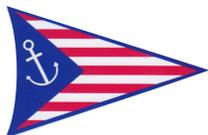


PORTSMOUTH YACHT CLUB

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View from the Bridge Commodore Whit Weller



The summer of fun has just begun!

Let's celebrate our success! We have accomplished so much this spring. In this month's issue read about the great work done by the PYC members to bring our club alive this spring.

Your Board of Directors continues to work diligently to manage club operations and expenses to bring you the best experience this season.

We look forward to welcoming new members this season. We should all make an effort to reach out to them as they cross the threshold into membership.

VC Christensen tells us about the opening and upcoming events. Something to look forward to for all of us.

RC Wells updates us on the critical activities he has brought together to ensure our use and enjoyment of club facilities this season.

Board member Paulette Semprini gives highlights of the clubhouse interior update.

See you at the club!

Whit Weller, Commodore | Commodore@PortsmouthYC.org

LADIES COMMITTEE MEETING 6:00 PM ~ JUNE 15

The Ladies Committee will hold a meeting at 6:00 PM on June 15th (night of the London Broil Dinner). The meeting will be held in the Whaleback Room or outside on the deck, weather permitting.

NOTE:

The Mexican Dinner (5/25) has been rescheduled to Friday, July 9

5/30(M) MEMORIAL DAY BRUNCH

June hosts: Bill & Kay Wagner

6/5(SU) NEW MEMBERS COCKTAIL PARTY

6/12(SU) PRE-CRUISE POT LUCK DINNER

6/15(W) LONDON BROIL DINNER

Ladies Committee Meeting at 6:00

After Dinner Comedy Entertainment

6/22(W) PIZZA NIGHT

6/25(S) WOOD ISLAND TRIP

Rain date 6/29

6/26(SU) FASHION SHOW

Sponsored by the Ladies Committee

PRIVATE FUNCTIONS

6/2 (TH)

Members, please use outside walkway

PLANNING AHEAD

7/3(SU) INDEPENDANCE DAY COOKOUT

Follow up-to-date information on the
[PYC Website Calendar](#)

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

We would like to extend a warm welcome to the following new members:

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| <i>W. Brendan Harrington</i> | <i>Sharon Parker</i> |
| <i>Susan Spaulding & William Stewart</i> | <i>Nancy Oeser & Christopher Stevens</i> |
| <i>John & Susan Durkin</i> | <i>Thomas & Kathleen Conneen</i> |
| <i>Gregory & Cara Burzynski</i> | <i>Robert Martin & Wendy Keller</i> |
| <i>Robert D. & Patricia Watson</i> | <i>Karen Fay</i> |

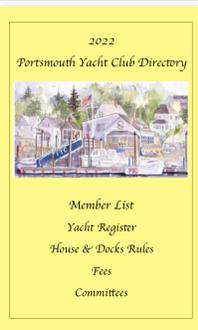
MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE NEWS

(View the Applicant Wait List and member changes on the PYC website.)

The Membership Committee will have interviewed seven applicants by Memorial Day. We will soon be putting out a new interview schedule as there are eight who are remaining as of now. We are hoping to complete these in the not too distant future. STAY TUNED!!

We have received one (1) request for reinstatement and one (1) new application for membership:

- **Bruce Jewett** has applied for reinstatement.
- **Linda and Patrick Walsh** of Greenland, sponsored by James Haslam and Michael Labar. Linda and Patrick feel the club has a friendly, social, and family atmosphere. They have many friends who belong to the club who speak highly of the members and activities, and have found everyone they have met to be welcoming, friendly, and interested in learning about us. Although they currently keep their boat at a local marina in Portsmouth, most of the people they meet there are in passing on the docks and the setup is not conducive to socializing in the manner that it is at PYC. As almost empty nesters, they find they have more time for themselves, and feel this is an excellent opportunity to branch out. They have been boaters for many years, enjoy socializing with people who have the same interests and look forward to expanding their network of friends through social and volunteering activities.



The 2022 Club Directory has been mailed. If you have not received your copy yet, you will shortly.

Reminder that when you have changes to your contact or boat information please be sure to update your information with our Club Secretary.

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| Commodore Whit Weller | Commodore@PortsmouthYC.org |
| Vice Commodore Soni Christensen | ViceCommodore@PortsmouthYC.org |
| Rear Commodore Roger Wells | RearCommodore@PortsmouthYC.org |
| Treasurer Doyle Skeels | Treasurer@PortsmouthYC.org |
| Club Secretary Sharon Parker | Secretary@PortsmouthYC.org |
| Communications Secretary Chis Weller | Communications@PortsmouthYC.org |
| Steward Maddie Flagg | Steward@PortsmouthYC.org |
| Dock Master Wyatt Parsons | DockMaster@PortsmouthYC.org |



From the Vice Commodore | Soni Christensen

The Yacht Club has opened for the 2022 season and the turn out for the Kentucky Derby party sponsored by Laurie Clark and the Opening Dinner Dance sponsored by Pat Dowey were huge successes. Thank you both and your teams for all the hard work.

