo by Dee Harwell



PYC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 13, 2019

Board Members Present: Guy Campbell Rob Fowler
Keith Harper Paul Healy Josh Landers
Linda Lind Tom Prevost David Varnell
Guests: Curtis & Keith Campbell, Carl Dyer,
Scott Ferguson, Dee Harwell, & Cory Richardson

Meeting called to order by **Commodore Josh Landers**.

Membership Director's Report – Eddie Graham was absent, but **Curtis and Keith Campbell**, who have been family members in the past have returned and were welcomed as associate members again. Memberships totals are: Family, 149; Associate, 14; Junior, 20; Out of Town, 19; and Honorary, 6.

Secretary's Report – Board approved the previous minutes.

Commodore's Report – Present and anticipating the upcoming Scowabunga Regatta!

Treasurer's Report – **Dee Harwell** presented in **Gary Harwell's** absence. Scott Ferguson, VP of McGriff Insurance Services (PYC's broker), presented on PYC's and Privateer Sailing Education Foundation (PSEF)'s insurance coverage. The Board will further review whether we have adequate coverage. April 2019 P&L statements were discussed, along with the A/R Aging Summary regarding members in arrears. YTD net income is \$37,078.10. The Board approved the report.

Vice Commodore's Report – Racing is going well. PYC's Facebook page has notices regarding activities to generate interest. Wednesday night is going very well. We've had good turnouts, and the slower boats have been getting in before dark to help enjoy hot dogs and snacks.

Rear Commodore's Report – Fire extinguishers were checked and tagged, including the RC boats. Kitchen ranges and hoods inspected. Some plumbing issues were resolved.

Past Commodore's Report – 80 students have signed up for Sail Camp (14 more than last year). New PSEF board members are **Spencer Wiberley** and **Marv Martin**. Adaptive sailing instruction started last week. A Junior Olympics Regatta will be hosted at PYC October 4-6, 2019

Dockmaster's Report – Completed work on required permits for the South Cove project. Received approval from TVA, TDEC, and ACOE to proceed with the project.

- A-Dock - Piling surround installed on the north end. Thanks to **Eddie Graham** for help.
- B-Dock piling pulled using buoyancy of the dock finger and dock float; moved to ditch beside launching ramp. Thanks to **Steve Miller** for pulling the piling.
- Abandoned Hydro Hoist near E-Dock is ready to be removed and dismantled when regattas are over.

- The A-Dock floating dock is unsuitable for use as a dock finger due to differences in buoyancy motion when large waves rock the docks.
- Contract proposal of \$27.5K received from Dock Builders to replace the launch ramp rigging dock. Board approved securing the contract; down payment is \$18K.
- Planning a work party to replace B-Dock walkway treads.
- Contacted Dock Builders to remove the damaged piling at the end of A-Dock.

Club Boats Director's Report –

- Large RHIB steering rod is bent, **David Bergevin** to fix.
- Boston Whaler not reaching full power. Fuel filters cleaned and replaced, but no improvement. Transporting to Cleveland Marine. Report boat malfunctions ASAP.
- PYC Committee Boat - Do not use the aluminum spray supports to secure anchor lines; only use the bow anchor cleat. LED running lights to be added to the RC pontoon.
- The RHIB's bimini tops have arrived and will be installed. PSEF procured both tops.
- Carolina Skiff - Experiencing hull water absorption issues. Please do not let it stay in the water longer than needed.
- Check boats for drain plug installation prior to launching, especially the RHIBs.

Social Co-Chair Director's Report – The June social will have a Hawaiian theme. A July 4th picnic lunch will be on Thursday; Associate Members to be contacted for leadership.

Old Business – Reviewed Dockmaster's report for the proposed B-Dock contract for launch ramp rigging dock replacement and resurfacing. There was no new business. A motion to adjourn was made and approved.

~ Respectfully submitted, **Tom Prevost**

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Privateer Yacht Club

was organized on July 25, 1940, in order to promote sailing in the Chickamauga Lake area and particularly in Chattanooga; to teach its members to talk the language of the sea and build up a marine tradition for "The Great Lakes of The South"; to help promote water safety and a code of ethics for the waterways; to form a social and activity nucleus for people in the area interested in sailing; and to develop an active relationship with other sailing and boating organizations to promote racing and other boating activities.



PYC At Night by Keith Harper

"You only live once, but if you do it right, once is enough." - Bruce Johnston (JH Ranch)

"All you need is love. But a little chocolate now and then doesn't hurt." - Charles M. Schultz

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