The Club has been redecorated and looks beautiful just in time for all the events we have planned for you. Thank you to Paulette Semprini who organized the transformation and thank you to the many, many volunteers who put in hundreds of hours getting the Club ready for us.

The Mexican Fiesta is Wednesday, May 25, sponsored by Mike and Anne Coffee and catered by Las Olas Taqueria. The Memorial Day Brunch will be May 30, once again hosted by Dan Gingras and Phyllis Breitman .

The June events are included in the June newsletter. We are off to a busy, fun year. Sign up early to the events you want to attend as both parties held so far have been sold out.

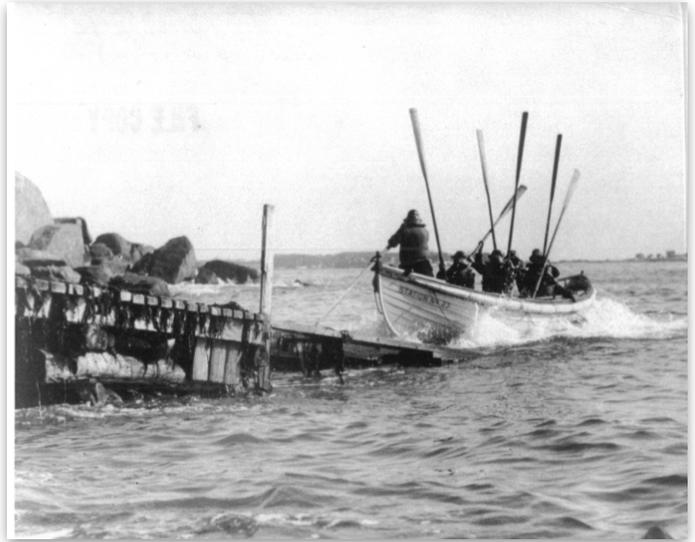
Soni Christensen, Vice Commodore
ViceCommodore@PortsmouthYC.org

A NOTE ABOUT VOLUNTEERISM

Volunteerism is so important in making our Club such a successful organization. Over the years we have moved away from most meals being prepared by caterers, to Club members preparing many of the meals. The cost of a catered meal has become quite expensive plus the meals prepared by your fellow members are so delicious and unique.

How to cover the cost of all meal events at the Club became a vigorous discussion and is now settled by your Board of Directors. It is "business as usual." Thank you everyone for your commitment to the Club.

.....Soni



*With our upcoming trip to the
Wood Island Life Saving Station,
enjoy this clipping from 90 years ago!*

The Portsmouth Herald, June 21, 1932

Commander Price of the Coast Guard has agreed to a request from the Portsmouth Yacht Club that he arrange for some rowing races to be held on the Fourth of July. These races are to be held at 2 p. m., the course being between the Memorial Bridge and Peirce Island. Eight-oar surf boats from the stations at Wallis Sands, Wood Island, Hampton Beach, and the Isles of Shoals are expected to take part. The Portsmouth Yacht Club will award prize cups to the winning crews. If the weather permits the Coast Guard will stage a capsizing drill also. It is hoped that arrangements may be made to hold speed boat races on the same program.



From the Rear Commodore | Roger Wells



The house and docks are coming together. The beautiful painting of the interior and new carpeting have certainly brightened up the atmosphere. These renovations were well received by members at the two well attended recent start-up events. More improvements are on the way. These include fabric window treatments, new exterior shutters, and a handicap ramp. New dock water supply is in the works. There was a serious trip hazard that formed where the wooden deck was raised almost 2 inches where it meets the slab. The deck had floated up due to tidal and storm surges and was held in place by large chunks of concrete and gravel aggregate. The deck was jacked up and the obstructions were removed. The dock house freezer was replaced when the old freezer died. The new Steward and Dock Master are working hard with minimal crew and tough scheduling until the other staff come on board after school has finished for the year. Lots to do, but looking forward to a great season.

Roger Wells, Rear Commodore | RearCommodore@PortsmouthYC.org

PYC Renovation and Acoustic Committee

This committee has been planning, budgeting, and working for one year on updating our club. If you have been down, you have seen brighter walls and ceilings, new carpet, clean burgees going back up, ship models have been cleaned, coffee bar being re-stained darker to match our big bar, new shades going up on the port side, and more still in the works.

My committee includes Andy Smith, Bill Gosselin and Richard Weaver. This project could not have happened without volunteers. Mary Pat & Jay Gibson, Nancy & Toby Clarke, Patty & Rob Watson, Karen Fay, Roy Briscoe, Dennis Cloutier, Bill Rushforth and many more still volunteering to finish up. Thanks to all. Our new Steward, Maddie, has been terrific to work with !!

Enjoy your club and have a great summer.

.....Paulette Semprini



Memorial Day Breakfast

Monday, May 30 ~ 9:00 to 10:30

Prepared by Phyllis Breitman, Dan Gingras, and crew

Breakfast breads, yogurt and granola, scrambled eggs, cinnamon French toast bake, with vegetables and sausage, and more!

Bloody Marys and Screwdrivers

\$12 per person, children under 10 Free

NEW MEMBERS COCKTAIL PARTY

5 PM, SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2022

\$25 per person, New Members Free

Hosted by Dan Gingras, Phyllis Breitman and Crew

Local Roasted Mushroom Pate;

Beef Tenderloin;

Crab cakes w/ Lemon Aioli & Caviar;

Filet Mignon Crostini w/ horseradish cream;

Deviled Eggs; Chicken Skewers;

Smoked Salmon;

Assorted cheeses & Crackers; Shrimp;

veggie Platters; Pigs in a blanket; Spanakopita

Assorted petit fours for dessert

Sign up Deadline: Monday, May 30

London Broil Dinner

WED, JUNE 15, 2022 | \$25 per person

Hosted by DJ Blouin, Porter Davis and Crew

6:00 BYOB Cocktails | 7:00 Dinner

(LADIES COMMITTEE AT 6:00)

Assorted Appetizers

Salad; London Broil;

Baked Potato; Vegetable

Cheese Cake for Dessert

FOLLOWING DINNER:

COMEDY ENTERTAINMENT!

Sign up for Events in the book
in the club or contact our
Steward, Maddie Flagg
Steward@PortsmouthYC.org

603.436.9877

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[PYC Website Calendar](#)

PIZZA NIGHT

WED, JUNE 22, 2022

6:00 BYOB Cocktails | 7:00 Dinner

Pizza; Caesar Salad; Ice Cream;

\$15 per person | Children under 12 FREE

WOOD ISLAND TOUR

4 PM, SATURDAY, JUNE 25, 2022

NO CHARGE

- Commencing at the club dock. Ride to Wood Island for a tour, then return to the clubhouse for BYOB cocktails and BYO Appetizers.
- Limit of 30 will be able to get a ride on the boat. Others may come to Wood Island by their own dinghy or small boat.

CELEBRATE SUMMER FASHIONS

SUNDAY, JUNE 26

DETAILS ON PAGE 6



Celebrate Summer Fashions

Sponsored by the Ladies Committee

June 26th 2 PM | \$20 per person

Sign up deadline: Wed, June 22nd

Fashions by

Club Boutique & City Shoes

Wine – Dessert – Coffee

2 Raffles:

- ★ \$100 gift certificate to the store, donated by the Ladies Committee
- ★ Private Shopping Spree, donated by the store, for the winner & 3 friends

Sign up at the club or contact the Steward at 603.436.9877

Table reservations accepted ~ Call Laurie Clark at 603.988.7994





PYC MOORING NUMBERS & LOCATIONS

Mooring#	General Location	Latitude	Longitude
2487	Little Bay	43 07.025	70 51.460
319	Little Harbor	43 03.327	70 43.244
325	Little Harbor	43 03.346	70 43.182
1670	Shoals, NH	42 58.736	70 36.714
2141	Shoals, NH	42 58.718	70 36.718
2208	Shoals, NH	42 58.686	70 36.634
3167	Shoals, NH	42 58.702	70 36.630
3276	Shoals, NH	42 58.710	70 36.651
902	Shoals, ME (PCYC)	42 58.875	70 36.796
904	Shoals, ME (PCYC)	42 58.860	70 36.767

GOOD PRACTICE & RULES TO FOLLOW FOR MOORING USE

1. **ALWAYS** fly the Club Burgee to identify yourself as a PYC member. (Available from the Ships Store)
2. **DO NOT**, repeat **DO NOT** allow a non-member using your vessel to fly **your burgee** to obtain a mooring!
3. If PYC moorings are occupied by an apparent non-member, going along-side and asking if they are members is a good practice. Some answers may be evasive! If the occupants honestly say they are not members politely ask them to vacate. Make sure, of course that there are not other PYC moorings available.
4. Being insistent that a non-member vacate a PYC mooring is **not** “bad form”. Remember, we all pay for the permits and maintenance!
5. Rafting of vessels on PYC moorings is OK. Please use common sense when doing so.



EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY

North Sails: Sail Trim for Cruisers & Racers w/ Brad White

Thursday June 2, 2022 6:30pm

Kittery Point Yacht Club

“Racing or Cruising - get the most out of your sails”

Trim tips from Brad White of North Sails.

This is a great opportunity to learn from sailor and North Sail’s Brad White.

Find out more [HERE](#).